Live Webinar

The Future of Finance and Empowering the Retail Investor

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Featuring:

Oki Matsumoto, Chairman and CEO, Monex Group, Inc.

Moderator:

Alicia Ogawa, Director, Project on Japanese Corporate Governance and Stewardship, Center on Japanese Economy and Business, Columbia Business School

On February 17, 2021, CJEB held a live webinar featuring Oki Matsumoto with Alicia Ogawa serving as moderator. The Monex Group includes Monex Securities in Japan, Coincheck, a cryptocurrency exchange based in Japan, and TradeStation, the sixth largest online U.S. broker. Mr. Matsumoto explained how Monex is using cross-fertilization across technologies and geographies to grow its business. In Japan, more than 50% of household savings is invested in bank accounts; equity investment is far lower than other OECD countries. The speakers discussed how and why this is changing, and what the role of Monex is in increasing financial literacy in Japan. Retail investors across the globe have been largely silent in voting their shares. Monex has launched a new fund which will harness the power of retail investors in order to challenge Japanese executives to improve their environmental, social, and governance standards. The webinar concluded with a Q&A session with the audience. To view the video recording of the webinar, please visit https://youtu.be/ZPuldRQ4xIU.