Social Investment Partners Announces Appointment of New Advisor

Social Investment Partners is pleased to announce the appointment of a new Advisor Ms. Maki Mitsui, Managing Director of The Carlyle Group

Ms. Maki Mitsui is a Managing Director responsible for investor relations for The Carlyle Group, a global investment firm with 30 offices worldwide, including its headquarters in Washington, D.C. She is also the head of Carlyle Japan Equity Management LLC in Japan. Prior to joining Carlyle in 2002, she established an alternative product fund placement business at Merrill Lynch Japan Securities and introduced domestic and international buyout, venture, distressed, private real estate funds, and PE funds of funds to institutional investors. Before that, she worked in Tokyo and New York offices at Credit Suisse First Boston (now Credit Suisse). Ms. Mitsui graduated from Keio University, Faculty of Law, Department of Political Science.

Comment from Ms. Maki Mitsui

“It has been 7 years since I was inspired by the mission of SIP. I have been hoping to ‘give back’ and contribute to the society in the latter half of my working life, and COVID-19 has only made this desire stronger. Accordingly, I decided to support the activities of SIP, where many acquaintances through my professional career including Mr. Takatsuki, are engaged, as an Advisor. I will strive to spread the concept of venture philanthropy in Japan, which provides not only funding but also management support over the medium to long term, in order to address as many social issues as possible.”
Comment from Mr. Sakae Suzuki, Representative Director & CEO, and Mr. Daisuke Takatsuki, Representative Director, SIP:

“The market scale of social impact investment is growing rapidly, exceeding USD502 billion worldwide and JPY448 billion in Japan by 2019 (*). As the social agenda is expected to become more and more important in economic activities, SIP aims to lower the barriers between business and social sectors and strengthen the connection between economic activities and social issue resolution. Ms. Mitsui, who has been part of the growth of the PE industry in Japan since its early days, is expected to make a great contribution to the development of social impact investing for not only SIP but also for Japan. Together with the existing members, we would like to support NPOs and social entrepreneurs to develop and accelerate their operation.”


About Social Investment Partners, a General Incorporated Association
SIP was founded in November 2012 by specialists in business investments together with experts in social business support. Through JVPF, operated together with the NF, SIP extends financial and managerial supports to socially oriented organizations. SIP also collaborates with pro-bono partners who share SIP’s mission, and provides mid-to-long term (3-5 years) professional managerial resources. SIP’s investment criteria include i) social impact, ii) operational sustainability, iii) growth potential, iv) leadership, and v) shared mission and vision. SIP’s focus sectors include supporting the next generation; i) education and employment support for the younger generation, ii) childcare support and women’s advancement in society, and iii) vitalizing the local community. <URL> www.sipartners.org

<Pro bono partners>
- Clifford Chance (Gaikokuho Kyodo Jigyo): Legal advice
- Bain & Company Japan, Incorporated: Strategic consulting
- VOX Global Japan K.K.: PR Consulting
- EY (Ernst and Young) Japan: Auditing and insurance, advisory, Tax and transaction

<Organizations SIP has supported>
- NPO Afterschool
- Certified NPO Teach For JAPAN
- AsMama, Inc.
- Certified NPO Hattatsu Wanpaku Kai
- Aeru K.K.
- Techer’s Initiative, a General Incorporated Association
- Chance for Children, a Public Interest Incorporated Association

About JVPF
The first full-scale Japanese venture philanthropy (VP) foundation in Japan established in April 2013 in order to support and sustainably develop socially oriented organizations. JVPF is co-operated by SIP and the NF. <URL> www.jvpf.jp/
About the NF
A Public Interest Incorporated Foundation founded in 1962, financed by the proceeds of the Boat Race, with the purpose of supporting public interest activities within Japan and overseas. The main 3 fields that NF supports are activities of social welfare, education, and culture, activities concerning seas and ships, and overseas humanitarian activities as well as personnel training. NF is also focusing on fostering the NPO sector in Japan, fostering the “donating” culture, propelling CSR activities of corporations, etc.

<URL> www.nippon-foundation.or.jp/

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