



LEA 02	Disclosures: Mandatory	Reason for Interaction	Principle: PRI 1, 2, 3
Individual/ internal staff engagements	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in a company relevant to ESG issues</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or improved ESG disclosure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via internal staff</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in a company relevant to ESG issues</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or improved ESG disclosure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via collaborative engagements</p>	
Collaborative engagements	<p><input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in a company relevant to ESG issues</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or improved ESG disclosure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via collaborative engagements</p>		
Service provider engagements	<p><input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in a company relevant to ESG issues</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or improved ESG disclosure</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via service providers</p>		

RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

2019

Veritas Investment Management

About this report

The PRI Reporting Framework is a key step in the journey towards building a common language and industry standard for reporting responsible investment (RI) activities. This RI Transparency Report is one of the key outputs of this Framework. Its primary objective is to enable signatory transparency on RI activities and facilitate dialogue between investors and their clients, beneficiaries and other stakeholders. A copy of this report will be publicly disclosed for all reporting signatories on the [PRI website](#), ensuring accountability of the PRI Initiative and its signatories.

This report is an export of the individual Signatory organisation's response to the PRI during the 2019 reporting cycle. It includes their responses to mandatory indicators, as well as responses to voluntary indicators the signatory has agreed to make public. The information is presented exactly as it was reported. Where an indicator offers a response option that is multiple-choice, all options that were available to the signatory to select are presented in this report. Presenting the information exactly as reported is a result of signatory feedback which suggested the PRI not summarise the information. As a result, the reports can be extensive. However, to help easily locate information, there is a **Principles index** which highlights where the information can be found and summarises the indicators that signatories complete and disclose.

Understanding the Principles Index

The Principles Index summarises the response status for the individual indicators and modules and shows how these relate to the six [Principles for Responsible Investment](#). It can be used by stakeholders as an 'at-a-glance' summary of reported information and to identify particular themes or areas of interest.

Indicators can refer to one or more Principles. Some indicators are not specific to any Principle. These are highlighted in the 'General' column. When multiple Principles are covered across numerous indicators, in order to avoid repetition, only the main Principle covered is highlighted.

All indicators within a module are presented below. The status of indicators is shown with the following symbols:

Symbol	Status
✓	The signatory has completed all mandatory parts of this indicator
☑	The signatory has completed some parts of this indicator
🔒	This indicator was not relevant for this signatory
-	The signatory did not complete any part of this indicator
⚠	The signatory has flagged this indicator for internal review

Within the table, indicators marked in blue are mandatory to complete. Indicators marked in grey are voluntary to complete.

Principles Index

Organisational Overview				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
OO TG		-	n/a							
OO 01	Signatory category and services	✓	Public							✓
OO 02	Headquarters and operational countries	✓	Public							✓
OO 03	Subsidiaries that are separate PRI signatories	✓	Public							✓
OO 04	Reporting year and AUM	✓	Public							✓
OO 05	Breakdown of AUM by asset class	✓	Asset mix disclosed in OO 06							✓
OO 06	How would you like to disclose your asset class mix	✓	Public							✓
OO 07	Fixed income AUM breakdown	✓	Private							✓
OO 08	Segregated mandates or pooled funds	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 09	Breakdown of AUM by market	✓	Public							✓
OO 10	Active ownership practices for listed assets	✓	Public							✓
OO 11	ESG incorporation practices for all assets	✓	Public							✓
OO 12	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	Public							✓
OO LE 01	Breakdown of listed equity investments by passive and active strategies	✓	Public							✓
OO LE 02	Reporting on strategies that are <10% of actively managed listed equities	🔒	n/a							✓
OO FI 01	Breakdown of fixed income investments by passive and active strategies	✓	Public							✓
OO FI 02	Reporting on strategies that are <10% of actively managed fixed income	🔒	n/a							✓
OO FI 03	Fixed income breakdown by market and credit quality	✓	Public							✓
OO SAM 01	Breakdown of externally managed investments by passive and active strategies	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PE 01	Breakdown of private equity investments by strategy	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PE 02	Typical level of ownership in private equity investments	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PR 01	Breakdown of property investments	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PR 02	Breakdown of property assets by management	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PR 03	Largest property types	🔒	n/a							✓
OO INF 01	Breakdown of infrastructure investments	🔒	n/a							✓
OO INF 02	Breakdown of infrastructure assets by management	🔒	n/a							✓
OO INF 03	Largest infrastructure sectors	🔒	n/a							✓
OO HF 01	Breakdown of hedge funds investments by strategies	🔒	n/a							✓
OO End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

CCStrategy and Governance				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SG 01	RI policy and coverage	✓	Public							✓
SG 01 CC	Climate risk	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 02	Publicly available RI policy or guidance documents	✓	Public						✓	
SG 03	Conflicts of interest	✓	Public							✓
SG 04	Identifying incidents occurring within portfolios	✓	Private							✓
SG 05	RI goals and objectives	✓	Public							✓
SG 06	Main goals/objectives this year	✓	Private							✓
SG 07	RI roles and responsibilities	✓	Public							✓
SG 07 CC	Climate-issues roles and responsibilities	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 08	RI in performance management, reward and/or personal development	✓	Private							✓
SG 09	Collaborative organisations / initiatives	✓	Public				✓	✓		
SG 09.2	Assets managed by PRI signatories	🔒	n/a	✓						
SG 10	Promoting RI independently	✓	Public				✓			
SG 11	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	✓	Private				✓	✓	✓	
SG 12	Role of investment consultants/fiduciary managers	✓	Public				✓			
SG 13	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Public	✓						
SG 13 CC		🔒	n/a							✓
SG 14	Long term investment risks and opportunity	✓	Private	✓						
SG 14 CC		🔒	n/a							✓
SG 15	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	✓						
SG 16	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	✓	Public							✓
SG 17	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 18	Innovative features of approach to RI	✓	Private							✓
SG 19	Communication	✓	Public		✓				✓	
SG End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
LEI 01	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 02	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 03	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-making	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 04	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 05	Processes to ensure screening is based on robust analysis	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 06	Processes to ensure fund criteria are not breached	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 07	Types of sustainability thematic funds/mandates	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 08	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 09	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 10	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 11	ESG issues in index construction	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 12	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 13	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	✓	Private	✓						
LEI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - Listed Equity Active Ownership				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
LEA 01	Description of approach to engagement	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 02	Reasoning for interaction on ESG issues	✓	Public	✓	✓	✓				
LEA 03	Process for identifying and prioritising engagement activities	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 04	Objectives for engagement activities	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 05	Process for identifying and prioritising collaborative engagement	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 06	Role in engagement process	✓	Public		✓		✓			
LEA 07	Share insights from engagements with internal/external managers	✓	Private	✓	✓					
LEA 08	Tracking number of engagements	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 09	Number of companies engaged with, intensity of engagement and effort	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 10	Engagement methods	-	n/a		✓					
LEA 11	Examples of ESG engagements	-	n/a		✓					
LEA 12	Typical approach to (proxy) voting decisions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 13	Percentage of voting recommendations reviewed	🔒	n/a		✓					
LEA 14	Securities lending programme	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 15	Informing companies of the rationale of abstaining/voting against management	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 16	Informing companies of the rationale of abstaining/voting against management	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 17	Percentage of (proxy) votes cast	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 18	Proportion of ballot items that were for/against/abstentions	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 19	Proportion of ballot items that were for/against/abstentions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 20	Shareholder resolutions	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 21	Examples of (proxy) voting activities	✓	Private		✓					
LEA End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Confidence building measures				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
CM 01	Assurance, verification, or review	✓	Public							✓
CM 02	Assurance of last year's PRI data	✓	Public							✓
CM 03	Other confidence building measures	✓	Public							✓
CM 04	Assurance of this year's PRI data	✓	Public							✓
CM 05	External assurance	🔒	n/a							✓
CM 06	Assurance or internal audit	🔒	n/a							✓
CM 07	Internal verification	✓	Public							✓
CM 01 End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

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Organisational Overview

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Basic information

OO 01

Mandatory

Public

Gateway/Peering

General

OO 01.1

Select the services and funds you offer

Select the services and funds you offer	% of asset under management (AUM) in ranges
Fund management	<input type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input checked="" type="radio"/> >50%
Fund of funds, manager of managers, sub-advised products	<input type="radio"/> 0% <input checked="" type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%
Other	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%
Total 100%	

Further options (may be selected in addition to the above)

- Hedge funds
- Fund of hedge funds

OO 02

Mandatory

Public

Peering

General

OO 02.1

Select the location of your organisation's headquarters.

United Kingdom

OO 02.2

Indicate the number of countries in which you have offices (including your headquarters).

- 1
- 2-5
- 6-10
- >10

OO 02.3 Indicate the approximate number of staff in your organisation in full-time equivalents (FTE).

FTE

45

OO 03 **Mandatory** **Public** **Descriptive** **General**

OO 03.1 Indicate whether you have subsidiaries within your organisation that are also PRI signatories in their own right.

- Yes
- No

OO 04 **Mandatory** **Public** **Gateway/Peering** **General**

OO 04.1 Indicate the year end date for your reporting year.

31/12/2018

OO 04.2 Indicate your total AUM at the end of your reporting year.

Include the AUM of subsidiaries, but exclude advisory/execution only assets, and exclude the assets of your PRI signatory subsidiaries that you have chosen not to report on in OO 03.2

	trillions	billions	millions	thousands	hundreds
Total AUM		2	900	843	874
Currency	GBP				
Assets in USD		3	715	959	685

Not applicable as we are in the fund-raising process

OO 04.4 Indicate the total assets at the end of your reporting year subject to an execution and/or advisory approach.

Not applicable as we do not have any assets under execution and/or advisory approach

OO 06 **Mandatory** **Public** **Descriptive** **General**

OO 06.1 Select how you would like to disclose your asset class mix.

- as percentage breakdown
- as broad ranges

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
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Listed equity	>50%	0
Fixed income	10-50%	0
Private equity	0	0
Property	0	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0
Fund of hedge funds	0	0
Forestry	0	0
Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	0	0
Cash	0	0
Money market instruments	0	0
Other (1), specify	0	0
Other (2), specify	0	0

OO 06.2

Publish asset class mix as per attached image [Optional].

OO 06.3

Indicate whether your organisation has any off-balance sheet assets [Optional].

- Yes
 No

OO 06.5

Indicate whether your organisation uses fiduciary managers.

- Yes, we use a fiduciary manager and our response to OO 5.1 is reflective of their management of our assets.
 No, we do not use fiduciary managers.

OO 06.6

Provide contextual information on your AUM asset class split. [Optional]

Depending on each client's investment objective and risk tolerance, we broadly offer clients two investment strategies:

- Veritas High Equity Strategy which has a long-term strategic asset allocation of up to 100% in global equities;
- Veritas Core Equity with Fixed Income Strategy which has a long-term strategic asset allocation of 65% in global equities and 35% in fixed interest/cash.

This asset allocation is dynamic and changes according to our views on the economic outlook and investment opportunities.

OO 09	Mandatory	Public	Peering	General
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OO 09.1

Indicate the breakdown of your organisation's AUM by market.

100	Developed Markets
0	Emerging Markets
0	Frontier Markets
0	Other Markets
100%	Total 100%

Asset class implementation gateway indicators

OO 10	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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OO 10.1

Select the active ownership activities your organisation implemented in the reporting year.

	Listed equity – engagement
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- We engage with companies on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers.
- We do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors.

Listed equity – voting

- We cast our (proxy) votes directly or via dedicated voting providers
- We do not cast our (proxy) votes directly and do not require external managers to vote on our behalf

Fixed income SSA – engagement

- We engage with SSA bond issuers on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers.
- We do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with SSA bond issuers on ESG factors. Please explain why you do not.

Please explain why you do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors.

While we have not engaged directly with SSA bond issuers on ESG factors to date, we incorporate ESG factors into our fixed income investment decisions and are exploring options for engaging with issuers in the future.

Fixed income Corporate (financial) – engagement

- We engage with companies on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers.
- We do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors. Please explain why you do not.

Please explain why you do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors.

While we have not engaged directly with corporate bond on ESG factors issuers to date, we incorporate ESG factors into our fixed income investment decisions and are exploring options for engaging with issuers in the future.

Fixed income Corporate (non-financial) – engagement

- We engage with companies on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers.
- We do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors. Please explain why you do not.

Please explain why you do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors.

While we have not engaged directly with corporate bond on ESG factors issuers to date, we incorporate ESG factors into our fixed income investment decisions and are exploring options for engaging with issuers in the future.

OO 11

Mandatory

Public

Gateway

General

OO 11.1

Select the internally managed asset classes in which you addressed ESG incorporation into your investment decisions and/or your active ownership practices (during the reporting year).

Listed equity

- We address ESG incorporation.
- We do not do ESG incorporation.

Fixed income - SSA

- We address ESG incorporation.
- We do not do ESG incorporation.

Fixed income - corporate (financial)

- We address ESG incorporation.
- We do not do ESG incorporation.

Fixed income - corporate (non-financial)

- We address ESG incorporation.
- We do not do ESG incorporation.

OO 12	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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OO 12.1 Below are all applicable modules or sections you may report on. Those which are mandatory to report (asset classes representing 10% or more of your AUM) are already ticked and read-only. Those which are voluntary to report on can be opted into by ticking the box.

Core modules

- Organisational Overview
- Strategy and Governance

RI implementation directly or via service providers

Direct - Listed Equity incorporation

- Listed Equity incorporation

Direct - Listed Equity active ownership

- Engagements
- (Proxy) voting

Direct - Fixed Income

- Fixed income - SSA
- Fixed income - Corporate (financial)
- Fixed income - Corporate (non-financial)

RI implementation via external managers

Closing module

Closing module

Peering questions

OO LE 01 **Mandatory** **Public** **Gateway** **General**

OO LE 01.1 Provide a breakdown of your internally managed listed equities by passive, active - quantitative (quant), active - fundamental and active - other strategies.

Update: this indicator has changed from "*Mandatory to report, voluntary to disclose*" to "*Mandatory*". **Your response to this indicator will be published in the Public Transparency Report.** This change is to enable improved analysis and peering.

Percentage of internally managed listed equities

Strategies	Percentage of internally managed listed equities
Passive	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%
Active - quantitative (quant)	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%
Active - fundamental and active - other	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%
Total 100%	

OO FI 01 **Mandatory** **Public** **Gateway** **General**

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OO FI 01.1

Provide a breakdown of your internally managed fixed income securities by active and passive strategies

Type	Passive	Active - quantitative	Active - fundamental & others	Total internally managed fixed income security
SSA	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	100%
Corporate (financial)	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	100%
Corporate (non-financial)	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	100%

OO FI 03

Mandatory

Public

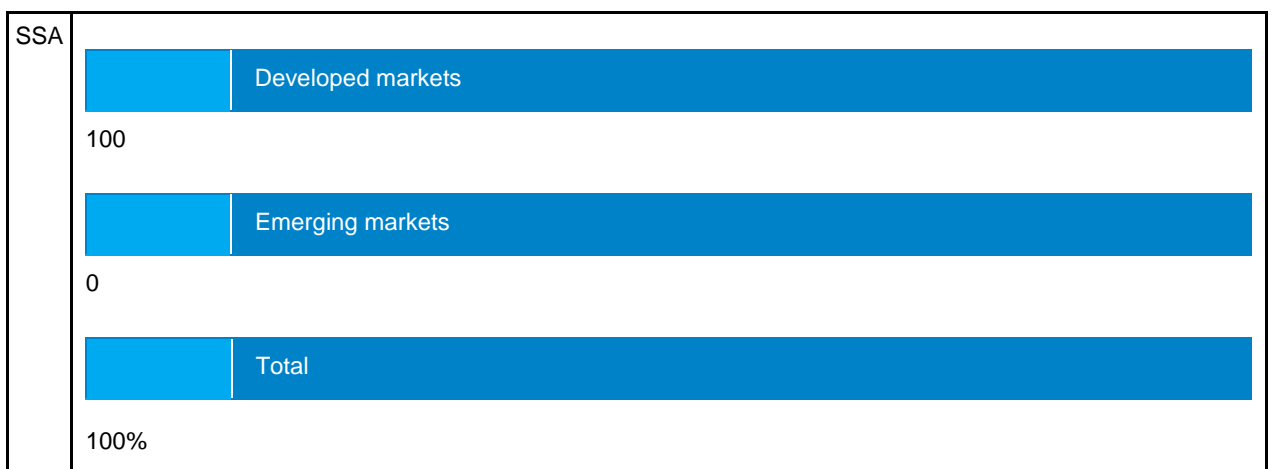
Descriptive

General

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OO FI 03.1

Indicate the approximate (+/- 5%) breakdown of your SSA investments, by developed markets and emerging markets.



OO FI 03.2

Indicate the approximate (+/- 5%) breakdown of your corporate and securitised investments by investment grade or high-yield securities.

Type	Investment grade (+/- 5%)	High-yield (+/- 5%)	Total internally managed
Corporate (financial)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input checked="" type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	100%
Corporate (non-financial)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input checked="" type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	100%

If you are invested in private debt and reporting on ratings is not relevant for you, please indicate below

OO FI 03.2 is not applicable as our internally managed fixed income assets are invested only in private debt.

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Investment policy

SG 01

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

General

New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 01.1

Indicate if you have an investment policy that covers your responsible investment approach.

Yes

SG 01.2

Indicate the components/types and coverage of your policy.

Select all that apply

Policy components/types	Coverage by AUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy setting out your overall approach <input type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on environmental factors <input type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on social factors <input type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fiduciary (or equivalent) duties <input type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific RI guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> Sector specific RI guidelines <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening / exclusions policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engagement policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Proxy) voting policy <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify(2)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover all AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a minority of AUM

SG 01.3

Indicate if the investment policy covers any of the following

- Your organisation's definition of ESG and/or responsible investment and it's relation to investments
- Your investment objectives that take ESG factors/real economy influence into account
- Time horizon of your investment
- Governance structure of organisational ESG responsibilities
- ESG incorporation approaches
- Active ownership approaches
- Reporting
- Climate change
- Understanding and incorporating client / beneficiary sustainability preferences
- Other RI considerations, specify (1)
- Other RI considerations, specify (2)

SG 01.4

Describe your organisation's investment principles and overall investment strategy, interpretation of fiduciary (or equivalent) duties, and how they consider ESG factors and real economy impact.

Our investment philosophy and style are founded on the principle of real return investing, thereby aligning our investment principals with what our clients are seeking to achieve: to protect and grow the purchasing power of their capital over the long term.

We aim to find companies where structural tailwinds are creating long-term demand for their products or services. While economic cycles are almost impossible to predict, structural demand can be both long-term in nature and relatively insulated from the economic cycle. Indeed, companies that benefit from structural demand should be able to consistently grow their earnings and cash flow per share over a multi-year period, irrespective of the economic environment.

Our investment process therefore focuses on identifying companies with sustainable and predictable business models and cash flow generation. This sustainable approach to investment means we incorporate ESG factors into all investment decisions (through our detailed research and ongoing monitoring of companies), to understand the long-term drivers of success and potential risks in order to generate sustainable long-term returns.

We do this by investing globally on an unconstrained basis (i.e. with no reference to an index or benchmark) in a portfolio of directly invested equities, bonds and cash.

No

I confirm I have read and understood the Accountability tab for SG 01

I confirm I have read and understood the Accountability tab for SG 01

SG 02**Mandatory****Public****Core Assessed****PRI 6**

New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 02.1

Indicate which of your investment policy documents (if any) are publicly available. Provide a URL and an attachment of the document.

- Policy setting out your overall approach
- Fiduciary (or equivalent) duties
- Screening / exclusions policy
- Engagement policy

URL/Attachment

- URL
- Attachment (will be made public)

Attachment

[File 1:Veritas Investment Management Stewardship Policy.docx](#)

- (Proxy) voting policy

URL/Attachment

- URL
- Attachment (will be made public)

Attachment

[File 1:Veritas Investment Management Voting Policy.docx](#)

- We do not publicly disclose our investment policy documents

SG 02.2

Indicate if any of your investment policy components are publicly available. Provide URL and an attachment of the document.

- Your organisation's definition of ESG and/or responsible investment and it's relation to investments

URL/Attachment

- URL

URL

{hyperlink:https://www.veritasinvestment.co.uk/our-investment-services/#responsible-investment}

- Attachment
- Your investment objectives that take ESG factors/real economy influence into account
- Time horizon of your investment
- Governance structure of organisational ESG responsibilities
- ESG incorporation approaches
- Active ownership approaches

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- Reporting
- Understanding and incorporating client / beneficiary sustainability preferences

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- URL

URL

{hyperlink:https://www.veritasinvestment.co.uk/our-investment-services/#responsible-investment}

- Attachment
- We do not publicly disclose any investment policy components

SG 02.3 Additional information [Optional].

A summary of our overall investment approach is published on our website.

<https://www.veritasinvestment.co.uk/our-investment-services/#our-investment-approach>

We are planning to make a more comprehensive investment policy document public in the next year.

SG 03	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	General
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SG 03.1 Indicate if your organisation has a policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

- Yes

SG 03.2

Describe your policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

We seek to promote the long-term success of companies, including those with which we have a commercial relationship or where clients may have differing views on the outcome of a stewardship activity. In those limited circumstances, where a conflict over our approach to voting or engagement arises, the matter is escalated to our Investment Governance Committee for resolution.

We do not expect to receive price-sensitive or inside information in our engagements with companies and have controls in place to prevent this. However, if this were ever to happen, we would handle the information according to our normal compliance policies and procedures. We have a number of controls to detect conflict situations as they arise. In addition, our compliance monitoring programme incorporates a number of specific tests aimed at reviewing our performance in the management of conflicts.

All employees receive periodic training in respect of conflicts of interest and the specific and potential conflicts to which we are subject. An annual declaration is submitted by all employees regarding the disclosure of conflicts of interest.

No

Objectives and strategies

SG 05	Mandatory	Public	Gateway/Core Assessed	General
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SG 05.1

Indicate if and how frequently your organisation sets and reviews objectives for its responsible investment activities.

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad-hoc basis
- It is not set/reviewed

Governance and human resources

SG 07	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	General
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SG 07.1

Indicate the internal and/or external roles used by your organisation, and indicate for each whether they have oversight and/or implementation responsibilities for responsible investment.

Roles

- Board members or trustees
- Internal Roles (triggers other options)

Select from the below internal roles

- Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Chief Operating Officer (COO), Investment Committee
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Other Chief-level staff or head of department, specify
- Portfolio managers
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Investment analysts
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Dedicated responsible investment staff
- Investor relations
- Other role, specify (1)
- Other role, specify (2)
- External managers or service providers

SG 07.3

Indicate the number of dedicated responsible investment staff your organisation has.

Number

0

SG 07.4

Additional information. [Optional]

Responsible investment is central to our way of thinking. Responsible investment is not a separate 'nice to have' investment approach at Veritas, it is fundamentally and instinctively what we do. Therefore, we do not have separate responsible investment staff: all members of the investment team contribute to our responsible investment process.

I confirm I have read and understood the Accountability tab for SG 07

I confirm I have read and understood the Accountability tab for SG 07

Promoting responsible investment

SG 09

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 4,5

SG 09.1

Select the collaborative organisation and/or initiatives of which your organisation is a member or in which it participated during the reporting year, and the role you played.

Select all that apply

Principles for Responsible Investment

Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting period (see definitions)

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced
- Asian Corporate Governance Association
- Australian Council of Superannuation Investors
- AFIC – La Commission ESG
- BVCA – Responsible Investment Advisory Board
- CDP Climate Change
- CDP Forests
- CDP Water
- CFA Institute Centre for Financial Market Integrity
- Code for Responsible Investment in SA (CRISA)
- Code for Responsible Finance in the 21st Century
- Council of Institutional Investors (CII)
- Eumedion
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- ESG Research Australia
- Invest Europe Responsible Investment Roundtable
- Global Investors Governance Network (GIGN)
- Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN)
- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)
- Green Bond Principles
- Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC)
- Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)
- International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)
- Investor Group on Climate Change, Australia/New Zealand (IGCC)
- International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC)
- Investor Network on Climate Risk (INCR)/CERES
- Local Authority Pension Fund Forum
- Principles for Sustainable Insurance
- Regional or National Social Investment Forums (e.g. UKSIF, Eurosif, ASRIA, RIAA), specify
- Responsible Finance Principles in Inclusive Finance
- Shareholder Association for Research and Education (Share)
- United Nations Environmental Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
- United Nations Global Compact
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

SG 10	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4
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SG 10.1	Indicate if your organisation promotes responsible investment, independently of collaborative initiatives.
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Yes

SG 10.2	Indicate the actions your organisation has taken to promote responsible investment independently of collaborative initiatives. Provide a description of your role in contributing to the objectives of the selected action and the typical frequency of your participation/contribution.
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Provided or supported education or training programmes (this includes peer to peer RI support) Your education or training may be for clients, investment managers, actuaries, broker/dealers, investment consultants, legal advisers etc.)

	Description
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Investment managers provided support through peer networks and positions on socially responsible investment committees

	Frequency of contribution
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- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other

Provided financial support for academic or industry research on responsible investment

Provided input and/or collaborated with academia on RI related work

Encouraged better transparency and disclosure of responsible investment practices across the investment industry

	Description
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Investment managers have encouraged disclosure of RI practices through peer networks and positions on socially responsible investment committees

Frequency of contribution

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other
- Spoke publicly at events and conferences to promote responsible investment
- Wrote and published in-house research papers on responsible investment
- Encouraged the adoption of the PRI
- Responded to RI related consultations by non-governmental organisations (OECD, FSB etc.)
- Wrote and published articles on responsible investment in the media
- A member of PRI advisory committees/ working groups, specify
- On the Board of, or officially advising, other RI organisations (e.g. local SIFs)
- Other, specify
- No

Outsourcing to fiduciary managers and investment consultants

SG 12

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 4

New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 12.1

Indicate whether your organisation uses investment consultants.

- Yes, we use investment consultants
- No, we do not use investment consultants.

ESG issues in asset allocation

SG 13

Mandatory

Public

Descriptive

PRI 1

SG 13.1

Indicate whether the organisation undertakes scenario analysis and/or modelling and provide a description of the scenario analysis (by asset class, sector, strategic asset allocation, etc.).

- Yes, to assess future ESG factors

Describe

Our analysis focuses on assessing the longer-term impact of ESG issues on the sustainability of the business models for the companies in which we invest.

- Yes, to assess future climate-related risks and opportunities
- No, not to assess future ESG/climate-related issues

SG 13.2

Indicate if your organisation considers ESG issues in strategic asset allocation and/or allocation of assets between sectors or geographic markets.

We do the following

- Allocation between asset classes
- Determining fixed income duration
- Allocation of assets between geographic markets
- Sector weightings
- Other, specify
- We do not consider ESG issues in strategic asset allocation

Asset class implementation not reported in other modules

SG 16

Mandatory

Public

Descriptive

General

SG 16.1

Describe how you address ESG issues for internally managed assets for which a specific PRI asset class module has yet to be developed or for which you are not required to report because your assets are below the minimum threshold.

Asset Class	Describe what processes are in place and the outputs or outcomes achieved
Fixed income - SSA	<p>ESG factors are incorporated into all our investment decisions for fixed income. Our SSA holdings tend to be UK and US short-dated debt, and supra-national bodies, such as the European Investment Bank, with investment-grade credit ratings.</p> <p>Given the relatively small size of our SSA fixed income holdings, in terms of our total AUM, we have not yet had the opportunity to fully develop our responsible investment processes for this asset class but we are actively looking to do so in the next year.</p>
Fixed income - Corporate (financial)	<p>ESG factors are incorporated into all our investment decisions for fixed income. For example, the governance structures of financial companies and the sustainability of their lending practices are considered as part of an overall assessment of their creditworthiness.</p> <p>Given the relatively small size of our corporate (financial) fixed income holdings, in terms of our total AUM, we have not yet had the opportunity to develop a system to formally track our responsible investment processes for this asset class but we are actively looking to do so in the next year.</p>
Fixed income - Corporate (non-financial)	<p>ESG factors are incorporated into all our investment decisions for fixed income. For example, the governance structures of all companies are considered as part of the investment process and we avoid exposure to fossil fuel-intensive sectors and companies with unsustainable business practices. We have sold fixed income holdings when ESG issues have emerged.</p> <p>Given the relatively small size of our corporate (financial) fixed income holdings, in terms of our total AUM, we have not yet had the opportunity to develop a system to formally track our responsible investment processes for this asset class but we are actively looking to do so in the next year.</p>

Communication

SG 19.1 Indicate whether your organisation typically discloses asset class specific information proactively. Select the frequency of the disclosure to clients/beneficiaries and the public, and provide a URL to the public information.

Caution! The order in which asset classes are presented below has been updated in the online tool to match the Reporting Framework overview.

If you are transferring data from an offline document, please check your response carefully.

Listed equity - Incorporation

Do you disclose?

- We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries
- We disclose to clients/beneficiaries only.
- We disclose it publicly

	Disclosure to clients/beneficiaries
	<p>Disclosure to clients/beneficiaries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Broad approach to ESG incorporation <input checked="" type="radio"/> Detailed explanation of ESG incorporation strategy used
	<p>Frequency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quarterly or more frequently <input type="checkbox"/> Biannually <input type="checkbox"/> Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Less frequently than annually <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-hoc/when requested

Listed equity - Engagement

Do you disclose?

- We do not disclose to either clients/beneficiaries or the public.
- We disclose to clients/beneficiaries only.
- We disclose to the public

Disclosure to clients/beneficiaries	
Disclosure to clients/beneficiaries	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Details on the overall engagement strategy <input type="checkbox"/> Details on the selection of engagement cases and definition of objectives of the selections, priorities and specific goals <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Number of engagements undertaken <input type="checkbox"/> Breakdown of engagements by type/topic <input type="checkbox"/> Breakdown of engagements by region <input type="checkbox"/> An assessment of the current status of the progress achieved and outcomes against defined objectives <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examples of engagement cases <input type="checkbox"/> Details on eventual escalation strategy taken after the initial dialogue has been unsuccessful (i.e. filing resolutions, issuing a statement, voting against management, divestment etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Details on whether the provided information has been externally assured <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outcomes that have been achieved from the engagement <input type="checkbox"/> Other information
Frequency	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly or more frequently <input type="checkbox"/> Biannually <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Less frequently than annually <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-hoc/when requested

Listed equity – (Proxy) Voting

Do you disclose?

- We do not disclose to either clients/beneficiaries or the public.
- We disclose to clients/beneficiaries only.
- We disclose to the public

Disclosure to clients/beneficiaries	
Disclosure to clients/beneficiaries	<input type="radio"/> Disclose all voting decisions <input checked="" type="radio"/> Disclose some voting decisions <input type="radio"/> Only disclose abstentions and votes against management
Frequency	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly or more frequently <input type="checkbox"/> Biannually <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Less frequently than annually <input type="checkbox"/> Ad hoc/when requested

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Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation

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ESG incorporation in actively managed listed equities

Implementation processes

LEI 01	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 1
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LEI 01.1	Indicate (1) which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies you apply to your actively managed listed equities and (2) the breakdown of your actively managed listed equities by strategy or combination of strategies (+/- 5%)
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ESG incorporation strategy (select all that apply)

- Screening alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies)
- Thematic alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies)
- Integration alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies)
- Screening and integration strategies

Percentage of active listed equity to which the strategy is applied	
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- Thematic and integration strategies
- Screening and thematic strategies
- All three strategies combined
- We do not apply incorporation strategies

	Total actively managed listed equities
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100%

LEI 01.2	Describe your organisation's approach to incorporation and the reasons for choosing the particular ESG incorporation strategy/strategies.
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Our investment philosophy and style are founded on the principle of real return investing, thereby aligning with what our clients are seeking to achieve: to protect and grow the purchasing power of their capital over the long term. We consider risk as the potential for permanent capital loss.

Responsible investment is not a separate 'nice to have' investment approach at Veritas: it is fundamentally and instinctively what we do in our investment approach. It is just common sense to us to incorporate all relevant factors into our investment decisions, to better manage long term risks and identify drivers of success to generate sustainable, long-term returns for our clients.

Our investment process focuses on identifying companies with sustainable business models and cash flow generation and therefore involved a combination of:

- identifying companies which stand to benefit from the opportunities created by global, structural changes, such as the scarcity of resources, transition to a digital economy and increasing global environmental regulation;
 - incorporating ESG factors, such as corporate governance, into our qualitative and quantitative analysis;
- and,

- screening companies against international standards, and excluding companies which are not taking a sustainable approach to managing long-term ESG risks.

(A) Implementation: Screening

LEI 04	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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LEI 04.1

Indicate and describe the type of screening you apply to your internally managed active listed equities.

Type of screening

- Negative/exclusionary screening

Screened by

- Product
- Activity
- Sector
- Country/geographic region
- Environmental and social practices and performance
- Corporate governance

Description

As responsible investment is central to our investment process, none of our screens are used in isolation. They form a key and integral part of our qualitative and quantitative stock analysis. The aim of all our screening is to identify ESG risks and drivers of success which would affect the long-term sustainability of a business. As examples, some of the factors we consider are board culture and independence, diversity and remuneration, exposure to fossil fuel-intensive business practices, supply chain practices and corporate disclosure.

- Positive/best-in-class screening
- Norms-based screening

Screened by

- UN Global Compact Principles
- The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
- International Labour Organization Conventions
- United Nations Convention Against Corruption
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- Other, specify

	Description
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Before an investment is made, companies are screened against the UN Global Compact Principles and the ILO Conventions to identify any areas of risk. Investment managers incorporate the results of these screens into the overall assessment of the company. Existing portfolio holdings are screened on a quarterly basis for ongoing compliance with these principles.

LEI 04.2	Describe how you notify clients and/or beneficiaries when changes are made to your screening criteria.
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Any changes to our investment process would be communicated to clients in person during meetings, or through our quarterly written communications.

LEI 05	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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LEI 05.1	Indicate which processes your organisation uses to ensure screening is based on robust analysis.
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- Comprehensive ESG research is undertaken or sourced to determine companies' activities and products.
- Companies are given the opportunity by you or your research provider to review ESG research on them and correct inaccuracies
- External research and data used to identify companies to be excluded/included is subject to internal audit by ESG/RI staff, the internal audit function or similar
- Third-party ESG ratings are updated regularly to ensure that portfolio holdings comply with fund policies.
- Trading platforms blocking / restricting flagged securities on the black list
- A committee or body with representatives independent of the individuals who conduct company research reviews some or all screening decisions
- A periodic review of the quality of the research undertaken or provided is carried out
- Review and evaluation of external research providers
- Other, specify
- None of the above

LEI 05.2	Indicate the proportion of your actively managed listed equity portfolio that is subject to comprehensive ESG research as part your ESG screening strategy.
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- <10%
- 10-50%
- 51-90%
- >90%




LEI 05.3	Indicate how frequently third party ESG ratings are updated for screening purposes.
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- Quarterly or more frequently
- Bi-annually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually

(C) Implementation: Integration of ESG factors

LEI 08	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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LEI 08.1 Indicate the ESG factors you systematically research as part of your investment analysis and the proportion of actively managed listed equity portfolios that is impacted by this analysis.

ESG issues	Proportion impacted by analysis
Environmental	 Environmental <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> 51-90% <input checked="" type="radio"/> >90%
Social	 Social <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> 51-90% <input checked="" type="radio"/> >90%
Corporate Governance	 Corporate Governance <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> 51-90% <input checked="" type="radio"/> >90%

LEI 09	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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LEI 09.1

Indicate which processes your organisation uses to ensure ESG integration is based on a robust analysis.

- Comprehensive ESG research is undertaken or sourced to determine companies' activities and products
- Companies are given the opportunity by you or your research provider to review ESG research on them and correct inaccuracies
- Third-party ESG ratings are updated regularly.
- A periodic review of the internal research is carried out
- Structured, regular ESG specific meetings between responsible investment staff and the fund manager or within the investments team
- ESG risk profile of a portfolio against benchmark
- Analysis of the impact of ESG factors on investment risk and return performance
- Other, specify
- None of the above

LEI 09.2

Indicate the proportion of your actively managed listed equity portfolio that is subject to comprehensive ESG research as part your integration strategy.

- <10%
- 10-50%
- 51-90%
- >90%

LEI 09.3

Indicate how frequently third party ESG ratings that inform your ESG integration strategy are updated.

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Bi-Annually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually

LEI 09.5

Describe how ESG information is held and used by your portfolio managers.

- ESG information is held within centralised databases or tools and it is accessible by all relevant staff
- ESG information or analysis is a standard section or aspect of all company research notes or industry/sector analysis generated by investment staff
- Systematic records are kept that capture how ESG information and research was incorporated into investment decisions
- Other, specify
- None of the above

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Direct - Listed Equity Active Ownership

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Overview

LEA 01

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 2

New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

LEA 01.1

Indicate whether your organisation has an active ownership policy.

Yes

LEA 01.2

Attach or provide a URL to your active ownership policy.

Attachment provided:

[File 1:Veritas Investment Management Voting Policy.docx](#)

[File 2:Veritas Investment Management Stewardship Policy.docx](#)

URL provided:

LEA 01.3

Indicate what your active engagement policy covers:

General approach to active ownership

- Conflicts of interest
- Alignment with national stewardship code requirements
- Assets/funds covered by active ownership policy
- Expectations and objectives
- Engagement approach

Engagement

- ESG issues
- Prioritisation of engagement
- Method of engagement
- Transparency of engagement activities
- Due diligence and monitoring process
- Insider information
- Escalation strategies
- Service Provider specific criteria
- Other specify;
- (Proxy) voting approach

Voting

- ESG issues
 - Prioritisation and scope of voting activities
 - Methods of voting
 - Transparency of voting activities
 - Regional voting practice approaches
 - Filing or co-filing resolutions
 - Company dialogue pre/post-vote
 - Decision-making processes
 - Securities lending processes
 - Other specify;
 - Other
 - None of the above
- No

LEA 01.4 Do you outsource any of your active ownership activities to service providers?

- Yes

LEA 01.5

Where active ownership activities are conducted by service providers, indicate whether your active ownership policy covers any of the following.

- Outline of service providers role in implementing organisation's active ownership policy
 - Description of considerations included in service provider selection and agreements
 - Identification of key ESG frameworks service providers must follow
 - Outline of information sharing requirements of service providers
 - Description of service provider monitoring processes
 - Other, specify
 - None of the above
- No

Engagement

LEA 02

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 1,2,3

LEA 02.1

Indicate the method of engagement, giving reasons for the interaction.

Type of engagement	Reason for interaction
Individual / Internal staff engagements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To gain an understanding of ESG strategy and/or management <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via internal staff
Collaborative engagements	<input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure <input type="checkbox"/> To gain an understanding of ESG strategy and/or management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via collaborative engagements
Service provider engagements	<input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure <input type="checkbox"/> To gain an understanding of ESG strategy and/or management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via service providers

LEA 03	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

LEA 03.1	Indicate whether your organisation has a formal process for identifying and prioritising engagements.
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Yes

LEA 03.2	Indicate the criteria used to identify and prioritise engagements for each type of engagement.
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Type of engagement	Criteria used to identify/prioritise engagements
Individual / Internal engagements	<div style="background-color: #0070C0; color: white; padding: 2px;">Internal / Individual engagements</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Geography / market of the companies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Materiality of the ESG factors <input type="checkbox"/> Exposure (size of holdings) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Responses to ESG impacts that have already occurred <input type="checkbox"/> Responses to divestment pressure <input type="checkbox"/> Consultation with clients/beneficiaries <input type="checkbox"/> Consultation with other stakeholders (e.g. NGOs, trade unions, etc.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Follow-up from a voting decision <input type="checkbox"/> Client request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breaches of international norms <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not outline engagement criteria for our individual engagements.

No

LEA 04	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

LEA 04.1	Indicate whether you define specific objectives for your organisation's engagement activities.
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Individual / Internal engagements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="radio"/> All engagement activities <input type="radio"/> Majority of engagement activities <input type="radio"/> Minority of engagement activities <input type="radio"/> We do not define specific objectives for engagement activities carried out by internal staff.
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LEA 05	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 05.1	Indicate if you monitor and/or review engagement outcomes.
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Individual / Internal engagements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes, in all cases <input type="radio"/> Yes, in majority of cases <input type="radio"/> Yes, in a minority of cases <input type="radio"/> We do not monitor, or review engagement outcomes carried out by our internal staff.
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LEA 05.2	Indicate if you do any of the following to monitor and review the progress of engagement activities.
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Individual / Internal staff engagements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Define timelines/milestones for your objectives <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Track and/or monitor progress against defined objectives and/or KPIs <input type="checkbox"/> Track and/or monitor the progress of action taken when original objectives are not met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revisit and, if necessary, revise objectives on continuous basis <input type="checkbox"/> Other; specify
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LEA 06	Mandatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 2,4
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LEA 06.1	Indicate whether your organisation has an escalation strategy when engagements are unsuccessful.
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Yes

LEA 06.2	Indicate the escalation strategies used at your organisation following unsuccessful engagements.
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- Collaborating with other investors
- Issuing a public statement
- Filing/submitting a shareholder resolution
- Voting against the re-election of the relevant directors
- Voting against the board of directors or the the annual financial report
- Submitting nominations for election to the board
- Seeking legal remedy / litigation
- Reducing exposure (size of holdings)
- Divestment
- Other, specify

No

LEA 08	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 2
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LEA 08.1	Indicate if you track the number of your engagement activities.
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Type of engagement	Tracking engagements
Individual / Internal staff engagements	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes, we track the number of our engagements in full <input type="radio"/> Yes, we partially track the number of our engagements <input type="radio"/> We do not track

(Proxy) voting and shareholder resolutions

LEA 12	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 2
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LEA 12.1

Indicate how you typically make your (proxy) voting decisions.

Approach

- We use our own research or voting team and make voting decisions without the use of service providers.
- We hire service provider(s) who make voting recommendations and/or provide research that we use to guide our voting decisions.

Based on

- the service provider voting policy we sign off on
- our own voting policy
- our clients' requests or policies
- other, explain
- We hire service provider(s) who make voting decisions on our behalf, except for some pre-defined scenarios where we review and make voting decisions.
- We hire service provider(s) who make voting decisions on our behalf.

LEA 12.2

Provide an overview of how you ensure your voting policy is adhered to, giving details of your approach when exceptions to the policy are made.

We subscribe to a proxy voting service provided by Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS).

Investment managers consider ISS reports, alongside their own analysis, experience and dialogues with the company concerned and apply their independent judgement when reaching each voting decision. All voting decisions are taken by investment managers, and voting decisions are discussed by members of the investment team to ensure that voting policies are applied consistently. We never allow ISS to automatically submit votes on our behalf.

When necessary, we will engage with company management to improve our understanding prior to voting and we will follow up afterwards, should we decide to oppose their recommendations.

LEA 15**Mandatory****Public****Descriptive****PRI 2****LEA 15.1**

Indicate the proportion of votes where you or the service providers acting on your behalf have raised concerns with companies ahead of voting.

- 100%
- 99-75%
- 74-50%
- 49-25%
- 24-1%
- Neither we nor our service provider(s) raise concerns with companies ahead of voting

LEA 15.2 Indicate the reasons for raising your concerns with these companies ahead of voting.

- Vote(s) for selected markets
- Vote(s) for selected sectors
- Vote(s) relating to certain ESG issues
- Vote(s) on companies exposed to controversy on specific ESG issues
- Vote(s) for significant shareholdings
- On request by clients
- Other

LEA 16

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 2

LEA 16.1

Indicate the proportion of votes participated in within the reporting year in which, you and/or the service provider(s) acting on your behalf, have communicated to companies the rationale for abstaining or voting against management recommendations.

- 100%
- 99-75%
- 74-50%
- 49-25%
- 24-1%
- We do not communicate the rationale to companies
- Not applicable because we and/or our service providers do not abstain or vote against management recommendations

LEA 16.2

Indicate the reasons your organisation would communicate to companies, the rationale for abstaining or voting against management recommendations.

- Votes for selected markets
- Votes for selected sectors
- Votes relating to certain ESG issues
- Votes on companies exposed to controversy on specific ESG issues
- Votes for significant shareholdings
- On request by clients
- Other

LEA 16.3

In cases where your organisation does communicate the rationale for the abstention or the vote against management recommendations, indicate whether this rationale is made public.

- Yes
- No

LEA 17

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 2

LEA 17.1

For listed equities where you and/or your service provider have the mandate to issue (proxy) voting instructions, indicate the percentage of votes cast during the reporting year.

- We do track or collect this information

Votes cast (to the nearest 1%)

%

85

Specify the basis on which this percentage is calculated

- of the total number of ballot items on which you could have issued instructions
- of the total number of company meetings at which you could have voted
- of the total value of your listed equity holdings on which you could have voted
- We do not track or collect this information

LEA 17.2

Explain your reason(s) for not voting on certain holdings

- Shares were blocked
- Notice, ballots or materials not received in time
- Missed deadline
- Geographical restrictions (non-home market)
- Cost
- Conflicts of interest
- Holdings deemed too small
- Administrative impediments (e.g., power of attorney requirements, ineligibility due to participation in share placement)
- Client request
- Other

LEA 19**Mandatory****Public****Core Assessed****PRI 2****LEA 19.1**

Indicate whether your organisation has a formal escalation strategy following unsuccessful voting.

- Yes
- No

LEA 19.2

Indicate the escalation strategies used at your organisation following abstentions and/or votes against management.

- Contacting the company's board
- Contacting the company's senior management
- Issuing a public statement explaining the rationale
- Initiating individual/collaborative engagement
- Directing service providers to engage
- Reducing exposure (holdings) / divestment
- Other

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Confidence building measures

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Confidence building measures

CM 01	Mandatory	Public	Additional Assessed	General
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CM 01.1 Indicate whether the reported information you have provided for your PRI Transparency Report this year has undergone:

- Third party assurance over selected responses from this year's PRI Transparency Report
- Third party assurance over data points from other sources that have subsequently been used in your PRI responses this year
- Third party assurance or audit of the correct implementation of RI processes (that have been reported to the PRI this year)
- Internal audit of the correct implementation of RI processes and/or accuracy of RI data (that have been reported to the PRI this year)
- Internal verification of responses before submission to the PRI (e.g. by the CEO or the board)
 - Whole PRI Transparency Report has been internally verified
 - Selected data has been internally verified
- Other, specify
- None of the above

CM 02	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General
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CM 02.1 We undertook third party assurance on last year's PRI Transparency Report

- Whole PRI Transparency Report was assured last year
- Selected data was assured in last year's PRI Transparency Report
- We did not assure last year's PRI Transparency report
- None of the above, we were in our preparation year and did not report last year.

CM 03	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General
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CM 03.1 We undertake confidence building measures that are unspecific to the data contained in our PRI Transparency Report:

- We adhere to an RI certification or labelling scheme
- We carry out independent/third party assurance over a whole public report (such as a sustainability report) extracts of which are included in this year's PRI Transparency Report
- ESG audit of holdings
- Other, specify
- None of the above

CM 04	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General
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CM 04.1

Do you plan to conduct third party assurance of this year's PRI Transparency report?

- Whole PRI Transparency Report will be assured
- Selected data will be assured
- We do not plan to assure this year's PRI Transparency report

CM 07

Mandatory

Public

Descriptive

General

CM 07.1

Indicate who has reviewed/verified internally the whole - or selected data of the - PRI Transparency Report . and if this applies to selected data please specify what data was reviewed

Who has conducted the verification

- CEO or other Chief-Level staff

Sign-off or review of responses

- Sign-off
- Review of responses
- The Board
- Investment Committee
- Compliance Function
- RI/ESG Team
- Investment Teams
- Legal Department
- Other (specify)