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As of June 23, 2015

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Message from the External Director



Yuzo Murayama

I am a professor at Doshisha Business School where I lecture on corporate social responsibility and the invigoration of Kyoto's local industries. At the same time, I'm involved in the management of the university as vice president. As vice president, last year I carried out the reform of Doshisha University's governance system and organization based on the new policy announced by the Ministry

of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.

There are many similarities between corporations and universities when it comes to governance. One shared challenge is how to build a system for balancing government policy with the unique characteristics of the company or university. If you only follow government policy, you cannot create a governance system that works well for a particular organization. On the other hand, if you build a system too dependent on the unique characteristics of the organization, checks on management will lose effectiveness. Currently, the government of Japan is placing greater pressure on companies to act on governance, as evidenced by the Corporate Governance Code. This is why now is the time to establish a JR-West style governance system by balancing government policy with JR-West's unique characteristics.

Career

April 1982	Joined Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.	Jan. 2001	Professor, Osaka University of Foreign Studies
June 1985	Deputy Chief Research Fellow, Economic Investigation	April 2004	Professor, Doshisha Business School
	Division, Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.	April 2009	Professor and Dean, Doshisha Business School
July 1985	London Branch, Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.	June 2010	Director of the Company (present post)
April 1989	Full-time Lecturer, Department of English and American	April 2011	Professor, Doshisha Business School (present post)
	Languages, Kansai Gaidai University	April 2014	Vice President, Doshisha University (present post)
Oct. 1993	Assistant Professor, American Studies, Department of Area Studies, Osaka University of Foreign Studies		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,