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## **Decker & Co. Hosts Japan Expert Pelham Smithers in U.S. for Meetings with 45 Global Investment Funds**

**San Francisco, CA, February 2, 2018** – Institutional equities broker Decker & Co. hosted noted Japan expert Pelham Smithers, founder of London-based Pelham Smithers Associates, for a two-week series of meetings in the U.S. with 45 global investment funds.

Pelham Smithers presented his signature stock-market strategy piece, “Japan Perspectives 2018,” in sessions with portfolio managers and analysts across the U.S. from January 20 through today.

“2018 should see investor psychology in Japan shift as inflation accelerates,” according to Smithers. “We see profitable stock-picking opportunities centered on blockchain/fintech; outperformance by small caps; the rise of eSports videogaming; 5G and IoT moving to the mainstream; and automation/cost controls for labor shortages.”

Mark Decker, founder and CEO of Decker & Co., said, “Pelham Smithers is known for bringing insights on the Japanese market that are best in the business. We are proud to partner with him and his colleagues at Pelham Smithers Associates.”

Pelham Smithers Associates is the leading English-language independent research provider on the Japanese stock market, with a focus on the Japanese technology sector. Founder Pelham Smithers is one of the world’s experts on consumer technology trends. The firm serves a worldwide blue-chip client base.

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