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SPARX Group Co., Ltd. President and Group CEO Shuhei Abe (Code: 8739, TSE First Section)

## Notice Concerning Change in Representative Directors (Additional Designation)

TOKYO (March 19, 2021) – SPARX Group Co., Ltd. ("SPARX") announces that the Board of Directors at its meeting held on January 22, 2021 resolved a change in representative directors (additional designation) as follows:

## Reasons for Change

In an attempt to strengthening its business management in order to encourage the Group Company's business and its further growth, it was resolved that the number of representative directors is increased from two (2) to three (3).

## Change of a Representative Director

Name	New Position	Current Position
Tadahiro Fujimura	Representative Director,	Director & Group Senior
	Senior Managing Director &	Managing Executive Officer
	Group CIO	& Group CIO

Mr. Shuhei Abe continues to lead SPARX business as the Company's President & Representative Director, Group Chief Executive Officer (Group CEO) and Mr. Masatoshi Fukami continues to lead SPARX business as the Company's Deputy President & Representative Director, Group Deputy CEO.

## New Representative Director's Profile

Date of Birth	December 27, 1963
SPARX Shares held	420,400 shares (As of September 30, 2020)

Business Career		
April 1986	Joined Nikko Securities Investment Trust & Management Co., Ltd.	
	(Currently Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd.)	
July 1999	Joined SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd. (Currently SPARX Group	
	Co., Ltd.)	
October 2006	Senior Fund Manager of Investment &Research Department, SPARX	
	Asset Management Co., Ltd. (current position)	
April 2007	Head of Investment & Research of SPARX Asset Management Co.,	
	Ltd.	
April 2010	Head of Investment & Research/ Head of Equity Investment	
	Department	
June 2010	Director of SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd. (current position)	
April 2013	CIO of SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd. (current position)	
December 2015	Managing Executive Officer of SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd.	
September 2016	Director of SPARX Asset Management Korea Co., Ltd.	

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June 2017	Director of SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (current position), Group Executive Officer of SPARX Group Co., Ltd.
December 2018	Director of SPARX Asia Investment Advisors Limited.(current position)
April 2019	Group Senior Managing Executive Officer & Group CIO of SPARX Group Co., Ltd.(current position)

 Effective Date April 1, 2021

No further entry

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