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## **MUFG Bank Joins Global CCS Institute**

**Tokyo, March 15, 2022 ---** MUFG's core banking subsidiary MUFG Bank announced today that it has joined the international think tank Global CCS Institute (GCCSI), which aims to promote use of carbon dioxide capture and storage (CCS) technology worldwide.

CCS is a suite of technologies that capture carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emitted from power plants, oil fields, gas fields, factories, etc., and inject and store it deep underground, preventing its release into the atmosphere. CCS is expected to play an important role in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction towards the realization of a carbon neutral society. In addition, CCS, in combination with direct air capture<sup>[1]</sup> and biomass energy, is expected to be able to achieve "negative emissions" and reduce the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere.

GCCSI is an international organization established by the Australian government in 2009 to promote the use of CCS technology. Currently, more than 120 organizations around the world, from sectors including government, industry and research, have joined the GCCSI membership. GCCSI disseminates the latest trends and detailed information (including business models) on CCS policies and regulations around the world, CCS technologies, R&D, demonstration, projects for commercialization, etc., and also shares knowledge and insights among CCS-related stakeholders.

MUFG defines its purpose as "Committed to empowering a brighter future." Our business activities are driven by the determination to make every effort to empower all stakeholders to take the next step forward. We will leverage our membership in GCCSI to keep up to date on the status of CCS technology and business development worldwide to increase our knowledge of CCS-related business, thus contributing to the realization of a sustainable society.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[1]</sup> Technologies for directly recovering CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere

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