Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc.

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Announcement of New Midterm Management Plan
"Evolution of The Trust Bank" -- The Second Foundation--

Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc. (President: Tetsuo Ohkubo, hereinafter "SuMi TRUST

Holdings") hereby announces that it has launched a new midterm management plan for the three years from

fiscal year 2017 to 2019 to revise the existing management plan and to achieve our goal; "Evolution of The

Trust Bank"

-- The Second Foundation--.

"Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Group" (the "Group"), since its inception in 2011, has achieved merger

synergies in both profits and costs, also has made every endeavor to create a unique business model and to

enhance value of its services through solution proposals which is based on clients needs, and has made

steady progress in strategic business areas.

In accordance with client/social needs which change over time and environment, the Group has

decided to launch a new midterm management plan which includes business model transformation, aiming

for sustainable and stable growth immune to economical and market volatilities as a trust banking group

specialized in trust businesses.

Regarding the business environment currently surrounding financial institutions, due to prolonged low

interest rate environment and unstable international financing situation, sustainability of profit growth has

been called into question. In this age of material environmental change, both individual and corporate

clients' concerns and needs to build, manage and review their assets and to develop a plan for succession

and its execution have become increasingly complex, and their needs for dialogue with trustworthy

financial institutions are increasing.

To fulfill these needs, we believe that it is necessary for the Group, under a stringent conflict of

interest management regime, to initiate reforms for enhancing our comprehensive capabilities merging trust

and banking functions and our expertise in trust businesses which are the source of our added value, to

elevate our total solution capability to the next level.

Taking advantage of the changes in the current business environment as an opportunity for further

progress in the Group's new midterm management plan, the Group is determined to accomplish our

business model transformation and establish its solid position as the "Best partner" for the clients, and

pursue "Evolution of The Trust Bank" as our vision.

Specifically, we will pursue profit growth in growth business areas such as asset management and administration in which field we haveNo.1 position in the industry as well as in stable business areas, by further strengthening fee businesses and thoroughly pursuing B/S efficiency and profitability.

The Group will also contribute to revitalizing local communities by strengthening its network with regional financial institutions, taking advantage of its status as Japan's only independent trust bank group specialized in trust businesses, and by providing a wide range of products and services to various clients.

Responding to a challenging external environment, the Group will uplift profitability through streamlining and improving cost efficiency as a group and through drastic enhancement of cost competitiveness by pursuing economies of scale with external parties such as merging asset administration trust bank subsidiaries. The Group will also continue to pursue capital policy which is consistent with its new business model and optimal balance between capital adequacy and shareholder return.

In addition to these business model transformations, we will strive to enhance fiduciary duty and corporate governance. We will foster effective client-oriented management and speed up the process of business management by complete segregation of responsibility between oversight and execution.

In light of such circumstances, the Group positions the period of the midterm management plan as the stage for acquiring greater trust and support from clients, establishing ourselves as the "Best partner" for our clients, and striving to bring itself to a new growth path as Japan's only independent trust bank group specialized in trust businesses. The new targets and strategic measures are shown in the attachment.

1. The Group goals for the medium to long term

We will achieve sustainable and stable growth through business model transformation that leverages unique strengths of the Group, under a stringent conflict of interest management regime, and pursue to be "Best partner" for our clients by demonstrating its comprehensive capabilities resulting from the fusion of trust and banking functions to provide total solutions from the clients' point of view.

2. Four Basic Policies and Priority Actions

In consideration of the Group goals, the clients' and the society's needs that change reflecting the times, and our value proposition to society, we have set the following four basic policies for the new midterm management plan to transform our business model.

- (1) Further reinforcement to the strengths of a trust bank group specialized in trust businesses
 - (i) Continue to strengthen various businesses and functions

As a future growth driver, we intend to strengthen our fee based businesses, including overwhelmingly No.1 ranked asset management and asset administration businesses, and to improve the efficiency and profit stability of our balance sheet business through sophistication of risk control. Also, we will strive to offer products and services of a smaller ticket size, focused on retail business, areas where individual and corporate transactions intermingle and private banking businesses. Regarding corporate transactions, utilizing our broad client base including large corporations and financial institutions to the limit, we will expand not only lending/investment businesses, but also fee businesses including trust, financial administration and real estate transactions, to maintain and enhance our profit level, and diversify our revenue source.

- (ii) Establish "Best partner" status by offering comprehensive total solutions
 In order to solve various problems of individual and corporate clients, we will work to refine the proposal creation ability of our client representatives, who works together to devise an optimal solution with clients, and at the same time, broaden our products and services offerings indispensable for providing the best solution for our clients to establish our "Best partner" status.
- (iii) Expansion of alliance strategies leveraging our neutral position

 By utilizing our positioning of not belonging to any specific corporate group, we will establish a
 win-win relationship with alliance partners with our outstanding strengths in various fields to
 provide a wider range of products and services to a broader client base.
- (2) Drastic enhancement of our cost competitiveness
 - (i) Achieve group wide cost efficiency

We will reduce costs and enhance efficiency through conducting Group-wide assessment of operational efficiency and return on investment and review and verify effectiveness of IT investments and other expenses to be spearheaded by SuMi TRUST Holdings.

- (ii) Pursuit of economies of scale
 - We will continue to pursue economies of scale, including merger of asset administration trust bank subsidiaries.
- (3) Execution of capital policy conforming to our business model
 - (i) Maintain the balance of capital adequacy / efficiency and investment for future growth We will strive to enhance the quality, quantity and efficiency of capital with regulatory environment in mind, and study strategic options to utilize capital for sustainable growth.

(ii) 2 Strengthen shareholder return over the medium to long term Cognizant of the balance between investment opportunities and shareholder equity return, enhance shareholder return in the medium to long term by paying dividends according to business performance.

(4) Strengthen effectiveness of governance and refinement of fiduciary duty

(i) Advancement of better corporate governance

We will strive to improve our corporate governance structure including the change to become a company with three committees in order to strongly advance our goal to transform our business model.

(ii) Enhancing fiduciary duty and conflict of interest management

As a foremost industry leader, we shall establish a comprehensive structure from top management to working level, to gain trust and provide comfort to our clients, and as "Best partner for our clients", to offer a total solution with high added value.

3. Financial Targets

As a trust bank group specialized in trust businesses, we will set the following numerical targets as medium-term goals for achieving our business model transformation to further contribute to our clients and society.

	medium to long term direction
Fee income ratio	To be raised to approx. 60%
OHR (Overhead ratio)	To be reduced to mid 50% level
Shareholders' equity ROE	8% or more (With a view to achieving 10% in the future)
Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio	Maintain approx. 10% comfortably

For details, please see the presentation material, "Midterm Management Plan", as attached.

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Changes to the external environment surrounding trust banks

Due to prolonged low interest rate environment and unstable international financing situation, lending business is facing increasingly stronger headwinds

However, in a mature economy, increasing demand in areas such as diverse investment requirements, safe and trustworthy asset transfer between generations, means that there are growth opportunities in areas that trust banks could deploy its business functionalities

NIRP

Interest margin compression

Increase in foreign currency funding cost

Decrease in profitability of overseas assets

Increase in USD interest rate Cautious market business management

Lending/investment businesses (including bond investments in Global Markets) facing headwind



Trust related businesses, fee businesses have room for growth

To utilize asset management/administration functions

Increase in opportunities to assist asset formation and intergenerational asset transfer

Household financial asset allocation (2016) 14% Total: ¥1,751 tr Currency and deposits ■ Insurance, pension and standardized guarantees

held by over 60's (%) **■**60's 100 ■70's and above 80 66 56 60 36 40

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Ratio of household wealth

Net asset value of private investment trusts Trillions of yen 80 70 60 50 40 40 32 31 30 29 26 30 20 10 0 09 [Source] Japan Securities Dealers Association

To utilize asset transformation functions

Increase in opportunities to meet various risks/investment

expectations

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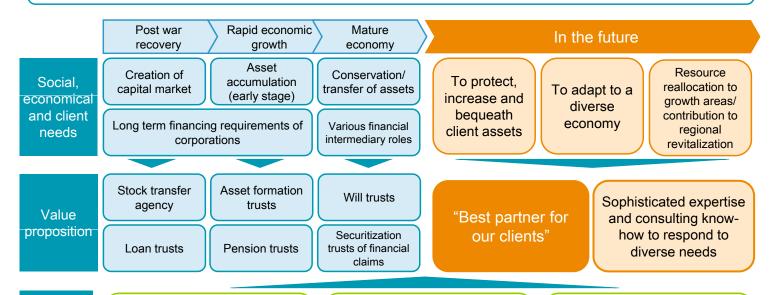
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Equity and investment fund shares

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Trust Banks: To contribute to fulfilling society's needs while adapting to the times

- ► Trust banks have always left its mark in society by continuously adapting to changing social/economical environment and client base
- ► To evolve and grow further to cope with diverse client needs



Source of value "Peace of mind and safety" provided by committed role as fiduciary

Comprehensive solution provider merging trust and banking capabilities

Responsiveness to diverse, bespoke needs by mobilizing various trust functions

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SuMi TRUST's mid to long term goal

To achieve sustainable and stable growth through business model transformation

Our goals and initiatives

Pursue growth through strengthening our edge as the sole specialized trust bank group

- ► Further strengthen fee businesses Accelerate growth to become undisputed No.1 in asset management / administration business
- ► Pursue B/S efficiency and profitability
- ▶ To become client's best partner overwhelming our competition with our total solution proposal capability
- Expand business base through alliance strategies leveraging the group's independent status

Strengthening of cost competitiveness

- ▶ Pursue cost efficiency at all group companies
- ▶ Pursue economies of scale through alliance strategies

Capital policy conforming to our business model

fiduciary duty

- Cognizant of the balance between investment opportunities and shareholder equity return, enhance shareholder return in the medium
- Strengthen effectiveness of ► Firm progress on business model reform governance and enhance
 - Segregation of oversight and management execution
 - Enhance Fiduciary Duty awareness and conflict of interest management

Profit Trajectory Fee business as profit driver Loans/investment business as stable base

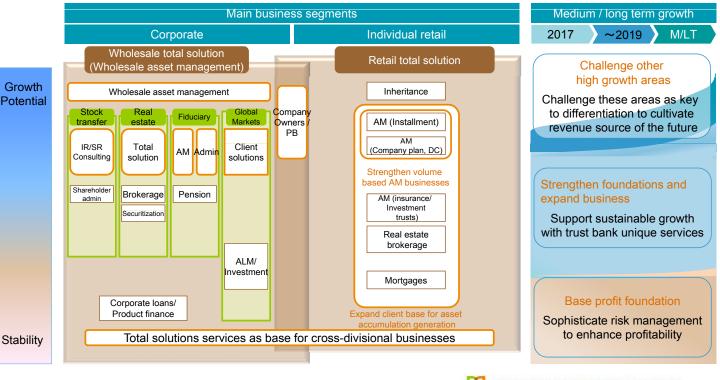
Expenses Trajectory





Business model transformation: Overall picture of individual business strategy

▶ To grow both in areas where we can leverage the strengths and uniqueness of trust banks, and in areas that will serve as a stable earnings base to support the reformation period



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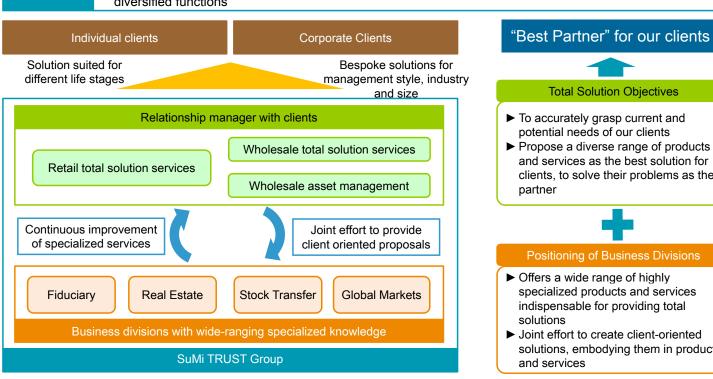


Total solution model

Goal

ee businesses such as AM and

- ▶ Brush up the ability of marketing officers to devise an ideal solution to the client's problems and needs in conjunction with the client
- ▶ Be the best partner working closely with the client to solve their problems by making use of expertise and diversified functions



Total Solution Objectives

- ► To accurately grasp current and potential needs of our clients
- ▶ Propose a diverse range of products and services as the best solution for clients, to solve their problems as their

Positioning of Business Divisions

- specialized products and services indispensable for providing total
- ▶ Joint effort to create client-oriented solutions, embodying them in products



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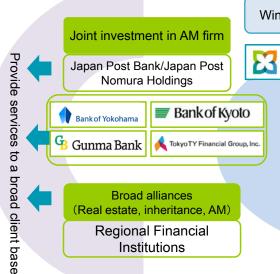
Alliance strategy ~ To expand our business base leveraging our neutrality~

Goal

▶ Leveraging our neutral status, expand our client base and product lineup through alliances to achieve efficient and speedy growth

Alliances with domestic financial institutions to expand client base

Complement our product lineup/services with specialized know-how of overseas financial institutions



Win-Win relationship with alliance partners

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Client base

Affluent retail

clientele

Broad large

corporate /

pension clients

Expertise

Largest AM/Fund Administrator

Services for wideranging assets

Know-how for total solution

Provide AM Products

Man Group Standard Life Investments etc.

Joint development of insurance products

BNP Paribas Cardif

Strengthen product financing

Midwest Railcar Corporation **BIDV Financial Leasing Novus Aviation Capital** GreensLedge etc.

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Expense plan

- Streamline and improve efficiency as a group, and pursue economies of scale with external parties to overhaul our cost structure
- At the same time, we shall aim to reduce our OHR (overhead ratio) to 55% to 59% range, restraining total expenses by implementing an expense strategy that prioritizes growth areas

Policies to restrain overall expenses

Cost control and reduction at group

- ► Group-wide assessment of efficiency and return on investment of IT investments etc. to improve efficiency of these investments
- SuMi TRUST Holdings will lead a group-wide effort to review other expense items in all areas

Pursue economies of scale with external parties

- ▶ Plan to merge asset administration bank
- Continue to investigate possibilities that could achieve economies of scale in other areas

Expenses planning with defined priorities

 Implement an expenses strategy that prioritizes growth areas to make effective use of resources

Expenses Plan Trajectory



Expenses trend by category (FY2016→ FY2019)

maintain current level

Rationalize development / maintenance investment but increase in strategic areas

Relocation of group office space etc. to restrain cost as a group



IT

related

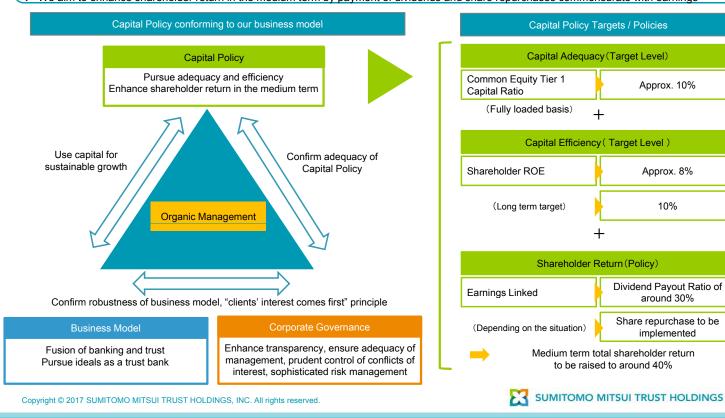
Other

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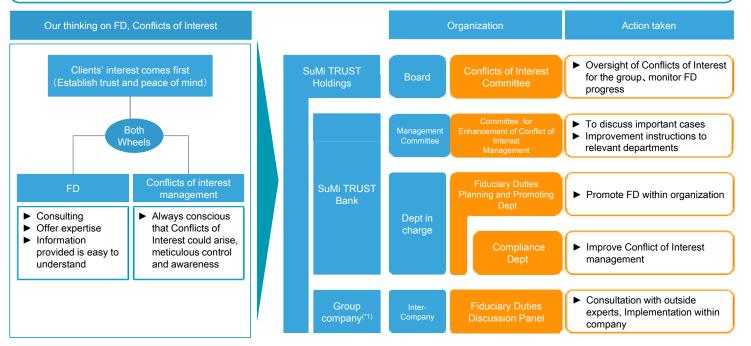
Financial / Capital policy

- We aim to maximize shareholder interest by pursuing policies to enhance quality and quantity of capital, and to improve capital efficiency
- Execute capital policy that conforms to our business model combining banking and trust, to organically manage it mindful of good corporate
- We aim to enhance shareholder return in the medium term by payment of dividends and share repurchases commensurate with earnings



Fiduciary duty, Refinement of conflicts of interest (Our thinking and organizational structure)

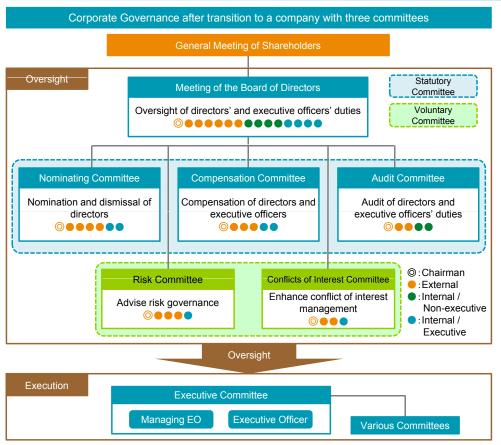
- ▶It is essential for establishing trust and peace of mind of clients. It is the foundation of our goal to become "The client's best partner"
- ▶ To actively progress Fiduciary Duty (FD) and Conflict of Interest management to become the industry leader
- ▶ To establish robust organization from top management to working level



(*1) Group companies involved in AM: Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Asset Management, Nikko Asset Management, JTSB, Both SuMi TRUST Holdings and SuMi TRUST Bank participate in council meetings



Corporate governance enhancements



Governance Enhancements

- ▶ By transitioning to a company with nominating committee, complete segregation of responsibility between oversight and execution has been achieved
- Meeting of the Board of Directors to concentrate on discussing important business matters pertaining to management of the entire group

the Board of Directors

- Chairman of the Board to be an External Director (Planned)
- External Directors and non-executive Directors to hold majority
- Established Corporate Secretariat to assist **External Directors**
- To promote diversity, plan to nominate female **External Director**

Establishment of Conflicts of Interest Committee

- ▶ Oversight function to Conflicts of Interest expected of a trust bank group
- ► Chairman planned to be head of METI sponsored corporate governance research outfit



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Medium term profit target and KPIs

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Medium term profit target < P/L > FY2016 FY2017 FY2019 Change from (Billions of yen) Actual Plan Change Plan FY2017 Net business profit before credit costs 260.0 300.0 232.3 276 40.0 Gross business profit before credit costs 654.5 685.0 30.4 730.0 45.0 Non-consolidated 383.3 415.0 31.6 442.0 27.0 Consolidation difference 271.2 270.0 (1.2)288.0 18.0 Substantial G&A expenses (422.2)(425.0)(2.7)(430.0)(5.0)(2.2)Non-consolidated (232.7)(235.0)(232.0)3.0 Consolidation difference (189.4)(190.0)(0.5)(198.0)(8.0)(28.5)(20.0)8.5 Total credit costs (20.0)Other net non-recurring profit (7.4)(5.0)2.4 (5.0)38.6 40.0 196.3 235.0 275.0 Ordinary profit Non-consolidated 117.3 170.0 52.6 200.0 30.0 Net income attributable to owners of 121.4 150.0 28.5 180.0 30.0 the parent Non-consolidated 77.6 125.0 47.3 140.0 15.0 < Major indicators > FY2016 FY2019 Fee income ratio 62.3% 55-60% Overhead ratio 64.5% 55-60% Return on shareholders' equity 6.07% Approx. 8% Common Equity Tier 1 capital ratio 11.19% Approx. 10% < Assumptions of the market > Mar. 2020 Mar. 2017 3M Tibor 0.06% 0.06% 0.06% 10 year JGB 0.05% 0.07% 0.40% Nikkei 225 (yen) 18.909 19.000 19.000

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Major KPIs

Fee income ratio

To be raised to approx. 60%

Overhead Ratio

To be reduced to Mid 50% level

Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio

Maintain approx. 10% comfortably

Shareholder ROE

8% or more [With a view to achieving 10% in the future]

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USD/JPY

Consolidated net business profit before credit costs "Substantial consolidated gross business profit" and "Substantial G&A expenses" are based on managerial accounting with taking gross income and expenses from the affiliates into consideration, and "Fee income ratio" and "Overhead ratio" shown on the table above are calculated by these figures

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