



# RITRANSPARENCY REPORT 2017

**Quaero Capital** 





# 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	Organisational Overview						Principle				
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	Strategy and Governance							Principle			
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	<b>✓</b>							
SG 15	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	8	n/a							<b>✓</b>	
SG 16	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	✓	Public							✓	
SG 17	Innovative features of approach to RI	✓	Private							✓	
SG End	Module confirmation page	✓	-								

Direct - I	Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation							Principle			
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	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>							
LEI 05	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-making	8	n/a	~							
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	8	n/a	✓							
LEI 10	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	8	n/a	✓							
LEI 11	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	8	n/a	✓							
LEI 12	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>							
LEI 13	ESG issues in index construction	8	n/a	✓							
LEI 14	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>							
LEI 15	Measurement of financial and ESG outcomes of ESG incorporation	8	n/a	✓							
LEI 16	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>							
LEI 17	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓				✓		
LEI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-								

Direct - L	ect - Listed Equity Active Ownership							Principle		
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	<b>✓</b>	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	✓	Public		✓		✓			
LEA 08	Monitor / discuss service provider information	✓	Public		✓				✓	
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	8	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		<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 - I	Direct - Infrastructure						Principle			General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
INF 01	Breakdown of investments	✓	Private							✓
INF 02	Breakdown of assets by management	✓	Private							✓
INF 03	Largest infrastructure	✓	Private							✓
INF 04	Description of approach to RI	✓	Private	✓					✓	
INF 05	Responsible investment policy for infrastructure	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>					✓	
INF 06	Fund placement documents and RI	✓	Public	✓			✓		✓	
INF 07	Formal commitments to RI	✓	Private				<b>✓</b>			
INF 08	Incorporating ESG issues when selecting investments	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
INF 09	ESG advice and research when selecting investments	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>			✓			
INF 10	Examples of ESG issues in investment selection process	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>		✓				
INF 11	Types of ESG information considered in investment selection	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>		✓				
INF 12	ESG issues impact in selection process	✓	Private	✓						
INF 13	ESG issues in selection, appointment and monitoring of third-party operators	8	n/a				✓			
INF 14	ESG issues in post-investment activities	✓	Public		✓					
INF 15	Proportion of assets with ESG performance targets	✓	Public		✓					
INF 16	Proportion of portfolio companies with ESG/sustainability policy	✓	Public		✓					
INF 17	Type and frequency of reports received from investees	✓	Private		<b>✓</b>	✓				
INF 18	Proportion of maintenance projects where ESG issues were considered	8	n/a		✓					
INF 19	Proportion of stakeholders that were engaged with on ESG issues	✓	Private		<b>✓</b>					
INF 20	ESG issues affected financial/ESG performance	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>	✓					
INF 21	Examples of ESG issues that affected your infrastructure investments	-	n/a	~		✓				
INF 22	Disclosure of ESG information to public and clients/beneficiaries	✓	Public						✓	
INF 23	Approach to disclosing ESG incidents	✓	Private						<b>✓</b>	
INF End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

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Organisational Overview

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	Basic	Infor	mation								
00 0	1	Man	datory	Public	Gateway/Peering	General					
	00	01.1	Select the services you offer.								
			anagement								
	V I	una m	anagement								
			% of assets under managem	ent (AUM) in range	es						
		0 <1	0%								
	○ 10-50%										
		<b>⊚</b> >5	0%								
	✓ F	und of	funds, manager of managers, sub-a	dvised products							
			% of assets under managem	ent (AUM) in range	es 						
		○ <1	0%								
		• 10									
		○ >5									
		Other, s									
		zxeculi	on and advisory services								
00 02	2	Man	datory	Public	Peering	General					
	OO 02	2.1	Select the location of your organisa	ation's headquarter	s.						
	Switze	erland									
	OO 02	2.2	Indicate the number of countries in	which you have of	fices (including your headquarters	s).					
•	O 1										
	<b>②</b> 2-5										
	○ 6-1	0									
	○ >10	)									
	OO 02	2.3	Indicate the approximate number o	f staff in your orga	nisation in full-time equivalents (F	TE).					
			FTE								
	25										
00 03	3	Man	datory	Public	Descriptive	General					

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			824	000	000
Currency	EUR				
Assets in USD			881	847	691

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.

 $\bigcirc$  as percentage breakdown

as broad ranges

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



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

OO 06.2

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

## **Gateway asset class implementation indicators** 00 10 **Mandatory Public Gateway General** Select the direct or indirect ESG incorporation activities your organisation implemented for listed 00 10.1 equities in the reporting year. ☑ We incorporate ESG in our investment decisions on our internally managed assets ☑ We address ESG incorporation in our external manager selection, appointment and/or monitoring processes ☐ 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. Select the direct or indirect engagement activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in 00 10.2 the reporting year. ☑ We engage with companies on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers ☐ We require our external managers to engage with companies on ESG issues on our behalf ☐ We do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors. Select the direct or indirect voting activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the 00 10.3 reporting year ☑ We cast our (proxy) votes directly or via dedicated voting providers ☐ We require our external managers to vote on our behalf ☐ We do not cast our (proxy) votes directly and do not require external managers to vote on our behalf 00 11 **Public Mandatory** Gateway General

00 11.1	Select the internally managed investment decisions and/or y			
☐ Fixed in	come - SSA			
$\square$ Fixed in	come – corporate (financial)			
☐ Fixed in	come – corporate (non-financial)			
✓ Infrastru	cture			
☐ None of	the above			
00 11.2	Select the externally manage active ownership in your exte (during the reporting year)			
	come – SSA			
☐ Fixed in	come – corporate (financial)			
	come – corporate (non-financial)			
☐ Hedge f	. , ,			
□ Cash	w			
□ None of	the above			
□ None or	the above			
M	andatory	Public	Gateway	General
00 12.1	Select from below any addition		and the second second	
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✓ Infrastructure

RI implementation via external managers

Indirect - Selection, Appointment and Monitoring of External Managers

Listed Equities
Fixed income - SSA

Closing module

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  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	O Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM
☐ Formalised guidelines on social factors	<ul> <li>Applicable policies cover a minority of AUM</li> </ul>
$\hfill\Box$ 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
$\hfill\square$ International Labour Organization Conventions
$\hfill \square$ 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]

Quaero European Infrastructure Fund finances infrastructure projects whose aim is to deliver attractive and regular returns to its investors. The target areas primarily cover Europe, a market favoured for its solid fundamentals with regard to its legal system and stable and protected institutions.

Quaero European Infrastructure Fund is convinced that one of the key success criterion for infrastructure projects is the ability to invest for the long term, whilst ensuring the investment model incorporates three core principles:

Environmental: a selection of assets which respect the environment within a local context, and which consequently demonstrates value to the community. Social: the use of local labour which reinforces the ownership of the infrastructure by the local population, whilst the promotion of good social practices stimulates the purpose and willingness of the teams in charge of the management of the infrastructure. Governance: the implementation of governance based on rigorous risk assessment and extensive monitoring of the strategy involved should contribute to an efficient management.

For our listed equity investments ESG has not yet been added as a formal part of the investment policy. We have started a process to analyse all companies we invest in for ESG criteria, and maintain a report on each company. We have regular contact with the companies we invest in and bring up the importance of these principles with them.

SG 02 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 6

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

SG 02.1

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

☐ Policy setting out your overall approach

☑ 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.

QUAERO has incorporated several measures in the Internal Directives to avoid conflict of Interests. There are specific ruled that are in place on:

- Accepting benefits or Gifts
- Roles outside of the Quaero Group
- Personal Trading

In addition, rules have been put in place regarding the allocation of orders between different fund accounts in case the assets have limited availability or cannot be split over multiple accounts.

Regarding investments with limited capacity but that may be allocated among multiple accounts, the managers shall split this allocation on a basis prorated to the size of each fund or mandate for which the investment is suited in terms of objectives.

For investments that have a limited capacity and cannot be allocated among multiple accounts, the investment, as a rule, is allocated to the fund or mandate that, at the time of the investment, had the highest percentage cash allocation.

Senior Management may grant a waiver to the aforementioned rules but will do so only in writing and after ensuring that such a decision is in the interests of all parties.

 $\bigcirc$  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.

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

SG 05.2

Additional information. [Optional]

For the Quaero European Infrastructure Fund reviews are taking place on an ongoing basis, and a specific ESG section is included in the annual and semi-annual report to report the ESG key facts for each project in the portfolio of the fund.

## **Governance and human resources**



Man	datory	Public	Core Assessed	General		
SG 07.1	Indicate the roles present in your o and/or implementation responsibility	rganisation and for ties for responsible	each, indicate whether they have investment.	oversight		
	Roles present in your organisation	on				
☐ Board r	nembers or trustees					
☑ Chief E	xecutive Officer (CEO), Chief Investr	nent Officer (CIO),	Investment Committee			
☑ O\	versight/accountability for responsible	e investment				
☑ Im	plementation of responsible investme	ent				
□ No	oversight/accountability or impleme	ntation responsibilit	y for responsible investment			
☐ Other C	Chief-level staff or head of departmen	t, specify				
☑ Portfolice	o managers					
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment						
☑ Implementation of responsible investment						
☐ No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment						
□ Investm	nent analysts					
☐ Dedicat	ted responsible investment staff					
□ Externa	l managers or service providers					
☐ Investo	r relations					
☐ Other ro	ole, specify (1)					
☐ Other ro	ole, specify (2)					
SG 07.3	Indicate the number of dedicated re	esponsible investm	ent staff your organisation has.			
	Number					
0						
	Additional information. [Optional]					

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

 $\ \ \square$  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 10	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4
SG 10	.1 Indicate if your organisat initiatives.	tion promotes responsible	investment, independently o	f collaborative
○ Yes No				
Imple	mentation not in other mod	ules		
SG 12	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
New sel	ection options have been adde	d to this indicator. Pleas	e review your prefilled res	ponses carefully.
SG 12	.1 Indicate if your organisat future ESG trends at por		lysis and/or modelling in wh	ich the risk profile of
	execute scenario analysis which nmental trends	includes factors represent	ing the investment impacts	of future
□ We trends	execute scenario analysis which	includes factors represent	ing the investment impacts	of future social
□ We trends	execute scenario analysis which	includes factors represent	ing the investment impacts	of future governance
□We	execute other scenario analysis,	specify		
☑ We	do not execute such scenario an	nalysis and/or modelling		
SG 12	.2 Indicate if your organisat assets between sectors		in strategic asset allocation	and/or allocation of
○ We	do the following			
	do not consider ESG issues in s	trategic asset allocation		
SG 12	.3 Additional information. [0	OPTIONAL]		
Quaero company	Capital has a bottom up approach	n to investing, and as such	ESG issues are considered	on an individual
SG 16	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General

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
Listed equities - ESG incorporation	For one of our funds investing in external managers we have incorporated the PRI principles completely in the selection process. For our other Funds investing in external managers we are in the process to push for additional transparency and adherence on the subject.
Fixed income - SSA	For one of our funds investing in external managers we have incorporated the PRI principles completely in the selection process. For our other Funds investing in external managers we are in the process to push for additional transparency and adherence on the subject.



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**Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation** 

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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)

	Scra	anina	alone	(i a	not	combined	with	anv	other	etratagiae'
$\square$	SCIE	enna	alone	u.e.	HOL	Combined	WILLI	aliv	ourer	Strateures

- ☐ 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

Percentage of active listed equity to which no strategy is applied

C.

100

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.

Quaero's Small Cap team have developed a detailed scorecard on which relevant information related to ESG is captured. This scorecard has been developed during 2016 and screening of the holdings is still ongoing. Specific items that come up during the review will be discussed with the management of such company. The goal for 2017 is to increase considerably the coverage of this reporting as due to the small nature of most companies we invest in these types of reports are not publicly available.

The score card has over 30 different points that are reviewed, and on which a score is given. Furthermore, ESG aspects covered in the review of various ESG related ratios

Communication



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
- O Biannually
- Annually
- O Less frequently than annually
- Ad-hoc/when requested
- O 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

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
	$\square$ 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



EA 04	New selection carefully.  LEA 03.1  O Yes	Indicate whether yo		Please review your prefilled r	esponses
EA 04			our organisation has a form		
EA 04	○ Yes		ies carried out by internal	nal process for identifying and p staff.	rioritising
A 04	<ul><li>No</li></ul>				
	Mandat	tory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
	New selection carefully.	n options have been	added to this indicator.	Please review your prefilled r	esponses
	LEA 04.1	Indicate if you defin	e specific objectives for yo	our engagement activities.	
	○ Yes	'			
	• We do	o not define specific ob	jectives for engagement a	activities carried out by internal s	staff.
	LEA 04.2	Indicate if you mon	itor the actions that compa	anies take following your engage	ements.
	<ul><li>Yes</li></ul>				
	O Y	es, in all cases			
	O Y	es, in the majority of c	ases		
	Y	es, in the minority of c	ases		
	○ We do internal s		ns that companies take foll	lowing engagement activities ca	arried out by
	LEA 04.3	Indicate whether yo carried out by interi		ilestones and goals for engager	ment activities
	○ Yes				
	<ul><li>No</li></ul>				
P	rocess for er	ngagements condu	icted with/on your bel	half by service providers	
	Mandat	tory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
A 07	Iviariuat	lory	Public	Core Assessed	FRI Z

PRII Principles for Responsible Investment

Indicate if you play a role in the engagement process that your service provider conducts on your behalf.

**LEA 07.1** 

Yes

	LEA	07.2	Indicate the role(s) you your behalf.	play in engage	ements that your service provider co	nducts on				
	☑ Discuss the topic (or ESG issue(s)) of engagement									
☑ Discuss the rationale for engagement										
	☐ Discuss the objectives of the engagement									
	☐ Select the companies to be engaged with									
	□ D	iscuss 1	the frequency/intensity of	interactions wi	th companies					
	□ D	iscuss	progress towards the enga	agement objec	etives					
	$\square$ M	onitor a	and review outcomes that	have been ach	nieved from the engagement					
	□ D	iscuss I	next steps for engagemen	t activity						
	□ Pa	articipa	te directly in certain engag	gements with y	our service provider					
	□ A	d hoc n	nonitoring and review of e	ngagement pro	ocesses.					
	□ O	ther, sp	pecify							
	○ No									
LEA 08	Mandato	ory		Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6				
	<ul><li>☑ The object</li><li>☐ The ration</li><li>☐ The frequence</li><li>☐ Progress</li><li>☐ Outcomes</li><li>☐ Next step</li></ul>	servinct all the ect (or Ectives of the ency/ir toward is that he some servince to the ency/ir toward is that he some servince to the ency/ir toward is that he some servince to the ency/ir toward is that he some servince to the ency/ir toward is that he some servince to the ency/ir toward is the ency/ir toward is that he some servince to the ency/ir toward is the ency/ir	ce provider	nent n companies goals	the following information provided to	you by your				
	☐ Other, sp ☐ None of t	-	VO.							
	□ None or t	ne abo	VG							
Ge	eneral proces	sses f	or all three groups of	engagers						
LEA 10	Mandato	ory		Public	Gateway	PRI 2				
	LEA 10.1	Indic	ate if you track the numbe	er of engageme	ents your organisation participates in					



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

## Communication

LEA 16 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6

LEA 16.1

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.

**LEA 16.8** 

Additional information. [Optional

During the reporting period, no pro-active disclosure has been made to the public, and/or clients. It is anticipated however that we will organize this for clients during 2017.

For Quaero European Infrastructure a specific ESG section is included to report the ESG key facts for each project in the portfolio of the fund in the annual and semi-annual reports.

## (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.

O Yes

No

## **Process**



Mano	datory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 2
LEA 18.1	Indicate how you typically make y	your (proxy) votii	ng decisions.	
	Approach			
	se our own research or voting team a	and make voting	decisions without the use of s	service providers.
	Based on			
<b>⊚</b> 0	our own voting policy			
0 0	our clients' requests or policy			
0 0	other, explain			
	re service provider(s) that make voting decisions.	ng recommenda	tions or provide research that	we use to inform
	re service provider(s) that make votir s for which we review and make voti		our behalf, except for some p	re-defined
○ We hi	re service provider(s) that make voting	ng decisions on	our behalf.	
LEA 18.2	Additional information.[Optional]			
The voting 2017.	policy of Quaero Capital is currently	still informal. We	e have put in place a project to	o formalize this in

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

Public

**LEA 22.1** 

carefully.

**LEA 22** 

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

**Core Assessed** 

PRI 2

 $\bigcirc$  Yes, in most cases

**Mandatory** 

- Sometimes, in the following cases:
  - ☐ Votes for selected markets
  - ☐ Votes relating to certain ESG issues
  - $\ensuremath{\,\boxtimes\,}$  Votes for significant shareholdings
  - ☑ Votes for companies we are engaging with
  - ☐ On request by clients
  - ☐ Other
- O 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.

		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

O 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 23.3

Additional information. [Optional

We have begun to track the overal votes during the second half of 2016, and expect to be able to make more detailed report on this in the 2017 reporting.

**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
- No, we do not track this information

LEA 24.4

Additional information. [Optional]

At the end of 2016 we have started to use a system to track the votes. As sucht for 2017 we will be able to provide additional information on this subject

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

**LEA 27.8** 

Additional information. [Optional]

With the exception of the Quaero European Infrastructure Fund on which bi-annual disclosures are made, but have a project in place to change this in the reporting year 2017.



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# **Overview INF 05 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1-6 INF 05.1** Indicate if your organisation has a responsible investment policy for infrastructure. Yes Provide a URL if your policy is publicly available. **INF 05.2** http://www.notpublicallyavailable.com $\bigcirc$ No **Fundraising of infrastructure funds INF 06 Mandatory Public Core Assessed** PRI 1,4,6 Indicate if your most recent fund placement documents (private placement memorandums (PPMs) **INF 06.1** or similar) refer to responsible investment aspects of your organisation. Yes Indicate how your fund placement documents (PPMs or similar) refer to the following **INF 06.2** responsible investment aspects of your organisation: ☑ Policy and commitment to responsible investment $\hfill \square$ Approach to ESG issues in pre-investment processes ☐ Approach to ESG issues in post-investment processes INF 06.3 fund placement documents (PPMs or similar). [Optional] The policy and commitment to responsible investing is mentioned throughout the presentations, and through various side-letters which are binding to the fund. O No O Not applicable as our organisation does not fundraise **Pre-investment (selection)**

INF 08	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 1



**INF 08.1** 

Indicate if your organisation typically incorporates ESG issues when selecting infrastructure investments.

Yes

**INF 08.2** 

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

The assets selected by Quaero European Infrastructure Fund should contribute to an improvement in life-style, in the workplace and in economic efficiency, or should involve the active sustainability of community amenities and facilities for companies and more generally, for urban sites, rural or mixed

These projects also provide a practical response to different requirements: knowledge infrastructure (for example optic fiber networks or for universities), recycling, water purification, improvement of access, reduction in travel time, upgrade in transport comfort, security, condition of public services, economic energy and the production of renewable energy.

 $\bigcirc$  No

INF 10 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1,3

**INF 10.1** 

Indicate which E, S and/or G issues are typically considered by your organisation in the investment selection process and list up to three typical examples per issue.

#### **ESG** issues

☑ Environmental

List up to three typical examples of environmental issues

- · Energy efficiency and carbon footprint
- · Biodiversity preservation
- Pollution of soil

List up to three typical examples of social issues

- Health & Safety
- · Job creation
- HR management and training

List up to three typical examples of governance issues

- · Governance bodies
- Fight against corruption
- · Sustainable development strategy



## Post-investment (monitoring and active ownership)

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	erview						
4	Mandat	tory	Public	Gateway	PRI 2		
IN	IF 14.1	Indicate if your organisation, relating to your infrastructure		sider ESG issues in post-investm	ent activities		
•	) Yes						
	INF 14.2	Indicate how your organ post-investment activities		ors, considers ESG issues in the structure assets.	following		
	☑ We consider ESG issues in the monitoring and operation of infrastructure						
		onsider ESG issues in infrastr					
		onsider ESG issues in stakeho					
	□ We co No	onsider ESG issues in other p	ost-investment activition	es, specify			
	7 140						
5	Mandat	tory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2		
IN	NF 15.1	Indicate the proportion of infincluded ESG performance i		ere your organisation, and/or opering during the reporting year.	ators,		
•	) >90% of in						
		frastructure assets					
C	51-90% of	frastructure assets infrastructure assets					
C	) 10-50% of	infrastructure assets infrastructure assets					
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List up to three example targets per issue

We monitor the number of people from the fund manager that seats at the board of the project company

☐ We do not set and/or monitor against targets

INF 16 Mandatory Public Additional Assessed PRI 2

**INF 16.1** 

Indicate if you track the proportion of your infrastructure investees that have an ESG/sustainability-related policy (or similar guidelines).

O Yes

No

#### Communication

INF 22 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 6

**INF 22.1** 

Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses ESG information on your infrastructure investments.

- O Disclose publicly
- Disclose to clients/beneficiaries only

**INF 22.5** 

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

- ☑ ESG information on how you select infrastructure investments
- $\ensuremath{\square}$  ESG information on how you monitor and manage infrastructure investments
- $\ensuremath{\square}$  Information on your infrastructure investments' ESG performance
- ☐ Other;specify

**INF 22.6** 

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

- O Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- $\bigcirc$  Ad-hoc/when requested, specify

INF 22.7

Describe the ESG information and how your organisation proactively discloses it to your clients/beneficiaries. [Optional]

Disclosure notes are done in the annual and semi-annual report. Additional disclosures might be made in the quarterly reporting.

O No proactive disclosure to the public or to clients/beneficiaries

