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Sanden Corporation

## **Sanden Forest Renews SEGES “Green Legacy” Certification**

### **– Continued Recognition for Efforts in Environmental Conservation and Ecosystem Preservation –**

November 10, 2025 – Sanden Forest at our Akagi Plant has successfully renewed its highest-level certification, “Green Legacy,” under the “Growing Green” (SEGES OMA (Operation, Management and Active use)) program operated by the Organization for Landscape and Urban Green Infrastructure. This achievement reaffirms Sanden’s dedication to conserving the natural environment and promoting biodiversity through sustainable management practices.

This renewal was highly evaluated for the following points:

- Continuous development of green spaces with a strong focus on preserving native species and protecting ecosystems
- Maintaining a high standard of both quality and quantity by designating half of the entire site as corporate greenery
- High academic value of indicator-based surveys that enhance the efficiency and accuracy of monitoring activities

This certification serves as an important testament to a company’s contribution to building a sustainable society and its commitment to coexistence with local communities. It is positioned as a core initiative supporting Sanden’s sustainability-driven management.

The certification ceremony was held at the University of Tokyo, with 13 companies participating, including those receiving new certifications and renewals. The event also featured case study presentations by four SEGES-certified companies. A representative from our company introduced the initiatives of Sanden Forest. Going forward, we will continue to engage in long-term nature conservation activities, reinforcing our commitment to sustainability management and fulfilling our social responsibilities.



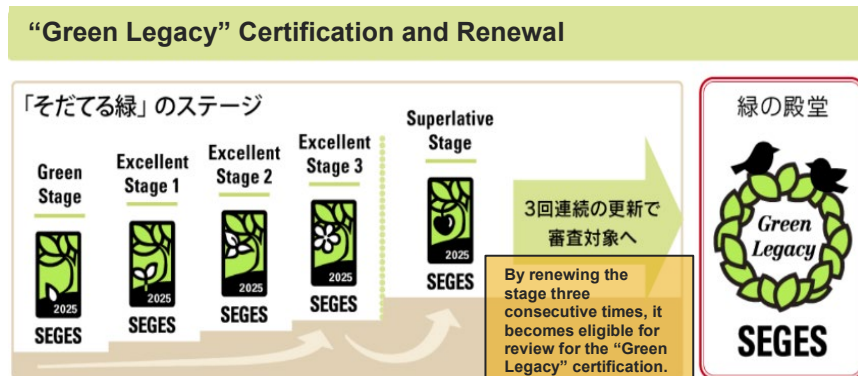
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Right: Certification Ceremony – Sanden employee

## ● About SEGES

SEGES is a certification system that evaluates and recognizes high-quality green spaces created by companies and other organizations, along with their ongoing efforts to maintain and develop these areas, for their contributions to society and the environment. The program consists of three series: “Growing Green” (SEGES OMA: Operation, Management and Active use), “Urban Oasis” (SEGES ESW: Environmental friendliness, Safety and Well-being), and “Creating Green” (SEGES PDC: Planning, Designing and Construction). Among these, “Growing Green” certifies outstanding conservation and creation activities in green spaces of 300 square meters or more owned by private businesses. Within “Growing Green,” green spaces that have renewed the highest of five stages, the “Superlative Stage,” three consecutive times become eligible for review for the “Green Legacy” designation.



## ● Case Study Presentation at the General Meeting

In addition to the certification ceremony, case study presentations were given by SEGES-certified companies. From Sanden employee took the stage to share initiatives for green space development and examples of experiential learning programs conducted in collaboration with local governments and schools. During the presentation, Sanden employee emphasized that “experiential learning enables cross-disciplinary education, and it is important to convey not only knowledge but also ‘connections’ and ‘concepts.’” The session also featured active discussions, including questions about measures for dealing with wildlife.



Sanden employee Responding to Questions

## ● About Sanden Forest

Sanden Forest was established in 2002 at the southern foot of Mt. Akagi in Gunma Prefecture, based on the concept of “Coexistence of Environment and Industry without Contradiction,” using a near-natural construction method. Half of the site is occupied by the factory, while the remaining area consists of forests and green spaces, creating a “factory in the forest.”

Sanden Forest aims to restore Satoyama ecosystems through afforestation and the development of waterside environments. It features a 4-kilometer walking trail and environmental learning facilities, which are widely utilized by schools and community groups. Since 1998, continuous monitoring surveys have been conducted to promote biodiversity conservation and environmental education. The site welcomes approximately 8,000 visitors annually, serving as a venue for nature experiences.



Monitoring Survey: Installing Sensors



Bamboo Grove Maintenance Event: “Takenoko Club”

## ■ Event Overview

Date: November 10, 2025

Program: Part 1 – SEGES Certification Award Ceremony

Part 2 – SEGES General Meeting “Green Certification and Urban Development”

Venue: Ichijo Hall, Yayoi Auditorium, Faculty of Agriculture, The University of Tokyo

## [Links]

[Reference]

SEGES Official Website: <https://seges.jp/>

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