

## To Our Stakeholders

# We Will Bring About Innovation with the Power of Chemistry, Contribute to Solving Issues Facing Society, and Achieve Sustained Growth for Our Company.

We at the Sumitomo Chemical Group have contributed to the development of society through our business, firmly committed to our credo, “Our businesses must benefit society at large, not just our own interests. (Jiri-Rita Koushi-Ichinyo)” Over more than 100 years since the company’s founding, we have also continuously created new value by transforming our business portfolio to meet the changing needs of society.

The world now stands at a major turning point, where geopolitical risks have increased uncertainty and volatility, while significant innovations are taking place in the fields of digital technology and biotechnology. In the meantime, the concept of global sustainability, represented by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), is expanding.

What we should do is to view these changes in society not as risks but as opportunities and contribute to solving issues facing society by bringing about innovation with the power of chemistry. We will utilize our ability to develop innovative solutions by leveraging the technological expertise in diverse areas that Sumitomo Chemical has cultivated as a diversified chemical company since its founding. We will also further promote our collaboration with academia and startup companies. By doing so, we will unleash the unlimited potential of chemistry and make innovation happen. And we will continue to help solve pressing societal issues facing people around the world in areas such as health care, the environment, food, natural resources and energy, thereby realizing long-term sustained growth for the Group.

We would like to ask you, our stakeholders, for your continued support and cooperation.

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