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Individual/ internal staff engagements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in a company relevant ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To encourage corporate transition or identify the need for additional or other support <input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify	
Collaborative engagements		<input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in a company relevant ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To encourage corporate transition or identify the need for additional or other support <input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify	
Service provider engagements		<input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making in a company relevant ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To encourage corporate transition or identify the need for additional or other support <input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify	

# RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

## 2013/14

Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG

## 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	✓	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	✓	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	-	n/a							✓
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	-	n/a				✓	✓	✓	
OA 13	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	-	n/a	✓						
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	🔒	n/a	✓	✓					
OA 18	Innovative features of approach to RI	-	n/a							✓
OA 19	Internal and external review and assurance of responses	-	n/a							✓

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	Description of ESG incorporation	-	n/a	✓						
LEI 03	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 04	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 05	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-making	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 06	Types of screening applied	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 07	Processes to ensure screening is based on robust analysis	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 08	Processes to ensure fund criteria are not breached	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 09	Types of sustainability thematic funds/mandates	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 10	Description of ESG integration	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 11	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 12	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 13	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 14	ESG issues in index construction	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 15	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	-	n/a	✓						
LEI 16	Incorporation of ESG issues has improved financial/ESG performance and reduced risk	-	n/a	✓						
LEI 17	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	-	n/a	✓						
LEI 18	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓				✓	

Direct - Fixed Income				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
FI 01	Breakdown by passive, quantitative, fundamental and other active strategies	✓	Public	✓						
FI 02	Breakdown of investments by credit quality	✓	Public							✓
FI 03	Description of ESG incorporation	-	n/a	✓						
FI 04	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	✓	Public	✓						
FI 05	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	-	n/a	✓						
FI 06	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	✓						
FI 07	Processes to ensure screening is based on robust analysis	✓	Public	✓						
FI 08	Processes to ensure fund criteria are not breached	-	n/a	✓						
FI 09	Types of sustainability thematic funds/mandates	-	n/a	✓						
FI 10	Description of ESG integration	-	n/a	✓						
FI 11	Review of ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	✓	Public	✓						
FI 12	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	-	n/a	✓						
FI 13	Incorporation of ESG issues into analysis and decision making	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 14	ESG issues in index construction	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 15	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	-	n/a	✓						
FI 16	Incorporation of ESG issues has improved financial/ESG performance and reduced risk	-	n/a	✓						
FI 17	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	-	n/a	✓						
FI 18	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓					✓
FI 19	Engagement with corporate issuers	-	n/a		✓					
FI 20	Engagement with government issuers	🔒	n/a		✓					

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## Reported Information

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## Organisational Overview

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## Basic Information

OO 01	Mandatory	Gateway/Peering	General
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**OO 01.1** Select the category which best represents your primary activity.

- Non-corporate pension or superannuation or retirement or provident fund or plan
- Corporate pension or superannuation or retirement or provident fund or plan
- Insurance company
- Foundation or endowment
- Development bank
- Reserve - sovereign or government controlled fund
- Other, specify

Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG is a german cooperative bank. It was founded in 1969 by the protestant church with a characteristically background on christian values.

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

Germany

**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

331

OO 03	Mandatory	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	Gateway/Peering	General
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**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		2	170	000	000
Currency	EUR				
Assets in USD		2	858	311	173

**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
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**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	10-50%	0
Fixed income – corporate	>50%	0
Fixed income – government	<10%	0
Fixed income – other	<10%	0
Private debt	0	0
Private equity	<10%	0
Property	<10%	0
Infrastructure	<10%	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0
Forestry	0	0



Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	<10%	0
Cash	<10%	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

<b>OO 10</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>	<b>Gateway</b>	<b>General</b>
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**OO 10.1** Select the responsible investment activities your organisation implemented, directly and/or indirectly, for listed equities in the reporting year.

- We incorporate ESG issues into investment decisions on our internally managed assets
- We engage with companies on ESG issues via our staff, collaborations or service providers
- We cast our (proxy) votes directly or via service providers
- None of the above

<b>OO 11</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>	<b>Gateway</b>	<b>General</b>
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**OO 11.1** 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.

- Fixed income – corporate
- Fixed income – government
- Fixed Income – other
- Private equity
- Property
- Infrastructure
- Inclusive finance
- Cash
- None of the above

<b>OO 12</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>	<b>Gateway</b>	<b>General</b>
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**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 - Listed Equity incorporation

- Listed Equity incorporation

Direct - Fixed Income

- Fixed Income - Corporate
- Fixed Income - Government

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.

# Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG

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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 01.3** Provide a brief description of the key elements of your responsible investment policy or, if you do not have a policy, of your overall approach to responsible investment. [Optional]

Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG is a german cooperative bank. It was founded in 1969 by the protestant church with a characteristicly background on christian values. Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG has an investment management division, which is managing investments for clients in a variety of asset classes and for a variety of objectives but all with a common theme of producing positive returns for its clients. Christian values, based on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criterias are coequal in our evaluation, which is part of our investment management process. We make use of "best-in-class" approach as well as "positive criterions" and "exclusion criterions" since 1992.

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

- Yes

**OA 02.2** Provide a URL to your responsible investment policy.

URL

<https://www.ekk.de/wir-ueber-uns/nachhaltiges-engagement.html>

- No

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

- Yes
  - Yes, all
  - Yes, some

**OA 02.4** List these other policies or guidance documents related to responsible investment that are publicly available and their URLs.

Policy or document name	URL
Guideline for German Protestant Church	<a href="http://www.ekd.de/english/download/EKD-Texte-113_english_05062013_Druck.pdf">http://www.ekd.de/english/download/EKD-Texte-113_english_05062013_Druck.pdf</a>

- No

**OA 03** **Mandatory** **Core Assessed** **PRI 1,2**

**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 type="checkbox"/> (Proxy) voting policy <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific guidelines <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening/exclusion policy <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify	<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

**OA 03.3** Additional information. [Optional]

Securities which are owned by treasury division are completely underlaid with ESG-criterias.

**OA 04** **Mandatory** **Core Assessed** **General**

**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**

**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**

**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
  - 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
- Other Chief-level staff or head of department, specify  
Head of Asset Management & Treasury

- 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
- Other role, specify
- Other role, specify

<b>OA 08.2</b>	Indicate the number of dedicated responsible investment staff your organisation has. [Optional]
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	Number
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## Promoting responsible investment

<b>OA 10</b>	<b>Mandatory</b>	<b>Core Assessed</b>	<b>PRI 4,5</b>
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<b>OA 10.1</b>	Indicate if your organisation is a member of and/or participant in any collaborative organisation or initiatives that promote responsible investment.
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Yes

<b>OA 10.2</b>	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.
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**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

Forum Nachhaltige Geldanlagen e.V.,  
Mitglied des Arbeitskreis kirchliche Investments  
(Member of the Working Group Church Investments)

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- Shareholder Association for Research and Education (Share)
- United Nations Environmental Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
- United Nations Global Compact
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

No

OA 11

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 4



**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 - Listed Equity Incorporation

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## Communication

LEI 18

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 2,6

**LEI 18.1**

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

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

**LEI 18.3**

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

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

**LEI 18.4**

Indicate how frequently you typically report this information.

- Quarterly or more frequently
  - Between quarterly and annually
  - Less frequently than annually
  - Other, specify
- We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries

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#### Direct - Fixed Income

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## Overview

FI 01	Mandatory to Report Voluntary to Disclose	Gateway/Peering	PRI 1
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**FI 01.1**

Provide a breakdown of your internally managed fixed income investments by passive, quantitative, fundamental and other active strategies. For strategies that account for less than 10% of your fixed income investments, indicate if you would still like to report your activities.

Fixed income – corporate

### Strategies

- Passive
- Active – quantitative (quant)
- Active - fundamental and other active strategies

Percentage of internally managed fixed income - corporate

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

FI 02	Mandatory to Report Voluntary to Disclose	Peering	General
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**FI 02.1**

Provide a breakdown of your internally managed fixed income investments by credit quality.

Credit quality	Fixed Income - Corporate
<b>Investment grade</b>	<input type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input checked="" type="radio"/> >50%
<b>High yield</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%
<b>Distressed</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%

**FI 02.2**

Provide a breakdown of your fixed income investments between primary and secondary market.

Market	Fixed Income - Corporate
Primary market (new issues)	<input type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%
Secondary market	<input type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%

**ESG incorporation in actively managed fixed income**

**Fixed Income - Corporate**

**Implementation processes**

FI 04	Mandatory	Gateway/Core Assessed	PRI 1
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**FI 04.1** Indicate (1) which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies you apply to your actively managed corporate fixed income investments; and, (2) the breakdown of your actively managed corporate fixed income investments by incorporation strategy or combination of strategies.

**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 + Integration strategies
- Thematic + integration strategies
- Screening + thematic strategies
- All three strategies combined

Percentage of active corporate fixed income to which the strategy is applied (estimate +/- 10%)	
	100

No incorporation strategies applied

**Total actively managed fixed income - corporate**

100%

FI 04.2

Describe your primary reasons for choosing a particular incorporation strategy.

Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG provides investment management and financial services to a wide range of clients. As part of that function, we purchase, hold and sell securities in order to earn added value (positive returns) for our clients. Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG's aggregate holdings in a company or its bonds will vary over time as a result of both the flow of client assets into, or out of, our management and of our own portfolio allocation and bond or stock selection decisions. The idea that valuable companies, operating at an environmentally and socially sustainable level, are more likely to deliver long term sustainable earnings, suggests that an analysis of issuers' quality of management structures, the suitability of internal controls and the ability to manage operational performance, environmental and social risks and opportunities will affect our bonds or stocks valuation and selection strategies, actually offering additional assistance in identifying long term outperformers. At Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG we believe the responsibility of investors includes protecting the interests of our clients from the impacts of financial and non-financial risks. This can notably be achieved through engaging companies on non-financial issues as it helps in maintaining and increasing the understanding of these risks.

## (A) Implementation: Screening

FI 06

Mandatory

Descriptive

PRI 1

FI 06.1

Indicate and describe the type of screening you apply to your internally managed active corporate fixed income investments.

### Type of screening

- Negative/exclusionary screening

### Screened by

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

## Description

Evangelische Kreditgenossenschaft eG differentiates the proceed of screenings within its investment management process - depending on asset classes. We use individual advisory support by our long-term cooperation partners (sustainable research companies) EIRIS and imug which deliver a wide range of information, based on our individually ESG expectations.

### Government securities

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Positive/best-in-class screening

### Screened by

- Product
- Activity
- Sector
- Country/geographic region
- Environmental and social practices and performance
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Norms-based screening

## FI 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.

Once a year (or if necessary several times a year) the Sustainable Asset Management Advisors will recommend and discuss developments to the Asset Management Committee members. Depending on possible effects to our clients interviews will take place before the decision making process will be completed.

FI 07

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 1

**FI 07.1** Indicate which processes your organisation uses to ensure that screening in corporate fixed income is based on robust analysis.

- Comprehensive research is undertaken or sourced to determine issuers' ESG performance
- Issuers 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 issuers to be excluded/included is subject to internal audit by ESG/RI staff, the internal audit function or similar
- Information on ESG issues and/or ratings is updated regularly to ensure that portfolio holdings comply with fund policies
- A committee or body with representatives independent of the individuals who conduct ESG 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

**(C) Implementation: Integration of ESG factors**

FI 11	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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**FI 11.1** Indicate if E, S and G issues are reviewed while researching companies and/or sectors in active strategies.

ESG issues	Coverage/extent of review on these issues
Environmental	<input checked="" type="radio"/> We systematically review the potential significance of environmental issues and investigate them accordingly <input type="radio"/> We occasionally review the potential significance of environmental issues and investigate them accordingly <input type="radio"/> We do not review environmental issues
Social	<input checked="" type="radio"/> We systematically review the potential significance of social issues and investigate them accordingly <input type="radio"/> We occasionally review the potential significance of social issues and investigate them accordingly <input type="radio"/> We do not review social issues
Corporate Governance	<input checked="" type="radio"/> We systematically review the potential significance of corporate governance issues and investigate them accordingly <input type="radio"/> We occasionally review the potential significance of corporate governance issues and investigate them accordingly <input type="radio"/> We do not review corporate governance issues

**Communication**

FI 18	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6
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**FI 18.1**

Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your approach to ESG incorporation in all fixed income investments.

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

**FI 18.3**

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

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

**FI 18.4**

Indicate how frequently you typically report this information.

- Quarterly or more frequently
  - Between quarterly and annually
  - Less frequently than annually
  - Other, specify
- We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries