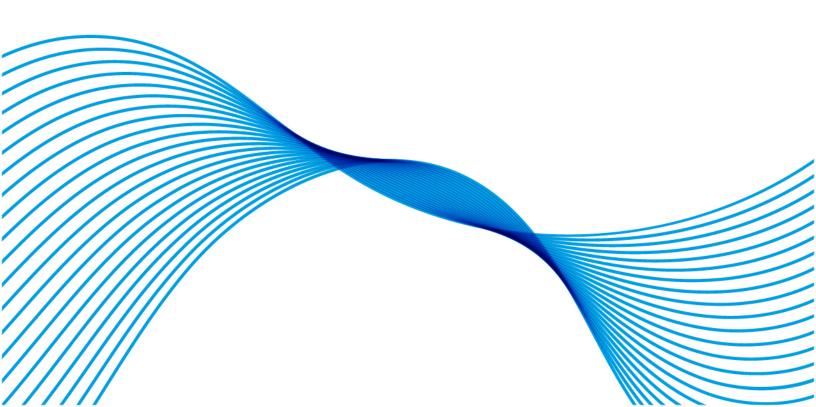
## **PRI** Principles for Responsible Investment

## PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY REPORT

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# About this report

PRI reporting is the largest global reporting project on responsible investment. It was developed with investors, for investors.

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 2024 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)**

## SENIOR LEADERSHIP STATEMENT

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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?

As a leading Canadian fixed income asset manager, RP Investment Advisors LP ("RPIA") applies best-in-class investment practices, and we strive to be a leader in the positive development of the investment management industry. Our objective is to add value for our investors through a relentless focus on long-term capital preservation and growth. We believe that ESG factors can materially impact the risk and return profile of the corporate fixed income securities in which we invest, that understanding these issues enables us to better manage downside risk and presents new opportunities to create value for our investors.

We apply our responsible investment process across all strategies. We score issuers using quantitative metrics, conduct in-depth subjective credit research on holdings and practice active issuer engagement where we discuss and challenge issuers on ESGrelated disclosures and business strategy. We then use these assessments to inform how we price risk across the portfolios. Over time, we have found that ESG-related analysis often informs other areas of our research and vice-versa. To this end, we have ensured that the entire Portfolio Management team is responsible for integrating ESG analysis into their process, whether through in-depth research or portfolio structuring.

As active bond investors, we occupy an important position amongst the capital providers to many corporations. While equity owners are often considered as having the largest influence over a company, we believe that debt investors have a meaningful role to play in company engagement. Our unique position as corporate bond investors provides us with opportunities to actively engage with a wide variety of companies and other influential groups such as regulators, credit rating agencies, and buy-side advocacy groups. Through these interactions, we advocate for our investors as stewards of their capital. This advocacy also applies to ESG-related opportunities and risks.

#### 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



In 2023, we refined and shaped our actions related to how we assess environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors and how they play a role in defining risk and opportunities - both for invested capital and for RPIA as a firm. We are proud to report on the enhancements and reinforced practices that are important to our role as an employer and our role as an asset manager.

Our Role as an Employer: RPIA's Efforts on Sustainability

• Climate Impact: We continued our partnership with Radicle to track and manage our greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory, and achieved Radicle's Climate Smart Certification for the second year in a row.

• Supporting Our Community and our Industry: In addition to our charitable giving, we oversaw the evolution of the RPIA ACE Program, which aims to provide academic and community empowerment for underrepresented and disenfranchised demographics. This program, launched in 2022, now includes active scholarships at Canadian universities and an internship program.

• Continuing Our DEI Journey: We continue to foster and promote DEI in our workplace and have committed to the on-going application of the workplace equity model on RPIA's corporate practices.

Our Role as an Investment Manager: Sustainability and The Investment Process

• Growing our ESG Capacity: Stephanie Krohn joined RPIA's Credit Research Team in the role of "ESG Specialist" to help further embed our ESG integration approach into the investment process.

• ESG Integration - Analysis In 2023, we enhanced the RP ESG Barometer to assess transition risk and workplace equity, and continue to use outputs to help guide how we approach engagements with issuers.

• ESG Integration- Engagement: In 2023, we identified numerous opportunities for engagement, and are proud to be continued supporters of our issuer's efforts to consider ESG risks in their annual meetings and external reports

• Thematic Portfolios: We continue to manage two thematic portfolios.

• Thought Leadership: We published two new thought pieces on ESG topics, including how ESG must be embedded within the culture of an organization and industry, and how recent events have highlighted the critical importance of strong governance.

#### Section 3. Next steps

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

We recognize that our approach to responsible investing is a constantly evolving framework. To this end, we have continued to leverage our ESG integration framework and the RP Barometer to help us guide how we approach engagements with issuers. One of our primary goals in the next two years is to further embed ESG integration within our investment processes and culture by evolving this tool to better integrate with our other proprietary risk management and monitoring systems in combination with our existing ESG-focused reporting. The aim of this evolution of the RP Barometer and integration with risk monitoring systems is to improve our scoring processes on material ESG factors, measure evolving ESG risks appropriately, and further guide our focus with respect to engagements in the community, with issuers, investors, industry groups, and our peers. One of our other goals is to leverage technology to design and build frameworks for ESG report automation, and enhance portfolio management and risk monitoring for ESG factors. With the help of these, we aim for increased investor participation in our thematic mandates in the next two years.

#### 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



David Matheson

Position

Co-Chief Investment Officer

Organisation's Name

**RP** Investment Advisors LP

#### **A**

'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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# **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	

### 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



## **ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT**

## ALL ASSET CLASSES

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 4	CORE	00 3	N/A	PUBLIC	All asset classes	GENERAL
What are your to	otal assets under man	agement (AUM) at	the end of the r	eporting year, a	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						
PRI signatorie and excluded	bsidiaries that are s in their own right from this s indicated in [OO	US\$ 0.00				
	ect to execution, ody, or research	US\$ 0.00				



## **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 perc	entage breal	kdown of y	our total AUM at t	he end of the repor	rting year as inc	licated in [OO 1].	
		(1) Perce	ntage of Internally	managed AUM	(2) Percentag	e of Externally ma	naged AUM
(A) Listed eq	uity	0%			0%		
(B) Fixed inc	ome	>75%			0%		
(C) Private e	quity	0%			0%		
(D) Real esta	ate	0%			0%		
(E) Infrastruc	ture	0%			0%		
(F) Hedge fu	nds	0%			0%		
(G) Forestry		0%			0%		
(H) Farmland	1	0%			0%		
(I) Other		0%			0%		
(J) Off-baland	ce sheet	0%			0%		



#### ASSET BREAKDOWN: INTERNALLY MANAGED FIXED INCOME

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 5.3 FI CORE		00 5	Multiple	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown: Internally managed fixed income	GENERAL
Provide a furth	er breakdown of your	internally manage	d fixed income	AUM.		
(A) Passive –	SSA 0%					
(B) Passive –	corporate 0%					
(C) Active – S	SSA 0%					
(D) Active – c	corporate >75%					
(E) Securitise	ed 0%					
(F) Private de	ebt 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

(C) Fixed income - corporate

(2) >0 to 10%



## STEWARDSHIP

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

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 orga	anisation conduct stew	vardship activities, ex	xcluding (proxy) vo	ting, for any of y	our assets?	
			(3) Fixed	income - active		
(A) Yes, throu	ugh internal staff			V		
(B) Yes, throu	ugh service providers					
(C) Yes, throu managers	ugh external					
(D) We do no stewardship	t conduct			0		

## **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, to some extent, 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
(F) Fixed income - corporate	۲	0



## **ESG STRATEGIES**

### **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
(A) Screening alone	0%
(B) Thematic alone	0%
(C) Integration alone	>75%
(D) Screening and integration	>10-50%
(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	>75%
(C) A combination of screening approaches	0%

## **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	OO 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:

>0-10%

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

 $\circ~$  (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

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



## 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 ble modules (pre-filled based on previous responses)		(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	o
(F) Fixed income – corporate	۲	0	o

## SUBMISSION INFORMATION

#### **REPORT DISCLOSURE**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
00 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

 $\Box$  (E) Guidelines on sustainability outcomes

☑ (F) Guidelines tailored to the specific asset class(es) we hold

☑ (G) Guidelines on exclusions

☑ (H) Guidelines on managing conflicts of interest related to responsible investment

☑ (I) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with investees

 $\hfill\square$  (J) Stewardship: Guidelines on overall political engagement

☑ (K) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders

 $\Box$  (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)

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

Specify:

Our ESG policy also covers guidelines on systemic sustainability issues related to governance factors, for example, executive compensation, bribery and corruption, board independence, board composition and diversity, alignment of interest between the shareholders and the executives, shareholder rights, and companies' policies relating to ESG.

• (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://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

- (B) Guidelines on environmental factors
  - Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

☑ (C) Guidelines on social factors

Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

(D) Guidelines on governance factors Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

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

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

- $\Box$  (G) Specific guidelines on human rights (may be part of guidelines on social factors)
- $\Box$  (H) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues
- ☑ (I) Guidelines tailored to the specific asset class(es) we hold Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

 $\Box$  (J) Guidelines on exclusions

☑ (K) Guidelines on managing conflicts of interest related to responsible investment Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

(L) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with investees Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

Image: (N) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders Add link:

https://rpia.ca/docs/default-source/esg-documents/rpia-esg-policy\_december-2021.pdf?sfvrsn=e417567d\_21

• (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 5	CORE	PGS 1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy elements	2

#### Which elements are covered in your organisation's policy(ies) or guidelines on stewardship?

☑ (A) Overall stewardship objectives

(B) Prioritisation of specific ESG factors to be advanced via stewardship activities

- ☑ (C) Criteria used by our organisation to prioritise the investees, policy makers, key stakeholders, or other entities on which to focus our stewardship efforts
- (D) How different stewardship tools and activities are used across the organisation

 $\Box$  (E) Approach to escalation in stewardship

☑ (F) Approach to collaboration in stewardship

☑ (G) Conflicts of interest related to stewardship

□ (H) How stewardship efforts and results are communicated across the organisation to feed into investment decision-making and vice versa

🗆 (I) Other

• (J) None of the above elements is captured in our policy(ies) or guidelines on stewardship

#### **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

(7) 100%



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	(1) for all of our AUM
(B) Specific guidelines on human rights	(1) for all of our AUM
(C) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues	(1) for all of our AUM

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 10	CORE	OO 8, OO 9, PGS 1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy coverage	2

Per asset class, what percentage of your AUM is covered by your policy(ies) or guidelines on stewardship with investees?

#### (B) Fixed income

- (1) Percentage of AUM covered
  - (1) >0% to 10%
  - (2) >10% to 20%
  - (3) >20% to 30%
  - (4) >30% to 40%
  - (5) >40% to 50%
  - (6) >50% to 60%
  - (7) >60% to 70%
  - (8) >70% to 80%
  - (9) >80% to 90%
  - (10) >90% to <100%

  - **(11)** 100%



## 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:

**Co-Chief Investment Officers** 

(C) Investment committee, or equivalent Specify:

Investment Committee, Risk Committee, ESG Steering Committee

(D) Head of department, or equivalent Specify department:

Head of Research

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



(E) Specific guidelines on human rights (may be part of guidelines on social factors)		
(F) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues		
(G) Guidelines tailored to the specific asset class(es) we hold		
(H) Guidelines on exclusions		
(I) Guidelines on managing conflicts of interest related to responsible investment		
(J) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with investees		
(L) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders		
(N) This role has no formal oversight over and accountability for any of the above elements covered in our responsible investment policy(ies)	o	٥

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

Describe how you do this:

RPIA is a member of organizations that conduct political engagement with regulators and policymakers with a focus on supporting ESG priorities, such as climate change and social equity. RPIA participates in policymaker engagement, either directly or through these organizations and follows an internal governance process before engaging in regulatory/policymaker engagement to ensure that the engagement is in the best interest of its investors, supports ESG objectives, and does not conflict with the investment objectives of the strategies it manages.

#### • (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:

Co-Chief Investment Officer, Head of Credit Research, and the Portfolio Management Team.

□ (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
- (B) Any changes in governance or oversight related to responsible investment
- (C) Stewardship-related commitments
- (D) Progress towards stewardship-related commitments
- (E) Climate-related commitments
- ☑ (F) Progress towards climate–related commitments
- $\Box$  (G) Human rights–related commitments
- □ (H) Progress towards human rights–related commitments
- □ (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?

(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

- (D) Yes, including all applicable metrics and targets-related recommended disclosures
- (E) None of the above Add link(s):

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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

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• (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

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

 $\Box$  (E) Other elements

• (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

 $\Box$  (B) We incorporate climate change–related risks and opportunities into our assessment of expected asset class risks and returns



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

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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?

	(2) Fixed income
(A) Maximise our portfolio-level risk-adjusted returns. In doing so, we seek to address any risks to overall portfolio performance caused by individual investees' contribution to systematic sustainability issues.	۲
(B) Maximise our individual investments' risk-adjusted returns. In doing so, we do not seek to address any risks to overall portfolio performance caused by individual investees' contribution to systematic sustainability issues.	o

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

 $\circ$  (D) We do not join collaborative stewardship efforts



#### **STEWARDSHIP: ESCALATION**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 37	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Escalation	2

## For your corporate fixed income assets, what escalation measures did your organisation, or the external investment managers or service providers acting on your behalf, use in the past three years?

(A) Joining or broadening an existing collaborative engagement or creating a new one

- $\Box$  (B) Publicly engaging the entity, e.g. signing an open letter
- □ (C) Not investing
- **(D)** Reducing exposure to the investee entity
- □ (E) Divesting
- $\Box$  (F) Litigation
- G) Other

Specify:

Direct ESG Engagement with the issuer

• (H) In the past three years, we did not use any of the above escalation measures for our corporate fixed income assets

#### 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?

☑ (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

☑ (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



Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 39.1	CORE	PGS 39	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Engagement with policy makers	2

During the reporting year, what methods did you, or the external investment managers or service providers acting on your behalf, use to engage with policy makers as part of your responsible investment approach?

 $\Box$  (A) We participated in 'sign-on' letters

(B) We responded to policy consultations

□ (C) We provided technical input via government- or regulator-backed working groups

- $\Box$  (D) We engaged policy makers on our own initiative
- (E) Other methods

Describe:

RPIA is a member of various signatory organizations that undertake policy engagement activities on behalf of their members.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 39.2	CORE	PGS 39	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship: Engagement with policy makers	2

During the reporting year, did your organisation publicly disclose details of your engagement with policy makers conducted as part of your responsible investment approach, including through external investment managers or service providers?

 $\Box$  (A) We publicly disclosed all our policy positions

 $\Box$  (B) We publicly disclosed details of our engagements with policy makers

• (C) No, we did not publicly disclose details of our engagement with policy makers conducted as part of our

responsible investment approach during the reporting year

Explain why:

RPIA did not publicly disclose details of our engagement with policy-makers in the reporting year. In the future, we may disclose such information in the event relevant engagement activities are undertaken.

#### **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:



As an asset manager, our activities have an impact on the amount of GHG emissions we finance in the market through our investments. We also believe climate-related risks are an increasing concern for all geographies and sectors in which we invest. We aim to categorize and define these risks in line with the TCFD framework.

#### Physical Risks

Where applicable, we attempt to assess the impact from physical risks on the credit quality of our investments. We have found acute physical risks are material for issuers in the banking, insurance, transport, utility, housing, and energy sectors. We believe chronic risks could contribute to increasing volatility across all sectors and jurisdictions. We also subscribe to the latest IPCC Sixth Assessment Report which predicts that extreme weather events will continue to become more common if emissions are not abated in the global economy.

#### ☑ (B) Yes, beyond our standard planning horizon

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

#### Transition Risks

We believe most corporate bond sectors will be impacted by transition risks as global economies move towards a net-zero target. Transition risks are multi-dimensional across regulatory, technological, and market dynamics.

• (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:

Our overall investment strategy and products integrate climate-related risks and opportunities. RPIA has developed two products; the RP Broad Corporate Bond (Fossil Fuel Exclusion) and RP Broad Corporate Bond (BBB, Fossil Fuel Exclusion) with a distinct climate focus. Both strategies employ a negative screening approach, in line with stated ESG-related investor objectives.

In addition, our engagement activities across our funds include a focus on material climate-related risks and opportunities affecting the issuers in which we invest.

• (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 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)

□ (B) Yes, using the One Earth Climate Model scenario

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

 $\Box$  (D) Yes, using other scenarios

• (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

RPIA's Integration framework focuses on four key pillars of analysis, the three ESG Pillars and transition analysis. Transition analysis assesses how well issuers are adapting to the decarbonization of the global economy and climate risks. This includes carbon foot printing of the issuer versus peers and the industry, greenhouse gas reduction target setting and alignment with transition pathways, and activities that align with the Task Force on Climate Related Disclosures recommendations.

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

Overall exposure to specific ESG factors is measured for portfolio construction, and sizing or hedging adjustments can be made depending on individual issuers' sensitivity to these factors. For strategies that have specific limits relating to Weighted Average Carbon Intensity and Carbon Intensity Coverage, these factors are monitored daily at the strategy level by the investment team.

#### (B) Yes, we have a process to manage climate-related risks

(1) Describe your process

RPIA manages two strategies that aim to outperform the benchmark on annualized basis while reducing the market-value weighted average carbon intensity relative to its benchmark.

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

Overall exposure to specific ESG factors is measured for portfolio construction, and sizing or hedging adjustments can be made depending on individual issuers' sensitivity to these factors. For strategies that have specific limits relating to Weighted Average Carbon Intensity and Carbon Intensity Coverage, these factors are monitored daily at the strategy level by the investment team.

• (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 publicly disclose?

#### (A) Exposure to physical risk

(1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology

- $\circ$  (1) Metric or variable used
- (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
- (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- (2) Provide link to the disclosed metric or variable, including the methodology followed, as applicable

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#### (B) Exposure to transition risk

(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

(2) Provide link to the disclosed metric or variable, including the methodology followed, as applicable

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#### ☑ (C) Internal carbon price

- (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
- (2) Provide link to the disclosed metric or variable, including the methodology followed, as applicable

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#### ☑ (D) Total carbon emissions

- (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
  - $\circ$  (1) Metric or variable used
  - $\circ~$  (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- (2) Provide link to the disclosed metric or variable, including the methodology followed, as applicable

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#### (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
- (2) Provide link to the disclosed metric or variable, including the methodology followed, as applicable

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- $\Box$  (F) Avoided emissions
- □ (G) Implied Temperature Rise (ITR)
- □ (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
  - (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
    - (2) Provide link to the disclosed metric or variable, including the methodology followed, as applicable

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 $\Box$  (J) Other metrics or variables

• (K) Our organisation did not use or publicly 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 publicly disclose its Scope 1, Scope 2, and/or Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions?

☑ (A) Scope 1 emissions



- (1) Indicate whether this metric was disclosed, including the methodology
  - (1) Metric disclosed
  - (2) Metric and methodology disclosed
- (2) Provide links to the disclosed metric and methodology, as applicable

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#### (B) Scope 2 emissions

- (1) Indicate whether this metric was disclosed, including the methodology
  - (1) Metric disclosed
  - (2) Metric and methodology disclosed
- (2) Provide links to the disclosed metric and methodology, as applicable

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

• (D) Our organisation did not publicly 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

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 47.1	CORE	PGS 47	N/A	PUBLIC	Sustainability outcomes	1, 2

## Which widely recognised frameworks has your organisation used to identify the intended and unintended sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities?

 $\Box$  (A) The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets

□ (B) The UNFCCC Paris Agreement

□ (C) The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)

 $\Box$  (D) OECD frameworks: OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and Guidance on Responsible Business Conduct for Institutional Investors

□ (E) The EU Taxonomy

 $\Box$  (F) Other relevant taxonomies

□ (G) The International Bill of Human Rights

 $\Box$  (H) The International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the eight core conventions

□ (I) The Convention on Biological Diversity

☑ (J) Other international framework(s)

Specify:

We leverage international frameworks, such as the TCFD, to identify sustainability outcomes connected to our investment activities.

#### (K) Other regional framework(s)

Specify:



We leverage the SASB sector-focused materiality standards to identify key sustainability outcomes connected to the issuers in which we invest.

□ (L) Other sectoral/issue-specific framework(s)

 $\circ$  (M) Our organisation did not use any widely recognised frameworks to identify the intended and unintended sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 47.2	CORE	PGS 47	PGS 48	PUBLIC	Sustainability outcomes	1, 2

## What are the primary methods that your organisation has used to determine the most important intended and unintended sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities?

 $\Box$  (A) Identify sustainability outcomes that are closely linked to our core investment activities

(B) Consult with key clients and/or beneficiaries to align with their priorities

 $\Box$  (C) Assess which actual or potential negative outcomes for people are most severe based on their scale, scope, and irremediable character

(D) Identify sustainability outcomes that are closely linked to systematic sustainability issues

(E) Analyse the input from different stakeholders (e.g. affected communities, civil society, trade unions or similar)

 $\Box$  (F) Understand the geographical relevance of specific sustainability outcome objectives

 $\Box$  (G) Other method

• (H) We have not yet determined the most important sustainability outcomes connected to our investment activities

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
PGS 48	CORE	PGS 47.2	PGS 48.1, SO 1	PUBLIC	Sustainability outcomes	1, 2

Has your organisation taken action on any specific sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities, including to prevent and mitigate actual and potential negative outcomes?

(A) Yes, we have taken action on some of the specific sustainability outcomes connected to our investment activities

• (B) No, we have not yet taken action on any specific sustainability outcomes connected to our investment activities



# **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 orga fixed income as	anisation have a forma ssets?	l investment proce	ess to identify a	and incorporate	e material ESG factors	across your	
				(2) Corporat	e		
	nvestment process material governance		(	(1) for all of our .	AUM		
incorporates	nvestment process material al and social factors	(1) for all of our AUM					
incorporates	investment process material ESG factors n different investment s	ESG factors (1) for all of our ALIM					
process; our	s 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
FI 2	CORE	00 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			(1) for all of our	AUM	
	ave a formal process, t include scenario					
process for ou assets; our in professionals	t have a formal ur fixed income vestment monitor how ESG ver time at their			0		
the implication	t monitor and review ns of changing ESG fixed income assets			0		



## **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?

	(2) Corporate
(A) We incorporate material environmental and social factors	
(B) We incorporate material governance-related factors	
(C) We do not incorporate material ESG factors for the majority of our fixed income investments	o

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?

	(2) Corporate		
(A) Yes, we have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by country and/or region (e.g. local governance and labour practices)	(1) for all of our AUM		
(B) Yes, we have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by sector	(1) for all of our AUM		
(C) No, we do not have a framework that differentiates ESG risks by issuer country, region and/or sector	O		



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

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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	(3) for a minority of our AUM			
(B) We make a qualitative assessment of how material ESG factors may evolve	(3) for a minority of our AUM			
(C) We do not incorporate significant changes in material ESG factors	o			



## ESG INCORPORATION IN PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle	
FI 8	CORE	00 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in portfolio construction	1	
How do mater process?	ial ESG factors contribu	ite to your securi	ty selection, po	rtfolio constru	ction and/or benchmark	selection	
				(2) Corpora	te		
to the select and/or secto portfolio con	ESG factors contribute ion of individual assets or weightings within our struction and/or selection process		(2) 1	or a majority of	our AUM		
to determinin of individual portfolio con	ESG factors contribute ng the holding period assets within our struction and/or selection process						
<ul> <li>(C) Material ESG factors contribute</li> <li>to the portfolio weighting of</li> <li>individual assets within our</li> <li>(2) for a majority of our AUM</li> <li>portfolio construction and/or</li> <li>benchmark selection process</li> </ul>					our AUM		
to the countr of assets wit	ESG factors contribute y or region weighting thin our portfolio and/or benchmark ocess		(2) 1	or a majority of	our AUM		
to our portfo	ESG factors contribute lio construction and/or selection process in	nd/or					
construction selection pro	urity selection, portfolio or benchmark ocess does not include ation of material ESG			O			



## **POST-INVESTMENT**

### **ESG RISK MANAGEMENT**

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle				
FI 11	CORE	OO 21	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1				
How are materia	How are material ESG factors incorporated into your portfolio risk management process?									
(2) Corporate										
(A) Investmen members, or t function or gro investment de ESG consider	the equivalent pup, can veto ecisions based on			(1) for all of our	AUM					
and/or current for changes in	factors and any	(3) for a minority of our AUM								
material ESG for our portfoli sizing or hedg made depend	posure to specific factors is measured to construction, and ying adjustments are ing on the individual e sensitivity to these		(3) 1	for a minority of	our AUM					
(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			0							



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	0



### **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

☑ (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)**

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### 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

 $\Box$  (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

 $\Box$  (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

 $\circ$  (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

#### • (1) the entire report

• (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

