# **Strengthening Efforts against Climate Change**

May 15, 2023



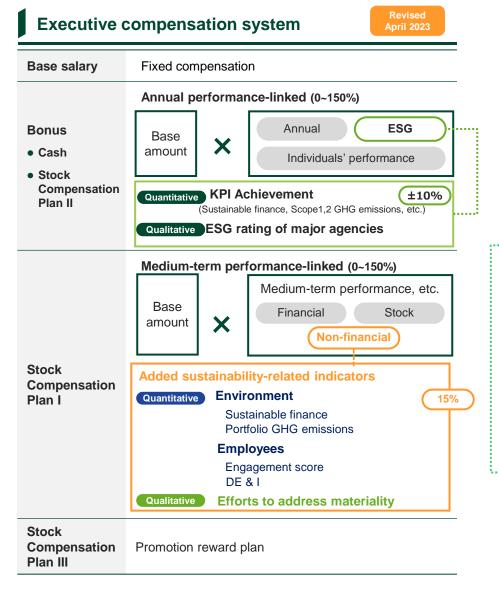
# **Summary (Major updates)**

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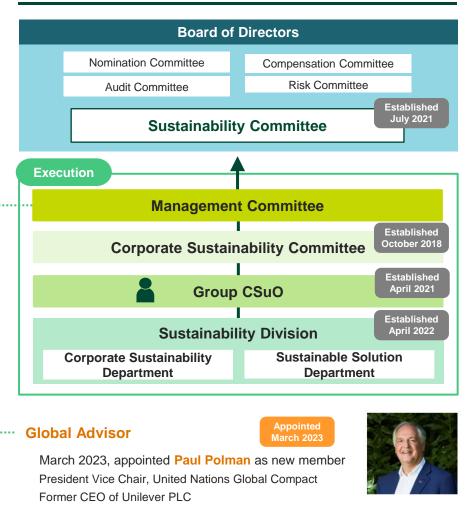
# **Enhancement of Sustainability Management System**

Revision of executive compensation system to incorporate ESG quantitative indicators, such as portfolio GHG emissions, in the medium-term performance-based compensation

Appointment of Paul Polman, former CEO of Unilever PLC as Global Advisor

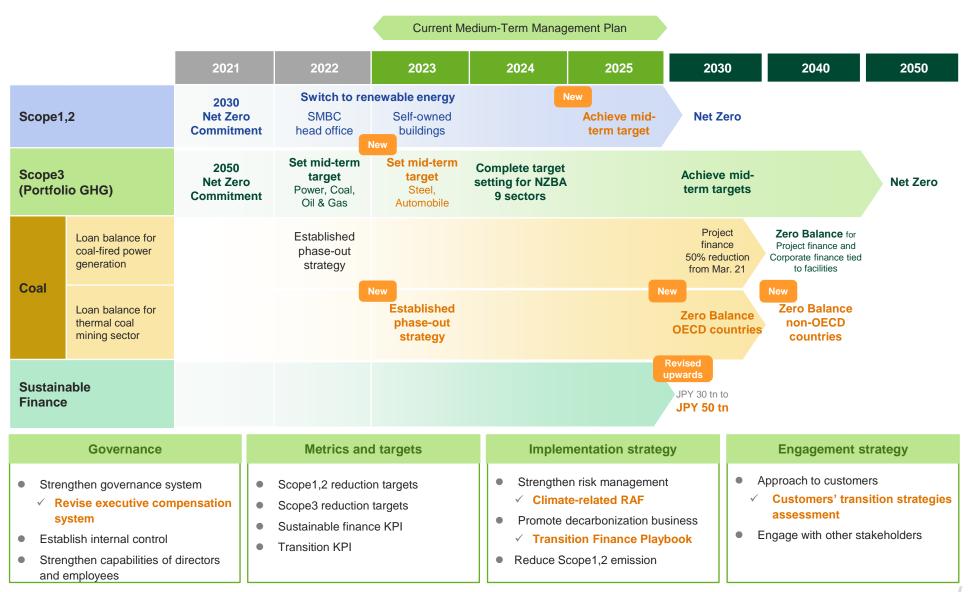


#### New Global Advisor



# **Transition Plan to Realize Net Zero (Overview)**

Transition Plan is series of goals and actions for SMBC Group to realize net zero. We will continue to enhance them.

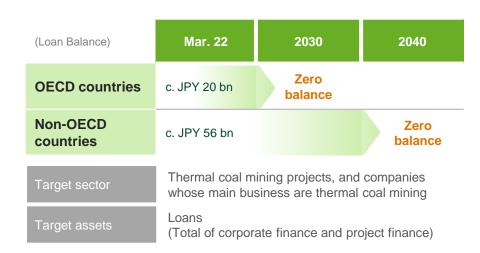


# **Enhancement of phase-out strategy for coal sector**

Phase-out strategy is newly established for thermal coal mining sector, in addition to coal-fired power generations

#### Loans for thermal coal mining

Established May 2023



< Policies for specific businesses and sectors>

Revised August 2022

# Support for newly planned and expansion of thermal coal mining projects are not provided

- We will not provide support for companies whose main businesses are thermal coal mining or linked infrastructure development that do not have any existing transactions with SMBC Group.
- Support for newly planned and the expansion of infrastructure developments that are dedicated to above-mentioned projects are not provided.

#### Loans for coal-fired power generations

Established May 2022



< Policies for specific businesses and sectors>

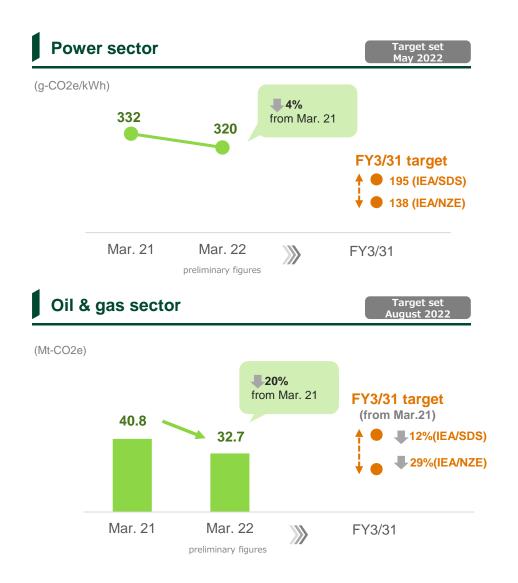
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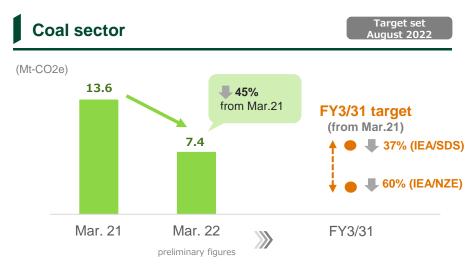
# Support for newly planned and expansion of coal-fired power plants are not provided

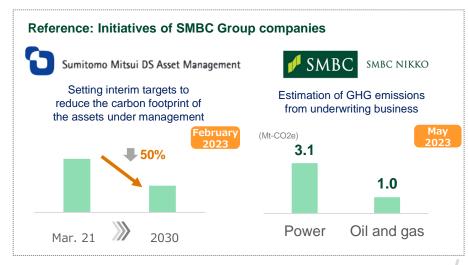
- < Understanding of the Business/Sector >
- SMBC Group expects our customers to establish and publicly announce long-term strategies aimed at realizing a carbon neutral business model and other initiatives to address climate change.
- SMBC Group will support the activities of our clients contributing to the transition toward and realization of a decarbonized society.

# Strengthening efforts to reduce portfolio GHG emissions (Scope 3) (1)

Steady progress is being made in the 3 sectors (power, oil & gas, and coal) for which mid-term targets have been set for 2030







# Strengthening efforts to reduce portfolio GHG emissions (Scope 3) (2)

Mid-term targets for steel and transport (automobile) sectors to be announced during FY3/24

Target-setting to be completed for total of 9 sectors covering majority of Scope3 by October 2024

#### Steel and transport (automobile) sector

		FY3/22 Results (Estimated)	Mid-term target	
Stool	Absolute (Mt-CO2e)	8.2		
Steel	Intensity (t-CO2e/t-Steel)	2.0	To be set during FY3/24	
Transport (automobile)	Intensity (g-CO2e/vkm)	217		

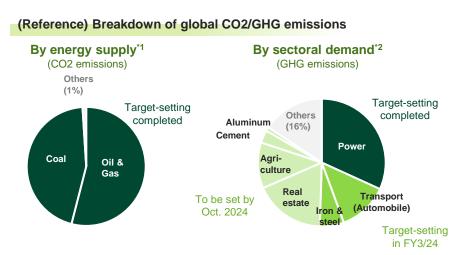
#### Our approach to mid-term targets setting

Our approach to mid-term targets setting					
Steel	Consider Japan's and global demand and innovation while aiming to achieve 1.5°C targets				
Automobile	<ul> <li>Target-setting aligned with SBTi's guidance</li> <li>WTW (Well-to-Wheel) covering lifecycle emissions</li> </ul>				
	Well		Tank	Wheel	
WTW					
TTW					

#### Sectoral target-setting process

2021	Announced commitment to net zero by 2050
2022	Mid-term reduction target-setting: power, oil & gas, coal
2023	<ul> <li>Calculation of estimated sectoral GHG emissions</li> <li>Mid-term target: steel and automobile</li> </ul>
2024	Completion of target-setting in NZBA 9 sectors

#### Complete mid-term reduction target-setting in majority of Scope3



FY3/24
During FY3/24

Tank-to-Wheel

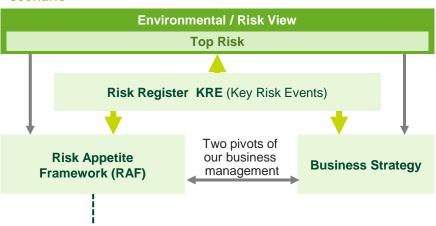
### **Enhancement of climate-related risk management**

#### Development of new framework to enhance climate-related risk management

#### **Enhancement of RAF**

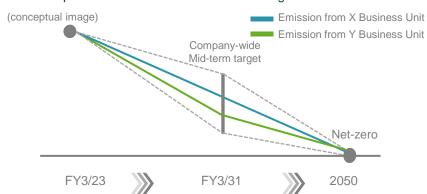
April 2023

Developed climate-related RAF and manage portfolio GHG emissions in each sector/business unit to align with the 1.5°C scenario



#### Implementation of "Climate-Related RAF"

- Addition of portfolio GHG emissions as risk management metrics

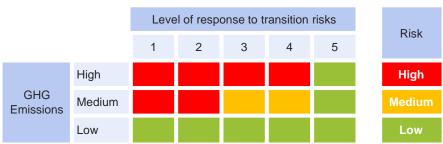


#### **Transition strategies assessment**

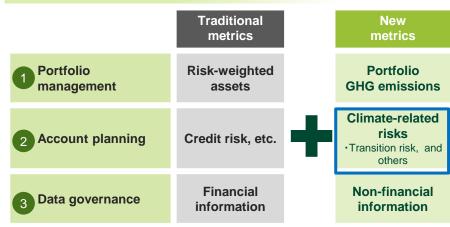
FY3/24 1st half

Review each customers' transition risk response and use the results to enhance our strategy for customer engagement and account planning

#### Risk Management (traffic image)



Enhancement of climate-related risk management (conceptual image)



# Reducing emissions in SMBC Group operations (Scope1,2)

Enhancing Group-wide initiatives to achieve net-zero by 2030 with new mid-term reduction targets

#### Scope1, 2 reduction progress and targets





#### Major initiatives which contributed to the reduction

- Switching to renewable electricity in 4 headquarter buildings of SMBC
- Operation of SMBC Kawasaki Mega Solar Place
- 3 Operation of off-site corporate PPA



SMBC Kawasaki Mega Solar Place

#### Major initiatives for the next 3 years

Scope2

Switching to renewable electricity

Properties owned by SMBC Group

HQ buildings of major subsidiaries in Japan



In April 2023, completely switched to renewable electricity

Scope1

Switching company cars to EV/FCV



Electric vehicles

Fuel cell vehicles

**Charging facilities** 

#### Improving GHG data collection and calculation process

 SMBC Group companies will automatize data collection and improve efficiency in GHG emission calculation



# **Finance and Equity Investments**

The target for sustainable finance execution amount by 2030 has been revised upwards from JPY 30 to 50 trillion

#### Sustainable finance amount (cumulative)



#### Sustainability investment fund

Carbon Credit	Carbonplace
Forest Fund	The Reforestation Fund
Climate Tech Fund	Remarkable Ventures Climate Fund

Currently considering additional investment in the social field

#### Criteria of sustainable finance is clearly stipulated



Loans and underwriting (excluding leases, investments, and asset management)

# Business in scope

Businesses covered in the principles/handbook below by International Capital Markets Association (ICMA)

- Green Bond Principles "Green Project Category"
- Social Bond Principles "Social Project Category"
- "Transition Finance Handbook"



# Supporting energy transition

We contribute to the realization of a decarbonized society by supporting customers' transition and innovation

#### **Establishment of Transition Finance Playbook**

Scheduled in May 2023

 Clarified SMBC Group's definition of Transition Finance, and process to qualify 'transition'

Process

Defined transition eligible assets with reference to each country and regional policies, taxonomy, and roadmaps

Obtained Second Party Opinion

Sector

Power, Oil & Gas (to be expanded to other sectors)

#### Overview of 'Transition' Eligibility Criteria

# Assessing use of proceeds

(Project finance, etc.)

Green

Assets with net zero GHG emissions

Assets aligned with 1.5 °C scenario from a timeline and sectoral perspective

Transition

Configured Target for 2050 net-zero of Sponsor / Borrowers

# Assessing corporate strategy

(Corporate finance, etc.)

Borrower with net zero GHG emissions

Borrower's strategy Consistent with 1.5 °C scenario

#### **Example of finance activities**

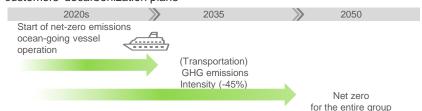
#### **Transition Loan to Sumitomo Chemical Group**

 The first transition finance for the Japanese chemical industry. Selected as a model case from the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry



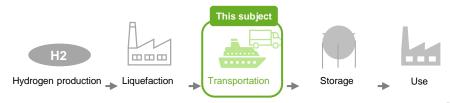
#### Transition Linked Loan to Mitsui O.S.K. Lines

 Transition Linked Loan with SPTs (sustainability performance target) based on customers' decarbonization plans



#### Sustainability Linked Loan to Kawasaki Heavy Industries

Sustainability Linked Loan with hydrogen supply chain construction as KPI



#### DX × SX

#### Developed decarbonization support tools using digital technology, and will aim for further expansion of use

Chamber of

Commerce

#### Cloud tool to help calculate and reduce GHG emissions Sustana developed by SMBC Group Number of users (Cumulative) 1,000 companies Released May 22 May 23 Main targets Companies listed in TSE Prime Market having difficulties responding to TCFD disclosure Top and upstream companies in the supply chain having difficulties calculating GHG emissions throughout the supply chain SMEs having difficulties calculating their own GHG emissions Strengths of Adopted GHG Protocol (global accounting standard) Expanded recommendation function to automatically Sustana suggest GHG reduction measures Flexible collaboration with external partners Collaboration with SMBC Group's White label to

regional banks

unified support

#### CO <sub>2</sub> visualization service using corporate card data



# **Involvement in Industry standards**

We participate in a variety of public and private initiatives and provide inputs and lead discussions

#### GFANZ, NZBA, NZAMI

 Participating in the working groups and provide opinions to achieve global net zero

# GFANZ

NZBA Bank **NZAMI** Asset manager NZIA Insurance NZAOA Asset owner

SMBC Group's Participation

- GFANZ Sectoral Pathways Working Group
- NZBA Finance & Engagement Sub-working Group
- NZBA Sector Track Working Group

#### **Asia Transition Finance Study Group (ATFSG)**

 Set up by private financial institutions in recognition of the important role that transition finance will play in helping Asian economies move torwad net zero emissions



#### **Discussion points**

- Importance of transition finance
- Challenges
- Recommendations to governments

etc.

#### **Vietnam: Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP)**

 Participating in the framework to mobilise public and private finance to support Vietnam's just transition

Private financial institutions

Fund contributions \$7.75 billion









#### Japan Hydrogen Association (JH2A)

 Participating as an Executive Member company to promote global collaboration and supply chain formation in the hydrogen field

#### Hydrogen Forum 2023

- Thinking about Hydrogen from the government, private and financial sector perspective -



340 participants from various sectors

#### Investment fund for hydrogen



Working to establish the hydrogen fund during FY3/24 with 18 member companies

# Efforts on natural capital

Working to conserve and restore natural capital with our customers and contribute to realizing Nature Positive by 2030

#### Our basic approach

Our materiality

#### **Environment**

The Two Wheels of protecting the environment of the Earth

#### Climate change

Realization of a decarbonized society through supporting transitions

#### **Natural capital**

Contribution to conservation and restoration of natural capital

#### **Publication of the TNFD Report**





# First report by a Japanese bank that illustrates SMBC Group's stance on natural capital



#### **Initiatives for Nature Positive**

#### Mirai Farm Akita

 Putting sustainable food and agricultural management model into practice



# Furano Shizen Juku (Furano Nature School)

 Support activities such as tree planting and education programs on the environment



#### **FANPS**

Finance Alliance for Nature Positive Solutions

 Alliance to support company strengthening efforts to nature positive









#### The Reforestation fund

 Invest in the funds which focuses on reforestation in South America



# **Appendix**

# **SMBC Group's new materiality**

Set new materiality and 10 goals to resolve them

More specific action plans will be established and promoted simultaneously

Environment	Support transition to achieve a decarbonized society  Contribute to the conservation and restoration of natural capital	Sustainable Finance  upward revision  (FY3/21 - 30)
DE&I / Human Rights	Realize a workplace where employees enjoy high job satisfaction  Respect for human rights throughout the supply chain	Engagement score  Maintain at least 70
Poverty & Inequality	Break the cycle of poverty and inequality for the next generation  Contribute to financial inclusion in developing countries	# of microfinance borrowers + 0.8 mn
Declining Birthrate & Aging Population	Relieve anxiety about the 100-year life era  Build user-friendly infrastructure to support a society with a declining population	AM / foreign currency balances  JPY 18 tn
Japan's Regrowth	Support customers' business model transformation  Create innovation and foster new industries	Investments and loans for startups  JPY 135 bn

# **Overview of Transition Plan**

Components	Items	Contents
Foundations	Corporate policy on climate change and the approach of efforts	<ul> <li>Revision of the SMBC Group Statement on Sustainability and the Group Environmental Policy</li> <li>Achieve net zero GHG emissions for Scope 1 and 2 by FY3/31</li> <li>Achieve net zero GHG emissions for our overall investment and loan portfolio by 2050</li> </ul>
Governance	Strengthening governance on climate change	<ul> <li>Supervision by Board of Directors, Sustainability Committee and execution by Group CSuO</li> <li>Executive compensation system</li> <li>Establish internal control for TCFD related disclosures</li> <li>Strengthen capabilities of directors and employees</li> </ul>
	Products and services related to climate change	<ul> <li>GHG emissions visualization services, green deposits, carbon credit business, sustainable finance products</li> </ul>
Implementation Strategy	Climate-related risk management	Enhancement of Risk Appetite Framework and data governance
on alogy	Policies for specific businesses and sectors	<ul> <li>Policies for coal mining, coal-fired power generations, oil and gas, palm oil plantation development, and deforestation sectors</li> </ul>
	Engagement with customers	<ul> <li>Establish Transition Finance Playbook</li> <li>Rolling out transition strategies assessment</li> </ul>
Engagement Strategy	Engagement with industry	<ul> <li>Participation in initiatives such as GFANZ, GFANZ Japan, NZBA, NZAMI, PCAF, IIF, GFMA, Japan Hydrogen Association (JH2A), etc.</li> </ul>
	Engagement with the Government of Japan	<ul> <li>Participated in committees held by Government of Japan related to clean energy policy, transition finance, ect.</li> </ul>
Metrics and Targets	Sustainable finance KPI	JPY 50 trillion by FY3/30
	Portfolio GHG emission reduction targets by sector (Scope 3)	<ul> <li>Expansion of target sectors such as steel, and automobile sectors</li> <li>Setting KPIs related to transitions</li> </ul>
	Operations emissions reduction targets (Scope 1,2)	40% and 55% decrease in FY3/26 and FY3/27 respectively from FY3/22

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# **Facilitated Emissions Calculation Methodology**

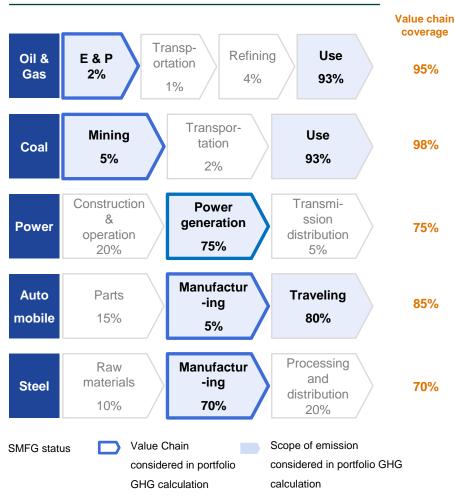
	Power Sector	Oil and gas sector	Remarks
Base year			Calculated based on league table credits for deals with pricing date in FY3/22
Asset Class	League Ta		
Metric	Absolute emiss	ions (Mt-CO2e)	
Value chain	Power generation businesses	upstream businesses (including integrated O&G companies)	
Scope of Emissions	Scope1	Scope 1,2, and Scope3 (Cat.11)	
Calculation Method	Total debt	ated amount  + equity of each  issuer  League Table Credit (%)  (Allocation factor among financial institutions)	Emissions are calculated by multiplying underwriting percentage (league table credits), total raised amount, and weighting factor (100% or 17%). *Weighting factors are not considered in this disclosure because the PCAF methodology is still under discussion
Asset Coverage	95%	88%	
PCAF Score	Scope1 : 1.5	Scope1,2 :1.2 Scope3 :1.0	

<sup>\*</sup>The above methodology is based on PCAF Capital Market Instruments: Proposed Methodology for Facilitated Emissions 2022.

# Overview of Portfolio GHG Targets Setting and Scope

- We have calculated and set targets for portfolio GHG emissions covering key sectors and value chains in global emissions.
- By setting targets considering circumstances each sector is facing, we aim to efficiently and promptly contribute to the decarbonization of real economy

#### GHG emissions by value chain \*



#### Concept of portfolio GHG emission reduction targets

- Through discussions with our customers on the basis of scientific scenarios, decarbonization technology roadmaps, etc, we aim to determine the emission reduction pathway towards net zero
- As certain period of time is needed to address climate change, we believe it is effective to set medium-term target. 2030 was selected as our interim timeframe.
- The scope of GHG calculation was selected taking into account of the emissions in each sector and value chain, and data affordability and quality constraints.

<sup>\*</sup>Compiled by SMFG with reference to IEA: World Energy Outlook 2022, METI: Industry Roadmap for Transition Finance

# Steel / Automobile: Portfolio GHG Calculation Methodology

	Steel sector	Automobile sector	Remarks
Base year	FY3	3/22	
Asset Class	Balance sh	eet lending	
Metric	Absolute emissions (Mt-CO2e) or Carbon intensity (t-CO2e/t-Steel)	Carbon intensity (g-CO2e/vkm)	Metrics are under review for steel sector
Value chain	Crude steel production	Manufacturing of automobile (LDV)	Scope 3 Cat.11 (emissions from product use) is also included in the scope because emissions from traveling are material for automobile sector
Scope of Emissions	Scope 1,2	Scope 1,2, and Scope3 (Cat.11)	
Calculation Method	SMBC Portfolio absolute emissions  SMBC Portfolio carbon intensity  SMBC Portfolio carbon intensity  SMBC Portfolio carbon intensity  SMBC Portfolio carbon intensity	SMBC Portfolio carbon intensity  Each corporate's carbon intensity  Each corporate's carbon intensity  Well-to-Tank Emissions from extraction, refinement, production and transportation of various fuels (petrol, diesel, CNG, electricity, hydrogen etc.) that are used as primary energy sources for vehicles.  **Tank to Wheel Emissions from combustion of fuel while driving the vehicle.	Since the actual emissions from traveling vary greatly from country to country and region to region, decided to include Well-to-Tank emissions

#### **Definition of sustainable finance**

**SMBC Nikko** 

Defin	ition of susta	hable finance		
	Green Finance	Financing for projects that contribute to the environment (i.e., projects falling within the "green project categories" set forth in International Capital Market Association's (ICMA) Green Bond Principles etc.)  Green project categories  Renewable energy  Energy efficiency  Pollution prevention and control  Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use  Terrestrial and aquatic biodiversity  Financing for projects that contribute to the environment (i.e., projects falling within the "green project categories" set forth in International Financian (i.e., projects falling within the "green project categories" set forth in International Capital Market Association's (ICMA) Green Bond Principles etc.)  Clean transportation  Climate change adaptation  Eco-efficient production technologies and processes  Green Building that meet environmental standards		
Definition	Social Finance	Financing for projects that contribute to the society (i.e.,businesses that fall within the "social project categories" set forth in the ICMA Social Bond Principles etc.)  Social project categories  Basic infrastructure of affordable price (drinking water, sewerage, sanitation facilities, transportation, energy, etc.)  Access to essential services (education, health, etc.)  Housing of affordable price  Financing for project categories" set forth in the "social project categories" set forth in the "social project categories" set forth in the ICMA Social Bond Principles etc.)  Employment creation through the potential benefits of funding for SMEs in Employment creation through the potential benefits of microfinance in Food safety  Socioeconomic improvement and empowerment		
	Transition Finance	Finance aiming to support efforts to reduce GHG emissions in accordance with a long-term strategy to achieve carbon neutralisin line with the "Transition Finance Handbook" by ICMA or "Transition Finance Playbook" by SMBC Group		
Finance in scope		<ul> <li>Green finance, social finance, transition finance</li> <li>Other finance for the purpose of supporting / promoting to resolve environmental and social issues</li> </ul>		
	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	<ul> <li>Project Finance (for Renewable energy, public infrastructure, etc.)</li> <li>SMBC original products (ESG/SDGs Promotion &amp; Analysis Loan, Human Capital Management Promotion &amp; Analysis Loan, etc.)</li> <li>Green Loan, Social Loan, Sustainability-Linked Loan, Transition Loan, Positive Impact Finance</li> <li>Non-recourse loans for environmental real estate properties</li> </ul>		

• Green Bond, Social Bond, Sustainability-Linked Bond, Transition Bond, etc.

• Green equity, Social equity, Transition equity, etc.

# Links

		Date of issue	URL	QR Code
1	Annual Report	August 2022	https://www.smfg.co.jp/english/gr2022/	
2	TCFD Report	August 2022	https://www.smfg.co.jp/english/sustainability/materiality/environment/climate/	
3	Sustainability Report (PDF version of SMBC Website)	March 2023	https://www.smfg.co.jp/english/sustainability/report/backnumber/	
4	TNFD Report	May 2023	https://www.smfg.co.jp/english/sustainability/materiality/environment/naturalcapital/	
5	ESG Data Book	March 2023	https://www.smfg.co.jp/english/sustainability/report/databook/	
6	The SMBC Group Environmental and Social Framework	April 2022	https://www.smfg.co.jp/english/sustainability/group_sustainability/esframework/	