

## Nomura Signs Investor Statement Expressing Concerns Regarding Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

**Tokyo, July 22, 2024**—Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd. (NAM), the core company within the Investment Management Division of Nomura Group, today announced that it has signed an investor statement expressing concerns regarding antimicrobial resistance (AMR<sup>1</sup>), a critical issue where antibiotics lose their effectiveness against bacteria.

This statement, initiated by IAAMR (Investor Action on Antimicrobial Resistance), calls upon investors globally to tackle the challenges posed by AMR. NAM is actively engaged with the Access to Medicine Foundation<sup>2</sup> and FAIRR<sup>3</sup> initiatives, the founding collaborators supporting IAAMR. Driven by global overuse and misuse of antimicrobials in humans, animals and agriculture, and the subsequent spread of antimicrobial residues into the environment, AMR has become a systemic risk akin to climate change and nature loss. Therefore NAM signed the statement to pledge our support on these issues.

IAAMR has highlighted the potential negative impact on the global GDP if AMR issues remain unaddressed. The UN General Assembly's second High Level Meeting (HLM) on AMR is set to convene in September 2024, marking the first such meeting in eight years since the inaugural session in 2016.

The statement underscores the necessity for all stakeholders, including governments, investors, and companies, to actively engage in efforts to mitigate the risks of AMR by embracing a holistic "One Health" approach that recognizes the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health. In line with this ethos, the statement calls for seven key actions, such as establishing "science-based guidance targets," reductions in the use of antibiotics in agriculture and animal farming, and funding the development of new antimicrobials, to be enacted by policymakers worldwide.

As a responsible institutional investor, NAM will continue to address ESG issues in order to become the asset manager of choice for clients around the world.

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<sup>1</sup> Please refer to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare's "National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) 2023-2027" for more details. <https://www.mhlw.go.jp/content/10900000/001096228.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> A foundation that encourages the pharmaceutical industry to do more to help low- and middle-income countries who have limited access to medicine. NAM endorsed and signed the Access to Medicine Index published by the foundation in 2019.

<sup>3</sup> The Farm Animal Investment Risk and Return initiative. A livestock industry-related institutional investor initiative, which educates people about livestock industry risks, including the impact on the environment, as well as food safety (antibiotics) issues. NAM signed on to this initiative in 2019.