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Japan Asia Group Limited

**Kokusai Kogyo's Chairperson and CEO Sandra Wu, Wen Hsiu  
appointed to United Nations Global Compact Board**

Sandra Wu, Wen-Hsiu, Chairperson and CEO of Kokusai Kogyo Co., Ltd. and Director of Japan Asia Group Limited, was appointed to the Board of the United Nations Global Compact by the Secretary-General of the United Nations António Guterres on June 20, 2018. Kokusai Kogyo is a fully owned subsidiary of Japan Asia Group Limited (Securities Code: 3751, Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer: Tetsuo Yamashita).

The United Nations (UN) Global Compact acts as the United Nations flagship for responsible business action. Announced at the 1999 World Economic Forum annual meeting by then UN Secretary General Kofi Annan and launched in 2000, it is the largest corporate sustainability initiative in the world. Organizations and businesses participate in the UN Global Compact by committing, at the corporate leadership level, to align strategies and operations with the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact: a set of universal principles covering human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption, and take actions that advance societal goals. The UN Global Compact is a leadership platform for the development, implementation and disclosure of responsible corporate practices, with more than 9,500 companies and 3,000 non-business signatories based in over 160 countries, including 278 organizations from Japan, and more than 70 Local Networks.

The UN Global Compact Board was inaugurated in 2006. Designed as a multi-stakeholder body, the Board provides ongoing strategic and policy advice for the initiative. The Board is chaired by the Secretary-General of the United Nations António Guterres, with Bola Adesola, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Standard Chartered Nigeria, and Paul Polman, Chief Executive Officer of Unilever, serving as Vice-Chairs.

The nomination of Sandra Wu to the Board was made in recognition of her ongoing engagement with United Nation Office of Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)'s private sector group, and Kokusai Kogyo and Japan Asia Group's commitment to provide climate change solutions and work towards global sustainable growth.

Board members are considered champions who are willing and able to advance the mission of the UN Global Compact during their three-year appointment. As the world approaches the third anniversary of the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals, the UN Global Compact Board will be instrumental in helping to bring business to the table in support of Agenda 2030.



The Japan Asia Group will continue to provide solutions for climate change mitigation as well as climate change adaptation via our core competency, geospatial information, to our private and public sector clients.

- UN Global Compact Board Members

<https://www.unglobalcompact.org/about/governance/board/members>

- Press release by UN Global Compact

<https://www.unglobalcompact.org/news/4388-06-20-2018>

- Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact

<https://www.unglobalcompact.org/what-is-gc/mission/principles>

<b>Human Rights</b>	<p><b>Principle 1:</b> Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; and</p> <p><b>Principle 2:</b> make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.</p>
<b>Labour</b>	<p><b>Principle 3:</b> Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;</p> <p><b>Principle 4:</b> the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;</p> <p><b>Principle 5:</b> the effective abolition of child labour; and</p> <p><b>Principle 6:</b> the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.</p>
<b>Environment</b>	<p><b>Principle 7:</b> Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;</p> <p><b>Principle 8:</b> undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and</p> <p><b>Principle 9:</b> encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.</p>
<b>Anti-Corruption</b>	<p><b>Principle 10:</b> Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.</p>

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