Japan Securities Dealers Association JSDA's Major Work Plans for 2022-2023 (July 2022)

Investors (Individuals)

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Strengthen support for household's asset-building through investment by conducting PR activities and contributing to developing suitable tax systems, etc.

- 1. Promote medium- and long-term asset building
- Take initiatives for fundamental expansion of the NISA
- Undertake initiatives to improve the defined contribution (DC) pension system (Corporate DC, iDeCo)
- Promote asset-building through workplace
- 2. Promote the expansion of securities investment
- Undertake initiatives toward the integration of financial income taxation (i.e. aggregation of profits and losses including those of derivatives)
- Conduct PR activities to raise public awareness of securities investment
- Conduct PR activities for asset building through stock investment
- 3. Create an environment that promotes smooth inheritance of risk assets between generations
- 4. Take initiatives to improve financial literacy (Promote collaboration with the Japanese Bankers Association (JBA))
 - Promote financial and securities education in schools
 - Promote financial and securities education for working adults

Market (Infrastructure)

Strengthen financial and capital markets' functions and competitiveness, including advancing financial innovation and Japan's status as a global financial hub

- 1. Properly respond to the progress in financial innovation
- 2. Facilitate risk money supply to start-ups
- 3. Work toward consolidating the primary and secondary markets for unlisted stocks and activating their trading
- 4. Undertake initiatives for expanding and diversifying the corporate bond market
- 5. Take initiatives to achieve an established status as an international financial center
- 6. Undertake initiatives aimed to expand the use of the Social Security and Tax Number System ("My Number" System)
- 7. Provide support for cybersecurity measures at securities firms
- 8. Conduct drills to maintain market functions
- 9. Review the Sales Representative Registration and Qualification System

Global En

Enhance global outreach and cooperation

- 1. Conduct overseas PR activities on the attractiveness and potential of Japanese markets
- 2. Enhance international cooperation and collaboration, including support for emerging markets and information exchange on transition finance
- 3. Respond to the global regulatory agenda
- 4. Respond to enhanced demand for English-based communication in JSDA's operations

Market Intermediaries (Members) Take active steps towards the achievement of SDGs and the acceleration of Green Transformation (GX), promote customer-oriented business conduct, and improve market intermediaries' functions and credibility.

- 1. Promote the sustainable finance and accelerate the GX
- 2. Create a fulfilling work environment and promote diversity
- 3. Support economically vulnerable children
- 4. Bolster partnerships with both Japanese and overseas parties towards the achievement of the SDGs
- Support securities firms' efforts to develop human resources toward solving social issues
- 6. Carry out measures to ensure customer-oriented business conduct
- 7. Respond to needs to provide financial services fit for an aged society
- 8. Facilitate paperless and digitalized procedures in securities transactions
- 9. Properly respond to the changes in financial services
 - · Review self-regulation considering the current state of solicitation for structured bond sales
 - Review self-regulatory rules based on the current reality of private placements of bonds
- 10. Exercise effective self-regulatory functions
 - Conduct agile and effective inspections of association members
 - Continue efforts to prevent insider trading
 - $\cdot\,$ Compile FAQs responding to the revisions of regulations on Best Execution Policies, etc.
- 11. Bring measures into effect to improve the IPO price-setting process
- 12. Ease regulations on public offerings for M&A purposes
- Work to reduce mistakes and failures in securities transactions and facilitate the post-survey and report operations for such incidents
- 14. Participate in the review of the firewall regulations, etc. from the viewpoint of the sound development of capital market

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Pursue measures and operations adapted to the DX

- 1. Further increase the efficiency of JSDA's operations tapping into the initiatives adapted to the Digital Transformation (DX) era
- 2. Sustain and strengthen JSDA's business continuity plan (BCP) and cybersecurity measures
- 3. Strategically develop qualified human resources and improve staff members' work-life balance