

## News Release

## Nissay Asset Management Corporation

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## Nissay Asset Management Awarded A+ rating in PRI Assessment

Nissay Asset Management Corporation (President and Chief Executive Officer: Tomiji Akabayashi; hereinafter "NAM") is honored to announce that NAM has been awarded an A+ rating in two consecutive years for its overall approach to responsible investment (strategy and governance), as well as for its ESG incorporation in listed equity (direct) by the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI\*).

The PRI carries out the assessment annually of how a signatory has progressed year-on-year and relative to peers. The results are evaluated by 6-point scale (A+, A, B, C, D, and E), where A+ denotes the highest point.

NAM has been a signatory of the PRI since 2006 to clarify our policies and attitudes regarding how to address ESG issues. In March 2016, NAM established ESG Investment Promotion Office to reinforce ESG integration into the investment process.

NAM will continue to provide customers with high-quality services and attractive investment products contributing to long-term asset accumulation.

\* The PRI, established in 2005, is a set of principles for institutional investors to incorporate environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) issues in their investment analysis and decision-making processes.

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