

<u>Sumitomo Mitsui Asset Management wins</u> The Best Fund Awards of "Lipper Fund Awards Japan 2018"

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Encouraged by these awards, SMAM will make a further effort to continue to provide customers with quality service by developing attractive products and improving investment performance.



Best Fund Awards in the Investment Trusts Category

Sumitomo Mitsui Dividend Yield Stock Open
In the category Equity Japan Income for its performance over 3, 5 and 10 years

Nikko Asian High Yield Bond Fund Monthly Settlement Type (Unhedged Course) In the category Bond Asia Pacific Hard Currency for its performance over 3years

Sumitomo Mitsui Life View Balance Fund 70

In the category Mixed Asset JPY Aggressive for its performance over 3years

Global Hybrid Securities Fund (Yen Hedged)

In the category Bond Global Japanese Yen Hedged for its performance over 5years

Australian Dividend Yield Equity Fund

In the category Equity Australia for its performance over 5years



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