

【NEWS RELEASE】

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Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc.

Issuance of Green Bonds

Tokyo, October 7, 2024, Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (President and Group CEO: Toru Nakashima, hereinafter, the group is collectively referred to as “SMBC Group”) hereby announces the issuance of green bonds as of October 7, 2024.

This issuance is aligned with the International Capital Market Association (ICMA) Green Bond Principles 2021(*1) and the Green Bond Guidelines 2022 established by Japan’s Ministry of the Environment(*2).

SMBC Group advances initiatives aimed at social value creation, setting “Environment”, “DE&I/Human Rights”, “Poverty & Inequality”, “Declining Birthrate & Aging Population” and “Japan’s Regrowth” as our priority issues. For the “Environment”, in particular, to realize a decarbonized society, we are accelerating our support to activities that contribute to the decarbonization of the real economy such as energy transition. Through applying net proceeds of green bonds to finance qualifying renewable energy generation and energy efficiency projects, we will contribute to resolving environmental issues and realizing a decarbonized society.

Issuer	: Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc.
Currency	: EUR
Issue Amount	: EUR 500mn
Issue Date	: October 7, 2024
Use of Proceeds	: To finance a range of qualifying environmentally-related projects (“Eligible Green Projects”)
Bookrunner	: SMBC Nikko Capital Markets Limited Merrill Lynch International Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank BNP Paribas
Coupon	: 3.318%

*1 “Green Bond Principle 2021” is a set of voluntary process guidelines for the issuance of green bonds formulated by the International Capital Market Association (“ICMA”). It consists of four core components: Use of Proceeds, Process for Project Evaluation and Selection, Management of Proceeds and Reporting.

*2 “Green Bond Guidelines 2022” is a set of guidelines formulated by Japan’s Ministry of the Environment. The guidelines, in accordance with ICMA’s Green Bond Principles, provide issuers, investors, and other market participants with illustrative examples of specific approaches and interpretations tailored to Japan’s bond market to aid with decision making regarding Green Bonds.

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