

Sumitomo Mitsui Asset Management wins Morningstar Award <u>"Fund of the Year 2018"</u>

Tokyo, January 31, 2019 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Asset Management Company Ltd. (President & CEO, Takashi Matsushita; hereinafter "SMAM") is honored to announce that SMAM has won the "Best Fund of the Year" and the "Fund of the Year" in Morningstar Award "Fund of the Year 2018".

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 of the Year

In the category of REIT Fund Division



J-REIT Asia Mix Open (annual pay-out)

Taking every factor into consideration, Morningstar Japan K.K. has selected funds for Morningstar Award "Fund of the Year 2018" in each divisions from open-end mutual fund based upon its unique quantitative and qualitative analysis. Awarded funds in the REIT Fund Division have been selected from 404 funds at the end of December 2018.

Fund of the Year In the category of Domestic Stock Fund Division



Sumitomo Mitsui Dividend Yield Stock Open

Taking every factor into consideration, Morningstar Japan K.K. has selected funds for Morningstar Award "Fund of the Year 2018" in each divisions from open-end mutual fund based upon its unique quantitative and qualitative analysis. Awarded funds in the Domestic Stock Fund Division have been selected from 871 funds at the end of December 2018.

Fund of the Year

In the category of Global-Stock (including Japan) Fund Division



Global Artificial Intelligence Fund (Yen Hedged)

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