John J. Lee CEO Meritz Asset Management Korea

John J. Lee is the CEO of Meritz Asset Management a Korea domiciled asset manager established in 2008. The current total asset under management is approximately \$7.7 billion.

Prior to Meritz, Mr. Lee was a Managing Director and a senior portfolio manager at Lazard Asset Management. Prior to Lazard, Mr. Lee was a Managing Director at Scudder Stevens and Clark (Later acquired by Deutche Bank) where he managed 'The Korea Fund' since 1991 until he joined Lazard in 2005. The Korea Fund was the first NYSE listed closed-end fund to invest in Korea.

In 2008 John Lee and his team members were awarded by the Ministry of Knowledge Economy for contribution to foreign investment to Korea. Mr. Lee was also awarded by the Financial Services Commission for his outstanding efforts and contribution to the Korean capital market in 2009.

Mr. Lee is a Certified Public Accountant and worked at KPMG Peat Marwick prior to Scudder. He studied Economics at Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea from 1978 to 1980 and received a B.S. in Accounting from New York University in 1985. In 2010, Mr. Lee, published a book in Korea titled "Why Equities".

He has been awarded numerous times for his achievements at Meritz Asset Management and Korea's fund industry.

- "Best Asset Manager in Investor Protection" (2016 Korea Fund Awards/ KG Zeroin)
- "Fund of the Year Award" (2016 Korea Fund Awards/ Hankyung Economic Newspaper)
- "Best Fund Award" (2016 Annual Securities Awards/ Maeil Business Daily)
- "Best Securities Personnel Of the Year Award" (2015 Maeil Business Daily)
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- "Best Fund of the Year Award" (2015 The Korea Economic Daily)
- "Best Fund Award" (2015 Korea Herald Business)