Jointly owned fund pursuant to the InvFG

Annual Report 2022/23

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#### General Information about the Investment Firm

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Registered capital EUR 2.50 million

**Shareholders** Erste Group Bank AG (64.67%)

Erste Bank der österreichischen Sparkassen AG (22.17%)

Steiermärkische Bank und Sparkassen Aktiengesellschaft (3.30%) Tiroler Sparkasse Bankaktiengesellschaft Innsbruck (1.74%)

DekaBank Deutsche Girozentrale, Frankfurt (1.65%)

"Die Kärntner" Trust-Vermögensverwaltungsgesellschaft m. b. H. & Co KG (1.65%)

Salzburger Sparkasse Bank Aktiengesellschaft (1.65%)

Sieben Tiroler Sparkassen Beteiligungsgesellschaft m. b. H. (1.65%)

NÖ-Sparkassen Beteiligungsgesellschaft m. b. H. (0.76%)

VIENNA INSURANCE GROUP AG Wiener Versicherung Gruppe (0.76%)

**Supervisory Board** Rudolf SAGMEISTER (Chairman)

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Magdalena UJWARY (from 16.08.2023)

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Angelika SCHÄTZ

**Auditor** Ernst & Young

Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft m.b.H.

**Depositary bank** Erste Group Bank AG

### **Dear Unit-holders,**

We are pleased to present you the following annual report for the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL jointly owned fund pursuant to the InvFG for the accounting year from 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2023.

### **Development of the Fund**

ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL is an equity fund that invests in global equities according to ethical and sustainable criteria. Our integrative management approach includes the most important sustainable analysis methods. The exclusion criteria include atomic energy, child labour, weapons, coal, and the manufacture of genetically manipulated seed. The Fund is oriented towards EAM's strict sustainability criteria.

#### Market

The reporting period was characterised by ups and downs on the international exchanges caused by the high inflation and the rate hikes by the US Fed and the ECB. The expectations of a recession for the USA did not materialise, and only Europe has the potential for a further quarter of negative economic growth.

In March, the liquidity shortage became apparent at three US banks, which ultimately had to be rescued (Silicon Valley Bank, Signature Bank, and First Republic). This left significant marks on the US banking landscape, but only briefly dampened the sentiment on the US exchanges. This was followed by the surprisingly positive outlook for Nvidia, which led to a revaluation of many tech companies due to the boom in the theme of artificial intelligence. As a result, the exchanges turned in a price rally up until the end of July. This was ended by a sharp deterioration of the interest rate forecasts, and stock prices corrected up until the end of October. Because inflation was above the expectations, the initial rate cuts by the central banks were now projected to come much later. This accelerated the yield trend for ten-year US government bonds, which reached yields as high as 5% in October. November brought more favourable economic data, which point to lower inflation. As a result, the interest level declined slightly again and facilitated a recovery in stock prices at the end of the reporting period.

Last year, USD depreciated by around 4% versus the euro and the British pound. While the gold price remained essentially unchanged, the oil price fell by 8% in euro terms. The majority of US stock indices closed the year with gains, with only the Russel 2000 posting a loss of roughly 4%. The Nasdaq tech exchange delivered a brilliant performance of around 30%, and most European exchanges also turned in positive performance, while Canada, Australia, and Hong Kong closed the year in the red.

The technology sector boasted the best performance with a gain of roughly 28% followed by communication services at 23%. The poorest performance was seen by utilities, consumer staples, and energy, which all posted losses of between 8% and 10%.

#### **Portfolio**

The weighting of tech sector companies in the Fund was increased from 29% to 34% during the reporting period, while the second biggest sector, health care, was reduced from 19% to 16% over the period.

In December 2022, we had to sell Tencent (media) and Manulife (financials) because they no longer meet our strict sustainability criteria.

In April 2023, we reduced holdings in the semiconductor industry (sold NXP Semiconductors, Micron) in order to increase the position in the software sector (bought ServiceNow, Fiserv). In September, we executed further sales in the semiconductor segment (Infineon, Xinyi Solar, Qualcomm). In order to take advantage of the recovery in stock prices, we increased holdings in the semiconductor industry again by purchasing Intel and Micron in November.

Over the course of the year, we bought several new names from the renewable energy segment, including Array Technologies (solar tracking), Itron (energy and water resource management), First Solar (solar panels), Nextracker (solar tracking), Encavis (utilities), Meyer Burger Technology, and Wolfspeed. Due to disappointing quarterly results, we disposed of Plug Plower (hydrogen technology) and Solaredge (solar inverters).

However, new investments were also made in other sectors, including in Ashtead (equipment rental), Compass (catering), Costco Wholesale (retail), Deere (tractors), Dell (computers), Essilor (consumer discretionary), Mitsubishi UJF Financial (banking), Novo Nordisk (pharmaceuticals), Pernod Ricard (spirits), and Uipath (software).

In March, we had to sell Compass again because it no longer meets our strict sustainability criteria. Mitsubishi UFJ Financial suffered the same fate in October. Adidas (sporting goods), Alcoa (aluminium), B2Gold (gold mine), Barratt Development (residential construction), Boston Properties (real estate), Texas Instruments (semiconductors), and Red Care Pharmacy (formerly Shop Apotheke) were also sold.

In terms of sectors, the best performance in euro terms was delivered by technology (plus 32%) with the companies Nvidia (plus 190%), Adobe (plus 78%), Broadcom (plus 74%), and Crowdstrike (plus 60%) followed by communication services (plus 21%) and financials (plus 4%). The poorest performance was posted by the utilities sector (minus 42%) followed by the industrial sector (minus 17%). The greatest positive contribution to the fund performance came from the technology sector due to the high weighting of over 30% of the fund assets.

The poorest performance was seen by companies from the renewable energy segment such as Otovo, Chargepoint, TPI Composites, and Stem. This segment made the biggest negative contribution to the fund performance.

We held an elevated cash share over a period of several months in order to be able to make purchases again at a lower price level. The share of equities in the Fund was between 94% and 100% during the reporting period.

ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL made no use of futures or options during the reporting period. No currency hedges were used in the reporting period.

The Fund generated a positive performance of 0.58% (ATO000A01GL7) during the accounting year. This put the performance of the Fund behind that of the broad market, largely due to the performance of the companies from the renewable energy segment.

Further information on the environmental/social characteristics of the Fund can be found in the annex "Sustainability-Related Information" in this annual report.

# **Method of Calculating the Global Exposure**

Method of calculating the global	exposure:	Commitment approach
Reference assets used:		-
Value at risk:	Lowest value: Average value: Highest value:	- - -
Model used:		-
Leverage* when using the value-	at-risk calculation method:	-
Leverage** according to § 4 of t Measurement and Reporting Reg	he 4 <sup>th</sup> Derivatives Risk gulation:	-

<sup>\*</sup> Total nominal values of derivative instruments without taking into account offsetting and hedging (item 8.5. Schedule B InvFG 2011).

### **Asset Allocation**

As of 30.11.2023

	EUR millions	%
Equities		
GBP	16.2	2.85
DKK	9.6	1.69
EUR	79.8	14.05
HKD	3.0	0.53
JPY	28.3	4.98
CAD	6.4	1.12
NOK	0.2	0.04
CHF	12.0	2.10
USD	409.5	72.07
Transferable securities	564.9	99.43
Bank balances	2.8	0.48
Dividend entitlements	0.5	0.09
Interest entitlements	0.0	0.01
Other deferred items	-0.0	-0.00
Fund assets	568.1	100.00

<sup>\*\*</sup> Total derivative risk taking offsetting and hedging into account = total of the equivalent values of the underlying assets as a percentage of the fund assets.

# **Comparative Overview**

Accounting year	Fund assets
2020/2021	387,537,728.47
2021/2022	506,255,668.67
2022/2023	568,137,253.83

#### General information about performance:

The performance of unit categories with no outstanding units at the end of the reporting period or no outstanding units during the reporting period is generally based on the dividend-adjusted performance of the overall fund. In these cases, the performance is not reported below.

When a unit category is issued during the reporting period, the performance and reinvestment are calculated from the point in time that the unit category is launched. Because of this and possible other fees and currency classes, the performance and reinvestment of this unit category differ from those of comparable unit categories.

The performance is determined assuming the reinvestment of all paid dividends and amounts at their nominal value on the day of disbursement.

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01GL7	EUR	312.39	8.5000	15.7639	29.07
2021/2022	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01GL7	EUR	281.81	5.7500	1.7111	-7.05
2022/2023	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01GL7	EUR	277.46	6.5000	0.0000	0.58

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
vear	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
yeai			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A23A20	EUR	171.42	4.5000	0.0000	29.21
2021/2022	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A23A20	EUR	159.66	-	-	-
2022/2023	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A23A20	EUR	161.13	3.8000	0.0000	0.92

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
vear	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000646799	EUR	444.86	5.8865	28.3094	29.07
2021/2022	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000646799	EUR	407.69	1.9487	8.6411	-7.02
2022/2023	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000646799	EUR	407.98	0.3844	0.7826	0.57

Accounting year	Fund type	ISIN	Cur- ren- cy	value per	Dividend dis- bursement/ payment	Re- invest- ment	Develop- ment in per cent
2020/2021	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A28E62	EUR	164.03	2.3907	11.9347	30.44
2021/2022	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A28E62	EUR	151.70	0.9645	4.5100	-6.04
2022/2023	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A28E62	EUR	153.16	0.3848	1.5179	1.63

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	ATOOOOAOFSN4	EUR	488.63	_	37.7719	29.08
2020/2021	bearing units	A10000A013N4	LOIN	+00.00		31.1113	23.00
2021/2022	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	ATOOOOAOFSN4	EUR	454.45	_	11.5968	-7.00
2021/2022	bearing units	A10000A013N4	LUIN	454.45	_	11.5908	-7.00
2022/2023	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	ATOOOOAOFSN4	EUR	457.00		0.9427	0.56
2022/2023	bearing units	A10000A013N4	LUK	437.00	_	0.9421	0.50

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend- bearing units	AT0000A23A38	EUR	175.31	-	14.5394	30.09
2021/2022	KESt-exempt non-dividend- bearing units	AT0000A23A38	EUR	164.32	-	5.5333	-6.27
2022/2023	KESt-exempt non-dividend- bearing units	AT0000A23A38	EUR	166.54	-	1.6346	1.35

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
vear	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	ATOOOOA2CWG3	HUF	53,335.26	_	3,285.4721	31.34
2020/2021	bearing units	711000071207743	1101	55,555.20		5,205.4721	01.04
2021/2022	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	ATOOOOA2CWG3	HUF	55,663.71	_	1,399.2579	4.37
2021/2022	bearing units	ATOOOOAZCWGS	1101	55,005.71	_	1,399.2379	4.51
2022/2023	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	ATOOOOA2CWG3	HUF	52,024.35	_	73.6079	-6.54
2022/2023	bearing units	ATOUUUAZUWGS	1101	52,024.55	_	13.0019	-0.54

Accounting			Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
vear	Fund type	ISIN	ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	AT0000A2VH66	USD	_	_	_	_
2020/2021	bearing units	ATOOOOAZVIIOO	OOD	_			
2021/2022	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	AT0000A2VH66	USD	102.60			
2021/2022	bearing units	ATOUUUAZVIIOO	บงบ	102.00	_	-	_
2022/2023	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	AT0000A2VH66	USD	109.50			
2022/2023	bearing units	ATOUUUAZVIIOO	บงบ	109.50	_	-	-

Accounting		ISIN	Cur-	Calculated	Dividend dis-	Re-	Develop-
year	Fund type		ren-	value per	bursement/	invest-	ment in
year			су	unit	payment	ment	per cent
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	AT0000A2VH74	USD	-	-		
	bearing units						
2021/2022	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	AT0000A2VH74	USD 102.61 -	102.61	_		
	bearing units	A10000A2VIII4		-	_		
2022/2023	KESt-exempt non-dividend-	AT0000A2VH74	USD	109.52			
	bearing units	A10000A2VH74	บอบ	109.52	-	1	-

# **Disbursement/Payment**

The following disbursement or payment will be made for the accounting year from 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2023. The coupon-paying bank is obligated to withhold capital gains tax from this disbursement if the respective investor is not exempt from the payment of this tax.

The disbursement or payment will be effected on or after 1 March 2024 at

Erste Group Bank AG, Vienna,

and the respective bank managing the Unit-holder's securities account.

Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Dividend dis- bursement/ payment		KESt with option declaration	KESt w/o option declaration	Reinvestment
Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01GL7	EUR	6.5000		0.2608	0.2608	0.0000
Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A23A20	EUR	3.8000		0.0929	0.0929	0.0000
Non-dividend- bearing units	AT0000646799	EUR	0.3844		0.3844	0.3844	0.7826
Non-dividend- bearing units	AT0000A28E62	EUR	0.3848		0.3848	0.3848	1.5179
KESt-exempt non- dividend-bearing units	ATOOOOAOFSN4	EUR	-	*	-	-	0.9427
KESt-exempt non- dividend-bearing units	AT0000A23A38	EUR	-	*	-	-	1.6346
KESt-exempt non- dividend-bearing units	ATOOOOA2CWG3	HUF	-	*	-	-	73.6079
KESt-exempt non- dividend-bearing units	AT0000A2VH66	USD	-	*	-	-	-
KESt-exempt non- dividend-bearing units	AT0000A2VH74	USD	-	*	-	-	-

<sup>\*</sup> Pursuant to the penultimate sentence of § 58 (2) of the Austrian Investment Fund Act, no capital gains tax will be paid.

# **Income Statement and Changes in Fund Assets**

#### 1. Value Development over the Accounting Year (Fund Performance)

Calculation according to the OeKB method per unit in the unit currency not accounting for a front-end surcharge

The performance of unit categories with no outstanding units at the end of the reporting period or no outstanding units during the reporting period is generally based on the dividend-adjusted performance of the overall fund. In these cases, the "performance", the "net earnings per unit", and the "total value including (notional) units gained through disbursement/payment" are not reported in the following.

When a unit category is issued during the reporting period, the performance is calculated from the point in time that the unit category is launched. Because of this and possible other fees and currency classes, the performance of this unit category differs from that of comparable unit categories.

AT0000A01GL7 dividend-bearing units EUR	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (194,499.279 units)	281.81
Disbursement/payment on 27.02.2023 (corresponds to roughly 0.0216 units at a calculated value of 266.38)	5.7500
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (233,149.922 units)	277.46
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	283.45
Net earnings per unit	1.64
Value development of one unit in the period	0.58%

AT0000A23A20 dividend-bearing units EUR	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (0.000 units)	159.66
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (6,150.000 units)	161.13
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	161.13
Net earnings per unit	1.47
Value development of one unit in the period	0.92%

AT0000646799 non-dividend-bearing units EUR	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (712,075.835 units)	407.69
Disbursement/payment on 27.02.2023 (corresponds to roughly 0.0050 units at a calculated value of 391.69)	1.9487
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (860,958.242 units)	407.98
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	410.01
Net earnings per unit	2.32
Value development of one unit in the period	0.57%

AT0000A28E62 non-dividend-bearing units EUR	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (248,125.291 units)	151.70
Disbursement/payment on 27.02.2023 (corresponds to roughly 0.0066 units at a calculated value of 145.88)	0.9645
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (230,207.825 units)	153.16
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	154.17
Net earnings per unit	2.47
Value development of one unit in the period	1.63%

AT0000A0FSN4 KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units EUR	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (149,989.169 units)	454.45
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (142,705.422 units)	457.00
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	457.00
Net earnings per unit	2.55
Value development of one unit in the period	0.56%

AT0000A23A38 KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units EUR	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (291,348.764 units)	164.32
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (276,220.613 units)	166.54
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	166.54
Net earnings per unit	2.22
Value development of one unit in the period	1.35%

AT0000A2CWG3 KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units HUF	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (54,872.511 units)	55,663.71
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (34,581.422 units)	52,024.35
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	52,024.35
Net earnings per unit	-3,639.36
Value development of one unit in the period	-6.54%

AT0000A2VH66 KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units USD	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (0.000 units)	102.60
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (0.000 units)	109.50
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	-
Net earnings per unit	-
Value development of one unit in the period	-

AT0000A2VH74 KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units USD	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (0.000 units)	102.61
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (0.000 units)	109.52
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	-
Net earnings per unit	-
Value development of one unit in the period	-

# 2. Fund Result

#### a. Realised fund result

a. Realiseu luliu lesuit			
Ordinary fund result			
Income (without profit or loss from price changes)			
Interest income (excluding income adjustment)	289,385.57		
Dividend income	6,407,751.18		
Other income 8)	0.00		
Total income (without profit or loss from price change:	s)	6,697,136.75	
Interest paid		- 9,032.05	
Expenses			
Fees paid to Investment Firm	- 7,223,090.24		
Costs for the financial auditor and tax consultation	- 10,758.00		
Publication costs	- 208,858.90		
Securities account fees	- 244,110.96		
Depositary bank fees	- 577,846.78		
Costs for the external consultant	0.00		
Performance fee	-		
Fee foreign-currency unit certificates 9)	- 1,540.60		
Total expenses		- 8,266,205.48	
Compensation for management costs from sub-funds	1)	16.44	
Ordinary fund result (excluding income adjustment)			- 1,578,084.34
Realised profit or loss from price changes 2) 3)			
Realised gains 4)		17,813,914.00	
Realised losses 5)	<u>-</u>	- 14,148,072.42	
Realised profit or loss from price changes (excluding	income adjustment)	<u>-</u>	3,665,841.58
Realised fund result (excluding income adjustment)			2,087,757.24
b. Unrealised profit or loss from price changes 2) 3)			
Changes in the unrealised profit or loss from price chan	1,841,398.53		
Result for the reporting period 6)			3,929,155.77
c. Income adjustment			
Income adjustment for income in the period			131,134.89
Income adjustment for profit carried forward from divide	end-bearing units	-	4,263,584.84
Overall fund result		-	8,323,875.50

#### 3. Changes in Fund Assets

Fund assets at the beginning of the reporting period	506,255,668.67
Disbursement/payment in the accounting year	- 2,823,776.53
Issue and redemption of units	56,381,486.19
Overall fund result	
(The fund result is shown in detail under item 2.)	8,323,875.50
Fund assets at the end of the reporting period	568,137,253.83

- 1) Reimbursements (in the sense of commissions) paid by third parties are forwarded to the Fund after deduction of appropriate costs. Erste Bank der oesterreichischen Sparkassen AG receives 25% of the calculated commissions to cover administrative costs.
- 2) Realised profits and losses are not calculated precisely for the specific periods, which means that they, as is the case for the changes in the unrealised profit or loss, are not necessarily congruent with the changes in the value of the Fund in the accounting year.
- 3) Total profit or loss from price changes without income adjustment (realised profit or loss from price changes, without income adjustment, plus changes in the unrealised profit or loss): EUR 5,507,240.11.
- 4) Thereof profits from transactions with derivative financial instruments: EUR 0.00.
- 5) Thereof losses from transactions with derivative financial instruments: EUR 0.00.
- 6) The result for the accounting year includes explicitly reported transaction costs in the amount of EUR 151,175.50.
- 7) Thereof changes in unrealised gains EUR 20,983,394.36 and unrealised losses EUR -19,141,995.83.
- 8) The earnings reported under this item can be attributed to lending fees from securities lending transactions conducted with Erste Group Bank AG in the amount of EUR 0.00, to earnings from real estate funds in the amount of EUR 0.00, to other earnings in the amount of EUR 0.00, and to earnings from back-end commissions in the amount of EUR 0.00.
- 9) The Fund is charged a monthly fee per foreign-currency unit category for the management of the foreign-currency unit certificates.

# **Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of 30 November 2023**

(including changes in securities assets from 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2023)

Security designation	ISIN number	Additions (	Sales/ disposals al (nom. in 1	Holding L,000, rounded)	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
Publicly traded securities							
Equities denominated in GBP							
Issue country Great Britain							
ASTRAZENECA PLC DL25	GB0009895292	13,500	8,500	46,443	101.260	5,456,655.08	0.96
DIAGEO PLC LS28935185	GB0002374006	40,000	0	70,000	27.635	2,244,532.11	0.40
SEGRO PLC LS10	GB00B5ZN1N88	0	0	173,719	8.122	1,637,112.86	0.29
			To	otal issue country	Great Britain	9,338,300.05	1.64
	Total equ	iities denomina	ated in GBP t	ranslated at a rat	e of 0.86185	9,338,300.05	1.64
Equities denominated in DKK							
Issue country Denmark							
GN STORE NORD A/S NAM.DK1	DK0010272632	0	0	83,972	161.100	1,814,448.00	0.32
ORSTED A/S DK 10	DK0060094928	0	0	14,780	322.400	639,122.28	0.11
VESTAS WIND SYS. DK20	DK0061539921	0	0	97,156	189.560	2,470,192.59	0.43
				Total issue cou	ntry Denmark	4,923,762.87	0.87
	Total equ	ities denomina	ated in DKK t	ranslated at a rat	e of 7.45565	4,923,762.87	0.87
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Equities denominated in EUR							
Issue country Germany							
ALLIANZ SE NA N.P.	DE0008404005	0	0	12,644	230.600	2,915,706.40	0.51
COVESTRO AG N.P.	DE0006062144	0	0	40,147	48.200	1,935,085.40	0.34
DEUTSCHE BOERSE NA N.P.	DE0005810055	0	0	11,783	174.300	2,053,776.90	0.36
DEUTSCHE POST AG NA N.P.	DE0005552004	0	0	57,588	43.040	2,478,587.52	0.44
ENCAVIS AG BEARER N.P.	DE0006095003	80,000	0	80,000	13.660	1,092,800.00	0.19
HENKEL AG+CO.KGAA PREF	DE0006048432	0	0	22,358	72.200	1,614,247.60	0.28
INFINEON TECH.AG NA N.P.	DE0006231004	80,000	55,958	80,000	35.550	2,844,000.00	0.50
LEG IMMOBILIEN SE NA N.P.	DE000LEG1110	0	0	23,762	70.140	1,666,666.68	0.29
MERCEDES-BENZ GRP NA N.P.	DE0007100000	0	0	33,620	59.580	2,003,079.60	0.35
SAP SE N.P.	DE0007164600	0	0	20,000	145.480	2,909,600.00	0.51
				Total issue cou	ntry Germany	21,513,550.10	3.79
Issue country Ireland							
CDU DI C EO 22	IE0001807044	2	_	05.007	F7.040	4 440 400 00	0.05
CRH PLC E032	IE0001827041	0	0	25,037	57.640	1,443,132.68	0.25
KINGSPAN GRP PLC EO13	IE0004927939	0	0	47,240	72.800 _	3,439,072.00	0.61
				TOTAL ISSUE CO	ountry Ireland _	4,882,204.68	0.86

Security designation	ISIN number	Additions d	Sales/ lisposals al (nom. in 1,0	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
Issue country Luxembourg							
DEEE04.0.4. ODD. N.D.	1114704050404						
BEFESA S.A. ORD. N.P.	LU1704650164	0	0	29,086 tal issue country	32.160 _	935,405.76 935,405.76	0.16
			10	tal issue coulitry	_	935,405.76	0.16
Issue country Austria							
ERSTE GROUP BNK BEARER N.P.	AT0000652011	17,000	15,000	153,712	37.110	5,704,252.32	1.00
ENGIE GROOF BINK BEARERIN.F.	A10000032011	17,000	15,000	Total issue cou	_	5,704,252.32	1.00
			Total	equities denomir	_	33,035,412.86	5.81
				- 4	-	00,000,112.00	0.01
Equities denominated in CAD							
Issue country Canada							
LUNDIN MINING CORP.	CA5503721063	0	0	238,707	9.400	1,516,726.92	0.27
LONDIN MINING CONT.	0.0000121000	U	U	Total issue cou	_	1,516,726.92	0.27
	Total equ	uities denomina	ited in CAD tra	anslated at a rate	_	1,516,726.92	0.27
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Equities denominated in USD							
Issue country USA							
BLACKROCK CL. A DL01	US09247X1019	520	0	6,374	751.230	4,388,543.69	0.77
ESTEE LAUDER COS A DL01	US5184391044	0	0	11,278	127.690	1,319,849.53	0.23
FLUENCE ENER. CL.A00001	US34379V1035	95,000	0	95,000	25.080	2,183,667.86	0.38
NEXTRACKER INC. A0001	US65290E1010	70,000	0	70,000	40.640	2,607,277.06	0.46
SHOALS TECHS A DL00001	US82489W1071	50,000	0	166,999	13.850	2,119,820.50	0.37
				Total issue	country USA	12,619,158.64	2.22
	Total equ	uities denomina	ted in USD tra	anslated at a rate	of 1.09110	12,619,158.64	2.22
			T	otal publicly trade	ed securities	61,433,361.34	10.81
Securities admitted to organised	markets						
Equities denominated in GBP							
Issue country Great Britain							
ASHTEAD GRP PLC LS10	GB0000536739	60,000	0	60,000	47.630	3,315,890.24	0.58
LEGAL GENL GRP PLCLS025	GB0005603997	00,000	0	431,995	2.293	1,149,346.80	0.58
VODAFONE GROUP PLC	GB00BH4HKS39	0	0	1,116,900	0.713	924,389.13	0.26
		J		al issue country (	_	5,389,626.17	0.95
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Issue country Jersey							
MAN GROUP DL-0342857142	JE00BJ1DLW90	0	0	600,000	2.102	1,463,363.69	0.26
				Total issue co	_	1,463,363.69	0.26
	Total equ	uities denomina	ted in GBP tra	anslated at a rate	of 0.86185	6,852,989.86	1.21

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Equities denominated in DKK							
Issue country Denmark							
NOVO-NORDISK AS B DK 0.1	DK0062498333	50,000	0	50,000	695.500	4,664,247.92	0.82
					untry Denmark	4,664,247.92	0.82
	Total equ	ities denomir	nated in DKK	translated at a ra	ite of 7.45565	4,664,247.92	0.82
Equities denominated in EUR							
Issue country Finland							
METSO OYJ	FI0009014575	0	0	179,387	9.030	1,619,864.61	0.29
				Total issue o	ountry Finland	1,619,864.61	0.29
Issue country France					_		
AIR LIQUIDE BEARER EO 5.50	FR0000120073	0	0	12,581	173.800	2,186,577.80	0.38
ALSTOM S.A. BEARER EO 7	FR0010220475	0		68,099	11.370	774,285.63	0.14
AMUNDI S.A. EO 2.50	FR0004125920	0	0	20,016	56.500	1,130,904.00	0.20
AXA S.A. BEARER EO 2.29	FR0000120628	30,000	0	69,793	28.595	1,995,730.84	0.35
BNP PARIBAS BEARER EO 2	FR0000131104	10,000	0	87,739	57.770	5,068,682.03	0.89
DASSAULT SYS SE BEARER E00.1	FR0014003TT8	40,000	0	40,000	42.965	1,718,600.00	0.30
EIFFAGE SA BEARER EO 4	FR0000130452	0		21,786	93.000	2,026,098.00	0.36
ESSILORLUXO. BEARER EO18	FR0000121667	10,000		10,000	175.120	1,751,200.00	0.31
KERING S.A. BEARER EO 4	FR0000121485	0		5,081	393.700	2,000,389.70	0.35
LVMH EO 0.3	FR0000121014	2,150		8,543	702.700	6,003,166.10	1.06
PERNOD RICARD N.P.	FR0000120693	14,000		14,000	158.550	2,219,700.00	0.39
SCHNEIDER ELEC. BEARER EO 4	FR0000121972	0	0	17,178	168.620 country France	2,896,554.36 29,771,888.46	0.51 5.24
Issue country Netherlands				Total Issue (	_	23,111,000.40	3.24
AHOLD DELHAIZE,KON.EO01	NL0011794037	0	0	90,147	26.560	2,394,304.32	0.42
ASML HOLDING EO09	NL0010273215	2,890		8,327	623.000	5,187,721.00	0.91
HEINEKEN EO 1.60	NL0000009165	_,000		25,031	83.900	2,100,100.90	0.37
ING GROEP NV EO01	NL0011821202	0		232,775	12.878	2,997,676.45	0.53
STMICROELECTRONICS	NL0000226223	0	0	62,224	43.455	2,703,943.92	0.48
			٦	Total issue count	ry Netherlands	15,383,746.59	2.71
			Tota	al equities denon	ninated in EUR	46,775,499.66	8.23
Equities denominated in HKD							
Issue country Hong Kong							
AIA GROUP LTD	HK0000069689	0	0	379,000	67.400	2,997,559.20	0.53
3.1.30.		O	O	Total issue coun	_	2,997,559.20	0.53
	Total equ	ities denomir	nated in HKD	translated at a ra	· · · · -	2,997,559.20	0.53
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Security designation	ISIN number	Additions	Sales/ disposals al (nom. in 1,	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
Equities denominated in JPY							
Issue country Japan							
IBIDEN CO.LTD	JP3148800000	0	40.000	46,200	7,071.000	2,025,261.19	0.36
KURITA WATER IND.	JP3270000007	0	0	45,500	5,238.000	1,477,525.96	0.26
MURATA MFG	JP3914400001	79,800	26,600	79,800	2,883.500	1,426,530.55	0.25
NINTENDO CO. LTD	JP3756600007	0	0	44,000	6,912.000	1,885,448.33	0.33
ONO PHARMACEUT.	JP3197600004	0	0	97,700	2,721.000	1,648,091.55	0.29
SEKISUI HOUSE	JP3420600003	0	0	167,200	3,029.000	3,139,740.64	0.55
SONY GROUP CORP.	JP3435000009	20,200	0	49,900	12,820.000	3,965,946.02	0.70
SUNTORY BEVERAG.+FOOD LTD	JP3336560002	0	0	54,400	4,648.000	1,567,556.66	0.28
TAKEDA PHARM.CO.LTD.	JP3463000004	0	0	68,600	4,165.000	1,771,321.32	0.31
TOKIO MARINE HOLDINGS INC	JP3910660004	0	0	115,500	3,648.000	2,612,131.54	0.46
TOKYO ELECTRON LTD	JP3571400005	23,100	9.200	23,100	24,025.000	3,440,595.40	0.40
TOYOTA MOTOR CORP.	JP3633400001	20,100	0	191,100	2,794.500	3,310,724.40	0.58
TOTO IN MOTOR COIN !	31 0000 100001	Ŭ	v		country Japan	28,270,873.56	4.98
	Total equit	ies denominate	ed in IPY trans	slated at a rate	-	28,270,873.56	4.98
Equities denominated in CAD  Issue country Canada							
METRO INC.	CA59162N1096	50.000	0	50.000	68.010	2,298,566.99	0.40
TORONTO-DOMINION BK	CA8911605092	0	0	45,824	82.740	2,562,848.29	0.45
		· ·	· ·	*	ountry Canada	4,861,415.28	0.86
	Total eq	uities denomina	ated in CAD tra	anslated at a ra		4,861,415.28	0.86
Equities denominated in NOK					_	1,001,110.20	0.00
Equities denominated in Nor							
Issue country Norway							
OTOVO ASA NK 0.01	N00010809783	0	0	691,606	3.440	202,293.62	0.04
					ountry Norway	202,293.62	0.04
	Total equi	ties denominate	ed in NOK trai	nslated at a rate	of 11.76075	202,293.62	0.04
Equities denominated in CHF							
Issue country Switzerland							
LOGITECH INTL NA SF25	CH0025751329	0	0	24,719	76.240	1,986,378.46	0.35
LONZA GROUP AG NA SF 1	CH0023731329	0	0	4,000	338.400	1,426,719.37	0.35
MEYER BUR.TECH.REG.SF05	CH0108503795	2,500,000	0	2,500,000	0.204	538,603.43	0.25
ROCHE HLDG AG GEN.	CH0012032048	6,100	4.000	2,500,000	236.050	5,447,747.88	0.09
STRAUMANN HLDG NA SF 0.01	CH1175448666	6,100	4,000	21,896	120.250	2,556,334.39	0.96
CHARLET TEDA IN SI U.UI	3111113770000	U		20,169 otal issue count	_	11,955,783.53	2.10
	Total eq	uities denomina		anslated at a ra	_	11,955,783.53	2.10
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Equities denominated in USD							
Issue country Ireland							
ACCENTURE A DL0000225	IE00B4BNMY34	10,600	3,600	19,266	333.140	5,882,389.55	1.04
JOHNSON CONTR.INTL.DL01	IE00BY7QL619	0,000	0,000	30,000	52.800	1,451,745.94	0.26
LINDE PLC EO001	IE000S9YS762	5,444	0	5,444	413.770	2,064,488.94	0.36
TRANE TECHNOLOG. PLC DL 1	IE00BK9ZQ967	0,111	0	14,331	225.410	2,960,636.71	0.52
		_	-		ountry Ireland	12,359,261.14	2.18
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Issue country Jersey							
APTIV PLC DL01	JE00B783TY65	0	0	12,789	82.840	970,984.11	0.17
				Total issue o	country Jersey	970,984.11	0.17
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Issue country USA							
ABBOTT LABS	US0028241000	3,400	0	46,899	104.290	4,482,720.84	0.79
ABBVIE INC. DL01	US00287Y1091	0	0	24,159	142.390	3,152,781.61	0.55
ADOBE INC.	US00724F1012	5,300	2,700	10,914	611.010	6,111,779.98	1.08
ADVANCED MIC.DEV. DL01	US0079031078	22,300	30,000	24,488	121.160	2,719,243.04	0.48
ALIGN TECHNOLOGY DL0001	US0162551016	0	0	8,655	213.800	1,695,938.96	0.30
ALPHABET INC.CL C DL001	US02079K1079	2,500	5,400	91,960	133.920	11,287,034.37	1.99
ALPHABET INC.CL.A DL001	US02079K3059	28,500	5,400	120,622	132.530	14,651,300.21	2.58
AMGEN INC. DL0001	US0311621009	0	0	8,895	269.640	2,198,192.47	0.39
APPLE INC.	US0378331005	15,200	8,400	239,630	189.950	41,717,274.77	7.34
APPLIED MATERIALS INC.	US0382221051	0	15,000	12,852	149.780	1,764,249.44	0.31
ARRAY TECHNOLOGIES001	US04271T1007	130,000	0	130,000	15.470	1,843,185.78	0.32
AT + T INC. DL 1	US00206R1023	0	0	139,889	16.570	2,124,425.56	0.37
BIOGEN INC. DL0005	US09062X1037	0	0	7,769	234.080	1,666,728.55	0.29
BIOMARIN PHAR. DL001	US09061G1013	0	0	17,546	91.080	1,464,659.22	0.26
BOOKING HLDGS DL008	US09857L1089	535	0	1,735	3,125.700	4,970,295.57	0.87
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBBDL-10	US1101221083	6,000	0	74,336	49.380	3,364,230.30	0.59
BROADCOM INC. DL001	US11135F1012	4,918	1,700	9,218	925.730	7,820,634.24	1.38
CATERPILLAR INC. DL 1	US1491231015	4,000	0	14,741	250.720	3,387,282.12	0.60
CHARGEPOINT HOLDINGS CL.A	US15961R1059	200,000	0	200,000	1.860	340,940.34	0.06
CIGNA GROUP, THE DL 1	US1255231003	12,500	3,500	18,665	262.880	4,496,980.30	0.79
CISCO SYSTEMS DL001	US17275R1023	0	0	38,004	48.380	1,685,119.16	0.30
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE DL 1	US1941621039	0	0	31,987	78.770	2,309,243.87	0.41
COSTCO WHOLESALE DL005	US22160K1051	7,000	0	7,000	592.740	3,802,749.52	0.67
CROWDSTRIKE HLD. DL0005	US22788C1053	0	0	16,828	236.990	3,655,089.10	0.64
CVS HEALTH CORP. DL01 DARLING INGRED.INC.DL01	US1266501006 US2372661015	0	0	40,824	67.950	2,542,379.98	0.45
	US2441991054	0 5,000	0	35,302	43.870	1,419,392.12	0.25
DEERE CO. DL 1 DELL TECHS INC. C DL01	US24703L2025	5,000	0	5,000	364.410	1,669,920.26	0.29
WALT DISNEY CO	US2546871060	40,000 0	0	40,000 28,642	75.870 92.690	2,781,413.25	0.49
ECOLAB INC. DL 1	US2788651006	0		28,642 6,911	92.690	2,433,165.59	0.43 0.21
EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES	US28176E1082	0	0	6,911	191.730 67.710	1,214,413.01	
LDWARDS LIFESCIENCES	03201/001062	0	0	10,958	67.710	680,016.66	0.12

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EMERSON EL. DL50	US2910111044	25,000		25,000	88.900	2,036,935.20	0.36
ENPHASE ENERGY INC.DL01	US29355A1079	14,200		25,345	101.020	2,346,578.59	0.41
EQUINIX INC. DL001	US29444U7000	0		4,753	815.010	3,550,309.35	0.62
FEDEX CORP. DL10	US31428X1063	0		10,728	258.830	2,544,888.86	0.45
FIRST SOLAR INC. D001	US3364331070	17,000		17,000	157.780	2,458,308.13	0.43
FISERV INC. DL01	US3377381088	19,000		19,000	130.610	2,274,392.81	0.40
FMC CORP. DL10	US3024913036	0		13,428	53.660	660,385.37	0.12
GILEAD SCIENCES DL001	US3755581036	0		22,281	76.600	1,564,223.81	0.28
HANN.ARM.SUS.INF.CA.DL-01	US41068X1000	100,000		147,927	24.210	3,282,295.55	0.58
HILTON WORLD.HDGS DL01	US43300A2033	0		20,700	167.520	3,178,135.83	0.56
HOME DEPOT INC. DL05	US4370761029	0		12,522	313.490	3,597,765.36	0.63
HUNTINGTON BANCSHS INC. INTEL CORP. DL001	US4461501045 US4581401001	0		194,105	11.260	2,003,136.56	0.35
		110,000		110,000	44.700	4,506,461.37	0.79
INTL BUS. MACH. DL20 INTUIT INC. DL01	US4592001014	15,000		15,000	158.560	2,179,818.53	0.38
	US4612021034	0		8,672	571.460	4,541,931.19	0.80
IQVIA HLDGS DL01 ITRON INC.	US46266C1053 US4657411066	0		12,841	214.100	2,519,712.31	0.44
JOHNSON + JOHNSON DL 1	US4781601046	30,000		30,000	67.380	1,852,625.79	0.33
LAM RESEARCH CORP.DL001	US5128071082	11,200		42,141	154.660	5,973,354.47	1.05
	US5486611073	2,000		5,710	715.920	3,746,588.95	0.66
LOWE'S COS INC. DL50 MADRIGAL PHARMAC. DL01	US5588681057		-,	16,690	198.830	3,041,401.06	0.54
MASTERCARD INC.A DL0001	US57636Q1040	20,000 6,100		20,000	203.300	3,726,514.53	0.66
MERCK CO. DL01	US58933Y1055	16,400		16,545 62,685	413.830	6,275,151.09	1.10 1.04
METLIFE INC. DL01	US59156R1086			52,000	102.480 63.630	5,887,598.57	0.53
MICROCHIP TECH. DL001	US5950171042	52,000 0		20,000		3,032,499.31	0.55
MICRON TECHN. INC. DL10	US5951121038	40,000		40,000	83.440 76.120	1,529,465.68 2,790,578.32	0.27
MICROSOFT DL00000625	US5949181045	12,900		115,701	378.910	40,179,878.94	7.07
MORGAN STANLEY DL01	US6174464486	4,500		56,309	79.340	4,094,543.18	0.72
MOSAIC CO. DL01	US61945C1036	4,500		35,000	35.890	1,151,269.36	0.72
NEWMONT CORP. DL 1.60	US6516391066	0		25,160	40.190	926,753.18	0.16
NIKE INC. B	US6541061031	0		31,376	110.270	3,170,957.31	0.56
NVIDIA CORP. DL01	US67066G1040	4,000		37,208	467.700	15,949,208.69	2.81
ORACLE CORP. DL01	US68389X1054	10,000		44,540	116.210	4,743,830.45	0.83
PAYPAL HDGS INC.DL0001	US70450Y1038	0		16,713	57.610	882,445.17	0.16
PEPSICO INC. DL0166	US7134481081	12,400		31,779	168.290	4,901,556.15	0.86
PFIZER INC. DL05	US7170811035	10,000		125,114	30.470	3,493,926.84	0.61
PROCTER GAMBLE	US7427181091	11,600		42,310	153.520	5,953,103.47	1.05
PROLOGIS INC. DL01	US74340W1036	5,200		45,199	114.930	4,760,994.47	0.84
QUANTA SVCS DL00001	US74762E1029	0		15,436	188.310	2,664,057.52	0.47
REGAL REXNORD CORP.DL01	US7587501039	20,000	0	20,000	119.800	2,195,949.04	0.39
REGENERON PHARMAC.DL001	US75886F1075	0	0	3,864	823.810	2,917,424.47	0.51
S+P GLOBAL INC. DL 1	US78409V1044	0	0	6,372	415.830	2,428,438.05	0.43
SALESFORCE INC. DL001	US79466L3024	12,700		26,934	251.900	6,218,196.87	1.09
SERVICENOW INC. DL001	US81762P1021	5,000	0	5,000	685.740	3,142,425.08	0.55
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS DL 1	US8243481061	0	0	8,590	278.800	2,194,933.55	0.39
STEM INC. DL0001	US85859N1028	60,000	0	184,200	2.870	484,514.71	0.09
SUNNOVA ENERGY INT0001	US86745K1043	130,000	0	248,225	11.600	2,638,997.34	0.46
SUNRUN INC. DL0001	US86771W1053	140,000	0	261,272	12.900	3,089,000.82	0.54
TAKE-TWO INTERACT. SOFTW.	US8740541094	17,000	0	17,000	158.200	2,464,851.98	0.43

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ Additions Units/nom	Sales/ disposals inal (nom. in	Holding 1,000, rounded)	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
THERMO FISH.SCIENTIF.DL 1	US8835561023	750	0	9,551	495.760	4,339,660.67	0.76
TJX COS INC. DL 1	US8725401090	C	0	28,643	88.110	2,313,018.72	0.41
TPI COMPOSITES INC01	US87266J1043	C	0	129,119	2.110	249,693.97	0.04
TRIMBLE INC.	US8962391004	C	0	25,046	46.400	1,065,103.47	0.19
UIPATH INC. A DL00001	US90364P1057	100,000	0	100,000	19.760	1,811,016.41	0.32
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP DL01	US91324P1021	7,800	5,800	14,988	552.970	7,595,925.54	1.34
VISA INC. CL. A DL0001	US92826C8394	15,100	6,300	35,256	256.680	8,293,932.80	1.46
WASTE MANAGEMENT	US94106L1098	C	0	9,337	170.990	1,463,233.10	0.26
WESTINGH.AI.BR.T. DL01	US9297401088	C	0	22,525	116.560	2,406,300.06	0.42
WOLFSPEED INC. DL00125	US9778521024	25,000	0	25,000	36.860	844,560.54	0.15
XYLEM INC. DL01	US98419M1009	C	0	14,398	105.130	1,387,280.49	0.24
ZIMMER BIOMET HLDGS DL-01	US98956P1021	C	0	20,001	116.310	2,132,083.50	0.38
ZOETIS INC. CL.A DL01	US98978V1035	15,000	0	15,000	176.670	2,428,787.46	0.43
				Total issu	ue country USA	383,531,690.15	67.51
	Total equ	uities denomi	nated in USD	translated at a ra	ate of 1.09110	396,861,935.40	69.85
		To	tal securities	admitted to orga	nised markets	503,442,598.03	88.61

#### **Breakdown of fund assets**

Transferable securities	564,875,959.37	99.43
Bank balances	2,751,964.49	0.48
Dividend entitlements	491,996.56	0.09
Interest entitlements	41,275.99	0.01
Other deferred items	-23,942.58	- 0.00
Fund assets	568,137,253.83	100.00

#### Investor note:

The values of assets in illiquid markets may deviate from their actual selling prices.

Dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A01GL7	units	233,149.922
Value of dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A01GL7	EUR	277.46
Dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A23A20	units	6,150.000
Value of dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A23A20	EUR	161.13
Non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000646799	units	860,958.242
Value of non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000646799	EUR	407.98
Non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A28E62	units	230,207.825
Value of non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A28E62	EUR	153.16
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	ATOOOOAOFSN4	units	142,705.422
Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	ATOOOOAOFSN4	EUR	457.00

KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A23A38	units	276,220.613
	AT0000A23A38	EUR	166.54
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A2CWG3	units	34,581.422
	AT0000A2CWG3	HUF	52,024.35
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A2VH66	units	0.000
	AT0000A2VH66	USD	109.50
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A2VH74	units	0.000
	AT0000A2VH74	USD	109.52

The Fund is not permitted to engage in repurchase agreements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No. 2015/2365 (Regulation on Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions and of Reuse). For this reason, repurchase agreements were not employed.

No total return swaps pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 (Regulation on Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions and of Reuse) were concluded for the Fund during the reporting period.

The Fund is not permitted to engage in securities lending agreements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No. 2015/2365 (Regulation on Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions and of Reuse). For this reason, securities lending agreements were not employed.

Explanation on disclosure pursuant to Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 2016/2251 supplementing Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on OTC derivatives, central counterparties, and trade repositories with regard to regulatory technical standards for risk-mitigation techniques for OTC derivative contracts not cleared by a central counterparty:

All OTC derivatives are traded through Erste Group Bank AG.

In the event of negative derivatives exposure, collateral in the form of cash or bonds is pledged to Erste Group Bank AG in accordance with the contractually agreed threshold.

In the event of positive derivatives exposure, EUR-denominated bonds from the national governments or central banks of the countries of the Eurozone are pledged by Erste Group Bank AG to the Fund in accordance with the contractually agreed threshold. A one-time discount of 4% is agreed with the counterparty for this collateral. In the event of regulatory requirements that stipulate a different discount or the provision of alternative collateral, these requirements are met.

#### Purchases and sales of transferable securities in the reporting period not listed in the statement of assets and liabilities

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,000	Sales/ disposals 0, rounded)
Publicly traded securities			
Equities denominated in DKK			
Issue country Denmark			
NOVO-NORDISK REG.B DK20	DK0060534915	25,000	25,000
Equities denominated in EUR			
Issue country Germany			
ADIDAS AG NA N.P.	DE000A1EWWW0	0	14,248
Issue country Netherlands			
REDCARE PHARMACY BEARER	NL0012044747	15,000	15,000
Equities denominated in SEK			
Issue country Sweden			
ESSITY AB B	SE0009922164	0	70,722
Equities denominated in USD			
Issue country Ireland			
LINDE PLC EO 0.001	IE00BZ12WP82	0	11,444
Issue country USA			
VMWARE INC.CLASS A	US9285634021	0	7,143
Securities admitted to organised markets			
Equities denominated in GBP			
Issue country Great Britain			
BARRATT DEV. PLC LS10 COMPASS GROUP LS1105 PRUDENTIAL PLC LS05	GB0000811801 GB00BD6K4575 GB0007099541	0 110,000 0	205,349 110,000 108,060

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,	Sales/ disposals 000, rounded)
Equities denominated in EUR			
Issue country Netherlands			
ADYEN N.V. EO01	NL0012969182	1,000	1,000
Equities denominated in HKD			
Issue country Cayman Islands			
TENCENT HLDGS HD00002 XINYI SOLAR HLDGS	KYG875721634 KYG9829N1025	0 0	64,500 1,412,000
Issue country China			
GOLDWIND SCIE.+TECHNO. H	CNE100000PP1	0	1,468,700
Equities denominated in JPY			
Issue country Japan			
MITSUBISHI UFJ FINL GRP	JP3902900004	400,000	400,000
Equities denominated in CAD			
Issue country Canada			
B2GOLD CORP.  MANULIFE FINANCIAL CORP.	CA11777Q2099 CA56501R1064	0 0	395,637 131,442
Equities denominated in USD			
Issue country Cayman Islands			
DAQO NEW ENERGY CRP.ADR 5 NIU TECH. ADR/2 A0001	US23703Q2030 US65481N1000	0 0	46,371 193,855
Issue country Netherlands			
NXP SEMICONDUCTORS E020	NL0009538784	0	11,052
Issue country Switzerland			
TE CONNECTIV.LTD. SF 0.57	CH0102993182	0	19,896
Issue country USA			
3M CO. DL01 ALCOA CORP. N.P.	US88579Y1010 US0138721065	0 0	12,032 28,159

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,00	Sales/ disposals 0, rounded)
BOSTON PROPERTIES DL01	US1011211018	0	18,686
CSX CORP. DL 1	US1264081035	0	60,172
DANAHER CORP. DL01	US2358511028	0	13,380
EL. ARTS INC. DL01	US2855121099	0	18,463
ELEVANCE HEALTH DL01	US0367521038	0	3,812
LAB. CORP.OF AMER. DL10	US50540R4092	0	6,897
LINCOLN NATL	US5341871094	0	39,230
OTIS WORLDWID.CORP DL01	US68902V1070	0	25,539
PLUG POWER INC. DL01	US72919P2020	150,000	259,074
PRUDENTIAL FINL DL01	US7443201022	0	22,016
QUALCOMM INC. DL0001	US7475251036	0	26,142
SOLAREDGE TECHN. DL0001	US83417M1045	14,000	24,129
TEXAS INSTR. DL 1	US8825081040	0	14,489
UNION PAC. DL 2.50	US9078181081	0	7,154

Vienna, 31 January 2024

#### Erste Asset Management GmbH Electronically signed

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Regulierungs-GmbH (https://www.signatur.rtr.at/de/vd/Pruefung.html).

Note: This document was signed with two qualified electronic signatures. A qualified electronic signature has the

same legal effect as a hand-written signature (Article 25 of Regulation [EU] No 910/2014 [eIDAS Regulation]).

## **Remuneration Policy**

# Remuneration paid to employees of Erste Asset Management GmbH in EUR (2022 financial year of Erste Asset Management GmbH)

No investment success bonuses are paid, and no other amounts are paid directly from the investment funds.

Number of employees as of 31.12.2022	279
Number of risk bearers in 2022	144
Fixed remuneration	21,036,836
Variable remuneration (bonuses)	5,725,006
Total employee remuneration	26,761,842
Thereof remuneration for managing directors	1,223,760
Thereof remuneration for managerial risk bearers	4,144,774
Thereof remuneration for risk bearers with control functions*	1,562,971
Thereof remuneration for other risk bearers	8,576,902
Thereof remuneration for employees in the same income bracket as managers a	and
risk bearers due to the amount of their total remuneration	0
Total remuneration for risk bearers	15,508,407

<sup>\*</sup> Managers with control functions are reported in this group

#### Principles governing performance-based remuneration components

The Management Company has adopted remuneration principles to prevent possible conflicts of interest and to ensure compliance with the standard rules of conduct when awarding remuneration to relevant persons.

Fixed salary components make up a large enough share of the total remuneration of all employees of the Management Company that a variable remuneration policy can be applied on an individualised basis.

The total remuneration (fixed and variable components) is governed by the principle of balance and is linked to sustainability so that the acceptance of excessive risks is not rewarded. Therefore, the variable remuneration forms no more than a balanced portion of the total remuneration awarded to an employee.

The performance-based remuneration components serve the short-term and long-term interests of the Management Company and contribute to preventing risky behaviour. The performance-based remuneration components take into account individual performance as well as the profitability of the Management Company.

The size of the bonus pool is calculated based on the bonus potential that can be applied to the different employee categories. Bonus potential is a percentage of the fixed annual gross remuneration. The bonus potential can be no more than 100% of the fixed annual gross remuneration. The bonus pool is adjusted depending on the success of the Management Company. The personal bonus is linked to individual performance. The total of personal bonuses is limited by the size of the bonus pool after deduction of penalties.

The performance-based payments are capped at 100% of the annual gross remuneration for all employees, including the material risk bearers (according to the definition in the remuneration policy) and managing directors of the Management Company.

The remuneration system is made up of three components:

- 1) Fixed remuneration
- 2) Variable remuneration
- 3) Fringe benefits

The bonus potential is based on the fixed annual gross remuneration. The target agreements concluded with the employees contain qualitative and/or quantitative objectives. The payment of performance-based remuneration components is subject to a minimum profitability level for the Management Company and to performance targets.

Sixty per cent of the performance-based remuneration components are paid immediately; for employees who are involved directly in fund and portfolio management, 50% of this is paid immediately in cash and 50% is paid one year later in the form of non-cash instruments. The remaining 40% of the performance-based remuneration components are retained and paid out over a period of three years, with 50% of this also being paid in cash and 50% in the form of non-cash instruments for employees who are involved directly in fund and portfolio management. The non-cash instruments can consist of units in an investment fund that is administered by the Management Company, equivalent holdings or instruments linked to units, or equivalent non-cash instruments. Based on the principle of proportionality, the Management Company has set a materiality threshold below which there is no incentive to enter into inappropriate risks, for which reason there is no need to make delayed payment or payment in the form of a non-cash instrument. Other non-cash benefits are fringe benefits that are not associated with performance but with a specific position (e.g. company car) or that apply for all employees (e.g. holiday).

The Supervisory Board of the Management Company has set up a Remuneration Committee to ensure that the remuneration policy and its application are independently assessed. This committee consists of the following persons: Rudolf Sagmeister, Harald Gasser (remuneration expert), and Heinrich Hubert Reiner.

The complete remuneration policy of the Management Company can be viewed at http://www.erste-am.at/de/private\_anleger/wer-sind-wir/investmentprozess.

The last audit of compliance with the requirements of the remuneration policy by the Supervisory Board in March 2023 revealed no deviations. There were also no material findings during the last audit by the Internal Auditing department.

No material changes were made to the remuneration policy during the past accounting year.

### **Audit Report\***

#### Statement on the annual report

#### **Audit opinion**

We have audited the annual report prepared by Erste Asset Management GmbH, Vienna, for the fund under its management

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consisting of the statement of assets and liabilities as of 30 November 2023, the income statement for the accounting year ending on this date, and the other information specified in Annex I Schedule B of the Austrian Investment Fund Act 2011 (InvFG 2011).

Based on the findings of our audit, we believe that the annual report satisfies the legal requirements and provides a true and fair view of the assets and financial position as of 30 November 2023 and of the earnings position of the fund for the accounting year ending on this date in accordance with Austrian commercial law and the provisions of the InvFG 2011.

#### Basis for the audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with § 49 (5) InvFG 2011 and in accordance with the Austrian principles of good auditing. These principles require the application of the International Standards on Auditing (ISA). Our responsibilities under these regulations and standards are described in the section "Responsibilities of the auditor in auditing the annual report" of our audit report. We are independent from the company as specified by the Austrian commercial and industry regulations and fulfilled our other professional obligations in accordance with these requirements. We feel that the audit evidence that we obtained up to the date of the audit certificate is sufficient and suitable to serve as a basis for our audit opinion as of that date.

#### Other information

The legal representatives are responsible for the other information. The other information includes all information in the annual report except for the statement of assets and liabilities, the income statement, the other information specified in Annex I Schedule B of the InvFG 2011, and the audit report.

Our audit opinion does not cover this other information, and we provide no assurance whatsoever for this other information.

In the context of our review of the annual report, we are responsible for reading this other information and assessing whether the other information contains material inconsistencies with the annual report or with the information gathered by us during our audit, or appears to contain other manners of material misstatements.

Should we come to the conclusion on the basis of the work completed with the other information received before the date of the audit report that this other information contains a material misstatement, we are required to report about this fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Management and supervisory board responsibilities relating to the annual report

The legal representatives are responsible for preparing the annual report and for ensuring that this report provides a true and fair view of the assets and financial and earnings position of the fund in accordance with Austrian commercial law and the provisions of the InvFG 2011. The legal representatives are also responsible for implementing the internal controls that they deem necessary to facilitate the preparation of an annual report that is free from material misstatements due to error or fraud.

The supervisory board is responsible for monitoring the accounting process of the company as it applies to the fund under its management.

#### Responsibilities of the auditor in auditing the annual report

Our goals are to ascertain with sufficient certainty whether the annual report contains material misstatements due to error or fraud and to issue an audit certificate that includes our audit opinion. Sufficient certainty is a high degree of certainty but no guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Austrian standards on good auditing, which require the application of the ISA, will always discover material misstatements that may be present. Misstatements can result from fraud or errors and are considered to be material when it can be reasonably expected that individual misstatements or a combination of misstatements can influence economic decisions made by readers on the basis of this annual report.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with the Austrian standards on good auditing, which require the application of the ISA, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism during the entire audit process.

#### In addition:

- We identify and assess the risks of material misstatements in the annual report due to error or fraud, plan audit steps in response to these risks, perform the planned audit steps, and collect audit evidence that is sufficient and suitable to form a basis for our audit opinion. The risk that a material misstatement resulting from fraud will remain undiscovered is greater than for misstatements resulting from error because fraudulent activity can include collusion, the falsification of documents, intentional incomplete or misleading representations, and the circumvention of internal controls.
- We familiarise ourselves with the internal control systems that are relevant for the audit to plan audit steps that
  are appropriate under the specific circumstances, but not so as to state an opinion on the effectiveness of the
  company's internal control system.

- We assess the appropriateness of the accounting methods applied by the legal representatives and the reasonableness of the estimates made by the legal representatives in the accounts and of the associated information.
- We assess the overall presentation, the structure, and the content of the annual report including the figures as well as whether the annual report depicts the underlying transactions and events in a manner that provides a true and fair view.
- We discuss the planned scope and scheduling of the audit and any material audit findings, including material defects that we discover in the internal control system during our audit, with the supervisory board, among other issues.

Vienna, 15 February 2024

#### **Ernst & Young**

Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft m.b.H.

Mag. Andrea Stippl m.p.

MMag. Roland Unterweger
m.p.

(Certified Public Accountant)

(Certified Public Accountant)

\* In the case of the publication or dissemination of the annual report in a form that deviates from the confirmed (unabridged German) version (e.g. an abridged version or translation), reference may not be made to the audit report or our audit without our approval.

### **Annex Sustainability-Related Information**

Periodic disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product name: ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL

Legal entity identifier: 5299006PBMHZRD7QSR58

Sustainable
investment means
an investment in an
economic activity that
contributes to an
environmental or
social objective,
provided that the
investment does not
significantly harm
any environmental or
social objective and
that the investee
companies follow
good governance

practices.

a classification sustem laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the

Taxonomy or not.

The **EU Taxonomu** is

#### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

For improved readability, for the purpose of this document, "Taxonomy Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2020/852, "Disclosure Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2019/2088, and "RTS" means Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288.

Did th	is fina	ncial product have a sustainable investn	nent ob	jectiv	e?
••		Yes	••	X	No
		de sustainable investments with an onmental objective: %	X	chara object prope	omoted Environmental/Social (E/S) acteristics and while it did not have as its ctive a sustainable investment, it had a portion of 96.23 % of sustainable stments
		in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy		×	with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy
		in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy		×	with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy
				X	with a social objective
		de sustainable investments with a social tive: $\_\_\%$		-	moted E/S characteristics, but <b>did not</b> e any sustainable investments



To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

Conformity with the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Fund was ensured by the continuous application of the process described below:

Fund applies a broad interpretation of sustainability. Both environmental and social characteristics are promoted through the application of the Management Company's proprietary sustainability approach. This is ensured by the application of the Management Company's ESG toolbox as part of the investment process.

No derivatives have been used to meet the environmental and social characteristics.

A distinction must be made between direct investments in securities, investments in investment funds managed by the management company and investments in investment funds managed by external management companies.

# Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

Exc	clusion Crit	eria		nalysis / n Class					act	
Minimum criteria	Exclusion criteria	Norm-based Screening	ESG Risk Analysis	Best in Class	Integration	Engagement	Voting	Thematic funds	Focused sustainability Impact	Fulfill Austrian ecolabel or FNG label criteria
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Not app	olicable	✓

At the level of the Fund, the Management Company is pursuing the objective of achieving improvements in the following key environmental and social aspects through its proprietary sustainability approach:

- The environmental footprint of the investments held by the Fund, in particular
  - the carbon footprint and the mitigation of climate change in general, and
  - the responsible use of the water as a resource.
- The avoidance of environmental risks
  - for the protection of biodiversity
  - the responsible management of waste and other emissions
- Social factors such as
  - the exclusion of any investments in companies that produce or deal in controversial weapons.
  - the promotion of human rights and exclusion of issuers complicit in human rights violations.
  - the promotion of good working conditions, for example in the areas workplace safety and training, and the exclusion of issuers that are complicit in labour law violations, in particular of the core standards of the ILO.
  - the promotion of diversity and the exclusion of issuers that practice discrimination.
  - the avoidance of corruption and fraud.
- The promotion of good corporate governance:
  - the independence of supervisory bodies
  - management remuneration
  - good accounting practices
  - the protection of shareholder rights

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested financial products managed by external management companies must be classified as either Art. 8 or Art. 9 under the Disclosure Regulation, or at least comply with good governance requirements. This does not apply to invested government bond funds.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only investment funds demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

In the case of the use of third party funds, based on the ESG fund selection criteria of the Management Company and the analysis of the investment process as disclosed by the respective producer, it is expected that these third party funds will have similar environmental and social characteristics as the funds managed by the Management Company.

Nevertheless, differences may remain.

Therefore the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by these investment funds are those declared by their respective producer in compliance with the Disclosure Regulation.

# **Sustainability indicators** measure

how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

#### How did the sustainability indicators perform?

# Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

Compliance with the social and environmental characteristics of the Fund is evaluated on the basis of the following indicators:

#### **ESGenius score**:

The ESGenius score depicts the ESG risk profile and quality of the ESG management of the issuer. It provides a holistic view of the performance of the analysed issuer in terms of the sustainability focuses listed above.

The minimum score required for the Fund and the average score of the investments held by the Fund are both considered.

Indicator 1: Compliance with the minimum score required for the Fund expressed in per cent of the fund assets

100% of the fund assets comply with the Fund's exclusion criteria.

Indicator 2: Average score of the investments held by the Fund 69.00 of 100 (As of 11/20/2023)

#### **Exclusion criteria:**

Continuous compliance with the Fund's exclusion criteria is assessed. This verification is performed daily by the Management Company's Risk Management department.

Indicator: Compliance with the Fund's exclusion criteria 100% of the fund assets comply with the Fund's exclusion criteria.

#### **Sustainable Development Goals:**

The Management Company assesses and reports to what degree the investments held by the Fund contribute to the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The contributions to the individual goals and the positive and negative overall contribution to the SDGs are reported.

Indicator 1: Share of the fund assets that makes a positive contribution to each of the 17 SDGs (As of 09/29/2023)

SDG	% fund volume
No Poverty #1	0.34
No Hunger #2	0.56
Good Health and Well Being #3	17.16
Quality Education #4	0.03
Gender Equality #5	0.13
Clean Water and Sanitation #6	0.39
Affordable and Clean Energy #7	7.34
Decent Work and Economic Growth #8	0.00
Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure #9	0.00

Sustainable Cities and Communities #11 0.99  Responsible Consumption and Production #12 0.57
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Climate Action #13 7.37
Life Below Water #14 0.00
Life on Land #15 0.87
Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions #16 0.73
Partnerships for the Goals #17 0.00

Indicator 2: Proportion of impacts/contributions to SDGs generated by the investment fund's investments that are positive in nature:

75.64% of the generated impacts/contributions to SDGs are positive in nature as of 09/29/2023

Indicator 3: Proportion of impacts to SDGs generated by the investment fund's investments that are negative in nature:

24.36 % of the generated impacts to SDGs are negative in nature as of 09/29/2023

A comprehensive description of the indicators, the most important contributions to the SDGs broken down by issuer, and the methodology upon which the calculation is based can be viewed on the following website:

https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines/green-pledge#sdg-report

#### **Carbon footprint:**

The Management Company calculates the Fund's carbon footprint based on the 12-month avarage of scope 1 + 2 greenhouse gas emissions.

Indicator: Carbon footprint

The carbon footprint of the Fund amounts to 55.75 tones per 1 million EURO sales (As of 11/30/2023)

A description of the indicators and the methodology upon which the calculation is based can be viewed on the following website:

https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/responsible#co2-footprint

#### Water footprint:

The Management Company calculates the Fund's water footprint annually based on securities held directly in the Fund. The footprint is calculated and reported separately based on the degree of water scarcity in the regions in which the issuers in which the Fund invests consume water.

The indicator is calculated as far as there is sufficient data in the calculation systems.

Indicator: Water footprint relative to the overall global market, broken down by regions with low, medium, and high water scarcity as of 11/30/2023 (Unit of measurement: water withdrawal in m3 / thousand USD sales)

Region	Volume
High Stress Region	27.28
Medium Stress Region	708.23
Low Stress Region	91.70

In case of subfunds, these factors are tracked based upon available look-trough data. Tracking is only guaranteed for investment funds managed by the management company.

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

- Compliance with the management company's ESG fund whitelist:

All invested investment funds managed by external management companies must be classified as either Art. 8 or Art. 9 under the Disclosure Regulation or at least comply with the requirements for good corporate governance. This does not apply to invested government bond funds.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only investment funds demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

- Third party investment funds environmental and/or social characteristics:

The environmental and/or social indicators used to measure the attainment of their respective environmental and social characteristics promoted by these financial products are those declared by their respective manufacturers in compliance with the regulation.

Based on the management companies' ESG fund selection criteria and the analysis of the investment process, as disclosed by the respective manufacturer, it is expected that third party funds demonstrate similar environmental and social characteristics as funds managed by the management company. Nevertheless, differences can persist.

Apart from possible certification of the sustainability process, the sustainability indicators are neither confirmed by an auditor nor verified by third parties.

#### ...and compared to previous periods?

The above indicators performed as follows in the previous periods:

#### **ESGenius-Score**

	ZE/ Z3	21/22
Compliance with the minimum score required for the Fund	100.00 %	100.00 %
Average score of the investments held by the Fund (Unit: Score 0-100)	69.00	70.00
Exclusion criteria		
	22/23	21/22
Compliance with the Fund's exclusion criteria	100.00 %	100.00 %

22/23

21/22

#### Sustainable Development Goals - Share of the fund assets that makes a positive contribution

	22/23	21/22
No Poverty #1	0.34 %	0.00 %
No Hunger #2	0.56 %	0.00 %

Good Health and Well Being #3	17.16 %	21.00 %
Quality Education #4	0.03 %	0.00 %
Gender Equality #5	0.13 %	0.00 %
Clean Water and Sanitation #6	0.39 %	1.00 %
Affordable and Clean Energy #7	7.34 %	12.00 %
Decent Work and Economic Growth #8	0.00 %	0.00 %
Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure #9	0.00%	0.00 %
Reducing Inequality #10	4.32 %	6.00 %
Sustainable Cities and Communities #11	0.99%	1.00 %
Responsible Consumption and Production #12	0.57 %	1.00 %
Climate Action #13	7.37 %	13.00 %
Life Below Water #14	0.00 %	0.00 %
Life on Land #15	0.87 %	1.00 %
Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions #16	0.73%	1.00 %
Partnerships for the Goals #17	0.00 %	0.00 %

# Sustainable Development Goals - Proportion of impacts/contributions to SDGs generated by the investment fund's investments

	22/23	21/22
Proportion of impacts/contributions to SDGs generated by the investment fund's investments that are positive in nature	75.64%	86.00 %
Proportion of impacts to SDGs generated by the investment fund's investments that are negative in nature	24.36 %	14.00 %

#### **Carbon footprint**

	22/23	21/22
Carbon footprint	55.75	69.94
Units: tons per 1 million EURO sales		

#### Water footprint

	22/23	21/22
High Stress Region	27.28	27.03
Medium Stress Region	708.23	259.86
Low Stress Region	91.70	80.70

Units: water withdrawal in m3 / thousand USD sales

#### What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The selection process provides, among other things, for investing in economic activities or assets that contribute to or promote one or more environmental objectives within the meaning of Art. 9 of the Taxonomy-Regulation. At the same time, the selection process does not exclude the possibility of promoting other environmental, social and corporate governance objectives with the investments underlying the investment fund than those currently provided for in the Taxonomy-Regulation.

The Taxonomy-Regulation (Art. 9) identifies environmentally sustainable activities based on their contribution to the following six environmental objectives:

- Climate change mitigation;
- Climate change adaptation;
- The sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources;
- The transition to a circular economy;
- Pollution prevention and control;

The protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems. An economic activity is considered environmentally sustainable if it makes a significant contribution to one or more of the six environmental objectives, does not significantly compromise any of the environmental objectives, and is carried out in compliance with the minimum safeguards set forth in Art. 18 of the Taxonomy-Regulation.

The investment fund contributes to the objectives mentioned in Art. 9 of the Taxonomy-Regulation.

The breakdown of the share of investments for the EU taxonomy objectives mentioned in the previous questions, to which the investment fund contributed, is currently only possible to a limited extent due to the insufficient data situation.

A statement is currently only possible for the following environmental objectives as defined by the Taxonomy-Regulation:

- Climate protection: 10.54 %
- Climate change adaptation: 0.55 %

Due to the insufficient data situation, it is currently not possible to make a more differentiated allocation of the contribution of the sustainable facility to the stated goals.

In the past reporting period, sustainable investments were made with social objectives, among others

Their description is discussed above.

If the disclosure of the companies in which investments are made does not readily indicate the extent to which the investments are made in environmentally sustainable business activities, data, if available, from ESG research partners is used.

# Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

The social and environmental objectives of the investment fund correspond to the focuses presented above. The sustainable investment process of the investment fund ensures that no investments are made in issuers that violate these criteria. In addition, security selection taking the ESGenius score into account results in issuers being preferred for the portfolio that have a lower risk of adverse impacts on the environmental and social objectives of the fund, and that make a positive environmental and/or social contribution through their exemplary management of these risks.

All issuers in which the Fund invests are analysed and selected before acquisition on the basis of a predefined sustainability process. The proprietary ESGenius process provides a comprehensive ESG analysis of each issuer based on its specific ESG risk profile and the measures taken to mitigate these risks. Based on the results of this analysis, the ESGenius rating, only those issuers

that achieve a score of at least 50 of 100 possible points are eligible for investment based on a best-in-class approach. This minimum score can be higher depending on the sector of the economy in which the issuer is active. All issuers are also evaluated for violations of the Fund's exclusion criteria. This excludes at least half of the analysed issuers from the eligible universe of the Fund. The investment universe is assessed for compliance with these criteria at least once per quarter and updated as needed. Compliance with the eligible investment universe is verified daily. Securities from issuers that no longer meet the sustainability criteria of the Fund are sold while protecting Unit-holder interests.

Moreover, social, and environmental characteristics are promoted by applying exclusion criteria.

These are available on the following website: <a href="https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines">https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines</a>

The Management Company also exercises an active ownership function. Through Commitment to Issuers and the Exercise of Voting Rights in the analysed investment universe, contributions are made to the improvement of the environmental and social performance of these companies.

The focus topics of the ESG analysis, selection process, and active ownership practices are adapted to the specific ESG risk profile of each issuer.

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested investment funds managed by external management companies shall be officially classified as Art. 8 or 9 in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation by their manufacturer or at least comply with good governance rules. This is not applicable to invested government bond funds.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only investment funds demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

In the case of the use of third party funds, based on the ESG fund selection criteria of the Management Company and the analysis of the investment process as disclosed by the respective producer, it is expected that these third party funds will have similar environmental and social characteristics as the funds managed by the Management Company. Nevertheless, differences may remain.

Therefore the objectives of the sustainable investments that these investment funds partially intends to make and the ways the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives are those defined by their respective producers.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

The sustainable investments, which comprise part of this financial product, do no significant harm to the environmental or social sustainable investment objectives because this financial product invests solely in issuers that have been qualified as sustainable by the Management Company based on the sustainable investment process described above. This categorisation sets forth that issuers may have no significant adverse impacts on environmental or social factors, as such a violation would preclude an investment based on the binding ESG characteristics of this investment process.

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested investment funds managed by external management companies shall be officially classified as Art. 8 or 9 in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation by their manufacturer or at

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, antic orruption and antibribery matter s.

least comply with good governance rules. This is not applicable to invested government bond funds.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only investment funds demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

The sustainable investments partially made with these investment funds and how the sustainable investments partially made with these investment funds do not cause significant harm to an environmental or social sustainable investment objective are defined by their respective manufacturers.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

Consideration and reduction of key adverse impacts on sustainability factors ("Principle Adverse Impact - "PAI") was performed during the reporting period through the following procedures and methods: Application of social and environmental exclusion criteria.

These can be viewed on the following website: <a href="https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines">https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines</a>

All PAIs from Table 1 of the RTS, that apply to the investment fund were taken into account. The investment fund also takes the following PAIs from Tables 2 and 3, Annex I of the RTS into account:

- Indicator 8 (Table 2) Exposure to areas of high water stress (share of
  investments in investee companies with sites located in areas of high water
  stress without a water management policy)
- Indicator 14 (Table 3) Number of identified cases of severe human rights issues and incidents (number of cases of severe human rights issues and incidents connected to investee companies on a weighted average basis)

In addition, all issuers in which the Fund invests are analysed and selected before acquisition on the basis of a predefined sustainability process. The proprietary ESGenius process provides a comprehensive ESG analysis of each issuer based on its specific ESG risk profile and the measures taken to mitigate these risks. Based on the results of this analysis, the ESGenius rating, only those issuers that achieve at least an ESGenius score on the predefined minimum score are eligible for investment. This minimum score can be higher depending on the sector of the economy in which the issuer is active. For investments for which no ESGenius rating is available, the application of the good governance requirements ensures that PAI is taken into account on a fundamental level.

This excludes at least half of the analysed issuers from the eligible universe of the Fund.

The investment universe is assessed for compliance with these criteria at least once per quarter and updated as needed. Compliance with the eligible investment universe is verified daily. Securities from issuers that no longer meet the sustainability criteria of the Fund are sold while protecting Unit-holder interests.

During the reporting period, this led to a significant reduction in the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors from the investments held by the Fund.

Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested investment funds managed by external management companies shall be officially classified as Art. 8 or Art. 9 in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation by their manufacturer or at least comply with good governance rules. This is not applicable to invested government bond funds.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only investment funds demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

Based on the management companies' ESG fund selection criteria and the analysis of the investment process, as disclosed by the respective manufacturer, it is expected that third party funds demonstrate similar environmental and social characteristics as funds managed by the management company. Nevertheless, differences can persist.

The indicators for adverse impacts on the sustainability factors were therefore taken into account in the way they were defined by the respective manufacturers.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details: Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

Sustainable investments are made by applying the exclusion criteria described above and taking into account the ESG analysis of issuers following the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. Details on the relevant criteria are available on the following website: <a href="https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines">https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines</a>

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested mutual funds managed by external management companies must be classified as either Art. 8 or 9 under the Disclosure Regulation or at least comply with the requirements for good corporate governance. This does not apply to invested government bond funds. How the sustainable investments comply with OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights can be found in the documents of the external management companies.

The investment process described above was reviewed and adhered to throughout the reporting period.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



#### How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

# Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

The Management Company takes into account the principal adverse impacts (PAI) on sustainability factors in the investment strategy of this Fund.

The process described here was complied with throughout the reporting period.

All climate and other environment-related indicators and indicators for social and employee, respect for human rights, anti-corruption, and anti-bribery matters as set forth in Annex I of the RTS are taken into account in principle. However, it must be noted that not every indicator is relevant for every investment made by the Fund. The investment process ensures that all environmental, social, and corporate governance criteria that are relevant for the assessment of the respective investment are taken into account in the assessment of that investment.

In addition to taking the above indicators into account, the investment process also employs the optional indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I to the RTS where sufficient data is available

The Management Company considers the avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions, the responsible use of water, and respecting human rights to be the most important PAI.

Fundamentally, the PAI are taken into account not using quantitative requirements, but through the structured inclusion of the respective criteria in the sustainability analysis that is part of the Fund's investment process.

The most important PAI of the Fund are taken into account through multiple elements of the investment process. The following table shows the key process elements where this occurs on the basis of the Management Company's ESG toolbox.

#### Erste Asset Management ESG-Toolbox - PAI Consideration

		Exclu	ısion C	riteria		nalysis / n Class					act	pel
Princ	Principal Adverse Impacts (PAI)		Exclusions	Normsbased Screening	ESG Risk Analysis	Best in Class	Integration	Engagement	Voting	Themed Funds Focused sustainability impact	Austrian ECO label / FNG label	
	Greenhouse gas emissions	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>			
ment	Biodiversity	<b>✓</b>			✓	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			
Environment	Water				✓	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	not applicable		
_	Waste		<b>√</b>		✓	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			
Social & employee matters	UN Global Compact		<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>✓</b>	✓			
	OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprise		<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			
	Gender equality		<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			
So	Controversial weapons	✓										

In this, measures including the following are taken:

- 1. GHG emissions
- 2. Carbon footprint
- 3. GHG intensity of investee companies

- 4. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector
- 5. Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production
- 6. Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector
- 7. Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas
- 8. Emissions to water
- 9. Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio
- 10. Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- 11. Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- 12. Unadjusted gender pay gap
- 13. Board gender diversity
- 14. Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested investment funds managed by external management companies shall be officially classified as Art. 8 or Art. 9 in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation by their manufacturer or at least comply with good governance rules. This is not applicable to invested government bond funds.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only investment funds demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

Based on the management companies' ESG fund selection criteria and the analysis of the investment process, as disclosed by the respective manufacturer, it is expected that third party funds demonstrate similar environmental and social characteristics as funds managed by the management company. Nevertheless, differences can persist.

Therefore, the indicators for adverse impacts on the sustainability factors were taken into account, in the way, they were defined by the respective manufacturers.



The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is:

### What were the top investments of this financial product?

Largest investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
US0378331005 - APPLE INC.	G - WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE; REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	7.29	US
US5949181045 - MICROSOFT DL-,00000625	J - INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	6.25	US
US67066G1040 - NVIDIA CORP. DL-,001	C - MANUFACTURING	2.41	US
USO2079K3059 - ALPHABET INC.CL.A DL-,001	M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	2.16	US
USO2079K1079 - ALPHABET INC.CL C DL-,001	M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	2.00	US
US92826C8394 - VISA INC. CL. A DL -,0001	K - FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	1.40	US
FR0000121014 - LVMH E0 0,3	M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	1.25	FR
US4781601046 - JOHNSON + JOHNSON DL 1	C - MANUFACTURING	1.16	US
US58933Y1055 - MERCK CO. DL-,01	C - MANUFACTURING	1.15	US
US7427181091 - PROCTER GAMBLE	C - MANUFACTURING	1.13	US

US57636Q1040 - MASTERCARD INC.A DL-,0001	K - FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	1.09	US
US91324P1021 - UNITEDHEALTH GROUP DL-,01	M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	1.09	US
GB0009895292 - ASTRAZENECA PLC DL-,25	M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	1.07	GB
US11135F1012 - BROADCOM INC. DL-,001	G - WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE; REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	1.00	US
NL0010273215 - ASML HOLDING EO -,09	M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	0.98	NL

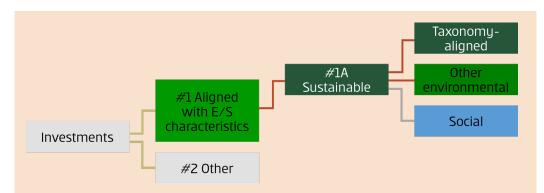


#### **Asset allocation**

describes the share of investments in specific assets.

### What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

#### What was the asset allocation?



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category #1A Sustainable covers environmentally and socially sustainable investments.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

The investments of the financial product made to achieve the advertised environmental or social characteristics amounted to  $96.23\,\%$ .

During the reporting period, the Fund invested 96.23 % of the fund assets in sustainable investments in accordance with Art 2 no 17 of the Disclosure Regulation.

Of this, 10.83 % were environmentally sustainable investments in accordance with the Taxonomy-Regulation.

Other environmentally sustainable investments comprised 85.41 % of the fund assets.

96.23 % of the fund assets fulfil the characteristics of socially sustainable investments.

Other investments accounted for 3.77 %.

All investments must confirm with this sustainability approach at the time of purchase, and thus qualify as sustainable in the sense of the Disclosure Regulation. In the event that an investment

is identified as no longer qualifying as sustainable during the regular update of the ESG analysis, it must be sold while protecting the interests of Unit-holders.

Apart from a possible certification of the sustainability process, compliance with the requirements for environmentally sustainable business activities set out in Art. 3 of the Taxonomy-Regulation is neither confirmed by an auditor nor verified by third parties.

The level of investment in environmentally sustainable business activities is measured in terms of sales revenue based on available data. This allows for better comparability (also for investors) with other indicators to show sustainability. The management company currently receives this data from third parties (research providers).

The asset allocation in previous periods was as follows:

	22/23	21/22
Environmental or social characteristics	96.23 %	95.72 %
Sustainable investments within the meaning of Article 2(17) of the Disclosure Regulation	96.23 %	95.72 %
Sustainable investments within the meaning of the Taxonomy Regulation	10.83 %	9.60 %
Other environmental sustainable investments	85.41 %	86.12 %
Socially sustainable investments	96.23 %	95.72 %
Environmental or social characteristics that are not categorised as sustainable investments	-	-
Other investments	3.77 %	4.28 %

### In which economic sectors were the investments made?

Economic sectors	% Share
C - MANUFACTURING	34.34
M - PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	18.58
J - INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	13.56
K - FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES	13.36
G - WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE; REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTORCYCLES	11.45
F - CONSTRUCTION	1.73
L - REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES	1.27
H - TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE	1.17
N - ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES	1.06
B - MINING AND QUARRYING	0.84
NA - NOT AVAILABLE	0.73

E - WATER SUPPLY; SEWERAGE, WASTE MANAGEMENT AND REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES	0.65
I - ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICE ACTIVITIES	0.63
D - ELECTRICITY, GAS, STEAM AND AIR CONDITIONING SUPPLY	0.61



To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy <sup>1</sup>?

	Yes		
		In fossil gas	In nuclear energ
X	No		

Sales from fossil gas and/or nuclear energy are not included in the taxonomy report. Only after the completion of the corresponding calculation methods by the European legislator and the complete availability of data, the disclosure of a possible share can be made.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds. 1. Taxonomy-alignment of investments 2. Taxonomy alignment of investments including sovereign bonds\* excluding sovereign bonds\* 10.83 % Turnover 10.83 % Turnover CapEx CapEx OpEx ОрЕх 50 100 100 Taxonomy-aligned investments: Fossil gas Taxonomy-aligned investments: Fossil gas Taxonomy-aligned investments: Nuclear energy Taxonomy-aligned investments: Nuclear energy Taxonomy-aligned investments (excluding fossil Taxonomy-aligned investments (excluding fossil gas and nuclear energy) gas and nuclear energy)

\* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

Not taxonomy-compliant

Not taxonomy-compliant

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for **fossil gas** include limitations on emissions and switching to renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensivesafety and waste management rules.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflects the "greenness" of investee companies today.
- capital expenditure
   (CapEx) shows the
   green investments
   made by investee
   companies,
   relevant for a
   transition to a
   green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

The breakdown of the share of investments for the EU taxonomy objectives mentioned in the previous questions, to which the Fund contributed, is currently only possible to a limited extent due to the insufficient data situation.

A statement is currently only possible for the following environmental objectives as defined by the Taxonomy-Regulation:

- Climate protection: 10.54 %
- Climate change adaptation: 0.55 %

The stated values refer to the Taxonomy-alignment of investments including sovereign bonds.

Due to the insufficient data situation, it is currently not possible to make a more differentiated allocation of the contribution of the sustainable facility to the stated goals.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

No data available.

How did the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy compare with previous reference periods?

The proportion of taxonomy-compliant investments in previous periods was as follows:

	22/23	21/22
Taxonomy-alignment of investments including sovereign bonds	10.83 %	9.60 %
Taxonomy alignment of investments excluding sovereign bonds	10.83 %	9.60 %

Apart from a possible certification of the sustainability process, compliance with the requirements for environmentally sustainable business activities set out in Art 3 of the Taxonomy-Regulation is neither confirmed by an auditor nor verified by third parties.

The level of investment in environmentally sustainable business activities is measured in terms of sales revenue based on available data. This allows for better comparability (also for investors) with other indicators to show sustainability. The management company currently receives this data from third parties (research providers).



# What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Other environmentally sustainable investments comprised 85.41 % of the fund assets.

The Taxonomy-Regulation currently only takes into account ecologically sustainable products and services from environmental technologies that are offered commercially. Ecologically sustainable business activities in the production of goods of other economic sectors are not referenced.

The management company believes that any action should also be evaluated according to its positive or negative contribution, and that such positive contributions are essential in the transition to a climate-friendly and/or environmentally sustainable economy. The investment process of this investment fund analyzes the ecologically sustainable business conduct of all invested companies and selects those companies where an ecologically responsible economic activity is recognized, also outside of pure environmental technologies as defined by the Taxonomy-Regulation. These investments had to comply with this sustainability approach at the time of acquisition and can therefore be classified as ecologically sustainable within the meaning of the Disclosure Regulation, irrespective of their categorization as ecologically sustainable economic activities within the meaning of the Taxonomy-Regulation.

### **Enabling activities**

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account** the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under Regulation (EU) 2020/852.



#### What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

96.23 % of the fund assets qualify as socially sustainable investments.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

# Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

Item #2 includes only demand deposits, time deposits and derivatives. Derivatives held by the investment fund are for hedging purposes, demand deposits and time deposits refer to cash held as additional liquidity. The achievement of the sustainable investment objective is not permanently impaired by these investments falling under item #2 and their use because these assets are currently considered neutral from an environmental and social perspective.

All other investments held in the Fund (# Item 1) must be qualified by the Management Company as sustainable on the basis of the predefined screening process at the time of acquisition. The application of social and environmental exclusion criteria and the proprietary ESG analysis along with the Best-In-Class approach that is based on this analysis affords a minimum degree of comprehensive basic environmental and social protection for the entire Fund.

### Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

The investment purpose of the investments included in Third Party Funds listed in Item #2 and any minimum environmental or social protections are those established and disclosed by their respective producers in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

# Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

The investment process described above was applied in full. The ESG criteria were complied with continuously in terms of the environmental, social, and ethical exclusion criteria as well as the ESG analysis conducted via the Management Company's proprietary ESGenius model. This was ensured by the quarterly review and update of the investable universe by the responsible Responsible Investments team as well as a daily review of the investment fund by Risk Management.

The Fund is subject to the engagement policy that the Management Company has defined in accordance with Article 3g of Regulation (EU) 2007/36. This sets forth extensive focuses on environmental and social topics.

The complete engagement policy can be found on the Management Company's website: Stewardship\_Policy\_EN

All engagement activities undertaken by the Management Company are presented in the annual engagement reports.

These can be viewed on the following website:

https://www.erste-am.at/en/private-investors/sustainability/publications-and-guidelines#/active-ownership

The management company exercises its rights as a shareholder in accordance with its voting policy. This policy and the detailed voting behavior of the management company for the past calendar year are available on the following website:

https://cdn0.erstegroup.com/content/dam/at/eam/common/files/ESG/VotingPolicy/EAM\_Voting\_Policy\_EN.pdf

# Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by external management companies

All invested investment funds managed by external management companies shall be officially classified as Art. 8 or Art. 9 in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation by their manufacturer or at least comply with good governance rules. This is not applicable to invested government bond funds.

The monitoring of environmental or social characteristics is ensured by the investment process described above as well as by the daily review of all investments in investment funds managed by external management companies by the risk management of the management company. It is assumed that the indirect investments held in investment funds managed by third party management companies are reviewed by the risk management processes of these management companies and therefore comply with all regulatory requirements.



### Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

### How did this financial product perform compared to the reference benchmark?

No index was assigned as a reference benchmark for the attainment of environmental and/or social characteristics.

- How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index?
  Not applicable
- How did this financial product perform with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?

Not applicable

- How did this financial product perform compared with the reference benchmark?
  Not applicable
- How did this financial product perform compared with the broad market index?
  Not applicable

### **Fund Rules**

### **ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL**

The Fund Rules for **ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL**, jointly owned fund pursuant to the **Austrian Investment Fund Act** (**Investmentfondsgesetz**; **InvFG**) **2011** as **amended**, were approved by the Austrian Financial Market Authority (FMA).

The Fund is an undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities (UCITS) and is managed by Erste Asset Management GmbH (the "Management Company" in the following), which has its registered office in Vienna.

### Article 1 Fund Units

The joint ownership of the fund assets is evidenced by certificates having the characteristics of a bearer unit.

The unit certificates are depicted in separate global certificates for each unit category. For this reason, individual unit certificates cannot be issued.

# Article 2 Depositary Bank (Depositary)

The depositary bank (depositary) appointed for the Fund is Erste Group Bank AG, Vienna.

The payment offices for unit certificates are the depositary bank (depositary) and any other payment offices named in the prospectus.

### Article 3 Investment Instruments and Principles

The following assets may be selected for the Fund in accordance with the InvFG.

The Fund invests predominantly, in other words at least 51% of its assets, in stocks from companies around the world operating under business policies that the Management Company has determined to be sustainable on the basis of a predefined screening process in the form of directly purchased individual instruments, in other words not indirectly or directly through investment funds or through derivatives. There are no restrictions with regard to the location of the issuer's registered office.

The fund assets are invested in the following instruments in accordance with the investment focus described above.

The Fund may invest in units in investment funds with investment restrictions that deviate from those of the Fund in terms of the investment focus described above and the restrictions regarding investment instruments defined below. This will not impair compliance with the investment focus described above at any time.

#### a) Transferable securities

Transferable securities (including securities with embedded derivative financial instruments) comprise **at least 51**% of the fund assets.

### b) Money market instruments

Money market instruments may comprise up to 49% of the fund assets.

### c) Transferable securities and money market instruments

The Fund may purchase transferable securities and money market instruments that are not fully paid up as well as subscription rights for these types of instruments and other financial instruments that are not fully paid up amounting to a **maximum of 10%** of the fund assets.

Transferable securities and money market instruments may be purchased for the Fund when they meet the criteria regarding listing or trading on a regulated market or a securities exchange pursuant to the InvFG.

Transferable securities and money market instruments that do not meet the criteria described in the previous paragraph may comprise **up to 10%** of the fund assets **in total**.

#### d) Units in investment funds

Units in investment funds (UCITS, UCI) may comprise **up to 10**% of the fund assets per individual issue and may comprise **up to 10**% **in aggregate total**, provided that the target funds themselves (UCITS, UCI) do not invest more than **10**% of their fund assets in units of other investment funds.

### e) Derivative financial instruments

Derivative financial instruments can be used as part of the investment strategy and for hedging purposes, and may comprise **up to 35**% of the fund assets.

#### f) Risk measurement method(s) of the Fund

The Fund applies the following risk measurement method: commitment approach

The commitment value is determined according to § 3 of the 4th FMA Regulation on Risk Calculation and Reporting of Derivative Instruments (4. Derivate-Risikoberechnungs- und MeldeV) as amended.

#### g) Demand deposits or deposits with the right to be withdrawn

Demand deposits and deposits with the right to be withdrawn with a maximum term of 12 months may comprise **up to 49**% of the fund assets.

There are no minimum bank balance requirements.

However, in the course of the restructuring of the fund portfolio and/or in the case of the justified expectation of impending losses experienced by transferable securities, the Fund can hold a proportion of transferable securities below the specified limit and a higher proportion of demand deposits or deposits with the right to be withdrawn with a maximum term of 12 months.

#### h) Acceptance of short-term loans

The Management Company may accept short-term loans for the account of the Fund **up to an amount of 10**% of the total fund assets.

#### i) Repurchase agreements

Does not apply.

### j) Securities lending

Does not apply.

Investment instruments may only be purchased for the entire Fund and not for individual unit categories or groups of unit categories.

This does not apply to currency hedging transactions, however. Such transactions can also be concluded solely for a single unit category. Expenses and income resulting from currency hedging transactions shall be allocated solely to the respective unit category.

### Article 4 Issue and Redemption Procedure

The unit value shall be calculated in the currency of the respective unit category.

The unit value is calculated at the same time as the issue and redemption price.

#### Issue of units and front-end surcharge

The issue price will be calculated and units issued on each Austrian exchange trading day with the exception of bank holidays.

The issue price shall be made up of the unit value plus a surcharge per unit amounting to **up to 5.0**% to cover the costs incurred by the Management Company in issuing the unit, rounded up to the next equivalent sub-unit of the currency unit specified for the respective unit category in the prospectus.

The Management Company shall be entitled to apply a sliding front-end surcharge scale at its own discretion.

There is no limit on the issue of units in principle. However, the Management Company reserves the right to temporarily or permanently suspend the issue of unit certificates.

#### Redemption of units and back-end commission

The redemption price will be calculated and units redeemed on each Austrian exchange trading day with the exception of bank holidays.

The redemption price is the unit value rounded down to the next equivalent sub-unit of the currency unit specified for the respective unit category in the prospectus. No back-end commission will be charged.

Upon request by the Unit-holder, his units shall be redeemed at the current redemption price in return for the unit certificate.

### Article 5 Accounting Year

The accounting year of the Fund is from 1 December to 30 November.

# Article 6 Unit Categories and Use of Earnings

The Fund features three different unit categories and the corresponding certificates: dividend-bearing units, non-dividend-bearing units with capital gains tax withholding, and non-dividend-bearing units without capital gains tax withholding, with certificates being issued for one unit each and also for fractional units.

Various unit categories may be issued for this Fund. The creation of unit categories and the issue of units of a specific category shall be decided at the discretion of the Management Company.

#### Use of earnings for dividend-bearing units

The earnings generated during the accounting year (interest and dividends) less all costs can be distributed as deemed appropriate by the Management Company. Dividend disbursement may be omitted in the interests of the Unit-holders. Dividends may also be disbursed at the discretion of the Management Company from earnings generated by the sale of fund assets, including subscription rights. Disbursements of fund assets and interim dividends may be paid.

The fund assets may in no case fall below the legally stipulated minimum volume for termination as a result of dividend disbursements.

The amounts shall be paid to the holders of dividend-bearing units **on or after 1 March** of the following accounting year. The remaining amount shall be carried forward.

An amount calculated in accordance with the InvFG must also be paid out **on or after 1 March** to cover the capital gains tax assessed by the tax authorities on the dividend-equivalent earnings from the fund units unless the Management Company provides suitable proof from the banks managing the corresponding securities accounts that the unit certificates can only be held by Unit-holders who are not subject to Austrian personal income tax or corporation tax or who meet the conditions for exemption from capital gains tax according to § 94 of the Austrian Income Tax Act (Einkommensteuergesetz) at the time of payment.

#### Use of earnings for non-dividend-bearing units with capital gains tax withholding

The earnings generated by the Fund during the accounting year less all costs will not be paid out. In the case of non-dividend-bearing units, an amount calculated in accordance with the InvFG must be paid out on **or after 1 March** to cover the capital gains tax assessed by the tax authorities on the dividend-equivalent earnings from the fund units unless the Management Company provides suitable proof from the banks managing the corresponding securities accounts that the unit certificates can only be held by Unit-holders who are not subject to Austrian personal income tax or corporation tax or who meet the conditions for exemption from capital gains tax according to § 94 of the Austrian Income Tax Act (Einkommensteuergesetz) at the time of payment.

Use of earnings for non-dividend-bearing units without capital gains tax withholding (KESt-exempt non-dividend domestic and foreign unit category)

The earnings generated by the Fund during the accounting year less all costs will not be paid out. No payment pursuant to the InvFG will be made. The reference date for the exemption from KESt payment for the profit for the year for the purposes of the InvFG shall be **1 March** of the following accounting year.

The Management Company shall provide suitable proof from the banks managing the corresponding securities accounts that the unit certificates can only be held by Unit-holders who are not subject to Austrian personal income tax or corporation tax or who meet the conditions for exemption from capital gains tax according to § 94 of the Austrian Income Tax Act (Einkommensteuergesetz) at the time of payment.

If these requirements are not met at the time of payment, the amount calculated pursuant to the InvFG must be paid out by the credit institution managing the respective securities account.

# Article 7 Management Fee, Compensation for Expenses, Liquidation Fee

The Management Company shall receive an **annual** fee for its administrative activities amounting to **up to 1.80**% of the fund assets as calculated and accrued on the basis of the daily fund volume. The fee will be charged to the fund assets once per month.

The Management Company shall be entitled to compensation for all expenses incurred in the administration of the Fund.

The Management Company shall be entitled to apply a sliding management fee scale at its own discretion.

The costs for the introduction of new unit categories for existing investment funds shall be assessed against the unit price of the new unit categories.

Upon liquidation of the Fund, the party processing the liquidation shall receive a fee in the amount of **0.5**% of the fund assets.

Further information and details about this Funds can be found in the prospectus.

#### **Annex to the Fund Rules**

#### List of exchanges with official trading and organised markets

(As of October 2021)

# 1. Exchanges with official trading and organised markets in the Member States of the EEA as well as exchanges in European countries outside of the EEA considered to be equivalent to regulated markets

Every Member State must maintain a current list of the authorised markets within its territory. This list must be submitted to the other Member States and the Commission.

According to this provision, the Commission is required to publish a list of the regulated markets registered with it by the Member States once per year.

Because of lower entry barriers and specialisation in different trading segments, the list of "regulated markets" is subject to significant changes. For this reason, the Commission will publish an up-to-date version of the list on its official website in addition to the annual publication of a list in the Official Journal of the European Union.

#### 1.1. The currently valid list of regulated markets can be found at

https://registers.esma.europa.eu/publication/searchRegister?core=esma registers upreg \*

### 1.2. The following exchanges are included in the list of regulated markets:

1.2.1. Luxembourg: Euro MTF Luxembourg

#### 1.3. Recognised markets in the EEA according to § 67 (2) 2 InvFG:

Markets in the EEA that have been classified as recognised markets by the competent supervisory authorities.

#### 2. Exchanges in European countries outside of the EEA

2.1. Bosnia and Herzegovina: Sarajevo, Banja Luka

2.2. Montenegro: Podgorica

2.3. Russia: Moscow Exchange

2.4. Switzerland: SIX Swiss Exchange AG, BX Swiss AG

2.5. Serbia: Belgrade

2.6. Turkey: Istanbul (only "National Market" on the stock market)

2.7. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern

Ireland:

Cboe Europe Equities Regulated Market – Integrated Book Segment, London Metal Exchange, Cboe Europe Equities Regulated Market – Reference Price Book Segment, Cboe Europe Equities Regulated Market – Off-Book Segment, London Stock Exchange Regulated Market (derivatives), NEX Exchange Main Board (non-equity), London Stock Exchange Regulated Market, NEX Exchange Main Board (equity), Euronext London Regulated Market, ICE FUTURES EUROPE, ICE FUTURES EUROPE – AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS DIVISION, ICE FUTURES EUROPE – FINANCIAL PRODUCTS DIVISION, ICE FUTURES EUROPE – EQUITY PRODUCTS DIVISION, and Gibraltar Stock Exchange

#### 3. Exchanges in non-European countries

3.1. Australia: Sydney, Hobart, Melbourne, Perth

3.2. Argentina: Buenos Aires

3.3. Brazil: Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo

3.4. Chile: Santiago

3.5. China: Shanghai Stock Exchange, Shenzhen Stock Exchange

3.6. Hongkong: Hongkong Stock Exchange3.7. India: Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal

3.8. Indonesia: Jakarta

<sup>\*)</sup> To open the list, select "Regulated market" under "Entity type" in the column on the left side of the page and then click "Search" (or "Show table columns" and "Update"). The link can be changed by the ESMA.

3.9. Israel: Tel Aviv 3.10. Japan: Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Fukuoka, Sapporo Canada: 3.11. Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal 3.12. Colombia: Bolsa de Valores de Colombia 3.13. Korea: Korea Exchange (Seoul, Busan) 3.14. Malaysia: Kuala Lumpur, Bursa Malaysia Berhad 3.15. Mexiko: Mexiko City 3.16. New Zealand: Wellington, Auckland 3.17. Peru: Bolsa de Valores de Lima 3.18. Philippines: Philippine Stock Exchange 3.19. Singapore: Singapore Stock Exchange 3.20. South Africa: Johannesburg 3.21. Taiwan: Taipei 3.22. Thailand: Bangkok 3.23. USA: New York, NYCE American, New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, Cincinnati, Nasdaq 3.24. Venezuela: Caracas 3.25. Vereinigte Arab Emirates: Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) 4. Organised markets in countries outside of the European Union 4.1. Japan: over the counter market 4.2. Canada: over the counter market 4.3. Korea: over the counter market 4.4. Switzerland: over the counter market of the members of the International Capital Market Association (ICMA), Zurich 4.5. USA: over the counter market (under the supervision of an authority such as the SEC, FINRA, etc.) 5. Exchanges with futures and options markets Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires 5.1. Argentina: 5.2. Australia: Australian Options Market, Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) 5.3. Brazil: Bolsa Brasiliera de Futuros, Bolsa de Mercadorias & Futuros, Rio de Janeiro Stock Exchange, Sao Paulo Stock Exchange 5.4. Hong Kong: Hong Kong Futures Exchange Ltd. 5.5. Japan: Osaka Securities Exchange, Tokyo International Financial Futures Exchange, Tokyo Stock Exchange 5.6. Canada: Montreal Exchange, Toronto Futures Exchange 5.7. Korea: Korea Exchange (KRX) 5.8. Mexiko: Mercado Mexicano de Derivados 5.9. New Zealand: New Zealand Futures & Options Exchange 5.10. Manila International Futures Exchange Philippines: 5.11. Singapore: The Singapore Exchange Limited (SGX) 5.12. South Africa: Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE), South African Futures Exchange (SAFEX) 5.13. **TurkDEX** Turkey: NYCE American, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Chicago Board of Trade, 5.14. USA: Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Comex, FINEX, ICE Future US Inc. New York, Nasdaq, New York Stock Exchange, Boston Options Exchange (BOX)

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