

**Suntory Holdings becomes the first ever Japanese company to win  
the Best Data & Insights Award for APAC in Sedex Sustainability Awards 2023**



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Tokyo, Japan (March 31, 2023) — Suntory Holdings has been named the APAC region winner of Best Data & Insights Award in the Sedex Sustainability Awards 2023 held in London, UK on March 22nd. Suntory is the first ever Japanese company to become a winner in the award from the APAC region.

Sedex is one of the world's leading ethical trade membership organizations, working with businesses to improve working conditions in global supply chains, and focusing on the areas of labor standards, health and safety, environment, and business ethics. The organization operates in 170 countries, with over 74,000 members from different industries, and provides an online platform, tools and services to help businesses operate responsibly and sustainably, protect workers and source ethically.

The Sedex Sustainability Award celebrates businesses driving improvements in their supply chains by recognizing efforts related to innovation, progress and leadership in ESG (environment, social and governance), and covers three categories of Data & Insights, Community & Collaboration, and Technology & Innovation, in which one company is chosen as the winner among each of the APAC, Americas and EMA regions.

“We are very honored to become the first Japanese company to receive the award from the APAC region at the Sedex Sustainability Awards. We believe this award acknowledges our human rights due diligence efforts on collaborating with our suppliers using Sedex data to drive continuous improvement,” said Masaaki Fujiwara, Chief Sustainability

Officer of Suntory Holdings Ltd. “We are grateful to all the stakeholders who have worked together with us on these efforts. Going forward, we will continue to strengthen our sustainability management, including human rights, group-wide.”

Suntory Group will continue to promote sustainability throughout the entire supply chain, taking into consideration our business partners, society, and the environment.

- Suntory Group’s Human Rights initiatives

The Suntory Group established the Basic Policy on Sustainable Procurement in 2011 and the Suntory Group Supplier Guidelines in 2017. After joining Sedex in 2019, the group has worked in collaboration with business partners around the world to enhance and improve efficiency of risk management in its global supply chain. Suntory Group also established a new working team in January 2023 along with ten other companies from the food and beverage sector in Japan to further move forward the industry’s sustainability activities.

- ▼Suntory Group's Sustainability Vision

<https://www.suntory.com/csr/philosophy/>

- ▼Suntory's Sustainable Procurement

[https://www.suntory.com/csr/soc\\_procurement/](https://www.suntory.com/csr/soc_procurement/)

- ▼Suntory's "Respect for Human Rights"

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## About Suntory Holdings

As a global leader in the beverage industry, Suntory Holdings offers a uniquely diverse portfolio of products from premium spirits, beer and wine to brewed teas, bottled water, carbonated soft drinks, ready-to-drink coffee and energy drinks, along with health and wellness products. Suntory is home to award-winning Japanese whiskies *Yamazaki*, *Hibiki* and *Hakushu* as well as iconic American spirits *Jim Beam* and *Maker's Mark*. Suntory also fascinates the taste buds in Japan and the Asian market with our *Premium Malt's* beer and also owns the exceptional Japanese wine *Tomi* and the world famous *Château Lagrange*. Its brand collection also includes *Sauza Tequila*, non-alcoholic favorites *Orangina*, *Lucozade*, *Ribena*, *BOSS* coffee, *Iyemon* green tea, *Suntory Tennensui* water, *TEA+ Oolong Tea*, *V* and *BRAND'S*, as well as popular health and wellness product *Sesamin EX*.

Founded as a family-owned business in 1899 in Osaka, Japan, Suntory Group has grown into a global company operating throughout the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania with an annual revenue (excluding excise taxes) of \$20.4 billion in 2020. Suntory

is driven by Yatte Minahare - the spirit of bold ambition - and our 40,044 employees worldwide draw upon our unique blend of Japanese artisanship and global tastes to explore new product categories and markets.

As a company that delivers blessings of water and nature to our customers, Suntory is committed to its mission to create harmony with people and nature. Always aspiring to grow for good, Suntory is devoted to giving back to society through protecting water resources, nurturing its communities and fostering the arts.

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