## Senior Executives of Mizuho

### Mizuho Financial Group

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<td>Deputy President Head of Internal Audit Group / Chief Auditor (CA)</td>
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<td>Satoru Nishibori*</td>
<td>Managing Director Head of Financial Control and Accounting Group / Chief Financial Officer (CFO)</td>
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<td>Tetsuji Kosaki*</td>
<td>Managing Director Head of Strategic Planning Group and Head of IT, Systems &amp; Operations Group / Chief Strategy Officer (CSO) / Chief Information Officer (CIO)</td>
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<td>Hiroshi Saito</td>
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#### Corporate Auditors

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<td>Masayuki Saito</td>
<td>Managing Executive Officer Head of Risk Management Group, Head of Human Resources Group and Head of Compliance Group / Chief Risk Officer (CRO) / Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO) / Chief Compliance Officer (CCO)</td>
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<td>Hiroshi Kiyama</td>
<td>Executive Officer General Manager of Corporate Planning</td>
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<td>Makoto Fukuda</td>
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Notes:
1. * indicates Directors concurrently serving as Executive Officers.
2. Executive Officers, excluding the Directors concurrently serving as Executive Officers and Executive Officers responsible for global regional operations and the head of the International Banking Unit of Mizuho Corporate Bank, have not been listed.
3. Members of the Board of Directors other than the President and CEO and the Deputy Presidents, and the Corporate Auditors as well as the Executive Officers of Mizuho Securities, have not been listed.

As of June 28, 2005
## Office Network of Mizuho

### Domestic Network of Mizuho

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### International Network of Mizuho

#### Asia and Oceania

##### (Country/Region)

**China**

**Beijing Branch**
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**Taipei Branch**
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- TEL 886-2-2715-3911

##### Thailand

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- TEL 66-2-638-0200

**Mizuho Corporate Leasing (Thailand) Co., Ltd.**
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- TEL 66-2-638-0900

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**Note:** All overseas offices are those of Mizuho Corporate Bank except for offices indicated as follows:
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- **Subsidiary of Mizuho Trust & Banking**
- **Subsidiary of DLIB Asset Management**
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DLIBJ Asset Management International Ltd.***
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The Americas

(Country/Region)

Brazil

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Cayman Islands

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Mexico

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Austria

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TEL 33-1-5383-4100

Germany

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Luxembourg

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Switzerland

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The Netherlands

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Investor Information on Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.

Date of Establishment
January 8, 2003

Paid-in Capital
¥1,540,965 million

Outstanding Shares
13,907,425.49 shares
Common Shares: 12,003,995.49 shares
Preferred Shares: 1,903,430 shares

Number of Shareholders
Common Shares: 253,876
Preferred Shares: 3,414

Principal Shareholders
(Computed Shares)

Name of Shareholders Shares held (%)
Mizuho Holdings, Inc. 1,155,840.83 9.62
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trustee account) 609,088.00 5.07
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trustee account) 565,950.00 4.71
ROYAL TRUST CORPORATION OF CANADA, LONDON-CLIENTS ACCOUNT (Standing proxy agent: Standard Chartered Bank) 409,136.00 3.40
The Dai-ichi Mutual Life Insurance Company 279,158.00 2.32
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY (Standing proxy agent: Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.) 151,448.00 1.26
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Nippon Life Insurance Company 132,630.76 1.10
THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, N. A. LONDON (Standing proxy agent: Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd.) 115,357.00 0.96

Percentage of shares outstanding

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Principal Shareholders
(Preferred Shares)

Name Address Number of shares held or effectively held (%) Percentage of shares outstanding (%)
Resona Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. 1-1-2, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 105,050 0.76 41.27
Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan 1-12-1, Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 120,319 0.87

Note: The figures for “Number of Shares Held” and “%” in the table above were copied from the Notification of Change in Shareholdings.

(Preferred Shares)

Name Address Number of shares held or effectively held (%) Percentage of shares outstanding (%)
The Resolution and Collection Corporation 785,700 41.27
The Dai-ichi Mutual Life Insurance Company 27,000 1.41
Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company 25,000 1.31
Sompo Japan Insurance Inc. 19,000 0.99
FUKOKU MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY 15,000 0.78
ITOCHU Corporation 10,000 0.52
THE KANSAI ELECTRIC POWER CO., INC. 10,000 0.52
Shiseido Company, Limited 10,000 0.52
SHIMIZU CORPORATION 10,000 0.52
Seiko Epson Corporation 10,000 0.52
TAISEI CORPORATION 10,000 0.52
Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. 10,000 0.52
The Tokyo Electric Power Company, Incorporated 10,000 0.52
Nippon Express Co., Ltd. 10,000 0.52
Marubeni Corporation 10,000 0.52

Notes: 1. The voting rights of the shares held by Mizuho Holdings, Inc. are restricted, pursuant to Article 241, Paragraph 3 of the Japanese Commercial Code.
2. A Notification of Change in Shareholdings concerning the Report on Large Shareholdings in which Resona Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. and Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan are of the end of the fiscal period in question, and as such, their holdings are not included in the above table. It should be noted that, while the Resolution and Collection Corporation and Kanebo, Ltd. are named as joint shareholders in the aforementioned Notification of Change in Shareholdings, the details of the shares listed as being held by The Resolution and Collection Corporation in the Report on Large Shareholdings match the information in the Mizuho Financial Group’s shareholder registry for preferred shares at as of the end of the subject fiscal period, and the details of the shares listed as being held by Kanebo, Ltd. match the information in Mizuho Financial Group’s shareholder registry for common shares as at the end of the subject fiscal period. Accordingly, they are not included in the table below. It should be noted that, while the Resolution and Collection Corporation and Kanebo, Ltd. are named as joint shareholders in the aforementioned Notification of Change in Shareholdings, the details of the shares listed as being held by The Resolution and Collection Corporation in the Report on Large Shareholdings match the information in the Mizuho Financial Group’s shareholder registry for preferred shares at as of the end of the subject fiscal period. Accordingly, they are not included in the table below.

(As of March 31, 2005)
Stock Listings
Tokyo Stock Exchange
Osaka Securities Exchange

Accounting Auditors
Ernst & Young ShinNihon

Transfer Agent
Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

Fiscal Year
April 1 to March 31

Convocation of General Meetings of Shareholders
A regular general meeting of shareholders of the Company shall be convened no later than 3 months from the last day of each business year and an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders shall be convened whenever necessary.

Record Date
The Company shall deem shareholders having voting rights appearing in writing or digitally on the last register of shareholders (including the register of beneficial shareholders; the same shall apply hereinafter) as of March 31 of each year as the shareholders who shall be entitled to exercise their rights at the regular general meeting of shareholders for the relevant fiscal term.

In addition to the preceding paragraph, the Company may temporarily set the record date whenever necessary, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors and upon giving a prior public notice thereof.

Dividends
Dividends on shares shall be paid to the shareholders or registered pledgees appearing in writing or digitally on the last register of shareholders as of March 31 of each year or to the holders of fractional shares appearing in writing or digitally on the last register of holders of fractional shares as of March 31 of each year.

Interim Dividends
The Company may, by a resolution of the Board of Directors, make cash distributions pursuant to the provisions of Article 293-5 of the Commercial Code (referred to as "Interim Dividends" in these Articles of Incorporation) to the shareholders or registered pledgees appearing in writing or digitally on the last register of shareholders as of September 30 of each year or to the holders of fractional shares appearing in writing or digitally on the last register of holders of fractional shares as of September 30 of each year.
Disclosure Policy of Mizuho

○ Voluntary, Proactive Disclosure
By winning the highest regard of our shareholders and the market, we aim to earn the trust of society as Japan’s leading comprehensive financial services group. For this reason, we place one of the highest management priorities on continuing to disclose information to our customers, shareholders, and investors both in and outside Japan in a timely, fair and appropriate manner, in order that they may form accurate judgments and appraisals of the group.

Specifically, we use the following tools to promote further understanding of the group:
• Proactive investor relations (IR) activities conducted both in and outside Japan including IR meetings and other presentations by top executives, disclosure of these contents on our Web site, and individual meetings with domestic and foreign investors.
• Improvement of the contents of such publications as annual reports and IR presentation materials in Japanese and English as well as our Web site.
• Effective use of diversified disclosure channels such as conferences in both Japanese and English via the Internet.

○ Disclosure in Compliance with Relevant Laws
In accordance with the provisions of the Japanese Banking Law, the Securities and Exchange Law and the relevant regulations laid down by stock exchanges in Japan and around the world, we will endeavor to disclose pertinent information in a timely and appropriate manner.

○ Strengthening Disclosure Controls
We have established the Disclosure Committee to strengthen our internal control with regard to disclosure.