## My Purpose draws out the capabilities of organizations

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I first realized what My Purpose is when I was engaged in my daily management duties, and found myself thinking, "I want to create an environment where I can fully understand my team members and each of them can demonstrate 120% of his or her capabilities."

Firstly, I disclosed my personal My Purpose to all team members in my workplace to help them understand me.

In addition, by holding meetings to share My Purpose in my department, mutual understanding has deepened between team members, and I feel that team cohesion has increased when I see things like people moving to voluntarily help each other.

We usually link My Purpose with work goals and engage in dialogue to draw out what each team member wants to do.

Under these circumstances, positive changes are being made, such as results being generated through taking on new challenges and team members applying for the job challenge program in order to seize career opportunities for themselves.

The quality of communication has also changed, and this has had an impact on the engagement survey.

I feel that the key to a strong organization is for each of us to continue this cycle of dialogue based on My Purpose to encourage employees to take on new challenges and attain achievements.



My Purpose

We must actively engage with people, increase opportunities to exchange smiles with colleagues, and create an environment where colleagues believe in each other and work enthusiastically together. We must also draw out maximal team capabilities and realize a society where no one is isolated or lonely.

## My Purpose changed my values

Tomoko Yanagihara, Business General Manager and Senior Leader, Tokyo Chuo Division 4, Sompo Care



I attained my current position after having worked in the finance and real estate industries, but I didn't previously have much familiarity with the concept of respecting the aspirations of individuals and engaging with work in this way. However, when I became a manager, I found that the employees I was overseeing would not follow my instructions in the way I wanted them to at all, and I got the distinct feeling that the old style of management would no longer work. After that, I learned the importance of dialogue and implemented it. But that alone was not enough.

It was during this time that I encountered the concept of "conducting dialogue with team members with My Purpose as the starting point."

At last year's Town Hall Meeting, I was struck by Mr. Sakurada's statements, "It is important to firstly think of My Purpose," and "I want you to use the company as a place to realize your own purpose." Through subsequent training and other activities, I have realized that this is truly an idea that fits the times.

My Purpose

I want to create a workplace where employees feel satisfied with their jobs, and increase the number of things that our clients have been able to do because of Sompo I believe that everyone will be able to be happy at work if we can create an organization in which we seek the overlap between My Purpose and SOMPO's Purpose together, and assist each other in taking on challenges. I will continue to directly engage with each of my team members, and implement dialogue based on My Purpose.

## Initiatives in which My Purpose has led to innovation and results

Katsuaki Namba, Manager, Kariya Sales Section, Nagoya Automobile Development Department, Sompo Japan Insurance

In the department I belong to, we are aiming for a "purpose-driven work style." All employees have formulated their own My Purpose, which they share with one another in the workplace and move to implement themselves.

Furthermore, since this fiscal year, we have been holding "meetings to share My Purpose initiatives and actual examples" with the companies and agencies we are in charge of. Through these efforts, we are contributing to the human resource development and organizational development of our corporate clients. We are also building new relationships based on purpose with corporate group companies that we have not had much of a chance to connect with in our 130-year history. We are definitely feeling a positive response.

For example, I recently held a purpose-sharing meeting with companies that had never done insurance business with us before. This meeting led to a significant change in the way our customers view our company and our employees, and to a new business relationship that transcends the boundaries of our history. In addition, at another company, we shared the department manager's My Purpose with the employees, which ended up resonating with many of them. Subsequently, the quality and breadth of communication grew, which in turn led to new sales projects.

We believe that the sharing of My Purpose is not limited to the framework of insurance, but leads to the creation of a team of colleagues who can take on the challenge of solving social issues together. We will continue to actively engage in such efforts going forward.



My Purpose

Toward a world where everyone can live with a raison d'être