

NEWS RELEASE

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Sumitomo Life joins "Advance" - Initiatives for collaborative engagement to resolve human rights and social issues -

Sumitomo Life Insurance Company (President & CEO: Yukinori Takada; hereinafter "Sumitomo Life") joined the "Advance," an international initiative that conducts collaborative engagement activities to address social issues primarily related to human rights.

The Advance is a five-year project launched in May 2022 under the leadership of the PRI (Principles for Responsible Investment) and is an initiative in which institutional investors encourage companies to resolve social issues, mainly related to human rights, through collaborative engagement.



Sumitomo Life aims to be an "indispensable insurance company" and to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in our business activities. We recognize that respect for human rights is a particularly important issue in realizing a healthy and enriched society, and we are making efforts in accordance with the "Sumitomo Life Group Human Rights Policy."

[Major SDGs related to Advance]





As an institutional investor, we promote responsible investment with the aim of both realizing a sustainable society and securing stable investment returns over the medium to long term. With respect for human rights, we are working to resolve issues mainly through engagement activities (dialogue with companies).

In this regard, we have decided to sign*1 the Advance, as it is important for us to work together with institutional investors globally, in addition to our activities, to address important global issues such as human rights. Through involvement in the activities of the Advance, we will contribute to solving social issues related to human rights and will also enhance our responsible investment activities.

*1 We signed on the Advance as an "Endorser" to support the activities of the initiative.

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