# Regulatory Reform and Revitalisation Measures in Japanese Financial Market

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### **Outline of Today's Presentation**

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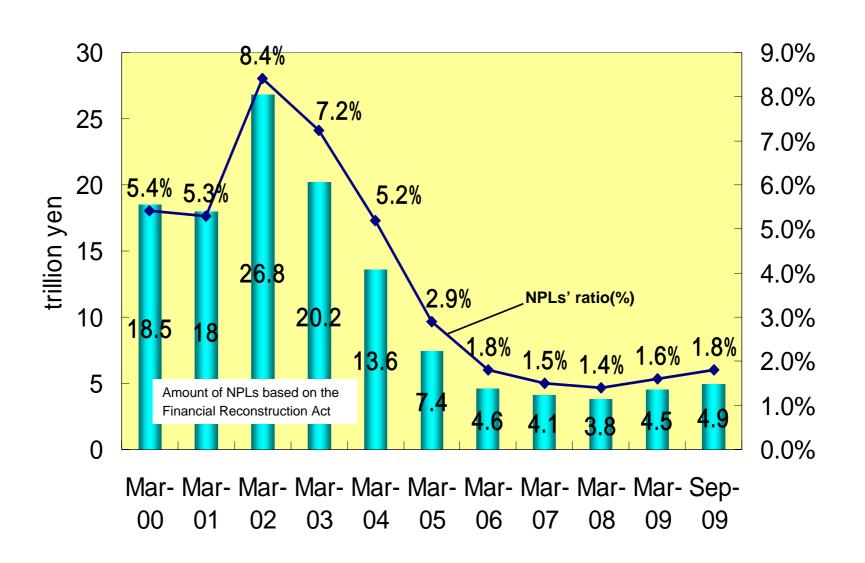
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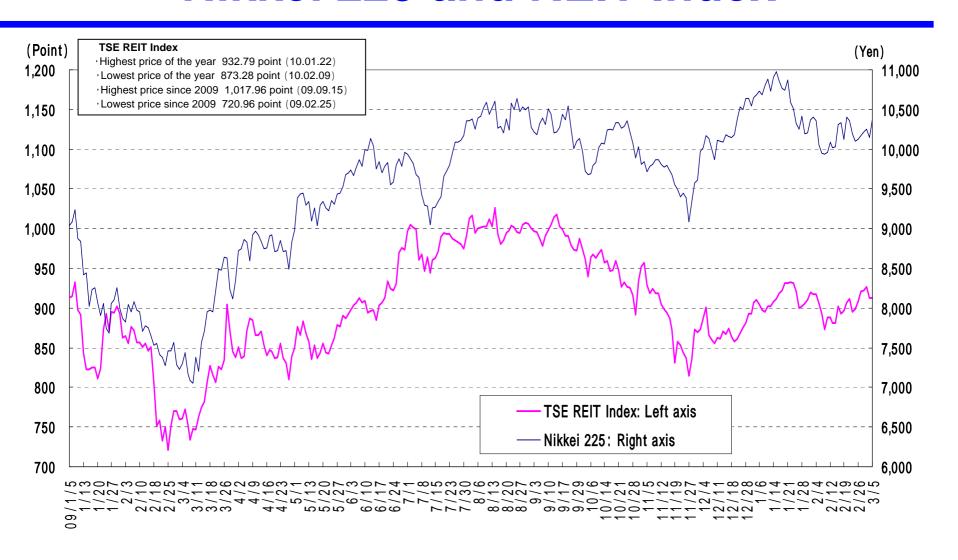
## **Exposure of Japanese Deposit-taking Institutions to Securitized Products**

Total Exposure to Securitized Products (end-Mar 2009)			Total Operating Profits from Core Businesses		Writedowns on U.S originated Loans and Securitized Assets		Writedowns on European- originated Loans and Securitized	
Book Value	Valuation Losses	Realized Losses	(FY 2007 and 2008)		estimated by IMF GFSR (April 2009)		Assets estimated by IMF GESR	
185	8	25	100					
	33		(61:2007) (39:2008)		2,712		1,193	
	(Billion: 1USD=100JPY)							

# Japanese Major Banks' Non-Performing Loans (NPLs)



#### Nikkei 225 and REIT Index



#### **Measures to Improve Credit Conditions**

- > The Act on Temporary Measures to Facilitate Financing for SMEs
  - came into force on 4 December 2009
  - to encourage financial institutions to modify credit conditions to SMEs in an appropriate and efficient manner, and to reinforce credit guarantee measures for SMEs
- Pubic funds injection to deposit-taking institutions under the amended Act on Special Measures for Strengthening Financial Functions: around 286 billion yen has been injected to 9 regional financial institutions.
- Public funds injection to firms under the amended Act on Industrial Revitalisation: 30 billion yen has been injected to Elpida memory.
- Enhancing credit to SMEs through credit guarantee corporations and Japan Finance Corp: 16 trillion yen and 4 trillion yen respectively.
- BOJ measures to facilitate corporate financing

## Measures to Strengthen the Regulatory Framework

- Publication of "Development of Institutional Frameworks Pertaining to Financial and Capital Markets"
  - introducing mandatory CCP clearing, reporting requirement etc.
  - introducing consolidated regulation/supervision of securities companies and consolidated prudential regulations of insurance companies
  - expanding the items to be reported from hedge fund managers (presenting a draft bill for consideration at the Diet during the current session)
- ➤ Implementing the FSB Principles for Sound Compensation Practices etc. by revised guidelines for supervision (no later than March 2010)
- > Registration of credit rating agencies (to be implemented in April 2010)
  - introducing an exemption scheme for a number of operation control requirements which may bring about certain overlaps or inconsistencies with regulations in the home jurisdiction of a foreign registered CRA
- > Convergence of accounting standards
  - allowing listed companies operating globally to adopt IFRS voluntarily for their consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ending on or after March 31, 2010

## Measures to Improve the Environment of Financial Markets

- Diversification of ETFs
- Relaxation of Firewall Regulations
- New Japanese Bond Income Tax Exemption Mechanism(J-BIEM)
  - coverage and recipient to be widened
  - exemption procedure to be simplified
- Reduction of settlement risk of JGB
- New High-Speed Equity/CB Trading System launched by the Tokyo Stock Exchange