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Dialogue on Corporate
Governance 2016

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Capital Group by the numbers

US\$ 1.4 trillion assets under management

US\$ 1.2 trillion equity assets managed

US\$ 258 billion

fixed-income assets managed

US\$ 332 billion*

Multi-asset assets managed

About Capital Group

2. MSCI indices are now maintained by MSCI, Inc.

Focused on the long-term interests of our clients

- We are focused: investment management is our only business.
- We are stable: being a privately held company allows us to make decisions with a long-term focus, yet we have the rigorous accountability of a publicly held company.

Why it matters: We are able to focus on the long-term interests of our clients.

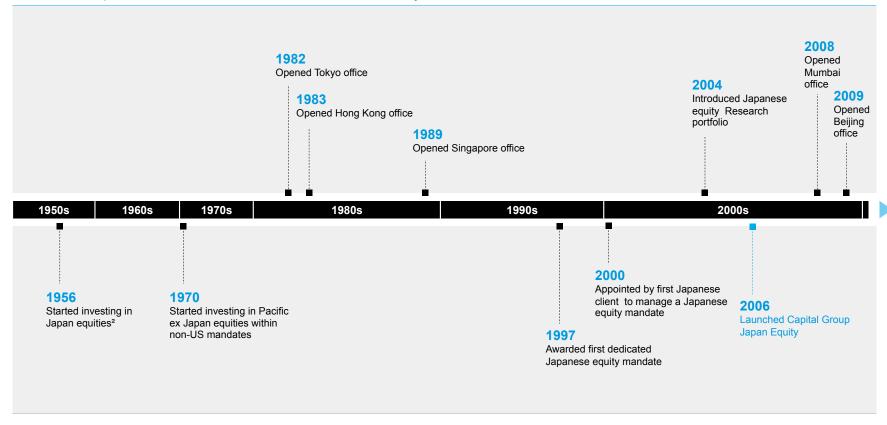
1930s	1950s	1960s	1970s
1931	1953	1962	1973
Founded during the US Great Depression	Began investing globally	Opened our first European office in Geneva	Began managing fixed-income assets for institutional clients
1934	1958	1965	1979
Began managing The Investment Company of America®, the first mutual fund of what will become the American Funds¹ family	Began managing assets using The Capital System sM	Developed international indices that become the MSCI indices ²	Opened our London office

1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s
1982	1992	2008-2009	2011-2014
Opened our Tokyo office,	First global private equity funds	Opened our Beijing and	Expansion in Europe and Asia
followed by Hong Kong (1983) and Singapore (1989)	are created	Mumbai research offices	with 7 new offices opened
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1986			Began introducing our long-
Began managing the world's first			standing and proven mutual
emerging markets			funds from the American Funds
equity fund			family for European and Asian
			investors

^{*} Represents a proportion of the total equity and fixed-income assets

Our experience in investing in Japan

- · Investing in the region for more than 50 years
- 30-year commitment to the region with five research offices1
- Relationships with Asia Pacific-based institutions for 27 years



^{1.} With one office limited to macroeconomic research.

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^{2.} Capital Research and Management Company (CRMC).

The Capital Group companies manage equities through three investment divisions that make investment and proxy voting decisions independently. Fixed income investment professionals provide fixed income research and investment management across the Capital organisation. However, for securities with equity characteristics, they act solely on behalf of one of the three equity investment groups.

As at 31 December 2015.

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Our approach to company engagement in Japan

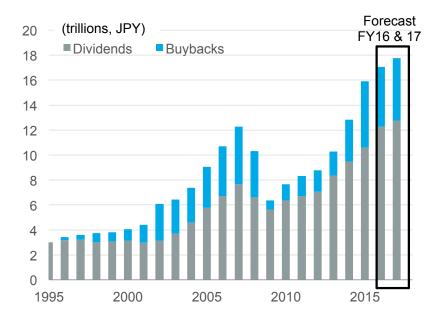
- Company engagement is an integral part of Capital Group's research process. It has been so since our founding in 1931, before the Stewardship Code was introduced in Japan.
- We continue to emphasise active dialogue with management. This is in line with our objective of helping companies achieve sustainable growth.

How we engage

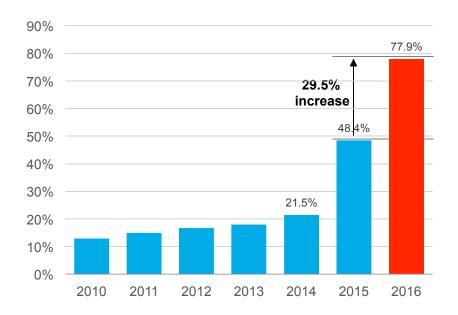
- Adopt a partnership approach in discussing solutions to issues.
- Maintain a long-term perspective.
- Have constructive dialogue on dividend payouts; propose an acceptable pace of change.
- Engage not just with top management, but also with middle management and offices abroad.

Is Japan's corporate governance improving? Yes...

Total amount of share buybacks and dividends by Japanese companies



Appointment of two or more independent directors



Share buybacks are based on common stocks excluding purchases from Resolution and Collection Corp and repurchase of preferred shares.

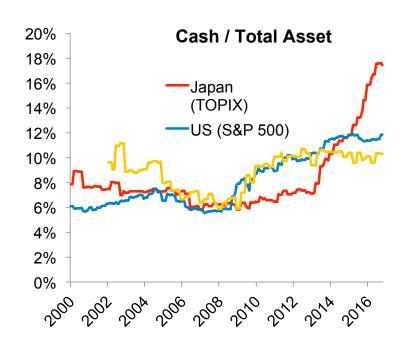
FY 2016 and FY 2017 are forecasts by Nomura Securities.

Source: Nomura Securities, based on companies' disclosures and Toyo Keizai's materials Past results are not a guarantee of future results.

Note: Figures for years prior to 2016 are based on corporate governance reports. The figure for 2016 incorporates information in independent directors/auditors notifications submitted by listed companies on or before 16 June 2016. An outside director is designated as an independent director under the TSE listing rules. To protect the interests of general shareholders, TSE requires listed companies to file highly independent outside directors/auditors as independent directors/auditors. Source: TSE

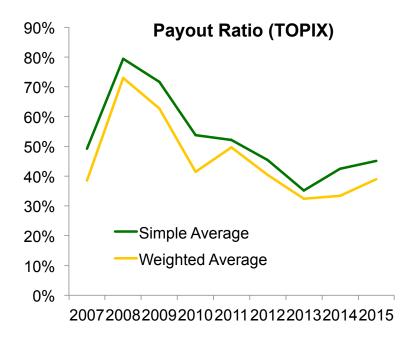
... but there is still some way to go

Increasing cash holdings in Japanese companies



Source: Bloomberg, Quick, Capital Group

Moderate increase in payout ratios



Source: Bloomberg, Quick, Capital Group

What is needed?

Patience
Ongoing dialogue
Long-term view

1. Sensitivity to corporate culture is crucial

• Japanese management tends to consider the interests of multiple stakeholders, including shareholders, employees and customers.

2. Maintain dialogue with management, with an eye on the long term

- Strong relationships and trust facilitate discussions on challenging issues.
- Deep discussions on company fundamentals help to build trust.

3. Soft pressure from multiple parties is key

- The experience through difficult decades has led some companies to hoard cash. That conservative mindset will take time to change.
- That said, there are signs of progress. We have noticed a slight change in attitudes after managements' increased interactions with institutional investors and pension funds.
- Parallel efforts from asset owners and investment managers could have an impact.

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