

# **Sustainability Bond / Sustainability Bond Programme**

# **External Review Form**

# Section 1. Basic Information

Issuer	name: Tokyu Fudosan Holdings Corporation	n	
	nability Bond ISIN or Issuer Sustainability Bo e Framework	ond Framewo	rk Name, if applicable: Sustainability
Indepe	ndent External Review provider's name: Ja	pan Credit Ra	ting Agency Co., Ltd.
Compl	etion date of this form: November 9, 2020		
Publica	ation date of review publication: Novembe	r 9, 2020	
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SCOPE	OF REVIEW		
The foll	owing may be used or adapted, where appropric	nte, to summaris	se the scope of the review.
The rev	view assessed the following elements and co	onfirmed their	alignment with the GBPs and the SBPs:
$\boxtimes$	Use of Proceeds	$\boxtimes$	Process for Project Evaluation and Selection
$\boxtimes$	Management of Proceeds	$\boxtimes$	Reporting
ROLE(	S) OF INDEPENDENT EXTERNAL REVIEW	PROVIDER	
	Second Party Opinion		Certification
	Verification	$\boxtimes$	Scoring/Rating
	Other (please specify):		

Note: In case of multiple reviews / different providers, please provide separate forms for each review.

Latest update : June 2020

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REVIEW and/or LINK TO FULL REVIEW** (if applicable)

Tokyu Fudosan Holdings Co., Ltd. (Tokyu Fudosan HD) is a pure holding company established on October 1, 2013 through a joint stock transfer of 3 listed companies: Tokyu Fudosan Co., Ltd., Tokyu Community Co., Ltd., and Tokyu Livable Corporation. As of the end of March 2020, Tokyu Corporation (Tokyu) is the largest shareholder (15.90% stake), and Tokyu Fudosan HD is an equity-method affiliate of Tokyu.

Its operating companies include Tokyu Fudosan, Tokyu Community, Tokyu Livable, and Tokyu Hands. The business portfolio consists of 7 segments, including the city business, which includes the development, leasing, and operation of office buildings and commercial facilities, and the sale of buildings, as well as the residential business, which includes condominium sales and detached house sales, and the management and repair work of condominiums and buildings.

Tokyu Fudosan HD has established a sustainability vision: "We will solve social issues through our business activities and work with our stakeholders to realize sustainable society and growth." As a social issue facing us through our business activities, Tokyu Real estate HD defines SDGs to be addressed, identifies 7 items of materiality, and aims to solve materiality by providing facilities and services as outputs by leveraging the strengths of the Group's broad business portfolio, diverse assets, diverse customer bases, and human resources with expertise.

The scope of this evaluation is the sustainability finance framework (the "Framework") established by Tokyu Fudosan HD to limit the funds raised by means such as bonds or loans to the use of proceeds with environmental improvement effects and social benefits. JCR evaluates whether the Framework complies with the Green Bond Principles (2018 edition), the Social Bond Principles (2018 edition), the Sustainability Bonds Guidelines (2018 edition), the Green Loan Principles (2018 edition), the Green Bond Guidelines (2020 edition) and the Green Loan Guidelines and the Sustainability Linked Loan Guidelines (2020 edition). These principles are not binding because they are voluntarily published principles or guidelines by the International Capital Markets Association (ICMA), the Loan Market Association (LMA) and the Asia-Pacific Loan Market Association (APLMA) and the Ministry of the Environment, respectively, and are not regulations, but JCR evaluates the Framework by reference to these principles and guidelines as uniform standards both domestically and internationally.

Tokyu Fudosan HD plans to use the funds procured through sustainability finance as green projects to finance green building, renewable energy, and forest conservation efforts, and as social projects to finance or refinance projects that contribute to basic infrastructure development, access to essential services, and socio-economic improvement and empowerment. JCR assesses the use of proceeds as having environmental and/or social benefits.

The targets of the use of proceeds were selected through an appropriate process involving specialized departments; cash management is planned to be appropriately conducted using an internal system; appropriate indicators are established for reporting and necessary matters are scheduled to be disclosed; therefore, JCR confirmed that the management and operation system for sustainability finance issued under the Framework has been established and is highly transparent, and that Tokyu Fudosan HD's management has positioned environmental and social issues as high priority issues.

Based on the JCR Sustainability Finance Assessment Methodology, JCR assigned "gs1(F)" for the "Greenness and Social Beneficial Impacts Evaluation (Use of proceeds)" and "m1(F)"for the "Management, Operation and Transparency Evaluation." Consequently, JCR assigned "SU 1(F)" for the "JCR Sustainability Finance Framework Evaluation." The Framework is also considered to meet the standards for items required by the Green Bond Principles, the Social Bond Principles, the Sustainability Bond Guidelines, and the Green Bond Guidelines and the Green Loan and Sustainability Linked Loan Guidelines issued by the Ministry of the Environment.

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#### **Detailed review** Section 3.

Reviewers are encouraged to provide the information below to the extent possible and use the comment section to explain the scope of their review.

## 1. USE OF PROCEEDS

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## **Overall comment on section** (if applicable):

eligible areas not yet stated in SBPs

- Proceeds are used 100% for the projects, which are expected to derive high environmental improvement effects or social benefits.
- The issuer identifies environmental and social risks appropriately and takes necessary measures to avoid or mitigate them.

Use	of proceeds categories as per GBP:		
$\boxtimes$	Renewable energy	$\boxtimes$	Energy efficiency
	Pollution prevention and control	$\boxtimes$	Environmentally sustainable management of living natural resources and land use
	Terrestrial and aquatic biodiversity conservation		Clean transportation
	Sustainable water and wastewater management		Climate change adaptation
	Eco-efficient and/or circular economy adapted products, production technologies and processes	$\boxtimes$	Green buildings
	Unknown at issuance but currently expected to conform with GBP categories, or other eligible areas not yet stated in GBPs		Other (please specify):
f appli	cable please specify the environmental taxonomy	, if oth	er than GBPs:
Use o	f proceeds categories as per SBP:		
$\boxtimes$	Affordable basic infrastructure	$\boxtimes$	Access to essential services
	Affordable housing		Employment generation / programs designed to prevent and/or alleviate unemployment stemming from socioeconomic crises
	Food security and sustainable food systems	$\boxtimes$	Socioeconomic advancement and empowerment
	Unknown at issuance but currently expected to conform with SBP categories, or other		Other (please specify):

If applicable please specify the social taxonomy, if other than SBPs: **Target populations:** ☐ Excluded and/or marginalised populations and □Living below the poverty line /or communities ☑ People with disabilities ☐ Migrants and /or displaced persons ☐ Underserved, owing to a lack of quality access □Undereducated to essential goods and services □Unemployed □Women and/or sexual and gender minorities ☑ Aging populations and vulnerable youth ☑ Other vulnerable groups, including as a result of natural disasters ☑ Other (please specify): Start-ups, local residents 2. PROCESS FOR PROJECT EVALUATION AND SELECTION **Overall comment on section** (if applicable): At the issuer, the roles of each organization are clearly divided, and the department and management team with specialized knowledge in the decision-making process are involved. From this, the JCR evaluates issuer's selection criteria and selection process as appropriate. **Evaluation and selection** X Credentials on the issuer's social and Documented process to determine that green objectives projects fit within defined categories Defined and transparent criteria for Documented process to identify and manage  $\times$  $\times$ projects eligible for Sustainability Bond potential ESG risks associated with the project X Summary criteria for project evaluation Other (please specify): П and selection publicly available Information on Responsibilities and Accountability

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In-house assessment

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Evaluation / Selection criteria subject to

external advice or verification

Other (please specify):

#### 3. MANAGEMENT OF PROCEEDS

	Overall	comment on	section (i	if applicable):
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Fund management is evaluated as appropriate, given that the funds procured are reliably appropriated to the target project, the funds procured are managed in an appropriate manner within the issuer, the internal control system is established, and there are no particular concerns regarding the operation of unallocated funds.

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$\boxtimes$	Sustainability Bond proceeds segregated or tracked by the issuer in an appropriate manner			
$\boxtimes$	Disclosure of intended types of temporary investment instruments for unallocated proceeds			
	Other (please specify):			
Additio	onal disclosure:			
	Allocations to future investments only	X	Allocations to both existing and future investments	
	Allocation to individual disbursements		Allocation to a portfolio of disbursements	
	Disclosure of portfolio balance of unallocated proceeds		Other (please specify):	

### 4. REPORTING

## **Overall comment on section** (if applicable):

## a. Reporting on the Status of Appropriation of Funds

The use of proceeds under the Framework include new projects. As a result, proceeds from sustainability finance are expected to be appropriated prior to passing 24 months from issuance and are to be disclosed on the website as to the appropriation of funds until they are fully appropriated. The issuer will also manage the proceeds from sustainability finance with cash or cash equivalents until the appropriation is completed. If the project is no longer subject to the use of proceeds due to the sale or other reasons, the issuer uses the funds for alternative projects that satisfy the eligibility criteria. In this case, it is also assumed that it will be disclosed on the issuer's website. Based on this, it is judged that reporting on funding is appropriate.

## b. Reporting on Environmental Improvement Effects and Social Benefits

The issuer plans to disclose the predetermined items as reporting on environmental improvement effects and social benefits.

## Use of proceeds reporting:

X	Project-by-project	On a project portfolio basis
	Linkage to individual bond(s)	Other (please specify):
	Information reported:	
	☑ Allocated amounts	Sustainability Bond financed share of total investment
	☑ Other (please specify):	

	Frequency:			
	☑ Annual		Semi-annual	
	☐ Other (please specify):			
Impac	t reporting:			
$\boxtimes$	Project-by-project		On a project portfolio basis	
	Linkage to individual bond(s)		Other (please specify):	
	Frequency:			
			Semi-annual	
	☐ Other (please specify):			
	Information reported (expected or ex-pos	st):		
	☑ GHG Emissions / Savings	$\boxtimes$	Energy Savings	
	☑ Decrease in water use	$\boxtimes$	Number of beneficiaries	
	☐ Target populations	$\boxtimes$	Other ESG indicators (please specify):	
			Acquired valid environmental certification	
Means	s of Disclosure			
	Information published in financial report		Information published in sustainability report	
	Information published in ad hoc	$\boxtimes$	Other (please specify):	
	documents Reporting reviewed (if yes, please specify which	parts	Show on the website of the reporting are subject to external review):	
Where	appropriate, please specify name and date of p	ublic	ation in the useful links section.	
	<b>L LINKS</b> (e.g. to review provider methodology or credudosan Holdings Corporation's website about a			
https://tokyu-fudosan-hd-csr.disclosure.site/en				
JCR's website about green finance evaluation methodology:				
https://www.jcr.co.jp/en/greenfinance/				
SPECIFY OTHER EXTERNAL REVIEWS AVAILABLE, IF APPROPRIATE				
Type(s) of Review provided:				
	Second Party Opinion		Certification	
	Verification	$\boxtimes$	Scoring/Rating	
	Other (please specify):			

Review provider(s): Japan Credit Rating Agency, Ltd.

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## ABOUT ROLE(S) OF REVIEW PROVIDERS AS DEFINED BY THE GBP AND THE SBP

**1. Second Party Opinion:** An institution with sustainability expertise that is independent from the issuer may provide a Second Party Opinion. The institution should be independent from the issuer's adviser for its Sustainability Bond framework, or appropriate procedures such as information barriers will have been implemented within the institution to ensure the independence of the Second Party Opinion.

It normally entails an assessment of the alignment with the Principles. In particular, it can include an assessment of the issuer's overarching objectives, strategy, policy, and/or processes relating to sustainability and an evaluation of the environmental and social features of the type of Projects intended for the Use of Proceeds.

- **2. Verification**: An issuer can obtain independent verification against a designated set of criteria, typically pertaining to business processes and/or sustainability criteria. Verification may focus on alignment with internal or external standards or claims made by the issuer. Also, evaluation of the environmentally or socially sustainable features of underlying assets may be termed verification and may reference external criteria. Assurance or attestation regarding an issuer's internal tracking method for use of proceeds, allocation of funds from Sustainability Bond proceeds, statement of environmental or social impact or alignment of reporting with the Principles may also be termed verification.
- **3. Certification**: An issuer can have its Sustainability Bond or associated Sustainability Bond framework or Use of Proceeds certified against a recognised external sustainability standard or label. A standard or label defines specific criteria, and alignment with such criteria is normally tested by qualified, accredited third parties, which may verify consistency with the certification criteria.
- **4. Green, Social and Sustainability Bond Scoring/Rating:** An issuer can have its Sustainability Bond, associated Sustainability Bond framework or a key feature such as Use of Proceeds evaluated or assessed by qualified third parties, such as specialised research providers or rating agencies, according to an established scoring/rating methodology. The output may include a focus on environmental and/or social performance data, process relative to the Principles, or another benchmark, such as a 2-degree climate change scenario. Such scoring/rating is distinct from credit ratings, which may nonetheless reflect material sustainability risks.