

Press Release

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Seafood Legacy Co., Ltd.
Nikkei ESG

The Tokyo Sustainable Seafood Summit will mark its 10th anniversary! “Win the Mainstream- Nature-Positive, Ensuring Global Food Security and Respecting Human Rights”



Seafood Legacy Co., Ltd. (hereinafter: Seafood Legacy) and Nikkei ESG will host one of Asia's largest sustainable seafood events, Tokyo Sustainable Seafood Summit (TSSS) 2024 where key stakeholders from Japan and abroad share the latest information to achieve the sustainable seafood industry objectives. (Co-host: David and The Lucile Packard Foundation, and Walton Family Foundation)

The TSSS started in Japan and is one of Asia's leading global flagship events, where diverse stakeholders gather to pursue sustainability in ocean food systems and to transform the seafood sector into a sustainable development and nature-positive industry.

The TSSS started in 2015, and celebrates its tenth anniversary this year.

At the beginning of 2015, the awareness of sustainability by the Japanese public was not high, and the term “sustainable seafood” was almost unrecognized in Japan.

However, over the past decade, the landscape has changed dramatically.

Historic legislative reforms were made, including the first major amendments in 70 years to the Fisheries Act and the enactment of the Act on Ensuring the Proper Domestic Distribution

and Importation of Specified Aquatic Animals and Plants.

Many leading distributors and retailers have established sustainable procurement policies. Moreover, ESG (environment, social, and governance) investment has been gathering momentum in the seafood sector.

Yet still, risks—illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing which accelerates biodiversity loss and fisheries-resource depletion, and human rights violations—prevail in the global seafood industry.

Japan holds the key to solving these issues. Not only is it the world's third-largest seafood importer, it is also home to the headquarters of world-leading seafood companies.

In order to revitalize Japanese seafood industries and guide them toward sustainable growth, it is crucial that Japan, a central player in the global supply chain, actively exerts global leadership.

From TSSS2024 onward, we will commit ourselves to our new goal for 2030, “making sustainable seafood the mainstream in the Japanese seafood market”.

Together, let's take action for the future of Japan, Asia, and the world.

Event Overview

- Date: Tuesday 8th October to Thursday 10th October, 2024, 9:30-18:00 (JST)
 - * Reception will be held on Tuesday 8th (Pre-registration required)
- Venue: Tokyo International Forum Hall B7
Marunouchi 3-5-1, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo ([Google map](#))
- Participation fee: free (Pre-registration required)
- In-person all days.
- Simultaneous interpretation will be available in English and Japanese.

For more information and pre-registration, please visit our web page:
<https://sustainableseafoodnow.com/2024/en/>

Photos of the TSSS 2023



About Seafood Legacy Co., Ltd.

Seafood Legacy is a social enterprise that provides sustainable and responsible seafood consulting and platforming with the aim of passing on an abundance of seafood, a symbol of the connections between marine ecosystems, economy, and society to the next generation (legacy).

As a pioneer of seafood sustainability in Japan, we accelerate the sustainable seafood movement to Asia and the world, with national and international companies, financial organizations, NGOs, and governments, by harnessing our global network and foremost expertise in Japan.

About Nikkei ESG:

Nikkei ESG is a premier Japanese monthly magazine that is published by Nikkei Business Publications, Inc and features original articles regarding corporate ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) initiatives and institutional investor trends. Nikkei ESG also runs annual membership forum Nikkei ESG Management Forum and has monthly on-site study programs with respect to domestic and global ESG policies, investor trends, latest corporate strategies as well as new business or corporate governance which aims to achieve SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals).

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