

Sumitomo Riko opens Global Headquarters in Nagoya

Sumitomo Riko Company Limited (Headquarters: Nakamura-ku, Nagoya-shi, President and COO: Tetsu Matsui) has revealed the new formation and, from January 4, operational launch of its new Global Headquarters in the Nagoya Station area, aimed at pushing forward the advancement of its business management and taking another major step toward being a global company.



Chairman & CEO Yoshiaki Nishimura (center), President & COO Tetsu Matsui (second from left) and others celebrating the inauguration with a tape-cutting ceremony



Chairman & CEO Yoshiaki Nishimura and President & COO Tetsu Matsui answering questions from the media

Having acquired and taken over foreign companies in 2013, Sumitomo Riko has currently expanded its business to 103 bases in 23 countries with the aim of transforming into a Global Excellent Manufacturing Company. It also changed its name to Sumitomo Riko Company Limited in October 2014 in order to improve its brand value.

While pressing ahead with globalization, it is essential that the Sumitomo Riko Group build a solid foundation for its business operations. Establishing a global headquarters function in the city center does not only integrate the whole Group, it also promotes greater awareness among employees and the securing and training of diverse personnel who will play an active role globally.

On the business day of January 4, a *Shinto* ritual was held followed by an opening ceremony attended by the media. The launch of the new office was celebrated with the unveiling of the company sign and a tape-cutting ceremony. Addressing the ceremony, Chairman & CEO Yoshiaki Nishimura said, "In keeping with the Sumitomo Spirit, we intend to build a solid platform for our consolidated business operations based on S.E.C. (safety, environment, compliance) and, from this Global Headquarters, rapidly progress into a truly global company."

<Outline of Global Headquarters>

Name: Sumitomo Riko Company Limited, Global Headquarters

Address: JP Tower Nagoya, 1-1-1 Meieki, Nakamura-ku, Nagoya-shi, Aichi

Operational launch: January 4, 2016

Departments installed: Legal Department, International Legal Department, Public Relations Department, General Affairs Department, Human Resources Department, Human Resources Development Department, Accounting Department, Finance Department, Investor Relations Department, Business Accounting Department, Corporate Planning Department, Internal Control and Audit Department, Information Systems Department, Purchasing Department, Global Sales Planning Office, Audit & Supervisory Board Members' Office

Employees: Approximately 200

*The registered head office address is still 1, Higashi 3-chome, Komaki, Aichi, as before.