

The System for the Assurance and Registration of Sustainability reports etc.

The System for the Assurance and Registration of Sustainability reports etc., is that assurance bodies accredited by the Japanese Association of Assurance Organizations for Sustainability Information (hereinafter called the association), evaluate the reliability of sustainability reports etc. and if they determine the reports meet certain standards of reliability, grant the symbols (Sustainability Report Assurance and Registration Symbol, Environmental Report Assurance and Registration Symbol) set under the association to management executive of preparing the reports.

The environmental reports completed registration procedures under the association are posted on the website of the association.

◆ Assurance and Registration Symbol ◆



Sustainability Report



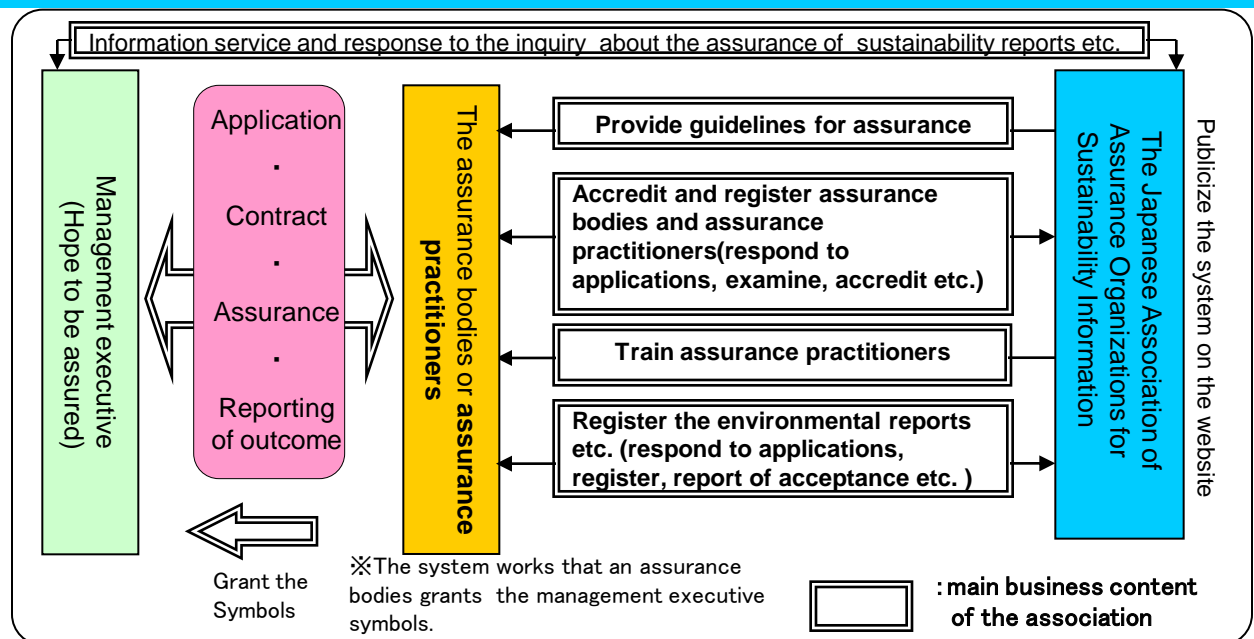
Environmental Report

Contact for assurance

In this system, the assurance bodies do all application procedures to register sustainability reports etc. on the association.

The assurance bodies are posted on the website of the association (<http://www.j-sus.org>). If you hope to get in this system, you should contact them.

The whole picture of the System for the Assurance and Registration of Sustainability reports etc.



The advantages of getting in the Assurance and Registration of Sustainability reports etc.

Sustainability reports etc. which is granted the Assurance and Registration Symbols are regarded as the ones which meet certain standards of reliability.

The stakeholders can recognize that the reports are reliable by the Assurance and Registration Symbol granted to them.

And in the circumstances where more and more people are interested in CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility), it is expected that the efforts and attitudes showing the reliable sustainability information for the users of the reports, are highly evaluated by Euro-American investing institutions, rating agencies etc.

Additionally, it is also expected that external assurances enhance in-company awareness of sustainability information, increasing the level of data management and help correct understanding of risks.

The Japanese Association of Assurance Organizations for Sustainability Information

◆The background of foundation and purpose◆

The Japanese Association of Assurance Organizations for Environmental Information, the predecessor of the association, was established on 15 June 2005, in consideration of “Law concerning the Promotion of Business Activities with Environmental Consideration by Specified Corporations, etc., by Facilitating Access to Environmental Information, and Other Measures (1 April 2005)”, in order to contribute to improving reliability of environmental reports by setting assurance methodology, ensuring the fairness, transparency, independence and reliability and working out efficient and effective assurance.

But we established The Japanese Association of Assurance Organizations for Sustainability Information to earn the society’s confidence and to carry out the social responsibility. (Date of organizing registration is 15 August 2007 and date of changing the name is 1 December 2009.)

◆The main business content of the association◆



The Japanese Association of Assurance Organizations for Sustainability Information
<http://www.j-sus.org>

(1) Accredit and register assurance bodies and practitioners

The association conducts business of accreditation, registration, ethics and quality management of assurance. And it conducts business of accreditation, registration and ethics of assurance practitioners.

(2) Provide guidelines for assurance

The association provides guidelines which are needed for impartial and precise assurance of sustainability reports.

(3) Register the environmental reports etc.

The association registers the sustainability reports etc. which are granted symbols of testifying being assured by assurance bodies.

(4) Train assurance practitioners

The association trains assurance practitioners to learn required knowledge to assure sustainability reports etc.

(5) Provide information of the assurance of environmental reports etc,

The association carries out its information activities and promoting and educational activities of the assurance of sustainability reports etc.

(6) Other management required for achieving its goal

◆affiliates◆

- PricewaterhouseCoopers Aarata Sustainability Certification Co., Ltd.
- KPMG AZSA Sustainability Co.,Ltd.
- Ernst & Young ShinNihon Sustainability Institute Co.,Ltd.
- Deloitte Tohmatu Evaluation and Certification Organization Co., Ltd.
- Japan Audit and Certification Organization for Environment and Quality(JACO)
- JIC Quality Assurance Ltd.
- Japan Quality Assurance Organization

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