



RepRisk Launches Coverage of Japanese Language Sources in Partnership with The Japan Research Institute

Clients Now Have More Comprehensive International Coverage of Environmental and Social Issues

Zurich, Switzerland and Tokyo, Japan (April 19, 2010) - RepRisk, a specialized data provider that identifies and monitors environmental and social risks for financial institutions, investment professionals and compliance functions, is partnering with The Japan Research Institute (JRI), a leading research institution specialized in information and financial systems, corporate strategy as well as domestic and foreign economic and policy issues. This collaboration will allow RepRisk to enhance its coverage of environmental and social issues by including Japanese language sources while enabling JRI to provide its clients with comprehensive information on environmental and social risks.

“By partnering with JRI, we are broadening the breadth of our international coverage of environmental and social issues,” said Phillip Aeby, Managing Director of RepRisk. “RepRisk now covers all major business languages - which underscores the comprehensiveness of our database and enhances our offering to clients.”

The RepRisk® tool monitors environmental and social risks related to companies, projects and sectors worldwide based on a company’s activities as observed by independent third-party sources. RepRisk covers all major business languages and its database currently includes over 13,000 controversial companies and 2,700 projects, and is updated and growing daily.

“We believe that the information on environmental and social risks is becoming more critical not only for financial institutions but also for any company” said Eiichiro Adachi, Head of ESG Research Center of JRI. “We would like to support our customers in integrating ESG information into their decision-making process to hedge the risks and improve socially responsible management.”

Founded in 1969, JRI is a “knowledge engineering” company that offers comprehensive, value-adding information services. ESG Research Center of JRI has been providing financial institutions with ESG information since 1999. It is a member of the Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group and is headquartered in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan.

About RepRisk

RepRisk is the leading provider of dynamic data on environmental and social risks for an unlimited universe of companies and projects. The company’s web-based tool, RepRisk®, allows you to identify and assess the environmental and social issues which may present financial, reputational and ethical risks. It is used by investment professionals, financial institutions, supply chain managers, multinational corporations and compliance managers. The tool plays an integral role in increasing transparency and ensuring compliance with internal and international standards, thereby helping reduce risk exposure.

On a daily basis, RepRisk tracks a company’s or project’s environmental and social risk exposure by monitoring independent third-party sources such as all major print media, over 700 NGOs, newsletters, news sites, governmental agencies and blogs. Controversial issues covered include environmental footprint and climate change, human rights and community relations, labor conditions and employee relations as well as corruption and money-laundering. In particular, all principles of the UN Global Compact are addressed. RepRisk covers all major business languages (English, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, French, German, Spanish, Portuguese, and



Russian) and its database currently includes over 13,000 companies and 2,700 projects, and is updated and growing daily. For more information, please visit: www.reprisk.com.

About The Japan Research Institute

The Japan Research Institute, Limited (JRI) is a "knowledge engineering" company that offers comprehensive, highly value-added information services, through the coordinated application of its three functions, that is, information systems, consulting, and think-tank. As a systems integrator, JRI offers services in IT strategy planning, implementation and outsourcing for a broad range of industries and activities. JRI particularly enjoys a high reputation in the development of financial systems services.

JRI is also active in research of both domestic and foreign economic issues and formation of policy recommendation, as well as consulting in a wide range of fields such as corporate strategies and public administrative reform. In addition, JRI provides analyses and surveys for incubation activities in the creation of new markets and industries. Through these operations JRI offers a clear vision to its customers towards changes in the economic and social environment as well as developments in the IT area. For more information, please visit: www.jri.co.jp.

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