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> The Role of Private Financial Institutions Toward to Net Zero Society

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# **Sustainable Finance by MUFG**

## Target and Results of Sustainable Finance

Target: 35 trillion yen	Target: Environment field Results: Environment field			
		Project finances, etc. for renewable energy and environment- related businesses	1.3 trillion yen	
		Underwriting green bonds	1.2 trillion yen	
18 trillion yen	Results: 10.4 trillion yen	Corporate loan origination for businesses contributing to climate change mitigation and adaptation, etc.	0.5 trillion yen	
	4.3 trillion yen	Financial advisory for businesses that contribute to climate	1.2 trillion yen	
Cumulative FY2019-FY2030	Cumulative FY2019-H1 FY2021	change mitigation and adaptation		

## MUFG Transition Whitepaper

What	<ul> <li>✓ In-depth analysis of Japan's climate strategy</li> <li>✓ Transition efforts of 6 high-emitting sectors</li> </ul>			
Who	✓ Power, steel, cement, chemicals, paper, and glass			
Highlights	<ul> <li>✓ No single pathway to achieve Net Zero</li> <li>✓ Optionality in technologies carter to individual countries' needs and specific circumstances</li> <li>✓ Importance of interdependency among sectors</li> </ul>		Transition 2022	





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# **Transition Finance in Japan**

It is important to finance the transition toward steady decarbonization, including energy conservation and fuel switching, mainly in GHG-intensive industries, in addition to efforts for projects that are already at a decarbonized level (green), such as renewable energy. Not all countries, regions, and industries can decarbonize at once in terms of both technology and cost, and it is necessary to maximize emission reductions by adopting transitional technologies.



Transition finance = a financing approach that aims to support companies that are trying to steadily reduce GHG emissions in accordance with a long-term strategy to achieve a decarbonized society.



(Source) https://www.meti.go.jp/english/policy/energy\_environment/transition\_finance/index.html

# **Transition Finance Initiatives in Japan**

### Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance

The guidelines are geared toward operating companies, securities firms, banks, evaluation agencies, investors, etc., to enable such companies to label (name) their low and decarbonization investments as "transition bonds/loans" and raise funds for them.

## **Roadmap for Promoting Transition Finance**

Roadmap provides a concrete direction for transition toward achieving carbon neutrality in 2050 for GHGintensive industries. It is expected to assist financial institutions in determining whether a company's strategies and initiatives toward decarbonization qualify for transition finance when the company raises funds. 10 roadmaps for 9 hard-to-abate sectors: iron & steel, chemicals, electricity, gas, oil, cement, paper & pulp, shipping and aviation.

#### Technology Roadmap for Iron and Steel aving/efficient technologies by-product gases / WtE (plastics, tires, etc.) / Utilization of Scraps / Next Generation Coke/ Renovation of coke oven to efficiency / High productivity power generati solidation and improvement/ Wa

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Company Name	Industry	Bond/Loan	Date	Issue amount
Nippon Yusen	Shipping	Bond	July 2021	20 billion yen
Mitsui O.S.K.	Shipping	Loan	September 2021	N/A
Kawasaki Kisen	Shipping	Linked Loan	September 2021	About 110 billion yen
JFE Holdings	Iron and steel	Bond	June 2022	30 billion yen
Japan Airlines	Aviation	Bond	March 2022	10 billion yen
Sumitomo Chemical	Chemicals	Loan	March 2022 September 2022	8 billion yen 950 million yen
Tokyo Gas	Gas	Bond	March 2022	20 billion yen
JERA	Power generation	Bond	May 2022	20 billion yen
IHI	Heavy industry	Bond	June 2022	20 billion yen
Osaka Gas	Gas	Bond	June 2022	10 billion yen
Mitsubishi Heavy Industries	Heavy Industry	Bond	September 2022	10 billion yen
Idemitsu Kosan	Petroleum	Bond	July 2022	20 billion yen

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# **Asia Transition Finance Study Group**

- June 2021, the Special Meeting of ASEAN Ministers on Energy and the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan was held. "Asia Energy Transition Initiative (AETI)" was proposed as a Japan's comprehensive support measure for energy transitions in Asia.
- October 2021, "Asia Transition Finance Study Group" was established under AETI as a private sector initiative with a focus to promote transition finance in Asian countries.
- September 2022, Asia Transition Finance Activity Report and Guidelines were published:
  - Activity report: Provides a summary of ATFSG members, activities, and recommendations such as requests for support from governments and other stakeholders to promote transition finance.
  - Guidelines: Provides practical guidance, such as organizing the processes and points when financial institutions consider transition finance and uses case studies to illustrate the guidelines' concept.
- Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA) has developed "Technology List and Perspectives for Transition Finance in Asia" covering 10 technologies in power and upstream sector.



# Government support needed to secure the just and orderly transition

- G7 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors' Statement (2022): "An effective, orderly and just transition of our economies towards a net zero world is at the core of sustainable global long-term economic growth."
- Government Support for Transition Finance/Pilot Cases in Asia:
  - ✓ Support or incentives for corporations to create decarbonization strategies
  - ✓ Proof-of-concept transition projects
  - ✓ Public financing support such as <u>concessional finance</u>, <u>equity injection</u>, <u>ECA</u> <u>finance</u>, <u>financial incentives</u> and <u>broader risk-sharing</u> (<u>blended finance</u>)
  - $\checkmark$  Incentives for corporations and financial institutions
  - ✓ Database or digital platform for successful decarbonization projects
- Blended finance = strategic use of development finance for the mobilisation of additional finance towards sustainable development in developing countries (OECD) Ex.) Green Climate Fund, BlackRock's Climate Finance Partnership
- Network of Central Banks and Supervisors for Greening the Financial System (NGFS) announced the launch of Blended Finance Initiative at the COP27 Finance Day.
  - ⇒ <u>Raise awareness on blended finance among our members, with a focus on</u> <u>overcoming potential regulatory and implementation obstacles</u>



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