



LEA 02	Disclosures Monetary	Reason for interaction	Principles PRI 1, 2, 3
Individual/ internal staff engagements	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in &amp; company's material ESG issues</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or more comprehensive disclosures</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in internal staff</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in &amp; company's material ESG issues</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or more comprehensive disclosures</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in collaborative engagements</p>	
Collaborative engagements	<p><input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in &amp; company's material ESG issues</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or more comprehensive disclosures</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in collaborative engagements</p>		
Service provider engagements	<p><input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in &amp; company's material ESG issues</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate transparency or identify the need for additional or more comprehensive disclosures</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in service providers</p>		

# RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

## 2013/14

BC Partners

## 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 2013-14 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. This results in some Principles not being explicitly highlighted. For instance, Principle 1 and 2 cannot be implemented without implementing Principle 3, but there are cases when Principle 3 is not explicitly 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.

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# 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	✓	n/a							✓
OO 06	How would you like to disclose your asset class mix	✓	Public							✓
OO 07	Segregated mandates or pooled funds	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 08	Breakdown of AUM by market	✓	Private							✓
OO 09	Additional information about organisation	-	n/a							✓
OO 10	RI activities for listed equities	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 11	RI activities in other asset classes	✓	Public							✓
OO 12	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	Public							✓

Overarching Approach				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
OA 01	RI policy and other guidance documents	✓	Public							✓
OA 02	Publicly available policies / documents	✓	Public						✓	
OA 03	Policy components and coverage	✓	Public	✓	✓					
OA 04	Conflicts of interest	✓	Public							✓
OA 05	RI goals and objectives	✓	Public							✓
OA 06	Main goals/objectives this year	✓	Private							✓
OA 07	Governance, management structures and RI processes	-	n/a							✓
OA 08	RI roles and responsibilities	✓	Public							✓
OA 09	RI in performance management, reward and/or personal development	✓	Private							✓
OA 10	Collaborative organisations / initiatives	✓	Public				✓	✓		
OA 11	Promoting RI independently	✓	Public				✓			
OA 12	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	✓	Private				✓	✓	✓	
OA 13	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Private	✓						
OA 14	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	✓						
OA 15	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
OA 16	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
OA 17	RI/ESG in execution and/or advisory services	✓	Private	✓	✓					
OA 18	Innovative features of approach to RI	✓	Private							✓
OA 19	Internal and external review and assurance of responses	✓	Private							✓

Direct – Private Equity				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
PE 01	Breakdown of investments by strategy	✓	Private							✓
PE 02	Typical level of ownership	✓	Private							✓
PE 03	Description of approach to RI	-	n/a	✓						✓
PE 04	Investment guidelines and RI	✓	Public		✓					
PE 05	Fund placement documents and RI	✓	Public	✓			✓			✓
PE 06	Formal commitments to RI	-	n/a				✓			
PE 07	Incorporating ESG issues when selecting investments	✓	Public	✓						
PE 08	ESG advice and research when selecting investments	✓	Private	✓						
PE 09	ESG issues in investment selection process	✓	Public	✓		✓				
PE 10	Types of ESG information considered in investment selection	✓	Private	✓		✓				
PE 11	Encouraging improvements in investees	-	n/a	✓	✓					
PE 12	ESG issues impact in selection process	-	n/a	✓						
PE 13	Proportion of companies monitored on their ESG performance	✓	Public		✓					
PE 14	Proportion of portfolio companies with sustainability policy	🔒	n/a		✓					
PE 15	Actions taken by portfolio companies to incorporate ESG issues into operations	🔒	n/a		✓					
PE 16	Type and frequency of reports received from portfolio companies	🔒	n/a		✓	✓				
PE 17	Disclosure of ESG issues in pre-exit	✓	Private		✓					
PE 18	ESG issues affected financial/ESG performance	-	n/a	✓	✓					
PE 19	Examples of ESG issues that affected your PE investments	-	n/a	✓		✓				
PE 20	Disclosure of ESG information to public and clients/beneficiaries	✓	Public							✓
PE 21	Approach to disclosing ESG incidents	✓	Private							✓

## BC Partners

## Reported Information

## Public version

## Organisational Overview

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## Basic Information

OO 01

Mandatory

Gateway/Peering

General

OO 01.1 Select the services you offer.

- Fund management
- Fund of funds, manager of managers, sub-advised products
- Other, specify
- Execution and advisory only services

OO 01.2 Additional information. [Optional]

Founded in 1986 as one of the few truly pan-European buy-out investors, BC Partners has grown and evolved into a leader in buy-outs, principally investing in larger businesses in the region and selectively in North America through its established network of offices in London, Paris, Hamburg, Milan and New York. BC Partners continues to identify attractive investment opportunities by focusing on the best balance of risk and reward for its investors and is currently advising funds totalling over €12 billion.

Since inception, BC Partners has completed 84 acquisitions with a total enterprise value of €87.6 billion and has delivered superior returns through economic cycles, demonstrating discipline in bull markets and an ability to invest in attractive opportunities amidst turbulence and recession.

OO 02

Mandatory

Peering

General

OO 02.1 Select the location of your organisation's headquarters.

United Kingdom

OO 02.2 Indicate the number of countries in which you have offices (including your headquarters).

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

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

FTE

120

**OO 02.4** Additional information. [Optional]

As defined in the guidance document, United Kingdom is the selected location where BC Partners has the most employees.

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

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

- Yes
- No

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

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

31/12/2013

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

	trillions	billions	millions	thousands	hundreds
Total AUM		12	567	800	000
Currency	EUR				
Assets in USD		16	554	231	874

**OO 04.3** Indicate the level of detail you would like to provide about your asset class mix.

- Approximate percentage breakdown to the nearest 5% (e.g. 45%)
- Broad ranges breakdown (i.e. <10%; 10-50%; >50%)

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

**OO 06.1** To contextualise your responses to the public, indicate how you would like to disclose your asset class mix.

- Publish our asset class mix as broad ranges

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
Listed equity	0	0
Fixed income – corporate	0	0

Fixed income – government	0	0
Fixed income – other	0	0
Private debt	0	0
Private equity	>50%	0
Property	0	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0
Forestry	0	0
Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	0	0
Cash	0	0
Other (1), specify	0	0
Other (2), specify	0	0

○ Publish our asset class mix as per attached file (the following image formats can be uploaded: .jpg, .jpeg, .png, .bmp and .gif)

### Gateway asset class implementation indicators

OO 11	Mandatory	Gateway	General
<b>OO 11.1</b>	Indicate if in the reporting year you incorporated ESG issues into your investment decisions and/or your active ownership practices in the following internally managed asset classes.		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private equity <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above		
OO 12	Mandatory	Gateway	General



**OO 12.1**

The modules and sections that you will be required to complete are listed below. They are based on the percentages provided in your AUM breakdown and your responses to the gateway indicators. Note, you are only required to report on asset classes that represent 10% or more of your AUM. You may report voluntarily on any applicable modules or sections by selecting them from the list. Direct - Fixed Income and Infrastructure are always voluntary.

**Core modules**

- Organisational Overview
- Overarching Approach (including assets which do not have a separate module)

**RI implementation directly or via service providers**

Direct - Other asset classes with dedicated modules

- Private Equity

**Closing module**

- Closing module

**Note:** Please make sure your response to this indicator is complete and confirmed before you progress. Your response will determine which tailored modules and sections you will be presented with.

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## Overarching Approach

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## Responsible investment policy

OA 01	Mandatory	Gateway/Core Assessed	General
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**OA 01.1** Indicate if you have a responsible investment policy.

- Yes  
 No

**OA 01.2** Indicate if you have other guidance documents or more specific policies related to responsible investment.

- Yes  
 No

OA 02	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 6
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**OA 02.1** Indicate if your responsible investment policy is publicly available.

- Yes  
 No

**OA 02.3** Indicate if your other policies or guidance documents related to responsible investment are publicly available.

- Yes  
 No

OA 03	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 1,2
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**OA 03.1** Indicate the components/types and coverage of your responsible investment policy and guidance documents.

Select all that apply

Policy components/types	Coverage by AUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy setting out your overall approach <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engagement/active ownership policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific guidelines on corporate governance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific guidelines on environmental issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific guidelines on social issues <input type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific guidelines <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening/exclusion policy <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover all AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a minority of AUM

OA 04	Mandatory	Core Assessed	General
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**OA 04.1** Indicate if your organisation has a policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

- Yes
- No

## Objectives and strategies

OA 05	Mandatory	Gateway/Core Assessed	General
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**OA 05.1** Indicate if your organisation sets objectives for its responsible investment activities.

- Yes

**OA 05.2** Indicate how frequently your organisation sets or revises objectives for responsible investment.

- At least once per year
- Less than once per year

**OA 05.3** Indicate how frequently your organisation formally reviews performance against its objectives for responsible investment.

- Quarterly
  - Biannually
  - Annually
  - Every two years or less
  - It is not reviewed
- No

## Governance and human resources

OA 08	Mandatory	Gateway/Core Assessed	General
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**OA 08.1** 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
- 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 managers
- Investment analysts
  - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
  - Implementation of responsible investment
  - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Dedicated responsible investment staff
- External managers or service providers
  - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
  - Implementation of responsible investment
  - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Other role, specify
  - Operating Partner**
    - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
    - Implementation of responsible investment
    - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
  - Other role, specify

## Promoting responsible investment

OA 10

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 4,5

OA 10.1

Indicate if your organisation is a member of and/or participant in any collaborative organisation or initiatives that promote responsible investment.

Yes

OA 10.2

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**

- Asian Corporate Governance Association
- Association for Sustainable & Responsible Investment in Asia
- Australian Council of Superannuation Investors
- CDP Climate Change
- CDP Forests
- CDP Water
- CFA Institute Centre for Financial Market Integrity
- Council of Institutional Investors (CII)
- Eumedion
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- Global Investors Governance Network (GIGN)
- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)
- 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)
- Investor Network on Climate Risk (INCR)/CERES
- Local Authority Pension Fund Forum
- Principles for Responsible Investment

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- Regional or National Social Investment Forums (e.g. UKSIF, Eurosif, ASRIA, RIAA), specify
- Shareholder Association for Research and Education (Share)
- United Nations Environmental Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
- United Nations Global Compact
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
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- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

No

OA 11	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 4
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**OA 11.1**

Indicate if your organisation promotes responsible investment, independently of collaborative initiatives.

Yes

**OA 11.2**

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
- Other, specify

No

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### Direct – Private Equity

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## Overview

PE 04	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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**PE 04.1** Indicate if your organisation's investment guidelines for private equity refer to responsible investment.

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

## Fundraising of private equity funds

PE 05	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 1,4,6
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**PE 05.1** Indicate if your fund placement documents (private placement memorandums (PPMs) or similar) refer to responsible investment aspects of your organisation.

- Yes
- No

## Pre-investment (selection)

PE 07	Mandatory	Gateway	PRI 1
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**PE 07.1** Indicate if your organisation typically incorporates ESG issues when selecting private equity investments.

- Yes
- No

PE 09	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 1,3
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**PE 09.1** 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

Regulation

Discharges/Emissions to the environment

Risk management

- Social

List up to three typical examples of social issues

Labour Laws  
Environmental, Health and Safety Regulations  
Social Risks

Governance

List up to three typical examples of governance issues

Board Governance  
Executive Compensation  
Business Ethics

## Post-investment (monitoring and active ownership)

PE 13	Mandatory	Gateway/Core Assessed	PRI 2
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**PE 13.1** Indicate whether your organisation incorporates ESG issues in investment monitoring of portfolio companies.

- Yes  
 No

## Communication

PE 20	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 6
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**PE 20.1** Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses ESG information on your private equity investments.

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

**PE 20.3** Indicate the type of ESG information that your organisation proactively discloses to your clients (LPs)/beneficiaries.

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

**PE 20.4**

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

- Quarterly or more frequently
  - Semi annually
  - Annually
  - Every two years or less frequently
  - Ad-hoc, specify
- No proactive disclosure to the public or to clients (LPs)/beneficiaries