



# RITRANSPARENCY REPORT 2017

PineBridge Investments





# 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 2017 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 <u>Principles for Responsible Investment</u>. 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
Ø	The signatory has completed some parts of this indicator
8	This indicator was not relevant for this signatory
-	The signatory did not complete any part of this indicator
Ð	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**

Organis	ational Overview				P	rin	cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
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							<b>✓</b>
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	✓	Private							✓
OO 09	Breakdown of AUM by market	✓	Private							✓
OO 10	RI activities for listed equities	✓	Public							✓
00 11	RI activities in other asset classes	✓	Public							✓
OO 12	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	Public							✓
OO End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Strategy	and Governance				P	rin	cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SG 01	RI policy and coverage	✓	Public							✓
SG 02	Publicly available RI policy or guidance documents	<b>*</b>	Public						<b>✓</b>	
SG 03	Conflicts of interest	✓	Public							✓
SG 04		✓	Private							✓
SG 05	RI goals and objectives	✓	Public							✓
SG 06	Main goals/objectives this year	✓	Private							✓
SG 07	RI roles and responsibilities	✓	Public							✓
SG 08	RI in performance management, reward and/or personal development	✓	Private							✓
SG 09	Collaborative organisations / initiatives	✓	Public				✓	✓		
SG 10	Promoting RI independently	✓	Public				<b>✓</b>			
SG 11	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	-	n/a				✓	✓	✓	
SG 12	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Public	✓						
SG 13	Long term investment risks and opportunity	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
SG 14	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
SG 15	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	✓	Public							✓
SG 16	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	✓	Public							✓
SG 17	Innovative features of approach to RI	-	n/a							✓
SG End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - I	Listed Equity Incorporation				Р	rin	cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
LEI 01	Breakdown by passive, quantitative, fundamental and other active strategies	✓	Private							✓
LEI 02	Reporting on strategies that are <10% of actively managed listed equities	8	n/a							<b>✓</b>
LEI 03	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 04	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 05	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-making	-	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 06	Types of screening applied	8	n/a	✓						
LEI 07	Processes to ensure screening is based on robust analysis	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 08	Processes to ensure fund criteria are not breached	8	n/a	✓						
LEI 09	Types of sustainability thematic funds/mandates	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 10	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 11	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 12	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 13	ESG issues in index construction	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 14	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 15	Measurement of financial and ESG outcomes of ESG incorporation	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 16	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 17	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓				<b>✓</b>	
LEI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - L	Listed Equity Active Ownership				Р	rin	cip	le		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		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 04	Objectives for engagement activities	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 05	Process for identifying and prioritising collaborative engagement	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 06	Objectives for engagement activities	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 07	Role in engagement process	8	n/a		✓		✓			
LEA 08	Monitor / discuss service provider information	8	n/a		✓				✓	
LEA 09	Share insights from engagements with internal/external managers	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>	✓					
LEA 10	Tracking number of engagements	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 11	Number of companies engaged with, intensity of engagement and effort	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 12	Engagement methods	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 13	Engagements on E, S and/or G issues	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 14	Companies changing practices / behaviour following engagement	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 15	Examples of ESG engagements	-	n/a		✓					
LEA 16	Disclosure of approach to ESG engagements	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>				✓	
LEA 17	Voting policy & approach	✓	Public	✓	✓	✓				
LEA 18	Typical approach to (proxy) voting decisions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 19	Percentage of voting recommendations reviewed	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 20	Confirmation of votes	-	n/a		✓					
LEA 21	Securities lending programme	-	n/a		✓					
LEA 22	Informing companies of the rationale of abstaining/voting against management	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 23	Percentage of (proxy) votes cast	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 24	Proportion of ballot items that were for/against/abstentions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 25	Shareholder resolutions	-	n/a		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 26	Examples of (proxy) voting activities	-	n/a		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 27	Disclosing voting activities	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>				✓	
LEA End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct -	Fixed Income				Р	rin	cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
FI 01	Breakdown by passive,active strategies	✓	Private							✓
FI 02	Option to report on <10% assets	8	n/a							✓
FI 03	Breakdown by market and credit quality	✓	Private							✓
FI 04	Incorporation strategies applied	✓	Public	<b>√</b>						
FI 05	ESG issues and issuer research	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
FI 06	Processes to ensure analysis is robust	✓	Public	✓						
FI 07	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 08	Negative screening - overview and rationale	✓	Public	~						
FI 09	Examples of ESG factors in screening process	-	n/a	~						
FI 10	Screening - ensuring criteria are met	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 11	Thematic investing - overview	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
FI 12	Thematic investing - themed bond processes	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
FI 13	Thematic investing - assessing impact	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
FI 14	Integration overview	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 15	Integration - ESG information in investment processes	1	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 16	Integration - E,S and G issues reviewed	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 17	ESG incorporation in passive funds	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
FI 18	Engagement overview and coverage	✓	Private		✓					
FI 19	Engagement method	✓	Private	✓	✓					
FI 20	Engagement policy disclosure	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>	✓					
FI 21	Financial/ESG performance	✓	Private							✓
FI 22	Examples - ESG incorporation or engagement	-	n/a	<b>✓</b>	✓					
FI 23	Communications	✓	Public		✓				✓	
FI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct -	Private Equity				P	rin	cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
PE 01	Breakdown of investments by strategy	✓	Private							✓
PE 02	Typical level of ownership	✓	Private							✓
PE 03	Description of approach to RI	✓	Private	✓					<b>✓</b>	
PE 04	Investment guidelines and RI	✓	Public		✓					
PE 05	Fund placement documents and RI	✓	Public	✓			<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
PE 06	Formal commitments to RI	✓	Private				<b>✓</b>			
PE 07	Incorporating ESG issues when selecting investments	✓	Public	~						
PE 08	Types of ESG information considered in investment selection	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>		✓				
PE 09	Encouraging improvements in investees	✓	Private	✓	✓					
PE 10	ESG issues impact in selection process	✓	Private	✓						
PE 11	Proportion of companies monitored on their ESG performance	✓	Public		✓					
PE 12	Proportion of portfolio companies with sustainability policy	✓	Public		✓					
PE 13	Actions taken by portfolio companies to incorporate ESG issues into operations	-	n/a		✓					
PE 14	Type and frequency of reports received from portfolio companies	✓	Private		✓	<b>✓</b>				
PE 15	Disclosure of ESG issues in pre-exit	✓	Private		✓					
PE 16	ESG issues affected financial/ESG performance	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>					
PE 17	Examples of ESG issues that affected your PE investments	✓	Private	~	✓					
PE 18	Disclosure of ESG information to public and clients/beneficiaries	✓	Public						✓	
PE 19	Approach to disclosing ESG incidents	✓	Private						<b>✓</b>	
PE End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

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**Reported Information** 

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Organisational Overview

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00 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

00 04.1

Indicate the year end date for your reporting year.

31/12/2016

00 04.2

Indicate your total AUM at the end of your reporting year, excluding subsidiaries you have chosen not to report on.

	trillions	billions	millions	thousands	hundreds
Total AUM		82	670	510	209
Currency	USD				
Assets in USD		82	670	510	209

OO 06 Mandatory Public Descriptive General

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

00 06.1

How you would like to disclose your asset class mix.

O as percentage breakdown

as broad ranges

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
Listed equity	10-50%	0
Fixed income	>50%	0
Private equity	<10%	<10%
Property	0	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0



Forestry	0	0
Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	0	0
Cash	0	0
Other (1), specify	<10%	0
Other (2), specify	0	0

'Other (1)' specified

Multi-Asset

OO 06.2

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

#### **Gateway asset class implementation indicators**

OO 10 Mandatory Public Gateway General

00 10.1

Select the direct or indirect ESG incorporation activities your organisation implemented for listed equities in the reporting year.

- $\ensuremath{\boxtimes}$  We incorporate ESG in our investment decisions on our internally managed assets
- ☐ We do not incorporate ESG in our directly managed listed equity and/or we do not address ESG incorporation in our external manager selection, appointment and/or monitoring processes.

00 10.2

Select the direct or indirect engagement activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the reporting year.

- $\ensuremath{\square}$  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.

00 10.3

Select the direct or indirect voting activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the reporting year

- $\ensuremath{\,\boxtimes\,}$  We cast our (proxy) votes directly or via dedicated voting providers
- $\square$  We do not cast our (proxy) votes directly and do not require external managers to vote on our behalf

OO 11 Mandatory Public Gateway General



00 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).

- ☑ Fixed income SSA
- ☑ Fixed income corporate (financial)
- ☑ Fixed income corporate (non-financial)
- ☑ Fixed income securitised
- ☑ Private equity
- ☑ Other (1)
- ☐ None of the above

'Other (1)' [as defined in OO 05]

Multi-Asset

00 11.2

Select the externally managed assets classes where you addressed ESG incorporation and/or active ownership in your external manager selection, appointment and/or monitoring processes (during the reporting year)

- ☑ Private equity
- ☐ None of the above

OO 12 Mandatory Public Gateway General

You will need to make a selection in OO 12.1onlyif you have any voluntary modules that you can choose to report on.

00 12.1

Select from below any additional applicable modules or sections you would like to report on voluntarily. You are only required to report on asset classes that represent 10% or more of your AUM.

Core modules

- ☑ Organisational Overview

RI implementation directly or via service providers

Direct - Listed Equity incorporation

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  Listed Equity incorporation

Direct - Listed Equity active ownership

- ☑ (Proxy) voting



Direct - Fixed Income

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

Direct - Other asset classes with dedicated modules

☑ Private Equity

RI implementation via external managers

Indirect - Selection, Appointment and Monitoring of External Managers

☐ Private Equity

Closing module

☑ Closing module

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Strategy and Governance

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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
☑ Policy setting out your overall approach	O Applicable policies cover all AUM
☐ Formalised guidelines on environmental factors	Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM
☐ Formalised guidelines on social factors	O Applicable policies cover a minority of AUM
☐ Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors	
☑ Asset class-specific RI guidelines	
☐ Sector specific RI guidelines	
☐ Screening / exclusions policy	
☐ Engagement policy	
☑ (Proxy) voting policy	
☐ Other, specify (1)	
☐ Other, specify(2)	



SG 01.4

Indicate what norms you have used to develop your investment policy that covers your responsible investment approach.

	☐ UN Global Compact Principles
	$\hfill\square$ UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
	$\square$ Universal Declaration of Human Rights
	☐ International Bill of Human Rights
	$\square$ International Labour Organization Conventions
	☐ United Nations Convention Against Corruption
	$\hfill \square$ OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
	☐ Other, specify (1)
	☐ Other, specify (2)
	☐ Other, specify (3)
	☑ None of the above
$\bigcirc$ No	

SG 01.6

Provide a brief description of the key elements, any variations or exceptions to your investment policy that covers your responsible investment approach. [Optional]

The PineBridge ESG policy covers all investment decisions taken by the investment teams across the firms. The policy was drafted over late 2014 and ratified in early 2015 by the firm's ESG Advisory Committee which consists of members of the firm's most senior leadership including its CEO. The policy defers to individual teams to establishspecific policies and processes most appropriate to their investment activity. Responsibility for such team level implementation has generally been assigned to investment team members serving on a a firm wide ESG working group. Through the working group members' efforts, the investment teams have established such individual processes and modify these based on the more specific nature of portfolios managed, market events and specific client objectives. In instances where clients have specific ESG requirements (e.g. exclusionary screening), such requirements are implemented even though such approaches are not part of the firm or the investment team's broader ESG Policy or processes. In addition to processes implemented within each investment area, there are also firm wide collaborations to support the investment team's efforts. Examples of such efforts include the establishment of a common ESG Resource Library, joint evaluation and selection of ESG data resources and, communicaton and sharing of ESG related events and information.

SG 02 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 6

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

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
□ Asset class-specific RI guidelines
□ (Proxy) voting policy
☑ We do not publicly disclose our investment policy documents

SG 03 Mandatory Public Core Assessed General



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.

PineBridge's Conflicts of Interest policies and procedures seek to provide that investment decisions are made in accordance with the fiduciary duties owed to such accounts and without consideration of PineBridge's economic, investment or other financial interests. Personal securities transactions by an employee may raise a potential conflict of interest when an employee trades in a security that is considered for purchase or sale by a client, or recommended for purchase or sale by an employee to a client, in that the employee may be able to personally benefit from prior knowledge of transactions for a client by trading in a personal account. PineBridge has policies to address potential conflicts of interest when its employees buy or sell securities also bought or sold for clients. Under certain circumstances, conflicts may arise in cases where different clients of PineBridge invest in different parts of a single issuer's capital structure, including circumstances in which one or more PineBridge clients may own private securities or obligations of an issuer and other PineBridge clients may own public securities of the same issuer. Such conflicts of interest will be discussed and resolved on a case-by-case basis. For more information, please see PineBridge Investments LLC's Form ADVpart2.

○ No

# Objectives and strategies SG 05 Mandatory Public Gateway/Core Assessed General 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 reviewed

# Governance and human resources Mandatory Public Core Assessed General

SG 07.1

**SG 07** 

Indicate the roles present in your organisation and for each, indicate whether they have oversight and/or implementation responsibilities for responsible investment.



☐ Board members or trustees
☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Investment Committee
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
☐ Implementation of responsible investment
$\hfill \square$ No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☑ Other Chief-level staff or head of department, specify
COO, Governance Committee
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
☐ Implementation of responsible investment
$\hfill \square$ No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☑ Portfolio managers
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
☑ Implementation of responsible investment
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✓ Investment analysts
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
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☑ External managers or service providers
☐ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
☑ Implementation of responsible investment
$\hfill \square$ No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☑ Investor relations
☐ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
☐ Implementation of responsible investment
$\ensuremath{\square}$ No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☐ Other role, specify (1)
☐ Other role, specify (2)

Roles present in your organisation

SG 07.2

For the roles for which you have RI oversight/accountability or implementation responsibilities, indicate how you execute these responsibilities.

Highest level oversight of the firm's approach to ESG issues resides with the ESG Advisory Committee which includes the CEO, COO, General Counsel and each of the Asset Class Investment Heads.

Individual investment team analysts and PMs also have responsibility for oversight of ESG considerations within their specific investment areas. These individuals have primary responsibility for implementation of ESG evaluations within their direct investment processes.



SG 07.3 Indicate the number of dedicated responsible investment staff your organisation has.

Number

0

# **Promoting responsible investment**

SG 09	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4,5

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

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

 $\ensuremath{\,\boxtimes\,}$  Principles for Responsible Investment



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

☑ Basic
☐ Moderate
☐ Advanced
□ AFIC – La Commission ESG
☐ Asian Corporate Governance Association
☐ Australian Council of Superannuation Investors
□ BVCA – Responsible Investment Advisory Board
□ CDP Climate Change
□ CDP Forests
□ CDP Water
☐ CFA Institute Centre for Financial Market Integrity
$\square$ Code for Responsible Investment in SA (CRISA)
☐ Code for Responsible Finance in the 21st Century
☐ Council of Institutional Investors (CII)
☐ ESG Research Australia
□ Eumedion
□ EVCA – Responsible Investment Roundtable
☐ Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
☐ 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
$\hfill\square$ 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



SG 1	0	Mandat	ory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4	
	SG 10		ndicate if your organisation itiatives.	promotes responsible in	nvestment, independently of o	collaborative	
'	Yes	3					
	S	G 10.2		ollowing actions your org ntly of collaborative initia	anisation has taken to promo atives.	te responsible	
					s for clients, investment mana ther investment organisations		
		□ Provid	ded financial support for a	academic or industry res	earch on responsible investm	ient	
			uraged better transparency ent industry	and disclosure of respo	nsible investment practices a	icross the	
		□ Spoke	publicly at events and co	nferences to promote re	sponsible investment		
		□ Wrote	and published in-house re	esearch papers on respo	onsible investment		
		□ Encou	raged the adoption of the	PRI			
			articles on responsible inv	vestment in the media.			
		☐ Other	, specify				
	○ No						
	Imple	ementation	on not in other module	es es			
SG 1:	2	Mandat	cory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1	
			•				
	New sel	ection op	tions have been added to	o this indicator. Please	review your prefilled respo	onses carefully.	
	SG 12		ndicate if your organisation uture ESG trends at portfol		ysis and/or modelling in whicl	n the risk profile of	
'		execute s nmental tr	-	cludes factors representi	ng the investment impacts of	future	
	□ We trends		cenario analysis which inc	cludes factors representi	ng the investment impacts of	future social	
	$\Box$ We execute scenario analysis which includes factors representing the investment impacts of future governance trends						
	☐ We execute other scenario analysis, specify						
	☑ We do not execute such scenario analysis and/or modelling						



SG 12.2

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

O We do not consider ESG issues in strategic asset allocation

SG 15	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General
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SG 15.1

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
Other (1) [as defined in Organisational Overview module]	For Multi-Asset, the investment team seeks to include underlying strategies that are aware of ESG standards on an ongoing basis. As part of multi-asset investing, the team's process is ESG-aware and due consideration is given to ESG standards and how underlying managers and strategies take into consideration ESG factors. While such consideration may not be the sole driver of the team's decision-making, it is one of several factors that form the basis of the team's investment diligence.

SG 16 Mandatory Public Descriptive	General
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SG 16.1

Describe how you address ESG issues for externally 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
Private equity	For Private Equity assets, the firm's investment teams actively engage with portfolio company management teams on PRI and ESG issues throughout the investment process. In addition, where the investment team obtains Board positions through its investment activity it actively engages with management and other Directors to proactively address PRI and ESG opportunities and risks.



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**Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation** 

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# ESG incorporation in actively managed listed equities

lmp	olementat	ion processes				
3	Manda	atory		Public	Gateway	PRI
	w selection efully.	options have been a	dded to thi	s indicator. Ple	ease review your prefilled	l responses
L	El 03.1		ed listed equ	uities and (2) the	nd/or combination of strate breakdown of your active (+/- 5%)	
E	-	oration strategy (sele		,		
		ening alone (i.e. not co		•		
☐ Thematic alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies)						
		gration alone (i.e. not co		h any other stra	tegies)	
	☐ Scre	ening and Integration s	strategies			
		natic and integration st	rategies			
Perd	centage of a	active listed equity to				
which the strategy is applied			%			
			100			
			100			
☐ Screening and thematic strate			ategies			
☐ All three strategies combined						
	□Wed	do not apply incorporati	ion strategie	es		
		Total actively mana	aged listed e	equities		

100%



LEI 03.2

Describe your organisation's approach to incorporation and the reasons for choosing the particular ESG incorporation strategy/strategies.

PineBridge Equities has an established research framework for the analysis of companies that has been in existence in the firm for nearly 20 years. At the core of the due diligence process is our Growth Categorization Research (GCR) framework which analyses a company based on the lifecycle position of its earnings streams. Critical to the evaluation within the GCR framework is the assessment of the quality of the management and execution as well as its relationship with stakeholders including employees, customers, suppliers, lenders and shareholders. Following the Growth Categorization of a company, the investment process includes a series of steps in the evaluation of a company's possible entry into a portfolio and ESG considerations are included by the analyst and the portfolio management team during these evaluation steps. The company's ownership and board structure, the management's reputation and operating history in the market, and the company's corporate culture, are assessed through direct contact with senior executives, competitors, stakeholders, and other industry sources as part of the due diligence process on the company.

(B) Implementation: Thematic						
LEI 09	Mandatory		Public	Descriptive	PRI 1	
	LEI 09.1	Indicate the type of sustainabil	ity thematic funds o	or mandates your organisation ma	anages.	
	☐ Environmentally themed funds					
	☑ Socially themed funds					
	☐ Combination of themes					
	LEI 09.2 Describe your organisation's processes for sustainability themed funds. [Optional]					

PineBridge Equities manages a Corporate Social Responsibility equity fund in Japan.

(C) Implementation: Integration of ESG issues

LEI 10 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1

LEI 10.1 Indicate if E, S and G issues are reviewed while researching companies and/or sectors in active strategies.



ESG issues	Coverage/extent of review on these issues			
Environmental	Environmental			
	We systematically review the potential significance of environmental issues and investigate them accordingly			
	O We occasionally review the potential significance of environmental issues and investigate them accordingly			
	O We do not review environmental issues			
Social	Social			
	We systematically review the potential significance of social issues and investigate them accordingly			
	$\bigcirc$ We occasionally review the potential significance of social issues and investigate them accordingly			
	O We do not review social issues			
Corporate Governance Governance				
	We systematically review the potential significance of corporate governance issues and investigate them accordingly			
	O We occasionally review the potential significance of corporate governance issues and investigate them accordingly			
	We do not review corporate governance issues			

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LEI 17 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6

LEI 17.1

Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your approach to ESG incorporation in listed equity.

- $\bigcirc$  We disclose it publicly
- We disclose it to clients and/or beneficiaries only

**LEI 17.5** 

Indicate the information your organisation proactively discloses to clients/ beneficiaries regarding your approach to ESG incorporation.

- Broad approach to ESG incorporation
- O Detailed explanation of ESG incorporation strategy used



LEI 17.6	Indicate how frequently you typically report this information

- O Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- O Annually
- O Less frequently than annually
- Ad-hoc/when requested
- $\bigcirc$  We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries

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## **Engagement**

# 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 a formal engagement policy.

Yes

**LEA 01.2** Indicate what your engagement policy covers:

- ☑ Conflicts of interest
- ☐ Prioritisation of engagements
- ☑ Environmental factors
- ☑ Governance factors
- ☐ Engagements following on from decisions
- ☐ Other, describe
- $\hfill\square$  None of the above

**LEA 01.4** 

Provide a brief overview of your organization's approach to engagement

The company's ownership and board structure, the management's reputation and operating history in the market, and the company's corporate culture, are assessed through direct contact with senior executives, competitors, stakeholders, and other industry sources as part of the due diligence process on the company.

 $\bigcirc$  No

LEA 02 Mandatory Public Gateway 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	☑ To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues	
engagements	☑ To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure	
	☐ Other, specify	
	☐ We do not engage via internal staff	
Collaborative engagements	☐ To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues	
	☐ To encourage improved/inreased ESG disclosure	
	☐ Other, specify	
	☑ We do not engage via collaborative engagements	
Service provider engagements	☐ To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues	
	☐ To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure	
	☐ Other, specify	
	☑ We do not engage via service providers	

#### **Process**

# Process for engagements run internally

LEA 03 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

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 engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

O Yes

No

LEA 04 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

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

**LEA 04.1** Indicate if you define specific objectives for your engagement activities.

O Yes

• We do not define specific objectives for engagement activities carried out by internal staff.



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Indicate if you monitor the actions that companies take following your engagements.

O Yes

• We do not monitor the actions that companies take following engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

**LEA 04.3** 

Indicate whether your organisation defines milestones and goals for engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

O Yes

No

# General processes for all three groups of engagers

LEA 10 Mandatory Public Gateway PRI 2

**LEA 10.1** Indicate if you track the number of engagements your organisation participates in.

Type of engagement	Tracking engagements	
Individual / Internal staff engagements	O Yes, we track the number of our engagements in full	
	<ul><li>Yes, we partially track the number of our engagements</li><li>We do not track</li></ul>	

#### Communication

LEA 16 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6

**LEA 16.1** In

Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses information on its engagements.

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

# (Proxy) voting and shareholder resolutions

#### **Overview**

LEA 17 Mandatory Public Gateway PRI 1,2,3

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



**LEA 17.1** 

Indicate whether your organisation has a formal voting policy.

Yes

LEA 17.2	Indicate what your voting policy covers:		
☑ Conflicts	☑ Conflicts of interest		
☐ Prioritisat	tion of voting activities		
	ency		
☑ Decision	making processes		
☑ Environm	nental factors		
☑ Social face	ctors		
	nce factors		
☐ Filing/co-	filing resolutions		
	nary meetings		
☐ Share blo	☐ Share blocking		
☑ Regional	☑ Regional voting practices		
☑ Record keeping			
☐ Company dialogue pre/post vote			
☐ Securities lending process			
$\square$ Other, de	☐ Other, describe		
$\square$ None of the above			

**LEA 17.5** 

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 (if applicable).

#### PINEBRIDGE INVESTMENTS LLC

PROXY VOTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

#### **Policy Statement**

# **Proxy Procedures**

As a registered investment adviser that votes (or delegates the voting of) securities held in Client portfolios, PineBridge has implemented proxy voting procedures that are reasonably designed to help ensure that a) PineBridge votes proxies in the best interest of its Clients; b) describes its proxy voting procedures to its Clients, and c) discloses to Clients how they may obtain information on how PineBridge voted their proxies. These procedures are designed to help enable PineBridge to manage material conflicts of interest. While PineBridge must disclose its votes upon request to Clients, no public disclosure is required. (Note that disclosure is required for any mutual funds advised by PineBridge, on Form N-PX.)

#### Record-Keeping

PineBridge must retain (i) these proxy voting policies and procedures; (ii) proxy statements received regarding Client securities; (iii) records of votes it casts on behalf of Clients; (iv) records of Client requests for proxy voting information, and; (v) any documents prepared by PineBridge that were material to making a decision how to vote, or that memorialized the basis for the decision. PineBridge may rely on proxy statements filed on EDGAR instead of keeping its own copies, and rely on proxy statements and records of proxy votes cast by PineBridge that are maintained by contract with a third party proxy voting service or other third party.



#### Proxies of Shares of Non-U.S. Corporations

PineBridge has implemented general voting policies with respect to non-U.S. shares owned by Clients. However, although U.S. companies must give shareholders at least 20 days' advance notice to vote proxies, some non-U.S. companies may provide considerably shorter notice or none at all. PineBridge is not required to "rush" voting decisions in order to meet an impractical deadline, and as a result, PineBridge or PineBridge affiliates' regional designees under certain circumstances may not vote certain proxies. In addition, certain non-U.S. regulations impose additional costs to a Portfolio that votes proxies, and PineBridge will take that into consideration when determining whether or not to vote.

#### Policy on Monitoring Class Action Suits

In the event that PineBridge has purchased the same security for a Client's portfolio alongside its investments on behalf of itself or an affiliate, PineBridge generally will seek to inform a Client that such Client may also have a cause of action whenever such issuer is subject to class action litigation. PineBridge as a general matter will also make available to the Client such rights, if any, as that PineBridge may have against any such issuer in its capacity as the Client's agent, and PineBridge will, where possible, give the Client such assistance as it may reasonably require to exercise its rights in any such action.

PineBridge generally does not, however, search out potential legal claims or monitor class action lawsuits against issuers arising from investments held in a Client portfolio, nor may PineBridge institute a lawsuit on a Client's behalf arising from investments held in the Client portfolio.

In addition, given the size and breadth of PineBridge's business, it is possible that there may be situations in which PineBridge or an affiliate might become aware of a potential lawsuit with respect to a security, one of which may also be held within a Client portfolio. In these situations, there is the possibility, due to confidentiality requirements or conflicts of interest, that PineBridge would be restricted from informing a Client of potential legal actions and activities.

In the case of a material conflict between the interests of PineBridge and those of its Clients, PineBridge will take steps to address such conflicts (which may include consulting with counsel), and will attempt to resolve all conflicts in the Client's best interest.

#### Procedures

PineBridge will vote proxies in the best interests of its Clients, which may result in different voting results for proxies for the same issuer.

Compliance is responsible for ensuring that the PineBridge ADV includes the appropriate language summarizing PineBridge's proxy voting procedures and for updating the summary in the ADV whenever the procedures are updated. Compliance is also responsible for consulting with Legal to ensure that PineBridge's proxy voting policy is kept up to date and in a form appropriate for transmission to Clients.

If a Client or potential Client requests a copy of the Proxy Voting Policy from Client Relations or Sales, Compliance should be contacted for the most recent version, or it may be obtained from the intranet. Client Relations will send to such Client a copy of the current version of the voting procedures within 7 days and will ensure that Compliance receives a log of each Client's request and the action taken.

If a Client requests access to the records of how PineBridge voted its proxies, the Client should be assured that this will be provided, and Operations should be consulted. Operations has access to these proxy voting records.

PRII Principles for Responsible Investment

PineBridge has established a Proxy Committee (the "Committee"). The PineBridge Proxy Committee is comprised of members of the Investment Department, and senior management, and is attended by members of Legal & Compliance and Operations.

The Committee conducts an annual review of the proxy voting guidelines for domestic and non-U.S. Portfolios. Guidelines are reviewed to ensure that the interests of PineBridge's Clients are best served.

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Issues not addressed in the voting guidelines are determined on a case-by-case basis with input from the Committee and portfolio managers.

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PineBridge has engaged a third party vendor to administer proxy voting on its behalf. The vendor receives, in a majority of cases, proxies directly from the Client's custodian and votes them based on PineBridge's voting guidelines.

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In circumstances where PineBridge receives proxies directly, these proxies must be sent to the vendor promptly. The vendor then votes them in accordance with PineBridge's voting guidelines. The vendor maintains a listing of all votes cast on behalf of PineBridge Clients.

O No

Process							
LEA 18		Manda	ntory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 2	
	LEA 18.1 Indicate how you typically male		Indicate how you typically make y	your (proxy) voting	decisions.		
			Approach				

- $\bigcirc$  We use our own research or voting team and make voting decisions without the use of service providers.
- O We hire service provider(s) that make voting recommendations or provide research that we use to inform our voting decisions.
- We hire service provider(s) that make voting decisions on our behalf, except for some pre-defined scenarios for which we review and make voting decisions.

Based on

O the service provider voting policy signed off by us

o our own voting policy
O our clients' requests or policy
O other, explain

O We hire service provider(s) that make voting decisions on our behalf.

LEA 19	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 2
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New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.



Of the voting recommendations that your service provider made in the reporting year, indicate

	the percentage reviewed by your organisation, giving reasons.					
	Percentage of voting recomme	ndations your orga	nisation reviewed			
○ >20%,						
O 5-20%	,					
O 1-5%,						
⊚ <1%						
	Reasons for review					
☐ Specifi	c ESG issues					
□ Votes f	for significant holdings					
✓ Votes a	against management and/or absten	tions				
☐ Conflic	ets of interest					
☐ Corpor	ate actions such as M&A, disposal,	etc.				
□ Votes f	for companies with which we have a	an active engagem	ent			
☐ Client r	requests					
☐ Ad-hoc oversight of Service Provider						
☐ Shareholder resolutions						
☐ Share blocked securities						
$\square$ Other,	explain					
Manda	atory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2		
ew selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses arefully.						

**LEA 22.1** 

**LEA 22** 

Indicate whether you or the service providers acting on your behalf raise any concerns with companies ahead of voting

- O Yes, in most cases
- $\ \bigcirc$  Sometimes, in the following cases:
- Neither we nor our service provider raise concerns with companies ahead of voting

**LEA 22.2** 

Indicate whether you and/or the service provider(s) acting on your behalf, communicate the rationale to companies, when , you abstain or vote against management recommendations.

- O Yes, in most cases
- $\bigcirc$  Sometimes, in the following cases.
- We do not communicate the rationale to companies
- O Not applicable because we and/or our service providers do not abstain or vote against management recommendations

**Outputs and outcomes** 

LEA 23 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

**LEA 23.1** 

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.

- O We do track or collect this information
- We do not track or collect this information

LEA 24 Mandatory Public Additional Assessed PRI 2

LEA 24.1

Indicate if you track the voting instructions that you and/or your service provider on your behalf have issued.

- O Yes, we track this information
- No, we do not track this information

## Communication

LEA 27 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6

LEA 27.1

Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your voting activities.

- O We disclose it publicly
- We disclose it to clients/beneficiaries only

**LEA 27.5** 

Indicate the voting information your organisation proactively discloses to clients/beneficiaries.

Indicate how much of your voting record you disclose

- O All voting decisions
- O Some voting decisions
- Only abstentions and opposing vote decisions
- Summary of votes only

Indicate what level of explanation you provide

- O Explain all voting decisions
- O Explain some voting decisions
- Only explain abstentions and votes against management
- No explanations provided



LEA 27.6	Indicate how frequently you report voting information.			
O Continuo	Continuously (primarily before meetings)			
O Continuously (soon after votes are cast)				
O Quarterly or more frequently				

Between quarterly and annuallyLess frequently than annually

Other

Please specify

Upon request

 $\bigcirc$  We do not proactively disclose our voting activities to the public and/or to clients/beneficiaries



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# ESG incorporation in actively managed fixed income

# Implementation processes

FI 04	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 1

FI 04.1

Indicate 1) Which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies you apply to your actively managed fixed income investments; and 2) The proportion (+/- 5%) of your total actively managed fixed income investments each strategy applies to.

SSA		
		Screening alone
	0	
		Thematic alone
	0	
		late welfers along
		Integration alone
	0	
		Screening + integration strategies
	100	
		Thematic + integration strategies
	0	
		Screening + thematic strategies
	0	
		All three strategies combined
	0	
		No incorporation strategies applied
	0	
	100%	
Corporate (financial)		
		Screening alone
	0	
		Thematic alone
	0	
		Integration alone
	0	
		Screening + integration strategies
	100	

	Thematic + integration strategies
0	
	Screening + thematic strategies
0	
	All three strategies combined
0	
	No incorporation strategies applied
0	
100%	



Corporate (non-		
financial)		Screening alone
	0	
		Thematic alone
	0	
		Integration alone
	0	
	0	
		Screening + integration strategies
	100	
	100	
		Thematic + integration strategies
	0	
		Screening + thematic strategies
	0	
		All three strategies combined
	0	
		No incorporation strategies applied
	0	
	100%	
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		Screening alone
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		The wester plane
		Thematic alone
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		Integration along
		Integration alone
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		Screening + integration strategies
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	100	

	Thematic + integration strategies
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	Screening + thematic strategies
0	
	All three strategies combined
0	
	No incorporation strategies applied
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100%	

Describe your reasons for choosing a particular ESG incorporation strategy and how combinations of strategies are used.

We apply both screening and integration of ESG factors within both our bottom-up issuer specific research and top-down portfolio strategy. We manage some client portfolios in which we apply an exclusionary screening to the investable universe. For all other portfolios, we apply a norms based screening approach in which issuers are scored on their environmental, social and governance risks. For any issuers which score higher on the risk scale in any singular factor we require our analysts to provide further detail/justification as for why that issuer should be eligible for investment. Those issuers who score in below international norms in aggregate are excluded from investment.

While the addition of ESG screening is a newer component of our investment process, we have a long history of integrating the analysis of ESG risks within our internal research process, dating back to 2006 as the former AIG Asset Management. In addition to incorporating ESG risks into our fundamental credit analysis at the issuer level, we also consistently monitor the ESG risks within our portfolios from the top-down aggregate level. This ensures that we are not aligning the portfolio too far toward any singular ESG factor to have material impact on the portfolio.

FI 06		Mandatory		Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1
	FI 0	6.1	Indicate how you ensure that you	r ESG research pro	ocess is robust:	
	☐ Issuers are given the opportunity by you or your research provider to review ESG research on them and correct inaccuracies					em and
	$\ensuremath{ riangle}$ Issuer information and/or ESG ratings are updated regularly to ensure ESG research is accurate					
	$\hfill \square$ Internal audits of ESG research are undertaken in a systematic way					
	$\square$ ESG analysis is benchmarked for quality against other providers					
	☐ Other, specify					
	□ None of the above					



FI 06.2	Describe how your ESG information or analysis is shared among your investment team.				
☑ ESG info	$\ensuremath{\square}$ ESG information is held within a centralised database and is accessible to all investment staff				
	$\ensuremath{\boxtimes}$ ESG information is a standard item on all individual issuer summaries, 'tear sheets', 'dashboards' or similar documents				
	☐ Investment staff are required to discuss ESG information on issuers as a standard item during investment committee meetings				
☐ Records	$\square$ Records capture how ESG information and research was incorporated into investment decisions				
☐ Other, specify					
☐ None of	□ None of the above				
(A) Implementation: Screening					

**Public** 

Indicate the type of screening you conduct.

**Gateway** 

**Mandatory** 

# Select all that apply

FI 07.1

FI 07

	SSA	Corporate (financial)	Corporate (non-financial)	Securitised
	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Negative/exclusionary screening				
Positive/best-in-class screening				
	$\checkmark$	<b>V</b>	$\checkmark$	<b>V</b>
Norms-based screening				

FI 07.2 Describe your approach to screening for internally managed active fixed income

With respect to screening, we manage some client portfolios in which we apply an exclusionary screening to the investable universe. In these instances, the client will partner with a third party ESG research firm to provide and maintain the list of issuers, both sovereign and corporate, that are excluded from investment. For all other portfolios, we apply a norms based screening approach in which issuers are scored on their environmental, social and governance risks. For any issuers which score higher on the risk scale in any singular factor we require our analysts to provide further detail/justification as for why that issuer should be eligible for investment. Those issuers who score in below international norms in aggregate are excluded from investment.

FI 08 Man		Manda	atory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
	FI 0	8.1	Indicate why you conduct negative	e screening.		

SSA

PRI 1

	SSA
☐ For lega	l reasons
☑ For non-	-legal reasons
Corporate (f	inancial)
	Corporate (fin)
☐ For lega	I reasons
✓ For non-	-legal reasons
Corporate (n	on-financial)
	Corporate (non-fin)
☐ For lega	I reasons
☑ For non-	-legal reasons
FI 08.2	Describe your approach to ESG-based negative screening of issuers from your investable universe.

The use of negative screening is done on a per-client basis and the negative screening methodology is specific to their internal guidelines. Some of those clients are faith based, others are pensions and each set of excluded issuers reflects the client's unique values.

FI 10 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1

FI 10.1 Indicate which systems your organisation has to ensure that fund screening criteria are not breached in fixed income investments.



Type of screening	Checks
	☑ Checks are performed to ensure that issuers meet screening criteria
Negative/exclusionary screening?	$\ensuremath{\square}$ Data used for the screening criteria is updated at least every 2 years
3	☑ Automated IT systems prevent our portfolio managers from investing in excluded issuers or bonds that do not meet screening criteria
	$\ensuremath{\square}$ Audits of fund holdings are undertaken regularly by internal audit or compliance functions
	☐ Other, specify
	☐ None of the above
	☑ Checks are performed to ensure that issuers meet screening criteria
Norms-based screening	$\overline{\!$
	$\hfill \square$ Automated IT systems prevent our portfolio managers from investing in excluded issuers or bonds that do not meet screening criteria
	$\hfill \square$ Audits of fund holdings are undertaken regularly by internal audit or compliance functions
	☐ Other, specify
	☐ None of the above

# (C) Implementation: Integration

	FI 14 Ma	landatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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FI 14.1 Describe your approach to integrating ESG into traditional financial analysis.

With respect to issuer level analysis, our objective in assessing a firm's ESG risks is to provide an early identification of positive and/or negative trends whereby we can mitigate potential investment risk and/or enhance performance. The inclusion of ESG considerations within our traditional financial dates back to 2006 at our predecessor firm, AIG Asset Management. Over time, we have enhanced our integration of ESG into our investment process by focusing on aggregate ESG factors from a top-down portfolio level. In this respect, we rely on analysis of ESG risk factors which aim at addressing the ESG risks that have the most weight in delivering alpha in our target investment universe and minimizing the ESG risks that have the most adverse effect on the portfolio's investment universe. By focusing on portfolio level ESG risks we are able to diversify away issuer exposure to those risks which are unattractive from a risk-reward standpoint and focus our exposure to those that are additive to the portfolio's objectives.

FI 14.2

Describe how your ESG integration approach is adapted to each of the different types of fixed income you invest in.

SSA

Our assessment of ESG factors is similar to our approach to fundamental analysis, in that we seek a relative value assessment that can drive portfolio performance. For each of the types of fixed income that we invest in, the ESG philosophy is the same however the application is adapted by security type.

For SSA issuers we would pay look at things such as government regulations, adherence to international norms and participation in accords, human rights records, protections of civil rights, freedom of press and assembly, integrity of democratic process etc.



Corporate (financial)

For financial corporate issuers we look at environmental track record, labour relations and corporate governance but we also look at the bank's clients to ensure that they are not in business with any sanctioned governments or agencies or any corporations or individuals that may present ESG risks for the bank.

Corporate (non-financial)

For non-financial corporate issuers we analyse the issuer's commitment to resource reduction, control of greenhouse gas emissions, water preservation, labour relations, human rights records, community relations, board structure and executive compensation.

Securitised

For securitised, the ESG risks are fairly well contained by the controls that are in place at the regulatory and issuer level. However, we still implement our own analysis at the underlying asset level, with a focus on a similar set of criteria as we apply to issuers of SSA or corporate bonds.

FI 15	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1

FI 15.1

Indicate how ESG information is typically used as part of your investment process.

Select all that apply



	SSA	Corporate (financial)	Corporate (non-financial)	Securitised
ESG analysis is integrated into fundamental analysis	V	<b>V</b>	☑	$\checkmark$
ESG analysis is integrated into security weighting decisions	V	<b>V</b>	v	<b></b>
ESG analysis is integrated into portfolio construction decisions	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	V	<b>V</b>
ESG analysis is a standard part of internal credit ratings or assessment	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>		<b>V</b>
ESG analysis for issuers is a standard agenda item at investment committee meetings	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>		<b>V</b>
ESG analysis is regularly featured in internal research notes or similar	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>		<b>V</b>
ESG analysis is a standard feature of ongoing portfolio monitoring	V	<b>V</b>		<b>V</b>
ESG analysis features in all internal issuer summaries or similar documents	V	<b>V</b>	Ø	<b>V</b>
Other, specify				

FI 16	Mandatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1
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Indicate the extent to which ESG issues are reviewed in your integration process.

FI 16.1

	Environment	Social	Governance
SSA	Environmental	Social	Governance
	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	Systematically	Systematically
	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	O Not at all
Corporate (financial)	Environmental	Social	Governance
(	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>
	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	O Not at all
Corporate (non-	Environmental	Social	Governance
financial)	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>
	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	O Not at all
Securitised	Environmental	Social	Governance
	Systematically	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>
	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	O Not at all

FI 16.2 Please provide more detail on how you review E, S and G factors in your integration process.

SSA

ESG factors are part of our formal financial analysis, which is updated regularly for SSA issuers.

Corporate (financial)

ESG factors are part of our formal financial analysis, which is updated regularly for Corporate issuers.

Corporate (non-financial)

ESG factors are part of our formal financial analysis, which is updated regularly for Corporate issuers.



Securitised

ESG factors are considered when reviewing securitized deals for investment, either on the primary or secondary market.

# FI 23 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6 FI 23.1 Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your approach to RI across all of your fixed income investments. O We disclose it publicly O We disclose it to clients and/or beneficiaries only O We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries FI 23.7 Additional information. [Optional]

PineBridge will disclose this information upon request to anyone who enquires.

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## **Overview**

PE 04 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

PE 04.1

Indicate if your organisation's investment guidelines for private equity refer to responsible investment.

- Our investment guidelines do refer to responsible investment
- Our investment guidelines do not refer to responsible investment
- O We do not have investment guidelines

# Fundraising of private equity funds

PE 05 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1,4,6

PE 05.1

Indicate if your most recent fund placement documents (private placement memorandums (PPMs) or similar) refer to responsible investment aspects of your organisation.

Yes

PE 05.2

Indicate how your fund placement documents (PPMs or similar) refer to the following responsible investment aspects of your organisation:

- $\ensuremath{\,\boxtimes\,}$  Policy and commitment to responsible investment
- ☑ Approach to ESG issues in pre-investment processes
- ☑ Approach to ESG issues in post-investment processes
- $\bigcirc$  No
- O Not applicable as our organisation does not fundraise

### **Pre-investment (selection)**

PE 07 Mandatory Public Gateway PRI 1

PE 07.1

During due-diligence indicate if your organisation typically incorporates ESG issues when selecting private equity investments.

Yes

PE 07.2

Describe your organisation's approach to incorporating ESG issues in private equity investment selection.

Every potential investment undergoes a comprehensive review of ESG issues and considerations, and ESG is an integral part of our due diligence efforts before making an investment.

While our funds are not specifically targeted at ESG businesses, we proactively take these concerns into account in our pre-investment process. After sourcing a given deal, an initial screen takes place, during which the PBSC Team will carefully evaluate the opportunity and make a determination as to whether to proceed with



committing resources to perform due diligence. During this stage, the PBSC Team seeks to identify any relevant ESG risks and opportunities that will need to be diligenced if the investment opportunity is to be further pursued.

PBSC has numerous additional checkpoints throughout its investment process, from sourcing to realization, and ESG issues and opportunities are discussed before moving forward at each stage of the investment process. ESG's impact and involvement throughout the investment process can be seen in the chart below.

 $\bigcirc$  No

PE 8.2

Committee or similar.

**PE 08 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1,3** Indicate what type of ESG information your organisation typically considers during your private PE 8.1 equity investment selection process. ☑ Raw data from target company ☑ Benchmarks against other companies ☑ Sector level data/benchmarks ☑ Country level data/benchmarks ☑ Reporting standards, industry codes and certifications ☐ International initiatives, declarations or standards ☑ Engagements with stakeholders (e.g. customers and suppliers) ☑ Advice from external resources ☐ Other, specify ☐ We do not track this information

A Table of ESG Risks and Opportunities ("ESG Evaluation"), is the primary document that the team uses to identify ESG issues, assess risks and quantify potential opportunities in a systematic manner. While not every item included on the ESG Evaluation table will be relevant for each investment opportunity, this list provides a comprehensive checklist of the types of risks so that potential issues - beyond those which might be obvious in a given context - are not overlooked. The PBSC Team will update and improve the ESG Evaluation from time to time. The ESG Evaluation will be included in Investment Committee memos.

Describe how this information is reported to, considered and documented by the Investment

Potential investments are reviewed based on Environmental, Social and Governance categories. For illustrative purposes only, below are evaluation forms for hypothetical investments in a manufacturing company (evaluated for Environmental criteria), a retail company (evaluated for Social criteria), and a distribution company (evaluated for Governance criteria).

Post-investment (monitoring)					
PE 11	Mandatory	Public	Gateway/Core Assessed	PRI 2	



PE 11.1

Indicate whether your organisation incorporates ESG issues in investment monitoring of portfolio companies.

Yes

PE 11.2

Indicate the proportion of portfolio companies where your organisation included ESG performance in investment monitoring during the reporting year.

- >90% of portfolio companies
- 51-90% of portfolio companies
- 10-50% of portfolio companies
- <10% of portfolio companies

(in terms of total number of portfolio companies)

PE 11.3

Indicate ESG issues for which your organisation typically sets and monitors targets (KPIs or similar) and provide examples per issue.

### **ESG** issues

☑ Environmental

List up to three example targets of environmental issues

Implement office recycling at facilities

Environmental diligence requirements for all portfolio company acquisitions

Operations organization responsible for measuring plant level KPI's (Workers safety, scrap rates, etc.)

List up to three example targets of social issues

Assisting in setting up new incentive compensation schemes to ensure alignments between investors, management and employees

Helping a portfolio company find experts to implement a Six Sigma project

Helping strengthen relationships between employees and shareholders/senior management

☑ Governance

List up to three example targets of governance issues

Board level status updates on legal disputes and regulatory issues

Providing general corporate governance, serving on Audit/Compensation Committees to provide management oversight

Implementing banking and financial controls

☐ We do not set and/or monitor against targets

 $\bigcirc$  No

PE 12 Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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PE 12.1

Indicate if your organisation tracks the proportion of your portfolio companies that have an ESG/sustainability-related policy (or similar guidelines).

Yes

PE 12.2

Indicate what percentage of your portfolio companies has an ESG/sustainability policy (or similar guidelines).

- >90% of portfolio companies
- 51-90% of portfolio companies
- 10-50% of portfolio companies
- <10% of portfolio companies
- O 0% of portfolio companies

(in terms of total number of portfolio companies)

 $\bigcirc$  No

### Communication

PE 18 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 6

PE 18.1

Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses ESG information on your private equity investments.

- O Disclose publicly
- Disclose to investor clients (LPs)/beneficiaries only

PE 18.5

Indicate the type of ESG information that your organisation proactively discloses to your clients (LPs)/beneficiaries.

- ☑ ESG information in relation to our pre-investment activities
- ☑ ESG information in relation to our post-investment monitoring and ownership activities
- ☐ Information on our portfolio companies' ESG performance
- ☐ Other, specify

PE 18.6

Indicate your organisation's typical frequency of disclosing ESG information to your clients(LPs)/beneficiaries.

- Quarterly or more frequently
- O Biannually
- Annually
- O Less frequently than annually
- O Ad-hoc/when requested, specify
- O No proactive disclosure to the public or to clients (LPs)/beneficiaries

