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# Atsuhito Mori joins FTSE Russell as Head of Sustainable Investment, Japan

- Appointment further strengthens FTSE Russell's APAC sustainable investment team
- Atsuhito brings over 25 years expertise in the asset management industry
- FTSE Russell has 20+ years' experience in supporting clients around sustainable finance and investment

FTSE Russell, a leading global index, data and analytics provider, has appointed Atsuhito Mori as Head of Sustainable Investment for Japan, where he is now responsible for FTSE Russell's sustainable investment indexes, data and analytics products in the country. This includes engaging with clients on a comprehensive range of products and data to support them in reaching their investment decisions. Working with FTSE Russell's global research and leadership teams, Atsuhito will also lead on the expansion of FTSE Russell's sustainable investment product range for Japan.

Atsuhito joins FTSE Russell from Orix Bank, where he served as head of asset management, developing the fund distribution business with ESG products for an online offering for retail investors and separately for institutional investors in Japan. Prior to that, he built out Robeco's asset management offering in Japan with a focus on integrating ESG products. Atsuhito started his career as a hedge fund manager in 1995, managing CTA funds for Japanese pension funds. He reports to Helena Fung, Head of Sustainable Investment, Asia Pacific.

## Helena Fung, Head of Sustainable Investment, Asia Pacific, FTSE Russell:

"We are delighted to welcome Atsuhito to our growing sustainable investment team in asia-pacific. His deep knowledge of the asset management sector in Japan will prove invaluable as we expand the range of climate and broader ESG indexes and data products in the region. Japan is a key market for FTSE Russell. With highly developed capital markets and major, influential asset owners, the country will play an important role in the global transition to a low carbon economy."

## Atsuhito Mori, Head of Sustainable Investment, Japan, FTSE Russell:

"I'm delighted to join FTSE Russell which has a strong heritage and deep capabilities in providing sustainable investment indexes and data especially for climate themed investing and has a growing presence in Japan. Joining a leading global index provider which is also able to leverage the wider capabilities and global footprint of London Stock Exchange Group represents a unique opportunity. I look forward to working with investors and colleagues globally to further develop these capabilities in an increasingly dynamic market."

FTSE Russell has 20+ years' experience in developing products and services to support the growing demand from investors to incorporate sustainable investment into their portfolios. FTSE Russell's sustainable investment data models provide a broad range of measures that can be used in multiple approaches; from considering climate risks, providing ESG Ratings and supporting investment alignment with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

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