# Responding to the Experts

# We will incorporate the external opinions and advice into the evolution of our sustainability activities and information disclosure.

Our business depends on connections with a variety of stakeholders. We believe that building positive relationships and co-creating value with stakeholders are essential for achieving sustainable growth. Therefore, we have continued to hold dialogues with external experts to reflect the opinions of stakeholders in our sustainability reports and information disclosure. In the dialogue last year, much expectation was expressed about an approach to sustainability that is characteristic of LOTTE's, so we have deepened initiatives focused on our distinctive characteristics, including demonstration experiments on traceability of cacao beans using blockchain and the release of an app that measures chewing force.

We also received some advice on targets in this year's dialogue. In 2048, LOTTE will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its founding. We will discuss our vision of what LOTTE should be like for the 100th anniversary, as well as considering a pathway for reaching it using backcasting and preparing for the evolution of our targets, so I hope you look forward to that.



Managing Executive Officer LOTTE CO., LTD.



# Collaboration with External Initiatives

# Main Industry Organizations in Which **LOTTE Participates**

All Nippon Kashi Association (ANKA)	(Vice Chairman)
Japan Food Industry Association	
Japan Food Industry Central Council	
Japan Chewing Gum Association	(Chairman, Executive Director)
Chocolate and Cacao Association of Japan	(Managing Director Director)
Japan Biscuit Association	(Director)
National Candy Industry Association	(Honorary Advisor)
Japan Confectionary Better Business Association	(Vice Chairman)
Japan Ice Cream Association	(Vice Chairman)
Paper Packaging Recycling Council	(Director)
Plastic Packaging Recycling Council	(Auditor)
Japan Pocket Warmer Association	

#### Commitment to Initiatives

United Nations Global	. Compact (UNGC)
Roundtable on Sustair	nable Palm Oil (RSPO)
World Cocoa Foundati	ion (WCF)
Science-Based Target	ts initiatives (SBTi)
Task Force on Climate	e-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)
Task Force on Nature-	-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) Forum
Women's Empowerme	ent Principles (WEPs)
The Consumer Goods Japan Sustainability L	
TCFD Consortium	
Japan Clean Ocean M	aterial Alliance (CLOMA)
United Nations Food S	Systems Summit (FSS)
GX League	
10X20x30 Food Loss a	nd Waste Initiative—Japan Project
xSDG Consortium	
Platform for Sustaina	ble Cocoa in Developing Countries
TOKYO ETHICAL ACTI	ON PROJECT

# **External Recognition**

Certified as White 500 company under the 2023 Certified Health & Productivity Management Outstanding Organizations Recognition Program

Obtained environmental management system standard ISO 14001 certification

Obtained GFSI Approval Scheme (FSSC22000/BRC) certification