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Company: SPARX Group Co., Ltd.
(JASDAQ Standard Code: 8739)

SPARX Group Announces Assets Under Management for February 2018

SPARX Group AUM decreased by JPY 8.8 billion compared to the previous month;
as a result, Group AUM is JPY 1,134.1 billion

■ AUM by Investment Region

(Unit: 100million JPY)

| | 2017 Mar. | 2017 Apr. | 2017 May | 2017 Jun. | 2017 Jul. | 2017 Aug. | 2017 Sep. | 2017 Oct. | 2017 Nov. | 2017 Dec. | 2018 Jan. | 2018 Feb. |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Japan | 8,139 | 8,282 | 8,619 | 8,751 | 8,999 | 9,143 | 9,399 | 9,802 | 10,379 | 10,776 | 11,127 | 11,050 |
| South Korea | 1,343 | 1,333 | 1,396 | 1,381 | 1,389 | 1,326 | 1,318 | 1,406 | 1,386 | 1,261 | 198 | 190 |
| Pan-Asia | 143 | 103 | 89 | 90 | 96 | 95 | 96 | 99 | 101 | 102 | 104 | 100 |
| Total | 9,627 | 9,719 | 10,106 | 10,224 | 10,485 | 10,565 | 10,814 | 11,308 | 11,867 | 12,140 | 11,430 | 11,341 |

■ Breakdown by Investment Strategy

Japan (Unit: 100million JPY)

| | 2017 Mar. | 2017 Apr. | 2017 May | 2017 Jun. | 2017 Jul. | 2017 Aug. | 2017 Sep. | 2017 Oct. | 2017 Nov. | 2017 Dec. | 2018 Jan. | 2018 Feb. |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Japanese Equity Long-Short Strategy | 179 | 181 | 175 | 165 | 183 | 188 | 173 | 212 | 214 | 232 | 298 | 377 |
| Japanese Equity Focus All Cap Strategy | 2,946 | 3,022 | 3,187 | 3,226 | 3,255 | 3,314 | 3,436 | 3,621 | 3,932 | 4,175 | 4,361 | 4,401 |
| Japanese Equity Mid & Small Cap Strategy | 1,815 | 1,879 | 1,997 | 2,088 | 2,150 | 2,181 | 2,289 | 2,408 | 2,560 | 2,743 | 2,934 | 2,796 |
| Japanese Equity Clean Tech. Strategy | 1,030 | 1,034 | 1,089 | 1,115 | 1,147 | 1,142 | 1,202 | 1,261 | 1,268 | 1,182 | 1,095 | 1,047 |
| Value Creation/Engagement Strategy (Note 11) | 56 | 54 | 58 | 58 | 62 | 63 | 67 | 68 | 64 | 117 | 163 | 154 |
| 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 | 1,373 | 1,373 | 1,478 | 1,492 | 1,478 | 1,477 | 1,584 | 1,568 | 1,568 | 1,568 |
| Mirai Creation Investment Strategy | 365 | 365 | 365 | 367 | 367 | 367 | 367 | 367 | 367 | 367 | 367 | 367 |
| Others | 39 | 39 | 40 | 23 | 23 | 62 | 52 | 53 | 55 | 57 | 5 | 5 |
| Total | 8,139 | 8,282 | 8,619 | 8,751 | 8,999 | 9,143 | 9,399 | 9,802 | 10,379 | 10,776 | 11,127 | 11,050 |

South Korea

(Unit: 100million JPY)

| | 2017 Mar. | 2017 Apr. | 2017 May | 2017 Jun. | 2017 Jul. | 2017 Aug. | 2017 Sep. | 2017 Oct. | 2017 Nov. | 2017 Dec. | 2018 Jan. | 2018 Feb. |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Korean Equity Active Strategy | 1,154 | 1,122 | 1,190 | 1,192 | 1,203 | 1,148 | 1,141 | 1,224 | 1,207 | 1,082 | 54 | 46 |
| Korean Equity Absolute Return | 93 | 98 | 100 | 96 | 93 | 90 | 90 | 93 | 92 | 93 | 63 | 65 |
| Others | 96 | 112 | 105 | 93 | 92 | 87 | 85 | 87 | 85 | 85 | 81 | 77 |
| Total | 1,343 | 1,333 | 1,396 | 1,381 | 1,389 | 1,326 | 1,318 | 1,406 | 1,386 | 1,261 | 198 | 190 |

Pan-Asia

(Unit: 100million JPY)

| | 2017 Mar. | 2017 Apr. | 2017 May | 2017 Jun. | 2017 Jul. | 2017 Aug. | 2017 Sep. | 2017 Oct. | 2017 Nov. | 2017 Dec. | 2018 Jan. | 2018 Feb. |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Asian Equity Strategy | 143 | 103 | 89 | 90 | 96 | 95 | 96 | 99 | 101 | 102 | 104 | 100 |
| Total | 143 | 103 | 89 | 90 | 96 | 95 | 96 | 99 | 101 | 102 | 104 | 100 |

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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 February 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 February 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

| | January 2018 | February 2018 | variability rate |
|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| Nikkei 225 | 23,098.29 | 22,068.24 | ▲4.46% |
| TOPIX | 1,836.71 | 1,768.24 | ▲3.73% |
| JASDAQ Stock Index | 187.80 | 182.26 | ▲2.95% |
| KOSPI Index | 2,566.46 | 2,427.36 | ▲5.42% |
| KOSDAQ Index | 913.57 | 857.06 | ▲6.19% |
| Hong Kong Hang Seng Index | 32,887.27 | 30,844.72 | ▲6.21% |
| KRW/JPY rate | 0.1022 | 0.0985 | ▲3.60% |
| USD/JPY rate | 109.15 | 106.70 | ▲2.24% |

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