

## Selected for the First Time as a Constituent of "MSCI Nihonkabu ESG Select Leaders Index,"a Composite ESG Index

Credit Saison Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Toshima-ku, Tokyo; Representative, Executive President and COO: Katsumi Mizuno; hereinafter, "Credit Saison") is pleased to announce that we have recently been selected for the first time as a constituent of the MSCI Nihonkabu ESG Select Leaders Index ("the Index"), a key ESG (environmental, social and governance) investment index adopted by the Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF), the world's largest pension fund.

## **2024** CONSTITUENT MSCI NIHONKABU ESG SELECT LEADERS INDEX

The Index is provided by Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Inc. of the United States and is established by selecting companies with high ESG ratings in each industry sector from constituents of its parent index (MSCI Nihonkabu IMI Index). Credit Saison holds an A rating in the latest MSCI ratings.

Thanks to the selection for the Index, Credit Saison is now included in the following five of the six domestic equity ESG indices adopted by GPIF.

- <Indices that include Credit Saison>
- Composite index
  - MSCI Nihonkabu ESG Select Leaders Index
  - •FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index
- Thematic index
  - •S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index
  - •MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)
  - •Morningstar Japan ex-REIT Gender Diversity Tilt Index

Since the establishment of the Sustainability Promotion Committee in August 2021, the Credit Saison Group has been strengthening our group-wide efforts to resolve social and environmental issues through our business activities in order to help realize a sustainable society, and we have been deepening our approaches in the sustainability field by establishing important sustainability issues (materialities), supporting the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), participating in the TCFD consortium, disclosing information based on the TCFD recommendations and obtaining a B score in the CDP Climate Change 2023 (for the second consecutive year).

Going forward, we will continue to create a sustainable society that is more convenient and prosperous than today by contributing through our daily business activities to the development of society and the resolution of issues that only the Credit Saison Group can achieve, based on our management philosophy of being a leading-edge service company and by utilizing our unique knowhow, management resources, and the experience of each and every one of our employees.

<Reference>

- MSCI Nihonkabu ESG Select Leaders Index (\*Japanese only) https://www.msci.com/our-solutions/indexes/nihonkabu-esg-select-leaders-index
- Sustainability of our Group
  - $\boldsymbol{\cdot} \textbf{Sustainability Related}$

https://corporate.saisoncard.co.jp/en/sustainability/esg/

Integrated Report

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• Initiatives and external recognition <u>https://corporate.saisoncard.co.jp/en/sustainability/initiative/</u>

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