

## PUBLIC RI REPORT

**2021 PILOT** 

Martin Currie Investment Management

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# About this report

The PRI Reporting Framework helps to build a common language and industry standard for reporting responsible investment activities. **Public RI Reports** provide accountability and transparency on signatories' responsible investment activities and support dialogue within signatories' organisations, as well as with their clients, beneficiaries and other stakeholders.

This **Public RI Report** is an export of the signatory's responses to the PRI Reporting Framework during the 2021 reporting period. It includes the signatory's responses to mandatory indicators, as well as responses to voluntary indicators that the signatory has agreed to make public.

The information is presented exactly as it was reported. Where an indicator offered a multiple-choice response, all options that were available to select from are included for context. While presenting the information verbatim results in lengthy reports, the approach is informed by signatory feedback that signatories prefer that the PRI does not summarise the information.

# Context

In consultation with signatories, between 2018 and 2020 the PRI extensively reviewed the Reporting and Assessment processes and set the ambitious objective of launching in 2021 a completely new investor Reporting Framework, together with a new reporting tool.

We ran the new investor Reporting and Assessment process as a pilot in its first year, and such process included providing additional opportunities for signatories to provide feedback on the Reporting Framework, the online reporting tool and the resulting reports. The feedback from this pilot phase has been, and is continuing to be analysed, in order to identify any improvements that can be included in future reporting cycles.

# PRI disclaimer

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# Senior Leadership Statement (SLS)

# Senior leadership statement

#### Our commitment

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
SLS 1 S1	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Our commitment	GENERAL

- Why does your organisation engage in responsible investment?
- What is your organisation's overall approach to responsible investment?
- What are the main differences between your organisation's approach to responsible investment in its ESG practice and in other practices, across asset classes?

Investing to create long-term, sustainable value is at the heart of our business. We believe that sustainability or environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors create risks and opportunities for investors. It is in the interests of our clients to consider these factors when making an investment in a company, and for the companies themselves to manage these appropriately. We believe the sustainability of a company's business model is critical to maintaining its competitive industrial positioning and strong capital returns. Incorporating ESG analysis alongside traditional financial analysis provides valuable insight into the companies we invest in and the quality of the management in those companies. In our view there are three core strands to ESG analysis: Identification, Integration and Active Ownership. Engagement is key to our approach and helps identify good management teams, understand their motivation and determine whether their interests are aligned with minority investors. Our process and relationships with external data providers is overseen and managed by our Head of Stewardship and ESG, who is independent of the investment teams and responsible for oversight of our overall approach and reporting on stewardship activities. There are various key differentiators to our approach. Firstly, ESG factors are deeply embedded in our investment process. ESG is not an 'optional added extra' for specific clients but is fundamental to our understanding of the companies in which we invest and has been a standard component of our stock research template since 2008. Our ESG research is led by the people who know the companies best – our investors, not a separate ESG team. Active ownership is key to our approach, engaging with investee companies, guiding them towards positive change, creating advocacy through proxy voting and driving improved outcomes for our clients. A set of proprietary tools and frameworks has enabled us to develop a market leading approach. This includes mapping the activities of companies to the UN SDGs and an extensive array of carbon analytics that provide insights into the potential risks and opportunities that climate change presents. As a well-established and trusted source of guidance, we have taken the opportunity to work with broader investor groups such as PRI collaborative engagements, Climate Action 100+ and TCFD, taking a key role in driving industry policy.

### Annual overview

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
SLS 1 S2	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Annual overview	GENERAL

- o Discuss your organisation's progress during the reporting year on the responsible investment issue you consider most relevant or material to your organisation or its assets.
- Reflect on your performance with respect to your organisation's responsible investment objectives and targets during the reporting year. This might involve e.g. outlining your single most important achievement, or describing your general progress, on topics such as the following:
  - $\circ$  refinement of ESG analysis and incorporation
  - stewardship activities with investees and/or with policy makers
  - collaborative engagements
  - attainment of responsible investment certifications and/or awards

In such a tumultuous year, there was much for us as investors, to rapidly assess, evaluate and learn from. Amid the unprecedented human, economic and societal impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak there were several key areas of progress.

Our proactive engagement with companies was as strong as ever during 2020, despite global travel restrictions. Throughout the crisis, we have been keen to provide as much information as possible to our clients on the activities of our investment teams. We initiated weekly investment updates and calls on all of our strategies framed specifically around our engagements with companies. In addition, we produced a wide-reaching content series (the Aftermath), which analysed the impacts of COVID-19 on the global economy, equity markets, society, politics, the environment, and our portfolios.

As part of our commitment to broadening our ESG transparency and, in response to client requests, we also published the first issue of Stewardship Matters – our regular review of Martin Currie's work in stewardship and ESG, providing insights into future trends and a full update of our engagement and voting activities.

Over the past year we have also been refining the analytical framework that our investment teams use to scale ESG research findings across all our investment universes. This proprietary scoring system helps our investors to consistently measure the way companies' approach ESG, to identify potential risks and to inform our engagement work with companies, guiding them towards positive change.

We have been analysing climate risk in portfolios for some time and we have recently developed a proprietary Carbon Value-at-Risk tool to help us understand the sensitivity and potential impact of carbon pricing on a company's earnings and market cap. This helps us to better understand the future impact of climate and energy policy changes on companies and portfolios.

In addition, as part of Martin Currie's Country Risk Framework tool, we undertook analysis to look at the capabilities and preparedness of individual countries in relation to climate change, including factors such as carbon emissions, air pollution and vulnerabilities to physical risk. Addressing climate change requires co-ordinated action across the financial industry and during 2020 we became signatories of Climate Action 100+, the largest collaborative engagement focused on higher-emitting sectors.

During the year we also joined the Taskforce for Climate Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) - a globally recognised disclosure framework developed by the Financial Stability Board, designed to provide decision useful information on climate related risks and opportunities for better integration of the financial impacts of climate change into the investment process.

Finally, 2020 was also a significant year in terms of policy development. Key regulations included the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR) under which we have ensured that all of our EU-domiciled funds are consistent with the disclosure requirements of 'Article 8' (having environmental or social characteristics).

## Next steps

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
SLS 1 S3	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Next steps	GENERAL

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

Attention will be on climate change in the run up to COP26 in Glasgow and we are looking at the detailed implications of signing up to having an authentic commitment to Net Zero as a business. Biodiversity risk is closely linked to climate change and is a second area where we plan to expand our analysis.

As the world becomes more digitalised, cybersecurity and data privacy are becoming increasingly prominent in our analysis, as is modern slavery and human rights in supply chains.

Reporting on our stewardship activities is also evolving - we have a specific project focused on building on leadership in this area.

#### Endorsement

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
SLS 1 S4	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Endorsement	GENERAL

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

Name	Julian Ide
Position	CEO
Organisation's name	Martin Currie Investment Management

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

# Organisational Overview (OO)

# Organisational information

## Categorisation

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 1	CORE	Signatory category	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Categorisation	GENERAL

Select the type that best describes your organisation or the services you provide.

(O) Fund management

(1) This is our only (or primary) type

## Subsidiary information

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

Does your organisation have subsidiaries that are also PRI signatories in their own right?

o (A) Yes

(B) No

## Reporting year

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 3	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Reporting year	GENERAL

Indicate the year-end date for your reporting year.

	Month	Day	Year
Reporting year end date:	December	31	2020

# Assets under management

## All asset classes

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 4	CORE	OO 4.1, OO 4.2	N/A	PUBLIC	All asset classes	GENERAL

What were your total assets under management (AUM) at the end of the indicated reporting year? Provide the amount in USD.

(A) AUM of your organisation, including subsidiaries	US\$ 20,872,970,589.00
(B) AUM of subsidiaries that are PRI signatories in their own right and excluded from this submission	US\$ 0.00
(C) AUM subject to execution, advisory, custody, or research advisory only	US\$ 0.00

# Asset breakdown

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 5	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown	GENERAL

Provide a percentage breakdown of your total assets under management at the end of your indicated reporting year.

Percentage	of AUM	
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(A) Listed equity – internal	${>}75\%$
(B) Listed equity – external	0.0%
(C) Fixed income – internal	0.0%
(D) Fixed income – external	0.0%
(E) Private equity – internal	0.0%
(F) Private equity – external	0.0%
(G) Real estate – internal	0.0%
(H) Real estate – external	0.0%
${\rm (I)\ Infrastructure-internal}$	0.0%
(J) Infrastructure – external	0.0%
(K) Hedge funds – internal	0-10%
(L) Hedge funds – external	0.0%
(M) Forestry – internal	0.0%
(N) Forestry – external	0.0%
(O) Farmland – internal	0.0%

(P) Farmland – external	0.0%
(Q) Other – internal, please specify:	0.0%
(R) Other – external, please specify:	0.0%
(S) Off-balance sheet – internal	0.0%
(T) Off-balance sheet – external	0.0%

Indicator	Type of indicator	$egin{aligned}  ext{Dependent} \  ext{on} \end{aligned}$	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 5.2 LE	CORE	OO 5, OO 5.1	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown	GENERAL

## Provide a further breakdown of your listed equity assets.

## (A) Internal allocation

(1) Passive equity	0.0%
(2) Active – quantitative	0.0%
(3) Active – fundamental	>75%
(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)	0-10%
(5) Other, please specify:	0.0%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 5.2 HF	CORE	OO 5, OO 5.1	OO 9 HF, OO 10	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown	GENERAL

(A) Internal allocation

0.0%

0.0%

#### Provide a further breakdown of your hedge fund assets.

(7) Commodity trading advisor

(8) Other, please specify:

# (1) Multi strategy 0.0% (2) Long/short equity >75% (3) Long/short credit 0.0% (4) Distressed, special situations and event-driven fundamental 0.0% (5) Structured credit 0.0% (6) Global macro 0.0%

# ESG strategies

# Listed equity

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 6 LE	CORE	OO 5.2 LE	OO 6.1 LE, LE 13	PUBLIC	Listed equity	1

Which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies do you apply to your internally managed active listed equity?

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

(A) Screening alone	0.0%
(B) Thematic alone	0.0%
(C) Integration alone	25-50%
(D) Screening and integration	50-75%
(E) Thematic and integration	0.0%
(F) Screening and thematic	0.0%
(G) All three strategies combined	0.0%
(H) None	0.0%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 6.1 LE	CORE	OO 6 LE	LE 8	PUBLIC	Listed equity	1

What type of screening is applied to your internally managed active listed equity assets?

Percentage coverage out of your total listed equities where screening strategy is applied

(A) Positive/best-in-class screening only	0.0%
(B) Negative screening only	>75%
(C) A combination of positive/best-in-class and negative screening	0.0%

# Hedge funds

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 6 HF	CORE	OO 5	HF 10	PUBLIC	Hedge funds	1

Do you conduct negative screening on your hedge fund assets?

**(A)** Yes○ (B) No

# Stewardship

# Listed equity

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 9 LE	CORE	OO 5, OO 5.2 LE	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Listed equity	2

Does your organisation conduct stewardship activities for your listed equity assets?

	$\begin{array}{c} \hbox{(1) Engagement on listed equity}  - \\ \hbox{active} \end{array}$	(3) (Proxy) voting on listed equity – active
(A) Through service providers		
(C) Through internal staff	☑	☑

(D) Collaboratively	
(E) We did not conduct this stewardship activity	

# Hedge funds

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 9 HF	CORE	OO 5, OO 5.2 HF	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Hedge funds	2

Does your organisation conduct stewardship activities for your hedge fund assets?

	(1) Engagement	(2) (Proxy) voting
(A) Through service providers		
(C) Through internal staff	Ø	Z
(D) Collaboratively		
(E) We did not conduct this stewardship activity		

# **ESG** incorporation

# Internally managed assets

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 10	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Internally managed assets	1

For each internally managed asset class, select whether or not you incorporate ESG into your investment decisions.

	(1) ESG incorporated into investment decisions	
(C) Listed equity – active – fundamental	•	O
(D) Listed equity – investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)	•	0
(N) Hedge funds - Long/short equity		0

# Voluntary reporting

# Voluntary modules

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 14	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Voluntary modules	GENERAL

The following modules are voluntary to report on in the separate PRI asset class modules as they account for less than 10% of your total AUM and are under USD 10 billion. Please select if you wish to voluntarily report on the module.

	(1) Yes, report on the module	(2) No, opt out of reporting on the module
(I) Hedge funds	o	•
	atory to report on as they account for 10% or m Stewardship Policy) module is always applicable	•
	(1) Yes, repo	rt on the module
ISP: Investment and Stewardship Policy	(1) Yes, repo	ert on the module

# ESG/sustainability funds and products

## Labelling and marketing

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 16	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Labelling and marketing	GENERAL

What percentage of your assets under management in each asset class are ESG/sustainability marketed funds or products, and/or ESG/RI certified or labelled assets? Percentage figures can be rounded to the nearest 5% and should combine internally and externally managed assets.

	Percentage
(B) Listed equity – active	0-25%
(H) Hedge funds	0.0%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 16.1	CORE	OO 16	ISP 52	PUBLIC	Labelling and marketing	GENERAL

What percentage of your total assets (per asset class) carry a formal ESG/RI certification or label? Percentage figures can be rounded to the nearest 5%.

#### Coverage of ESG/RI certification or label:

(A) Listed equity	0.0%			
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# Climate investments

## Asset breakdown

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 17	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Asset breakdown	GENERAL

What percentage of your assets under management is in targeted low-carbon or climate-resilient investments?

0 -- 25%

# Other asset breakdowns

# Geographical breakdown

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
OO 18	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Geographical breakdown	GENERAL

What is the geographical breakdown of your organisation's assets under management by investment destination (i.e. where the investments are located)?

	(1) Listed equity	(9) Hedge funds
(A) Developed	50-75%	>75%
(B) Emerging	50-75%	0-25%
(C) Frontier	0.0%	0.0%
(D) Other	0.0%	0.0%

# Investment and Stewardship Policy (ISP)

# Responsible investment policy & governance

## Responsible investment policy

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 1	CORE	N/A	ISP 1.1, ISP 1.2	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy	1

Does your organisation have a formal policy or policies covering your approach to responsible investment? Your approach to responsible investment may be set out in a standalone guideline, covered in multiple standalone guidelines or be part of a broader investment policy. Your policy may cover various responsible investment elements such as stewardship, ESG guidelines, sustainability outcomes, specific climate-related guidelines, RI governance and similar.

- (A) Yes, we do have a policy covering our approach to responsible investment
- o (B) No, we do not have a policy covering our approach to responsible investment

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 1.1	CORE	ISP 1	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy	1

What elements does your responsible investment policy cover? The responsible investment elements may be set out in one or multiple standalone guidelines, or they may be part of a broader investment policy.

- ☑ (A) Overall approach to responsible investment
- ☑ (B) Guidelines on environmental factors
- (C) Guidelines on social factors
- ☑ (D) Guidelines on governance factors
- ☑ (E) Approach to stewardship
- (F) Approach to sustainability outcomes
- ☑ (G) Approach to exclusions
- (H) Asset class-specific guidelines that describe how ESG incorporation is implemented
- (I) Definition of responsible investment and how it relates to our fiduciary duty
- $\square$  (J) Definition of responsible investment and how it relates to our investment objectives
- ☑ (K) Responsible investment governance structure

☐ (L) Internal reporting and verification related to responsible investment
(L) Internal reporting and verification related to responsible investment
☐ (M) External reporting related to responsible investment
☑ (N) Managing conflicts of interest related to responsible investment
$\ensuremath{\square}$ (O) Other responsible investment aspects not listed here, please specify:
It also focuses on sustainability risk overall

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 2	CORE	ISP 1.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy	6

## Indicate which of your responsible investment policy elements are publicly available and provide links.

<b>√</b>	$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{(A) Overall approach to responsible investment. Add link(s):} \\ \textbf{https://www.martincurrie.com/\data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf} \\ \end{tabular}$
<b>√</b>	$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{(B) Guidelines on environmental factors. Add link(s):} \\ \textbf{https://www.martincurrie.com/\data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf} \\ \end{tabular}$
<b>√</b>	$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{(C) Guidelines on social factors. Add link(s):} \\ \textbf{https://www.martincurrie.com/\data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf} \\ \end{tabular}$
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<b>√</b>	$ \begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{(E) Approach to stewardship. Add link(s):} \\ \textbf{https://www.martincurrie.com/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf} \\ \textbf{https://www.martincurrie.com/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0023/3389/Stewardship-and-Engagement-Policy-2020.pdf} \\ \textbf{optimizer.} \\ optimize$
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<b>7</b>	(H) Asset class-specific guidelines that describe how ESG incorporation is implemented. Add link(s):
<b>√</b>	(I) Definition of responsible investment and how it relates to our fiduciary duty. Add link(s):
<b>√</b>	$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{(K) Responsible investment governance structure. Add link(s):} \\ \textbf{https://www.martincurrie.com/\data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf} \\ \end{tabular}$
	<ul> <li>(N) Managing conflicts of interest related to responsible investment. Add link(s):</li> <li>(O) Other responsible investment aspects [as specified] Add link(s):</li> </ul>

- $https://www.martincurrie.com/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf$
- □ (P) Our responsible investment policy elements are not publicly available

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 3	CORE	ISP 1.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy	1

What percentage of your total assets under management are covered by your policy elements on overall approach to responsible investment and/or guidelines on environmental, social and governance factors?

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

#### AUM coverage of all policy elements in total:

> 75%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 4	CORE	ISP 1.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy	1

#### Which elements does your exclusion policy include?

- ☑ (A) Legally required exclusions (e.g. those required by domestic/international law, bans, treaties or embargoes)
- $\square$  (B) Exclusions based on our organisation's values or beliefs (e.g. regarding weapons, alcohol, to bacco and/or avoiding other particular sectors, products, services or regions)
- ☑ (C) Exclusions based on screening against minimum standards of business practice based on international norms (e.g. OECD guidelines, the UN Human Rights Declaration, Security Council sanctions or the UN Global Compact)

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 5	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Responsible investment policy	1

What percentage of your total assets under management are covered by your asset class—specific guidelines that describe how ESG incorporation is implemented?

#### AUM Coverage:

(A) Listed Equity	>75%
(F) Hedge Funds	>75%

### Governance

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 6	CORE	N/A	ISP 8	PUBLIC	Governance	1

Do your organisation's board, chief-level staff, investment committee and/or head of department have formal oversight and accountability for responsible investment?

- ☐ (A) Board and/or trustees
- ☑ (B) Chief-level staff (e.g. Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO) or Chief Operating Officer (COO))
- ☑ (C) Investment committee
- $\square$  (D) Other chief-level staff, please specify:
- ☑ (E) Head of department, please specify department:
  - Head of Stewrdship and ESG
- $\square$  (F) None of the above roles have oversight and accountability for responsible investment

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 7	CORE	N/A	ISP 8	PUBLIC	Governance	1

#### In your organisation, which internal or external roles have responsibility for implementing responsible investment?

- ☐ (A) Board and/or trustees
- □ (B) Chief-level staff (e.g. Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO) or Chief Operating Officer (COO))
- ☐ (C) Investment committee
- $\square$  (D) Other chief-level staff [as specified]
- ☑ (E) Head of department [as specified]
- ☑ (F) Portfolio managers
- ☑ (G) Investment analysts
- ☑ (H) Dedicated responsible investment staff
- ☐ (I) Investor relations
- ☐ (J) External managers or service providers
- $\square$  (K) Other role, please specify:
- $\square$  (L) Other role, please specify:
- $\square$  (M) We do not have roles with responsibility for implementing responsible investment.

## People and capabilities

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 8	CORE	ISP $6$ , ISP $7$	ISP 8.1, ISP 8.2	PUBLIC	People and capabilities	General

#### What formal objectives for responsible investment do the roles in your organisation have?

	(2) Chief- level staff	(3) Investment committee	(5) Head of department [as specified]	(6) Portfolio managers	(7) Investment analysts	(8) Dedicated responsible investment staff
(A) Objective for ESG incorporation in investment activities			Ø	Ø	Ø	V
(B) Objective for contributing to the development of the organisation's ESG incorporation approach		Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø

Stewardship Indicator ISP 8.2	Type of indicator  CORE  sible investment objective	Dependent on ISP 8	Gateway to	Disclosure PUBLIC tion for roles i	Subsection  People and  n your organi	capabilities	PRI Principle General ompensation for
Stewardship Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection		PRI Principle
Stewardship						management to	
Please sner	ify for "(E) Other object	ive related to resp	onsible investme	ent".			
	l objectives for vestment exist for this						
	jective related to vestment [as specified]						
	ective related to vestment [as specified]	Ø	Ø	Ø			
(D) Objective	for ESG performance			Ø	Ø	Ø	Z
continuous ES investment de				Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø

(3) Investment committee	
(B) Objective for contributing to the development of the organisation's ESG incorporation approach	☑
(E) Other objective related to responsible investment (as specified in ISP 8 option E)	
(5) Head of department	
(A) Objective for ESG incorporation in investment activities	
(B) Objective for contributing to the development of the organisation's ESG incorporation approach	
(C) Objective for contributing to the organisation's stewardship activities (e.g. through sharing findings from continuous ESG research or investment decisions)	☑
(D) Objective for ESG performance	
(E) Other objective related to responsible investment (as specified in ISP 8 option E)	☑
(6) Portfolio managers	
(A) Objective on ESG incorporation in investment activities	
(B) Objective for contributing to the development of the organisation's ESG incorporation approach	
(C) Objective for contributing to the organisation's stewardship activities (e.g. through sharing findings from continuous ESG research or investment decisions)	☑
(D) Objective for ESG performance	

(7) Investment analysts	
(A) Objective for ESG incorporation in investment activities	
(B) Objective for contributing to the development of the organisation's ESG incorporation approach	
(C) Objective for contributing to the organisation's stewardship activities (e.g. through sharing findings from continuous ESG research or investment decisions)	
(D) Objective for ESG performance	
(8) Dedicated responsible investment staff	
(A) Objective for ESG incorporation in investment activities	
(B) Objective for contributing to the development of the organisation's ESG incorporation approach	
(C) Objective for contributing to the organisation's stewardship activities (e.g. through sharing findings from continuous ESG research or investment decisions)	☑
(D) Objective for ESG performance	

(G) We have not linked any RI objectives to variable compensation

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 9	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	People and capabilities	General

How frequently does your organisation assess the responsible investment capabilities and training needs among your investment professionals?

- (A) Quarterly or more frequently
- o (B) Bi-annually
- o (C) Annually
- o (D) Less frequently than annually
- o (E) On an ad hoc basis
- $\circ$  (F) We do not have a process for assessing the responsible investment capabilities and training needs among our investment professionals

## Strategic asset allocation

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 10	CORE	N/A	ISP 10.1	PUBLIC	Strategic asset allocation	1

#### Does your organisation incorporate ESG factors into your strategic asset allocation?

- □ (A) We incorporate ESG factors into calculations for expected risks and returns of asset classes
- $\square$  (B) We specifically incorporate physical, transition and regulatory changes related to climate change into calculations for expected risks and returns of asset classes
- $\square$  (C) No, we do not incorporate ESG considerations into our strategic asset allocation
- (D) Not applicable, we do not have a strategic asset allocation process

# Stewardship

## Stewardship policy

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 11	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship policy	2

What percentage of your assets under management does your stewardship policy cover?

(A) Listed equity	>75%
(F) Hedge funds	>75%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 12	CORE	ISP 1.1	ISP 12.1	PUBLIC	Stewardship policy	2

Which elements does your organisation's stewardship policy cover? The policy may be a standalone guideline or part of a wider RI policy.

- ☑ (A) Kev stewardship objectives
- ☑ (B) Prioritisation approach of ESG factors and their link to engagement issues and targets
- □ (C) Prioritisation approach depending on entity (e.g. company or government)
- ☑ (D) Specific approach to climate-related risks and opportunities
- ☑ (E) Stewardship tool usage across the organisation, including which, if any, tools are out of scope and when and how different tools are used and by whom (e.g. specialist teams, investment teams, service providers, external investment managers or similar)
- ☑ (F) Stewardship tool usage for specific internal teams (e.g. specialist teams, investment teams or similar)
- □ (G) Stewardship tool usage for specific external teams (e.g. service providers, external investment managers or similar)
- (H) Approach to collaboration on stewardship
- ☑ (I) Escalation strategies
- ☑ (J) Conflicts of interest
- $\square$  (K) Details on how the stewardship policy is implemented and which elements are mandatory, including how and when the policy can be overruled
- $\square$  (L) How stewardship efforts and results should be communicated across the organisation to feed into investment decision-making and vice versa
- ☐ (M) None of the above elements are captured in our stewardship policy

## Stewardship policy implementation

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 13	CORE	ISP 1.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship policy implementation	2

#### How is your stewardship policy primarily applied?

- (A) It requires our organisation to take certain actions
- $\circ$  (B) It describes default actions that can be overridden (e.g. by investment teams for certain portfolios)
- $\circ$  (C) It creates permission for taking certain measures that are otherwise exceptional
- o (D) We have not developed a uniform approach to applying our stewardship policy

## Stewardship objectives

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 15	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship objectives	2

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

	(1) Listed equity	(6) Hedge funds
(A) Maximise the risk–return profile of individual investments	0	0
(B) Maximise overall returns across the portfolio	0	0
(C) Maximise overall value to beneficiaries/clients	•	•
(D) Contribute to shaping specific sustainability outcomes (i.e. deliver impact)	0	0

# Stewardship prioritisation

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 16	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Stewardship prioritisation	2

What key criteria does your organisation use to prioritise your engagement targets? For asset classes such as real estate, private equity and infrastructure, you may consider this as key criteria to prioritise actions taken on ESG factors for assets, portfolio companies and/or properties in your portfolio. Select up to 3 options per asset class from the list.

	(1) Listed equity	(6) Hedge funds
(A) The size of our holdings in the entity or the size of the asset, portfolio company and/or property		
(B) The materiality of ESG factors on financial and/or operational performance	☑	
(C) Specific ESG factors with systemic influence (e.g. climate or human rights)		
(D) The ESG rating of the entity	☑	
(E) The adequacy of public disclosure on ESG factors/performance		
(F) Specific ESG factors based on input from clients		
(G) Specific ESG factors based on input from beneficiaries		
(H) Other criteria to prioritise engagement targets, please specify:		

(I) We do not prioritise our engagement targets	

## Collaborative stewardship

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 18	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	ISP 18.1	PUBLIC	Collaborative stewardship	2

Which of the following best describes your organisation's default position, or the position of the service providers/external managers acting on your behalf, with regards to collaborative stewardship efforts such as collaborative engagements?

- $\circ$  (A) We recognise that stewardship suffers from a collective action problem, and, as a result, we actively prefer collaborative efforts
- $\circ$  (B) We collaborate when our individual stewardship efforts have been unsuccessful or are likely to be unsuccessful, i.e. as an escalation tool
- $\circ$  (C) We collaborate in situations where doing so would minimise resource cost to our organisation
- (D) We do not have a default position but collaborate on a case-by-case basis
- o (E) We generally do not join collaborative stewardship efforts

## Escalation strategies

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 20	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Escalation strategies	2

If initial stewardship approaches were deemed unsuccessful, which of the following measures are excluded from the potential escalation actions of your organisation or those of the service providers/external managers acting on your behalf?

	(1) Listed equity	(3) Hedge funds
(A) Collaboratively engaging the entity with other investors		
(B) Filing/co-filing/submitting a shareholder resolution or proposal		
(C) Publicly engaging the entity (e.g. open letter)		

(D) Voting against the re-election of one or more board directors		
(E) Voting against the chair of the board of directors		
(F) Voting against the annual financial report		
(G) Divesting or implementing an exit strategy		
(H) We do not have any restrictions on the escalation measures we can use	Ø	

# Engaging policymakers

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 23	CORE	N/A	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Engaging policymakers	2

How does your organisation, or the external investment managers or service providers acting on your behalf, engage with policymakers for a more sustainable financial system?

- $\square$  (A) We engage with policymakers directly
- ☑ (B) We provide financial support, are members of and/or are in another way affiliated with third-party organisations, including trade associations and non-profit organisations, that engage with policymakers
- $\square$  (C) We do not engage with policy makers directly or indirectly

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 23.1	CORE	ISP 23	N/A	PUBLIC	Engaging policymakers	2

What methods do you, or the external investment managers or service providers acting on your behalf, use to engage with policymakers for a more sustainable financial system?

#### ☑ (A) We participate in "sign-on" letters on ESG policy topics. Describe:

We have provided our support to certain policy topics including for example investor letters on climate change.

#### ☑ (B) We respond to policy consultations on ESG policy topics. Describe:

We have responded to consultations for example the US Department of Labor

#### ☑ (C) We provide technical input on ESG policy change. Describe:

As a member of the Investment Association Stewardship Committee and as a member of the Investment Association Sustainability and Responsible Investment Committee we provide technical input to ESG policy change - notably in Europe.

# ☑ (D) We proactively engage financial regulators on financial regulatory topics regarding ESG integration, stewardship, disclosure or similar. Describe:

We engage, in particular, with the FRC, the UK regulator, with a focus on stewardship and through their Reporting Lab on ESG reporting in particular. We have also actively engaged with the Australian regulators.

#### $\square$ (E) We proactively engage regulators and policymakers on other policy topics. Describe:

We engage on both ESG and other topics. For example we engaged specifically on the IFRS consultation on Business Combinations and Goodwill and the IASB consultation on Presentation and Disclosure.

 $\square$  (F) Other methods used to engage with policymakers. Describe:

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 23.2	CORE	ISP 23	N/A	PUBLIC	Engaging policymakers	2

Do you have governance processes in place (e.g. board accountability and oversight, regular monitoring and review of relationships) that ensure your policy activities, including those through third parties, are aligned with your position on sustainable finance and your commitment to the 6 Principles of the PRI?

● (A) Yes, we have governance processes in place to ensure that our policy activities are aligned with our position on sustainable finance and our commitment to the 6 Principles of the PRI. Describe your governance processes:

Our purpose is 'Investing to Improve Lives' and one pillar of this is how we support and encourage the development of a more sustainable financial system. Our policy activities are overseen by our Head of Stewardship and ESG to ensure alignment with our commitment to the six principles of the PRI. He is also a member of the PRI Stewardship Advisory Committee, the Investment Association Stewardship and Sustainability and Responsible Investment Committees and the ICI ESG Taskforce providing an opportunity to also input to and influence the policy activities within these organisations.

o (B) No, we do not have these governance processes in place. Please explain why not:

## Engaging policymakers - Policies

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 24	CORE	ISP 23	ISP 24.1	PUBLIC	Engaging policymakers – Policies	2

Do you have policies in place that ensure that your political influence as an organisation is aligned with your position on sustainable finance and your commitment to the 6 Principles of the PRI?

#### (A) Yes, we have a policy(ies) in place. Describe your policy(ies):

Our Responsible Investment Policy sets out our overall approach to sustainability and sustainable finance. Our approach is overseen by the Investment Executive and the Head of Stewardship and ESG. This policy also frames how we consider the alignment of industry trade bodies of which we are members with our own ambitions and position on sustainable finance. where we are involved in trade bodies we look to take an active role, for example through committee memberships, in helping shape the policy direction of these bodies

o (B) No, we do not a policy(ies) in place. Please explain why not:

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 24.1	CORE	ISP 24	N/A	PUBLIC	Engaging policymakers – Policies	2

Is your policy that ensures alignment between your political influence and your position on sustainable finance publicly disclosed?

- (A) Yes. Add link(s):
  - https://www.martincurrie.com/ data/assets/pdf file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf
- o (B) No, we do not publicly disclose this policy(ies)

## Engaging policymakers – Transparency

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 25	CORE	ISP 23	N/A	PUBLIC	Engaging policymakers – Transparency	2

During the reporting year, did your organisation publicly disclose your policy engagement activities or those conducted on your behalf by external investment managers/service providers?

- $\square$  (A) We publicly disclosed details of our policy engagement activities. Add link(s):
- ☑ (B) We publicly disclosed a list of our third-party memberships in or support for trade associations, think-tanks or similar that conduct policy engagement activities with our support or endorsement. Add link(s):
- $https://www.martincurrie.com/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0022/3388/Responsible-Investment-Policy-April-2021.pdf$
- □ (C) No, we did not publicly disclose our policy engagements activities during the reporting year. Explain why:
- $\square$  (D) Not applicable, we did not conduct policy engagement activities

# Climate change

## Public support

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 26	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Public support	General

Does your organisation publicly support the Paris Agreement?

- https://theinvestoragenda.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/191201-GISGCC-FINAL-for-COP25.pdf
- o (B) No, we currently do not publicly support the Paris Agreement

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 27	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Public support	General

#### Does your organisation publicly support the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)?

- (A) Yes, we publicly support the TCFD Add link(s) to webpage or other public document/text expressing support for the TCFD:
  - https://www.fsb-tcfd.org/supporters/ We are listed under Martin Currie Investment Management Ltd
- o (B) No, we currently do not publicly support the TCFD

#### Governance

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 28	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Governance	General

#### How does the board or the equivalent function exercise oversight over climate-related risks and opportunities?

- $\square$  (A) By establishing internal processes through which the board or the equivalent function are informed about climate-related risks and opportunities. Specify:
- (B) By articulating internal/external roles and responsibilities related to climate. Specify:

The Executive have established the roles and responsibilities relating to climate change.

The Head of Stewardship and ESG along with the Investment Executive Committee have responsibility for overseeing the implementation of the Responsible Investment Policy and the overall approach to climate. We have a specific internal ESG Working Group led by the Head of Stewardship and ESG which includes representatives from each investment team. Responsibilities for this group include sharing best practice on issues such as climate. Day-to-day responsibility for integrating our approach to climate lies with the investment managers and analysts

- (C) By engaging with beneficiaries to understand how their preferences are evolving with regard to climate change. Specify:

  Members of the Executive actively engage with our asset owner clients to understand how their preferences are evolving with regard to climate change and how we, as asset managers, can support them in their ambitions.
- ☑ (D) By incorporating climate change into investment beliefs and policies. Specify:

The Head of Stewardship and ESG along with the Investment Executive Committee have responsibility for overseeing the implementation of the Responsible Investment Policy and approves the Responsible Investment Policy. This incorporates our approach to climate change.

We have an internal ESG Working Group led by the Head of Stewardship and ESG that reviews the Responsible Investment Policy to reflect any enhancements to our approach as needed.

- $\square$  (E) By monitoring progress on climate-related metrics and targets. Specify:
- (F) By defining the link between fiduciary duty and climate risks and opportunities. Specify:

The Head of Stewardship and ESG along with the Investment Executive Committee have responsibility for overseeing the implementation of the Responsible Investment Policy and approves the Responsible Investment Policy. This sets out our approach and duty to clients as well as our approach to climate change risks and opportunities.

We have an internal ESG Working Group led by the Head of Stewardship and ESG that reviews the Responsible Investment Policy to reflect any enhancements to our approach as needed.

П	l (G)	Other	measures	to	exercise	oversight.	$\mathbf{p}$	ease	specify

☐ (H) The board or the equivalent function does not exercise oversight over climate-related risks and opportunities

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 29	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Governance	General

#### What is the role of management in assessing and managing climate-related risks and opportunities?

# (A) Management is responsible for identifying climate-related risks/opportunities and reporting them back to the board or the equivalent function. Specify:

Day-to-day responsibility for identifying climate-related risks and opportunities sits with the investment teams - the portfolio managers and analysts. The Investment Executive and the Head of Stewardship and ESG are responsible for overseeing this. The Investment Executive are also all members of the Executive. The Head of Stewardship and ESG reports to the Executive as necessary.

#### ☑ (B) Management implements the agreed-upon risk management measures. Specify:

Day-to-day responsibility for identifying climate-related risks and opportunities and implementing any agreed-upon risk management measures sits with the investment teams - the portfolio managers and analysts. The Head of Investment Risk and the Head of Stewardship and ESG oversee the implementation of any relevant agreed risk measures.

### (C) Management monitors and reports on climate-related risks and opportunities. Specify:

Day-to-day responsibility for identifying climate-related risks and opportunities sits with the investment teams - the portfolio managers and analysts. The Investment Executive and the Head of Stewardship and ESG are responsible for overseeing this. The Investment Executive are also all members of the Executive. The Head of Stewardship and ESG and the Head of Investment Risk monitor and oversee the reporting on climate-related risks and opportunities

# ☑ (D) Management ensures adequate resources, including staff, training and budget, are available to assess, implement and monitor climate-related risks/opportunities and measures. Specify:

The Investment Executive, in conjunction with the Head of Stewardship and ESG identify the resources required including access to data, staffing and relevant training are adequate to implement and monitor climate-related risks / opportunities

(E)	Other roles management	takes on to assess an	d manage climate-related	risks/	opportunities.	please specify:

 $<sup>\</sup>square$  (F) Our management does not have responsibility for assessing and managing climate-related risks and opportunities

### Strategy

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 30	CORE	N/A	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Strategy	General

#### Which climate-related risks and opportunities has your organisation identified within its investment time horizon(s)?

### ☑ (A) Specific financial risks in different asset classes. Specify:

As an equity only manager our approach is focused on this asset class. Climate change analysis is integrated as standard as part of our approach. Responsibility for this sits with the portfolio managers. We have developed a proprietary Carbon Value-at-Risk model, which, alongside carbon footprinting, external data and tools such as the Transition Pathway Initiative help us identify specific financial risks.

#### ☑ (B) Specific sectors and/or assets that are at risk of being stranded. Specify:

Climate change analysis is integrated as standard as part of our approach. Responsibility for this sits with the portfolio managers. We have developed a proprietary Carbon Value-at-Risk model, which, alongside carbon footprinting, external data and tools such as the Transition Pathway Initiative help us identify specific sectors or assets that are at risk of being stranded.

### ☑ (C) Assets with exposure to direct physical climate risk. Specify:

Climate change analysis is integrated as standard as part of our approach and considers both transition and physical risk.

Responsibility for this sits with the portfolio managers. Exposure to direct physical risk is most evident in, for example (listed) infrastructure / real assets. We have access to external data and tools that also help in this analysis and help us identify assets that are exposed to direct physical risk.

#### ☑ (D) Assets with exposure to indirect physical climate risk. Specify:

Climate change analysis is integrated as standard as part of our approach and considers both transition and physical risk.

Responsibility for this sits with the portfolio managers. We recognise that for some companies the physical risk sits within their supply chain. Supply chain analysis is part of our overall analysis however we note that disclosure around this is very variable. There are some useful tools which can aid in this analysis but this remains work in progress

### ☑ (E) Specific sectors and/or assets that are likely to benefit under a range of climate scenarios. Specify:

We know that the addressing climate change will require a significant change to the current economic model. The transition to a lower carbon economy will create opportunities for innovative companies that are able to develop products or services that will benefit from this transition alongside companies that are already in a position to benefit from likely shifts in demand. Our climate and related analysis looks to understand these trends and identify potential beneficiaries under different scenarios.

### ☑ (F) Specific sectors and/or assets that contribute significantly to achieving our climate goals. Specify:

We know that the addressing climate change will require a significant change to the current economic model. The transition to a lower carbon economy will create opportunities for innovative companies that are able to develop products or services that can contribute significantly to achieving the aims of the Paris Agreement. Our climate and related analysis looks identify those companies in a position to make a significant contribution.

#### ☑ (G) Other climate-related risks and opportunities identified. Specify:

As an asset manager we also recognise the role that we play in supporting the evolution of a sustainable financial system and in addressing climate change. As an equity manager there is a clear role and opportunity for engagement in helping drive this change. Engagement around climate change is one area of focus for us.

☐ (H) We have not identified specific climate-related risks and opportunities within our organisation's investment time horizon

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 30.1	CORE	ISP 30	N/A	PUBLIC	Strategy	General

For each of the identified climate-related risks and opportunities, indicate within which investment time-horizon they were identified.

	(1) 3–5 months	(2) 6 months to 2 years	(3) 2–4 years	(4) 5–10 years
(A) Specific financial risks in different asset classes [as specified]			Ø	
(B) Specific sectors and/or assets that are at risk of being stranded [as specified]				Ø
(C) Assets with exposure to direct physical climate risk [as specified]			Ø	
(D) Assets with exposure to indirect physical climate risk [as specified]			Ø	
(E) Specific sectors and/or assets that are likely to benefit under a range of climate scenarios [as specified]				☑
(F) Specific sectors and/or assets that contribute significantly to achieving our climate goals [as specified]				☑
(G) Other climate-related risks and opportunities identified [as specified]			Ø	

	(5) 11–20 years	s (6)	21-30  years	(7) > 30  years
(A) Specific financial risks in different asset classes [as specified]				
(B) Specific sectors and/or assets that are at risk of being stranded [as specified]				
(C) Assets with exposure to direct physical climate risk [as specified]				
(D) Assets with exposure to indirect physical climate risk [as specified]				
(E) Specific sectors and/or assets that are likely to benefit under a range of climate scenarios [as specified]				
(F) Specific sectors and/or assets that contribute significantly to achieving our climate goals [as specified]				
(G) Other climate-related risks and opportunities identified [as specified]				
Indicator Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection PRI Principle

### Which climate-related risks and opportunities has your organisation identified beyond its investment time horizon(s)?

N/A

### ☑ (A) Specific financial risks in different asset classes. Specify:

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As an equity only manager our approach is focused on this asset class. Climate change analysis is integrated as standard as part of our approach. Responsibility for this sits with the investment managers. We recognise that climate change risks will evolve and develop over time. In terms of specific financial risks beyond our usual time horizon these relate in particular to unanticipated policy direction and an unanticipated escalation in the physical effects of climate change.

N/A

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Strategy

General

We have written a number for research papers to help frame some of these risks - these can be found on our website.

### ☑ (B) Specific sectors and/or assets that are at risk of being stranded. Specify:

In the case of some sectors assets may risk being stranded beyond our normal investment time horizon however we look to understand the overall direction of travel even if 'stranding' does not actually occur within our time horizon. In particular the scenarios produced by Inevitable Policy Response and the IEA help frame the longer terms risks to sectors / assets.

### ☑ (C) Assets with exposure to direct physical climate risk. Specify:

Under most scenarios physical climate risk is likely to magnify for a considerable period of time which will extend beyond our normal investment time horizon. We have written a number of research papers to help frame our thinking in this area (available on our website) and leverage both external research papers as well as some of the data tools to help assess these longer term risks.

### ☑ (D) Assets with exposure to indirect physical climate risk. Specify:

We recognise that for some companies the physical risk sits within their supply chain. Supply chain analysis is part of our overall analysis however we note that disclosure around this is very variable. There are some useful tools which can aid in this analysis but this remains work in progress.

### ☑ (E) Specific sectors and/or assets that are likely to benefit under a range of climate scenarios. Specify:

We know that addressing climate change will require a significant change to the current economic model. The transition to a lower carbon economy will create opportunities for innovative companies that are able to develop products or services that will benefit from this transition alongside companies that are already in a position to benefit from likely shifts in demand. In some cases significant shifts in demand or the market for new products may not materialise for some considerable time but we also recognise that the market will anticipate this change.

### ☑ (F) Specific sectors and/or assets that contribute significantly to achieving our climate goals. Specify:

We know that the addressing climate change will require a significant change to the current economic model. The transition to a lower carbon economy will create opportunities for innovative companies that are able to develop products or services that can contribute significantly to achieving the aims of the Paris Agreement. Our climate and related analysis looks identify those companies who may in future be in a position to make a significant contribution.

- □ (G) Other climate-related risks and opportunities identified, please specify:
- ☐ (H) We have not identified specific climate-related risks and opportunities beyond our organisation's investment time horizon

### Strategy: Scenario analysis

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 33	CORE	N/A	ISP 33.1	PUBLIC	Strategy: Scenario analysis	General

Does your organisation use scenario analysis to assess climate-related investment risks and opportunities? Select the range of scenarios used.

- ☑ (A) An orderly transition to a 2°C or lower scenario
- ☑ (B) An abrupt transition consistent with the Inevitable Policy Response
- (C) A failure to transition, based on a 4°C or higher scenario
- $\square$  (D) Other climate scenario, specify:
- □ (E) We do not use scenario analysis to assess climate-related investment risks and opportunities

# Sustainability outcomes

### Set policies on sustainability outcomes

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 40	CORE	ISP 1.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Set policies on sustainability outcomes	1, 2

Where is your approach to sustainability outcomes set out? Your policy/guideline may be a standalone document or part of a wider responsible investment policy.

☑ (	A)	Our approach	to sustainability	outcomes is set	out in our	responsible investment	policy
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- ☐ (B) Our approach to sustainability outcomes is set out in our exclusion policy
- □ (C) Our approach to sustainability outcomes is set out in our stewardship policy
- □ (D) Our approach to sustainability outcomes is set out in asset class–specific investment guidelines
- $\square$  (E) Our approach to sustainability outcomes is set out in separate guidelines on specific outcomes (e.g. the SDGs, climate or human rights)

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 41	CORE	ISP 1.1	N/A	PUBLIC	Set policies on sustainability outcomes	1, 2

Which global or regionally recognised frameworks do your policies and guidelines on sustainability outcomes refer to?

- (A) The SDG goals and targets
- ☑ (B) The Paris Agreement
- (C) The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
- $\square$  (D) The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, including guidance on Responsible Business Conduct for Institutional Investors
- $\square$  (E) Other frameworks, please specify:
- $\square$  (F) Other frameworks, please specify:

### Identify sustainability outcomes

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 43	CORE	N/A	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Identify sustainability outcomes	1

Has your organisation identified the intended and unintended sustainability outcomes from any of its activities?

- (A) No, we have not identified the sustainability outcomes from our activities
- (B) Yes, we have identified one or more sustainability outcomes from some or all of our activities

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 44	CORE	ISP 43	ISP 44.1	PUBLIC	Identify sustainability outcomes	1

What frameworks/tools did your organisation use to identify the sustainability outcomes from its activities? Indicate the tools or frameworks you have used to identify and map some or all of your sustainability outcomes.

- ☑ (A) The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets
- ☑ (B) The Paris Agreement
- (C) The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)
- $\square$  (D) The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, including guidance on Responsible Business Conduct for Institutional Investors
- ☑ (E) The EU Taxonomy
- ☐ (F) Other taxonomies (e.g. similar to the EU Taxonomy), please specify:
- $\square$  (G) Other framework/tool, please specify:
- $\square$  (H) Other framework/tool, please specify:
- $\square$  (I) Other framework/tool, please specify:

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 44.1	CORE	ISP 44	N/A	PUBLIC	Identify sustainability outcomes	1

### At what level(s) did your organisation identify the sustainability outcomes from its activities?

(A)	At	the	asset	level

☑ (B) At the economic activity level

(C) At the company level

 $\square$  (D) At the sector level

☐ (E) At the country/region level

 $\square$  (F) At the global level

 $\square$  (G) Other level(s), please specify:

☐ (H) We do not track at what level(s) our sustainability outcomes were identified

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 45	CORE	ISP 43	SO 1	PUBLIC	Identify sustainability outcomes	1

#### How has your organisation determined your most important sustainability outcome objectives?

- ☑ (A) Identifying sustainability outcomes that are closely linked to our core investment activities
- (B) Consulting with key clients and/or beneficiaries to align with their priorities
- 🗵 (C) Assessing the potential severity (e.g. probability and amplitude) of specific negative outcomes over different timeframes
- (D) Focusing on the potential for systemic impacts (e.g. due to high level of interconnectedness with other global challenges)
- $\square$  (E) Evaluating the potential for certain outcome objectives to act as a catalyst/enabler to achieve a broad range of goals (e.g. gender or education)
- $\square$  (F) Analysing the input from different stakeholders (e.g. affected communities, civil society or similar)
- ☑ (G) Understanding the geographical relevance of specific sustainability outcome objectives
- $\square$  (H) Other method, please specify:
- $\square$  (I) We have not yet determined our most important sustainability outcome objectives

# Transparency & Confidence-Building Measures

### Information disclosed – ESG assets

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 46	CORE	OO 16	N/A	PUBLIC	Information disclosed – ESG assets	6

For the majority of your ESG/sustainability marketed funds or products, and/or your ESG/RI certified or labelled assets, what information about your ESG approach do you (or the external investment managers/service providers acting on your behalf) include in material shared with clients, beneficiaries and/or the public? The material may be marketing material, information targeted towards existing or prospective clients or information for beneficiaries.

- (A) A commitment to responsible investment (e.g. that we are a PRI signatory)
- ☑ (B) Industry-specific and asset class–specific standards that we align with (e.g. TCFD, or GRESB for property and infrastructure)
- ☑ (C) Our responsible investment policy (at minimum a summary of our high-level approach)
- (D) A description of our investment process and how ESG is considered
- ☐ (E) ESG objectives of individual funds
- □ (F) Information about the ESG benchmark(s) that we use to measure fund performance
- ☑ (G) Our stewardship approach
- ☑ (H) A description of the ESG criteria applied (e.g. sectors, products, activities, ratings and similar)
- (I) The thresholds for the ESG criteria applied in our investment decisions or universe construction
- (J) A list of our main investments and holdings
- ☑ (K) ESG case study/example from existing fund(s)
- $\square$  (L)We do not include our approach to ESG in material shared with clients/beneficiaries/the public for the majority of our ESG/sustainability marketed funds or products, and/or our ESG/RI certified or labelled assets

### Client reporting – ESG assets

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 48	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Client reporting – ESG assets	6

What ESG information is included in your client reporting for the majority of your ESG/sustainability marketed funds or products, and/or your ESG/RI certified or labelled assets?

- ☑ (A) Qualitative analysis, descriptive examples or case studies
- ☑ (B) Quantitative analysis or key performance indicators (KPIs) related to ESG performance
- (C) Progress on our sustainability outcome objectives
- (D) Stewardship results
- $\square$  (E) Information on ESG incidents, where applicable
- ☐ (F) Analysis of ESG contribution to portfolio financial performance
- $\square$  (G) We do not include ESG information in client reporting for the majority of our ESG/sustainability marketed funds or products, and/or our ESG/RI certified or labelled assets

### Information disclosed – All assets

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 49	CORE	N/A	N/A	PUBLIC	Information disclosed – All assets	6

For the majority of your total assets under management, what information about your ESG approach do you (or the external managers/service providers acting on your behalf) include in material shared with clients, beneficiaries and/or the public? The material may be marketing material, information targeted towards existing or prospective clients or information for beneficiaries.

- (A) A commitment to responsible investment (e.g. that we are a PRI signatory)
- ☑ (B) Industry-specific and asset class–specific standards that we align with (e.g. TCFD, or GRESB for property and infrastructure)
- (C) Our responsible investment policy (at minimum a summary of our high-level approach)
- (D) A description of our investment process and how ESG is considered
- ☐ (E) ESG objectives of individual funds
- □ (F) Information about the ESG benchmark(s) that we use to measure fund performance
- $\square$  (G) Our stewardship approach
- (H) A description of the ESG criteria applied (e.g. sectors, products, activities, ratings and similar)
- (I) The thresholds for the ESG criteria applied in our investment decisions or universe construction
- □ (J) A list of our main investments and holdings
- ☑ (K) ESG case study/example from existing fund(s)

 $\square$  (L) We do not include our approach to ESG in material shared with clients/beneficiaries/the public for the majority of our assets under management

## Client reporting – All assets

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 50	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Client reporting – All assets	6

#### What ESG information is included in your client reporting for the majority of your assets under management?

- ☑ (A) Qualitative ESG analysis, descriptive examples or case studies
- □ (B) Quantitative analysis or key performance indicators (KPIs) related to ESG performance
- ☑ (C) Progress on our sustainability outcome objectives
- ☑ (D) Stewardship results
- $\square$  (E) Information on ESG incidents where applicable
- ☐ (F) Analysis of ESG contribution to portfolio financial performance
- □ (G) We do not include ESG information in client reporting for the majority of our assets under management

### Frequency of client reporting – All assets

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 51	CORE	Multiple, see guidance	N/A	PUBLIC	Frequency of client reporting – All assets	6

### For the majority of each asset class, how frequently do you report ESG-related information to your clients?

(A) Listed equity	(1) Quarterly
(F) Hedge funds	(1) Quarterly

## Confidence-building measures

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 52	CORE	OO 16.1	Multiple, see guidance	PUBLIC	Confidence-building measures	6

# What verification has your organisation had regarding the information you have provided in your PRI Transparency Report this year?

- $\square$  (A) We received third-party independent assurance of selected processes and/or data related to our responsible investment processes, which resulted in a formal assurance conclusion
- $\square$  (B) We conducted a third-party readiness review and are making changes to our internal controls/governance or processes to be able to conduct an external assurance next year
- $\square$  (C) The internal audit function team performed an independent audit of selected processes/and or data related to our responsible investment processes reported in this PRI report
- ☑ (D) Our board, CEO, other C-level equivalent and/or investment committee has signed off on our PRI report
- $\square$  (F) We conducted an external ESG audit of our ESG/sustainability marketed funds or products (excluding ESG/RI certified or labelled assets)
- □ (G) We conducted an external ESG audit of our holdings to check that our funds comply with our RI policy (e.g. exclusion list or investee companies in portfolio above certain ESG rating)
- $\square$  (H) We conducted an external ESG audit of our holdings as part of risk management, engagement identification or investment decision-making
- $\square$  (I) Responses related to our RI practices documented in this report have been internally reviewed before submission to the PRI
- $\Box$  (J) None of the above

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
ISP 58	CORE	ISP 52	N/A	PUBLIC	Confidence-building measures	6

### Who has reviewed/verified the entirety of or selected data from your PRI report?

(A) Board and/or trustees	(4) report not reviewed
(B) Chief-level staff (e.g. Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO) or Chief Operating Officer (COO))	(1) the entire report
(C) Investment committee	(2) most of the report

(D) Other chief-level staff, please specify:  Head of Stewardship and ESG	(1) the entire report
(E) Head of department, please specify:  Head of Stewardship and ESG	(1) the entire report
(F) Compliance/risk management team	(2) most of the report
(G) Legal team	(3) parts of the report
(H) RI/ ESG team	(1) the entire report
(I) Investment teams	(3) parts of the report

# Listed Equity (LE)

# Pre-investment phase

# Materiality analysis

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 1	CORE	OO 10	LE 1.1	PUBLIC	Materiality analysis	1

Does your organisation have a formal investment process to identify material ESG factors across listed equities?

	(3) Active – fundamental	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) Yes, we have a formal process to identify material ESG factors for all of our assets	•	•
(B) Yes, we have a formal process to identify material ESG factors for the majority of our assets	0	0

(C) Yes, we have a formal process to identify material ESG factors for a minority of our assets	0	0
(D) No, we do not have a formal process. Our investment professionals identify material ESG factors at their own discretion	0	0
(E) No, we do not have a formal process to identify material ESG factors	0	0

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 1.1	CORE	LE 1	N/A	PUBLIC	Materiality analysis	1

### How does your current investment process incorporate material ESG factors?

(3) Active - Fundamental	(4) Investment Trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
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Z	
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# Long-term ESG trend analysis

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 2	CORE	OO 10	N/A	PUBLIC	Long-term ESG trend analysis	1

Do you continuously monitor a list of identified long-term ESG trends related to your listed equity assets?

	(3) Active – fundamental	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) We monitor long-term ESG trends for all assets	•	•
(B) We monitor long-term ESG trends for the majority of assets	0	0
(C) We monitor long-term ESG trends for a minority of assets	Ο	0
(D) We do not continuously monitor long-term ESG trends in our investment process	Ο	0

# ESG incorporation

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 3	CORE	OO 10	LE 3.1	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation	1

How does your financial modelling and equity valuation process incorporate material ESG risks?

	(3) Active – fundamental	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) We incorporate governance- related risks into financial modelling and equity valuations		

and social ris	porate environmental ks into financial d equity valuations		Ø		☑	
and social ris companies' su	porate environmental ks related to upply chains into lelling and equity		Ø			
financial mod valuations at individual inv	t is incorporated into delling and equity the discretion of vestment decision- we do not track this					
	ot incorporate ESG financial modelling aluations					
Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 3.1	CORE	LE $3$	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation	1
In what prop valuation pro	portion of cases do you indocess?	corporate the follow	ing material ESC	G risks into you	r financial modelling an	d equity
(3) Active - I	Fundamental					
(A) We incorvaluations	porate governance-related	risks into financial	modelling and e	quity	(1) in all cases	
(B) We incorrelated valuations	porate environmental and	social risks into fin	ancial modelling	and equity	(1) in all cases	
	porate environmental and modelling and equity value		to companies' s	upply chains	(2) in the majority	of cases
(4) Investmen	nt Trusts (REITs and sin	nilar publicly quoted	l vehicles)			
(A) We incor	manata mayannan aa nalatad					

(B) We incorporate environmental and social risks into financial modelling and equity valuations	(1) in all cases
(C) We incorporate environmental and social risks related to companies' supply chains into financial modelling and equity valuations	(2) in the majority of cases

# Assessing ESG performance

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 4	CORE	OO 10	LE 4.1	PUBLIC	Assessing ESG performance	1

What information do you incorporate when you assess the ESG performance of companies in your financial modelling and equity valuation process?

	$(3) \ {\bf Active-fundamental}$	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) We incorporate information on current performance across a range of ESG metrics	Ø	☑
(B) We incorporate information on historical performance across a range of ESG metrics	Ø	☑
(C) We incorporate information enabling performance comparison within a selected peer group across a range of ESG metrics	Ø	☑
(D) We incorporate information on ESG metrics that may impact or influence future corporate revenues and/or profitability	Ø	✓
(E) We do not incorporate ESG factors when assessing the ESG performance of companies in our financial modelling or equity valuation		

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 4.1	CORE	${ m LE}~4$	N/A	PUBLIC	Assessing ESG performance	1

In what proportion of cases do you incorporate the following information when assessing the ESG performance of companies in your financial modelling and equity valuation process?

### (3) Active – fundamental

(A) We incorporate information on current performance across a range of ESG metrics	(1) in all cases
(B) We incorporate information on historical performance across a range of ESG metrics	(1) in all cases
(C) We incorporate information enabling performance comparison within a selected peer group across a range of ESG metrics	(2) in the majority of cases
(D) We incorporate information on ESG metrics that may impact or influence future corporate revenues and/or profitability	(1) in all cases
(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)	
(A) We incorporate information on current performance across a range of ESG metrics	(1) in all cases
(B) We incorporate information on historical performance across a range of ESG metrics	(1) in all cases
(C) We incorporate information enabling performance comparison within a selected peer group across a range of ESG metrics	(2) in the majority of cases
(D) We incorporate information on ESG metrics that may impact or influence future corporate revenues and/or profitability	(1) in all cases

# ESG incorporation in portfolio construction

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
${ m LE}~6$	CORE	OO 10	LE 6.1	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in portfolio construction	1

### How do ESG factors influence your portfolio construction?

	(3) Active – fundamental	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) The selection of individual assets within our portfolio is influenced by ESG factors	Z	
(B) The holding period of individual assets within our portfolio is influenced by ESG factors	Z	
(C) The portfolio weighting of individual assets within our portfolio or benchmark is influenced by ESG factors	Ø	
(D) The allocation of assets across multi-asset portfolios is influenced by ESG factors through the strategic asset allocation process		
(E) Other expressions of conviction (please specify below)		
(F) The portfolio construction or benchmark selection does not explicitly include the incorporation of ESG factors		

Please specify for "(E) Other expressions of conviction".

ESG factors influence a number of internal scoring and thematic frameworks used for analysis. In particular we use ESG factors as a key part of the overall quality score used by our Australian business in overall business assessment. In addition ESG factors are considered as part of increasing conviction in thematic assessments and also in team conviction scores for individual investments which are used in the portfolio construction process.

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 6.1	CORE	LE 6	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG incorporation in portfolio construction	1

### In what proportion of cases did ESG factors influence your portfolio construction?

(3) Active – fundamental	
(A) The selection of individual assets within our portfolio is influenced by ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(B) The holding period of individual assets within our portfolio is influenced by ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(C) The portfolio weighting of individual assets within our portfolio or benchmark is influenced by ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(E) Other expressions of conviction	(2) in the majority of cases
(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)	
(A) The selection of individual assets within our portfolio is influenced by ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(B) The holding period of individual assets within our portfolio is influenced by ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(C) The portfolio weighting of individual assets within our portfolio or benchmark is influenced by ESG factors	(1) in all cases
(E) Other expressions of conviction	(2) in the majority of cases

### ESG risk management

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 8	CORE	OO 6.1 LE	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1

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

- $\square$  (A) We have an independent committee that oversees the screening implementation process, but only for our ESG/sustainability labelled funds that are subject to negative exclusionary screening
- (B) We have an independent committee that oversees the screening implementation process for all of our listed equity assets that are subject to negative exclusionary screening
- ☑ (C) We have an independent committee that verifies that we have correctly implemented pre-trade checks in our internal systems to ensure no execution is possible without their pre-clearance
- $\square$  (D) Other, please specify:

Systematic checks are performed by the portfolio manager responsible for each relevant mandate. The main control however is the ability to code the restrictions specific to each client into the automated systems used to manage portfolios and place deals. This will prevent a deal being created or placed where a particular restriction is in place. It will also identify any stock held where a rating has changed or a corporate change means that the stock is no longer suitable for a particular client's requirements.

Where a breach of the restrictions occurs, as these restrictions are specific to each client, the remedy and response required will vary by client depending on their own requirements. The first point of reference is therefore the Investment Management Agreement between Martin Currie and the client and this will provide an indication of the procedure required and the timescale permitted to remedy a breach.

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

# Post-investment phase

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 9	CORE	OO 10	N/A	PUBLIC	ESG risk management	1

Do your regular reviews incorporate ESG risks?

	(3) Active – fundamental	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) Our regular reviews include quantitative information on material ESG risks specific to individual listed equities	☑	☑

(B) Our regular reviews include aggregated quantitative information on material ESG risks at a fund level	
(C) Our regular reviews only highlight fund holdings where ESG ratings have changed	
(D) We do not conduct regular reviews. Risk reviews of ESG factors are conducted at the discretion of the individual fund manager and vary in frequency	
(E) We do not conduct reviews	

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

Do you regularly identify and incorporate ESG incidents into the investment process for your listed equity assets?

	(3) Active – fundamental	(4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)
(A) Yes, we have a formal process in place for regularly identifying and incorporating ESG incidents into all of our investment decisions	•	•
(B) Yes, we have a formal process in place for regularly identifying and incorporating ESG incidents into the majority of our investment decisions	0	0
(C) Yes, we have a formal process in place for regularly identifying and incorporating ESG incidents into a minority of our investment decisions	0	0

(D) Yes, we have an ad hoc process in place for identifying and incorporating ESG incidents	0	0
(E) Other	0	o
(F) We currently do not have a process in place for regularly identifying and incorporating ESG incidents into our investment decision-making	0	0

# Reporting/Disclosure

# Sharing ESG information with stakeholders

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 13	CORE	OO 6 LE	N/A	PUBLIC	Sharing ESG information with stakeholders	6

How do you ensure that clients and/or beneficiaries understand ESG screens and their implications?

	(1) for all of our listed equity assets subject to ESG screens	(2) for the majority of our listed equity assets subject to ESG screens	(3) for a minority of our listed equity assets subject to ESG screens	(4) for none of our assets subject to ESG screens
(A) We publish a list of ESG screens and share it on a publicly accessible platform such as a website or through fund documentation	•	0	0	0
(B) We publish any changes in ESG screens and share them on a publicly accessible platform such as a website or through fund documentation	•	0	0	0

(C) We outline any implications of ESG screens, such as deviation from a benchmark or impact on sector weightings, to clients and/or beneficiaries

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Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 14	CORE	OO 10	N/A	PUBLIC	Sharing ESG information with stakeholders	6

### What ESG information is covered in your regular reporting to stakeholders such as clients or beneficiaries?

### (3) Active - fundamental

(A) Our regular stakeholder reporting includes qualitative examples of engagement and/or ESG incorporation	1) In all of our regular stakeholder reporting
B) Our regular stakeholder reporting includes quantitative ESG engagement data	1) In all of our regular stakeholder reporting
(C) Our regular stakeholder reporting includes quantitative ESG incorporation data	2) In the majority of our regular stakeholder reporting
4) Investment trusts (REITs and similar publicly quoted vehicles)	
A) Our regular stakeholder reporting includes qualitative examples of engagement and/or ESG incorporation	1) In all of our regular stakeholder reporting
B) Our regular stakeholder reporting includes quantitative ESG engagement data	1) In all of our regular stakeholder reporting
C) Our regular stakeholder reporting includes quantitative ESG incorporation data	2) In the majority of our regular stakeholder reporting

# Stewardship

## Voting policy

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 15	CORE	OO 9 LE	LE 15.1, LE 16	PUBLIC	Voting policy	2

Does your organisation have a publicly available (proxy) voting policy? (The policy may be a standalone policy, part of a stewardship policy or incorporated into a wider RI policy.)

● (A) Yes, we have a publicly available (proxy) voting policy Add link(s):

- o (B) Yes, we have a (proxy) voting policy, but it is not publicly available
- o (C) No, we do not have a (proxy) voting policy

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 15.1	CORE	OO 9 LE, LE 15	N/A	PUBLIC	Voting policy	2

What percentage of your listed equity assets does your (proxy) voting policy cover?

(A) Actively managed listed equity covered by our voting policy (12) 100%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 16	CORE	LE 15	N/A	PUBLIC	Voting policy	2

#### Does your organisation's policy on (proxy) voting cover specific ESG factors?

#### ☑ (A) Our policy includes voting guidelines on specific governance factors Describe:

The policy considers market-specific recommended best practices, transparency, and disclosure when addressing issues such as board structure, director accountability, corporate governance standards, executive compensation, shareholder rights, corporate transactions, and social/environmental issues. The framework for making these decisions is set out in our Global Corporate Governance Principles. As responsible stewards of our customers' capital, the fundamental tenet of our Global Corporate Governance Principles is to protect and enhance the economic interests of our clients. These principles are focused around corporate governance and the role of board directors in promoting corporate success, thereby creating sustainable value for shareholders while having regard to other stakeholders, both internal and external.

#### (B) Our policy includes voting guidelines on specific environmental factors Describe:

We encourage the companies in which we invest to focus on delivering sustainable shareholder value. This means management should consider the long-term risks and opportunities presented by environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors. How the company behaves in this respect will also inform our voting decisions. When voting against management on a material issue we endeavour to inform them of our rationale for doing so in advance of the vote so as to allow due time for a response. Shareholder proposals can cover a wide range of topics and as such we will review each on its own merits. These will frequently focus on environmental and social issues as well as governance issues. We expect companies to manage effectively environmental, social and ethical factors that are relevant to their business, with a view to enhancing long-term sustainability and that companies should clearly define board and senior management responsibilities for environmental, social and ethical issues. We vote on shareholder proposals on a pragmatic basis taking into account the context of the company concerned and any actions the company is already taking to address the concerns raised. We also expect boards to address issues raised where there is significant support for a shareholder proposal.

#### (C) Our policy includes voting guidelines on specific social factors Describe:

We encourage the companies in which we invest to focus on delivering sustainable shareholder value. This means management should consider the long-term risks and opportunities presented by environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors. How the company behaves in this respect will also inform our voting decisions. When voting against management on a material issue we endeavour to inform them of our rationale for doing so in advance of the vote so as to allow due time for a response. Shareholder proposals can cover a wide range of topics and as such we will review each on its own merits. These will frequently focus on environmental and social issues as well as governance issues. We expect companies to manage effectively environmental, social and ethical factors that are relevant to their business, with a view to enhancing long-term sustainability and that companies should clearly define board and senior management responsibilities for environmental, social and ethical issues. We vote on shareholder proposals on a pragmatic basis taking into account the context of the company concerned and any actions the company is already taking to address the concerns raised. We also expect boards to address issues raised where there is significant support for a shareholder proposal.

 $\square$  (D) Our policy is high-level and does not cover specific ESG factors Describe:

### Security lending policy

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 18	CORE	$OO~9~\mathrm{LE}$	LE 18.1, LE 18.2	PUBLIC	Security lending policy	2

Does your organisation have a public policy that states how voting is addressed in your securities lending programme? (The policy may be a standalone guideline or part of a wider RI or stewardship policy.)

- (A) We have a public policy to address voting in our securities lending programme. Add link(s):
- (B) We have a policy to address voting in our securities lending programme, but it is not publicly available
- o (C) We rely on the policy of our service provider(s)
- o (D) We do not have a policy to address voting in our securities lending programme
- (E) Not applicable, we do not have a securities lending programme

### Shareholder resolutions

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 19	CORE	OO 9 LE	N/A	PUBLIC	Shareholder resolutions	2

Which of the following best describes your decision-making approach regarding shareholder resolutions, or that of your service provider(s) if decision-making is delegated to them?

- (A) In the majority of cases, we support resolutions that, if passed, are expected to advance progress on the underlying ESG factors or on our stewardship priorities
- (B) In the majority of cases, we support resolutions that, if passed, are expected to advance progress on the underlying ESG factors but only if the investee company has not already committed publicly to the action requested in the proposal
- $\circ$  (C) In the majority of cases, we only support shareholder resolutions as an escalation tactic when other avenues for engagement with the investee company have not achieved sufficient progress
- o (D) In the majority of cases, we support the recommendations of investee company management by default
- $\circ$  (E) In the majority of cases, we do not vote on shareholder resolutions

### Pre-declaration of votes

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 20	CORE	OO 9 LE	N/A	PUBLIC	Pre-declaration of votes	2

### How did your organisation or your service provider(s) pre-declare votes prior to AGMs/EGMs?

- $\square$  (A) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly through the PRI's vote declaration system
- □ (B) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly (e.g. through our own website) Link to public disclosure:
- $\square$  (C) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly through the PRI's vote declaration system, including the rationale for our (proxy) voting decisions where we planned to vote against management proposals or abstain
- □ (D) We pre-declared our voting intentions publicly, including the rationale for our (proxy) voting decisions where we planned to vote against management proposals or abstain Link to public disclosure:
- ☑ (E) Prior to the AGM/EGM, we privately communicated our voting decision to investee companies in cases where we planned to vote against management proposals or abstain
- ☐ (F) We did not privately or publicly communicate our voting intentions
- □ (G) We did not cast any (proxy) votes during the reporting year

### Voting disclosure post AGM/EGM

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 21	CORE	OO 9 LE	LE 21.1	PUBLIC	Voting disclosure post $AGM/EGM$	2

Do you publicly report your (proxy) voting decisions, or those made on your behalf by your service provider(s), in a central source?

### ● (A) Yes, for >95% of (proxy) votes Link:

https://www.martincurrie.com/uk/about-us/stewardship

- o (B) Yes, for the majority of (proxy) votes Link:
- $\circ$  (C) Yes, for a minority of (proxy) votes 1) Add link and 2) Explain why you only publicly disclose a minority of (proxy) voting decisions:
- $\circ$  (D) No, we do not publicly report our (proxy) voting decisions Explain why you do not publicly report your (proxy) voting decisions:

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 21.1	CORE	LE 21	N/A	PUBLIC	Voting disclosure post $AGM/EGM$	2

In the majority of cases, how soon after an investee's AGM/EGM do you publish your voting decisions?

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

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 22	CORE	OO 9 LE	LE 22.1	PUBLIC	Voting disclosure post $AGM/EGM$	2

Did your organisation and/or the service provider(s) acting on your behalf communicate the rationale for your voting decisions?

- ☑ (A) In cases where we voted against management recommendations or abstained, the rationale was provided privately to the company
- □ (B) In cases where we voted against management recommendations or abstained, the rationale was disclosed publicly
- □ (C) In cases where we voted against management recommendations or abstained, we did not communicate the rationale
- $\square$  (D) We did not vote against management or abstain

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 22.1	CORE	LE $22$	N/A	PUBLIC	Voting disclosure post $AGM/EGM$	2

Indicate the proportion of votes where you and/or the service provider(s) acting on your behalf communicated the rationale for your voting decisions.

(A) In	cases	where w	re voted	against	management	recommendations	or abstained,	the
rationa	le was	s provide	ed priva	tely to t	he company			

(4) 76–95%

Indicator	Type of indicator	Dependent on	Gateway to	Disclosure	Subsection	PRI Principle
LE 23	CORE	OO 9 LE	LE 23.1	PUBLIC	Voting disclosure post $AGM/EGM$	2, 5

Did your organisation and/or the service provider(s) acting on your behalf communicate the rationale for your voting decisions when voting against a shareholder resolution proposed/filed by a PRI signatory?

- $\square$  (A) In cases where we voted against a shareholder resolution proposed/filed by a PRI signatory, the rationale was disclosed publicly
- ☑ (B) In cases where we voted against a shareholder resolution proposed/filed by a PRI signatory, the rationale was not disclosed publicly
- □ (C) We did not vote against any shareholder resolution proposed/filed by a PRI signatory