## Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank receives Silver Prize at the ESG Finance Awards JAPAN 2022

We are pleased to announce that Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Ltd. (President: Kazuya Oyama: hereinafter "SuMi TRUST Bank") received the Silver Prize (Minister of the Environment Award) in the indirect finance category at the ESG Finance Awards Japan 2022 (hereinafter referred to as "the Award") which was established by the Ministry of the Environment of Japan.

The Award is designed to recognize institutional investors, financial institutions, financial intermediaries, and companies that have made a positive impact on ESG finance or environmental and social projects in order to achieve the "Just Transition" to a sustainable society. The Award has four categories: (1) Investor category, (2) Indirect finance category, (3) Fund raisers category, and (4) Financial Services category, to recognize a wide range of companies and financial institutions that are actively engaged in ESG finance and has the Environmentally Sustainable Corporations category which recognizes companies that are creating positive impact on the environment.

SuMi TRUST Bank received the Silver Prize (the Minister of the Environment Award) in the indirect finance category at the Award for its outstanding efforts to take on new challenges ahead of other financial institutions, including the multifaceted development of impact finance, its contribution to regional ESG finance, and the composition of the Technology Based Finance (hereinafter referred to as "TBF") team. This is the second time SuMi TRUST Bank has received an award, following the Gold Prize in the ESG finance Awards Japan 2020.



TBF team is a group of experts who, based on their scientific and technological knowledge, find the essence of issues and solutions, and accurately assess the technological value and risks, thereby realizing proactive actions and financing with a view to social implementation of technology. We have already been using TBF team for positive impact finance and regional ESG finance and have achieved good results.

By utilizing TBF team's technical expertise and function, we will continue to contribute to the realization of a decarbonized society, ESG finance, and the achievement of the SDGs goals, as well as contribute to the further enhancement of our clients' corporate value.

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