



LEA 02	Disclosures Monetary	Reason Gateway	Principle PRI 1,2,3
<p>Type of engagement Individual/ internal staff engagements</p>	<p>Reason for interaction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company related ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice or identify the need for additional or other specific <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in internal staff <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company related ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice or identify the need for additional or other specific 		
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RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

2013/14

Sarasin & Partners LLP

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	✓	Private							✓
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	✓	Private							✓
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	✓	Private							✓
OA 19	Internal and external review and assurance of responses	✓	Private							✓

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	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 03	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 04	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 05	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-making	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 06	Types of screening applied	🔒	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	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 10	Description of ESG integration	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 11	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 12	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 13	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 14	ESG issues in index construction	🔒	n/a	✓						
LEI 15	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 16	Incorporation of ESG issues has improved financial/ESG performance and reduced risk	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 17	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 18	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓					✓

Direct - Listed Equity Active Ownership				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
LEA 01	Description of approach to engagement	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 02	Reasoning for interaction on ESG issues	✓	Public	✓	✓	✓				
LEA 03	Process for identifying and prioritising engagement activities	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 04	Objectives for engagement activities	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 05	Process for identifying and prioritising engagement activities	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 06	Objectives for engagement activities	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 07	Role in engagement process	🔒	n/a		✓		✓			
LEA 08	Monitor / discuss service provider information	🔒	n/a		✓				✓	
LEA 09	Share insights from engagements with internal/external managers	✓	Private	✓	✓					
LEA 10	Tracking number of engagements	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 11	Number of companies engaged with, intensity of engagement and effort	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 12	Engagements on E, S and/or G issues	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 13	Companies changing practices / behaviour following engagement	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 14	Examples of ESG engagements	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 15	Disclosure of approach to ESG engagements	✓	Public		✓				✓	
LEA 16	Description of approach to (proxy) voting	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 17	Typical approach to (proxy) voting decisions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 18	Percentage of voting recommendations reviewed	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 19	Confirmation of votes	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 20	Securities lending programme	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 21	Informing companies of the rationale of abstaining/voting against management	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 22	Percentage of (proxy) votes cast	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 23	Proportion of ballot items that were for/against/abstentions	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 24	Shareholder resolutions	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 25	Examples of (proxy) voting activities	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 26	Disclosing voting activities	✓	Public		✓				✓	

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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 services you offer.

Fund management

% of assets under management (AUM) in ranges

<10%

10-50%

>50%

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

Other, specify

Execution and advisory only services

OO 02	Mandatory	Peering	General
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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

201

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		13	780	000	000
Currency	GBP				
Assets in USD		21	462	324	446

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 percentage breakdown
- Publish our asset class mix as broad ranges

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
Listed equity	>50%	0
Fixed income – corporate	<10%	0
Fixed income – government	<10%	0
Fixed income – other	0	0
Private debt	0	0
Private equity	0	0
Property	<10%	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0

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

'Other (1)' specified

Variety of third party funds

'Other (2)' specified

Derivatives and ETFs

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 10	Mandatory	Gateway	General
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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

OO 11	Mandatory	Gateway	General
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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
- Property
- Cash
- Other (1)
- Other (2)
- None of the above

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

Variety of third party funds

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

Derivatives and ETF relating to EM Systematic strategies

OO 12	Mandatory	Gateway	General
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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 - Listed Equity active ownership

- Engagements
- (Proxy) voting

Direct - Other asset classes with dedicated modules

- Property

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 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]

We have a number of wider principles that guide our approach to Responsible Investment:

- It is the shared responsibility of shareholders and the boards of companies to seek to maximise long-term shareholder value
- Shareholders have a set of rights that they can and should use to fulfil their responsibilities as active owners
- Company boards are responsible for ensuring that shareholder rights are protected and promoted, share capital is managed equitably and borrowing powers are exercised prudently
- Company boards and management should be supported in their work, within boundaries of reasonable remuneration, appropriate disclosure and responsibility to shareholders and other stakeholders
- Companies should report comprehensive information to shareholders in a transparent form that enables an understanding of the long-term risks being taken
- Companies should comply with relevant national and international laws, codes and regulations and should aim to uphold high environmental, social and governance standards encompassing labour standards, human rights and anti-corruption measures
- Companies should be encouraged to adopt their own set of values to provide the essential vision, processes, and structures to ensure longer-term sustainability

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.sarasin.co.uk/internet/ieuk/index_ieuk/about_us_ieuk/about_us_governance_voting_ieuk.htm

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
Disclosure to FRCs Stewardship Code	https://www.sarasin.co.uk/internet/ieuk/index_ieuk/about_us_ieuk/about_us_governance_voting_ieuk.htm
Corporate Governance and Voting Policy	https://www.sarasin.co.uk/internet/ieuk/index_ieuk/about_us_ieuk/about_us_governance_voting_ieuk.htm
Corporate Governance and Voting Guidelines	https://www.sarasin.co.uk/internet/ieuk/index_ieuk/about_us_ieuk/about_us_governance_voting_ieuk.htm

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Proxy) voting policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engagement/active ownership policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific guidelines on corporate governance <input type="checkbox"/> Specific guidelines on environmental issues <input type="checkbox"/> Specific guidelines on social issues <input type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific guidelines <input 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 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.
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Yes

OA 04.2	Describe your policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process. [Optional]
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Sarasin& Partners sole activity is asset management so potential conflicts of interest in the investment process are limited. Conflicts that do arise are dealt with by the Conflicts Management Group (CMG) which includes representatives from senior management across the business, Compliance and Legal and Company Secretary. The group review and manage conflicts arising either generally or from time to time. Any conflicts identified are recorded on the company conflicts register. The CMG meet periodically and during these meetings the company conflicts register is reviewed along with any potential new conflicts.

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.
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Yes

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
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Investment Committee
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Other Chief-level staff or head of department, specify
Deputy CIO Head of Institutional
 - 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

OA 08.2

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

Number

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)

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced
- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)
- Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC)

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

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

Group engagement on fossil fuels.

- Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)
- International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- Investor Group on Climate Change, Australia/New Zealand (IGCC)
- Investor Network on Climate Risk (INCR)/CERES
- Local Authority Pension Fund Forum

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- 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

UKSIF; RIAA

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

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

Collaboration on policy submissions with UKSIF; ESG analyst has completed RIAA training course.

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

Audit - Part of coalition of European investors seeking greater transparency, tenure limit and volume of non audit work

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

Accounting - Part of a group of long-term UK investors have called for a review of IFRS and its consistency with company law.

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

Energy Futures - part of a group of institutional investor exploring structural shifts underway in the world's energy system

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

- 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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ESG incorporation in actively managed listed equities

Implementation processes

LEI 03	Mandatory	Gateway/Core Assessed	PRI 1
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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.

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

Percentage of active listed equity to which the strategy is applied (estimate +/- 10%)



- Screening + thematic strategies
- All three strategies combined
- No incorporation strategies applied

Total actively managed listed equities

100%

LEI 03.2

Describe your primary reasons for choosing a particular ESG incorporation strategy.

We believe that long-term investment requires a 'stewardship' mind-set: by seeking to collect dividends over the long-term (rather than exploit short-term share price volatility), a longer-term investor has an interest in the way the company is managed: who controls it and how are different stakeholders rewarded (the governance)? How does the business relate to wider society and what risks are there that the investment in it will be disrupted by environmental or social risks? Over the longterm we believe these factors influence the share price.

LEI 03.3	If assets are managed using a combination of ESG incorporation strategies, describe briefly how these are used in combination. [Optional]
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Environmental, social and governance concerns are core considerations and is why we have integrated ESG into our investment process. The resource is therefore integrated in that ESG issues are considered by each analyst in the case of every stock. However, the team is supported by two dedicated ESG specialists who undertake research into specific issues and manage engagement and governance. We also subscribe to a range of specialist ESG research services to provide additional data and input to our internal work.

(B) Implementation: Thematic

LEI 09	Mandatory	Descriptive	PRI 1
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LEI 09.1	Indicate the type of sustainability thematic funds or mandates that your organisation manages.
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- Environmentally themed funds
- Socially themed funds
- Combination of themes

LEI 09.2	Describe your organisation's processes for sustainability thematic funds. [Optional]
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Sarasin& Partners recognise that clients vary in their views on ESG factors just as they vary in their investment objectives. We also note that there has historically been considerable uncertainty about how asset managers account for ESG factors. Sarasin & Partners has therefore developed a set of complementary approaches to integrating ESG factors in a transparent and rigorous way to meet the needs of different types of clients.

Sarasin& Partners' "socially responsible" approach is well suited to ethical investors and comprises the following elements:

Legality: across all of Sarasin& Partners' funds and segregated mandates we avoid investing in companies that deliberately engage in the manufacture, or distribution of illegal products such as cluster bombs or landmines which are banned under international protocols.

Socially or environmentally harmful products: we avoid investing in companies which provide products that are widely recognised as causing social or environmental harm, such as tobacco, alcohol, armaments. (The specific management of exclusions is described in response to your question below.)

Socially or environmentally harmful practices: we apply a clear two stage test to determine whether a company's practices make it eligible for the socially responsible fund:

Is the company persistently engaging in needless social or environmental harm?
Is it likely that the company will improve its practices in this area in response to engagement from investors?

If the answer to the first question is "yes" and the answer to the second question is "no" we will not invest. However, we will consider investing in companies which may have had harmful practices in the past if the answer to the second question is "yes".

Investment impact: we believe that there can be a strong link between companies' performance on ESG factors and their investment performance. However, as there are many factors which can affect a company's investment performance there is not necessarily a link in all instances. We have therefore consider the potential investment impact of a company's management of ESG issues.

Clients benefit from the transparency of this approach as it is clear how we have made judgments on whether individual companies are suitable for inclusion in the socially responsible fund.

(C) Implementation: Integration of ESG issues

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

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

Provide URL

https://www.sarasin.co.uk/internet/ieuk/index_ieuk/about_us_ieuk/about_us_governance_voting_ieuk.htm

LEI 18.2

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

- Yes
 No

LEI 18.3

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

Reporting to public	Reporting to clients/beneficiaries
<input type="radio"/> Broad approach to ESG incorporation <input checked="" type="radio"/> Detailed explanation of ESG incorporation strategy used	<input type="radio"/> Broad approach to ESG incorporation <input checked="" type="radio"/> Detailed explanation of ESG incorporation strategy used

LEI
18.4

Indicate how frequently you typically report this information.

Reporting to public	Reporting to clients/beneficiaries
<input type="radio"/> Quarterly or more frequently	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Quarterly or more frequently
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Between quarterly and annually	<input type="radio"/> Between quarterly and annually
<input type="radio"/> Less frequently than annually	<input type="radio"/> Less frequently than annually
<input type="radio"/> Other, specify	<input type="radio"/> Other, specify

We disclose it to clients and/or beneficiaries only

We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries

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Reported Information

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Engagement

Overview

LEA 02	Mandatory	Gateway	PRI 1,2,3
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LEA 02.1	Indicate your reasons for interacting with companies on ESG issues and indicate who carries out these interactions.
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Type of engagement	Reason for interaction
Individual/Internal staff engagements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To encourage improved ESG disclosure <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via internal staff
Collaborative engagements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To encourage improved ESG disclosure <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via collaborative engagements
Service provider engagements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decision-making (e.g. company research) <input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To encourage improved ESG disclosure <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via service providers

Process

Process for engagements run internally

LEA 03	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 03.1	Indicate whether your organisation has a formal process for identifying and prioritising engagement activities carried out by internal staff.
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☉ Yes

LEA 03.2	Describe how you identify and prioritise engagements.
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Our Head of ESG is responsible for identifying and prioritising engagements

No

LEA 04	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 04.1	Indicate if you define specific objectives for your engagement activities.
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- Yes
 - Yes, for all engagement activities
 - Yes, for the majority of engagement activities
 - Yes, for a minority of engagement activities
- No

LEA 04.2	Indicate if you monitor the actions that companies take following your engagements.
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- Yes
 - Yes, in all cases
 - Yes, in the majority of cases
 - Yes, in the minority of cases

LEA 04.3	Describe how you monitor and evaluate the progress of your engagement activities.
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By contacting the company, esg research providers and/or publicly available information.

No

Process for engagements conducted via collaborations

LEA 05	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 05.1	Indicate whether your organisation has a formal process for identifying and prioritising collaborative engagements.
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- Yes
- No

LEA 06	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 06.1 Indicate if the collaborative engagements in which you are involved have defined objectives.

- Yes
 - Yes, for all collaborative engagement activities
 - Yes, for the majority of collaborative engagement activities
 - Yes, for a minority of collaborative engagement activities
- No

LEA 06.2 Indicate if you monitor the actions companies take following your collaborative engagements.

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

LEA 06.3 Describe how you monitor and evaluate the progress of your collaborative engagement activities.

By keeping in touch via meetings and conference calls with the group of collaborators and relevant parties.

- No

General processes for all three groups of engagers

LEA 10 Mandatory Gateway/Core Assessed PRI 2

LEA 10.1 Indicate if you track the number of companies you engage with.

Type of engagement	Tracking engagements
Individual / Internal staff engagements	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes, we track the number of our engagements in full <input type="radio"/> Yes, we partially track the number of our engagements <input type="radio"/> No, we do not track our engagements but can provide a reasonable estimate of our engagement numbers <input type="radio"/> No, we do not track and cannot estimate our engagements
Collaborative engagements	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes, we track the number of our engagements in full <input type="radio"/> Yes, we partially track the number of our engagements <input type="radio"/> No, we do not track our engagements but can provide a reasonable estimate of our engagement numbers <input type="radio"/> No, we do not track and cannot estimate our engagements

Communication

LEA 15

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 2,6

LEA
15.1

Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses information on its engagements.

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

LEA
15.3

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

Engagement information disclosed

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

LEA
15.4

Indicate how frequently you typically report engagements information

- Disclosed continuously (prior and post engagements)
- Disclosed quarterly
- Disclosed annually
- Disclosed every two years or less
- Other, specify
 - Different clients require different levels of reporting**
- We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries.

(Proxy) voting and shareholder resolutions

Process

LEA 17

Mandatory

Descriptive

PRI 2

LEA
17.1

Indicate how you typically make your (proxy) voting decisions and what this approach is based on.

Approach

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

Based primarily on

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

LEA 18	Mandatory	Descriptive	PRI 2
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LEA 18.1 Of the voting recommendations that your service provider made in the reporting year, indicate what percentage your organisation reviewed, and the reasons for the review.

Percentage of voting recommendations your organisation reviewed

- >20%
- 5-20%
- 1-5%
- <1%

Reasons for review

- Specific ESG issues
- Votes where a significant level of ownership is held
- Votes against management or abstentions
- Conflicts of interest
- Corporate actions such as M&A, disposal, etc.
- Other, explain

LEA 21	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 21.1	Indicate if you ensure that companies are informed of the rationale when you and/or the service providers acting on your behalf abstain or vote against management recommendations.
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- Yes, in most cases
- Sometimes, in the following cases:
 - votes in selected markets
 - votes on certain issues (all markets)
 - votes for significant shareholdings (all markets)
 - other, explain
- No
- Not applicable as we and/or our service providers do not abstain or vote against management recommendations

Outputs and outcomes

LEA 22	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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LEA 22.1	For listed equities where you and/or your service provider has the mandate to issue (proxy) voting instructions, indicate the percentage of votes cast during the reporting year.
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- We do track or collect this information

	Votes cast (to the nearest 1%)
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90

	Specify the basis on which this percentage is calculated
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- of the total number of ballot items on which you could have issued instructions
- of the total number of company meetings at which you could have voted
- of the total value of your listed equity holdings on which you could have voted

LEA 22.2	If there are specific reasons why you did not vote certain holdings, explain these, and if possible, indicate the percentage of holdings affected by these factors. [Optional]
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Where we have discretion to vote we do on all resolutions and in all markets with the exception of those where shareblocking arrangements are in place.

- We do not track or collect this information

Communication

LEA 26	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6
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LEA 26.1	Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your voting activities.
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We disclose it publicly

provide URL

https://www.sarasin.co.uk/internet/ieuk/index_ieuk/about_us_ieuk/about_us_governance_voting_ieuk.htm

LEA 26.2	Indicate if the information disclosed to the public is the same as that disclosed to clients/beneficiaries.
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Yes

No

LEA 26.3	Indicate the voting information your organisation proactively discloses to the public and/or to clients/beneficiaries.
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Reporting to the public	Reporting to clients/beneficiaries
<p>Indicate how much of your voting record you disclose</p> <p><input type="radio"/> All voting decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Some voting decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Only abstentions and opposing vote decisions</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Summary of votes only</p>	<p>Indicate how much of your voting record you disclose</p> <p><input type="radio"/> All voting decisions</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Some voting decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Only abstentions and opposing vote decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Summary of votes only</p>
<p>Indicate what level of explanation you provide</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Explain all voting decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Explain some voting decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Only explain abstentions and votes against management</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> No explanations provided</p>	<p>Indicate what level of explanation you provide</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Explain all voting decisions</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Explain some voting decisions</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Only explain abstentions and votes against management</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No explanations provided</p>

LEA 26.4	Indicate how frequently you typically report voting information.
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Reporting to the public	Reporting to clients/beneficiaries
<input type="radio"/> Continuously (primarily before meetings) <input type="radio"/> Continuously (soon after votes are cast) <input type="radio"/> Quarterly or more frequently <input checked="" type="radio"/> Between quarterly and annually <input type="radio"/> Less frequently than annually <input type="radio"/> Other, specify	<input type="radio"/> Continuously (primarily before meetings) <input type="radio"/> Continuously (soon after votes are cast) <input checked="" type="radio"/> Quarterly or more frequently <input type="radio"/> Between quarterly and annually <input type="radio"/> Less frequently than annually <input type="radio"/> Other, specify

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