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Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

**SMBC Appoints Joyce Tee as Head of Corporate Banking Department in Asia Pacific**

Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) today announced the appointment of Joyce Tee as Head of Corporate Banking Department in Asia Pacific, effective 22 May 2025.

Based in Singapore and reporting to the Head of Asia Pacific Division, Joyce will lead the bank's corporate banking strategy across the region as it strengthens its position as a trusted partner to global and regional corporates across Asia Pacific, succeeding Hideo Uchida, who will transition to another leadership role within the SMBC Group after a handover period.

Joyce brings over three decades of banking experience, most recently as Managing Director and Head of Institutional Banking Group at DBS China. Previously, she served as Group Head of SME Banking at DBS and has held senior roles at OCBC Bank and MetroBank N.A. USA. Her leadership has been instrumental in building client-focused platforms and driving regional growth, earning global recognition including Euromoney's "World's Best SME Bank" award in 2018 and 2022.

"I am honored to join SMBC at a pivotal time in its Asia Pacific growth journey. I look forward to working with our exceptional teams across the region to deliver long-term value to clients while enhancing returns and deepening client trust," said Joyce.

Katsufumi Uchida, Head of Asia Pacific Region at SMBC, commented: "We are delighted to welcome Joyce to SMBC. Her experience in leading high-performing client businesses across Asia will be invaluable as we accelerate our transformation efforts. This appointment underscores SMBC's unwavering commitment to investing in leadership and talent. With a focus on deepening our presence in Asia Pacific, expanding client coverage, and enhancing capital efficiency, Joyce's proven ability in driving returns, fostering innovation, and building enduring client trust aligns seamlessly with our strategic goals for the future."

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## **About SMBC**

Headquartered in Tokyo, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) is a leading global financial institution and a core member of Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group (SMBC Group). Built upon our rich Japanese heritage since 1876, we put our customers first and provide seamless access to, from and within the Asia Pacific region.

SMBC is one of the largest Japanese banks by assets, with over ¥243,825 billion in total assets and strong credit ratings across our global integrated network spanning 39 countries and territories, 15 of which are here in the region. Our regional reach extends from corporate and institutional companies to individual customers supported by our Multi-Franchise Strategy in Indonesia, India, Vietnam and the Philippines. We work closely as one SMBC Group to offer personal, corporate and investment banking services to meet the needs of our customers.

With sustainability embedded within our strategy and operations, we are committed to creating a society in which today's generation can enjoy economic prosperity and well-being and pass it on to future generations.

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