

To Our Stakeholders

On the Publication of the Hitachi Metals Group Report 2018

The Hitachi Metals Group is a high-performance materials company unparalleled in the world, and through our businesses, we aim to help to resolve social issues and by doing so, contribute to society and enhance our corporate value. This report is one part of that effort, and we consider this an important form of communication with shareholders.

By systematically integrating financial and non-financial information, this report is intended to convey the Group's strengths and vision and to clarify our process for creating value. This report also references the International Integrated Reporting Council's (IIRC) International Integrated Reporting Framework and the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry's (METI) Guidance for Integrated Corporate Disclosure and Company-Investor Dialogues for Collaborative Value Creation, and is prepared in close cooperation with our corporate divisions to consolidate our thinking across the Group.

We hope that readers will find this information useful in deepening their understanding of the activities of the Hitachi Metals Group.

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