Editorial Policy

In compiling this annual report, ITOCHU focuses on three functions in particular: (1) providing an in-depth understanding of its unique business model to a wide range of readers around the world, (2) effectively explaining the processes and potential for ITOCHU to achieve sustainable growth in corporate value over the long term, and (3) clearly communicating the relationship between management strategies and financial and non-financial capital to internal and external stakeholders to foster the virtuous cycle of cultivating mutual understanding through dialogue and achieving a greater level of management sophistication for the Company.

We have prepared ANNUAL REPORT 2022 based on the aforementioned approach and with reference to a disclosure framework for integrated reports. This year's report places particular emphasis on our strategic focus and forward-looking mindset, relationships with stakeholders and connectivity. Moreover, ANNUAL REPORT 2022 was designed according to an information framework distinctive to ITOCHU of "Corporate Value Calculation Formula." which serves as a perspective for investment decision-making.

The resilience of companies is being put to the test by the unprecedented degree of uncertainty in the business environment, which is stemming from an as yet uncontained COVID-19 pandemic, the actualization of geopolitical risks, persistently high commodity prices and inflation, rising interest rates mainly in North America and Europe, yen depreciation, and the

Guidance for

restructuring of supply chains. Undeterred by these challenges, we will continuously enhance corporate value by strengthening and expanding our business foundations through steady transformation of business models and work-style reforms. This report is an account of how, with "Sampo-yoshi" as its corporate mission, ITOCHU will realize further growth by exploiting accumulated "comprehensive strength and ability of

Reporting Scope and Other Items

Reporting Period: April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 (Certain contents include activities occurring in or after April 2022.)

Reporting Scope: ITOCHU Corporation and the ITOCHU Group Accounting Standards: Unless otherwise noted, this annual report is

prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP through FYE 2014, and with IFRS from FYE 2015.

Terminology: Unless otherwise noted, throughout this report, "consolidated net profit" is used to refer to "net profit attributable to ITOCHU." Moreover, "GHG" is used to refer to "greenhouse gas," FamilyMart refers to both FamilyMart Co., Ltd. and FamilyMart convenience stores, CITIC refers to CITIC Limited, and CTC refers to ITOCHU Techno-Solutions Corporation.

Detailed Financial Information

For detailed financial information for FYE 2022. please see the Financial Information Report.

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Information about Sustainability

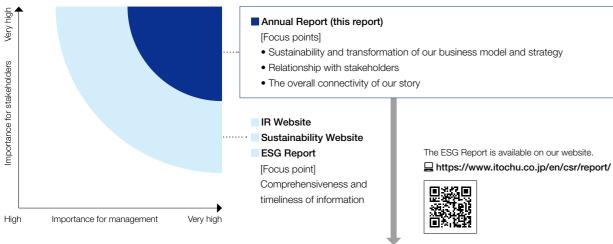
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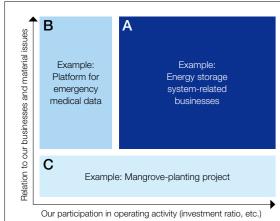
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- Top commitment
- Sustainability at the ITOCHU Group
- · ESG Report (Environment, Society, Governance)
- Social contribution activities
- · GRI standard reference table, etc

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As the standard for inclusion in our annual report, we have selected environmental, social, and governance (ESG)-related information from an investor's perspective based mainly on its relation to our businesses and material issues

Contained in Annual Report

- A. Operating activities that are highly related to ITOCHU's businesses and material issues and that ITOCHU actively participates
- B. Operating activities that are highly related to ITOCHU's businesses and material issues while the participation of ITOCHU is limited

Contained in Sustainability Website / ESG Report

C. Operating activities with little relation to ITOCHU's businesses and material issues

Key Points of ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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In the ANNUAL REPORT 2022, the Chairman & CEO gives an overview of management strategies and priority initiatives, while each officer explains the details of strategies with a focus on their area of responsibility. Further, we continue to use a framework based on the "Corporate Value Calculation Formula," which serves as a perspective for investment decision-making, to organize information logically and to explain driving forces and initiatives to enhance corporate value.





Aiming to heighten trust in our management's capabilities to respond to changes in external environment, we have used this latest report as an opportunity to focus on topics that are of particular interest to stakeholders. These topics include management strategy, climate change initiatives, policy on shareholder returns, examples of business model transformation enabled by our "ability of self-transformation," countermeasures for country risks and other risks, and human resource strategies and governance that encompass the advancement of women.

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Changes in the External Environment in FYE 2022

In FYE 2022, uncertainty with regard to the global economy increased even further due to such factors as the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and actualization of geopolitical risk in the form of the Russia-Ukraine situation. In addition, new lifestyles and ways of working became more prevalent in anticipation of the post-COVID-19 era, consumer preferences diversified, and society became even more digitalized. Other developments included a marked increase in concern about the sustainability of society and companies. For example, the Japanese government issued a roadmap for the creation of a decarbonized society, while a revised Corporate Governance Code requires companies to heighten diversity and further strengthen governance.

<Examples of changes in the external environment>

- Supply chain disruption and spiking in resource prices
- · Actualization of geopolitical risks due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine
- Announcement of new GHG emissions reduction targets by the Japanese government
- Publication of revised Corporate Governance Code



Key Points of Annual Report 2021

Annual Report 2021 clarifies the important drivers of the Company's business management by including an explanation of overall management strategy from the Chairman & CEO together with broader, in-depth explanations from officers that are focused on their particular areas of responsibility. In addition, we increased the usefulness of the annual report as a tool for promoting dialogue with stakeholders by incorporating and highlighting the unifying concept of the "Corporate Value Calculation Formula," which serves as a perspective for investment decision-making. The aim of the report is to further understanding of the growth scenario set out in the medium-term management plan "Brand-new Deal 2023" as well as the underlying factors supporting solid corporate value built up through consistent implementation of the "Brand-new Deal" strategy over many years.



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The "Merchant" Business Model

- Expansion of Both Economic Value and **Environmental / Social Value**

Driving Force for Sustainable Value Creation

- Strengths, Non-Financial Capital, and **Financial and Capital Strategies**

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Created Value Corporate Value Cost of Capital — Growth Rate

KEY POINTS: Financial capital and non-financial capital are the very essence of corporate value and the driving force for ITOCHU's virtuous cycle of sustainable enhancement of corporate value. This section explains four strengths accumulated over the Company's history as well as their relationships with management strategies and material issues.

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KEY POINTS: In enhancing the level of trust with respect to the feasibility of medium- to long-term management strategies, the steady achievement of short-term targets each fiscal year and the continuity of management strategies are important. With this in mind, we highlight our track record of achievements and our commitment to short-term goals, etc.

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Steppingstones to Medium- to **Long-Term Value Creation**

- Examples of Business Transformation

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KEY POINTS: This section describes our approach and priorities in relation to business transformation, which we are pursuing in accordance with the basic policies of the medium-term management plan "Brand-new Deal 2023" to keep on a trajectory of solid growth over the medium- to long-term. We also provide specific examples of business transformation.

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Beyond the clouds, there is always a clear blue sky. The cover expresses ITOCHU's commitment as the original company of "Sampo-yoshi" to continue advancement of business management that performs the role of a "merchant" who consistently supports daily life-both in the current uncertain business environment and in the future.

Forward-Looking Statements

Data and projections contained in this report are based on the information available at the time of publication, and various factors may cause actual results to differ materially from those presented in such forward-looking statements. ITOCHU Corporation, therefore, wishes to caution that readers should not practice undue reliance on forward-looking statements, and further, that ITOCHU Corporation has no obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or other developments.