



LEA 02	Discretionary Mandate	Gateway
<p>By default, assets for which we have no responsibility (understand for generalist investors) are not subject to our engagement process. However, we may engage in a discretionary manner on behalf of any of our clients on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>Our engagement process is designed to be flexible and responsive to the needs of our clients. We may engage in a discretionary manner on behalf of any of our clients on a case-by-case basis.</p>	<p>Type of engagement</p> <p>Individual/ internal staff engagements</p> <p>Collaborative engagements</p> <p>Service provider engagements</p>	<p>Reason for interaction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research, ESG issues) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice (e.g. identify the need for additional or updated ESG data) <input type="checkbox"/> To engage internal staff <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research, ESG issues) <input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice (e.g. identify the need for additional or updated ESG data) <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research, ESG issues) <input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice (e.g. identify the need for additional or updated ESG data) <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research, ESG issues) <input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice (e.g. identify the need for additional or updated ESG data)

RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

2017

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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 [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 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	✓	Private							✓
OO 10	RI activities for listed equities	✓	Public							✓
OO 11	RI activities in other asset classes	✓	Public							✓
OO 12	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	n/a							✓
OO End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Strategy and Governance				Principle						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	✓	Public							✓
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				✓			
SG 11	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	✓	Private				✓	✓	✓	
SG 12	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Public	✓						
SG 13	Long term investment risks and opportunity	✓	Private	✓						
SG 14	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	✓						
SG 15	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 16	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 17	Innovative features of approach to RI	✓	Private							✓
SG End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation				Principle						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	✓	Private							✓
LEI 03	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 04	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 05	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-making	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 06	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 07	Processes to ensure screening is based on robust analysis	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 08	Processes to ensure fund criteria are not breached	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 09	Types of sustainability thematic funds/mandates	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 10	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 11	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 12	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 13	ESG issues in index construction	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 14	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	✓	Private	✓						
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	✓						
LEI 17	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓					✓
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	🔒	n/a		✓					
LEA 06	Objectives for engagement activities	🔒	n/a		✓					
LEA 07	Role in engagement process	🔒	n/a		✓		✓			
LEA 08	Monitor / discuss service provider information	🔒	n/a		✓				✓	
LEA 09	Share insights from engagements with internal/external managers	✓	Private	✓	✓					
LEA 10	Tracking number of engagements	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 11	Number of companies engaged with, intensity of engagement and effort	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 12	Engagement methods	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 13	Engagements on E, S and/or G issues	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 14	Companies changing practices / behaviour following engagement	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 15	Examples of ESG engagements	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 16	Disclosure of approach to ESG engagements	✓	Public		✓				✓	
LEA 17	Voting policy & approach	✓	Public	✓	✓	✓				
LEA 18	Typical approach to (proxy) voting decisions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 19	Percentage of voting recommendations reviewed	🔒	n/a		✓					
LEA 20	Confirmation of votes	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 21	Securities lending programme	✓	Private		✓					
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	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 26	Examples of (proxy) voting activities	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 27	Disclosing voting activities	✓	Public		✓				✓	
LEA End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - Fixed Income				Principle						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	🔒	n/a							✓
FI 03	Breakdown by market and credit quality	✓	Private							✓
FI 04	Incorporation strategies applied	✓	Public	✓						
FI 05	ESG issues and issuer research	✓	Private	✓						
FI 06	Processes to ensure analysis is robust	✓	Public	✓						
FI 07	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	✓						
FI 08	Negative screening - overview and rationale	✓	Public	✓						
FI 09	Examples of ESG factors in screening process	✓	Private	✓						
FI 10	Screening - ensuring criteria are met	✓	Public	✓						
FI 11	Thematic investing - overview	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 12	Thematic investing - themed bond processes	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 13	Thematic investing - assessing impact	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 14	Integration overview	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 15	Integration - ESG information in investment processes	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 16	Integration - E,S and G issues reviewed	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 17	ESG incorporation in passive funds	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 18	Engagement overview and coverage	✓	Private		✓					
FI 19	Engagement method	🔒	n/a	✓	✓					
FI 20	Engagement policy disclosure	🔒	n/a	✓	✓					
FI 21	Financial/ESG performance	✓	Private							✓
FI 22	Examples - ESG incorporation or engagement	✓	Private	✓	✓					
FI 23	Communications	✓	Public		✓				✓	
FI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

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Organisational Overview

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Basic Information

OO 01	Mandatory	Public	Gateway/Peering	General
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OO 01.1 Select the services you offer.

Fund management

% of assets under management (AUM) in ranges

- <10%
- 10-50%
- >50%

Fund of funds, manager of managers, sub-advised products

Other, specify

Execution and advisory services

OO 02	Mandatory	Public	Peering	General
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OO 02.1 Select the location of your organisation's headquarters.

United States

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

1100

OO 03	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General
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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
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OO 04.1 Indicate the year end date for your reporting year.

31/12/2016

OO 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		460	000	000	000
Currency	USD				
Assets in USD		460	000	000	000

OO 06

Mandatory

Public

Descriptive

General

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

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

- as percentage breakdown
- as broad ranges

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

	'Other (1)' specified
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Global Allocation

	'Other (2)' specified
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Target Date

OO 06.2	Publish our asset class mix as per attached image [Optional].
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Gateway asset class implementation indicators

OO 10	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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OO 10.1	Select the direct or indirect ESG incorporation activities your organisation implemented for listed equities in the reporting year.
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- 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.

OO 10.2	Select the direct or indirect engagement activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the reporting year.
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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.

OO 10.3	Select the direct or indirect voting activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the reporting year
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- 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

OO 11	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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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).

- Fixed income – SSA
- Fixed income – corporate (financial)
- Fixed income – corporate (non-financial)
- Property
- Commodities
- Other (1)
- Other (2)
- None of the above

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

Global Allocation

'Other (2)' [as defined in OO 05]

Target Date

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Investment policy

SG 01

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

General

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors <input type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific RI guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> Sector specific RI guidelines <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening / exclusions policy <input type="checkbox"/> Engagement policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Proxy) voting policy <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify(2)	<input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover all AUM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a minority of AUM

SG 01.4

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

- UN Global Compact Principles
- UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- International Bill of Human Rights
- International Labour Organization Conventions
- United Nations Convention Against Corruption
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- Other, specify (1)

other (1) description

UK and Japan Stewardship Codes

- Other, specify (2)
- Other, specify (3)
- None of the above
- 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]
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Dimensional believes that investors, particularly long-term shareholders with significant positions, are well positioned to positively influence a company's responsible investment practices. Dimensional seeks to encourage responsible investing through proxy voting, engagement initiatives, industry participation, and internal projects and research.

Dimensional takes responsible investment principles into consideration across all portfolios where it may have an impact on performance. Since 2006, Dimensional has offered a number of funds specifically aimed at responsible investing. These funds screen companies on various factors, including sustainability, emissions, cluster munitions, tobacco, and child labor.

SG 02	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 6
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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.
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- Policy setting out your overall approach

	URL/Attachment
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- URL

	URL
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<https://us.dimensional.com/about-us/corporate-governance>

- Attachment (will be made public)

- Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors

	URL/Attachment
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- URL

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<https://us.dimensional.com/about-us/corporate-governance>

- Attachment (will be made public)

- Screening / exclusions policy

- (Proxy) voting policy

URL/Attachment

URL

URL

<https://us.dimensional.com/funds>

Attachment (will be made public)

We do not publicly disclose our investment policy documents

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.

If a portfolio manager identifies a potential conflict of interest in relation to a particular security, the conflict is brought to the attention of the Compliance Department. Compliance will determine whether investment in the security is allowed and will instruct the portfolio manager as appropriate.

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 reviewed

Governance and human resources

SG 07	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	General
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SG 07.1 Indicate the roles present in your organisation and for each, indicate whether they have oversight and/or implementation responsibilities for responsible investment.

Roles present in your organisation

- Board members or trustees
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), 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 Management, Compliance, Legal, Research**
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- 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
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- External managers or service providers
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Investor relations
- Other role, specify (1)
- Other role, specify (2)

SG 07.2

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

Dimensional's dedicated responsible investment staff handle engagement and proxy voting on ESG issues, guided by a policy developed by the CEO, members of the Corporate Governance Committee, and heads of portfolio management, compliance, legal and research. Investment analysts and portfolio managers monitor the performance of companies included in Dimensional's environmentally and socially screened funds. Both and members of the portfolio management/investment team may rely on research and data provided by external service providers.

SG 07.3

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

Number

2

SG 07.4

Additional information. [Optional]

In addition to Corporate Governance Committee and two dedicated Corporate Governance Group staff, a number of additional members of global portfolio management team, including Portfolio Managers and Investment Associates assist with engagement and voting activities

The Corporate Governance Committee includes the Co-CEO, 2 outside directors of the firm, the Chief Compliance Officer, Co-Head of Portfolio Management, and the Head of Research.

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

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

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced
- 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)

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative.
[Optional]

Contributed to content development (developed and presented materials).

- 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
- 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

Harvard Institutional Investor Forum

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative.
[Optional]

Contributed to content development (participate in roundtable 3x per year).

- 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.

Yes

SG 10.2 Indicate which of the following actions your organisation has taken to promote responsible investment, independently of collaborative initiatives.

- Provided or supported education or training programmes for clients, investment managers, broker/dealers, investment consultants, legal advisers or other investment organisations
- Provided financial support for academic or industry research on responsible investment
- Encouraged better transparency and disclosure of responsible investment practices across the investment industry
- 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
- Wrote articles on responsible investment in the media.
- Other, specify

No

SG 10.3 Describe any additional actions and initiatives that your organisation has taken part in during the reporting year to promote responsible investment [Optional]

Dimensional has updated our Responsible Investment Statement to more thoroughly explain our views on a variety of topics.

Dimensional launched a socially screened fixed income fund, the DFA Social Fixed Income Portfolio.

Dimensional hosted a meeting of US SIF (The Forum for Sustainable and Responsible Investment) and presented members with Dimensional's approaches to SRI investing and how these approaches are incorporated into our Sustainability and Social strategies.

Implementation not in other modules

SG 12	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 12.1

Indicate if your organisation executes scenario analysis and/or modelling in which the risk profile of future ESG trends at portfolio level is calculated.

- We execute scenario analysis which includes factors representing the investment impacts of future environmental trends
- We execute scenario analysis which includes factors representing the investment impacts of future social trends
- 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
- We do not consider ESG issues in strategic asset allocation

SG 12.3

Additional information. [OPTIONAL]

Scenario analysis includes measurement and projection of environmental metrics (e.g. emissions, reserves) and governance metrics (anti-takeover provisions).

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ESG incorporation in actively managed listed equities

Implementation processes

LEI 03

Mandatory

Public

Gateway

PRI 1

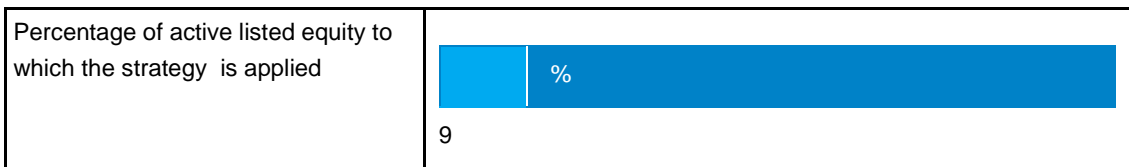
New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

LEI 03.1

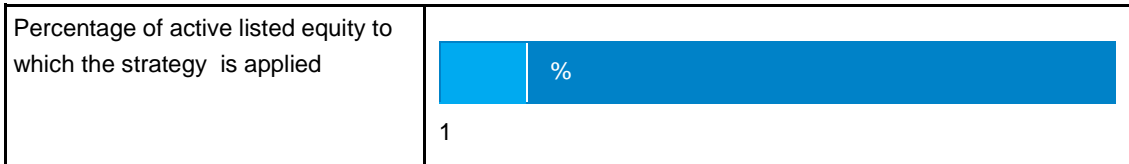
Indicate (1) which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies you apply to your actively managed listed equities and (2) the breakdown of your actively managed listed equities by strategy or combination of strategies (+/- 5%)

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)

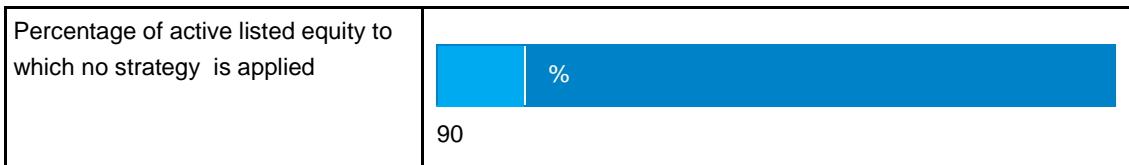
Screening and Integration strategies

Thematic and integration strategies

Screening and thematic strategies

All three strategies combined

We do not apply incorporation strategies



Total actively managed listed equities

100%

LEI 03.2

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

We believe screening to be most appropriate for clients with social concerns and certain environmental concerns (such as factory farming and palm oil) as such concerns seek to avoid investment in certain lines of business. We take a thematic (weighting) approach with sustainability strategies to account for the varying degrees of issuer compliance with sustainability goals.

(A) Implementation: Screening

LEI 06

Mandatory

Public

Descriptive

PRI 1

LEI 06.1

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

Exclusionary screens for alcohol, tobacco, gambling, adult entertainment, military weapons, cluster munitions, abortion, stem cell research, contraceptives, Iran and Sudan, and closely-held companies. Underweight or exclude companies with negative characteristics. A wide variety of characteristics are considered including emissions, reserves, and controversial business activities.

Positive/best-in-class screening

Screened by

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

Description

Overweight companies with positive environmental characteristics.

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

Apply these principles to certain accounts per client specification.

LEI 06.2	Describe how the screening criteria are established, how often the criteria are reviewed and how you notify clients and/or beneficiaries when changes are made.
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Criteria are established based on client input, and reviewed on an ongoing basis. Eligible securities are updated quarterly. Clients are notified in writing of any changes.

LEI 07	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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LEI 07.1	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
- Company ESG information/ratings are updated regularly to ensure that portfolio holdings comply with fund policies
- 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
- Other, specify
- None of the above

(B) Implementation: Thematic

LEI 09	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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LEI 09.1 Indicate the type of sustainability thematic funds or mandates your organisation manages.

- Environmentally themed funds
- Socially themed funds
- Combination of themes

Communication

LEI 17	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6
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LEI 17.1 Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your approach to ESG incorporation in listed equity.

- We disclose it publicly

Provide URL

<https://us.dimensional.com/funds>

LEI 17.2 Indicate if the information disclosed to the public is the same as that disclosed to clients/beneficiaries.

- Yes

LEI 17.3 Indicate the information your organisation proactively discloses to clients/ beneficiaries and the public regarding your approach to ESG incorporation.

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

LEI 17.4 Indicate how frequently you typically report this information.

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad-hoc/when requested
- No
- We disclose it to clients and/or beneficiaries only
- 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
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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
- Transparency
- Environmental factors
- Social factors
- Governance factors
- Engagements following on from decisions
- Other, describe
- None of the above

LEA 01.4 | Provide a brief overview of your organization's approach to engagement

Dimensional believes that investors, particularly long-term shareholders with significant positions, are well positioned to positively influence a company's governance practices. We believe that shareholders have a right to be heard by company management. When there is potential to increase shareholder value, Dimensional will listen to the management of companies or other shareholders to seek to improve corporate governance. Company communications are logged and companies are monitored for improvements based on the feedback provided by Dimensional.

No

LEA 02	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 1,2,3
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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 type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <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"/> Other, specify <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"/> Other, specify <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via service providers

Process

Process for engagements run internally

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 engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

Yes

LEA 03.2

Describe the criteria used to identify and prioritise engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

- Geography/market of the companies targeted
 - Materiality of ESG factors
 - Systemic risks to global portfolios
 - Exposure (holdings)
 - In reaction to ESG impacts which has already taken place
 - As a response to divestment pressure
 - As a follow-up from a voting decision
 - Client request
 - Other, describe
- No

LEA 03.3

Additional information. [Optional]

Dimensional seeks to encourage good governance practices by engaging with companies held in the portfolios we manage. We engage directly with company management to get more information about specific events or meeting proposals, and to suggest potential avenues for improving corporate governance. Dimensional uses many data sources to identify these opportunities for engagement. While corporate governance is a very broad topic, we tend to focus our efforts on a few key areas, including anti-takeover provisions, related party transactions, and general best practices. The size of Dimensional's total position is also taken into consideration when prioritizing engagements.

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.

- Yes
 - Yes, for all engagement activities
 - Yes, for the majority of engagement activities
 - Yes, for a minority of engagement activities
- We do not define specific objectives for engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

LEA 04.2 Indicate if you monitor the actions that companies take following your engagements.

- Yes
 - Yes, in all cases
 - Yes, in the majority of cases
 - Yes, in the minority of cases
- 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.

- Yes

LEA 04.4 Indicate if you do any of the following to monitor and evaluate the progress of your engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

- Define timelines for milestones and goals
- Tracking, monitoring progress against defined milestones and goals
- Establish a process for when the goals are not met
- Revisit and, if necessary revise goals on continuous basis
- Other, please specify

other description

Dimensional tracks communication efforts with detailed notes on the discussion and any follow up necessary. We monitor any changes that are implemented post-discussion.

- No

LEA 04.5 Additional information. [Optional]

If a company fails to make changes, we will target the company for additional outreach. We also closely monitor the adoption of certain problematic governance and compensation practices that require discussions with management.

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	<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

Communication

LEA 16

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 2,6

LEA 16.1

Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses information on its engagements.

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

LEA 16.5

Indicate what engagement information your organisation proactively discloses to clients/beneficiaries.

Engagement information disclosed

- Details of the selections, priorities and specific goals of engagement
- Number of engagements
- Breakdown of engagements by type/topic
- Breakdown of engagements by region
- An assessment of the current status of the engagement
- Outcomes that have been achieved from the engagement
- Other information

LEA 16.6

Indicate how frequently you typically report engagements information

- Disclosed continuously (prior to and post engagements)
- Disclosed quarterly or more frequently
- Disclosed biannually
- Disclosed annually
- Disclosed less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc/when requested
- We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries.

(Proxy) voting and shareholder resolutions

Overview

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 of interest
- Prioritisation of voting activities
- Transparency
- Decision making processes
- Environmental factors
- Social factors
- Governance factors
- Filing/co-filing resolutions
- Extraordinary meetings
- Share blocking
- Regional voting practices
- Record keeping
- Company dialogue pre/post vote
- Securities lending process
- Other, describe
- None of the above

LEA 17.3 Attach or provide a URL to your voting policy. [Optional]

URL

<https://us.dimensional.com/funds>

LEA 17.4 Provide a brief overview of your organization’s approach to (proxy) voting.

Dimensional seeks to vote, or refrain from voting, proxies in a manner that we believe is in the best interest of each portfolio. In instances where the costs-including opportunity costs-of voting exceed the expected economic benefits, we may refrain from voting. Additionally, international market restrictions-such as share blocking, re-registration, and onerous power of attorney requirements-may preclude us from voting in certain markets or at certain company meetings.

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).
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Dimensional will usually instruct voting of proxies in accordance with our proxy voting guidelines. The guidelines provide a framework for analysis and decision making, but do not address all potential issues. In order to be able to address all the relevant facts and circumstances related to a proxy vote, Dimensional may vote counter to the Guidelines. In such circumstance, the analysis will be documented in writing and periodically presented to Dimensional's Corporate Governance committee.

Dimensional reviews the processes and mechanics by which votes are executed, and examines specific votes for meetings that are determined to be material in terms of holding amount and subject matter being voted upon. Dimensional performs an in-depth and rigorous review of actual votes for all voting funds on a monthly basis.

No

Process

LEA 18	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 2
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LEA 18.1	Indicate how you typically make your (proxy) voting decisions.
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Approach

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

Based on

- the service provider voting policy signed off by us
 - our own voting policy
 - our clients' requests or policy
 - other, explain
- 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.
- We hire service provider(s) that make voting decisions on our behalf.

LEA 22	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 22.1 | Indicate whether you or the service providers acting on your behalf raise any concerns with companies ahead of voting

- Yes, in most cases
- Sometimes, in the following cases:
 - Votes for selected markets
 - Votes relating to certain ESG issues
 - Votes for significant shareholdings
 - Votes for companies we are engaging with
 - On request by clients
 - Other

We generally inform companies of our policies to vote against certain proposals during discussions.
- 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.

- Yes, in most cases
- Sometimes, in the following cases.
 - Votes in selected markets
 - Votes on certain issues
 - Votes for significant shareholdings
 - Votes for companies we are engaging with
 - On request by clients
 - Other

We generally inform companies of our policies to vote against certain proposals during discussions.
- 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

Outputs and outcomes

LEA 23	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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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.

- We do track or collect this information

	Votes cast (to the nearest 1%)
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	%
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90

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

LEA 23.2 Explain your reason(s) for not voting 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)
 - We do not vote on environmental resolutions
 - We do not vote on social resolutions
 - On request by clients
 - Other
- We do not track or collect this information

LEA 23.3 Additional information. [Optional]

Dimensional seeks to vote, or refrain from voting, proxies in a manner that we believe is in the best interest of each portfolio. In instances where the costs-including opportunity costs-of voting exceed the expected economic benefits, we may refrain from voting. Additionally, international market restrictions-such as share blocking, re-registration, and onerous power of attorney requirements-may preclude us from voting in certain markets or at certain company meetings.

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.

- Yes, we track this information

LEA 24.2

Of the voting instructions that you and/or third parties on your behalf issued, indicate the proportion of ballot items that were:

Voting instructions	Breakdown as percentage of votes cast
For (supporting) management recommendations	 89
Against (opposing) management recommendations	 11
Abstentions	 0

100%

LEA 24.3 Describe the actions you take after voting against management recommendations.

Dimensional believes it is valuable to speak with companies both before and after we vote against management recommendations. We believe that communications with companies post-vote are important in order to understand how the company plans to address the concerns raised by Dimensional, particularly if other shareholders have expressed similar concerns.

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.

We disclose it publicly

provide URL

<https://us.dimensional.com/about-us/corporate-governance>

LEA 27.2 Indicate if the information disclosed to the public is the same as that disclosed to clients/beneficiaries.

Yes

No

LEA 27.3 Indicate the voting information your organisation proactively discloses to the public.

Indicate how much of your voting record you disclose

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

Indicate what level of explanation you provide

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

LEA 27.4

Indicate how frequently you typically report voting information to the public.

- Continuously (primarily before meetings)
- Continuously (soon after votes are cast)
- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc/as requested

LEA 27.5

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

Indicate how much of your voting record you disclose

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

Indicate what level of explanation you provide

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

LEA 27.6

Indicate how frequently you report voting information to clients/beneficiaries.

- Continuously (primarily before meetings)
- Continuously (soon after votes are cast)
- Quarterly or more frequently
- Between quarterly and annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Other

Please specify

Per client specifications

- We disclose it to clients/beneficiaries only
- We do not proactively disclose our voting activities to the public and/or to clients/beneficiaries

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Direct - Fixed Income

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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.			

Corporate (financial)	Screening alone	10
	Thematic alone	0
	Integration alone	0
	Screening + integration strategies	0
	Thematic + integration strategies	0
	Screening + thematic strategies	0
	All three strategies combined	0
	No incorporation strategies applied	90 100%
Corporate (non-financial)	Screening alone	10
	Thematic alone	0
	Integration alone	0
	Screening + integration strategies	0

	Thematic + integration strategies	0
	Screening + thematic strategies	0
	All three strategies combined	0
	No incorporation strategies applied	90
		100%

FI 04.2 Describe your reasons for choosing a particular ESG incorporation strategy and how combinations of strategies are used.

Screening on the fund level is based on regulatory requirements and client specifications.

FI 06	Mandatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1
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FI 06.1 Indicate how you ensure that your ESG research process is robust:

- Issuers are given the opportunity by you or your research provider to review ESG research on them and correct inaccuracies
- Issuer information and/or ESG ratings are updated regularly to ensure ESG research is accurate
- Internal audits of ESG research are undertaken in a systematic way
- 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 information is held within a centralised database and is accessible to all investment staff
- 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 capture how ESG information and research was incorporated into investment decisions
- Other, specify
- None of the above

(A) Implementation: Screening

FI 07	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 1
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FI 07.1 Indicate the type of screening you conduct.

Select all that apply

	Corporate (financial)	Corporate (non-financial)	
Negative/exclusionary screening	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Positive/best-in-class screening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Norms-based screening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

Negative screens include cluster munitions and social concerns such as tobacco. The list of screened companies is updated regularly based on data received from ESG research providers.

FI 08	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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Corporate (financial)

Corporate (fin)

- For legal reasons
- For non-legal reasons

Corporate (non-financial)

Corporate (non-fin)

- For legal reasons
- For non-legal reasons

FI 08.2 Describe your approach to ESG-based negative screening of issuers from your investable universe.

For Dimensional's newly launched Social Fixed Income Portfolio, in addition to regulatory concerns, we exclude holdings for a variety of social concerns.

For other fixed income portfolios, in addition to regulatory exclusions, Dimensional will screen out companies per client request.

Currently, cluster munitions may be excluded from our fixed income portfolios for regulatory reasons.

FI 10	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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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
Negative/exclusionary screening?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Checks are performed to ensure that issuers meet screening criteria <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Data used for the screening criteria is updated at least every 2 years <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automated IT systems prevent our portfolio managers from investing in excluded issuers or bonds that do not meet screening criteria <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Audits of fund holdings are undertaken regularly by internal audit or compliance functions <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above

Communication

FI 23	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6
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FI 23.1 Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your approach to RI across all of your fixed income investments.

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

FI 23.5 Indicate the information your organisation proactively discloses to clients/ beneficiaries regarding your approach to RI incorporation.

- Broad approach to RI incorporation
- Detailed explanation of RI incorporation strategy used

FI 23.6 Indicate how frequently you typically report this information.

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