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Company: SPARX Group Co., Ltd.
(JASDAQ Standard Code: 8739)

SPARX Received J-MONEY Fund Award 2016
in Japanese Equity / All Cap / 5 Year Category for the first time

Tokyo (April 28, 2017) – We are pleased to announce that SPARX Japan Equity Focus All Cap Strategy (“the Strategy”) managed by SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the SPARX Group Co., Ltd, rewarded first place at J-MONEY Fund Award 2016 (the 2nd) for the first time.



Strategy	Category	Evaluation Period
SPARX Japan Equity Focus All Cap Strategy	Japan Equity / All Cap	5 years

For detailed information: (<http://j-money.jp/>) (Japanese only)

Encouraged further by this prize, all members at the SPARX Group remain dedicated to improve our investment capabilities, product offerings and client service activities. We will continue to brand “SPARX” as one of the representative of Japanese / Asian Equity asset managers, aggressively.

About J-MONEY Fund Award 2016:

Among Japanese Equity Mutual Funds for institutional investors, managed by asset management companies, based or having office in Japan and registered in the database of eVestment, as of Feb. 17, 2017. J-MONEY selected funds with the name of separate account and gross fees and determines the rank according to the Yen denomination performance.

"J-MONEY Fund Award" is based on the return of the product registered in eVestment's database and awarded by J-MONEY. This award is based on past performance and is not indicative of the future performance.

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About SPARX Group:

Established in 1989, SPARX Group is an independent investment company, headquartered in Tokyo with offices in Hong Kong and Seoul. SPARX is one of the largest alternative investment advisors in Asia with approximately \$8.6 billion (\$/JPY rate:\$1=JPY102.59) in total assets under management at the end of June 2016. The group manages both traditional and alternative investments strategies with a focus on Asia. SPARX, through its subsidiaries, is a registered investment advisor with the Prime Minister of Japan, Securities and Futures Commission (Hong Kong), Financial Supervisory Service (Korea) and the Securities and Exchange Commission (US). The firm is also a member of the Alternative Investment Management Association (Hong Kong Chapter) and is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange JASDAQ Market, Code: 8739.

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