

# **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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# Responsible investment definitions

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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<br>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?

Optimum Asset Management (OAM) believes that responsible investment leads to better long-term results, which is in line with our investment values and philosophy. Our managers seek companies with long-term profitability and as a result, they manage financial and non-financial risks proactively. As an asset manager and fiduciary of our clients' assets, we have an important responsibility to consider all material factors that may impact the risk-adjusted returns of our investments. We believe that the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into our investment process empowers us to enhance the long-term, risk-adjusted performance of our portfolios and supports our best interest obligation. OAM's preferred approach to responsible investment develop around the following areas: exclusion of specific securities, the integration of ESG criteria into the investment analysis and decision process and engagement toward the issuers.

By applying this thorough process, OAM believes we will minimize the ESG risks. OAM also base itself on the UN SDG's to make sure our investments make an ever-lasting positive impact on world we live in. There is no difference between our responsible investment practices and our other investment practices. OAM is dedicated to giving to our client better long-term, risk-adjusted performance. OAM analyze the same exhaustive way the financials factors and the ESG factors. In fact, they complement themselves and are optimizing the financial performance and assuring the preservation of our client's capital in the long run.

We are also committed to increase our transparency to our client regarding responsible investment. We commit to offer them more and more information regarding the results of our responsible investment practices.

#### 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

Over the past year, we have made significant progress in our responsible investment approach, highlighting our commitment to environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors. We are delighted to share the advancements we have achieved in the following key areas:

#### 1- Improved Integration of ESG Factors:

We have enhanced our approach to integrating ESG factors into our investment process. This involves refining our investment beliefs to support more informed decision-making by our portfolio managers and analysts. As a result, we can better align our portfolio with our commitment to responsible investment.

#### 2- Increased analysis of the carbon footprints:

Our new partnership with a leading ESG data provider, enabled us to significantly enhance our analysis of the carbon footprint of our



This collaboration allows us to access more detailed and accurate carbon emissions data, providing deeper insights into the environmental impact of our investments. With this advanced data, we can better measure, monitor, and manage the carbon footprint of our portfolio, aligning our investment strategies with our commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and promoting sustainability. This step forward underscores our dedication to responsible investment and our proactive approach to addressing climate change.

#### 3- Selecting a New Engagement collaborative group:

We have partnered with a leading engagement firm to participate in collaborative engagement efforts.

This strategic alliance allows us to join forces with other like-minded investors, amplifying our collective voice and influence on crucial environmental, social, and governance issues. Through this collaboration, we can more effectively advocate for sustainable business practices and drive meaningful change within the companies we invest in. Our participation in these group engagements underscores our commitment to responsible investment and our proactive approach to enhancing the ESG performance of our portfolio.

#### 4- Development of Internal ESG Analysis Tools:

To improve our capacity to analyze and monitor the ESG performance of our investments, we have developed advanced internal tools. These tools allow us to collect, visualize, and analyze relevant ESG data effectively, offering a comprehensive overview of our portfolio's environmental and social impact. For example, we have created an GHG attribution model that helps determine if the portfolio's GHG emissions are due to sector allocation or individual company selection.

#### 5- Improving our Responsible Investment Report for Clients:

We have enhanced our quarterly responsible investment report. This improved report now offers deeper insights and more comprehensive data on the environmental, social, and governance performance of our portfolio.

By providing detailed analysis and clear visualizations, it allows stakeholders to better understand the impact of our investments and the progress we are making towards our ESG goals. This upgrade reflects our commitment to transparency and our dedication to maintaining high standards of responsible investment practices.

#### 6- Increased Investments Aligned with the SDGs:

We take pride at increase our investments aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). By focusing on projects and companies that positively contribute to the SDGs, we have been able to increase our positive impact while generating attractive financial returns for our clients.

We have managed to increase our overall exposure to SDGs by 2.92%, notably a 1.93% increase toward SDG#4. We have also increased our overall exposure to labelled bonds by 0.52% for green bonds and 0.55% for sustainability bonds.

#### 7- Initiating Documentation of Processes and Structure:

We have undertaken significant work to transparently document our processes and structure concerning responsible investment. This effort aims to enhance accountability to our stakeholders and ensure responsible and sustainable management of our assets.

#### Section 3. Next steps

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

Over the next two years, we are committed to pursue our development in responsible investment, strengthening our initiatives and reaching new milestones. The progress we envision includes:

#### 1- Continuing to Develop Our Internal ESG Analysis Tools:

We are determined to further develop our internal ESG analysis tools to enhance our ability to assess the environmental, social, and governance performance of our investments. By optimizing these tools, we aim to gain a deeper overview of our portfolio, enabling us to make more informed decisions in responsible investment.

Nautilus (our proprietary in-house built system) will allow us to improve our impact investment monitoring.

#### 2- Finalizing the Documentation of Our Processes and Structure:

We are dedicated to completing the documentation of our responsible investment processes and structure. This endeavor aims to reinforce transparency and accountability towards our stakeholders while ensuring responsible and sustainable asset management.

#### 3- Integration of a new ESG Data Provider:

We are in the process of integrating a new ESG data provider whose information aligns with our responsible investment needs.



The integration of this new provider will grant us access to relevant and high-quality data, enhancing our analytical capabilities and decision-making. We will have a better analysis of our carbon footprint and climate change-related risks.

#### 4- Publication of our Responsible Investment Report for clients:

We are excited to provide our clients with a detailed responsible investment report, clearly reflecting the ESG performance and integration of their investments. This report will enable our clients to have a comprehensive understanding of the environmental and social impact of their portfolio while reinforcing our commitment to transparency and open communication.

#### 5- Implementation of a new Responsible Investment Strategy:

We plan to implement a new responsible investment strategy, focusing on even more ambitious sustainability goals.

This strategy will enable us to specifically target investment opportunities that have a positive impact on the environment and society, while remaining true to our principles of strong financial returns.

#### 6- Establishment of a new Engagement Policy:

We aim to establish a new rigorous engagement policy, showcasing our commitment to promoting responsible investment. This policy aims to intensify our dialogue with the companies we invest in, targeting the most relevant environmental, social, and governance (ESG) issues. We seek to positively influence issuer practices towards sustainability, while creating lasting value for our clients. Through a targeted and concerted approach, we envision advancing practices that are more sustainable and responsible.

#### 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

Claude Cyr

Position

**Executive Vice President** 

Organisation's Name

Optimum Asset Management Inc



'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 (00)**

# **ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION**

## **REPORTING YEAR**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------|
| 001       | 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: | 31   | 12    | 2023 |

## **SUBSIDIARY INFORMATION**

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

Does your organisation have subsidiaries?

o (A) Yes

**⊚ (B)** No



## **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\$ 4,840,000,000.00 |
|--|-----------------------|
| (B) AUM of subsidiaries that are PRI signatories in their own right and excluded from this submission, as indicated in [OO 2.2]                | US\$ 0.00             |
| (C) AUM subject to execution, advisory, custody, or research advisory only   | US\$ 0.00             |

Additional information on the exchange rate used: (Voluntary)

1.41 CAD to USD. AUM at 6.8 B CAD\$



## **ASSET BREAKDOWN**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to             | Disclosure | Subsection         | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------|--------------------|---------------|
| OO 5      | CORE              | OO 3         | Multiple<br>indicators | PUBLIC     | Asset<br>breakdown | GENERAL       |

Provide a percentage breakdown of your total AUM at the end of the reporting year as indicated in [OO 1].

|                       | (1) Percentage of Internally managed AUM | (2) Percentage of Externally managed AUM |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| (A) Listed equity     | >10-50%                                  | 0%                                       |
| (B) Fixed income      | >75%                                     | 0%                                       |
| (C) Private equity    | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
| (D) Real estate       | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
| (E) Infrastructure    | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
| (F) Hedge funds       | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
| (G) Forestry          | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
| (H) Farmland          | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
| (I) Other             | >0-10%                                   | 0%                                       |
| (J) Off-balance sheet | 0%                                       | 0%                                       |
|                       |  |  |

## (I) Other - (1) Percentage of Internally managed AUM - Specify:

Derivatives and prefered shares



# ASSET BREAKDOWN: INTERNALLY MANAGED LISTED EQUITY

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection  | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|---|---------------|
| 00 5.3 LE | CORE              | OO 5         | Multiple   | PUBLIC     | Asset breakdown:<br>Internally managed<br>listed equity | GENERAL       |

## Provide a further breakdown of your internally managed listed equity AUM.

| (A) Passive equity        | >0-10%  |
|---------------------------|---------|
| (B) Active – quantitative | >50-75% |
| (C) Active – fundamental  | 0%      |
| (D) Other strategies      | >10-50% |
|                           |         |

## (D) Other strategies - Specify:

Preferred Shares - Active management

## ASSET BREAKDOWN: INTERNALLY MANAGED FIXED INCOME

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection   | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--|---------------|
| OO 5.3 FI | CORE              | OO 5         | Multiple   | PUBLIC     | Asset breakdown:<br>Internally managed<br>fixed income | GENERAL       |

## Provide a further breakdown of your internally managed fixed income AUM.

| (A) Passive – SSA       | 0%      |
|-------------------------|---------|
| (B) Passive – corporate | 0%      |
| (C) Active – SSA        | >50-75% |
| (D) Active – corporate  | >10-50% |
| (E) Securitised         | 0%      |
| (F) Private debt        | >0-10%  |



## **GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| 007       | CORE              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Geographical<br>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               | (1) 0% |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| (B) Fixed income – SSA          | (1) 0% |
| (C) Fixed income – corporate    | (1) 0% |
| (E) Fixed income – private debt | (1) 0% |

## **STEWARDSHIP**

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| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to          | Disclosure | Subsection  | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| 00 8      | CORE              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | Multiple indicators | PUBLIC     | Stewardship | GENERAL       |

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

|                                    | (1) Listed equity<br>- active | (2) Listed equity<br>- passive | (3) Fixed income<br>- active | (11) Other |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| (A) Yes, through internal staff    | Ø                             |                                | Ø                            | Ø          |
| (B) Yes, through service providers | $\square$                     |                                | Ø                            | $\square$  |
| (C) Yes, through external managers |                               |                                |                              |            |
| (D) We do not conduct stewardship  | 0                             | •                              | 0                            | 0          |



## STEWARDSHIP: (PROXY) VOTING

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to          | Disclosure | Subsection                     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 00 9      | CORE              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | Multiple indicators | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>(Proxy) voting | GENERAL       |

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

| (1) Listed equity - active | (2) Listed equity - passive |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                            |                             |
| Ø                          |                             |
|                            |                             |
| ٥                          | •                           |
|                            |                             |

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to          | Disclosure | Subsection                     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| OO 9.1    | CORE              | OO 9         | PGS 10.1,<br>PGS 31 | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>(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 | (11) >90 to <100% |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
|                            |                   |

## 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 (B) Listed equity – passive



Used for liquidity purpose or on non discretionary accounts

(Proxy) voting (M) Listed equity – passive

Used for liquidity purpose or on non discretionary accounts

# **ESG INCORPORATION**

## **INTERNALLY MANAGED ASSETS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to          | Disclosure | Subsection                   | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| 00 11     | CORE              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | Multiple indicators | PUBLIC     | Internally<br>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 |
|--|---|---|
| (A) Listed equity - passive                | •   | 0   |
| (B) Listed equity - active - quantitative  | •   | Ο   |
| (D) Listed equity - other strategies       | •   | O   |
| (E) Fixed income - SSA                     | •   | 0   |
| (F) Fixed income - corporate               | •   | 0   |
| (H) Fixed income - private debt            | 0   | •   |
| (V) Other: Derivatives and prefered shares | 0   | •   |



## **ESG NOT INCORPORATED**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on        | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection           | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|----------------------|---------------|
| OO 16     | CORE              | OO 11, OO 12-<br>14 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | ESG not incorporated | 1             |

Describe why your organisation does not currently incorporate ESG factors into your investment decisions and/or in the selection, appointment and/or monitoring of external investment managers.

Internally managed

(H) Fixed income - private debt

We are selecting outside manager for this asset classes and they are responsible of all ESG aspect in the portfolio.

(O) Other

Product not suitable for ESG integration

## **ESG STRATEGIES**

# **LISTED EQUITY**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to        | Disclosure | Subsection    | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|
| 00 17 LE  | CORE              | 00 11        | OO 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?

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

| (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 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<br>11 | Multiple, see<br>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?

|                               | (1) Fixed income - SSA | (2) Fixed income - corporate |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| (A) Screening alone           | 0%                     | 0%                           |
| (B) Thematic alone            | 0%                     | 0%                           |
| (C) Integration alone         | 0%                     | 0%                           |
| (D) Screening and integration | 0%                     | 0%                           |
| (E) Thematic and integration  | 0%                     | 0%                           |
|                               |                        |                              |



| (F) Screening and thematic        | 0%   | 0%   |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|
| (G) All three approaches combined | >75% | >75% |
| (H) None                          | 0%   | 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?

|   | (1) Fixed income - SSA | (2) Fixed income - corporate |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------|
| (A) Positive/best-in-class screening only | 0%                     | 0%                           |
| (B) Negative screening only               | 0%                     | 0%                           |
| (C) A combination of screening approaches | >75%                   | >75%                         |

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

### LABELLING AND MARKETING

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection              | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| OO 18     | CORE              | OO 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
- $\circ\hspace{0.2cm}$  (C) Not applicable; we do not offer products or funds

Additional information: (Voluntary)

Universe and Short Terme Heritage Pooled 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?

- o (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

## **PASSIVE INVESTMENTS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on        | Gateway to  | Disclosure | Subsection          | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|---------------|
| OO 19     | CORE              | OO 5.3 FI, OO<br>11 | LE 8, FI 10 | PUBLIC     | Passive investments | 1             |

What percentage of your total internally managed passive listed equity and/or fixed income passive AUM utilise an ESG index or benchmark?

|                             | Percentage of AUM that utilise an ESG index or benchmark |
|-----------------------------|--|
| (A) Listed equity - passive | 0%   |

## **THEMATIC BONDS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to   | Disclosure | Subsection     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------------|---------------|
| OO 20     | CORE              | 00 17 FI     | FI 15, FI 17 | PUBLIC     | Thematic bonds | 1             |

What percentage of your total environmental and/or social thematic bonds are labelled by the issuers in accordance with industry-recognised standards?

|                                 | Percentage of your total environmental and/or social thematic bonds labelled by the issuers |
|---------------------------------|---|
| (A) Green or climate bonds      | >10-50%   |
| (B) Social bonds                | >0-10%  |
| (C) Sustainability bonds        | >0-10%  |
| (D) Sustainability-linked bonds | >0-10%  |



| (E) SDG or SDG-linked bonds          | 0%      |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| (F) Other                            | 0%      |
| (G) Bonds not labelled by the issuer | >50-75% |

# **SUMMARY OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

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| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on           | Gateway to             | Disclosure | Subsection                        | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| 00 21     | CORE              | Multiple<br>indicators | Multiple<br>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<br>(pre-filled based on<br>previous responses) | (2.1) Voluntary to report.<br>Yes, I want to opt-in to<br>reporting on the module | (2.2) Voluntary to report. No, I want to opt-out of reporting on the module |
|---|--|---|---|
| Policy, Governance and Strategy           | •  | 0   | O   |
| Confidence Building Measures              | •  | 0   | 0   |
| (A) Listed equity – passive               | •  | 0   | 0   |
| (B) Listed equity – active – quantitative | •  | 0   | O   |
| (D) Listed equity – other strategies      | •  | 0   | 0   |
| (E) Fixed income – SSA                    | •  | 0   | 0   |
| (F) Fixed income – corporate              | •  | 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?

- $\circ$  (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<br>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
- $\square$  (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
- $\square$  (J) Stewardship: Guidelines on overall political engagement
- ☑ (K) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders
- ☑ (L) Stewardship: Guidelines on (proxy) voting
- ☐ (M) Other responsible investment elements not listed here
- o (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<br>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:

OAM analyzes the sustainability of its investments by aligning them with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These 17 goals aim to eradicate poverty, protect our planet, and ensure peace and prosperity for all by 2030. Investing in alignment with the SDGs seeks to address these urgent global challenges, providing a framework to tackle major social, economic, and environmental issues such as poverty, hunger, climate change, and inequality. This approach not only aims to achieve these goals but also to make a positive impact on people's lives.

 $\circ$  (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.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

☑ (B) Guidelines on environmental factors

Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

☑ (C) Guidelines on social factors

Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

☑ (D) Guidelines on governance factors

Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

☑ (E) Guidelines on sustainability outcomes

Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

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

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

(G) Specific guidelines on human rights (may be part of guidelines on social factors) Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

(H) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

☑ (J) Guidelines on exclusions

Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

- $\square$  (L) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with investees
- $\square$  (N) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders
- (O) Stewardship: Guidelines on (proxy) voting

Add link:

https://www.optimumgam.ca/investissement-responsable

o (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?

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Elaborate:

As an asset manager, we have an important responsibility to consider all material factors that may impact the risk-adjusted returns of our investments. We believe that the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into our investment process empowers us to enhance the long-term, risk-adjusted performance of our portfolios and supports our client best interest obligations.

o (B) No

| 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
- $\square$  (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
- ☑ (E) Approach to escalation in stewardship
- ☑ (F) Approach to collaboration in stewardship
- $\square$  (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
- $\circ$  (J) None of the above elements is captured in our policy(ies) or guidelines on stewardship

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

#### Does your policy on (proxy) voting include voting principles and/or guidelines on specific ESG factors?

- ☑ (A) Yes, it includes voting principles and/or guidelines on specific environmental factors
- ☑ (B) Yes, it includes voting principles and/or guidelines on specific social factors
- ☑ (C) Yes, it includes voting principles and/or guidelines on specific governance factors
- o (D) Our policy on (proxy) voting does not include voting principles or guidelines on specific ESG factors



| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                             | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--|---------------|
| PGS 7     | CORE              | 00 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?

- o (A) We have a publicly available policy to address (proxy) voting in our securities lending programme
- o (B) We have a policy to address (proxy) voting in our securities lending programme, but it is not publicly available
- o (C) We rely on the policy of our external service provider(s)
- o (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

| <ul> <li>(A) Overall approach to responsible investment</li> <li>(B) Guidelines on environmental factors</li> <li>(C) Guidelines on social factors</li> <li>(D) Guidelines on governance factors</li> </ul> | (7) 100% |
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| 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?

| <b>AUM</b> | coverage |
|------------|----------|
|------------|----------|

| (A) Specific guidelines on climate change                         | (2) for a majority of our AUM |
|---|-------------------------------|
| (B) Specific guidelines on human rights                           | (1) for all of our AUM        |
| (C) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues | (2) for a majority of our AUM |

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on         | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                             | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|--|---------------|
| PGS 10    | CORE              | OO 8, OO 9,<br>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?

#### ☑ (A) Listed equity

- (1) Percentage of AUM covered
  - o (1) >0% to 10%
  - o (2) >10% to 20%
  - o (3) >20% to 30%
  - o (4) >30% to 40%
  - o (5) >40% to 50%
  - o (6) >50% to 60%
  - o (7) >60% to 70%
  - o (8) >70% to 80%
  - o (9) >80% to 90%
  - o (10) >90% to <100%
  - **(11) 100%**

#### ☑ (B) Fixed income

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



- o (9) >80% to 90%
- o (10) >90% to <100%
- **(11) 100%**

### ☑ (I) Other

- (1) Percentage of AUM covered
  - o (1) >0% to 10%
  - o (2) >10% to 20%
  - o (3) >20% to 30%
  - o (4) >30% to 40%
  - o (5) >40% to 50%
  - o (6) >50% to 60%
  - o (7) >60% to 70%
  - o (8) >70% to 80%
  - o (9) >80% to 90%
  - o (10) >90% to <100%
  - **(11) 100%**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on     | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                             | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|------------------|------------|------------|--|---------------|
| PGS 10.1  | CORE              | OO 9.1, PGS<br>1 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Responsible investment policy coverage | 2             |

What percentage of your listed equity holdings is covered by your guidelines on (proxy) voting?

#### ☑ (A) Actively managed listed equity

- (1) Percentage of your listed equity holdings over which you have the discretion to vote
  - o (1) >0% to 10%
  - o (2) >10% to 20%
  - o (3) >20% to 30%
  - o (4) >30% to 40%
  - o (5) >40% to 50%
  - o (6) >50% to 60%
  - o (7) >60% to 70%
  - o (8) >70% to 80%
  - (9) >80% to 90%(10) >90% to <100%</li>
  - **(11)** 100%

## **GOVERNANCE**

### **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to             | Disclosure | Subsection                 | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 11    | CORE              | N/A          | Multiple<br>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?

- $\hfill\square$  (A) Board members, trustees, or equivalent
- ☐ (B) Senior executive-level staff, or equivalent
- ☑ (C) Investment committee, or equivalent Specify:



OAM has an ESG Committee in place, headed by our Chief Investment Officer. The ESG Committee is responsible for applying the Responsible Investment Policy. This Committee is in charge of the integration of nonfinancial matters related to environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into the asset management process. Portfolio managers are an important part of this committee. CIO, PM and analysts look at all important matter to the ESG that could impact the firm, clients and portfolios.

 $\square$  (D) Head of department, or equivalent

o (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,<br>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)?

# (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) |   |
| (E) Specific guidelines on human rights (may be part of guidelines on social factors)          |   |
| (F) Specific guidelines on other systematic sustainability issues                              |   |
| (H) Guidelines on exclusions   | ☑ |
| (J) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with investees                                       |   |
| (L) Stewardship: Guidelines on engagement with other key stakeholders                          |   |
|  |   |



| (M) Stewardship: Guidelines on (proxy) voting                 |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| (N) This role has no formal oversight over and accountability |   |  |
| for any of the above elements                                 | 0 |  |

| 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?

o (A) Yes

covered in our responsible investment policy(ies)

- o (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 internal management team is responsible for responsible investing, ensuring the consideration of ESG factors, analyzing sustainable risks and opportunities, and making investment decisions aligned with our principles of sustainability and financial performance. We believe that being into the investment process everyday and every step of the process is the best way to incorporate responsible investing.

☑ (B) External investment managers, service providers, or other external partners or suppliers Specify:

We have partnered with a leading engagement firm to participate in collaborative engagement efforts. This strategic alliance allows us to join forces with other like-minded investors, amplifying our collective voice and influence on crucial environmental, social, and governance issues. Through this collaboration, we can more effectively advocate for sustainable business practices and drive meaningful change within the companies we invest in.

o (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 15    | PLUS              | PGS 11       | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Roles and responsibilities | 1             |

What responsible investment competencies do you regularly include in the training of senior-level body(ies) or role(s) in your organisation?

# (2) Senior executive-level staff, investment committee, head of department or equivalent

| (A) Specific competence in climate change mitigation and adaptation   | <b>7</b> |
|---|----------|
| (B) Specific competence in investors' responsibility to respect human rights  |          |
| (C) Specific competence in other systematic sustainability issues   |          |
| (D) The regular training of this senior leadership role does not include any of the above responsible investment competencies | 0        |

## **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?

| $\square$ (A) Any changes in policies related to responsible investme |  |  |  |  |
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- $\square$  (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
- $\square$  (G) Human rights–related commitments
- ☐ (H) Progress towards human rights—related commitments
- ☑ (I) Commitments to other systematic sustainability issues
- ☑ (J) Progress towards commitments on other systematic sustainability issues
- o (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?

- $\square$  (A) Yes, including all governance-related recommended disclosures
- $\square$  (B) Yes, including all strategy-related recommended disclosures
- $\square$  (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

Explain why: (Voluntary)

As a responsible investment firm, we understand the importance of climate-related information disclosure in line with the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures' (TCFD) recommendations. While we acknowledge the significance of such disclosures, we have not yet fully implemented them in our reporting due to several factors.

Firstly, we have been actively engaged in developing and enhancing our internal systems and processes to ensure accurate and comprehensive data collection on climate-related information.

We have added another ESG data provider to make sure we have the right data to make the right commitments.

Secondly, we recognize that climate-related disclosures require a long-term commitment to continuous improvement. We aim to adopt a robust and sustainable reporting mechanism that provides meaningful insights to our stakeholders while aligning with industry best practices.

Despite not having disclosed climate-related information in line with the TCFD's recommendations yet, we are fully committed to this endeavor.

We envision implementing these disclosures and aspire to provide transparent and accurate climate-related information that reflects our dedication to responsible investing. Our goal is to align with the TCFD framework to contribute to the broader efforts in addressing climate change and promoting sustainable financial practices.

| 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?

- o (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
- $\Box$  (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
- ☐ (E) Other elements
- o (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?

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  (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
- o (2) for a majority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation
- o (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:

- o (1) for all of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation
- (2) for a majority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation
- o (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
- ☑ (D) We incorporate risks and opportunities related to other systematic sustainability issues into our assessment of expected asset class risks and returns

Select from dropdown list:

- o (1) for all of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation
- (2) for a majority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation
- o (3) for a minority of our AUM subject to strategic asset allocation

Specify: (Voluntary)

- (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
- o (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 equity | (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.                | •                 | •                |
| (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. | 0                 | 0                |

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on        | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|---|---------------|
| PGS 23    | PLUS              | OO 5, OO 8,<br>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?

The selection of ESG issues addressed in the dialogues is based on an ESG risk and opportunity management approach based on sector financial materiality (inspired in particular by the Sustainable Accounting Standards Board — SASB) as well as on the impact of issuers' practices with regard to the SDGs.

The selection of issuers with whom we or our delegated partners engage is based on three main criteria:

Their weighting in our portfolios, their size, their importance in their sector of activity or the importance of their sector in the market.

The presence of ESG risks or opportunities. Engaging with these issuers helps mitigate risks or seize opportunities.

The potential impact.



When dialogue is most likely to lead to changes in the issuer's ESG practices and impact.

Here are the different scenarios that can lead to a dialogue:

- Gaps in the issuer's ESG practices require dialogue in order to improve them.
- The lack of information on ESG practices requires a dialogue with the issuer before it is included in our portfolio;
- Identifying significant weaknesses in the issuer's ESG practices and impact requires a dialogue in order to move it forward, and eventually integrate it into our portfolio.

Our collaborator conducts collective engagement initiatives on our behalf, collaborating with other investors to positively influence corporate practices.

The companies included in the engagement pool are not in our portfolios. The collaborative approach aims to have a broad impact on the Canadian market. This allows for positively influencing a wide range of companies, regardless of their presence in portfolios, and promoting sustainable and responsible practices on a national scale.

| 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
- o (C) Other
- o (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.

As a responsible investment firm, our approach to stewardship is guided by the belief that active engagement and collaborative efforts can drive positive change and enhance sustainable practices within the companies we invest in. While we recognize the value of both internal and collaborative stewardship efforts, we have chosen to adopt a case-by-case approach for collaborative engagements for several strategic reasons.

Firstly, the case-by-case approach allows us to tailor our collaborative efforts to the specific needs and circumstances of each company. Every organization faces unique environmental, social, and governance (ESG) challenges, and a standardized approach may not effectively address their individual issues. By customizing our engagements, we can focus on the most relevant ESG concerns and advocate for targeted, impactful change.

Secondly, the case-by-case approach enables us to optimize our resources and expertise for maximum effect.



By carefully selecting companies where we can make a significant difference in their ESG practices, we ensure that our collaborative efforts are results-driven and have a meaningful impact on sustainability outcomes.

Thirdly, our approach fosters meaningful and constructive dialogue with companies. By engaging on a case-by-case basis, we establish strong relationships and partnerships, encouraging open communication and mutual understanding. This approach promotes a culture of trust and transparency, facilitating positive change through collective action.

Moreover, the case-by-case approach recognizes that companies are at different stages of their sustainability journey. Some may already demonstrate strong ESG practices, while others may be in the early stages of incorporating sustainability into their operations. By acknowledging these variations, we can adapt our stewardship efforts to support each company's progress while also addressing specific areas for improvement.

By collaborating on a case-by-case basis, we can also participate in initiatives and engagements that align closely with our responsible investment principles and values. This allows us to contribute to broader industry-wide efforts while maintaining our commitment to the unique interests and objectives of our clients.

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on        | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|---|---------------|
| PGS 25    | PLUS              | OO 5, OO 8,<br>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<br>Select from the list:  |
| <b>● 1</b>   |
| o <b>5</b>   |
| $\square$ (B) External investment managers, third-party operators and/or external property managers, if applicable   |
| ☑ (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:  |
|  |
| o <b>5</b>   |
| ☑ (D) Informal or unstructured collaborations with investors or other entities   |
| Select from the list:  |
| <b>⊚ 3</b>   |
| o <b>5</b>   |
| ☑ (E) Formal collaborative engagements, e.g. PRI-coordinated collaborative engagements, Climate Action 100+, or  |

Select from the list:

4

o 5

 $\circ\hspace{0.2cm}$  (F) We do not use any of these channels

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on         | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|---|---------------|
| PGS 26    | PLUS              | OO 8, OO 9,<br>PGS 1 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy | 2             |

How does your organisation ensure that its policy on stewardship is implemented by the external service providers to which you have delegated stewardship activities?

| $\Box$ ( | (A) | Exam | ple( | s) | of n | neasu | res | taken | when | selecting | external | service | providers: |
|----------|-----|------|------|----|------|-------|-----|-------|------|-----------|----------|---------|------------|
|          |     |      |      |    |      |       |     |       |      |           |          |         |            |

☑ (C) Example(s) of measures taken when monitoring the stewardship activities of external service providers:



 $<sup>\</sup>Box$  (B) Example(s) of measures taken when designing engagement mandates and/or consultancy agreements for external service providers:

We maintain a robust partnership with our external engagement service provider to ensure that our investment practices align with our commitment to responsible investment. This collaboration is structured around regular meetings and detailed reporting processes that help us stay informed and proactive in our engagement activities.

Regular Meetings

We hold regular meetings with our external engagement service provider to discuss ongoing and upcoming engagement activities. These meetings serve multiple purposes:

- Strategy Alignment: Ensuring that the engagement activities align with our overall ESG strategy and specific investment goals.
- Progress Updates: Reviewing the progress of ongoing engagements and discussing any challenges or adjustments needed.
- Planning: Setting priorities and planning future engagement activities based on emerging ESG issues and opportunities within our investment portfolio.

#### Quarterly Reports

Our external engagement service provider provides us with detailed quarterly reports.

These reports include:

- Engagement Outcomes: A comprehensive overview of the outcomes of recent engagements, including specific dialogues with company members and the results of these interactions.
- Dialogue Details: Precise records of the dialogues held, including the topics discussed, the responses from the companies, and any commitments made.
- Future Discussions: Identification of further issues to be discussed in upcoming engagements, ensuring a continuous and structured approach to ESG issues.
- Advancements: Updates on the advancements made in previous engagements, showcasing progress and areas that need further attention.

#### **Annual Report**

At the end of each year, we receive an extensive annual report from our engagement service provider.

This report includes:

- Yearly Summary: A summary of all engagement activities conducted throughout the year, providing a holistic view of our ESG efforts.
- Advancement Highlights: Detailed accounts of the advancements made due to our engagement activities, highlighting significant achievements and milestones.
- Examples of Engagement Realizations: Multiple examples of successful engagements, illustrating the tangible impacts of our ESG strategy. These examples serve as case studies demonstrating the effectiveness of our approach and the positive changes driven by our engagements.



| 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?

Our stewardship strategy is intricately linked to our responsible investment process, which revolves around companies that are sensitive to environmental, social, and governance (ESG) matters, impact investing, and investments related to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Our commitment to reducing carbon emissions and embracing responsible investment themes further reinforces our dedication to sustainable practices. Our stewardship activities are designed to align with these core principles and address key focus areas.

We actively engage with companies that demonstrate a strong commitment to ESG considerations. Through our stewardship efforts, we foster open dialogues with these companies, encouraging them to further enhance their sustainable practices and corporate governance. By collaborating with management, we advocate for the integration of ESG factors into their decision-making processes, promoting long-term value creation and risk mitigation.

Our stewardship activities are also aligned with impact investing and Investments related to the SDGs, where we seek investments that generate positive social and environmental outcomes alongside financial returns. By engaging with impact-driven companies, we contribute to positive societal change, addressing pressing global challenges such as poverty, inequality, and climate change.

Our commitment to reducing carbon emissions is a fundamental aspect of our stewardship strategy. We engage with companies to encourage the adoption of low-carbon practices, energy efficiency measures, and the transition to renewable energy sources.

By actively participating in carbon reduction initiatives, we aim to contribute to a more sustainable and resilient future.

Furthermore, our focus on responsible investment themes, such as sustainable energy, sustainable transportation, water, circular economy and end-of-life management, underscores our dedication to impactful and forward-thinking investments. Through targeted engagement with companies operating in these sectors or incorporate those aspects, we promote sustainable business practices and support the development of innovative solutions that address critical environmental challenges.

Lastly, our proximity approach to investing emphasizes our commitment to supporting local communities and businesses. Our stewardship efforts extend to engaging with companies operating in proximity to our clients, fostering responsible practices that benefit both the community and our investors.

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|---|---------------|
| PGS 28    | PLUS              | OO 8, OO 9   | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship: Overall stewardship strategy | 2             |

If relevant, provide any further details on your organisation's overall stewardship strategy.

N/A



# STEWARDSHIP: (PROXY) VOTING

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                  | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 29    | CORE              | OO 9, PGS 1  | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship: (Proxy) voting | 2             |

When you use external service providers to give recommendations, how do you ensure those recommendations are consistent with your organisation's (proxy) voting policy?

☑ (C) We ensure consistency with our voting policy by reviewing external service providers' voting recommendations only after voting has been executed

Select from the below list:

- (1) in all cases
- o (2) in a majority of cases
- o (3) in a minority of cases
- o (D) We do not review external service providers' voting recommendations
- o (E) Not applicable; we do not use external service providers to give voting recommendations

| 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?

- o (A) We recall all securities for voting on all ballot items
- o (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
- o (C) Other
- o (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 31    | CORE              | OO 9.1       | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship: (Proxy) voting | 2             |

For the majority of votes cast over which you have discretion to vote, which of the following best describes your decision making approach regarding shareholder resolutions (or that of your external service provider(s) if decision making is delegated to them)?

- (A) We vote in favour of resolutions expected to advance progress on our stewardship priorities, including affirming a company's good practice or prior commitment
- (B) We vote in favour of resolutions expected to advance progress on our stewardship priorities, but only if the investee company has not already publicly committed to the action(s) requested in the proposal
- o (C) We vote in favour of shareholder resolutions only as an escalation measure
- o (D) We vote in favour of the investee company management's recommendations by default
- o (E) Not applicable; we do not vote on shareholder resolutions



| 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
- $\square$  (B) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly by other means, e.g. through our website
- $\square$  (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
- o (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              | OO 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 Add link(s):

https://cms.optimumfinancier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_rapport\_de\_vote\_2023\_t4.pdf https://cms.optimumfinancier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_rapport\_de\_vote\_2023\_t3.pdf https://cms.optimumfinancier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_rapport\_de\_vote\_2023\_t2.pdf

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

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                  | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 33.1  | CORE              | PGS 33       | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship: (Proxy) voting | 2             |

In the majority of cases, how soon after an investee's annual general meeting (AGM) or extraordinary general meeting (EGM) do you publish your voting decisions?

- o (A) Within one month of the AGM/EGM
- (B) Within three months of the AGM/EGM
- o (C) Within six months of the AGM/EGM
- o (D) Within one year of the AGM/EGM
- o (E) More than one year after the AGM/EGM



| 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 | (2) In cases where we voted against an ESG-related shareholder resolution |
|--|---|---|
| (A) Yes, we publicly disclosed the rationale   | (1) for all votes   | (1) for all votes   |
| (B) Yes, we privately communicated the rationale to the company  |   |   |
| (C) We did not publicly or privately communicate the rationale, or we did not track this information   | 0   | 0   |
| (D) Not applicable; we did not abstain or vote against management recommendations or ESG-related shareholder resolutions during the reporting year | 0   | 0   |

### (A) Yes, we publicly disclosed the rationale - Add link(s):

https://cms.optimumfinancier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_rapport\_de\_vote\_2023\_t4.pdf https://cms.optimumfinancier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_rapport\_de\_vote\_2023\_t3.pdf https://cms.optimumfinancier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_rapport\_de\_vote\_2023\_t2.pdf

| 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 proxy advisor keeps voting confirmations for every ballot voted. These records are available upon request. We can also ask for a voting status. This information provided by Broadridge indicates the status of each ballot casted. If the vote has been cast but reported/rejected, we may ask our proxy advisor to contact the custodian to understand why the vote has not been counted.



### STEWARDSHIP: ESCALATION

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on           | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                 | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 36    | CORE              | OO 8, OO 9 HF,<br>OO 9 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>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 $\sqrt{\phantom{a}}$ 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 $\checkmark$ 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 (I) In the past three years, we did not use any of the above 0 escalation measures for our listed equity holdings



| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                 | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 37    | CORE              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>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 collal | orative engagement | or creating a new one |
|-------|------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
|-------|------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|

(D) Reducing exposure to the investee entity

☐ (E) Divesting

 $\Box$  (F) Litigation

☐ (G) Other

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

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                 | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 38    | PLUS              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>Escalation | 2             |

Describe your approach to escalation for your SSA and/or private debt fixed income assets.

(A) SSA - Approach to escalation

Joining or broadening an existing collaborative engagement

Reducing exposure to that specific issuer

(B) Private debt - Approach to escalation

Discussion with our different providers

### 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,<br>PGS 39.2 | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>Engagement with<br>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 |
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 $<sup>\</sup>square$  (B) Publicly engaging the entity, e.g. signing an open letter

<sup>☑ (</sup>C) Not investing

<sup>☑ (</sup>B) Yes, we engaged with policy makers through the leadership of or active participation in working groups or collaborative initiatives, including via the PRI

 $<sup>\</sup>Box$  (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

o (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:<br>Engagement with<br>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?

- $\square$  (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 Describe:

Our engagement service provider is an active member and provide technical inputs for Climate Action 100+, Engagement climatique Canada (ECC) et le Groupe de travail canadien sur le pétrole et Gaz.

### ☑ (D) We engaged policy makers on our own initiative

Describe:

We have proactively engaged with municipalities and their associations to raise awareness about the importance of reporting their activities and financing needs related to sustainability and the SDGs. These meetings aim to:

- Enhance Transparency: Encourage municipalities to adopt robust reporting practices that highlight their sustainability initiatives and progress towards the SDGs.
- Identify Financing Needs: Understand and communicate the specific financing requirements of municipalities to support their sustainability projects, facilitating better access to funding.
- -Promote Best Practices: Share insights and best practices on effective sustainability reporting, helping municipalities to improve their reporting standards and impact assessments.

Through these engagements, we aim to support municipalities in their journey towards greater sustainability, ensuring that their efforts are well-documented, financed, and aligned with global sustainability goals. This initiative underscores our commitment to fostering transparency, accountability, and sustainable development at all levels of governance.

 $\square$  (E) Other methods

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                                       | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--|---------------|
| PGS 39.2  | CORE              | PGS 39       | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Stewardship:<br>Engagement with<br>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?

### (A) We publicly disclosed all our policy positions Add link(s):

 $https://cms.optimum financier.com/sites/default/files/2024-07/ogp\_politique\_engagement\_juin 2024.pdf$ 

- $\hfill\square$  (B) We publicly disclosed details of our engagements with policy makers
- o (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



### **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:

Companies that embrace best environmental practices typically have a lower carbon footprint as they prioritize emissions reduction. They often invest in renewable energy sources such as wind, solar, and hydroelectric power. By investing in these companies, we contribute to accelerating the transition to a low-carbon economy and reducing reliance on fossil fuels. Furthermore, they prioritize energy efficiency measures to lower their carbon footprint, such as modernizing buildings for greater energy efficiency, using low-consumption lighting, and implementing efficient heating and cooling systems. These leaders also invest in research and development of new technologies aimed at reducing carbon emissions. By investing in these companies, we support the development of innovative solutions in response to the climate crisis.

Investing in companies with the best environmental practices will ultimately reduce the carbon footprint of our portfolios while supporting a sustainable future. We also encourage companies to be transparent by disclosing their greenhouse gas emissions and setting reduction targets based on science (Science-Based Targets).

Reducing greenhouse gas emissions is a crucial priority in combating climate change. Our investment themes can contribute to the fight against climate change, decarbonize portfolios and represent a great opportunity to invest in: Sustainable energy, Sustainable transport and sustainable buildings.

- ☐ (B) Yes, beyond our standard planning horizon
- o (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:

In our responsible investment approach, we recognize that climate-related risks and opportunities play a significant role in shaping our investment strategy. When we invest in companies that embrace best environmental practices and align with our investment themes like sustainable energy, sustainable transport, and sustainable buildings, we are keenly aware of the impact that climate change can have on these companies and our portfolios.

First and foremost, we assess the companies' resilience to climate-related risks.



We added a new ESG data provider to enhance our analysis to includes physical risks exposure such as extreme weather events, sealevel rise, and resource scarcity. We also consider transitional risks, such as regulatory changes, market shifts, and technological advancements that can affect the value and competitiveness of certain industries.

Conversely, we identify opportunities in companies that are well-positioned to capitalize on the transition to a low-carbon economy. Those embracing sustainable energy solutions, developing innovative green technologies, and implementing energy-efficient practices are likely to benefit from the global shift towards sustainability.

We were already monitoring those issues but adding a news data provider will help us extend those analysis.

Furthermore, we factor in the potential for regulatory developments and changing consumer preferences, which can impact companies' performance in the long term. By anticipating these shifts, we aim to position our portfolios to benefit from the opportunities presented by the transition to a more sustainable future.

In summary, climate-related risks and opportunities have a profound impact on our investment decisions.

We must adapt our investment strategies to these factors. We also have to adapt the tools we use to capitalize on those issue as we are integrating our new ESG data provider to help us identifies those risks and opportunities.

• (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:

The use of coal as an energy source is facing increasing scrutiny due to its significant contribution to climate change and adverse effects on public health. OAM has compelling reasons to exclude coal from our investments: Climate change and environmental impact, Health risks and public well-being, and Declining financial viability. Therefore, OAM is committed to excluding companies that generate more than 25% of their revenues from coal-fired power plants from our portfolio. We are dedicated to seeking alternative opportunities in the clean energy sector, which offers considerable growth potential and aligns with our vision of a sustainable future.

| (B) | Gas |
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|     |     |

☐ (C) Oil

#### ☑ (D) Utilities

Describe your strategy:

Investing in green and transitional energy sources such as wind, solar, hydroelectricity, geothermal, and nuclear power allows us to move away from traditional fossil fuels and embrace clean and sustainable alternatives. This energy transition plays a crucial role in reducing our reliance on polluting energies and lowering greenhouse gas emissions, thereby contributing to mitigating the effects of climate change. By investing in these energy sources, we foster a cleaner and more environmentally-friendly future.

| ☐ (E) Cemen | t |
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|-------------|---|

☐ (F) Steel

 $\square$  (G) Aviation

#### ☑ (H) Heavy duty road

Describe your strategy:

Sustainable transportation plays a crucial role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions related to travel. Low-carbon transportation modes such as public transit, cycling, walking, electric vehicles, and carpooling, along with improvements in transportation systems' efficiency, offer effective solutions to reduce the environmental impact of travel and mitigate climate change. Railways also play a significant role in global greenhouse gas reduction through improved energy efficiency, electrification of tracks, intermodal transportation, congestion reduction, and logistics improvement. These investments contribute to creating a sustainable and environmentally-friendly transportation system, benefiting both our planet and our quality of life.

### ☑ (I) Light duty road



#### Describe your strategy:

Sustainable transportation plays a crucial role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions related to travel. Low-carbon transportation modes such as public transit, cycling, walking, electric vehicles, and carpooling, along with improvements in transportation systems' efficiency, offer effective solutions to reduce the environmental impact of travel and mitigate climate change. Railways also play a significant role in global greenhouse gas reduction through improved energy efficiency, electrification of tracks, intermodal transportation, congestion reduction, and logistics improvement. These investments contribute to creating a sustainable and environmentally-friendly transportation system, benefiting both our planet and our quality of life.

#### ☑ (J) Shipping

☐ (Q) Other

o (R) We do not have a strategy addressing high-emitting sectors

Describe your strategy:

Sustainable transportation plays a crucial role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions related to travel. Low-carbon transportation modes such as public transit, cycling, walking, electric vehicles, and carpooling, along with improvements in transportation systems' efficiency, offer effective solutions to reduce the environmental impact of travel and mitigate climate change. Railways also play a significant role in global greenhouse gas reduction through improved energy efficiency, electrification of tracks, intermodal transportation, congestion reduction, and logistics improvement. These investments contribute to creating a sustainable and environmentally-friendly transportation system, benefiting both our planet and our quality of life.

| <ul> <li>□ (K) Aluminium</li> <li>□ (L) Agriculture, forestry, fishery</li> <li>□ (M) Chemicals</li> <li>☑ (N) Construction and buildings</li> <li>□ Describe your strategy:</li> </ul>  |
|--|
| Green buildings play a crucial role in reducing the carbon footprint of our built environment. By adopting energy-efficient measures, using renewable energy sources, sustainable materials, responsible water management, and promoting sustainable transportation, these buildings help to lower greenhouse gas emissions associated with their operations. This not only contributes to combating climater change but also creates healthier and more comfortable indoor spaces for occupants. Green buildings are thus a win-win solution for both the environment and our well-being. |
| ☐ (O) Textile and leather ☐ (P) Water  |

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

| las your organisation assessed the resilience of its investment strategy in different climate scenarios, including one in<br>which the average temperature rise is held to below 2 degrees Celsius (preferably to 1.5 degrees Celsius) above pre-<br>ndustrial levels? |
|--|
| <ul> <li>□ (A) Yes, using the Inevitable Policy Response Forecast Policy Scenario (FPS) or Required Policy Scenario (RPS)</li> <li>□ (B) Yes, using the One Earth Climate Model scenario</li> </ul>  |
| ☑ (C) Yes, using the International Energy Agency (IEA) Net Zero scenario   |
| ☐ (D) Yes, using other scenarios   |
| o (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

Our organization put in place a framework for identifying, evaluating, and managing climate-related risks across our investment portfolio.

This process involves:

Climate Risk Identification

Data-Driven Assessment: We utilize a third-party platform to collect comprehensive ESG data, with a specific focus on climate-relevant metrics such as carbon emissions, energy consumption, and resource utilization.

Scenario Planning: Advanced climate scenario analysis helps us understand potential investment impacts under various climate futures, considering factors like temperature rise, sector dynamics, and geographic vulnerabilities.

Climate Risk Assessment

Risk Categorization: Climate risks are classified into physical (e.g., extreme weather) and transition (e.g., regulatory shifts) categories.

Financial Impact Analysis: We rigorously assess the potential financial consequences of these risks on our portfolio through quantitative methods like stress testing and sensitivity analysis.

Materiality Determination: By prioritizing risks based on their significance to our investee companies' financial performance and sustainability, we focus our efforts on those with the greatest impact.

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

Our climate risk identification and assessment process is a component of our portfolio construction strategy. By evaluating climate-related risks, such as physical impacts from extreme weather events and transition risks from regulatory changes, we ensure that these factors are integrated into our investment decisions. This approach allows us to effectively manage and mitigate potential climate risks, thereby enhancing the resilience and sustainability of our portfolios. Through careful analysis and ongoing monitoring, we align our investment practices with our commitment to responsible investment and long-term value creation.

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

(1) Describe your process



Management of Climate-Related Risks:

- -Integration into Investment Decisions: Climate-related risks are integrated into our investment decision-making process. This ensures that these risks are considered alongside traditional financial metrics when evaluating potential investments.
- -Engagement and Advocacy: We engage (in-house or service provider) with investee companies to encourage the adoption of best practices in climate risk management. This includes advocating for improved climate disclosures, setting emission reduction targets, and transitioning to sustainable business models.
- -Portfolio Diversification: We manage climate risk through portfolio diversification, reducing exposure to high-risk sectors and increasing investments in climate-resilient and sustainable assets.
- -Monitoring and Reporting: Continuous monitoring of climate-related risks is conducted, with regular updates and reports provided to our stakeholders.

This ensures transparency and accountability in our climate risk management practices.

- -Review and Adaptation: Our climate risk management process is reviewed and updated to reflect the latest scientific findings, regulatory developments, and market trends. This ensures that our approach remains robust and effective in the face of evolving climate challenges.
- (2) Describe how this process is integrated into your overall risk management

By embedding these elements into our overall risk management framework, we ensure a holistic approach to risk mitigation. Our integrated strategy allows us to:

- Identify and assess risks comprehensively, considering both financial and non-financial factors.
- Implement proactive measures to mitigate identified risks, leveraging our engagement and advocacy efforts.
- Enhance portfolio resilience through diversification and informed investment decisions.
- Maintain transparency and accountability through rigorous monitoring and reporting practices.
- Adapt and improve continuously, ensuring our risk management practices evolve in line with global best practices.
- o (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
  - **(1)** Metric or variable used
  - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology

#### ☑ (B) Exposure to transition risk

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

  - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - o (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- $\square$  (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
  - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - o (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
  - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed



o (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology

#### ☑ (F) Avoided emissions

- (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
  - (1) Metric or variable used
  - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - o (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology

#### **☑** (G) Implied Temperature Rise (ITR)

- (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
  - (1) Metric or variable used
  - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
  - o (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- ☑ (H) Non-ITR measure of portfolio alignment with UNFCCC Paris Agreement goals
  - (1) Indicate whether this metric or variable was used and disclosed, including the methodology
    - (1) Metric or variable used
    - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
    - o (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- ☑ (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
    - o (2) Metric or variable used and disclosed
    - o (3) Metric or variable used and disclosed, including methodology
- $\square$  (J) Other metrics or variables
- o (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
- $\square$  (B) Scope 2 emissions
- $\square$  (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<br>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
- o (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?

| ☑ (A) The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets  |
|--|
| ☑ (B) The UNFCCC Paris Agreement   |
| $\square$ (C) The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)   |
| $\square$ (D) OECD frameworks: OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and Guidance on Responsible Business Conduct for                |
| Institutional Investors  |
| $\square$ (E) The EU Taxonomy  |
| $\square$ (F) Other relevant taxonomies  |
| $\square$ (G) The International Bill of Human Rights   |
| $\square$ (H) The International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the eight core            |
| conventions  |
| $\square$ (I) The Convention on Biological Diversity   |
| $\square$ (J) Other international framework(s)   |
| $\square$ (K) Other regional framework(s)  |
| $\square$ (L) Other sectoral/issue-specific framework(s)   |
| <ul> <li>(M) Our organisation did not use any widely recognised frameworks to identify the intended and unintended sustainability</li> </ul> |

| 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?

- ☑ (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
- $\square$  (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
- $\Box$  (E) Analyse the input from different stakeholders (e.g. affected communities, civil society, trade unions or similar)
- ☐ (F) Understand the geographical relevance of specific sustainability outcome objectives
- $\square$  (G) Other method

outcomes connected to its investment activities

 $\circ$  (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,<br>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



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

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection              | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| PGS 48.1  | PLUS              | PGS 48       | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Sustainability outcomes | 1, 2          |

Why has your organisation taken action on specific sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities?

- ☑ (A) We believe that taking action on sustainability outcomes is relevant to our financial risks and returns over both short- and long-term horizons
- ☐ (B) We believe that taking action on sustainability outcomes, although not yet relevant to our financial risks and returns, will become so over a long-time horizon
- ☑ (C) We have been requested to do so by our clients and/or beneficiaries
- $\Box$  (D) We want to prepare for and respond to legal and regulatory developments that are increasingly addressing sustainability outcomes
- ☐ (E) We want to protect our reputation, particularly in the event of negative sustainability outcomes connected to investments
- ☐ (F) We want to enhance our social licence-to-operate (i.e. the trust of beneficiaries, clients, and other stakeholders)
- $\square$  (G) We believe that taking action on sustainability outcomes in parallel to financial return goals has merit in its own right
- ☐ (H) Other

### **HUMAN RIGHTS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection   | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| PGS 49    | PLUS              | PGS 47       | PGS 49.1   | PUBLIC     | Human rights | 1, 2          |

During the reporting year, what steps did your organisation take to identify and take action on the actual and potentially negative outcomes for people connected to your investment activities?

- $\Box$  (A) We assessed the human rights context of our potential and/or existing investments and projected how this could connect our organisation to negative human rights outcomes
- ☐ (B) We assessed whether individuals at risk or already affected might be at heightened risk of harm
- $\Box$  (C) We consulted with individuals and groups who were at risk or already affected, their representatives and/or other relevant stakeholders such as human rights experts
- $\Box$  (D) We took other steps to assess and manage the actual and potentially negative outcomes for people connected to our investment activities
- (E) We did not identify and take action on the actual and potentially negative outcomes for people connected to any of our investment activities during the reporting year



| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection   | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| PGS 49.2  | PLUS              | PGS 47       | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Human rights | 1, 2          |

During the reporting year, what information sources did your organisation use to identify the actual and potentially negative outcomes for people connected to its investment activities?

| $\square$ (A) Corporate disclosures   |
|---|
| $\square$ (B) Media reports   |
| $\square$ (C) Reports and other information from NGOs and human rights institutions             |
| $\square$ (D) Country reports, for example, by multilateral institutions, e.g. OECD, World Bank |
| $\square$ (E) Data provider scores or benchmarks  |
| ☑ (F) Human rights violation alerts   |

Provide further detail on how your organisation used these information sources:

During the reporting year, our organization relied on a third-party data provider to monitor for any breaches of the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) principles. This provider uses advanced analytics and comprehensive datasets to identify actual and potentially negative outcomes related to human rights, labor standards, environmental sustainability, and anti-corruption efforts within our investment activities.

Upon receiving a positive notification of a potential breach, we undertake a thorough investigation to determine the cause and assess the implications for our investment position. This involves:

1.

Cause Analysis: We analyze the circumstances surrounding the reported breach to understand its root causes and the extent of the violation.

- 2. Impact Evaluation: We evaluate the potential and actual impacts of the breach on affected stakeholders, including employees, local communities, and the environment.
- 3. Risk Assessment: We assess the financial and reputational risks associated with the breach for our investment portfolio. This includes determining the potential for long-term impacts on the value and sustainability of the investment.

4.

Engagement and Remediation: If necessary, we engage with the investee company to seek clarification, encourage corrective actions, and monitor the implementation of remediation measures. Our goal is to ensure that the company addresses the breach effectively and aligns its practices with the UNGC principles.

| □ (G) | Sell-side | research |
|-------|-----------|----------|
|-------|-----------|----------|

- $\square$  (H) Investor networks or other investors
- □ (I) Information provided directly by affected stakeholders or their representatives
- $\square$  (J) Social media analysis
- ☑ (K) Other

Specify:

During the reporting year, our organization utilized the services of an external engagement firm to identify and address actual and potentially negative outcomes for people connected to our investment activities. This firm plays a crucial role in engaging with companies on matters related to human rights and transparency.

- The engagement firm proactively engages with companies where there are potential situations indicating non-compliance with human rights standards. Through direct dialogue and detailed inquiries, they work to clarify these situations and ensure that companies are aware of and addressing any human rights issues.
- To ensure accountability and transparency, the firm encourages companies to implement robust reporting mechanisms regarding their human rights practices. This includes advocating for detailed disclosures on how companies are managing human rights risks and impacts.
- The engagement firm continuously monitors the progress of companies in addressing identified issues and improving their human rights practices. They provide us with regular updates and detailed reports on the outcomes of these engagements, highlighting any improvements or ongoing concerns.

Provide further detail on how your organisation used these information sources:



# 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 your listed equity strategies?

|   | (1) Passive equity | (2) Active - quantitative | (4) Other strategies |
|---|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (A) Yes, our investment process incorporates material governance factors  |                    |                           |                      |
| (B) Yes, our investment process incorporates material environmental and social factors  |                    |                           |                      |
| (C) Yes, our investment process incorporates material ESG factors beyond our organisation's average investment holding period |                    |                           |                      |
| (D) No, we do not have a formal process. Our investment professionals identify material ESG factors at their discretion       | •                  | •                         | •                    |
| (E) No, we do not have a formal or informal process to identify and incorporate material ESG factors                          | 0                  | 0                         | 0                    |



### **MONITORING ESG TRENDS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection            | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| LE 2      | CORE              | OO 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?

|  | (1) Passive equity | (2) Active - quantitative | (4) Other strategies |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (A) Yes, we have a formal process that includes scenario analyses  |                    |                           |                      |
| (B) Yes, we have a formal process,<br>but it does not include scenario<br>analyses   |                    |                           |                      |
| (C) We do not have a formal process for our listed equity strategies; our investment professionals monitor how ESG trends vary over time at their discretion | •                  | •                         | •                    |
| (D) We do not monitor and review<br>the implications of changing ESG<br>trends on our listed equity<br>strategies  | 0                  | 0                         | 0                    |



### **PRE-INVESTMENT**

### **ESG INCORPORATION IN RESEARCH**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                    | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| LE 3      | CORE              | OO 21        | N/A        | PUBLIC     | ESG incorporation in research | 1             |

How does your financial analysis and equity valuation or security rating process incorporate material ESG risks?

|                                      | (1) Active - quantitative | (3) Other strategies |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (A) We incorporate material          |                           |                      |
| governance-related risks into our    |                           |                      |
| financial analysis and equity        |                           |                      |
| valuation or security rating process |                           |                      |
| (B) We incorporate material          |                           |                      |
| environmental and social risks into  |                           |                      |
| our financial analysis and equity    |                           |                      |
| valuation or security rating process |                           |                      |
| (C) We incorporate material          |                           |                      |
| environmental and social risks       |                           |                      |
| related to companies' supply         |                           |                      |
| chains into our financial analysis   |                           |                      |
| and equity valuation or security     |                           |                      |
| rating process                       |                           |                      |
| (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?

|  | (1) Passive equity | (2) Active - quantitative | (4) Other strategies |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (A) We incorporate qualitative<br>and/or quantitative information on<br>current performance across a<br>range of material ESG factors  |                    |                           |                      |
| (B) We incorporate qualitative<br>and/or quantitative information on<br>historical performance across a<br>range of material ESG factors   |                    |                           |                      |
| (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              | 00 21        | N/A        | PUBLIC     | ESG incorporation in portfolio construction | 1             |

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

N/A

| 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?

|   | (1) Passive equity | (2) Active - quantitative | (4) Other strategies |
|---|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (A) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to the selection of individual assets<br>and/or sector weightings within our<br>portfolio construction and/or<br>benchmark selection process |                    |                           |                      |
| (B) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to the portfolio weighting of<br>individual assets within our<br>portfolio construction and/or<br>benchmark selection process                |                    |                           |                      |
| (C) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to the country or region weighting<br>of assets within our portfolio<br>construction and/or benchmark<br>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

### **PASSIVE INVESTMENTS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection          | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------|
| LE 7      | PLUS              | 00 21        | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Passive investments | 1             |

Provide an example of how material ESG factors influenced weightings and tilts in the design of your passively managed funds.

N/A

### **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<br>21 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | ESG risk<br>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
- ☑ (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
- o (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<br>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?

|   | (1) Active - quantitative | (3) Other strategies |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| (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 |                           | •                    |



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### PERFORMANCE MONITORING

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

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.

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N/A

### **DISCLOSURE OF ESG SCREENS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on       | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| LE 12     | CORE              | OO 17 LE, OO<br>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
- ☑ (B) We share any changes in ESG screens
- $\Box$  (C) We explain any implications of ESG screens, such as their deviation from a benchmark or impact on sector weightings
- o (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?

|   | (1) SSA                         | (2) Corporate          |
|---|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| (A) Yes, our investment process incorporates material governance factors  | (1) for all of our AUM          | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (B) Yes, our investment process incorporates material environmental and social factors                                  | (1) for all of our AUM          | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (C) Yes, our investment process incorporates material ESG factors depending on different investment time horizons       | (1) for all of our AUM          | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (D) No, we do not have a formal process; our investment professionals identify material ESG factors at their discretion | 0                               | 0                      |
| (E) No, we do not have a formal or informal process to identify and incorporate material ESG factors                    | ormal process to identify and 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             |

Does your organisation have a formal process for monitoring and reviewing the implications of changing ESG trends across your fixed income assets?

|   | (1) SSA                | (2) Corporate          |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| (A) Yes, we have a formal process that includes scenario analyses   |                        |                        |
| (B) Yes, we have a formal process,<br>but does it not include scenario<br>analyses  | (1) for all of our AUM | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (C) We do not have a formal process for our fixed income assets; our investment professionals monitor how ESG trends vary over time at their discretion | 0                      | 0                      |
| (D) We do not monitor and review the implications of changing ESG trends on our fixed income assets   | 0                      | 0                      |



### **PRE-INVESTMENT**

### **ESG INCORPORATION IN RESEARCH**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                    | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Fl 3      | CORE              | OO 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?

|   | (1) SSA | (2) Corporate |
|---|---------|---------------|
| (A) We incorporate material environmental and social factors                                    |         |               |
| (B) We incorporate material governance-related factors  | Ø       |               |
| (C) We do not incorporate material ESG factors for the majority of our fixed income investments | 0       | 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?

|   | (1) SSA | (2) Corporate          |
|---|---------|------------------------|
| (A) Yes, we have a framework that<br>differentiates ESG risks by country<br>and/or region (e.g. local<br>governance and labour practices) |         |                        |
| (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                                  | 0       | 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

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| 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?

|  | (1) SSA                | (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 | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (C) We do not incorporate significant changes in material ESG factors                          | 0                      | 0                      |



### **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             |

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

|   | (1) SSA                | (2) Corporate          |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| (A) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to the selection of individual assets<br>and/or sector weightings within our<br>portfolio construction and/or<br>benchmark selection process | (1) for all of our AUM | (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 | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (C) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to the portfolio weighting of<br>individual assets within our<br>portfolio construction and/or<br>benchmark selection process                | (1) for all of our AUM | (1) for all of our AUM |
| (D) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to the country or region weighting<br>of assets within our portfolio<br>construction and/or benchmark<br>selection process                   |                        |                        |
| (E) Material ESG factors contribute<br>to our portfolio construction and/or<br>benchmark selection process in<br>other ways   |                        |                        |
| (F) Our security selection, portfolio construction or benchmark selection process does not include the incorporation of material ESG factors  | 0                      | 0                      |



### **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<br>management | 1             |

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

| (1) SSA                | (2) Corporate                                  |
|------------------------|--|
| (1) for all of our AUM | (1) for all of our AUM                         |
| (1) for all of our AUM | (1) for all of our AUM                         |
| (1) for all of our AUM | (1) for all of our AUM                         |
|                        |  |
| 0                      | 0  |
|                        | (1) for all of our AUM  (1) for all of our AUM |



| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection             | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------------------|---------------|
| FI 12     | CORE              | 00 21        | N/A        | PUBLIC     | ESG risk<br>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?

|   | (1) SSA | (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                                    | 0       | 0             |
| (F) We do not have a formal process to identify and incorporate ESG risks and ESG incidents into our risk management process  | 0       | 0             |



### PERFORMANCE MONITORING

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on        | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| FI 14     | PLUS              | OO 5.3 FI, OO<br>21 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Performance<br>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.

N/A

### **THEMATIC BONDS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------|
| FI 15     | PLUS              | OO 20, OO 21 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Thematic bonds | 3             |

What percentage of environmental, social and/or other labelled thematic bonds held by your organisation has been verified?

### As a percentage of your total labelled bonds:

| (A) Third-party assurance   | (2) >0–25% |
|---|------------|
| (B) Second-party opinion  | (5) >75%   |
| (C) Approved verifiers or external reviewers (e.g. via CBI or ICMA) | (1) 0%     |

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on    | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------|
| FI 16     | CORE              | 00 17 FI, 00 21 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Thematic bonds | 1             |

What pre-determined criteria does your organisation use to identify which non-labelled thematic bonds to invest in?

- ☑ (A) The bond's use of proceeds
- ☑ (B) The issuers' targets
- $\square$  (C) The issuers' progress towards achieving their targets
- $\ \square$  (D) The issuer profile and how it contributes to their targets
- o (E) We do not use pre-determined criteria to identify which non-labelled thematic bonds to invest in
- o (F) Not applicable; we do not invest in non-labelled thematic bonds



| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on              | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection     | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|----------------|---------------|
| FI 17     | CORE              | Multiple, see<br>guidance | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Thematic bonds | 1, 2, 6       |

During the reporting year, what action did you take in the majority of cases when you felt that the proceeds of a thematic bond were not allocated appropriately or in accordance with the terms of the bond deal or prospectus?

| □ (A) | We | engaged | with | the | issuer |
|-------|----|---------|------|-----|--------|
|-------|----|---------|------|-----|--------|

- $\square$  (B) We alerted thematic bond certification agencies
- $\square$  (C) We sold the security
- $\square$  (D) We blacklisted the issuer
- $\square$  (E) Other action
- (F) We did not take any specific actions when the proceeds of a thematic bond were not allocated according to the terms of the bond deal during the reporting year
- (G) Not applicable; in the majority of cases, the proceeds of thematic bonds were allocated according to the terms of the bond deal during the reporting year

### **DISCLOSURE OF ESG SCREENS**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on       | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection                | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| FI 18     | CORE              | OO 17 FI, OO<br>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
- $\square$  (B) We share any changes in ESG screens
- $\square$  (C) We explain any implications of ESG screens, such as any deviation from a benchmark or impact on sector weightings
- o (D) We do not share the above information for all our fixed income assets subject to ESG screens



# **SUSTAINABILITY OUTCOMES (SO)**

### **SETTING TARGETS AND TRACKING PROGRESS**

### **SETTING TARGETS ON SUSTAINABILITY OUTCOMES**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on | Gateway to            | Disclosure | Subsection                                 | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------|--|---------------|
| SO 1      | PLUS              | PGS 48       | SO 2, SO<br>2.1, SO 3 | PUBLIC     | Setting targets on sustainability outcomes | 1, 2          |

| What specific sustainability outcomes connected to its investment activities has your organisation taken action on?   |
|---|
| ☑ (A) Sustainability outcome #1   |
| (1) Widely recognised frameworks used to guide action on this sustainability outcome  |
| ☑ (1) The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets   |
| $\square$ (2) The UNFCCC Paris Agreement  |
| $\square$ (3) The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)  |
| $\square$ (4) OECD frameworks: OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and Guidance on Responsible Business Conduct   |
| for Institutional Investors   |
| ☐ (5) The EU Taxonomy   |
| $\square$ (6) Other relevant taxonomies   |
| $\square$ (7) The International Bill of Human Rights  |
| $\square$ (8) The International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the eight  |
| core conventions  |
| (9) The Convention on Biological Diversity  |
| (10) Other international, regional, sector-based or issue-specific framework(s)   |
| (2) Classification of sustainability outcome  |
| ☑ (1) Environmental   |
| ☐ (2) Social  |
| ☐ (3) Governance-related  |
| ☐ (4) Other (3) Sustainability outcome name   |
| (3) Sustainability outcome name   |
| Ecosystem   |
| (4) Number of targets set for this outcome  |
|   |
| o (2) One target  |
| o (3) Two or more targets   |
| ☑ (B) Sustainability outcome #2   |
| (1) Widely recognised frameworks used to guide action on this sustainability outcome  |
| (1) The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets   |
| (2) The UNFCCC Paris Agreement  |
| <ul> <li>□ (3) The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)</li> <li>□ (4) OECD frameworks: OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and Guidance on Responsible Business Conduct</li> </ul> |
| for Institutional Investors   |
| ☐ (5) The EU Taxonomy   |
| $\Box$ (6) Other relevant taxonomies  |
| ☐ (7) The International Bill of Human Rights  |
| $\Box$ (8) The International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the eight   |
| core conventions  |
| ☐ (9) The Convention on Biological Diversity  |
| ☐ (10) Other international, regional, sector-based or issue-specific framework(s)   |



| (2) Classification of sustainability outcome  ☐ (1) Environmental ☐ (2) Social ☐ (3) Governance-related ☐ (4) Other |
|---|
| (3) Sustainability outcome name   |
| Universal values  |
| (4) Number of targets set for this outcome  |
| (1) No target   |
| o (2) One target  |
| o (3) Two or more targets   |
| ☐ (C) Sustainability outcome #3   |
| ☐ (D) Sustainability outcome #4   |
| ☐ (E) Sustainability outcome #5   |
| ☐ (F) Sustainability outcome #6   |
| ☐ (G) Sustainability outcome #7   |
| ☐ (H) Sustainability outcome #8   |
| $\square$ (I) Sustainability outcome #9   |
| $\square$ (J) Sustainability outcome #10  |

### INDIVIDUAL AND COLLABORATIVE INVESTOR ACTION ON OUTCOMES

### **CAPITAL ALLOCATION**

| Indicator | Type of indicator | Dependent on   | Gateway to | Disclosure | Subsection         | PRI Principle |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|------------|------------|--------------------|---------------|
| SO 7      | PLUS              | 00 17 FI, SO 1 | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Capital allocation | 1             |

During the reporting year, did you use thematic bonds to take action on sustainability outcomes, including to prevent and mitigate actual and potential negative outcomes?

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# **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<br>indicators | PUBLIC     | Approach to confidence-building measures | 6             |

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

- $\Box$  (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
- $\square$  (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
- ☐ (E) We conducted an external ESG audit of our holdings to verify that our funds comply with our responsible investment policy ☐ (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
- o (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 |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------|---------------|
| СВМ 6     | CORE              | CBM 1        | N/A        | PUBLIC     | Internal review | 6             |

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

- $\square$  (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
  - o (2) selected sections of the report
- $\circ$  (C) None of the above internal roles reviewed selected sections or the entirety of the responses submitted in our PRI report this year

