

# Background of JCI – 3 reasons

# 1. To Respond to the Increasing Role of Non-State Actors in the Paris Agreement

Wanted to create movement from Japan

#### 2. To Create a level-playing field for Japanese NSAs

 Ambitious actions taken by progressive JPN companies and local governments should receive fair recognition.

# 3. To Tap on the Advocacy Power of the NSAs to the Central Government

Japan needs to stand on the front line of global decarbonization.



# JCI at a glance



#### Secretariat Orgs







#### **Partner Orgs**











Launched on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

105 organizations joined at the launch.  $\rightarrow$  now 306

(212 companies, 28 local govts and 66 other orgs)

#### JCI members



**Companies:** Bloomberg L.P. / Fujitsu Limited / Hitachi, Ltd. / Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc. / Nikon Corporation / Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. / Panasonic Corporation / RICOH COMPANY, LTD. / Sony Corporation / Unicharm Corporation etc.

**Local governments:** City of Sapporo / Kyoto City / Kyoto Prefecture / Nagano Prefecture / Tokyo Metropolitan Government / Yokohama City etc.

Other organizations: Central Federation of Societies of Commerce and Industry (CFSCI; a national network of <u>800,000</u> small and medium-sized enterprises) / Japanese Consumers' Co-operative Union (JCCU; a national federation of consumer co-ops with <u>28,000,000</u> members) etc.

# Key Activities in 2018

#### Global Climate Action Summit (12-14 September, 2018)

Participants: 22 people from 13 organizations

Events: MOU signing ceremony with America's Pledge,

Panel Discussion on the main stage, ACAs event







#### Japan Climate Action Summit (12 October, 2018)

Participants: about 700 including speakers and media/journalists

Japan Climate Action Summit Declaration was adapted and submitted with 171 signatories to the Talanoa Dialogue

### So far, so good...

#### A (good) surprise

To be honest, we didn't expect this much (105 organizations) of participation from the beginning.

#### Proof that Japanese NSAs are already taking action

Encouraging to see so many actors are already sharing the ambition for decarbonization.

#### Steady growth since the launch

 One crucial example: Central Federation of Societies of Commerce and Industry (CFSCI), which is a national network of more than <u>800,000</u> small and medium-sized enterprises across Japan

#### We will expand more

We are calling for all the 47 prefectures to join us.

# Our goals (from the Founding Declaration)

When the Kyoto Protocol,[...], was adopted, Japan was certainly at the forefront of global climate action. However, 20 years later, <u>Japan's current position is far from a leading one.</u>

[...] Japan can and should play a greater role in the world in realizing a decarbonized society <u>primarily through promotion of energy efficiency and expansion of renewable energy</u>. Also, we are firmly convinced that [taking action]will bring <u>significant</u> <u>benefits to Japan itself.</u>

We will enhance our efforts to demonstrate global leadership in achieving the well-below-two-degree target through our own activities. We are sure that the actions of Japanese non-state actors will enhance Japan's commitment to climate efforts in international society.

# Our plan in 2019 – 4 collaborations

#### 1. With the Government

- Japanese Government has set up an advisory council to discuss its long-term strategy under the Paris Agreement.
- The govt plans to present the strategy before G20 2019 in Osaka, Japan.
- JCI will engage with the relevant ministries and the council members.

#### 2. Among members

- Many members are already acting and have joined international initiative such as RE100 [7 companies] and Science Based Targets (SBT) [33 companies].
- We will share experiences and knowledge among members and encourage further to join those international initiatives.

#### 3. With other NSAs and Japanese society in general

 We will showcase and work with other partners in Japan. One of such opportunities will be the Japan Climate Action Summit 2019 next October.

#### 4. With international partners

We will communicate our activities to the world and will work with int'l partners.

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