## Management Foundation

# Build a robust corporate governance structure to sustainably increase corporate value



# **Corporate Governance**

## **Basic Approach**

Our basic management policy is to continuously enhance our corporate value and meet shareholder expectations. To carry out this policy, we have established an efficient organizational structure and various systems designed to respond to changes in the business environment. In addition, to improve transparency in management and strengthen oversight functions, our basic

## **Corporate Governance Structure**

Shin-Etsu Chemical has adopted the Audit & Supervisory Board Member system as its organizational structure, and the Audit & Supervisory Board consists of five members, including three highly independent outside members. The Company strives to enhance human resources and systems that support audits conducted by Audit & Supervisory Board Members and, by ensuring close cooperation between these members and internal audit departments, conducts effective management that enables these members to adequately perform their auditing functions. By conducting thorough oversight of management based on collaboration between its five highly independent Outside Directors, its Audit & Supervisory Board Members and its internal Auditing Department, the Company has established mechanisms that strengthen its management oversight capacity while ensuring effective application of functions performed by its Audit & Supervisory Board Members. We believe that these efforts will enable us to establish a desirable governance system to ensure the confidence and trust from all our shareholders and investors.



approach to corporate governance is to accurately disclose information to shareholders and investors, and we consider this to be one of our highest management priorities.

For more detailed information, please see the Governance section on the Group's website. https://www.shinetsu.co.jp/en/sustainability/esg\_governance/

In addition to the Board of Directors, we have established the Managing Directors' Meeting to function as another deliberation and decision-making body for business execution. In principle, both organizations meet once per month. The Board of Directors deliberates and makes decisions on important matters related to management, including the Company's basic policies and matters required to be resolved by laws, regulations, and the Articles of Incorporation of the Company. The Managing Directors' Meeting deliberates and makes decisions on all aspects of the Company's operations (excluding matters submitted to the Board of Directors) in order to ensure the speedy and efficient execution of the Company's business operations. Furthermore, the Company has formed the Officers' Remuneration Committee, which is chaired by an Outside Director and serves as an advisory body to the Board of Directors. In these ways, we strive to ensure transparency and appropriateness in the remuneration of officers and the nomination of candidates for directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members. We have established the position of Corporate Officer.

### **Officers' Remuneration**

Shin-Etsu Chemical established the Officers' Remuneration Committee as an advisory body to the Board of Directors in 2002. The Committee consists of five directors, including three Outside Directors. With Outside Director Toshihiko Fukui serving as chairman, this Committee comprehensively examines and evaluates every director's contributions to performance and general management each fiscal year and reports results to the Board of Directors.

#### **Basic Fundamental Policy Regarding Remuneration and Its Calculation Method**

The remuneration system of Directors shall be designed to contribute to the mid- to long-term enhancement of the corporate value of the Company, and the remuneration of Directors shall be determined by the Board of Directors based on the results of the review and evaluation by the Officers' Remuneration Committee as well as its opinion thereon. The remuneration shall consist of "fixed remuneration" determined as appropriate for each individual's position, job responsibilities, etc., and "performance-based remuneration" that takes into consideration the annual financial performance of the Company as an incentive for the enhancement of corporate value, as well as "stock options" as an incentive for higher motivation and morale to execute one's duties and to improve performance, and ultimately for the enhancement of shareholder value (stock price-linked remuneration).

On the other hand, the remuneration of Audit & Supervisory Board Members shall be determined through their mutual consultation. The remuneration shall consist of "fixed remuneration" determined as appropriate for each individual's job responsibilities as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member. Outside Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members are not entitled to any "performance-based remuneration" or "stock options" as they are expected to perform supervisory and checking functions over management.

#### Remuneration amount by Director type and its detail, number of applicable Directors (for the year ended March 31, 2022)

Designation	Amount of remuneration, etc. by type (¥ million)			Number of recipients	Amount of remuneration, etc. by type (¥ million)	Number of recipients
	Fixed	Performance- based	Total	(People)	Non-monetary remuneration, etc.	(People)
Directors (excluding Outside Directors)	808	489	1,297	16	210	6
Audit & Supervisory Board Members (excluding Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members)	36	_	36	2	_	_
Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members	171	_	171	9	_	_

Notes: 1. Includes ten Directors and one Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member who retired from the positions effective upon the conclusion of the 144th General Shareholders Meeting held on June 29, 2021.

The Officers' Retirement Benefits Program was repealed at the conclusion of the 131st General Shareholders' Meeting held on June 27, 2008.
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4. The above figures for "Fixed remuneration" of the Directors do not include the employee salaries of Directors who serve concurrently as employees. In addition, the above

figures for "Performance-linked remuneration" and "Non-monetary remuneration, etc." do not include the employee portion for Directors who serve concurrently as employees. 5. The total amount of remuneration issued to Directors (excluding Outside Directors), which consists of fixed, performance-based and non-monetary remuneration, etc., was ¥1,507 million.

# Assessment of Board of Directors Effectiveness

At every meeting of our Board of Directors, Outside Directors ask questions and make suggestions regarding agenda items, and there is a lively exchange of opinions and discussion. A total of 13 Board of Directors meetings were held in FY2021, at which matters stipulated by law, the Articles of Incorporation, and the Company's Board of Directors Regulations were discussed, deliberated, and resolved without omission. In addition, the Board of Directors receives individual opinions each year from Outside Directors regarding the effectiveness of the Board of Directors as a whole. As a result, the Board of Directors of the Company was evaluated as being effective and received valuable feedback on the sustainable development of the Company, including in the areas of "Further Enhancement of Discussions at Board of Directors Meetings" and "Appointment of Female Directors".

# Activity Status of Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members

	Important concurrent positions (As of March 31, 2022)	
Outside Director Frank Peter Popoff		The Directo on his man Chemical C global com the Compa corporate v independen
Outside Director <b>Tsuyoshi Miyazaki</b>	Adviser, Mitsubishi Logistics Corporation	The Director the importa and the der area, capit Logistics C on his wear corporate r an indepen
Outside Director <b>Toshihiko Fukui</b>	President, The Canon Institute for Global Studies Outside Director, Kikkoman Corporation	The Director the Shin-Et etc., capita of experier ex-Governor supervision
Outside Director <b>Hiroshi Komiyama</b>	Chairman, Mitsubishi Research Institute, Inc.	The Direct Tokyo, as w his benefic energy and outstandin range of di environme thorough s
Outside Director <b>Kuniharu Nakamura</b>	Director & Chairman, SUMITOMO CORPORATION Outside Director, NEC Corporation	The Direct the diversi location and capitalizin CORPORAT his promin internation provided th
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Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member <b>Kiyoshi Nagano</b>	Outside Director, LEC, INC.	At the Aud his comme manageme Exchange, employees duties and subsidiarie function th
Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member Mitsuko Kagami	Lawyer Partner Lawyer, KAGAMI Law Office Outside Director, MEDIPAL HOLDINGS CORPORATION	At the Aud comments received re status of e of offices/

#### Status of activities

tor shared his opinions and practical advice capitalizing inagement experience as CEO of the former The Dow Company, a U.S. company that has a long history as a mpany, which have been of significant importance for any to expand its business overseas and enhance its value. He also provided thorough supervision from an ent standpoint.

tor shared his beneficial recommendations concerning tance of intellectual property for sustainable growth evelopment of human resources involved in this italizing on his management experience at Mitsubishi Corporation, a global logistics company, and based eath of experience and outstanding knowledge as a manager. He also provided thorough supervision from endent standooint.

tor shared his beneficial recommendations concerning Etsu Group's response to the US economic outlook, talizing on his outstanding knowledge and wealth ence related to global finance and economics as an nor of the Bank of Japan. He also provided thorough on from an independent standpoint.

tor, who has served as President of the University of well as in a variety of distinguished positions, shared icial recommendations concerning the use of renewable d lowering environmental impact, capitalizing on his ing knowledge and wealth of experience in a wide disciplines, including chemical engineering, the global ent, and natural resources and energy. He also provided supervision from an independent standpoint.

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dit & Supervisory Board meetings, she shared her s from a legal specialist's point of view. In addition, she reports from directors, employees, and others on the execution of their duties and conducted investigations /plants and subsidiaries of the Company, thereby g her audit function thoroughly. Attendance at Board Meetings (Year ende<u>d March 31, 2022)</u>

> Board of Directors Meetings **92%**

> Board of Directors Meetings 100%

Board of Directors Meetings **100%** 

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Audit & Supervisory Board Meetings 100%

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Board of Directors Meetings **90%** 

Audit & Supervisory Board Meetings **100%** 

# **Risk Management**

## **Group Risk Management**

#### **Risk Management Committee**

We have established a Risk Management Committee consisting of approximately 20 members, including directors, corporate officers, and department managers, to establish a risk management system, develop rules and regulations, and identify and prevent risks that may arise in the course of business activities. In addition, we promote cross-functional activities among divisions and Group companies, including the formulation of business continuity plans, training, and information sharing. Furthermore, important matters in risk management are reported to the Board of Directors, the Managing Directors' Meeting, and the Audit & Supervisory Board.

In FY2021, the Risk Management Committee met three times and monthly meetings were held by the secretariat. At the meetings, manufacturing and quality management risks, as well as risks related to natural disasters, are discussed and shared within the committee in order to enhance risk preparedness. In addition, opinions are exchanged within the committee to formulate priority risk management issues to be addressed in FY2022 onward.

### **Risk Management Procedures**

Risk management is basically carried out following the procedures of the PDCA cycle shown in the diagram below in accordance with the characteristics of each risk.

**Risk Management Regulations** 

Risks caused by

Research and development risks

quality management risks

Finance and accounting risks

Personnel and labor risks

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Business risks

Production and

Purchasing risks

Sales risks

The Company has established Risk Management Regulations

long-term perspective and has established a risk management

**Risks anticipated in the Risk Management Regulations** 

Risks caused by social factors

Environment and safety risks

Information management risks

• Intellectual property, contract,

other

Risk factors related to business activities

Risk factors not related to business activities

and litigation risks

• Fraud risks

Country risks

Legal risks

• Other

that anticipate comprehensive risks that may arise in the

course of the Shin-Etsu Group's business activities from a

system and responses to any risks that materialize.



#### Focusing on securing stable procurement by diversifying suppliers



Chairman, Risk Management

Committee

Toshiya Akimoto

We focus most on country risk when it comes to risk management. The Shin-Etsu Group does not conduct business in areas with high country risk. We also keep country risk in mind when procuring raw materials and focus on securing stable procurement by diversifying our suppliers. In addition, a Group company specialized in IT took the lead in strengthening cyber security measures for all domestic and overseas Group companies. The Risk Management Committee works with each responsible division to address the various risks surrounding the business, including the development and updating of business continuity plans, elimination of risks through contracts, and management of information assets.

## **Business Continuity Plan and Handling in Emergency**

The Shin-Etsu Group provides many products which have high market shares or are difficult to replace, and society will be affected if we are unable to supply these products because of a serious disaster or accident. Accordingly, each division and plant has formulated a business continuity plan based on the

Companywide Business Continuity Management Standard to prevent this from happening. In the unlikely event of a disaster or accident, a Disaster countermeasures head office headed by the President will be established to take emergency and recovery actions in accordance with prescribed operational standards.

## Management (As of June 29, 2022)

#### **Board of Directors**



Representative Director-Chihiro Kanagawa Director & Chairman; Founder of Shintech Inc.





In charge of Special Functional Products Dept.; General Manager,

Officer



Tsuyoshi Miyazaki\*1 Adviser, Mitsubishi Logistics

Director Kikkoman Corporation



Kuniharu Nakamura\*1 Director & Chairman, SUMITOMO CORPORATION; Outside Director,

Director

## **Director Specialties**

General management	
-	
International experience	
Technology, R&D	
Sales and marketing	
-	
Personnel and labor relations	
Financial accounting	
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Legal affairs	
-	

#### Audit & Supervisory Board Members



Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Hiroaki Okamoto



Audit & Supervisory Board Member Kiyoshi Nagano\*2 Outside Director, LEC, INC.

etsu Holdings, Inc.

Representative Director-Vice Chairman

Fumio Akiya

In charge of Semiconductor Materials and Technologies Representative Director & President of Shin-Etsu Handotai Co., I td.

Director, Senior Managing Corporate

Masahiko Todoroki In charge of Semiconductor Materials Dept., Senior Managing Director of Shin-Etsu Handotai Co., Ltd.

Toshihiko Fukui\*1

President, The Canon Institute for Global Studies; Outside Director,

## Michael H. McGarry\*1

Director, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, PPG Industries, Inc. Director, United States Steel Corporation



Representative Director-Prosident

Yasuhiko Saitoh Director & President of Shintech Inc. Director & President of Shin-Etsu Handotai America, Inc.



Director – Advisor Shunzo Mori



Directo Hiroshi Komiyama\*1 Chairman, Mitsubishi Research Institute, Inc.

\*1. Indicates an Outside Director as defined in Item 15, Article 2, of the Cornorations Law



Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board

Hidenori Onezawa

Audit & Supervisory Board Member Mitsuko Kagami<sup>\*2</sup> Partner Lawyer, KAGAMI Law Office; Outside Director, MEDIPAL HOLDINGS CORPORATION: Outside Director



Audit & Supervisory Board Member Yoshihito Kosaka<sup>\*2</sup> C.P.A., Certified Public Tax Accountant, Representative Partner HIYU Certified Tax Accountants' prooration

\*2. Indicates an Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member as defined in Item 16, Article 2, of the Corporations Law.