

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{March } 25^{\text{th}}, \ 2016 \\ \text{Sojitz Corporation} \end{array}$ 

### Sojitz Corporation Announces Changes to Executives

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held today, Sojitz Corporation approved the following changes to executives.

#### 1. Executive Officer

Change of appointment: 1 (effective as of March 31st, 2016)

Name	Current Position
Junichi Hamatsuka	Managing Executive Officer
	Executive Vice President for Asia &
	Oceania (Corporate Affairs)

Mr. Junichi Hamatsuka is scheduled to be appointed Corporate Advisor as of April 1st.

#### 2. Corporate Auditors

(1) New appointments: 3 (effective as of June 2016)

Name	Position
Junichi Hamatsuka	Corporate Auditor(full-time)
Takayuki Ishige	Corporate Auditor(full-time)
Mikinao Kitada	Corporate Auditor

Mr. Takayuki Ishige and Mr. Mikinao Kitada satisfy the requirements to be appointed outside corporate auditors as stipulated in Article 2, Paragraph 16 of the Companies Act.

(2) Retirees: 2 (effective as of June 2016)

Name	Current position
Jun Matsumoto	Corporate Auditor(full-time)
Yukio Machida	Corporate Auditor

The above Corporate Auditors are to be formally appointed following the general



shareholders' meeting scheduled for June.

(Please see attachment for new Corporate Auditors' biographical outlines.)

[For questions about this news release, contact:]

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### Biographical Outline

## Junichi Hamatsuka

Birth Place: Kyoto

Date of Birth: March 12, 1955

April 2015-present	Managing Executive Officer, Executive Vice President for Asia &
	Oceania (Corporate Affairs)
October 2013	Assigned for Risk Management Planning and Risk Management
April 2013	Assigned for Risk Management Planning, Risk Management 1, and
	Risk Management 2
April 2012	Managing Executive Officer, Assigned for Finance, Forex &
	Securities, Structured Finance, Corporate Accounting, and Asset
	Management
April 2011	Assistant to Operating Officer for Finance Department, Forex &
	Securities Department, Structured Finance Department, Corporate
	Accounting Department, and Asset Management Department
April 2010	Assigned for Internal Control Administration Department, and IT
	Planning Department & CIO
July 2007	(Concurrent) General Manager of Los Angeles Branch, Sojitz
	Corporation of America
April 2007	CFO & CAO for the Americas & CFO & CAO of Sojitz Corporation of
	America
October 2005	Executive Officer, General Manager of Corporate Accounting
	Department, Sojitz Corporation (Formed through merger of Sojitz
	Holdings Corporation and Sojitz Corporation)
July 2004	General Manager of Finance & Accounting Department, Sojitz
	Holdings Corporation (Trade name changed from Nissho
	Iwai-Nichimen Holdings Corporation)
April 2004	Executive Officer, General Manager of Corporate Accounting
	Department, Sojitz Corporation (Formed through merger of Nissho
	Iwai Corporation and Nichimen Corporation)
	General Manager of Finance & Accounting Department, Nissho
	Iwai-Nichimen Holdings Corporation
April 2003	General Manager of Corporate Accounting Department, Nissho Iwai
	Corporation
April 1977	Joined Nissho Iwai Corporation
March 1977	Graduated Bachelor of Economics from Shiga University
Honors: None	



#### Biographical Outline

### Takayuki Ishige

Birth Place: Tokyo

Date of Birth: January 1st, 1955

March 2015 Retired from position as Audit & Supervisory Board Member

June 2011 Appointed Corporate Auditor

September 2006 Vice President, Global Internal Audit

January 2003 Senior Manager – International, Global Internal Audit

June 1999 Accounting & Finance Center, Finance Group

November 1997 Accounting & Finance Center, International Controlling Group

March 1990 Transferred to Goldwell, a Kao Group subsidiary

July 1989 Wakayama Plant, Accounting Section Manager

August 1988 Office of the President (International Cooperation Office)

May 1984 Finance Department (two years during this time spent away on

training at the former Bank of Tokyo Ltd.)

October 1982 Transferred to Nivea-Kao Co.,Ltd., a Kao Group subsidiary

May 1979 Tochigi Plant, Administrative Section

April 1978 Joined Kao Soap Co., Ltd. (now Kao Corporation) as part of the

Controlling Department

March 1978 Graduated from Waseda University's School of Commerce

Honors: None



### Biographical Outline

## <u>Mikinao Kitada</u>

Birth Place: Osaka

Date of Birth: January 29th, 1952

2014-present Special Counsel, Mori Hamada & Matsumoto	
Outside Director, Sharp Corporation	
Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Oji Holdings Corporation	
Audit & Supervisory Board Member, ASKUL Corporation	
2012 Superintending Prosecutor of the Osaka High Public Prosecutor	rs
Office	
2009 Director-General of the Public Security Intelligence Agency	
2002 Director-General for Inspection of Minister's Secretariat, the Ministr	У
of Foreign Affairs	
1997 Director of International Affairs Division of Criminal Affairs Bureau	u,
the Ministry of Justice	
1987 First Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in the United States	of
America	
1976 Public Prosecutor at the Tokyo District Public Prosecutors Office	
1974 Graduated from Kyoto University, Faculty of Law	

Honors: None