

**Kyowa Hakko Kirin Selected for Inclusion in Stock Indices GPIF Selected, FTSE4Good Index, and MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes**

**Tokyo, Japan, September 21, 2018** – Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd. (Tokyo: 4151 President and COO: Masashi Miyamoto; "Kyowa Hakko Kirin") has recently been selected for inclusion in FTSE Blossom Japan Index, MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index, and MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN) for the 2nd consecutive year, which have been selected for ESG (Environment, Society, Governance) investing by GPIF (Government Pension Investment Fund) in Japan. Kyowa Hakko Kirin has also been selected for the world famous ESG indices: FTSE4Good Index for the 10th consecutive year, and MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes for the 7th consecutive year.

These indices composed of companies with high ESG performance are used as important criteria by investors who focus on each company's ESG performance. Kyowa Hakko Kirin believes that these consecutive inclusions reflect the high evaluation from stakeholders regarding our ESG performance.

Overview of Kyowa Hakko Kirin’s ESG external assessments.

<a href="#">FTSE4Good Index</a>	Included in the index consecutively since 2008
<a href="#">FTSE Blossom Japan Index</a>	Included in the index consecutively since established in 2017
<a href="#">MSCI ESG Leaders Indexes</a>	Included in the index consecutively since 2012 *Renamed from the MSCI Global Sustainability Indexes in 2017
<a href="#">MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index</a>	Included in the index consecutively since established in 2017
<a href="#">MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)</a>	Included in the index consecutively since established in 2017
<a href="#">SNAM Sustainability Index</a>	Included in the index consecutively since established in 2012
<a href="#">Morningstar Socially Responsible Investment Index ( MS-SRI )</a>	Returned to constituent in 2018

The Kyowa Hakko Kirin Group companies strive to contribute to the health and well-being of people around the world by creating new value through the pursuit of advances in life sciences and technologies.