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HLB expands its network and expertise in Japan

HLB International is pleased to welcome HLB ES NEXT, a leading Japanese accounting and advisory firm, to its global network of member firms. The addition of HLB ES NEXT strengthens HLB's presence in Japan and enhances the network's ability to support companies pursuing growth, international expansion and capital market opportunities.

HLB ES NEXT has built strong expertise in serving companies listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange as well as businesses preparing for initial public offerings (IPOs). The firm provides high-quality audit and advisory services to clients across a range of industries, supporting organisations through key stages of their development, from growth phase to maturity and international expansion.

By joining HLB, HLB ES NEXT aims to strengthen its ability to support clients with international needs, particularly companies seeking to access overseas capital markets and expand globally. Through the HLB network, the firm will gain access to trusted member firms and specialists worldwide, enabling stronger cross-border collaboration, particularly for IPO-related support in the United States and international referral work across Asia.

Shinichiro Suzuki, HLB ES NEXT CEO, stated:

“Leveraging our membership in HLB International, we are committed to evolving further as a vital infrastructure supporting next-generation leaders and growing enterprises. As a partner for cross-border corporate growth, we strive to contribute to the sustainable growth and innovation of the Japanese economy.”

Coco Ke Liu, HLB Chief Growth Officer, said:

“We are delighted to welcome HLB ES NEXT to the HLB community. Japan continues to be a key market for businesses looking to innovate, grow and expand internationally, and ES NEXT brings valuable expertise in supporting

Japanese listed companies locally and globally. We look forward to working together to strengthen HLB's global capital markets service capabilities, cross-border collaboration and create greater opportunities for our clients and member firms across the HLB network.”

About HLB

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