MARUI GROUP established the IR Department in October 2015 and then the ESG Promotion Department in October 2016 to enhance communication with institutional investors and ESG rating institutions, earning much praise from external organizations. We have also identified the promotion of diversity and healthcare management as key measures under the medium-term management plan with the aim of improving corporate value.

Global Socially Responsible Investment Indexes



MARUI GROUP has been included in the FTSE4Good Index Series, a series of well-known socially responsible investment indexes arranged by FTSE Russell that comprise companies meeting evaluation standards pertaining to ESG factors, for two consecutive years. As of June 30, 2018, a total of 925 companies from around the world were included in these indexes, of which 152 were Japanese companies.



MARUI GROUP has been selected for inclusion in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index, a major global socially responsible investment index, for the first time and has been included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index for the second consecutive year.



In RobecoSAM Sustainability Yearbook 2018, a compilation of companies displaying excellence in terms of ESG initiatives and information disclosure MARUI GROUP was the only Japanese company from the retail sector identified as a vearbook member. Moreover, this was our first year of inclusion



MARUI GROUP was selected for inclusion in the SNAM Sustainability Index for the first time. This index is compiled by Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Asset Management Co., Ltd., and used in its SNAM Sustainable Investment Fund, which prioritizes ESG ratings by investigation firms



MARUL GROUP was selected for inclusion in the Morningstar Socially Responsible Investment Index for the second consecutive year. This socially responsible investment index compiles and indexes the stock price of approximately 150 companies from among the roughly 4,000 listed companies in Japan that display excellence in terms of social contributions based on corporate governance-, environment-, social-, and human resource related matters.

Three ESG Indexes Utilized by the Government Pension Investment Fund



MARUI GROUP was included in the FTSE Blossom Japan Index. This index is meant to reflect the performance of Japanese companies that meet various ESG-related requirements, and industry is therefore not considered when selecting companies for inclusion.



MARUI GROUP was included in the MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index* for the second consecutive year. This ESG index comprises Japanese companies with relatively high MSCI ESG Ratings in each industry selected from among the top 500 companies in terms of market capitalization after excluding those companies with the lowest MSCI ESG Rating of CCC.

MSCI

For two consecutive years, MARUI GROUP has been included in the MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index,* an ESG index for Japanese stocks consisting of companies that exhibit gender diversity excellence in each industry, based on the Global Industry Classification Standard, selected from among the top 500 companies in terms of market capitalization.

JPX-Nikkei Index 400

MARUI GROUP was included, for the first time, in the JPX-Nikkei Index 400, a stock price index composed of companies with high appeal for investors that meet requirements of global investment standards, such as efficient use of capital and investor-focused management perspectives.

Ranked No. 1 in Retail Sector in Three Categories of U.S. Institutional Investor's All-Japan Executive Team Rankings

Best Analyst Days	Combined No. 1
Best ESG/SRI Metrics	Combined No. 1
Best Corporate Governance	Combined No. 1
Best CEOs	Buy Side No. 3
Best IR Programs	Combined No. 3, Buy Side No. 2
Most Honored Companies	Combined No. 5

The All-Japan Executive Team Rankings is a ranking of major listed Japanese companies compiled by U.S. financial industry magazine Institutional Investor, based on votes from institutional investors and securities analysts from around the world. In 2018, votes were received from 1,002 institutional investors and securities analysts from 410 institutions.

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In the International ARC Awards, one of the two major U.S. annual report competitions, Co-Creation Sustainability Report 2016 (English-language edition) received a Silver award in 2017 and Co-Creation Management Report 2017 (Englishlanguage edition) received a Bronze award in 2018.

In the 2017 Vision Awards Annual Report Competition, one of the two major U.S. annual report competitions. Co-Creation Sustainability Report 2017 (English-language edition) won a Gold award and Co-Creation Management Report 2017 (English-language edition) won a Silver award.

In NIKKELAnnual Report Awards 2017, MARULGROUP's Co-Creation Management Report 2017 integrated report received an award for outstanding performance based on the high scores for its senior management messages, descriptions of measures and plans for improving medium-to-long-term

MARUI GROUP has been granted a rating of A- for its overall debt repayment







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