Press Release



ACCJ Launches Online Library on How Women Contribute to Committees, Boards, and Corporate Value

-Invaluable Resource Archives Articles, Whitepapers in English & Japanese-

March 8, 2021 [Tokyo] – On the occasion of International Women's Day, the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) announces the launch of an online library of material documenting progress and debate about women in the workforce.

The online library is hosted on the ACCJ's website at: https://www.accj.or.jp/wib-reading.

The library provides a critical source of information in Japanese and English on commentary and research surrounding the engagement of women in the workforce. The resource, which is accessible to all and does not require membership of the ACCJ, relies on volunteers and users of the site to submit articles and papers of relevance.

Submissions to the site are arranged in broad, easily searchable categories: Cultural and Social issues, Government Responses, Issues Regarding Gender, Womenomics, and Working Mothers. Those wishing to submit articles and papers in English or Japanese can do so through a simple form: https://www.accj.or.jp/wib-reading2/share-content. Submissions are then vetted by the ACCJ Secretariat before being uploaded to the site.

The library is the culmination of work by the ACCJ Women in Business (WIB) Committee and offers a compendium of material on workplace reforms undertaken both in Japan and in other markets.

ACCJ President Jenifer Rogers said, "The launch of this site is very timely, as we are observing significant debate on the expected roles of women, young people, and other groups in Japanese society. I urge everyone to help us build up this fantastic library by contributing relevant material.

"At a time when transparency and communication are more important than ever, our companies and boards of directors need diverse opinions and new ideas more than ever to drive innovation. The ACCJ is committed to promoting not only the role of women in the workplace, but also Diversity and Inclusion in the workforce to ensure that businesses provide equal opportunities for the employment and advancement of all people," Rogers continued.



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About the ACCJ

The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) was established in 1948 by representatives of 40 American companies. Over its 72-year history, the ACCJ has positioned itself as one of the most influential business organizations in Japan. The ACCJ has approximately 3,000 members who together represent over 600 globally minded companies with offices in Tokyo, Nagoya, and Osaka. Working closely with the U.S. and Japanese governments, business organizations and others, the ACCJ engages in activities that advance its mission of further developing commerce between the U.S. and Japan, promoting the interests of U.S. companies and members, and improving the international business environment in Japan including the commitment to demonstrating responsible corporate citizenship. The ACCJ's more than 60 committees represent a variety of industries and make policy recommendations through advocacy tools such as viewpoints, public comments, and white papers. The ACCJ holds on average 500 events and seminars a year, many of which focus on government policy and economic trends. The ACCJ is also committed to promoting charitable and CSR activities. www.accj.or.jp

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