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## **Sojitz Corporation**

## Sojitz Corporation Announces Changes to Executives

Sojitz Corporation has approved the following changes to executives and other appointments.

#### I. Executive Appointments

- 1. Directors
- 2. Auditors
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#### II. Other Appointments

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- I. Executive Appointments
- 1. Directors
- Director candidates: 8 (finalized at the General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled for June 2021)

Name	Rank	
Masayoshi Fujimoto	Representative Director	
Seiichi Tanaka	Representative Director	
Ryutaro Hirai	Representative Director	
Masao Goto	Director	
Kayoko Naito	Director	
Norio Otsuka	Director	
Naoko Saiki	Director	
Ungyong Shu	Director	

Ms. Kayoko Naito, Mr. Norio Otsuka, Ms. Naoko Saiki, and Mr. Ungyong Shu satisfy the requirements to be appointed outside directors as stipulated in Article 2, Paragraph 15 of the Companies Act.

- 2. Auditors
  - (1) Auditor candidates: 3 (finalized at the General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled for June 2021)

Name	New	
Takehiro Honda	Audit & Supervisory	
Такепіго попиа	Board Member	
Varunani Vazi	Audit & Supervisory	
Kazunori Yagi	Board Member	
Kazuhiro Yamamoto	Audit & Supervisory	
Kazumro Yamamoto	Board Member	





Mr. Kazunori Yagi and Mr. Kazuhiro Yamamoto satisfy the requirements to be outside auditors as stipulated in Article 2, Paragraph 16 of the Companies Act.

(2) Retirees: 2 (effective as of the General Shareholders' Meeting in June 2021)

Name	Current Position		
Junichi Hamatsuka	Audit & Supervisory Board		
Juniem Hamatsuka	Member		
Hyo Kambayashi	Audit & Supervisory Board		
Tryo Kambayashi	Member		

## 3. Updated List of Executives

## (1) [Directors]

8 Directors (finalized at the General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled for June 2021)

Rank	Name	
Representative Director,	Masayoshi Fujimoto	
President & CEO		
Representative Director,	Seiichi Tanaka	
Executive Vice President		
Representative Director,	Dunitara Uirai	
Executive Vice President	Ryutaro Hirai	
Director, Senior Managing	Masao Goto	
Executive Officer		
Director	Kayoko Naito	
Director	Norio Otsuka	
Director	Naoko Saiki	
Director	Ungyong Shu	

Ms. Kayoko Naito, Mr. Norio Otsuka, Ms. Naoko Saiki, and Mr. Ungyong Shu satisfy the requirements to be appointed outside directors as stipulated in Article 2, Paragraph 15 of the Companies Act.





(2) [Auditors]

5 Auditors (effective as of the General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled for June 2021)

Rank	Name	
Audit & Supervisory	Masaaki Kushibiki	
Board Member	Masaaki Kushidiki	
Audit & Supervisory	Takehiro Honda	
Board Member	такешто попиа	
Audit & Supervisory	Kazunori Yagi	
Board Member		
Audit & Supervisory	Michiko Nagasawa	
Board Member		
Audit & Supervisory	17 1 X7 .	
Board Member	Kazuhiro Yamamoto	

Mr. Kazunori Yagi, Ms. Michiko Nagasawa, and Mr. Kazuhiro Yamamoto satisfy the requirements to be an outside auditor as stipulated in Article 2, Paragraph 16 of the Companies Act.





4. Biographical Outlines of New Executives

**Biographical Outline** 

#### Ungyong Shu

Birthplace: Tokyo Date of Birth: October 19, 1962 Education: Bachelor of Law, Hitotsubashi University in March 1986

June 2015 – present	Director, The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited	
	(currently Dai-ichi Life Holdings, Inc.)	
November 2013 – present	President & CEO, The Core Value Management, Inc.	
July 2011	Vice Chairman, Merrill Lynch Japan Securities Ltd.	
July 2010	Co-Head of Investment Banking Division,	
	Merrill Lynch Japan Securities Ltd.	
May 2007	Managing Director and Chairman of Financial Institutions	
	Group, Merrill Lynch Japan Securities Ltd.	
July 2005	Head of Financial Institutions Division, J.P. Morgan Securities	
	Japan Co., Ltd.	
May 2001	Managing Director, J.P. Morgan Securities Japan Co., Ltd.	
May 2000	Head of Financial Institution Group, Investment Banking Division,	
	J.P. Morgan Securities Tokyo Office	
April 1986	Joined Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, a	
	subsidiary of J.P. Morgan & Company, Inc.	

Honors: None

(Reason for Nomination as an Outside Director)

Mr. Shu has held essential roles at J.P. Morgan Chase, J.P. Morgan Securities, and Merrill Lynch Japan Securities. With extensive knowledge regarding M&A strategy, finance policy, and capital policy, Mr. Shu brings a wealth of experience and personal connections from his management roles at these financial institutions. As Sojitz strives for sustainable growth through strategic business investments, we hope Mr. Shu will offer us his experience and expertise through oversight of business execution and financially informed opinions. Mr. Shu has been nominated as a candidate for the outside director role with the expectation that he will contribute to Sojitz Group's continued development and raise the company's corporate value.





**Biographical Outline** 

#### Takehiro Honda

Birthplace: Tokyo Date of Birth: January 14, 1957 Education: Bachelor of Commerce, Chuo University in March 1980

March 2020	Retired from Metal One Corporation		
July 2018	President and Chief Executive Officer,		
	Metal One Nishinihon Corporation		
	Senior Executive Vice President, Director,		
	Metal One Corporation		
April 2013	Senior Executive Vice President, Director,		
	Metal One Corporation		
April 2012	Executive Officer, Chief Regional Officer (Asia & Oceania),		
	Metal One Corporation		
April 2011	Executive Officer, Metal One Corporation		
	President, Sus-Tech Corporation		
June 2008	President, Sus-Tech Corporation		
January 2006	General Manager, Human Resources Department,		
	Metal One Corporation		
January 2003	Resigned from Nissho Iwai Corporation		
	Joined Metal One Corporation		
March 1999	General Manager, Nissho Iwai Canada Limited (Ingersoll		
	Branch)		
	President, Monzen Steel Inc.		
April 1980	Joined Nissho Iwai Corporation		

Honors: None

#### (Reason for Nomination as an Auditor)

At Nissho Iwai Corporation, Mr. Honda was mainly involved in the metals-related business. Following an assignment in Canada, Mr. Honda held essential roles at Metal One Corporation both inside and outside Japan, serving as the Senior Executive Vice President and Director at Metal One Corporation for seven years starting from 2013. In addition to Mr.





Honda's specialized knowledge from his extensive experience in the trading company industry, he can provide global business management insight. Mr. Honda has been nominated as a candidate for the auditor role as his time away from Sojitz renders him capable of providing an external perspective while properly performing his duties as a member of the Audit & Supervisory Board.





**Biographical Outline** 

## Kazuhiro Yamamoto

Birthplace: Fukui Prefecture Date of Birth: September 27, 1952 Education: Bachelor of Law, Kobe University in March 1975

June 2020- present	Advisor, Teijin Limited		
April 2019	Executive Vice President, Representative Director of the Board		
	President, Responsible for Chief Officers of Teijin Group,		
	Teijin Limited		
April 2017	Executive Vice President, Representative Director of the Board		
	CFO		
	Chief Information & Innovation Officer		
	General Manager, Accounting, Finance, and Procurement Division,		
	Teijin Limited		
April 2016	Senior Executive Officer, Member of the Board		
	CFO		
	General Manager, Accounting, Finance, and Procurement Division,		
	Teijin Limited		
June 2015	Executive Officer, Member of the Board		
	CFO		
	General Manager, Accounting, Finance, and Procurement Division,		
	Teijin Limited		
April 2014	Executive Officer, Member of the Board		
	CFO, Teijin Group		
	General Manager, Accounting, Finance, and Procurement Division,		
	Teijin Limited		
April 2012	Executive Officer, Member of the Board,		
	Teijin Group		
	General Manager, Corporate Planning Division,		
	Teijin Limited		
April 2011	President & CEO, Infocom Corporation		
June 2010	Senior Managing Director, Infocom Corporation		
June 2008	Director & CFO, Executive Management of Finance, Corporate		





	Communications, and IR Office,					
	Infocom Corporation					
July 2001	General	Manager,	Pharmaceuticals	and	Healthcare	Business
	Management, Teijin Limited					
April 2000	Manager, Management System Reform Promotion Office,					
	Teijin Lir	nited				
April 1975	Joined Te	ijin Limited				

Honors: None

(Reason for Nomination as an Outside Auditor)

After joining Teijin Limited, Mr. Yamamoto served as the General Manager for the organization's Pharmaceuticals and Healthcare Business Management division, in addition to essential roles such as Director and CEO and CFO at Infocom Corporation, a listed subsidiary of Teijin Limited. Mr. Yamamoto has honed his insights through experience in management and fields such as telecommunications and home healthcare. Based on Mr. Yamamoto's knowledge of finance and accounting, we expect he will provide a neutral and objective perspective in supervising the conduct of Sojitz management. Mr. Yamamoto has been nominated as an outside auditor with the expectation that he will provide a supervisory function for Sojitz's businesses, particularly as the company focuses on the healthcare and digital transformation fields.





II. Other Appointments

Date	Name	New Position	Current Position
4/1	Katsuya Morita	Deputy COO, Aerospace &	Sojitz Marine &
		Transportation Project Division	Engineering Corporation
4/1	Yoshihiko	Director President,	Automotive Department 3
	Tsuruta	Sojitz de Puerto Rico Corporation	