

Tokyo Financial Award 2021 Award Ceremony

As part of our "Global Financial City: Tokyo" Vision 2.0, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government (TMG) is hosting the Tokyo Financial Award. The award recognizes financial businesses that develop and provide innovative financial products and services contributing to solving the problems and meeting the needs of the people and businesses in Tokyo, as well as businesses that promote ESG investment.

We are please to announce that the TMG will hold the Award Ceremony as follows.

Date: February 7, 2022, Monday
Opening 2:00 PM - Closing 3:30 PM (JST)

Method: Zoom
✂️ Following the Award Ceremony, presentations by the applicants for the Tokyo Financial Award will be made (until 4:45 PM).

Scheduled Programs

	Time (JST)	Session	Presenters (Tentative)
Award Ceremony 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	2:00 PM	Opening remarks Overview of the "Tokyo Financial Award"	Eiichiro Kodama (Director General for Global Financial City Strategy, Office of the Governor for Policy Planning, Tokyo Metropolitan Government)
	2:10 PM	Presentations by the awarded companies & Comments from the Judging Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiromi Yamaoka (Chair of the Judging Panel) • Financial Innovation Category: 3 companies • ESG Investment Category: 3 companies
	3:10 PM	Congratulatory speech (video message)	Yuriko Koike (Governor of Tokyo)
	3:15 PM	Awards & Photo session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manabu Miyasaka (Vice Governor of Tokyo) • Awarded companies
	3:30 PM	Closing of the Award Ceremony	
Presentations 3:40 PM - 4:45 PM		Presentations by the 13 companies (excluding the 3 award winners) that passed the preliminary screening from among 88 applicants in the Financial Innovation Category	

Click here to register.

https://ey.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_w_eXZwO9TfOVARQnbz0h6Q



Free registration

Simultaneous interpretation available

If you are interested in new financial products/services or ESG investment, please join us!

Website



Click here for the list of companies making presentations.

<https://www.finaward.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/cp-bin/wordpress5/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/0126-en.pdf>






▼What is the Tokyo Financial Award?
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① Financial Innovation Category

Awards will be given to the financial companies that have proposed particularly excellent solutions to the needs and challenges related to financial services facing Tokyo residents in their daily lives.

Awarded companies in the Financial Innovation Category

Ranking	1st	2nd	3rd
Company (Head office)	G-Bank technologies OÜ (Estonia) 	Caulis Inc. (Japan) 	Tractable Ltd. (UK) 
Outline of the proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a platform for financial services to improve the lives of international workers in Japan Uses digital banking technology to provide one-stop financial services such as bank account opening and remittance services, which are usually offered in Japanese, in the users' native languages and contributes to the expansion of financial inclusion of international residents in Japan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aims to prevent fraudulent bank account opening through identity theft Analyzes the possibility of identity theft by querying the information of the account holders with the electricity transmission information of power company, thereby helping to prevent the opening of bank accounts for the purpose of fraud or money laundering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shortens time for insurance claim payments for building damage caused by typhoons from several months to several days Automatically calculates the appropriate repair cost by simply photographing damaged areas with a smartphone using an AI solution

② ESG Investment Category

By listening to the needs and interests of residents and businesses in Tokyo regarding ESG investment, we invited businesses (including financial companies) from Japan and abroad that are actively promoting ESG investment or practicing SDGs management initiatives. At the Award Ceremony, we will present awards to particularly excellent applicants. Among the award-winning businesses, the "Governor's Special Prize for Green Finance" will be given to one business that is particularly outstanding in its green finance initiatives.

Awarded companies in the ESG Investment Category

Company (Head office)	[The Governor's Special Prize for Green Finance] Daiwa Asset Management Co. Ltd. (Japan) 	Nomura Holdings, Inc. (Japan) 	SBICAP Ventures Limited (India) 
Outline of initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established an investment trust, "Carbon Neutral Equity Fund", as a new form of investment aiming for a carbon-free society Aims to realize a carbon-free society by providing ESG investment opportunities as an investment trust; Established a system to support tree planting activities to grow assets and nurture forests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established a system in which producers throughout Japan and chefs in Tokyo can be evaluated by investors and consumers through the sale of digital memberships using blockchain technology based on the concept of "Agriculture" x "Food" x "FinTech" to provide an inflow of funds to agriculture and a new method of financing restaurants (Implemented in collaboration with Nomura Agri Planning & Advisory Co., Ltd. and Nomura Farm Hokkaido Co., Ltd. in the Nomura Group, and BOOSTRY Co., Ltd.) Ensures sustainable food production and consumption patterns through the use of non-standard vegetables in production areas, utilization of chefs' knowledge, and enhancement of consumers' food literacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established Neev Funds which are private equity funds focused on investing into the climate and environment SMEs in India. Backed by global investors such as the European Investment Bank (EIB), Foreign, Commonwealth Development Office of Govt of UK (FCDO), the State Bank of India (SBI) group, as well as JICA, the funds are ESG- and climate impact-focused and deliver strong financial returns