

Stewardship

Japan Stewardship Code Adherence Statement

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As a responsible investor, Lombard Odier Investor Managers (LOIM) firmly believes in the importance of stewardship to protect and enhance the long-term value of the assets entrusted to us by our clients. In fulfilling its fiduciary duty to clients, beneficiaries and investee companies, LOIM recognises the importance of active engagement and voting as crucial contributions to influencing and shaping companies' sustainability trajectories.

Accordingly, LOIM hereby declares its formal acceptance of the "Principles for Responsible Institutional Investors << Japan's Stewardship Code>> - To promote sustainable growth of companies through investment and dialogue - (Second revised version) (March 24, 2020)."

Japan Stewardship Code Principles

Principle 1: Institutional investors should have a clear policy on how they fulfill their stewardship responsibilities, and publicly disclose it.

Principle 2: Institutional investors should have a clear policy on how they manage conflicts of interest in fulfilling their stewardship responsibilities and publicly disclose it.

Principle 3: Institutional investors should monitor investee companies so that they can appropriately fulfill their stewardship responsibilities with an orientation towards the sustainable growth of the companies.

Principle 4: Institutional investors should seek to arrive at an understanding in common with investee companies and work to solve problems through constructive engagement with investee companies.

Principle 5: Institutional investors should have a clear policy on voting and disclosure of voting activity. The policy on voting should not be comprised only of a mechanical checklist; it should be designed to contribute to the sustainable growth of investee companies.

Principle 6: Institutional investors in principle should report periodically on how they fulfill their stewardship responsibilities, including their voting responsibilities, to their clients and beneficiaries.



Principle 7: To contribute positively to the sustainable growth of investee companies, institutional investors should develop skills and resources needed to appropriately engage with the companies and to make proper judgments in fulfilling their stewardship activities based on in-depth knowledge of the investee companies and their business environment and consideration of sustainability consistent with their investment management strategies.

Principle 8: Service providers for institutional investors should endeavor to contribute to the enhancement of the functions of the entire investment chain by appropriately providing services for institutional investors to fulfill their stewardship responsibilities.

Supporting documents

Our adherence to the Code is supported by the following policies, framework and reporting:

- LOIM Stewardship: <u>Our stewardship framework | Lombard Odier</u>
- LOIM Stewardship Statement: <u>Stewardship Statement.FINAL.pdf</u> (lombardodier.com)
- LOIM Engagement Policy: <u>Engagement policy.pdf</u> (<u>lombardodier.com</u>)
- LOIM Proxy Voting Policy: <u>Voting Policy.pdf</u> (<u>lombardodier.com</u>)
- LOIM Proxy Voting Guidelines: <u>Corporate Governance Principles</u> and <u>Proxy Voting Guideline.pdf (Iombardodier.com)</u>
- LOIM Stewardship Report 2022: <u>Stewardship Report-2022.pdf</u> (lombardodier.com)

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