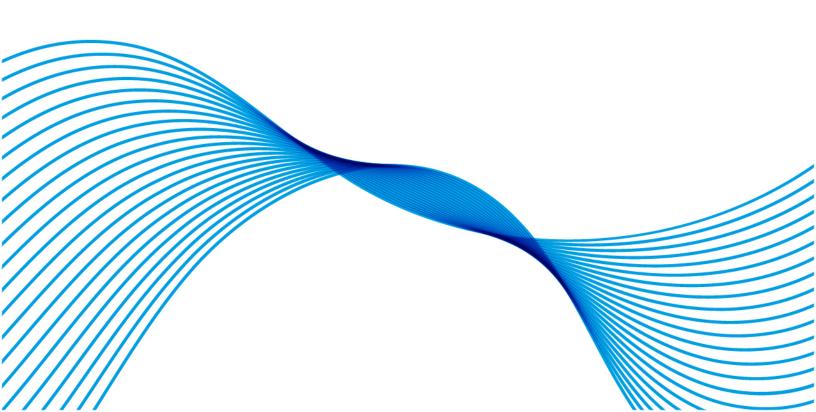
## Principles for Responsible Investment

### PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY REPORT

2023

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PRI signatories are required to report publicly on their responsible investment activities each year. In turn, they receive a number of outputs, including a public and private Transparency Report.

The public Transparency Reports, which are produced using signatories' reported information, provide accountability and support signatories to have internal discussions about their practices and to discuss these with their clients, beneficiaries, and other stakeholders.

This public Transparency Report is an export of the signatory's responses to the PRI Reporting Framework during the 2023 reporting period. It includes the signatory's responses to core indicators, as well as responses to plus indicators that the signatory has agreed to make public.

In response to signatory feedback, the PRI has not summarised signatories' responses – the information in this document is presented exactly as it was reported.

For each of the indicators in this document, all options selected by the signatory are presented, including links and qualitative responses. In some indicators, all applicable options are included for additional context.

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# **SENIOR LEADERSHIP STATEMENT (SLS)**

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Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
SLS 1	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Senior Leadership Statement	GENERAL

#### Section 1. Our commitment

Why does your organisation engage in responsible investment?

• What is your organisation's overall approach to responsible investment, and what major responsible investment commitment(s) have you made?

For 32 generations and 800 years, the Salm-Salm family has used sustainable methods in the management of family forests, fields and vineyards. Christian values and beliefs play an important role in all family decisions. Founded on the claim of responsible preservation of nature and the upright treatment of people and animals, a truly sustainable and responsible investment policy is an important part of the company's DNA.

At Salm-Salm & Partner, we pride ourselves on real, lived sustainability. Sustainability is a core component of our investment profile. Back in 2014, we were the first asset manager in the convertible bond sector to develop a comprehensive system for analyzing and investing in convertible bonds with a strong sustainability profile. In 2016, we once again took the lead role. The Salm Sustainability Equity Fund has since expanded our sustainability approach with an equity strategy. As the first global equity fund to be set up in Germany, the fund is committed to meeting the climate targets agreed in Paris. We assess the climate profile of our funds and our carbon footprint on a monthly basis. By integrating it into our monthly fact sheet, we publish the key figures in a transparent and comprehensible manner.

We integrate a large and growing number of sustainability criteria (negative and positive screening and best-in-class) into our investment process at an early stage to generate additional alpha. We believe in the long-term outperformance potential of companies that are managed sustainably. In our view, investing in these companies will create a better risk-return profile over the long term. Together with the Head of Sustainable Investments, the shareholders have introduced a strict investment code for our sustainable funds



and mandates. Investments in controversial companies or companies that do not fit into our best-in-class approach are strictly prohibited for any fund manager. Every day, all funds and mandates under sustainable management are monitored by an ESG analyst and reviewed for possible violations of our strict Code. This process guarantees a quick and direct response to changes in the ESG quality of our funds. Our internal rating process and the outcome of this process are monitored by several independent organisations. We are able to implement a wide range of client requirements regarding climate and ESG restrictions in our investment processes and responsibly implement them in the managed portfolios on an individual basis.

#### Section 2. Annual overview

• Discuss your organisation's progress during the reporting year on the responsible investment issue you consider most relevant or material to your organisation or its assets.

Reflect on your performance with respect to your organisation's responsible investment objectives and targets during the reporting year. Details might include, for example, outlining your single most important achievement or describing your general progress on topics such as the following (where applicable):

- refinement of ESG analysis and incorporation
- stewardship activities with investees and/or with policymakers
- collaborative engagements
- · attainment of responsible investment certifications and/or awards

We have adopted company-wide minimum standards. We exclude securities of issuers that exceed the following turnover thresholds in all mutual funds we manage: Nuclear, Embryo Research, Fracking & Oil Sands, proscribed Weapons, Coal/Oil/Gas and Abortion, Pornography.

Otherwise, we remain true to our values and beliefs. We talk to the companies we are invested in, at roadshows, investor conferences and with IR departments and demand clear statements on sustainability.

In 2022 we were again awarded the FNG seal and the UZ49 Austrian eco-label.

#### Section 3. Next steps

What specific steps has your organisation outlined to advance your commitment to responsible investment in the next two years?

We are working with our investment company (Universal Invest) to improve the issue of voting rights. We also plan to further improve the issue of climate optimisation throughout the company and manage more funds accordingly.

#### Section 4. Endorsement

'The Senior Leadership Statement has been prepared and/or reviewed by the undersigned and reflects our organisation-wide commitment and approach to responsible investment'.



#### Name

Benedikt Neipperg

Position

Portfolio-Management

Organisation's Name

Salm-Salm & Partner GmbH

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'This endorsement applies only to the Senior Leadership Statement and should not be considered an endorsement of the information reported by the above-mentioned organisation in the various modules of the Reporting Framework. The Senior Leadership Statement serves as a general overview of the above-mentioned organisation's responsible investment approach. The Senior Leadership Statement does not constitute advice and should not be relied upon as such. Further, it is not a substitute for the skill, judgement and experience of any third parties, their management, employees, advisors and/or clients when making investment and other business decisions'.

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This endorsement is for the Senior Leadership Statement only and is not an endorsement of the information reported by Salm-Salm & Partner GmbH in the various modules of the Reporting Framework. The Senior Leadership Statement is simply provided as a general overview of Salm-Salm & Partner GmbH's responsible investment approach. The Senior Leadership Statement does not constitute advice and should not be relied upon as such, and is not a substitute for the skill, judgement and experience of any third parties, their management, employees, advisors and/or clients when making investment and other business decisions.

# **ORGANISATIONAL OVERVIEW (OO)**

### **ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION**

#### **REPORTING YEAR**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 1	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Reporting year	GENERAL

What is the year-end date of the 12-month period you have chosen to report for PRI reporting purposes?

	Date	Month	Year
Year-end date of the 12-month period for PRI reporting purposes:	30	06	2023



#### SUBSIDIARY INFORMATION

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 2	CORE	N/A	00 2.1	PUBLIC	Subsidiary information	GENERAL

#### Does your organisation have subsidiaries?

#### (A) Yes

• (B) No

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 2.1	CORE	00 2	00 2.2	PUBLIC	Subsidiary information	GENERAL

Are any of your organisation's subsidiaries PRI signatories in their own right?

(A) Yes

• (B) No

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 2.2	CORE	00 2.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Subsidiary information	GENERAL

#### How many subsidiaries of your organisation are PRI signatories in their own rights?

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List any subsidiaries of your organisation that are PRI signatories in their own right and indicate if the responsible investment activities of the listed subsidiaries will be reported in this submission.

		(1) Yes, the responsible investment activities of this subsidiary will be included in this report	(2) No, the responsible investment activities of this subsidiary will be included in their separate report	
(A) Signatory name:	Salm Global Timber GmbH	۲	0	

### **ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT**

### ALL ASSET CLASSES

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 4	CORE	00 3	N/A	PUBLIC	All asset classes	GENERAL

What are your total assets under management (AUM) at the end of the reporting year, as indicated in [OO 1]?

	USD
(A) AUM of your organisation, including subsidiaries, and excluding the AUM subject to execution, advisory, custody, or research advisory only	US\$ 230,000,000.00
(B) AUM of subsidiaries that are PRI signatories in their own right and excluded from this submission, as indicated in [OO 2.2]	US\$ 195,000,000.00
(C) AUM subject to execution, advisory, custody, or research advisory only	US\$ 330,000,000.00



### **ASSET BREAKDOWN**

Indicator	Type of	indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 5	CORE		OO 3	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown	GENERAL
Provide a perce	entage brea	kdown of y	our total AUM at t	he end of the repor	ting year as inc	dicated in [OO 1].	
		(1) Perce	ntage of Internally	managed AUM	(2) Percentag	je of Externally ma	naged AUM
(A) Listed equ	uity	>0-10%			0%		
(B) Fixed inco	ome	>10-50%			0%		
(C) Private ec	quity	0%			0%		
(D) Real esta	te	0%			0%		
(E) Infrastruct	ture	0%			0%		
(F) Hedge fur	nds	0%			0%		
(G) Forestry		>10-50%			0%		
(H) Farmland		>0-10%			0%		
(I) Other		0%			0%		
(J) Off-balanc	ce sheet	0%			0%		



### ASSET BREAKDOWN: INTERNALLY MANAGED LISTED EQUITY

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle			
OO 5.3 LE	CORE	OO 5	Multiple	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown: Internally managed listed equity	GENERAL			
Provide a furthe	Provide a further breakdown of your internally managed listed equity AUM.								
(A) Passive ed	quity 0%								
(B) Active – q	uantitative 0%								
(C) Active – fundamental >7		5%							
(D) Other stra	tegies 0%								

#### ASSET BREAKDOWN: INTERNALLY MANAGED FIXED INCOME

Ind	icator	Type of in	ndicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00	5.3 FI	CORE		00 5	Multiple	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown: Internally managed fixed income	GENERAL
Pro	Provide a further breakdown of your internally managed fixed income AUM.							
(	(A) Passive – S	SSA	0%					
(	(B) Passive – c	orporate	0%					
(	(C) Active – SS	SA .	0%					
(	(D) Active – coi	rporate	>75%					
(	(E) Securitised		0%					



#### **GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 7	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Geographical breakdown	GENERAL

How much of your AUM in each asset class is invested in emerging markets and developing economies?

#### AUM in Emerging Markets and Developing Economies

(A) Listed equity	(2) >0 to 10%
(C) Fixed income – corporate	(2) >0 to 10%

### **STEWARDSHIP**

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Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 8	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Stewardship	GENERAL

Does your organisation conduct stewardship activities, excluding (proxy) voting, for any of your assets?

	(1) Listed equity - active	(3) Fixed income - active	(9) Forestry	(10) Farmland
(A) Yes, through internal staff				
(B) Yes, through service providers				
(C) Yes, through external managers				



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### **STEWARDSHIP: (PROXY) VOTING**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 9	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	GENERAL

#### Does your organisation conduct (proxy) voting activities for any of your listed equity holdings?

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	(1) Listed equity - active
(A) Yes, through internal staff	
(B) Yes, through service providers	
(C) Yes, through external managers	
(D) We do not conduct (proxy) voting	0

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 9.1	CORE	00 9	PGS 10.1, PGS 31	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	GENERAL

#### For each asset class, on what percentage of your listed equity holdings do you have the discretion to vote?

Percentage of your listed equity holdings over which you have the discretion to vote

(A) Listed equity - active

(1) 0%



#### STEWARDSHIP NOT CONDUCTED

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 10	CORE	OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship not conducted	2

Describe why your organisation does not currently conduct stewardship and/or (proxy) voting.

Stewardship, excluding (proxy) voting

(C) Fixed income – active

We do not conduct this stewardship activity for this asset type. Instead, if issues arise, we are in contact with the Investor Relationship divisions, to determine, how the respective companies include our ESG criteria within their current business model and/or their long-term strategy.

### **ESG INCORPORATION**

### **INTERNALLY MANAGED ASSETS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 11	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Internally managed assets	1

For each internally managed asset class, does your organisation incorporate ESG factors into your investment decisions?

	(1) Yes, we incorporate ESG factors into our investment decisions	(2) No, we do not incorporate ESG factors into our investment decisions
(C) Listed equity - active - fundamental	۲	0
(F) Fixed income - corporate	۲	0
(T) Forestry	۲	0
(U) Farmland	۲	0



#### **ESG IN OTHER ASSET CLASSES**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 15	CORE	00 11, 00 12– 14	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG in other asset classes	1

Describe how your organisation incorporates ESG factors into the following asset classes.

Internally managed

(A) Forestry

The sustainability concept, which is now more important than ever, is more than 300 years old and originates from forestry. In 1713 Hans Carl von Carlowitz published the book "Sylvicutura oeconomica oder haußwirthliche Nachricht und Naturmäßige Anweisung zur Wilden Baum-Zucht". At that time, the forests in Germany and Europe were in a desolate state. Out of a sense of responsibility, von Carlowitz thought about how the forest could be used and at the same time protected or upgraded for future generations. As part of his deliberations, he therefore developed a detailed instruction on the "re-energising" handling of the forest.

The Salm-Salm Family closely followed and integrated the observations and management results of Carlowitz and his successors and integrated them in their management practises. Franz-Karl Prinz zu Salm-Salm, father of Prinz Michael, was cofounder of the ANW, Arbeitsgemeinschaft Naturgemäße Waldwirtschaft (https://www.anwdeutschland. de/; the organization aims at introducing a better long-term understanding of a ecological impacts and consequences when doing forestry). The increasingly developed understanding of sustainability since the beginning of the 18th century by the Salm-Salm Family and many others ensured that the variants of silvicultural construction were continuously adapted. Today, sustainability is the ability of forestry companies to produce continuous and optimal uses, infrastructure services and other goods for the benefit of present and future generations. These include, for example, timber yields by mass and quality, growth, profitability, work performance and infrastructure (recreation, protection, water).

Modern forestry can therefore be described as the epitome of sustainability, as it is possible to combine the three pillars of economics, ecology and social issues in a unique way.



The climate and global forests are closely linked. Forests fulfil two key climate functions: the storage of carbon and the control of evaporation and water circuits, thereby controlling temperature and rainfall. The forests of our planet currently store about 653 billion tons of carbon. This works by removing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere as part of photosynthesis, forming glucose from it and storing it in the form of carbon in the wooden body. The storage of carbon can be promoted through the active management of existing forest areas and through the afforestation of new forests. By extracting carbon from the atmosphere, the forest makes a decisive contribution to saving our climate.

Salm-Salm & Partner takes a cross-generational approach to the management of timberland. Driven by responsibility towards nature, it is therefore the highest priority for the company to deal sustainably with the forest land entrusted for management. In concrete terms, this means always to replant or replace trees that are harvested through natural and artificial regeneration methods. In order to verify the sustainable management of the land, Salm-Salm & Partner has therefore decided to have all managed forests certified by an independent supplier. The company thus voluntarily undertakes to manage the forest plots according to standards that exceed the legal minimum requirements of forest and nature conservation laws. Detailed information on working conditions/personnel, environmental standards and the business ethics of the company can be found in the Salm-Salm & Partner Sustainability Directive.

Salm-Salm & Partner sees itself as responsible for the environment due to the nature of the working environment. The company operates according to the precautionary principle with regard to environmental problems, takes initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility and promotes the development and dissemination of environmentally friendly technologies.

Harvesting stocks at a time that is not optimal from a forestry point of view can bring the complex forest ecosystem out of balance in the long term. In order not to be forced to make a larger impact in the event of poor timber prices, the forests of Salm-Salm & Partner are managed in a highly cost-sensitive manner. Ongoing costs are therefore kept at a low level.

Salm-Salm & Partner has no permanent employees on its forest land. All work is carried out by service providers, who are requested according to the intensity of the work.



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### **ESG STRATEGIES**

### LISTED EQUITY

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 17 LE	CORE	00 11	00 17.1 LE, LE 12	PUBLIC	Listed equity	1

Which ESG incorporation approach and/or combination of approaches does your organisation apply to your internally managed active listed equity?

(A) Screening alone	0%
(B) Thematic alone	0%
(C) Integration alone	0%
(D) Screening and integration	0%
(E) Thematic and integration	0%
(F) Screening and thematic	0%
(G) All three approaches combined	>75%
(H) None	0%

#### Percentage out of total internally managed active listed equity

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 17.1 LE	CORE	00 17 LE	LE 9	PUBLIC	Listed equity	1

What type of screening does your organisation use for your internally managed active listed equity assets where a screening approach is applied?



## Percentage coverage out of your total listed equity assets where a screening approach is applied

(A) Positive/best-in-class screening only	0%
(B) Negative screening only	0%
(C) A combination of screening approaches	>75%

#### **FIXED INCOME**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 17 FI	CORE	OO 5.3 FI, OO 11	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Fixed income	1

Which ESG incorporation approach and/or combination of approaches does your organisation apply to your internally managed active fixed income?

(2) Fixed	income -	corporate
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(A) Screening alone	>75%
(B) Thematic alone	0%
(C) Integration alone	0%
(D) Screening and integration	0%
(E) Thematic and integration	0%
(F) Screening and thematic	0%
(G) All three approaches combined	0%
(H) None	0%



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 17.1 FI	CORE	00 17 FI	N/A	PUBLIC	Fixed income	1

What type of screening does your organisation use for your internally managed active fixed income where a screening approach is applied?

	(2) Fixed income - corporate
(A) Positive/best-in-class screening only	0%
(B) Negative screening only	0%
(C) A combination of screening approaches	>75%

### **ESG/SUSTAINABILITY FUNDS AND PRODUCTS**

### LABELLING AND MARKETING

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 18	CORE	00 11–14	00 18.1	PUBLIC	Labelling and marketing	1

Do you explicitly market any of your products and/or funds as ESG and/or sustainable?

(A) Yes, we market products and/or funds as ESG and/or sustainable
 Provide the percentage of AUM that your ESG and/or sustainability-marketed products or funds represent:

>75%

 $\circ~$  (B) No, we do not offer products or funds explicitly marketed as ESG and/or sustainable

• (C) Not applicable; we do not offer products or funds



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 18.1	CORE	OO 18	OO 18.2	PUBLIC	Labelling and marketing	1

Do any of your ESG and/or sustainability-marketed products and/or funds hold formal ESG and/or RI certification(s) or label(s) awarded by a third party?

(A) Yes, our ESG and/or sustainability-marketed products and/or funds hold formal labels or certifications
 Provide the percentage of AUM that your labelled and/or certified products and/or funds represent:

>75%

• (B) No, our ESG and/or sustainability-marketed products and/or funds do not hold formal labels or certifications

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 18.2	CORE	OO 18.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Labelling and marketing	1

#### Which ESG/RI certifications or labels do you hold?

 $\Box$  (A) Commodity type label (e.g. BCI)

- □ (B) GRESB
- ☑ (C) Austrian Ecolabel (UZ49)
- $\Box$  (D) B Corporation
- □ (E) BREEAM
- □ (F) CBI Climate Bonds Standard
- □ (G) DDV-Nachhaltigkeitskodex-ESG-Strategie
- □ (H) DDV-Nachhaltigkeitskodex-ESG-Impact
- □ (I) EU Ecolabel
- □ (J) EU Green Bond Standard
- $\Box$  (K) Febelfin label (Belgium)
- □ (L) Finansol
- (M) FNG-Siegel Ecolabel (Germany, Austria and Switzerland)
- $\Box$  (N) Greenfin label (France)
- □ (O) Grüner Pfandbrief
- □ (P) ICMA Green Bond Principles
- □ (Q) ICMA Social Bonds Principles
- □ (R) ICMA Sustainability Bonds Principles
- □ (S) ICMA Sustainability-linked Bonds Principles
- □ (T) Kein Verstoß gegen Atomwaffensperrvertrag
- □ (U) Le label ISR (French government SRI label)
- $\Box$  (V) Luxflag Climate Finance
- $\Box$  (W) Luxflag Environment
- $\Box$  (X) Luxflag ESG
- □ (Y) Luxflag Green Bond
- $\Box$  (Z) Luxflag Microfinance
- □ (AA) Luxflag Sustainable Insurance Products
- □ (AB) National stewardship code
- □ (AC) Nordic Swan Ecolabel
- □ (AD) Other SRI label based on EUROSIF SRI Transparency Code (e.g. Novethic)



 $\Box$  (AE) People's Bank of China green bond guidelines

□ (AF) RIAA (Australia)

□ (AG) Towards Sustainability label (Belgium)

□ (AH) Other

### SUMMARY OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

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Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 21	CORE	Multiple indicators	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Summary of reporting requirements	GENERAL

The following table shows which modules are mandatory or voluntary to report on in the separate PRI asset class modules. Where a module is voluntary, indicate if you wish to report on it.

Applicable modules	(1) Mandatory to report (pre-filled based on previous responses)	(2.1) Voluntary to report. Yes, I want to opt-in to reporting on the module	(2.2) Voluntary to report. No, I want to opt-out of reporting on the module
Policy, Governance and Strategy	۲	0	0
Confidence Building Measures	۲	0	0
(C) Listed equity – active – fundamental	۲	0	0
(F) Fixed income – corporate	۲	0	0



### SUBMISSION INFORMATION

### **REPORT DISCLOSURE**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 32	CORE	00 3, 00 31	N/A	PUBLIC	Report disclosure	GENERAL

How would you like to disclose the detailed percentage figures you reported throughout the Reporting Framework?

• (A) Publish as absolute numbers

(B) Publish as ranges

# POLICY, GOVERNANCE AND STRATEGY (PGS)

### POLICY

### **RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT POLICY ELEMENTS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 1	CORE	OO 8, OO 9	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy elements	1, 2

Which elements are covered in your formal responsible investment policy(ies)?

- ☑ (A) Overall approach to responsible investment
- ☑ (B) Guidelines on environmental factors
- (C) Guidelines on social factors
- (D) Guidelines on governance factors
- (E) Guidelines on sustainability outcomes
- ☑ (F) Guidelines tailored to the specific asset class(es) we hold
- ☑ (G) Guidelines on exclusions
- $\Box$  (H) Guidelines on managing conflicts of interest related to responsible investment
- $\Box$  (I) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with investees
- □ (J) Stewardship: Guidelines on overall political engagement
- $\Box$  (K) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders
- □ (L) Stewardship: Guidelines on (proxy) voting
- $\Box$  (M) Other responsible investment elements not listed here

• (N) Our organisation does not have a formal responsible investment policy and/or our policy(ies) do not cover any responsible investment elements



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 2	CORE	PGS 1	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy elements	1

Does your formal responsible investment policy(ies) include specific guidelines on systematic sustainability issues?

(A) Specific guidelines on climate change (may be part of guidelines on environmental factors)

- $\Box$  (B) Specific guidelines on human rights (may be part of guidelines on social factors)
- $\Box$  (C) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues

• (D) Our formal responsible investment policy(ies) does not include guidelines on systematic sustainability issues

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 3	CORE	PGS 1, PGS 2	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy elements	6

Which elements of your formal responsible investment policy(ies) are publicly available?

(A) Overall approach to responsible investment Add link:

https://www.salm-salm.de/

☑ (B) Guidelines on environmental factors Add link:

https://www.salm-salm.de/

☑ (C) Guidelines on social factors Add link:

https://www.salm-salm.de/

(D) Guidelines on governance factors Add link:

https://www.salm-salm.de/

(E) Guidelines on sustainability outcomes Add link:

https://www.salm-salm.de/

☑ (F) Specific guidelines on climate change (may be part of guidelines on environmental factors) Add link:

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 $\blacksquare$  (I) Guidelines tailored to the specific asset class(es) we hold



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#### ☑ (J) Guidelines on exclusions

Add link:

https://www.salm-salm.de/

• (Q) No elements of our formal responsible investment policy(ies) are publicly available

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 4	PLUS	PGS 1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy elements	1-6

Does your formal responsible investment policy(ies) identify a link between your responsible investment activities and your fiduciary duties or equivalent obligations?

#### (A) Yes

Elaborate:

Yes, there is a link between our fiduciary duties and our investment policies.

In order to ensure the best possible implementation of our clients' interests, we use a best-in-class approach for our sustainable investment strategy. Other methods we use for our sustainable investment strategy are standard-based screening, exclusion of controversial business fields and practices, as well as the explicit inclusion of ESG criteria or risks. The sustainability criteria implemented by us are continuously monitored by several independent auditors. We have been certified with the Austrian Eco-label and the FNG seal. In addition, all our funds are Article 9 certified. Furthermore, we are signatories of the European Transparency Code.

The Austrian Ecolabel was awarded to the Salm-Salm Sustainability Convertible Fund and the Salm-Salm Nachhaltige Aktienstrategie by the Austrian Ministry of the Environment for considering not only economic but also environmental and social criteria when selecting securities.

The FNG seal for sustainable investment funds was developed by the Forum Nachhaltige Geldanalgen (FNG) together with financial experts and civil society representatives in a three-year exchange. One of the core tasks of the FNG is to further develop and continuously improve quality standards for sustainable investment products in order to ensure the quality of sustainable investments. The seal concept itself is also constantly being developed further together with an independent committee and thus adapted to the dynamics of the sustainable investment market as well as to new requirements.

Funds with an Article 9 classification must pursue explicit sustainability goals with their investment instruments. This can be, for example, the reduction of CO2 emissions or social improvements. These criteria for Article 9 classifications are set out in the EU's Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation.

The European Transparency Logo for Sustainability Funds signifies the commitment to provide accurate, appropriate, and timely information to enable interested parties, especially clients, to understand the sustainable investment approaches and methods of the respective fund. Salm-Salm & Partner differentiates itself by providing complete transparency of the sustainability process. We proudly carry the Tranzparenzlogo for our funds Salm Sustainability Convertible and Nachhaltige Aktienstrategie for our comprehensive and "real" sustainability approach.

Detailed information about the European Transparency Code can be found at www.eurosif.org. Information on the sustainable investment policy and its implementation within the funds can be found under the respective fund pages, as well as the sustainability topic page on our website. The Transparency Code is managed by Eurosif, an independent organization.

• (B) No



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 7	CORE	OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy elements	2

#### Does your organisation have a policy that states how (proxy) voting is addressed in your securities lending programme?

 $\circ$  (A) We have a publicly available policy to address (proxy) voting in our securities lending programme

- (B) We have a policy to address (proxy) voting in our securities lending programme, but it is not publicly available
- $\circ~$  (C) We rely on the policy of our external service provider(s)
- $\circ\,$  (D) We do not have a policy to address (proxy) voting in our securities lending programme
- (E) Not applicable; we do not have a securities lending programme

#### **RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT POLICY COVERAGE**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 8	CORE	PGS 1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy coverage	1

#### What percentage of your total AUM is covered by the below elements of your responsible investment policy(ies)?

#### Combined AUM coverage of all policy elements

(A) Overall approach to responsible investment
(B) Guidelines on environmental factors
(C) Guidelines on social factors
(D) Guidelines on governance factors

(4) >70% to 80%



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 9	CORE	PGS 2	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy coverage	1

What proportion of your AUM is covered by your formal policies or guidelines on climate change, human rights, or other systematic sustainability issues?

	AUM coverage
(A) Specific guidelines on climate change	(2) for a majority of our AUM

### GOVERNANCE

### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 11	CORE	N/A	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Roles and responsibilities	1

Which senior level body(ies) or role(s) in your organisation have formal oversight over and accountability for responsible investment?

☑ (A) Board members, trustees, or equivalent

(B) Senior executive-level staff, or equivalent Specify:

Head of Investment

- □ (C) Investment committee, or equivalent
- $\Box$  (D) Head of department, or equivalent

 $\circ~$  (E) None of the above bodies and roles have oversight over and accountability for responsible investment

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 11.1	CORE	PGS 1, PGS 2, PGS 11	N/A	PUBLIC	Roles and responsibilities	1, 2



Does your organisation's senior level body(ies) or role(s) have formal oversight over and accountability for the elements covered in your responsible investment policy(ies)?

	(1) Board members, trustees, or equivalent	(2) Senior executive-level staff, investment committee, head of department, or equivalent
(A) Overall approach to responsible investment		
(B) Guidelines on environmental, social and/or governance factors		
(C) Guidelines on sustainability outcomes		
(D) Specific guidelines on climate change (may be part of guidelines on environmental factors)		
(G) Guidelines tailored to the specific asset class(es) we hold		
(H) Guidelines on exclusions		
(N) This role has no formal oversight over and accountability for any of the above elements covered in our responsible investment policy(ies)	o	۲

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 11.2	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Roles and responsibilities	1-6

Does your organisation have governance processes or structures to ensure that your overall political engagement is aligned with your commitment to the principles of PRI, including any political engagement conducted by third parties on your behalf?

(A) Yes (B) No



• (C) Not applicable, our organisation does not conduct any form of political engagement directly or through any third parties

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 12	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Roles and responsibilities	1

In your organisation, which internal or external roles are responsible for implementing your approach to responsible investment?

☑ (A) Internal role(s)

Specify:

The Managing Partners

- □ (B) External investment managers, service providers, or other external partners or suppliers
- (C) We do not have any internal or external roles with responsibility for implementing responsible investment

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 13	CORE	PGS 11	N/A	PUBLIC	Roles and responsibilities	1

## Does your organisation use responsible investment KPIs to evaluate the performance of your board members, trustees, or equivalent?

- (A) Yes, we use responsible investment KPIs to evaluate the performance of our board members, trustees, or equivalent
- (B) No, we do not use responsible investment KPIs to evaluate the performance of our board members, trustees, or

equivalent

Explain why: (Voluntary)

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 14	CORE	PGS 11	N/A	PUBLIC	Roles and responsibilities	1

Does your organisation use responsible investment KPIs to evaluate the performance of your senior executive-level staff (or equivalent), and are these KPIs linked to compensation?



(A) Yes, we use responsible investment KPIs to evaluate the performance of our senior executive-level staff (or equivalent)
 (B) No, we do not use responsible investment KPIs to evaluate the performance of our senior executive-level staff (or

equivalent)

Explain why: (Voluntary)

#### EXTERNAL REPORTING AND DISCLOSURES

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 16	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	External reporting and disclosures	6

#### What elements are included in your regular reporting to clients and/or beneficiaries for the majority of your AUM?

(A) Any changes in policies related to responsible investment

 $\Box$  (B) Any changes in governance or oversight related to responsible investment

□ (C) Stewardship-related commitments

□ (D) Progress towards stewardship-related commitments

 $\Box$  (E) Climate–related commitments

□ (F) Progress towards climate–related commitments

□ (G) Human rights–related commitments

 $\Box$  (H) Progress towards human rights–related commitments

 $\hfill\square$  (I) Commitments to other systematic sustainability issues

 $\Box$  (J) Progress towards commitments on other systematic sustainability issues

• (K) We do not include any of these elements in our regular reporting to clients and/or beneficiaries for the majority of our AUM

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 17	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	External reporting and disclosures	6

## During the reporting year, did your organisation publicly disclose climate-related information in line with the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures' (TCFD) recommendations?

 $\Box$  (A) Yes, including all governance-related recommended disclosures

□ (B) Yes, including all strategy-related recommended disclosures

□ (C) Yes, including all risk management–related recommended disclosures

 $\Box$  (D) Yes, including all applicable metrics and targets-related recommended disclosures

• (E) None of the above

Explain why: (Voluntary)

We report our carbon footprint independently of TCFD on a monthly basis and compare it with the benchmarks. In addition, we analyse the impact of our investments on global warming for all our mandates and funds together with the Frankfurt climate scientists from right. based on science.



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle	
PGS 18	PLUS	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	External reporting and disclosures	6	
During the reporting year, to which international responsible investment standards, frameworks, or regulations did your organisation report?							
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#### □ (C) Disclosures against the CFA's ESG Disclosures Standard

(D) Disclosures against other international standards, frameworks or regulations Specify:

On our homepage you will find all further information.

Link to example of public disclosures

#### https://www.salm-salm.de/nachhaltigkeit-im-portfoliomanagement

□ (E) Disclosures against other international standards, frameworks or regulations

 $\hfill\square$  (F) Disclosures against other international standards, frameworks or regulations

 $\hfill\square$  (G) Disclosures against other international standards, frameworks or regulations

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 19	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	External reporting and disclosures	6

## During the reporting year, did your organisation publicly disclose its membership in and support for trade associations, think tanks or similar bodies that conduct any form of political engagement?

• (A) Yes, we publicly disclosed our membership in and support for trade associations, think tanks, or similar bodies that conduct any form of political engagement

• (B) No, we did not publicly disclose our membership in and support for trade associations, think tanks, or similar bodies that conduct any form of political engagement

• (C) Not applicable, we were not members in or supporters of any trade associations, think tanks, or similar bodies that conduct any form of political engagement during the reporting year



### STRATEGY

### **CAPITAL ALLOCATION**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 20	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Capital allocation	1

#### Which elements do your organisation-level exclusions cover?

(A) Exclusions based on our organisation's values or beliefs regarding particular sectors, products or services

□ (B) Exclusions based on our organisation's values or beliefs regarding particular regions or countries

☑ (C) Exclusions based on minimum standards of business practice aligned with international norms such as the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the International Bill of Human Rights, UN Security Council sanctions or the UN Global Compact

(D) Exclusions based on our organisation's climate change commitments

 $\Box$  (E) Other elements

 $\circ$  (F) Not applicable; our organisation does not have any organisation-level exclusions

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 21	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Capital allocation	1

#### How does your responsible investment approach influence your strategic asset allocation process?

#### ☑ (A) We incorporate ESG factors into our assessment of expected asset class risks and returns Select from dropdown list:

(1) for all of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

 $\circ$  (2) for a majority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

• (3) for a minority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

## (B) We incorporate climate change-related risks and opportunities into our assessment of expected asset class risks and returns

Select from dropdown list:

(1) for all of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

 $\circ$  (2) for a majority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

 $\circ$  (3) for a minority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

☑ (C) We incorporate human rights-related risks and opportunities into our assessment of expected asset class risks and returns

Select from dropdown list:

#### (1) for all of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

• (2) for a majority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

• (3) for a minority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

 $\Box$  (D) We incorporate risks and opportunities related to other systematic sustainability issues into our assessment of expected asset class risks and returns



• (E) We do not incorporate ESG factors, climate change, human rights or other systematic sustainability issues into our

assessment of expected asset class risks and returns

• (F) Not applicable; we do not have a strategic asset allocation process

#### STEWARDSHIP: OVERALL STEWARDSHIP STRATEGY

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 22	CORE	OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy	2

## For the majority of AUM within each asset class, which of the following best describes your primary stewardship objective?

		(1) Listed ed	quity	(7) Forestry	/ (8) Fa	armland
risk-adjusted re	idual investees' systematic	۲		۲		۲
In doing so, we address any ris portfolio perforn individual inves	k-adjusted returns. do not seek to	O		O		0
Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 23	PLUS	OO 5, OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy	2

How does your organisation, or the external service providers or external managers acting on your behalf, prioritise the investees or other entities on which to focus its stewardship efforts?



We attend many analyst conferences online and on-site events such as broker trips. We also speak directly to the IR departments when we notice something in the company. We document this and keep these records up to date for future discussions.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 24	CORE	OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy	2

## Which of the following best describes your organisation's default position, or the position of the external service providers or external managers acting on your behalf, concerning collaborative stewardship efforts?

• (A) We recognise the value of collective action, and as a result, we prioritise collaborative stewardship efforts wherever possible

• (B) We collaborate on a case-by-case basis

• (C) Other

(D) We do not join collaborative stewardship efforts

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 24.1	PLUS	OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy	2

Elaborate on your organisation's default position on collaborative stewardship, or the position of the external service providers or external investment managers acting on your behalf, including any other details on your overall approach to collaboration.

Together with our capital management company Universal Investment, we are currently developing a voting policy for our Sustainable Equity Strategy equity fund. In addition, we take every opportunity, such as broker trips, roadshows and analyst conferences, to visit the invested companies on site or to communicate or analyse them online. In this context, compliance with ESG standards is also checked and demanded in discussions with those responsible.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 25	PLUS	OO 5, OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy	2

Rank the channels that are most important for your organisation in achieving its stewardship objectives.

(A) Internal resources, e.g. stewardship team, investment team, ESG team, or staff Select from the list:

**1** 

(B) External investment managers, third-party operators and/or external property managers, if applicable



Select from the list:

#### 2

☑ (C) External paid specialist stewardship services (e.g. engagement overlay services or, in private markets, sustainability consultants) excluding investment managers, real assets third-party operators, or external property managers

Select from the list:

#### 5 )

Informal or unstructured collaborations with investors or other entities

Select from the list:

• 3

☑ (E) Formal collaborative engagements, e.g. PRI-coordinated collaborative engagements, Climate Action 100+, or similar

Select from the list:

• 4

• (F) We do not use any of these channels

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 27	PLUS	OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy	2

#### How are your organisation's stewardship activities linked to your investment decision making, and vice versa?

Since we do not currently exercise any voting rights, or this is done via our KVG Universal Invest, this question does not arise. We make active investment decisions for the companies with which we are in dialogue or which we have seen at the various conferences.

### **STEWARDSHIP: (PROXY) VOTING**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 30	CORE	OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	2

#### How is voting addressed in your securities lending programme?

 $\circ~$  (A) We recall all securities for voting on all ballot items

 $\circ$  (B) When a vote is deemed important according to pre-established criteria (e.g. high stake in the company), we recall all our securities for voting

• (C) Other

 $\circ$  (D) We do not recall our securities for voting purposes

• (E) Not applicable; we do not have a securities lending programme



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 32	CORE	OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	2

## During the reporting year, how did your organisation, or your external service provider(s), pre-declare voting intentions prior to voting in annual general meetings (AGMs) or extraordinary general meetings (EGMs)?

□ (A) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly through the PRI's vote declaration system on the Resolution Database

 $\Box$  (B) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly by other means, e.g. through our website

□ (C) We privately communicated our voting decision to investee companies prior to the AGM/EGM

• (D) We did not privately or publicly communicate our voting intentions prior to the AGM/EGM

• (E) Not applicable; we did not cast any (proxy) votes during the reporting year

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 33	CORE	00 9	PGS 33.1	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	2

After voting has taken place, do you publicly disclose your (proxy) voting decisions or those made on your behalf by your external service provider(s), company by company and in a central source?

- (A) Yes, for all (proxy) votes
- (B) Yes, for the majority of (proxy) votes
- (C) Yes, for a minority of (proxy) votes
- (D) No, we do not publicly report our (proxy) voting decisions company-by-company and in a central source Explain why:

Together with our capital management company Universal Investment, we are currently developing a voting policy for our Sustainable Equity Strategy equity fund.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 34	CORE	OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	2

After voting has taken place, did your organisation, and/or the external service provider(s) acting on your behalf, communicate the rationale for your voting decisions during the reporting year?



#### (1) In cases where we abstained or voted against management recommendations

(A) Yes, we publicly disclosed the rationale (B) Yes, we privately communicated the rationale to the company (C) We did not publicly or privately communicate the rationale, or we 0 0 did not track this information (D) Not applicable; we did not abstain or vote against management recommendations or ۲ ۲ ESG-related shareholder resolutions during the reporting year

# (D) Not applicable; we did not abstain or vote against management recommendations or ESG-related shareholder resolutions during the reporting year - Explain why:

Together with our capital management company Universal Investment, we are currently developing a voting policy for our Sustainable Equity Strategy equity fund. In addition, we take every opportunity, such as broker trips, road shows and analyst conferences, to visit the invested companies on site or to communicate or analyse them online. In this context, compliance with ESG standards is also checked and demanded in discussions with those responsible.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 35	PLUS	OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: (Proxy) voting	2

#### How does your organisation ensure vote confirmation, i.e. that your votes have been cast and counted correctly?

Our voting rights are currently still carried out by our KVG of Universal Investment.



#### **STEWARDSHIP: ESCALATION**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 36	CORE	OO 8, OO 9	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Escalation	2

For your listed equity holdings, what escalation measures did your organisation, or the external investment managers or service providers acting on your behalf, use in the past three years?

	(1) Listed equity
(A) Joining or broadening an existing collaborative engagement or creating a new one	
(B) Filing, co-filing, and/or submitting a shareholder resolution or proposal	
(C) Publicly engaging the entity, e.g. signing an open letter	
(D) Voting against the re-election of one or more board directors	
(E) Voting against the chair of the board of directors, or equivalent, e.g. lead independent director	
(F) Divesting	
(G) Litigation	
(H) Other	



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# (I) In the past three years, we did not use any of the above escalation measures for our listed equity holdings - (1) Listed equity - Explain why: (Voluntary)

As described, the voting currently lies with our KVG.

Together with our capital management company Universal Investment, we are currently developing a voting policy for our equity fund Nachhaltige Aktienstrategie. In addition, we take every opportunity, such as broker trips, road shows and analyst conferences, to visit the invested companies on site or to communicate or analyse them online. In this context, compliance with ESG standards is also checked and demanded in discussions with those responsible.

#### STEWARDSHIP: ENGAGEMENT WITH POLICY MAKERS

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 39	CORE	OO 8, OO 9	PGS 39.1, PGS 39.2	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Engagement with policy makers	2

# Did your organisation, or the external investment managers or service providers acting on your behalf, engage with policy makers as part of your responsible investment approach during the reporting year?

 $\Box$  (A) Yes, we engaged with policy makers directly

 $\Box$  (B) Yes, we engaged with policy makers through the leadership of or active participation in working groups or collaborative initiatives, including via the PRI

 $\Box$  (C) Yes, we were members of, supported, or were in another way affiliated with third party organisations, including trade associations and non-profit organisations, that engage with policy makers, excluding the PRI

• (D) We did not engage with policy makers directly or indirectly during the reporting year beyond our membership in the PRI

Explain why: (Voluntary)

As a small asset manager, we have not had the capacity to do this so far.



#### **CLIMATE CHANGE**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 41	CORE	N/A	PGS 41.1	PUBLIC	Climate change	General

#### Has your organisation identified climate-related risks and opportunities affecting your investments?

#### ☑ (A) Yes, within our standard planning horizon

Specify the risks and opportunities identified and your relevant standard planning horizon:

Climate change not only threatens the livelihood of many people, it also reduces the profit opportunities of many investors.

Already today, companies in various sectors are affected by the consequences of the global rise in temperature. At the same time, political risks are increasing as a result of climate change. In short, the entire market environment is changing. Uncertainties for companies and investors are increasing, and climate risks are materializing. We believe that anyone betting on a non-fossil-fuel future is making a hazardous bet.

But climate change also offers opportunities for investors. Companies that show resilience and adaptability, for example by managing risks early on, offer a lucrative investment opportunity - especially for long-term investors.

Our aim is to anticipate relevant market developments at an early stage and identify climate-sensitive business models. In this way, we open up an additional source of alpha for fund management. Most market observers agree: Climate protection and sustainability offer possibly the greatest economic opportunity of the 21st century.

Salm-Salm & Partner has launched the Salm Sustainable Equity Strategy Fund for this reason. The investment strategy of the fund, which was launched in 2016, exploits growth potential in the global equity market and focuses on companies that meet Salm's sustainability criteria as well as being free of fossil energy reserves and not only operating more CO2-efficiently than their competitors, but also making an active contribution to climate protection. Here we work together with right. based on science.

 $\Box$  (B) Yes, beyond our standard planning horizon

• (C) No, we have not identified climate-related risks and/or opportunities affecting our investments

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 41.1	CORE	PGS 41	N/A	PUBLIC	Climate change	General

Does your organisation integrate climate-related risks and opportunities affecting your investments in its overall investment strategy, financial planning and (if relevant) products?

• (A) Yes, our overall investment strategy, financial planning and (if relevant) products integrate climate-related risks and opportunities



Describe how climate-related risks and opportunities have affected or are expected to affect your investment strategy, financial planning and (if relevant) products:

Explicitly incorporating ESG criteria or risks into traditional financial analysis.

We consider ESG and climate risks within our selection process. They are a complementary part of our stock analysis. Poor climate and / or ESG values lead to a negative decision.

• (B) No, our organisation has not yet integrated climate-related risks and opportunities into its investment strategy, financial planning and (if relevant) products

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 42	PLUS	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Climate change	General

#### Which sectors are covered by your organisation's strategy addressing high-emitting sectors?

#### (A) Coal

Describe your strategy:

Exclusion criteria

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Describe your strategy:

Exclusion criteria

#### ☑ (C) Oil

Describe your strategy:

Exclusion criteria

- □ (D) Utilities
- □ (E) Cement
- □ (F) Steel
- $\Box$  (G) Aviation
- $\Box$  (H) Heavy duty road
- $\Box$  (I) Light duty road
- □ (J) Shipping
- □ (K) Aluminium
- □ (L) Agriculture, forestry, fishery
- $\Box$  (M) Chemicals
- $\Box$  (N) Construction and buildings
- $\Box$  (O) Textile and leather
- □ (P) Water
- □ (Q) Other
- (R) We do not have a strategy addressing high-emitting sectors



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 43	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Climate change	General

Has your organisation assessed the resilience of its investment strategy in different climate scenarios, including one in which the average temperature rise is held to below 2 degrees Celsius (preferably to 1.5 degrees Celsius) above preindustrial levels?

□ (A) Yes, using the Inevitable Policy Response Forecast Policy Scenario (FPS) or Required Policy Scenario (RPS)

 $\Box$  (B) Yes, using the One Earth Climate Model scenario

□ (C) Yes, using the International Energy Agency (IEA) Net Zero scenario

☑ (D) Yes, using other scenarios

Specify:

Since the Paris Climate Agreement it is evident that investors, in their function as asset owners and capital providers, bear a high level of responsibility in combating climate change. Global equities are a core component of any investment portfolio. We are convinced that the greatest potential for greater sustainability and climate protection lies in this core global allocation.

The Salm-Salm Sustainable Equity Strategy was launched in 2016, immediately after the historic Paris Climate Agreement was signed. The equity fund aims to track global equity returns by investing in established companies that have recognized the need to adapt their business models and have a convincing climate and sustainability strategy. The selection process is based on the climate targets agreed in Paris.

The fund is suitable for all investors who want to adapt their core equity allocation to the new circumstances. Global equities with high balance sheet quality, low financing costs, solid dividend payments and a strong commitment to a <2degree Celsius world.

The result: since 2016, the fund has successfully delivered a global equity market performance and met demanding climate and sustainability standards. If all companies operated as those allocated in the fund, the global warming may by less than 2.00 degrees Celsius.

Here we are currently working with MSCI and right.based on sience.

• (E) No, we have not assessed the resilience of our investment strategy in different climate scenarios, including one that holds temperature rise to below 2 degrees

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 44	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Climate change	General



# Does your organisation have a process to identify, assess, and manage the climate-related risks (potentially) affecting your investments?

#### (A) Yes, we have a process to identify and assess climate-related risks

(1) Describe your process

Future 1.5-degree Celsius climate path: At the point where the CO2 footprint ends - since it generally only provides information on historical emission values, we begin to measure these and manage our portfolio according to the (future) "Paris Climate Accord Compatibility".

The "XDC" model of our strategy partner right. based on science - a Frankfurt-based FinTech that won the German Sustainability Award - offers a forward-looking view of the climate profile of companies. The guiding question is what influence the company has on global warming (so-called "inside-out" perspective). Therefore, the model serves as a tool for the positive assessment of eligible companies.

The aim is to determine the "Paris compatibility" or the "2 degree Celsius compatibility" of eligible companies, for which an XDC, i.e. a measure expressed in degrees Celsius is determined instead of the common CO2 footprint, e.g. "1.6 degrees Celsius".

Along this internal target, we "cast" global equity strategies into a "transition portfolio":

Stocks with large positive delta (i.e., with negative target divergence) are removed from the universe or the stock portfolio, Stocks with small positive delta are preferred - all else equal - in the construction process. The shares of companies with negative delta (i.e. with positive climate effect) and/or low positive delta are to increase from year to year ("ratchet mechanism"). Stocks with a significantly negative delta are identified and, if possible (i.e. if financially suitable), acquired directly or at least considered on an ongoing basis.

In addition, we examine whether, and if so, to what extent, XDC may be integrated into existing risk, performance or other analysis models (and weighted accordingly).

The basis for all these steps is the existence of the largest possible overall universe of shares - a criterion that is generally present in the case of global equities.

(2) Describe how this process is integrated into your overall risk management

This process, as well as our strict sustainability filter (exclusions), has a direct impact on our investment decision.

 $\Box$  (B) Yes, we have a process to manage climate-related risks

• (C) No, we do not have any processes to identify, assess, or manage the climate-related risks affecting our investments

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 45	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Climate change	General

During the reporting year, which of the following climate risk metrics or variables affecting your investments did your organisation use and disclose?

 $\hfill\square$  (A) Exposure to physical risk

 $\Box$  (B) Exposure to transition risk

 $\Box$  (C) Internal carbon price

(D) Total carbon emissions



- (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
  - (1) Metric or variable used
  - (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- ☑ (E) Weighted average carbon intensity
- (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
  - (1) Metric or variable used
  - $\circ$  (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- $\Box$  (F) Avoided emissions
- ☑ (G) Implied Temperature Rise (ITR)
  - (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
    - (1) Metric or variable used
    - (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
    - (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- □ (H) Non-ITR measure of portfolio alignment with UNFCCC Paris Agreement goals
- □ (I) Proportion of assets or other business activities aligned with climate-related opportunities
- $\Box$  (J) Other metrics or variables

• (K) Our organisation did not use or disclose any climate risk metrics or variables affecting our investments during the reporting year

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 46	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Climate change	General

# During the reporting year, did your organisation disclose its Scope 1, Scope 2, and/or Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions?

 $\Box$  (A) Scope 1 emissions

□ (B) Scope 2 emissions

□ (C) Scope 3 emissions (including financed emissions)

• (D) Our organisation did not disclose its Scope 1, Scope 2, or Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions during the reporting year

#### SUSTAINABILITY OUTCOMES

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 47	CORE	N/A	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Sustainability outcomes	1, 2

# Has your organisation identified the intended and unintended sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities?

• (A) Yes, we have identified one or more specific sustainability outcomes connected to our investment activities

(B) No, we have not yet identified the sustainability outcomes connected to any of our investment activities Explain why:



This is very difficult or almost impossible to measure.

# LISTED EQUITY (LE)

# **OVERALL APPROACH**

### **MATERIALITY ANALYSIS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle	
LE 1	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Materiality analysis	1	
Does your organisation have a formal investment process to identify and incorporate material ESG factors across you listed equity strategies?							
			(3)	Active - funda	mental		
	nvestment process material governance		(	1) for all of our .	AUM		
incorporates	investment process material (1) for all of our AUM tal and social factors						
incorporates	nvestment process material ESG factors organisation's average olding period	(1) for all of our AUM					
process. Our	identify material ESG	o					
informal proc	o not have a formal or ess to identify and naterial ESG factors	O					



### **MONITORING ESG TRENDS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle	
LE 2	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Monitoring ESG trends	1	
Does your organisation have a formal process for monitoring and reviewing the implications of changing ESG trends across your listed equity strategies?							
			(3)	) Active - funda	amental		
	ave a formal process scenario analyses						
• •	ave a formal process, include scenario			(1) for all of our	AUM		
	r listed equity	ο					
	monitor and review is of changing ESG listed equity	O					

#### (B) Yes, we have a formal process but it does not include scenario analysis - Specify: (Voluntary)

Here we work with MSCI ESG and can review our portfolio daily via the MSCI ESG Manager. We have also set up various alert services here that draw our attention to changes.



## **PRE-INVESTMENT**

### **ESG INCORPORATION IN RESEARCH**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle		
LE 3	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in research	1		
How does you	r financial analysis and	l equity valuation	or security rati	ng process inc	orporate material ESG	risks?		
		(2) Active - fundamental						
governance- financial ana	porate material related risks into our lysis and equity security rating process			(1) in all cas	es			
environment our financial	porate material al and social risks into analysis and equity security rating process	(1) in all cases						
(C) We incorporate material environmental and social risks related to companies' supply chains into our financial analysis and equity valuation or security rating process				(1) in all cas	es			
(D) We do not incorporate material ESG risks into our financial analysis, equity valuation or security rating processes								



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 4	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in research	1

What information do you incorporate when you assess the ESG performance of companies in your financial analysis, benchmark selection and/or portfolio construction process?

	(3) Active - fundamental
(A) We incorporate qualitative and/or quantitative information on current performance across a range of material ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(B) We incorporate qualitative and/or quantitative information on historical performance across a range of material ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(C) We incorporate qualitative and/or quantitative information on material ESG factors that may impact or influence future corporate revenues and/or profitability	
(D) We incorporate qualitative and/or quantitative information enabling current, historical and/or future performance comparison within a selected peer group across a range of material ESG factors	



(E) We do not incorporate qualitative or quantitative information on material ESG factors when assessing the ESG performance of companies in our financial analysis, equity investment or portfolio construction process

### ESG INCORPORATION IN PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 5	PLUS	OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in portfolio construction	1

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# Provide an example of how you incorporated ESG factors into your equity selection and research process during the reporting year.

The responsible treatment of humans, nature and the environment is deeply anchored in our beliefs and our understanding of values. In 2012, this set of values was transparently set out for the first time in a sustainable investment process. Since then, we have also been a signatory to the PRI (Principles of Responsible Investment). The sustainability (ESG) concept is enormously complex and has evolved tremendously since the first definitions (Brundtland Report 1987). Thus, we also continuously adapt to new insights, measurement methods and necessities. The path to better sustainability and the active assumption of responsibility beyond the economic factor is our aspiration. From defining initial revenue thresholds, complete exclusions of controversial business practices and models, and a strict best-in-class approach, we have continued to refine our process. In 2016, we took the decisions of the Paris Climate Conference as an opportunity to integrate climate protection into our investment process. We are continuously developing the measurement and reduction of the carbon footprint across all our portfolios. In particular, we are proud to be able to measure the impact of our investments on global warming in degrees Celsius together with the Frankfurt-based company right.based on science. Global warming may be less than two degrees Celsius if all companies operated in the same way as those we allocate.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 6	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in portfolio construction	1

How do material ESG factors contribute to your stock selection, portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process?



(A) Material ESG factors contribute to the selection of individual assets and/or sector weightings within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	(1) for all of our AUM
(B) Material ESG factors contribute to the portfolio weighting of individual assets within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	(1) for all of our AUM
(C) Material ESG factors contribute to the country or region weighting of assets within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	
(D) Other ways material ESG factors contribute to your portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	
(E) Our stock selection, portfolio construction or benchmark selection process does not include the incorporation of material ESG factors	0



## **POST-INVESTMENT**

### ESG RISK MANAGEMENT

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 9	CORE	OO 17.1 LE, OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1

What compliance processes do you have in place to ensure that your listed equity assets subject to negative exclusionary screens meet the screening criteria?

☑ (A) We have internal compliance procedures that ensure all funds or portfolios that are subject to negative exclusionary screening have pre-trade checks

 $\Box$  (B) We have an external committee that oversees the screening implementation process for all funds or portfolios that are subject to negative exclusionary screening

 $\Box$  (C) We have an independent internal committee that oversees the screening implementation process for all funds or portfolios that are subject to negative exclusionary screening

• (D) We do not have compliance processes in place to ensure that we meet our stated negative exclusionary screens

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 10	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1

For the majority of your listed equity assets, do you have a formal process to identify and incorporate material ESG risks and ESG incidents into your risk management process?



(A) Yes, our formal process includes reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on material ESG risks and ESG incidents and their implications for individual listed equity holdings	
(B) Yes, our formal process includes reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on material ESG risks and ESG incidents and their implications for other listed equity holdings exposed to similar risks and/or incidents	
(C) Yes, our formal process includes reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on material ESG risks and ESG incidents and their implications for our stewardship activities	
(D) Yes, our formal process includes ad hoc reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on severe ESG incidents	
(E) We do not have a formal process to identify and incorporate material ESG risks and ESG incidents into our risk management process; our investment professionals identify and incorporate material ESG risks and ESG incidents at their discretion	0

#### **PERFORMANCE MONITORING**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 11	PLUS	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Performance monitoring	1

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Provide an example of how the incorporation of ESG factors in your listed equity valuation or portfolio construction affected the realised returns of those assets.

ESG investments have performed positively so far. In the past, there was no negative impact on returns in this respect.

### DISCLOSURE OF ESG SCREENS

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 12	CORE	OO 17 LE, OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Disclosure of ESG screens	6

# For all your listed equity assets subject to ESG screens, how do you ensure that clients understand ESG screens and their implications?

#### ☑ (A) We share a list of ESG screens

 $\Box$  (B) We share any changes in ESG screens

□ (C) We explain any implications of ESG screens, such as their deviation from a benchmark or impact on sector weightings

 $\circ~$  (D) We do not share the above information for all our listed equity assets subject to ESG screens



# **FIXED INCOME (FI)**

# **OVERALL APPROACH**

## **MATERIALITY ANALYSIS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 1	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Materiality analysis	1
Does your organisation have a formal investment process to identify and incorporate material ESG factors across your fixed income assets?						across your
				(2) Corporat	e	
	nvestment process material governance		(	1) for all of our <i>i</i>	AUM	
incorporates	nvestment process material al and social factors		(	1) for all of our <i>i</i>	AUM	
incorporates	nvestment process material ESG factors n different investment					
process; our	identify material ESG			0		
informal proc	o not have a formal or ess to identify and naterial ESG factors			0		



#### **MONITORING ESG TRENDS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 2	CORE	OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Monitoring ESG trends	1
	nisation have a forma ed income assets?	l process for mon	itoring and rev	iewing the imp	lications of changing E	SG trends
				(2) Corpora	te	
	ave a formal process scenario analyses					
	ave a formal process, include scenario			(1) for all of our	AUM	
process for ou assets; our inv professionals				0		
the implication	monitor and review as of changing ESG fixed income assets			O		

#### (B) Yes, we have a formal process, but it does not include scenario analyses - Specify: (Voluntary)

The responsible treatment of humans, nature and the environment is deeply anchored in our beliefs and our understanding of values. In 2012, this set of values was transparently set out for the first time in a sustainable investment process. Since then, we have also been a signatory to the PRI (Principles of Responsible Investment). The sustainability (ESG) concept is enormously complex and has evolved tremendously since the first definitions (Brundtland Report 1987). Thus, we also continuously adapt to new insights, measurement methods and necessities. The path to better sustainability and the active assumption of responsibility beyond the economic factor is our aspiration. From defining initial revenue thresholds, complete exclusions of controversial business practices and models, and a strict best-in-class approach, we have continued to refine our process. In 2016, we took the decisions of the Paris Climate Conference as an opportunity to integrate climate protection into our investment process. We are continuously developing the measurement and reduction of the carbon footprint across all our portfolios. In particular, we are proud to be able to measure the impact of our investments on global warming in degrees Celsius together with the Frankfurt-based company right.based on science. Global warming may be less than two degrees Celsius if all companies operated in the same way as those we allocate.



## **PRE-INVESTMENT**

### **ESG INCORPORATION IN RESEARCH**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 3	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in research	1
For the majority of your fixed income investments, does your organisation incorporate material ESG factors when assessing their credit quality?					s when	
				(2) Corpora	te	
	porate material al and social factors					
	porate material related factors					
	ot incorporate material for the majority of our investments			0		

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 4	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in research	1

Does your organisation have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by issuer country, region and/or sector?



(A) Yes, we have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by country and/or region (e.g. local governance and labour practices)		
(B) Yes, we have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by sector		
(C) No, we do not have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by issuer country, region and/or sector	0	
(D) Not applicable; we are not able to differentiate ESG risks by issuer country, region and/or sector due to the limited universe of our issuers	۲	

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 6	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in research	1

How do you incorporate significant changes in material ESG factors over time into your fixed income asset valuation process?

	(2) Corporate
(A) We incorporate it into the forecast of financial metrics or other quantitative assessments	
(B) We make a qualitative assessment of how material ESG factors may evolve	(1) for all of our AUM



### ESG INCORPORATION IN PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 8	CORE	OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in portfolio construction	1

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How do material ESG factors contribute to your security selection, portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process?

	(2) Corporate
(A) Material ESG factors contribute to the selection of individual assets and/or sector weightings within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	(1) for all of our AUM
(B) Material ESG factors contribute to determining the holding period of individual assets within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	(1) for all of our AUM
(C) Material ESG factors contribute to the portfolio weighting of individual assets within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	
(D) Material ESG factors contribute to the country or region weighting of assets within our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process	



(E) Material ESG factors contribute to our portfolio construction and/or benchmark selection process in other ways

(F) Our security selection, portfolio construction or benchmark selection process does not include the incorporation of material ESG factors

# POST-INVESTMENT

#### **ESG RISK MANAGEMENT**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 11	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1

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#### How are material ESG factors incorporated into your portfolio risk management process?

	(2) Corporate
(A) Investment committee	
members, or the equivalent	
function or group, can veto investment decisions based on	
ESG considerations	
(B) Companies, sectors, countries	
and/or currencies are monitored	
for changes in exposure to	(1) for all of our AUM
material ESG factors and any	
breaches of risk limits	
(C) Overall exposure to specific	
material ESG factors is measured	
for our portfolio construction, and	
sizing or hedging adjustments are	
made depending on the individual issuer or issue sensitivity to these	



(D) We use another method of incorporating material ESG factors into our portfolio's risk management process

(E) We do not have a process to incorporate material ESG factors into our portfolio's risk management process

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Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 12	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1

For the majority of your fixed income assets, do you have a formal process to identify and incorporate material ESG risks and ESG incidents into your risk management process?

	(2) Corporate
(A) Yes, our formal process includes reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on material ESG risks and ESG incidents and their implications for individual fixed income holdings	
(B) Yes, our formal process includes reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on material ESG risks and ESG incidents, and their implications for other fixed income holdings exposed to similar risks and/or incidents	



(C) Yes, our formal process includes reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on material ESG risks and ESG incidents, and their implications for our stewardship activities	
(D) Yes, our formal process includes ad hoc reviews of quantitative and/or qualitative information on severe ESG incidents	
(E) We do not have a formal process to identify and incorporate ESG risks and ESG incidents; our investment professionals identify and incorporate ESG risks and ESG incidents at their discretion	O
(F) We do not have a formal process to identify and incorporate ESG risks and ESG incidents into our risk management process	o

### **PERFORMANCE MONITORING**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 14	PLUS	OO 5.3 FI, OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Performance monitoring	1

Provide an example of how the incorporation of environmental and/or social factors in your fixed income valuation or portfolio construction affected the realised returns of those assets.



The responsible treatment of humans, nature and the environment are deeply anchored in our beliefs and our understanding of values. In 2012, this set of values was transparently set out for the first time in a sustainable investment process. Since then, we have also been a signatory to the PRI (Principles of Responsible Investment). The sustainability (ESG) concept is enormously complex and has evolved tremendously since the first definitions (Brundtland Report 1987). Thus, we also continuously adapt to new insights, measurement methods and necessities. The path to better sustainability and the active assumption of responsibility beyond the economic factor is our aspiration. From defining initial revenue thresholds, complete exclusions of controversial business practices and models, and a strict best-in-class approach, we have continued to refine our process. In 2016, we took the decisions of the Paris Climate Conference as an opportunity to integrate climate protection into our investment process. We are continuously developing the measurement and reduction of the carbon footprint across all our portfolios. In particular, we are proud to be able to measure the impact of our investments on global warming in degrees Celsius together with the Frankfurt-based company right.based on science. Global warming may be less than two degrees Celsius if all companies operated in the same way as those we allocate.

With this approach, Salm-Salm & Partner essentially pursues three goals:

The CO2 footprint is determined as a KPI (key performance indicator), which is to be reported on regular and comprehensive basis. The aim is to create the greatest possible publicity. Clients should be able to track the CO2 profile of both funds at any time.

The CO2 footprint should be significantly lower than that of the respective benchmark in order to convince clients of the advantages of active investment strategies.

The CO2 footprint should decrease continuously over time until it reaches a level that is no longer reducible or only reducible by applying additional strategies and measures.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF ESG SCREENS**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
FI 18	CORE	OO 17 FI, OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Disclosure of ESG screens	6

# For all your fixed income assets subject to ESG screens, how do you ensure that clients understand ESG screens and their implications?

#### ☑ (A) We share a list of ESG screens

 $\Box$  (B) We share any changes in ESG screens

□ (C) We explain any implications of ESG screens, such as any deviation from a benchmark or impact on sector weightings

(D) We do not share the above information for all our fixed income assets subject to ESG screens



# **CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES (CBM)**

# **CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES**

### APPROACH TO CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
CBM 1	CORE	N/A	Multiple indicators	PUBLIC	Approach to confidence-building measures	6

#### How did your organisation verify the information submitted in your PRI report this reporting year?

□ (A) We conducted independent third-party assurance of selected processes and/or data related to the responsible investment processes reported in our PRI report, which resulted in a formal assurance conclusion

□ (B) We conducted a third-party readiness review and are making changes to our internal controls or governance processes to be able to conduct independent third-party assurance next year

□ (C) We conducted an internal audit of selected processes and/or data related to the responsible investment processes reported in our PRI report

# ☑ (D) Our board, trustees (or equivalent), senior executive-level staff (or equivalent), and/or investment committee (or equivalent) signed off on our PRI report

 $\Box$  (E) We conducted an external ESG audit of our holdings to verify that our funds comply with our responsible investment policy  $\Box$  (F) We conducted an external ESG audit of our holdings as part of risk management, engagement identification or investment decision-making

G) Our responses in selected sections and/or the entirety of our PRI report were internally reviewed before submission to the PRI

• (H) We did not verify the information submitted in our PRI report this reporting year

#### **INTERNAL REVIEW**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
CBM 6	CORE	CBM 1	N/A	PUBLIC	Internal review	6

#### Who in your organisation reviewed the responses submitted in your PRI report this year?

 $\Box$  (A) Board, trustees, or equivalent

☑ (B) Senior executive-level staff, investment committee, head of department, or equivalent

Sections of PRI report reviewed

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• (1) the entire report
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(2) selected sections of the report

• (C) None of the above internal roles reviewed selected sections or the entirety of the responses submitted in our PRI report this year

