

Voluntary participation leading to policy recommendations

Participation in consortium, government, and ministry activities

Organization	Nature of activity
TCFD Consortium	Kirin Holdings has participated in the TCFD Consortium since it was established in 2019. Kirin Holdings serves as a member of the Guidance by Industry Review Committee (food sector) from 2020.
WE MEAN BUSINESS	In the WE MEAN BUSINESS coalition, the Kirin Group has committed to “setting reduction targets by SBT,” “report on climate change responses in mainstream reports by CDSB”
Science Based Targets Network	An organization that sets science-based targets related to natural capital and aims to create sustainable systems for the Earth. Kirin Holdings has set targets in line with the SBT Initiative (SBTi) standards for GHG emission reductions and has received approval for our science-based 1.5°C target in 2020 and science-based net zero target in 2022. SBTs for Nature is a new initiative for setting targets related to natural capital after the SBTi. We were the first company in the Japanese pharmaceutical and food industry to participate in the Corporate Engagement Program (CEP), which discusses rulemaking.
United Nations Global Compact	The Kirin Group joined the United Nations Global Compact in September 2005.
Japan Sustainability Local Group (JSLG)	Kirin Holdings participates as a steering committee member and director of the JSLG.
Fun to Share/COOL CHOICE	Since 2014, the Kirin Group has supported the Japanese government's new climate change campaigns, Fun to Share and COOL CHOICE, and has registered with these campaigns.
Voluntary Action Plan of Japan Business Federation (Nippon Keidanren)	In consideration of the conservation of the global environment, the Brewers Association of Japan, of which Kirin Brewery is a member, and the Japan Soft Drink Association, of which Kirin Beverage is a member, participate in initiatives for the reduction of environmental load conducted by Nippon Keidanren (Japan Business Federation) and are tackling CO ₂ reductions and the recycling of waste.
Eco-First	Eco-First is a program in which companies make a pledge to the Minister of the Environment to conduct their own environmental conservation initiatives, such as counter-measures to global warming. The Kirin Group became the first manufacturer to be Eco-First accredited. It also participates in the Eco-First Promotion Council whose members comprise accredited companies.

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Japan Business and Biodiversity Project	Kirin Holdings has joined the Japan Business and Biodiversity Partnership, which was established by Nippon Keidanren (Japan Business Federation), Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and Keizai Doyukai (Japan Association of Corporate Executives) in 2010.
Forest Supporters	The Kirin Group participates in the activities of Forest Supporters, a civic movement that promotes the creation of beautiful forests. The National Land Afforestation Promotion Organization serves as secretariat for this movement.
Water Project	The Kirin Group is a founding member of and active participant in the Rainforest Alliance Consortium, which was established in September 2015 by the Rainforest Alliance (Japan) and companies that handle Rainforest Alliance Certified products with the aim of promoting the certification program and certified products recognition.
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Consortium for Sustainable Paper Use (CSPU)	Five (now ten) companies engaged in leading-edge paper use initiatives and WWF Japan established the Consortium for Sustainable Paper Use. As a founding member of the CSPU, the Kirin Group pursues initiatives aimed at sustainable paper use.
Clean Ocean Material Alliance (CLOMA)	Kirin Holdings is a member of the Clean Ocean Material Alliance, which was established with a view to accelerating innovation through public-private partnerships that drive new 3R initiatives to make the use of plastic products more sustainable and promote the development and introduction of alternative materials.
Japan Sustainable Palm Oil Network (JaSPON)	Kirin participates in the “Japan Sustainable Palm Oil Network (JaSPON),” which was established in order to promote the procurement and consumption of sustainable palm oil.
Alliance To End Plastic Waste	The Kirin Group participates in the Alliance To End Plastic Waste, an international non-profit organization dedicated to solving the problem of plastic waste in the environment. By working to solve the plastic waste problem that surrounds the world from a global perspective, we aim to realize a “society where plastic continues to circulate” together with participating companies.
The TNFD Forum	The TNFD Forum is a network of supporters who share the mission and vision of the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD), a framework for disclosing information for the management of risks related to natural capital. In December 2021, Kirin Holdings became the first Japanese food and beverage and pharmaceutical company to participate in the TNFD Forum.

NGOs and environmental groups

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WWF Japan	We received support from the WWF Japan when developing our Guidelines for the Procurement of Sustainable Biological Resources and our Action Plan. The Consortium for Sustainable Paper Use was under joint efforts, and we are continuing to conduct activities.
Rainforest Alliance	We are working together to support the Sri Lankan tea farms and Vietnamese coffee plantations in getting Rainforest Alliance Certified.
FSC Japan	We jointly engage in activities to promote the wide use of FSC-certified paper. Kirin declared its commitment to the Vancouver Declaration on SDGs and FSC certification in 2017.
Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)	Kirin Holdings engages in activities as an associate member of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO), a nonprofit organization that promotes the production and use of sustainable palm oil.
Earthwatch Japan	We are jointly pursuing ecological surveys at Mariko Vineyard and conducting activities to regenerate <i>Sophora flavescens</i> .

Industry organizations

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Brewers Association of Japan	We are jointly working on developing voluntary environmental action plans related to containers and packaging, global warming, creation of a recycle-based society, etc., and implementing associated measures and on conducting activities to prevent the scattering of beverage containers and promote community beautification.
Japan Soft Drink Association	We are jointly working on developing voluntary environmental action plans related to containers and packaging, global warming, creation of a recycle-based society, etc., and implementing associated measures and on conducting activities to prevent the scattering of beverage containers and promote community beautification.
Recycling related organizations	We are promoting 3R activities together with The Japan Containers and Packaging Recycling Association and various councils for promoting recycling.
The Beverage Industry Environment Beautification Association (BIEBA)	BIEBA brings together six beverage producer bodies to conduct activities aimed at beautification of communities.

Engagement with the next generation

Name of activity	Nature of activity
Kirin School Challenge	We hold environmental workshops for students in junior and senior high schools.
Japan Environmental Youth Network	We support the Japan Environmental Youth Network organized by the Ministry of the Environment and Environmental Restoration and Conservation Agency of Japan and serve on the adjudication panel at the regional and national conventions.