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Company: SPARX Group Co., Ltd.
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SPARX Group Announces Assets Under Management for April 2018

SPARX Group AUM increased by JPY 35.5 billion compared to the previous month;
as a result, Group AUM is JPY 1,160.8 billion

■ AUM by Investment Region

(Unit: 100million JPY)

	2017 May	2017 Jun.	2017 Jul.	2017 Aug.	2017 Sep.	2017 Oct.	2017 Nov.	2017 Dec.	2018 Jan.	2018 Feb.	2018 Mar.	2018 Apr.
Japan	8,619	8,751	8,999	9,143	9,399	9,802	10,379	10,776	11,127	11,055	10,957	11,289
South Korea	1,396	1,381	1,389	1,326	1,318	1,406	1,386	1,261	198	190	195	199
Pan-Asia	89	90	96	95	96	99	101	102	104	100	99	119
Total	10,106	10,224	10,485	10,565	10,814	11,308	11,867	12,140	11,430	11,346	11,252	11,608

■ Breakdown by Investment Strategy

Japan (Unit: 100million JPY)

	2017 May	2017 Jun.	2017 Jul.	2017 Aug.	2017 Sep.	2017 Oct.	2017 Nov.	2017 Dec.	2018 Jan.	2018 Feb.	2018 Mar.	2018 Apr.
Japanese Equity Long-Short Strategy	175	165	183	188	173	212	214	232	298	377	367	405
Japanese Equity Focus All Cap Strategy	3,187	3,226	3,255	3,314	3,436	3,621	3,932	4,175	4,361	4,399	4,409	4,560
Japanese Equity Mid & Small Cap Strategy	1,997	2,088	2,150	2,181	2,289	2,408	2,560	2,743	2,934	2,796	2,724	2,836
Japanese Equity Clean Tech. Strategy	1,089	1,115	1,147	1,142	1,202	1,261	1,268	1,182	1,095	1,047	1,021	1,040
Value Creation/Engagement Strategy (Note 11)	58	58	62	63	67	68	64	117	163	154	135	148
Japanese Real Estate Investment Strategy	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331
Japanese Renewable Energy Investment Strategy	1,373	1,373	1,478	1,492	1,478	1,477	1,584	1,568	1,568	1,575	1,594	1,594
Mirai Creation Investment Strategy	365	367	367	367	367	367	367	367	367	367	367	367
Others	40	23	23	62	52	53	55	57	5	5	5	5
Total	8,619	8,751	8,999	9,143	9,399	9,802	10,379	10,776	11,127	11,055	10,957	11,289

South Korea

(Unit: 100million JPY)

	2017 May	2017 Jun.	2017 Jul.	2017 Aug.	2017 Sep.	2017 Oct.	2017 Nov.	2017 Dec.	2018 Jan.	2018 Feb.	2018 Mar.	2018 Apr.
Korean Equity Active Strategy	1,190	1,192	1,203	1,148	1,141	1,224	1,207	1,082	54	46	48	50
Korean Equity Absolute Return	100	96	93	90	90	93	92	93	63	65	68	71
Others	105	93	92	87	85	87	85	85	81	77	78	77
Total	1,396	1,381	1,389	1,326	1,318	1,406	1,386	1,261	198	190	195	199

Pan-Asia

(Unit: 100million JPY)

	2017 May	2017 Jun.	2017 Jul.	2017 Aug.	2017 Sep.	2017 Oct.	2017 Nov.	2017 Dec.	2018 Jan.	2018 Feb.	2018 Mar.	2018 Apr.
Asian Equity Strategy	89	90	96	95	96	99	101	102	104	100	99	119
Total	89	90	96	95	96	99	101	102	104	100	99	119

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(Note)

1. The preliminary figures of the most recent month are released monthly, usually within five working days of the beginning of the next month since they constitute the basis for the revenues such as fees from mutual funds and investment advisory fees, which accounts for the Company's majority of revenue.
2. AUM is assets that were entrusted to us by our investors, and not the assets owned by SPARX Group.
3. AUM would fluctuate due to the changes in investment performance, foreign exchange rate, and subscription and redemption of the funds.
4. The above-mentioned tables detail historical month-end AUM and preliminary figures for SPARX Group, including SPARX Asset Management Co., Ltd., SPARX Asset Trust & Management Co., Ltd., SPARX Asset Management Korea Co., Ltd., and SPARX Asia Capital Management Limited. In addition, AUM of power stations which SPARX Green Energy and Technology Co., Ltd. manages are included.
SPARX Group owns directly or indirectly 100% of all subsidiaries, except for the following and please note the above figures include the total AUM for each subsidiary, regardless of the ratio of SPARX Group's equity interest in such subsidiary.

Company Name	SPARX Group Interest (as of the end of April 2018)
SPARX Asset Management Korea Co., Ltd.	70.1%

5. All funds are valued at current market prices or commitment amount that are the basis for the management fee calculation and are rounded down to the nearest ¥100 million.
6. The figures at the end of April 2018 are based on in-house calculations and should be regarded as preliminary. In addition, the preliminary figures will be adjusted and released as confirmed figures in the next month.
7. Classification of investment strategy: In principle, if the AUM of one investment strategy falls below 1% of SPARX Group AUM, its AUM is categorized in "Others" retroactively. If the AUM of one investment strategy exceeds 1% of SPARX Group AUM, its AUM is shown as a separate investment strategy from the relevant month-end. In addition, "Others" also includes the AUM that is difficult to be categorized into a specific investment strategy.
8. "Mirai Creation Investment Strategy" includes investment outside Japan such as equities issued by overseas legal entities, but the investment region of all its AUM is described to be Japan, because majority of its AUM are in Japan.
9. AUM of "Japan Renewable Energy Investment Strategy" is shown in terms of the amount of cost for acquisition of assets of renewable energy generating facilities. The group companies have steady inflows of management fees for such power stations calculated based on the acquisition cost each month from contracts as well as investment advisory fees based on the equity investment amount.
10. It has been set up a new strategy called "Korean Equity Absolute Return Investment Strategy" since July 2017. Due to this newly added strategy and partial changes in existing strategy, the classification of investment strategy has changed into 3 categories (Korean Equity Absolute, Korean Equity Active and Others) as shown above. The region's AUM also has been retroactively changed.
11. Although "Value Creation/Engagement Strategy" used to be categorized in "Others", since its AUM exceeded 1% of SPARX Group AUM in the month of January 2018, it is shown as a separate investment strategy from the relevant month-end. Both categories have been retroactively reclassified accordingly.

■ (Reference) Stock market indexes and exchange rates

	March 2018	April 2018	variability rate
Nikkei 225	21,454.30	22,467.87	+4.72%
TOPIX	1,716.30	1,777.23	+3.55%
JASDAQ Stock Index	176.94	173.75	▲1.80%
KOSPI Index	2,445.85	2,515.38	+2.84%
KOSDAQ Index	871.09	875.95	+0.56%
Hong Kong Hang Seng Index	30,093.38	30,808.45	+2.38%
KRW/JPY rate	0.0997	0.1024	+2.69%
USD/JPY rate	106.35	109.42	+2.89%

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