

# Japan Activist Investment Manager

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#### The need for Corporate Governance in Japan

Management of many Japanese companies have long held to a belief that companies exist for their own and their employees needs.

They do not realize that the company belongs to its shareholders, who as principals, have appointed management to be their agents in order that they maximize shareholder value.

Strategic Capital will

**Actively Teach** 

**Actively Demand** 

**Actively Strengthen** 

Better corporate governance in Japan



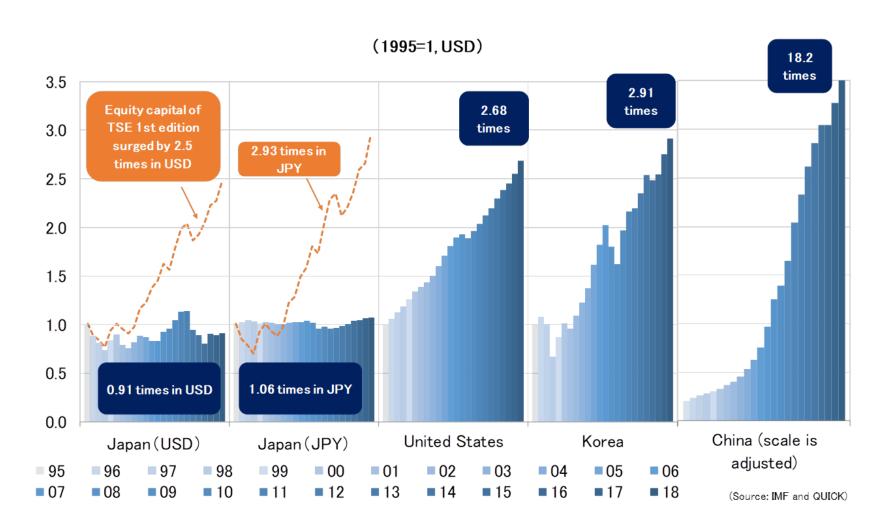
### Actions taken by management

#### Some examples of what management have done are

Excessive Accumulate **Unneeded Cross**shareholder's excessive cash share holdings equity Non-core assets Low ROE/ROIC Poison pills (real estate etc.) Lack of Board Parent/child Poor IR independence company structure



## Nominal GDP (bar chart) & Equity Capital of TSE 1st Section (line chart)





#### Value Stocks in Japan

#### All Listed Japanese Firms by market cap (ex financials)



Source: Quick Jul 2019

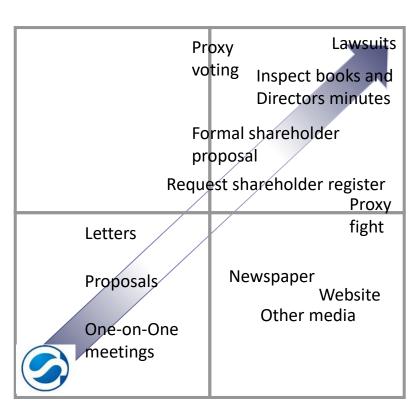
\*Firms with PBR<0.8, NC50%+



#### Strategic Capital Activism – Aggressive Only When Necessary



Practical measures



Personal Aggressive

- Campaigns start privately employing a personal and face-toface approach. The preference is to influence through passion, education in a non-threatening and non-public way.
- Over time, increase pressure by strategically using more aggressive means.
- Many campaigns successfully completed before an aggressive approach is needed

