



Policy for the future:

At Mizuho, we recognize that preserving biodiversity is an essential precondition for our existence and activities, and we are working to reduce impacts on and protect biodiversity. We see this as the social responsibility of a financial institution playing a central role in economic activity.

Mizuho is contributing to creating a sustainable society, and in line with this we are expanding our positive impacts and reducing our negative impacts on the environment and biodiversity.

Expanding our positive impacts

Mizuho Positive Impact Finance

Mizuho Positive Impact Finance is a way for Mizuho to contribute to the achievement of the SDGs. We believe that it is important to ensure the visibility of positive impacts on the environment, society, and economy. As a financial institution, we will support initiatives to create and evaluate positive impacts through this product.

Sustainability-linked bonds/loans

In 2021, Mizuho was appointed as one of the arrangers of a sustainability-linked ninja loan (SLL) for a company in Thailand, and sustainability-linked syndicated loan. The SLL focused on marine resource conservation, in addition to greenhouse gas reductions. It also included enhanced traceability in procurement of marine resources among the KPIs.

Reducing our negative impacts

Responsible financing and investment

Mizuho has established the Environmental and Social Management Policy for Financing and Investment Activity to mitigate and avoid adverse impacts of financing and investment on the environment and society. In March 2022, we revised the policy to strengthen our initiatives for responding to climate change and for the conservation of biodiversity, in line with the expectations and perspectives of our stakeholders.

Accreditation and recognition

Otemachi Tower, the location of our Otemachi Head Office, is situated on a property where around a third of the area (approx. 3,600m²) is dedicated green space known as “Otemachi Forest”. With the concept of recreating a real forest, indigenous trees and shrubs were gathered from woodlands in the local Kanto region to form a diverse forested area. As a result, as an office building with dedicated green space aimed at preserving biodiversity, Otemachi Tower has been recognized by the Association for Business Innovation in harmony with Nature and Community (ABINC) under their certification program for businesses operating in harmony with nature.