



# RITRANSPARENCY REPORT 2017

**Deutsche Asset Management** 





## About this report

The PRI Reporting Framework is a key step in the journey towards building a common language and industry standard for reporting responsible investment (RI) activities. This RI Transparency Report is one of the key outputs of this Framework. Its primary objective is to enable signatory transparency on RI activities and facilitate dialogue between investors and their clients, beneficiaries and other stakeholders. A copy of this report will be publicly disclosed for all reporting signatories on the PRI website, ensuring accountability of the PRI Initiative and its signatories.

This report is an export of the individual Signatory organisation's response to the PRI during the 2017 reporting cycle. It includes their responses to mandatory indicators, as well as responses to voluntary indicators the signatory has agreed to make public. The information is presented exactly as it was reported. Where an indicator offers a response option that is multiple-choice, all options that were available to the signatory to select are presented in this report. Presenting the information exactly as reported is a result of signatory feedback which suggested the PRI not summarise the information. As a result, the reports can be extensive. However, to help easily locate information, there is a **Principles index** which highlights where the information can be found and summarises the indicators that signatories complete and disclose.

### **Understanding the Principles Index**

The Principles Index summarises the response status for the individual indicators and modules and shows how these relate to the six <u>Principles for Responsible Investment</u>. It can be used by stakeholders as an 'at-a-glance' summary of reported information and to identify particular themes or areas of interest.

Indicators can refer to one or more Principles. Some indicators are not specific to any Principle. These are highlighted in the 'General' column. When multiple Principles are covered across numerous indicators, in order to avoid repetition, only the main Principle covered is highlighted.

All indicators within a module are presented below. The status of indicators is shown with the following symbols:

Symbol	Status
✓	The signatory has completed all mandatory parts of this indicator
Ø	The signatory has completed some parts of this indicator
8	This indicator was not relevant for this signatory
-	The signatory did not complete any part of this indicator
Ð	The signatory has flagged this indicator for internal review

Within the table, indicators marked in blue are mandatory to complete. Indicators marked in grey are voluntary to complete.



# **Principles Index**

Organisational Overview							Principle					
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6			
OO 01	Signatory category and services	✓	Public							✓		
OO 02	Headquarters and operational countries	✓	Public							✓		
OO 03	Subsidiaries that are separate PRI signatories	✓	Public							✓		
OO 04	Reporting year and AUM	✓	Public							✓		
OO 05	Breakdown of AUM by asset class	~	Asset mix disclosed in OO 06							✓		
OO 06	How would you like to disclose your asset class mix	✓	Public							✓		
OO 07	Fixed income AUM breakdown	✓	Private							✓		
OO 08	Segregated mandates or pooled funds	✓	Private							✓		
OO 09	Breakdown of AUM by market	✓	Private							✓		
OO 10	RI activities for listed equities	✓	Public							✓		
00 11	RI activities in other asset classes	✓	Public							✓		
OO 12	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	n/a							✓		
OO End	Module confirmation page	✓	-									

Strategy	Strategy and Governance							le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SG 01	RI policy and coverage	✓	Public							✓
SG 02	Publicly available RI policy or guidance documents	✓	Public						✓	
SG 03	Conflicts of interest	✓	Public							✓
SG 04		-	n/a							✓
SG 05	RI goals and objectives	✓	Public							✓
SG 06	Main goals/objectives this year	✓	Private							✓
SG 07	RI roles and responsibilities	✓	Public							✓
SG 08	RI in performance management, reward and/or personal development	-	n/a							✓
SG 09	Collaborative organisations / initiatives	✓	Public				✓	✓		
SG 10	Promoting RI independently	✓	Public				✓			
SG 11	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	✓	Private				✓	✓	✓	
SG 12	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Public	✓						
SG 13	Long term investment risks and opportunity	✓	Private	~						
SG 14	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
SG 15	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	✓	Public							<b>✓</b>
SG 16	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	8	n/a							✓
SG 17	Innovative features of approach to RI	-	n/a							✓
SG End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation							cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
LEI 01	Breakdown by passive, quantitative, fundamental and other active strategies	✓	Private							✓
LEI 02	Reporting on strategies that are <10% of actively managed listed equities	8	n/a							<b>✓</b>
LEI 03	Percentage of each incorporation strategy	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 04	Type of ESG information used in investment decision	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 05	Information from engagement and/or voting used in investment decision-  making   ✓ Private  ✓		<b>✓</b>							
LEI 06	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	✓						
LEI 07	Processes to ensure screening is based on robust analysis	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 08	Processes to ensure fund criteria are not breached		Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 09	Types of sustainability thematic funds/mandates	8	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 10	Review ESG issues while researching companies/sectors	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 11	Processes to ensure integration is based on robust analysis	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 12	Aspects of analysis ESG information is integrated into	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 13	ESG issues in index construction	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 14	How ESG incorporation has influenced portfolio composition	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 15	Measurement of financial and ESG outcomes of ESG incorporation	✓	Private	✓						
LEI 16	Examples of ESG issues that affected your investment view / performance	-	n/a	<b>✓</b>						
LEI 17	Disclosure of approach to ESG incorporation	✓	Public		✓				<b>✓</b>	
LEI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - L	isted Equity Active Ownership				Р	rin	cip	le		General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
LEA 01	Description of approach to engagement	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 02	Reasoning for interaction on ESG issues	✓	Public	✓	✓	✓				
LEA 03	Process for identifying and prioritising engagement activities			<b>✓</b>						
LEA 04	Objectives for engagement activities	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 05	Process for identifying and prioritising collaborative engagement	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 06	Objectives for engagement activities	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 07	Role in engagement process	8	n/a		✓		✓			
LEA 08	Monitor / discuss service provider information	8	n/a		✓				✓	
LEA 09	Share insights from engagements with internal/external managers	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>	✓					
LEA 10	Tracking number of engagements	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 11	Number of companies engaged with, intensity of engagement and effort	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 12	Engagement methods	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 13	Engagements on E, S and/or G issues	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 14	Companies changing practices / behaviour following engagement	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 15	Examples of ESG engagements	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 16	Disclosure of approach to ESG engagements	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>				✓	
LEA 17	Voting policy & approach	✓	Public	✓	✓	✓				
LEA 18	Typical approach to (proxy) voting decisions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 19	Percentage of voting recommendations reviewed	8	n/a		✓					
LEA 20	Confirmation of votes	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 21	Securities lending programme	✓	Private		✓					
LEA 22	Informing companies of the rationale of abstaining/voting against management	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 23	Percentage of (proxy) votes cast	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 24	Proportion of ballot items that were for/against/abstentions	✓	Public		✓					
LEA 25	Shareholder resolutions	✓	Private		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 26	Examples of (proxy) voting activities	✓	Private		<b>✓</b>					
LEA 27	Disclosing voting activities	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>				✓	
LEA End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct -	Fixed Income				Р	rin	General			
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
FI 01	Breakdown by passive,active strategies	✓	Private							✓
FI 02	Option to report on <10% assets	8	n/a							✓
FI 03	Breakdown by market and credit quality	✓	Private							✓
FI 04	Incorporation strategies applied	✓	Public	✓						
FI 05	ESG issues and issuer research	✓	Private	✓						
FI 06	Processes to ensure analysis is robust	✓	Public	✓						
FI 07	Types of screening applied	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 08	Negative screening - overview and rationale	✓	Public	~						
FI 09	Examples of ESG factors in screening process	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
FI 10	Screening - ensuring criteria are met	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 11	Thematic investing - overview	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
FI 12	Thematic investing - themed bond processes	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 13	Thematic investing - assessing impact	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 14	Integration overview	✓	Public	✓						
FI 15	Integration - ESG information in investment processes	1	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 16	Integration - E,S and G issues reviewed	✓	Public	<b>✓</b>						
FI 17	ESG incorporation in passive funds	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>						
FI 18	Engagement overview and coverage	✓	Private		<b>✓</b>					
FI 19	Engagement method	✓	Private	✓	✓					
FI 20	Engagement policy disclosure	✓	Private	✓	<b>✓</b>					
FI 21	Financial/ESG performance	✓	Private							✓
FI 22	Examples - ESG incorporation or engagement	-	n/a	~	✓					
FI 23	Communications	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>				✓	
FI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - F	Direct - Property						Principle			
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
PR 01	Breakdown of investments	✓	Private							✓
PR 02	Breakdown of assets by management	✓	Private							✓
PR 03	Largest property types	✓	Private							✓
PR 04	Responsible Property Investment (RPI) policy	✓	Public	~					✓	
PR 05	Fund placement documents and RI	✓	Public	✓			✓		✓	
PR 06	Formal commitments to RI	✓	Private				✓			
PR 07	Incorporating ESG issues when selecting investments	✓	Public	~						
PR 08	Types of ESG information considered in investment selection	✓	Private	~		✓				
PR 09	ESG issues impact in selection process	✓	Public	✓						
PR 10	ESG issues in selection, appointment and monitoring of third-party property managers	<b>✓</b>	Public				~			
PR 11	ESG issues in post-investment activities	✓	Public		<b>✓</b>					
PR 12	Proportion of assets with ESG targets that were set and monitored	✓	Public		✓	✓				
PR 13	Certification schemes, ratings and benchmarks	✓	Private		✓					
PR 14	Proportion of developments and refurbishments where ESG issues were considered	✓	Public		~					
PR 15	Proportion of property occupiers that were engaged with	✓	Public		✓					
PR 16	Proportion of green leases or MOUs referencing ESG issues	✓	Private		✓					
PR 17	Proportion of assets engaged with on community issues	8	n/a		✓					
PR 18	ESG issues affected financial/ESG performance	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>	✓					
PR 19	Examples of ESG issues that affected your property investments	✓	Private	<b>✓</b>		✓				
PR 20	Disclosure of ESG information to public and clients/beneficiaries	✓	Public						✓	
PR End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

# **Deutsche Asset Management**

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Organisational Overview

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## **Basic Information Public** 00 01 **Mandatory Gateway/Peering** General 00 01.1 Select the services you offer. ☑ Fund management % of assets under management (AUM) in ranges ○ <10% O 10-50% ● >50% ☑ Fund of funds, manager of managers, sub-advised products % of assets under management (AUM) in ranges **●** <10% O 10-50% ○ >50% ☐ Other, specify ☑ Execution and advisory services 00 01.2 Additional information. [Optional]

Deutsche AM offers retail and institutional clients a comprehensive set of strengths few competitors in the world can match. The division combines deep intellectual capital, broad asset management expertise, decades of experience and extensive product selection with strategies across all major asset classes.

Our products and solutions provide flexible access to a complete set of investment opportunities across all asset classes. Products range from pooled funds to highly customized portfolios for individual clients. They include active, passive and alternative retail funds, institutional mandates and structured products. Our advisers and investment specialists are dedicated to creating asset management solutions for every client need and every risk, return, and liquidity preference.

Deutsche Asset Management offers individuals and institutions traditional and alternative investments across all major asset classes.

Please note that due to Deutsche Bank's organisational changes the Asset and Wealth Management division was split into Deutsche Asset Management and Deutsche Bank Wealth Management as of January, 1st 2016. Therefore the following report and its numbers are different compared to last years report

OO 02	O 02 Mandatory		Public	Peering	General
00 02	2.1	Select the location of your organisa	tion's headquarters	3.	
Germa	any		_		



OO 02.2	Indicate the number of countries in which you have offices (including your headquarters).
01	
○ 2-5	
O 6-10	
<b>●</b> >10	
OO 02.3	Indicate the approximate number of staff in your organisation in full-time equivalents (FTE).
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Deutsche Asset Management as an organisation aims to follow and adhere to the PRI within all its investment divisions to the best possible extent.

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OO 03	Mand	latory			Public	Des	criptive		General
00 0	3.1	Indicate whether yetheir own right.	ou have s	ubsidiarie	es within yo	ur organisat	ion that are al	so PRI signato	ories in
O Ye	es								
<ul><li>No</li></ul>	)								
OO 04	Mand	latory			Public	Gat	eway/Peering		General
000	4.1	Indicate the year e	nd date fo	or your re	porting yea	r.			
31/1	2/2016								
00 0	)4.2	Indicate your total not to report on.	AUM at th	e end of	your report	ing year, ex	cluding subsic	liaries you hav	e chosen
			trillions	billions	millions	thousands	hundreds		
		Total AUM		705	866	907	283		
		Currency	EUR		1		L		
		Assets in USD		755	421	241	056		
OO 06	Mand	latory			Public	Des	criptive		General



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

00 06.1

How you would like to disclose your asset class mix.

 $\bigcirc$  as percentage breakdown

as broad ranges

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
Listed equity	10-50%	<10%
Fixed income	10-50%	<10%
Private equity	<10%	0
Property	10-50%	0
Infrastructure	<10%	0
Commodities	<10%	0
Hedge funds	<10%	0
Forestry	0	0
Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	0	0
Cash	<10%	0
Other (1), specify	0	0
Other (2), specify	0	0

OO 06.2

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

#### **Gateway asset class implementation indicators**

00 10	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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	00 10.1	Select the direct or indirect ESG incorporation activities your organisation implemented for listed equities in the reporting year.
	☑ We incorp	porate ESG in our investment decisions on our internally managed assets
	☐ We addre	ess ESG incorporation in our external manager selection, appointment and/or monitoring processes
		t incorporate ESG in our directly managed listed equity and/or we do not address ESG incorporation all manager selection, appointment and/or monitoring processes.
	OO 10.2	Select the direct or indirect engagement activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the reporting year.
	☑ We engag	ge with companies on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers
	☐ We requir	e our external managers to engage with companies on ESG issues on our behalf
	□ We do no	t engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with companies on ESG factors.
	OO 10.3	Select the direct or indirect voting activities your organisation implemented for listed equity in the reporting year
		our (proxy) votes directly or via dedicated voting providers
	☐ We requir	re our external managers to vote on our behalf
	□ We do no	t cast our (proxy) votes directly and do not require external managers to vote on our behalf
00 1	1 Mar	ndatory Public Gateway General
	00 11.1	Select the internally managed asset classes in which you addressed ESG incorporation into your investment decisions and/or your active ownership practices (during the reporting year).
		ome – SSA
		ome – corporate (financial)
		ome – corporate (non-financial)
		ome – securitised
	☐ Private ed	quity
	✓ Property	
	✓ Infrastruct	
	☐ Commodi	
	☐ Hedge fur	nds
	□ Cash	
	☐ None of the	ne above
	00 11.2	Select the externally managed assets classes where you addressed ESG incorporation and/or active ownership in your external manager selection, appointment and/or monitoring processes (during the reporting year)
	☐ Fixed inco	ome – SSA
	☐ Fixed inco	ome – corporate (financial)
	☐ Fixed inco	ome – corporate (non-financial)
	☐ Fixed inco	ome – securitised
	✓ None of the	ne above



00 11.3b

If your organisation does not integrate ESG factors into investment decisions on your externally managed assets, explain why not.

We have not explicitely/officially included the integration of extra-financial factors since our contracts for all externally managed assets follow the wording recommended by BVI. However we do encourage our counterparts to integrate extra financial factors and to engage where they feel it is appropriate.



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Strategy and Governance

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#### **Investment policy**

SG 01 Mandatory Public Core Assessed General

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

SG 01.1

Indicate if you have an investment policy that covers your responsible investment approach.

Yes

SG 01.2

Indicate the components/types and coverage of your policy.

#### Select all that apply

Policy components/types	Coverage by AUM
☑ Policy setting out your overall approach	O Applicable policies cover all
☐ Formalised guidelines on environmental factors	AUM
☐ Formalised guidelines on social factors	<ul> <li>Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM</li> </ul>
☐ Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors	O Applicable policies cover a
☑ Asset class-specific RI guidelines	minority of AUM
☐ Sector specific RI guidelines	
☐ Screening / exclusions policy	
☐ Engagement policy	
☑ (Proxy) voting policy	
☑ Other, specify (1)	
Principles-Global approach to Sustainability	
☑ Other, specify(2)	
other (2) description	
Sustainability Standards - for building operations	



	SG 01.4	Indicate what norms you have responsible investment app		o your investment policy that cove	rs your	
'	☑ UN Gl	obal Compact Principles				
☐ Universal Declaration of Human Rights						
☐ International Bill of Human Rights						
☐ International Labour Organization Conventions						
☐ United Nations Convention Against Corruption						
	☑ OECD	Guidelines for Multinational E	Enterprises			
	☑ Other,	specify (1)				
		other (1) description				
	Conve	ntion on Clustermunition				
	$\square$ Other,	specify (2)				
	$\square$ Other,	specify (3)				
	□ None o	of the above				
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SG 02	Mandatory	/	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 6	
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URL

https://funds.deutscheam.com/lu/About-us/Corporate-Governance

☐ Attachment (will be made public)

☑ Other, specify (1)

Other, specify (1) description

Principles-Global approach to Sustainability

**URL/Attachment** 

**☑** URL

URL

http://realestate.deutscheam.com/sustainability/5166.jsp

☐ Attachment (will be made public)

☑ Other, specify (2)

Other, specify (2) description

Sustainability Standards - for building operations

**URL/Attachment** 

**☑** URL

URL

http://realestate.deutscheam.com/sustainability/6602.jsp

☐ Attachment (will be made public)

☐ We do not publicly disclose our investment policy documents

SG 02.4

Additional information [Optional]

DeAM division consists of different businesses and also includes different legal entities, which were historically independent and hence there are still different ESG policies and standards in place. DeAM still has to take into account that as a global asset manager we have to cope with different regional regulations as well as different business specifics. Therefore the ESG policy framework will always consist of different policies and guidance documents but it will be aligned within a global ESG governance.

SG 03 Mandatory Public Core Assessed General



SG 03.1

Indicate if your organisation has a policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

Yes

SG 03.2

Describe your policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

On our webpage we publish the "conflicts of interest policy" that applies to Deutsche Asset Management as part of Deutsche Bank Group. https://deutscheam.com/en-gb/Legal-Resources/https://www.db.com/company/en/conflicts-of-interest-policy.htm

O No

SG 03.3

Additional information. [Optional]

In addition to the Conflicts of Interest Policy above we have dedicated KoPs in place as described below:

**Active Investment Management.**: Primary responsibility for the identification, evaluation, resolution and escalation of conflicts of interests resides with the businesses. To ensure all conflicts are registered and tracked for regular review, the COO Office has nominated a gatekeeper (Col Gatekeeper) to be responsible for the identification of any conflicts and communication of such conflicts to Compliance. The Col Gatekeeper will support all teams: a) identifying conflicts of interest which emerge within their own business area, b) and, where appropriate, seeking advice from Advisory Compliance on how to manage these conflicts.

Conflicts of interest arise in situations where two or more interests are present which compete or conflict.

In addition, Compliance has developed:

an annual conflicts review process (which includes reference to relevant policies and procedures);

a Conflicts of Interest Matrix which supports the process of identifying and reviewing conflicts and which must be considered when assessing products, transactions and new business initiatives for registration. The COI Gatekeeper is responsible to notify Compliance on any conflict of interest that may occur. On a annual basis, Compliance will request a review and update on the conflict of interest matrix. The COI Gatekeeper coordinates the annual conflicts review process and will request feedback from all teams.

Real Estate: Deutsche Asset Management's global real estate team ("DeAM - Real Estate") manages Client Mandates and Funds on behalf of various clients across multiple real estate investment strategies. Situations may arise where an investment opportunity is identified by DeAWM - Real Estate that may be appropriate for one or more Client Mandates or Funds. DeAWM - Real Estate has an overriding responsibility to act fairly and in the best interests of all of its clients. Consequently, DeAWM - Real Estate has implemented a comprehensive, transparent and objective deal allocation and rotation policy

Objectives and strategies



SG 0	5	Man	datory	Public	Gateway/Core Assessed	General	
	SG 05.	.1	Indicate if and how frequently your investment activities.	organisation sets a	nd reviews objectives for its respo	onsible	
○ Quarterly o			or more frequently				
	O Biar	nnually	1				
	<ul><li>Ann</li></ul>	nually					
	O Les	s frequ	uently than annually				
	O Ad-	hoc ba	sis				
	O It is	not re	viewed				
	Covo	rnono	e and human resources				
	Gove	manic	e and numan resources				
SG 0	7	Man	datory	Public	Core Assessed	General	
	SG 07.1 Indicate the roles present in your organisation and for each, indicate whether they have oversight and/or implementation responsibilities for responsible investment.						
Roles present in your organisation							
☑ Board members or trustees							
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment							
☐ Implementation of responsible investment							
		☐ No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment					
	☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Investment Committee						
☑ Oversight/accountability for responsible investment					•		
		Chief E	o oversight/accountability or implement xecutive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment	nent Officer (CIO), I	•		
		Chief E ☑ O\	o oversight/accountability or implement xecutive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment	nent Officer (CIO), I	•		

Head Center for Sustainable Finance

 $\ensuremath{\,\boxtimes\,}$  Other Chief-level staff or head of department, specify



⊻ 0	versignt/accountability for responsible investment
☑ Im	plementation of responsible investment
□No	o oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☑ Portfoli	o managers
	versight/accountability for responsible investment
☑ Im	plementation of responsible investment
□No	o oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
✓ Investn	nent analysts
	versight/accountability for responsible investment
☑ Im	plementation of responsible investment
□No	o oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☑ Dedica	ted responsible investment staff
□ O <sup>1</sup>	versight/accountability for responsible investment
☑ Im	plementation of responsible investment
□No	o oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
	al managers or service providers
	versight/accountability for responsible investment
□Im	plementation of responsible investment
☑ No	o oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
☐ Investo	or relations
☐ Other r	ole, specify (1)
☐ Other r	ole, specify (2)
SG 07.3	Indicate the number of dedicated responsible investment staff your organisation has.
	Number
57	
SG 07.4	Additional information. [Optional]

To connect our dedicated ESG team closer to the Investment Platform the Center for Sustainable Finance which was established in 2015 belongs to the CIO Office and is hence integrate into our CIO platform. This ensures a more consistent approach of ESG integration across Deutsche AM investment platform. The Center focussed on thematic research and business implementation, worked closely with all other ESG teams and was supported by dedicated ESG specialists to enhance the ESG integration efforts. The Head of the Center for Sustainable Finance reported into the Head of CIO Office who is a direct report of the CIO of Asset Management.

#### Additional information for 7.3.

This number includes all colleagues who contribute to our ESG business, however the total number of FTE (full time employees) may be different.

#### **Promoting responsible investment**



SG 09 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 4,5

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

SG 09.1

Select the collaborative organisation and/or initiatives of which your organisation is a member or in which it participated during the reporting year, and the role you played.

#### Select all that apply

☑ Principles for Responsible Investment

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

Basic

Moderate

Advanced

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

[Optional]

DeAM employees participate in UN PRI working groups

☐ AFIC – La Commission ESG
☐ Asian Corporate Governance Association
☐ Australian Council of Superannuation Investors
$\square$ BVCA – Responsible Investment Advisory Board
☑ CDP Climate Change

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]

#### A number of legal entities of DeAM are CDP Signatories

□ CDP Forests
□ CDP Water
☐ CFA Institute Centre for Financial Market Integrity
□ Code for Responsible Investment in SA (CRISA)
☐ Code for Responsible Finance in the 21st Century
□ Council of Institutional Investors (CII)
☐ ESG Research Australia
□ Eumedion
□ EVCA – Responsible Investment Roundtable
☐ 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
Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative.  [Optional]
We are a member of GIGN and participate regular meetings
☐ Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN)
□ Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)
☐ Green Bond Principles
☑ 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]

Deutsche AM became a member of the Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC) in 2015. In 2016 we signed their global investor letter in advance of the G20, calling for early ratification of the Paris Agreement. We also contributed to their work on energy efficiency and hosted an event in Frankfurt where IIGCC launched its report: 'Investor Expectations for the Automotive Industry". A senior Deutsche AM representative joined IIGCC's delegation which met with Chancellor Merkel's Chief Economic Advisor to discuss green finance policy plans for Germany's G20 Presidency in 2017. In February 2017, Deutsche AM contributed to IIGCC's consultation response to the FSB Task Force on Climate related Financial Disclosure.

☐ Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)
☐ International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)
☐ Investor Group on Climate Change, Australia/New Zealand (IGCC)
☑ International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC)
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]
DeAM employees actively participate in the IIRC council
☑ Investor Network on Climate Risk (INCR)/CERES
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]
We participate in some CERES events
□ Local Authority Pension Fund Forum
□ Principles for Sustainable Insurance
☑ Regional or National Social Investment Forums (e.g. UKSIF, Eurosif, ASRIA, RIAA), specify
EUROSIF



		Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting period (see definitions)
	☑ Basic	
	☐ Moder	rate
	☐ Advan	ced
		Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative.
		[Optional]
	We are a men	nber of FNG & EUROSIF
	Responsible F	Finance Principles in Inclusive Finance
	•	Association for Research and Education (Share)
		s Environmental Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
		s Global Compact
		rative organisation/initiative, specify
		VFA - European and German association for investment
		4
		Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting year (see definitions)
	☐ Basic	
		rate
	☐ Advan	iced
		Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative. [Optional]
	vital in the cre	rees are active in the ESG working groups of the Associations EFFAS and DVFA, where we were ation and setup of the EFFAS ESG certification program, part of the faculty as well as the IIRC Integrated Reporting Council). For UNEP FI we are regular on panels and other events
<b>V</b>	Other collabor	rative organisation/initiative, specify
		h AG, Arbeitskreis integrated reporting
		-,
		Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting year (see definitions)
	☐ Basic	
		rate
	☐ Advan	iced
		Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative. [Optional]
	Our employee	attends all meetings and is an active member of the working group
V	Other collabor	rative organisation/initiative, specify
	BVI/EFAMA	rative organisation/initiative, speeny



	Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting year (see definitions)						
□ Basic							
	☑ Moderate						
	☐ Advanced						
_							
	Provide a brief commentary on [Optional]	the level of your or	ganisation's involvement in the in	itiative.			
	employees are active members of the work sponsible Investments	ing groups that cov	ver the topics: Corporate Governa	ince and			
□ Oth	er collaborative organisation/initiative, speci	fy					
SG 10	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4			
SG 10	Indicate if your organisation promot initiatives.	es responsible inve	estment, independently of collabo	rative			
0 100							
S	G 10.2 Indicate which of the following investment, independently of c		isation has taken to promote resp res.	onsible			
	☑ Provided or supported education or train broker/dealers, investment consultants, leg						
	☐ Provided financial support for academi	c or industry resea	rch on responsible investment				
	☑ Encouraged better transparency and dis investment industry	sclosure of respons	sible investment practices across	the			
	☑ Spoke publicly at events and conference	es to promote resp	onsible investment				
	☑ Wrote and published in-house research papers on responsible investment						
	$\overline{\!$						
	☑ Wrote articles on responsible investment in the media.						
	☐ Other, specify						
$\bigcirc$ No	○ No						
Implementation not in other modules							
Imple	mentation not in other modules						
SG 12	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1			

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



SG 12.1

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

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  We execute scenario analysis which includes factors representing the investment impacts of future environmental trends

 $\Box$  We execute scenario analysis which includes factors representing the investment impacts of future social trends

☐ We execute scenario analysis which includes factors representing the investment impacts of future governance trends

☐ We execute other scenario analysis, specify

☐ We do not execute such scenario analysis and/or modelling

SG 12.2

Indicate if your organisation considers ESG issues in strategic asset allocation and/or allocation of assets between sectors or geographic markets.

O We do the following

• We do not consider ESG issues in strategic asset allocation

SG 15 Mandatory Public Descriptive General

SG 15.1

Describe how you address ESG issues for internally managed assets for which a specific PRI asset class module has yet to be developed or for which you are not required to report because your assets are below the minimum threshold.

Asset Class	Describe what processes are in place and the outputs or outcomes achieved
Infrastructure	Deutsche Asset Management's infrastructure business conducts ESG due diligence for each acquisition. After acquisition, Deutsche AM infrastructure closely monitors the ESG attributes of the investments during the holding period, through quarterly reporting
	We report annually to investors in our Pan-European Infrastructure Fund (PEIF) about the ESG developments in the fund's underlying investments. We will provide a similar report to investors in Pan-European Infrastructure II, the follow-up fund.

SG 15.2

Additional information [Optional].



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**Direct - Listed Equity Incorporation** 

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#### ESG incorporation in actively managed listed equities

## Implementation processes **LEI 03 Mandatory Public Gateway** PRI 1 New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully. Indicate (1) which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies you apply to LEI 03.1 your actively managed listed equities and (2) the breakdown of your actively managed listed equities by strategy or combination of strategies (+/- 5%) ESG incorporation strategy (select all that apply) ☐ Screening alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies) ☐ Thematic alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies) ☐ Integration alone (i.e. not combined with any other strategies) ☑ Screening and Integration strategies Percentage of active listed equity to which the strategy is applied % 100 ☐ Thematic and integration strategies ☐ Screening and thematic strategies ☐ All three strategies combined ☐ We do not apply incorporation strategies Total actively managed listed equities

100%

**LEI 03.2** 

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

In our view integrating environmental, social, and corporate governance factors into the investment process contributes to a better understanding of businesses and the respective environment they operate in. It enables us to identify the risks and opportunities that a traditional financial analysis would miss, or fail to systematically address, with potentially significant impact on long-term investment performance. We consequently understand ESG integration as a valuable complement to traditional fundamental analysis, which adds value to the quality of our investment decision and offers opportunities for higher risk-adjusted returns.



LEI 03.3

Where assets are managed using a combination of ESG incorporation strategies, briefly describe how these combinations are used. [Optional]

We combine a screening and integration strategy to all of our actively managed equity holdings. Our screening approach entails the exclusion of companies that: (a) are in deliberate or grossly negligent breach of the UN Global Compact principles; or (b) are involved in the manufacture, maintenance, or provision of controversial weapons (e.g., cluster bombs). Our integration approach involves the provision of critical ESG information as well as detailed ESG research to all analysts and portfolio managers, through the incorporation and standardization of this information in our research platform and general investment process (e.g., integration into our proprietary research system, fixed inclusion of ESG aspects in investment/research notes). Furthermore, we started to systematically address critical ESG aspects with management during regular company meetings.

Our dedicated ESG European Equity Strategies also combine integration with a screening approach, but apply a more in-depth ESG integration and additional exclusions.

(A)	) Implementa	ation: Screening				
LEI 06	Mandato	ory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1	
		Indicate and describe the type equities.	of screening you a	pply to your internally managed a	ctive listed	
	Type of screening					
	✓ Negative	ve/exclusionary screening				

#### Screened by

- ✓ Product
- ☑ Activity
- Sector
- ☐ Country/geographic region
- ☑ Environmental and social practices and performance

Description

We combine information and data from Trucost, Sustainalytics, MSCI, Ethix ISS, RepRisk, SIGWATCH and oekom research, we further supplement our data pool with information from leading NGOs. Corporate Sectors Screens: The most classical ESG facet concerns sector involvements either an investor may deem controversial or which carry some ESG risk (e.g.: "Companies with coal exposure face stranded asset challenges"). Such sector "screens", usually outright sector exclusions, exist since the 1930s. The usual "controversial" sectors are concern controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons) or specific industries like defence, civil firearms, gambling, adult entertainment, tobacco, alcohol, spirits, GMO and nuclear or fossil energies with coal in particular.Portfolios and investment universes are analysed pertaining revenues from industries an ethically biased client could perceive as controversial (e.g. Defence) or which indicate economic exposure to risky sectors (e.g. Coal). Further we screen for UN Global Compact compliance. While this serves as well ethical considerations (e.g. child labour) it as well helps to carefully monitor potential fallout from controversial business activities (e.g. market manipulation).



☑ Positive/best-in-class screening

S	Screened by				
	□ Product				
	□ Activity				
	☑ Sector				
	☐ Country/geographic region				
	☑ Environmental and social practices and performance				

#### Description

In 2016 we released a new corporate ESG rating methodology, which allows us to identify ESG leaders and laggards within a peer group, as assessed by external specialists. While such a best-in-class approach per se is not new, we advanced it with our unique cross-vendor methodology, which seeks to deliver an objective 360 degree assessment.

Our best-in-class approach considers hundreds of indicators covering resources and waste, climate change, green products, human capital, societal impact, product responsibility, business ethics, corporate governance and public policies

The second building block of best-in-class is the peer group, i.e. Best-In-Class involves some class consciousness. Corporations are ranked against their peers. The ESG engine defines the peer group by sector and region

✓ Norms-based screening

#### Screened by

☑ UN Global Compact Principles
$\hfill \square$ The UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
☑ International Labour Organization Conventions
☑ United Nations Convention Against Corruption
☑ OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
☐ Other, specify

#### Description

Corporate Norms Screening: The norms screeining comprises business conduct, commonly termed controversies or failure in norm compliance checks, which is either deemed controversial by an ethical investor or risky (e.g. "Market manipulation could hit the company hard via legal fees and penalties"). When controversies are assessed, international norms are applied, whereby the guiding principles are codified in the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC). Other important norms are manifested by the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

The norms compromise checks for human rights abuses or corporate complicity therein, respectively adverse societal or community impact; violation of labour rights, most notably the right of collective bargaining and free association, absence of child labour and bonded / forced labour and challenged health & safety conditions; adverse environmental impact and challenged business ethics, most notably incidents of bribery, market manipulation, fraud, corruption, etc.



**LEI 06.2** 

Describe how the screening criteria are established, how often the criteria are reviewed and how you notify clients and/or beneficiaries when changes are made.

Deutsche AM is committed to ESG Integration. ESG data, as produced by the ESG engine, is uploaded into Deutsche AM's front office portfolio management and analysis systems, as well as into the middle office layers, e.g. the compliance workbench. This enables all Deutsche AM staff with access to AR to build on the power of ESG data in a timely, reliable and flexible way. While the key consumer of ESG data in Deutsche AM are ESG portfolio managers, who run dedicated ESG approaches with ESG investment guidelines, all our portfolio managers have ESG data at their fingertips too. As such Deutsche AM applies a true ESG integration approach: ESG data is used alongside the "standard" market, credit liquidity and economic research information, when investment decisions are made.

With Deutsche AM's multi-vendor approach the ESG engine yields a decent coverage :There are 3'000 unique corporations for which there is "complete" coverage across all vendors. Those names form the "grid" and are the reference of Deutsche AM's Ratings. They relate to some 5'000 issuers. There are 10'000 issuers with "some" ESG information and 13'000 for which, at least, norm violation and sector involvement tests can be applied. All overall the ESG.E engine works with some 16'000 issuer records with some 3'000 data points each (although some are sparsely populated). The number of issues / securities processable is beyond 100'000 and covers all securities live traded in Deutsche AM's systems.

Vendors apply a rolling update scheme, with a full refresh once a year or event-triggered. The ESG-engine takes a snapshot of the latest available ESG vendor data once a month, performs ist calculations and updates internal information systems

Methodology and criteria are constantly reviewed and enhanced. Fundamental changes are conveyed to and discussed individually with the client on a case by case base.

EI 07	Mandatory		Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1		
	LEI 07.1	Indicate which processes your organisation uses to ensure screening is based on robust analysis.					
	☑ Comprehensive ESG research is undertaken or sourced to determine companies' activities and products.						
	$\ensuremath{\square}$ Companies are given the opportunity by you or your research provider to review ESG research on them and correct inaccuracies						
		research and data used to identifetaff, the internal audit function or	· .	excluded/included is subject to in	ternal audit		
	<ul><li>Company policies</li></ul>	ESG information/ratings are upo	dated regularly to e	nsure that portfolio holdings comp	oly with fund		
		tee or body with representatives ne or all screening decisions	independent of the	individuals who conduct compan	y research		
	☑ A periodice	A periodic review of the quality of the research undertaken or provided is carried out					
☐ Other, specify							
	☐ None of the	he above					



(C) Implementation: Integration of ESG issues

LEI 10 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1

**LEI 10.1** 

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	Environmental			
	We systematically review the potential significance of environmental issues and investigate them accordingly			
	We occasionally review the potential significance of environmental issues and investigate them accordingly			
O We do not review environmental issues				
Social	Social			
	We systematically review the potential significance of social issues and investigate them accordingly			
	We occasionally review the potential significance of social issues and investigate them accordingly			
	O We do not review social issues			
Corporate Governance	Corporate Governance			
	We systematically review the potential significance of corporate governance issues and investigate them accordingly			
	O We occasionally review the potential significance of corporate governance issues and investigate them accordingly			
O We do not review corporate governance issues				

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LEI 17 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6

LEI 17.1

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

We disclose it publicly

Provide URL

https://deutscheam.com/en-gb/thought-leadership/esg/



**LEI 17.2** 

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

O Yes

No

**LEI 17.3** 

Indicate the information your organisation proactively discloses to the public regarding your approach to ESG incorporation.

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

LEI 17.4

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

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

**LEI 17.5** 

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

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

**LEI 17.6** 

Indicate how frequently you typically report this information to clients/beneficiaries.

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



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#### **Engagement**

Overview

LEA 01 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

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

**LEA 01.1** 

Indicate whether your organisation has a formal engagement policy.

○ Yes

No

**LEA 01.5** 

Additional information [optional]

The Governance-Engagement Policy was included in 2016 and is part of our new Corporate Governance & Proxy Voting Policy. The dedicated Corporate Governance Center (CGC) is responsible for coordinating the Governance Engagement activities together with the analysts and portfolio managers, the CGC has furthermore oversight and responsibility for the proxy voting process, including the set-up of a dedicated watchlist of the most relevant holdings and the on-going review and development of the guiding Corporate Governance & Proxy Voting policy.

LEA 02 Mandatory Public Gateway PRI 1,2,3

LEA 02.1

Indicate the method of engagement, giving reasons for the interaction.



Type of engagement	Reason for interaction
Individual/Internal staff	☑ To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues
engagements	☑ To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure
	☑ Other, specify
	We engage to increase the awareness about the integration of ESG aspects into companies' strategy and on governance-issues such as Board-composition, executive remuneration
	☐ We do not engage via internal staff
Collaborative	☐ To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues
engagements	☐ To encourage improved/inreased ESG disclosure
	☐ Other, specify
	☑ We do not engage via collaborative engagements
Service provider	☐ To influence corporate practice (or identify the need to influence) on ESG issues
engagements	☐ To encourage improved/increased ESG disclosure
	☐ Other, specify
	☑ We do not engage via service providers

LEA 02.2 Additional information. [Optiona

**On collaborative engagement**: We do not engage collaboratively on company-specific issues due to the operational and regulatory risks arising from different national regulatory requirements. However, we exchange views on governance issues on general level with other asset managers.

#### **Process**

#### Process for engagements run internally

LEA 03 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

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

LEA 03.1

Indicate whether your organisation has a formal process for identifying and prioritising engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

Yes



**LEA 03.2** 

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

 Geogran	ohv/market	of the	companies	targeted

☑ Materiality of ESG factors

☐ Systemic risks to global portfolios

☑ In reaction to ESG impacts which has already taken place

☐ As a response to divestment pressure

☑ As a follow-up from a voting decision

☐ Client request

Other, describe

other description

Letter to all German investee companies at the beginning of the year, outlining our expectations towards a good corporate governance of the companies

O No

LEA 03.3

Additional information. [Optional]

With our ESG Engine software, we developed a proprietary in-house software solution to analyse, assess and rank corporations as well as sovereigns on a wide range of ESG indicators. The approach is a modern one, applying algorithms and data management techniques to source, combine and integrate ESG information from leading external ESG agencies. By combining all data and information from TruCost, Sustainalytics, MSCI, Ethix ISS, RepRisk, SIGWATCH and oekom research, we now base our ESG analysis on an outstanding number of seven different external ESG data vendors. We further supplement our data pool with information from leading NGOs.

DeAM active asset management uses the ESG Engine software various information sources to identify and verify engagement cases (e.g., external research providers, company meetings and communication, sell side analysts, NGO's). We prioritize companies in which we have holdings or we would like to invest, and companies which are in breach or alleged breach of the UN Global Compact Principles with high impact on stakeholders or where we received an inadequate response by the alleged party.

LEA 04 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

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

**LEA 04.1** 

Indicate if you define specific objectives for your engagement activities.

Yes

Yes, for all engagement activities

Yes, for the majority of engagement activities

O Yes, for a minority of engagement activities

We do not define specific objectives for engagement activities carried out by internal staff.



**LEA 04.2** 

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

- Yes
  - O Yes, in all cases
  - Yes, in the majority of cases
  - O Yes, in the minority of cases
- O We do not monitor the actions that companies take following engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

**LEA 04.3** 

Indicate whether your organisation defines milestones and goals for engagement activities carried out by internal staff.

- O Yes
- No

**LEA 04.5** 

Additional information. [Optional

The technical possibilities to vote for the funds of the passive platform were on-boarded. Governance Engagements are conducted for companies of our pre-defined watch list that includes all holdings fulfilling specific criteria (e.g., AuM, Market-Cap, ESG-Score). With this quality-based approach we are able to individually identify and engage on governance-issues to reach convincing improvements.

#### General processes for all three groups of engagers

LEA 10 Mandatory Public Gateway PRI 2

LEA 10.1

Indicate if you track the number of engagements your organisation participates in.

Type of engagement	Tracking engagements
Individual / Internal staff angagements	○ Yes, we track the number of our engagements in full
Individual / Internal staff engagements	Yes, we partially track the number of our engagements
	○ We do not track

**LEA 10.2** 

Additional information. [OPTIONAL]

All Governance engagements undertaken by the Corporate Governance Ceam are tracked and monitored in a separate database.

#### Communication

LEA 16 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,6



**LEA 16.1** Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses information on its engagements. O We disclose it publicly O We disclose it to clients and/or beneficiaries only • We do not proactively disclose it to the public and/or clients/beneficiaries. (Proxy) voting and shareholder resolutions **Overview LEA 17** PRI 1,2,3 **Mandatory Public Gateway** New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully. **LEA 17.1** Indicate whether your organisation has a formal voting policy. Yes **LEA 17.2** Indicate what your voting policy covers: ☑ Conflicts of interest ☐ Prioritisation of voting activities ☑ Decision making processes ☑ Environmental factors ☑ Social factors ☑ Governance factors ☐ Filing/co-filing resolutions ☑ Extraordinary meetings ☐ Share blocking ☑ Regional voting practices

☑ Company dialogue pre/post vote☐ Securities lending process☑ Other, describe

other description

more Governance-Topics: executive remuneration, board composition, auditor issues

☐ None of the above

☑ Record keeping

LEA 17.3

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



URL

https://www.dws.de/UeberDWS/DasUnternehmen/CorporateGovernance

**LEA 17.4** 

Provide a brief overview of your organization's approach to (proxy) voting.

For the Asset Management of Deutsche Bank (Deutsche Asset Management) the exercise of voting rights is an ultimate measure of our engagement and is carried out according to a uniform and transparent process. The voting decisions are on the one hand made following our Corporate Governance & Proxy Voting Policy that is based on the proprietary corporate governance understanding that reflects the relevant legal frameworks and the governance principles underlying both national as well as international best practices (e.g., German Corporate Governance Code, ICGN (International Corporate Governance Network) guidelines, and on the other hand by widely accepted environmental and social standards - as outlined in the UN Global Compact -, in line with the conviction that responsible ecological/environmental and social practices ensure sustainable success of companies. Proxy voting is conducted for funds listed in Germany, Spain and Luxembourg as well as for funds domiciled in the United States. In Europe, the largest global holdings and generally all German and Spanish companies are in scope. Funds domiciled in the United States vote for the majority of holdings. Deutsche AM uses proxy voting agents/providers to analyze general meetings based on Deutsche AM's proprietary proxy voting policies

**LEA 17.5** 

Provide an overview of how you ensure your voting policy is adhered to, giving details of your approach when exceptions to the policy are made (if applicable).

In Europe:Whenever an analyst or portfolio manager intends to vote against the voting recommendation based on our Corporate Governance & Proxy Voting Policy he/she has to formally file an escalation form that is forwarded to the Proxy Voting Group (PVG) that acts as a standing commission and consists of three business representatives. The cases are presented and discussed, a decision is made by majority vote.

O No

ı	Process					
LEA 18		Manda	atory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 2
	LEA 18.1		Indicate how you typically make y	your (proxy) voting	decisions.	
			Approach			

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



Based	on

- O the service provider voting policy signed off by us
- our own voting policy
- O our clients' requests or policy
- O other, explain
- O We hire service provider(s) that make voting decisions on our behalf, except for some pre-defined scenarios for which we review and make voting decisions.
- O We hire service provider(s) that make voting decisions on our behalf.

LEA 18.2

Additional information.[Optional]

We apply a quality driven approach and we review each case individually based on our watchlist and Corporate Governance & Proxy Voting Policy and decide accordingly.

LEA 22 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2

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

**LEA 22.1** 

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

- Yes, in most cases
- $\bigcirc$  Sometimes, in the following cases:
- O Neither we nor our service provider raise concerns with companies ahead of voting

LEA 22.2

Indicate whether you and/or the service provider(s) acting on your behalf, communicate the rationale to companies, when , you abstain or vote against management recommendations.

- Yes, in most cases
- O Sometimes, in the following cases.
- O We do not communicate the rationale to companies
- O Not applicable because we and/or our service providers do not abstain or vote against management recommendations

**LEA 22.3** 

Additional information. [Optional]

As part of our Governance-Engagement, we participate regularly in relevant company meetings, where, together with other topics, we also discuss our Corporate Governance & Proxy Voting Policy and our understanding of good corporate governance in detail. Ensuring a better communication and understanding with them has been on our priority list. As an example we send an e-mail each year in the beginning of the Proxy Voting season to all of our investee companies in Germany, for which we plan to vote, highlighting our major expectations regarding corporate governance behaviour/transparency reflected in our policy/ guideline.

**Outputs and outcomes** 



LEA 23	Mar	ndatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2
	LEA 23.1	For listed equities where you and voting instructions, indicate the p		ovider have the mandate to issue cast during the reporting year.	(proxy)
		track or collect this information			
		Votes cast (to the nearest 19	%)		
		%			
	68				
		Specify the basis on which the	nis percentage is ca	alculated	
	0	of the total number of ballot items on of the total number of company meet of the total value of your listed equity	tings at which you c	could have voted	
	LEA	23.2 Explain your reason(s) for n	ot voting certain ho	ldings	
	□ No □ Mi □ Ge □ Co □ Ho □ Ho share □ W □ W □ Or	onflicts of interest oldings deemed too small dministrative impediments (e.g., power placement) e do not vote on environmental resolute do not vote on social resolutions on request by clients	arket) er of attorney require	ements, ineligibility due to particip	pation in
LEA 24	Mar	ndatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 2
	LEA 24.1	Indicate if you track the voting in have issued.	structions that you	and/or your service provider on y	our behalf
		e track this information			
	LEA	Of the voting instructions the proportion of ballot items the	at you and/or third pat were:	parties on your behalf issued, indi	cate the



Voting instructions	Breakdown as percentage of votes cast
For (supporting) management recommendations	%
	89
Against (opposing) management	
recommendations	%
	10.5
Abstentions	
	%
	0.5

100%

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

In certain cases and in particular where necessary, we would approach the company proactively to discuss our issues with the items in question and organize a meeting or a call correspondingly. In case our initial engagement remains unsatisfactory, we may consider taking additional measures (e.g., letters to the board, publicly voiced criticism or shareholder proposals submitted for annual general meetings).

O No, we do not track this information

LEA 24.4 Additional information. [Optional]

We vote for all agenda items including shareholder resolutions. As an example, the proxy voting guidelines, accessible on https://www.dws.de/UeberDWS/DasUnternehmen/CorporateGovernance, cover shareholder resolutions and how they are voted.

Commi	unication			
LEA 27	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6

Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses information on your voting activities.

We disclose it publicly

**LEA 27.1** 

provide URL

https://www.dws.de/UeberDWS/DasUnternehmen/CorporateGovernance



provide URL

https://funds.deutscheam.com/lu/About-us/Corporate-Governance

**LEA 27.2** 

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

Yes

**LEA 27.3** 

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

Indicate how much of your voting record you disclose

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

Indicate what level of explanation you provide

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

#### **LEA 27.4**

Indicate how frequently you typically report voting information.

- O Continuously (primarily before meetings)
- Continuously (soon after votes are cast)
- O Quarterly or more frequently
- O Biannually
- Annually
- O Less frequently than annually
- O Ad-hoc/as requested
- $\bigcirc$  No
- O We disclose it to clients/beneficiaries only
- O We do not proactively disclose our voting activities to the public and/or to clients/beneficiaries

**LEA 27.8** 

Additional information. [Optional]

We disclose explanation on the votes cast based on request from clients. Currently on our web base set up we only disclose the voting decisions. Furthermore, we explain the general set-up and process of our proxy voting and governance engagement activities in the CSR-section of the annual report of Deutsche Bank AG.



# **Deutsche Asset Management**

**Reported Information** 

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**Direct - Fixed Income** 

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#### ESG incorporation in actively managed fixed income

#### Implementation processes

Mandatory Tubilo Saleway	FI 04	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	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 fixed income investments; and 2) The proportion (+/- 5%) of your total actively managed fixed income investments each strategy applies to.

SSA		
		Screening alone
	0	
		Thematic alone
	0	
		Integration alone
	0	
		Screening + integration strategies
	0	
		Thematic + integration strategies
	0	
		Screening + thematic strategies
	0	
		All three strategies combined
	100	
		No incomparation strategies applied
		No incorporation strategies applied
	0	
Operator (figure sign)	100%	
Corporate (financial)		Screening alone
	0	
		Thematic alone
	0	
		Integration alone
	0	
		Screening + integration strategies
	0	

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



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

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

In our view integrating environmental, social, and corporate governance factors into the investment process contributes to a better understanding of businesses and the respective environment they operate in. It enables us to identify the risks and opportunities that a traditional financial analysis would miss, or fail to systematically address, with potentially significant impact on long-term investment performance. We consequently understand ESG integration as a valuable complement to traditional fundamental analysis, which adds value to the quality of our investment decision and offers opportunities for higher risk-adjusted returns



FI 04.3

Additional information [Optional].

We combine a screening and integration strategy to all of our actively managed holdings. Our screening approach entails the exclusion of companies that: (a) are in deliberate or grossly negligent breach of the UN Global Compact principles; or (b) are involved in the manufacture, maintenance, or provision of controversial weapons (e.g., cluster bombs). Our integration approach involves the provision of critical ESG information as well as detailed ESG research to all analysts and portfolio managers, through the incorporation and standardization of this information in our research platform and general investment process (e.g., integration into our proprietary research system, fixed inclusion of ESG aspects in investment/research notes).

Manda	atory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1
FI 06.1	Indicate how you ensure that you	r ESG research pro	ocess is robust:	
☑ Issuers ar	re given the opportunity by you or y	our research provic	der to review ESG research on th	em and
	ormation and/or ESG ratings are up	dated regularly to	ensure ESG research is accurate	1
	udits of ESG research are undertak			
☑ ESG anal	lysis is benchmarked for quality aga	inst other providers	S	
☑ Other, spe	ecify			
	specify description			
please se	e additional information			
☐ None of the	he above			
FI 06.2	Describe how your ESG informat	ion or analysis is sl	hared among your investment tea	am.
☑ ESG infor	rmation is held within a centralised	database and is ac	cessible to all investment staff	
☑ ESG infor documents	rmation is a standard item on all ind	ividual issuer sumr	maries, 'tear sheets', 'dashboards	s' or similar
☐ Investment committee m	nt staff are required to discuss ESG neetings	information on iss	uers as a standard item during in	vestment
☐ Records of	capture how ESG information and re	esearch was incorp	porated into investment decisions	;
☑ Other, spe	ecify			
please se	e additional information			
☐ None of the				
	he above			

With Deutsche AM's multi-vendor approach the ESG engine yields a decent coverage. All overall our prorpietary ESG Engine software works with some 16'000 issuer records with some 3'000 data points each (although some are sparsely populated). The number of issues / securities processable is beyond 100'000 and covers all securities live traded in Deutsche AM's systems.

Vendors apply a rolling update scheme, with a full refresh once a year or event-triggered. The ESG-engine takes a snapshot of the latest available ESG vendor data once a month, performs ist calculations and updates internal information systems

Methodology and criteria are constantly reviewed and enhanced. Fundamental changes are conveyed to and discussed individually with the client on a case by case base.

ESG data, as produced by the ESG engine (our propietary ESG software solution), are uploaded into Deutsche AM's front office research and portfolio management systems, as well as into the middle office layers, e.g. the



compliance workbench. This enables all Deutsche AM staff with access to AR to build on the power of ESG data in a timely, reliable and flexible way (for staff without access to AR, the data can be accessed via dbSharePoint).

# (A) Implementation: Screening FI 07 Mandatory Public Gateway PRI 1 FI 07.1 Indicate the type of screening you conduct.

#### Select all that apply

	SSA	Corporate (financial)	Corporate (non-financial)	
		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Negative/exclusionary screening				
	$\checkmark$	$\overline{\checkmark}$	$\checkmark$	
Positive/best-in-class screening				
		$\checkmark$	<b>V</b>	
Norms-based screening				

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

please see additional information

FI 07.3 Additional information. [Optional]

For Deutsche AM, responsible investing combines environmental, social and governance considerations with investors' financial objectives. Integrating ESG factors into the investment process in our view contributes to a better understanding of businesses and the respective environment that they operate in.

Deutsche AM applies an integration and screening strategy.

ESG is about multiple facets, which need to be taken into account. The usual motivation for doing so is driven either from ethical considerations of the investor or from risk management considerations of the portfolio managers.

#### **Corporate Sector Screening:**

The most classical ESG facet concerns sector involvements either an investor may deem controversial or which carry some ESG risk (e.g.: "Companies with coal exposure face stranded asset challenges"). Such sector "screens", usually outright sector exclusions, exist since the 1930s. The usual "controversial" sectors are controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons) or specific industries like defence, civil firearms, gambling, adult entertainment, tobacco, alcohol, spirits, GMO and nuclear or fossil energies with coal in particular.

The ESG.E engine automatically determines an A-F sector involvement "rating", where the grade is driven by the revenue share from the critical sector A commonly applied criticality threshold is 10% (E or worse). Usually primary involvement is accounted for at that level whereby secondary involvement is treated "one notch down" . In the case of controversial weapons the grades are derived differently. There are 4 vendors delivering sector involvement analysis (MSCI, Sustainalytics, Oekom, Ethix) and the ESG engine seeks to apply a conservative measure.

Certain controversial conventional weapons, those being cluster munitions and anti-personal mines, are taken with scrutiny at the Deutsche AM platform with a binding trigger rating of D or worse.



Dedicated ESG investments usually seek to avoid sector involvement ratings to D, E and F, provisional the corresponding sector is "activated" as "controversial"

#### **Corporate Norms Screening:**

The next ESG facet is questionable business conduct, commonly termed controversies or failure in norm compliance checks, which is either deemed controversial by an ethical investor or risky (e.g. "Market manipulation could hit the company hard via legal fees and penalties"). When controversies are assessed, international norms are applied, whereby the guiding principles are codified in the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC). Other important norms are manifested by the International Labour Organisation (ILO). The norms compromise checks for human rights abuses or corporate complicity therein, respectively adverse societal or community impact; violation of labour rights, most notably the right of collective bargaining and free association, absence of child labour and bonded / forced labour and challenged health & safety conditions; adverse environmental impact and challenged business ethics, most notably incidents of bribery, market manipulation, fraud, corruption, etc..

The ESG engine automatically assesses corporations and derives an A-F norm compliance rating, whereby a common threshold trigger is the F rating, a confirmed UNGC violation.

Dedicated ESG investments usually seek to avoid (at least) norm compliance ratings of F.

**ESG Ratings:** For our analysis of relative ESG performance, we rely on a proprietary ESG rating methodology, which generates a score for each company covered from A to F (best to worst). We process raw data and scores supplied by an independent ESG research provider to derive these internal ratings. Moreover, we employ an external controversy indicator that flags critical ESG issues, which ranges from category 1 to category 5 (low to high risk). The ESG engine applies the concept of concordant rank aggregation to derive Deutsche AM proprietary ESG Best-In-Class Ratings. Deutsche AM's ESG Ratings seek to identify the true ESG leaders and ESG laggards by peer group, consistently assessed as such by the top ESG agencies in a 360 degree review. Broad band ESG assessments from 3 vendors are taken into account

**Sovereigns Screening**: The schemes described above for corporates can be applied to the about 200 sovereigns of this world as well. The corporate sector and norm tests are replaced with tests on sovereign level, usually concerning human rights, prevalence of death penalty, corruption, child and forced labour, electoral democracies vs. autocratic regimes, military spending, nuclear arms, signees to Kyoto, etc.

Best-In-Class/Rating considerations can be applied to Sovereigns as well, especially given the fact, that the ESG vendors deliver, similar to the corporate realm, broad-band assessments as well. But on the sovereign side Deutsche AM has taken a unique stance concerning political impact investing.

Consequently Deutsche AM's sovereign Rating puts a deliberate weight on freedom, as assessed by the leader in the field for some 30 years now, the NGO Freedom House. The freedom assessment is combined with "classical" ESG Best-In-Class from different vendors, spanning the "usual" other topics.

Deutsche AM's sovereign rating seeks to identify the true leaders within emerging markets (under the definition of the IMF), and as such, giving this usually ESG wise "challenged" asset class a "chance". Developed markets, on the other side, are assessed against all the world's ~200 sovereigns. This yields a well balanced view.

Integration process: Deutsche AM is committed to ESG Integration. ESG data, as produced by the ESG engine, is uploaded into Deutsche AM's front office systems ,as well as into the middle office layers, e.g. the compliance workbench . This enables all Deutsche AM staff to build on the power of ESG data in a timely, reliable and flexible way . While the key consumer of ESG data in Deutsche AM remains with such ESG portfolio managers, which run dedicated ESG approaches with ESG investment guidelines, "classical" portfolio managers have ESG data at their fingertips too. As such Deutsche AM applies a true ESG integration approach: ESG data is used alongside the "standard" market, credit liquidity and economic research information, when investment decisions are made

FI 08	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
Со	rporate (financial)			
	Corporate (fin)			
	☐ For legal reasons			
[	☑ For non-legal reasons			
Со	rporate (non-financial)			



	Corporate (non-fin)
☐ For legal	reasons
✓ For non-	legal reasons

FI 08.2

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

Deutsche AM as a responsible investor implemented a global ban on investments into corporations engaged in business (production, servicing, production of key components) of Controversial Conventional Weapons - those being Cluster Munitions, Anti-Personnel Mines (APM). Those weapons are considered to be in violation of humanitarian laws and have been banned or are proposed to be banned by United Nations conventions and other multilateral bodies. As per our guidelines for portfolio management such companies will generally be excluded from the investment universe if there is no other compelling justification for making such an invest-ment. A dedicated team identifies CCW corporations based on an internal methodology which was designed to meet common standards and to comply with the most conservative legislation. There are internal processes in place that update the list on a regular basis or on ad hoc basis if required. This list is an internal document and is not published or distributed externally

**FI 08.3** Add

Additional information. [Optional]

breached in fixed income investments.

Additional norm screenings are performed by ESG engine and supplied to the platform on demand:

- -UN Global Compact Principles -Universal Declaration of Human Rights -International Labour Organization Conventions -United Nations Convention Against Corruption -OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- -UN Principles of Responsible Investments -Geneva Additional Protocol II -Convention on Cluster Munitions Ottawa Protocol on Anti Personal Mines

FI 10		Manda	atory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
	El 40	1.4	Indicate which systems your orga	anisation has to ens	sure that fund screening criteria a	re not



Type of screening	Checks				
No. of the Indian	☑ Checks are performed to ensure that issuers meet screening criteria				
Negative/exclusionary screening?	☑ Data used for the screening criteria is updated at least every 2 years				
-	☑ Automated IT systems prevent our portfolio managers from investing in excluded issuers or bonds that do not meet screening criteria				
	☐ Audits of fund holdings are undertaken regularly by internal audit or compliance functions				
	☑ Other, specify				
	other description				
	Based on pre-defined screening/ lists, we have post deal checks implemented to ensure compliance with agreed investment guidelines. Any breach is reported to portfoliomanagement  None of the above				
Positive/best-in-class	☐ Checks are performed to ensure that issuers meet screening criteria				
screening	☑ Data used for the screening criteria is updated at least every 2 years				
	☐ Automated IT systems prevent our portfolio managers from investing in excluded issuers or bonds that do not meet screening criteria				
	$\hfill\Box$ Audits of fund holdings are undertaken regularly by internal audit or compliance functions				
	☑ Other, specify				
	other description				
	Based on pre-defined screening/ lists, we have post deal checks implemented to ensure compliance with agreed investment guidelines. Any breach is reported to portfoliomanagement				
	☐ None of the above				
	☑ Checks are performed to ensure that issuers meet screening criteria				
Norms-based screening	☑ Data used for the screening criteria is updated at least every 2 years				
	☐ Automated IT systems prevent our portfolio managers from investing in excluded issuers or bonds that do not meet screening criteria				
	☐ Audits of fund holdings are undertaken regularly by internal audit or compliance functions				
	☑ Other, specify				
	other description				
	Based on pre-defined screening/ lists, we have post deal checks implemented to ensure compliance with agreed investment guidelines. Any breach is reported to portfoliomanagement				
	☐ None of the above				

### (B) Implementation: Thematic

FI 12		Manda	atory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
	FI 1	2.1	Indicate whether you encourage bonds as per the Green Bonds P		lisclosure relating to the issuance	of themed
	□V	Ve requir	re that themed bond proceeds are c	only allocated to env	vironmentally or socially beneficia	l projects
			re the issuer (or 3rd party assurer) t which themed bond proceeds are all		ocess which determines the eligib	oility of
	$\Box$ We require issuers to demonstrate a systematic and transparent process of disbursing themed bond proceeds to eligible projects until all funds are allocated				ond	
			re issuers to report at least once pe description of those projects	r year on the projec	cts to which proceeds have been a	allocated
	☑ (	Other, sp	ecify			
	р	lease se	e additional information			
		lone of the	he above			

We do follow a Green Bond approach only in sovereign portfolios. Within our government bonds portfolio management the fund management would sell bonds of that issuer if green bond proceeds are not used for ESG eligible projects

Describe the actions you take when issuers do not disburse bond proceeds as described in the

FI 12.3 Additional information. [Optional]

offering documents.

FI 12.2

We do not follow a Green Bonds Approach currently on the corporate bond side since we doubt that a separation of proceeds within a company will have a positive impact on the ESG performance of this company since the proceeds earmarked for eligible projects will always free up financing capacity to follow non eligible projects on the other hand.

N	landatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1
FI 13.1	Indicate how you assess	s the environmental or soc	cial impact of your thematic inves	tments
☐ We require issuers to report at least once per year on specific environmental or social impacts resulting from our themed investments				
☐ We ensure independent audits are conducted on the environmental or social impact of our investments				
$\square$ We have a proprietary system to measure environmental and social impact				
$\Box$ We measure the impact of our themed bond investments on specific ESG factors such as carbon emissions or human rights			on emissions	
☐ Other, specify				
☑ Non	e of the above			

FI 14	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1



(C) Implementation: Integration

FI 14.1

Describe your approach to integrating ESG into traditional financial analysis.

ESG aspects are an integrated part of the research process and thus are included into the decision making process. The ESG rating is based on key indicators that are provided by external vendors and incorporated in a proprietary rating methodology. ESG ratings are integrated into our global research platform and are available currently for all Corporates and Sovereigns, accessible to all FI portfolio managers via a portfolio management front office system including our research tool. Issuers with a poor ESG rating (both corporate and SSA) are subject to heightened scrutiny and any investment requires an extra due diligence.

FI 14.2

Describe how your ESG integration approach is adapted to each of the different types of fixed income you invest in.

SSA

DeAM follows a best-in-class scheme as the ranking of sovereigns occurs within peer groups (for example, the developing countries are ranked against developing countries only). Single ESG country scores and the ESG median score for a peer group are calculated, which later results in individual ESG country ratings ranging from A to F. ESG ratings are incorporated in investment decisions whereby there is a difference between our mainstream products and ESG-specific products. ESG-themed sovereign investments should seek to avoid countries with the sovereign rating below C (thus concentrating only on the upper half of the ESG score distribution within a peer group). For our mainstream products the issuers with a poor ESG rating are subject to heightened scrutiny and any investment requires an extra due diligence.

ESG ratings are integrated into our global research platform, available currently for all sovereigns and are accessible to all FI portfolio managers via both a portfolio management front office system and an internal research database. The front office system allows portfolio managers to evaluate the ESG quality of each portfolio at any point in time.

#### Corporate (financial)

At the core of ESG integration is ESG research. In 2016 we released a new corporate ESG rating methodology, which allows us to identify the ESG leaders and laggards within a peer group consensually assessed as such by different ESG specialists. While such a Best-In-Class approach per se is not new, we advanced it with our unique cross-vendor methodology, which seeks to deliver an objective 360 degree assessment. Our Best-In-Class approach is based on the outstanding expertise of leading ESG specialists and considers literally 100s of indicators on resources & waste, climate change, green products, human capital, societal impact, product responsibility, business ethics, corporate governance and public policies.

These extra financial criteria are an integral part of our investment process. The interpretation of these aspects is done within the context of our security selection process, and therefore the impact (weaknesses and strengths) that these aspects have on the different analyzed areas such as business model, industry environment, competitive position, strategy and transparency among others.

#### Corporate (non-financial)

At the core of ESG integration is ESG research. In 2016 we released a new corporate ESG rating methodology, which allows us to identify the ESG leaders and laggards within a peer group consensually assessed as such by different ESG specialists. While such a Best-In-Class approach per se is not new, we advanced it with our unique cross-vendor methodology, which seeks to deliver an objective 360 degree assessment. Our Best-In-Class approach is based on the outstanding expertise of leading ESG specialists and considers literally 100s of indicators on resources & waste, climate change, green products, human capital, societal impact, product responsibility, business ethics, corporate governance and public policies.

These extra financial criteria are an integral part of our investment process. The interpretation of these aspects is done within the context of our security selection process, and therefore the impact (weaknesses and strengths) that these aspects have on the different analyzed areas such as business model, industry environment, competitive position, strategy and transparency among others.



FI 14.3 Additional information [OPTIONAL]

Within Deutsche AM our investment professionals (IP: Analysts and Portfolio Managers) do have a sector or country analysis responsibility. They undertake fundamental analysis of all the securities within their coverage. Their main goal is to determine the growth rate of income and cash flows as well as valuation modelling and risk assessment. In estimating future cash flows and income streams, Deutsche AM's IP focus on company's business model, quality of governance, strategy, operational and competitive environment as well as take into account the industry and macroeconomic dynamics in which the company is and will have to operate. In this context of the fundamental analysis, the integration of ESG aspects starts often with the identification of material global sustainability trends, themes as well as relevant E,S and G issues for the analysed security. Depending on the issue and ESG performance quality each country, sector and company will be impacted differently. Once we have identified the key material ESG issues for that company, our analysts have to understand how the company's valuation might be affected by these issues and if it is creating a risk or an opportunity for the investment case.

FI 15		Manda	atory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
	FI 15.1 Indicate how ESG information is		typically used as pa	art of your investment process.		

Select all that apply



	SSA	Corporate (financial)	Corporate (non- financial)	
ESG analysis is integrated into fundamental analysis	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	▼	
ESG analysis is integrated into security weighting decisions	V		abla	
ESG analysis is integrated into portfolio construction decisions	V	▼	abla	
ESG analysis is a standard part of internal credit ratings or assessment				
ESG analysis for issuers is a standard agenda item at investment committee meetings				
ESG analysis is regularly featured in internal research notes or similar				
ESG analysis is a standard feature of ongoing portfolio monitoring				
ESG analysis features in all internal issuer summaries or similar documents				
Other, specify				

FI 16	Mandatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1

FI 16.1 Indicate the extent to which ESG issues are reviewed in your integration process.



	Environment	Social	Governance
SSA	Environmental	Social	Governance
	O Systematically	○ Systematically	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>
	<ul><li>Occasionally</li></ul>	<ul><li>Occasionally</li></ul>	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	O Not at all
Corporate (financial)	Environmental	Social	Governance
()	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>
	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	O Not at all
Corporate (non-	Environmental	Social	Governance
financial)	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>	<ul><li>Systematically</li></ul>
	Occasionally	Occasionally	Occasionally
	O Not at all	O Not at all	○ Not at all

FI 16.2

Please provide more detail on how you review E, S and G factors in your integration process.

SSA

ESG factors are an integral part of SSA credit analysis. We review few dozens of E, S and G indicators supplied by an external ESG data vendors. In particular, a weak "G" factor can turn into an overruling force when it comes to investment decisions. As a part of governance evaluation we emphasize the importance of such indicators, as political rights, institutional strength, business climate, security and peace, which are incorporated into investment decisions not only for our dedicated ESG products (where E, S and G are equally significant), but also for our mainstream products.

#### Corporate (financial)

Our "Best-In-Class" approach firstly seeks to asses corporations on a wide range of "indicators", literally 100s of them. Those indicators group in the usual pillars of Environment (e.g. resources & waste, climate change, green products, etc); Social (human capital, society, product responsibility, etc); Governance (business ethics; corporate governance, public policies, etc). Hence a wide-band approach is applied spanning as different things as board diversity to the carbon footprint of corporate travel.

Deutsche AM acknowledges that different ESG specialists will come to different conclusions when assessing one and the same company. On the one side that can be attributed to issues known by or important to only one vendor; on the other side the same issue may be weighted different. But that diversity is a strength. If different ESG vendors with different ESG data and different ESG methodologies come to the same or a similar ESG verdict (e.g. "This corporation is better than the other one", respectively "This corporation is by that scale better than the other one"), if they are concordant or even consensual on their view, the understanding is that the verdict is true. At least it can be consideredast as "subjectively" true in the sense of modern discourse ethics, as it withstood the "rationale discourse" between the different vendors.

The ESG engine applies the concept of concordant rank aggregation to derive Deutsche AM proprietary ESG Best-In-Class Ratings, . Deutsche AM's ESG Ratings seek to identify the true ESG leaders and ESG laggards by peer group, consistently assessed as such by the top ESG agencies in a 360 degree review. Broad band ESG assessments from 3 vendors are taken into account



The second building block of best-in-class is the peer group, i.e. Best-In-Class involves some class consciousness. Corporations are ranked against their peers. The ESG engine defines the peer group by sector and region. All sectors and regions are dealt with at par.

#### Corporate (non-financial)

Our "Best-In-Class" approach firstly seeks to asses corporations on a wide range of "indicators", literally 100s of them. Those indicators group in the usual pillars of Environment (e.g. resources & waste, climate change, green products, etc); Social (human capital, society, product responsibility, etc); Governance (business ethics; corporate governance, public policies, etc). Hence a wide-band approach is applied spanning as different things as board diversity to the carbon footprint of corporate travel.

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	Comn	nunica	ation			
FI 23		Man	datory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2,6
	FI 23.1		Indicate if your organisation proactivy your fixed income investments.	vely discloses infor	mation on your approach to RI a	cross all of
	We disclose it publicly					
	Provide URL					
	<u>http</u>	s://deu	tscheam.com/en-gb/thought-leadersh	nip/esg/		
	F	23.2	Indicate if the information discled	osed to the public i	s the same as that disclosed to	
	C	) Yes				
	•	) No				



FI 23.3

Indicate the information your organisation proactively discloses to the public regarding your approach to RI incorporation.

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

FI 23.4

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

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

FI 23.5

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

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

FI 23.6

Indicate how frequently you typically report this information to clients/beneficiaries.

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



## **Deutsche Asset Management**

**Reported Information** 

Public version

**Direct - Property** 

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#### Overview

PR 04 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1-6

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

PR 04.1

Indicate if your organisation has a Responsible Property Investment (RPI) policy.

Yes

PR 04.2

Provide a URL or attach the document

**☑** URL

http://realestate.deutscheam.com/sustainability/6602.jsp

☐ Attach Document

 $\bigcirc$  No

PR 04.3

Provide a brief overview of your organisation's approach to responsible investment in property, and how you link responsible investment in property to your business strategy.

In addition to our overarching policies, we have developed Standards of Sustainability which describe practices to standardize best practices by property type. These standards provide the overarching framework for the sustainability activities of our contract managers, and include guidelines for energy benchmarking, lighting upgrades, recycling, water conservation, training, tenant communication, and reporting of all such actions taken to asset management.

They are in place for the US and UK, and we are in process of rolling out similar standards across Europe.

The US and UK standards can be viewed here: http://realestate.deutscheam.com/sustainability/6602.jsp

#### **Fundraising of property funds**

PR 05 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 1,4,6

PR 05.1

Indicate if your most recent fund placement documents (private placement memorandums (PPMs) or similar) refer to responsible investment aspects of your organisation.

Yes

PR 05.2

Indicate how your fund placement documents (PPMs or similar) refer to the following responsible investment aspects of your organisation:

- ☑ Policy and commitment to responsible investment
- ☑ Approach to ESG issues in pre-investment processes
- ☑ Approach to ESG issues in post-investment processes



PR 05.3

Describe how your organisation refers to responsible investment for property funds in fund placement documents (PPMs or similar). [Optional]

We typically dedicate a full section to the discussion of our ESG strategy in our PPM documents. This section would address our approach to ESG as a platform and any specific goals or objectives we set for the fund itself.

 $\bigcirc$  No

O Not applicable as our organisation does not fundraise

#### **Pre-investment (selection)**

PR 07 Mandatory Public Gateway/Core Assessed PRI 1

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

PR 07.1

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

Yes

PR 07.2

Provide a description of your organisation's approach to incorporating ESG issues in property investment selection.

Our organization incorporates ESG across the investment value chain. Our ESG strategy team has dedicated resources that are evaluating broad industry trends around environmentally friendly and sustainable practices, which allows us to set minimum standards and practices to be used across the various businesses. During our acquisition process, we use an ESG checklist as well as environmental screening tools to evaluate properties from an ESG perspective. As asset managers we monitor our properties to identify any opportunities to improve the ESG performance of our properties across our properties. Finally, we look at ways to market the sustainable aspects of our portfolio at disposition.

 $\bigcirc$  No

PR 07.3

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

#### **ESG** issues

☑ Environmental



☐ Climate change adaptation				
☐ Contamination				
☐ Energy efficiency				
☐ Energy supply				
□ Flooding				
☐ GHG emissions				
☐ Indoor environmental quality				
☑ Natural hazards				
□ Resilience				
☐ Transportation				
☐ Water efficiency				
☐ Waste management				
☐ Water supply				
□ Other				
□ Other				
List up to three typical examples per E, S and G issue				
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☐ Climate change adaptation				
☐ Climate change adaptation ☐ Contamination				
☐ Climate change adaptation ☐ Contamination ☐ Energy efficiency				
☐ Climate change adaptation ☐ Contamination ☐ Energy efficiency ☐ Energy supply				
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□ Climate change adaptation □ Contamination □ Energy efficiency □ Energy supply □ Flooding □ GHG emissions □ Indoor environmental quality □ Natural hazards □ Resilience □ Transportation □ Water efficiency □ Waste management				



		List up to times typical examples per E, 8 and 8 issue
	☐ Climate	change adaptation
	☐ Contami	nation
	☐ Energy €	efficiency
	☐ Energy s	supply
		J
	☐ GHG em	nissions
	☐ Indoor e	nvironmental quality
	□ Natural I	nazards
	☐ Resilien	ce
	□ Transpo	rtation
	□ Water ef	ificiency
	□ Waste m	nanagement
	☐ Water su	upply
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
✓ (	Social	
		List up to three typical examples per E, S and G issue
	☑ Building	safety and materials
	☐ Health, s	safety and wellbeing
	☐ Socio-ed	conomic
	☐ Accessib	pility
	☐ Affordab	ole Housing
	☐ Occupie	r Satisfaction
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
		List up to three typical examples per E, S and G issue
	☐ Building	safety and materials
	☑ Health, \$	Safety and wellbeing
	☐ Socio-ed	conomic
	☐ Accessib	pility
	☐ Affordab	le Housing
	☐ Occupie	r Satisfaction
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	



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	☐ Building	safety and materials
	☐ Health, S	Safety and wellbeing
	☐ Socio-ec	conomic
	☐ Accessib	pility
	☐ Affordab	le Housing
	☑ Occupie	r Satisfaction
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
☑ G	Sovernance	
		List up to three typical examples per E, S and G issue
	☑ Anti-brib	ery & corruption
	☐ Board st	ructure
	☐ Conflicts	of interest
	☐ Governa	nce structure
	☐ Regulato	pry
	☐ Shareho	lder structure & rights
	☐ Supply c	hain governance
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
		List up to three typical examples per E, S and G issue
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	☐ Board st	
		nce structure
	☐ Regulato	
		Ider structure & rights
		hain governance
	☐ Other	
	☐ Other	
	□ Other	



	List up to three typical exa	amples per E, S an	d G issue				
	☐ Anti-bribery & corruption						
	☐ Board structure						
	☐ Conflicts of interest						
	☐ Governance structure						
	☐ Regulatory						
	☑ Shareholder structure & rights						
	☐ Supply chain governance						
	□ Other						
	□ Other						
	□ Other						
PR 09	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1			
New s	selection options have been added to thi	s indicator. Pleas	e review your prefilled respon	ses carefully.			
PR	Indicate if ESG issues impacted year.	your property inve	estment selection process during	the reporting			
√ F	✓ ESG issues helped identify risks and/or opportunities for value creation						

PR 09.1 Indicate if ESG issues impacted your property investment selection process during the reporting year.

☑ ESG issues helped identify risks and/or opportunities for value creation
☑ ESG issues led to the abandonment of potential investments
☑ ESG issues impacted the investment in terms of price offered and/or paid
☑ ESG issues impacted the terms in the shareholder/purchase agreements and/or lending covenants
☐ ESG issues were considered but did not have an impact on the investment selection process
☐ Other, specify
☐ Not applicable, our organisation did not select any investments in the reporting year
☐ We do not track this potential impact

PR 09.2

Indicate now E3G issues impacted your property investment deal structuring processes reporting year.

☑ ESG issues impacted the investment in terms of price offered and/or paid

☑ ESG issues impacted the terms in the shareholder/purchase agreements and/or lending covenants

☐ ESG issues were considered but did not have an impact on the deal structuring process

☐ Other, specify

☐ Not applicable, our organisation did not select any investments in the reporting year

☐ We do not track this potential impact

PR 09.3 Additional information.

The engineering team is deeply involved in acquisitions due diligence. Embodied in our risk management discipline is a focus on ensuring a safe environment for guests on our clients' properties, as well as for the community within which our clients' properties are located.

At the property level, our asset management, engineering and all other groups across our investment management platform collaborate to ensure proper reporting, financing and administration of insurance and loss control programs. By monitoring and controlling environmental conditions associated with a building, RREEF Real Estate, in partnership with contract managers, is able to control the total cost of risk and thereby contribute to improved



property returns for its clients. A regular inspection program, such as is prescribed by the RREEF Real Estate Annual Environmental Audit process and implemented alongside a preventative maintenance program, helps control claim frequency, and reduces costs associated with both losses and liability exposure.

Selection	on, appo	ointment and monito	oring third-party prop	perty managers	
)	Mandato	rv.	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4
	viariuato	ıy	Fublic	Core Assessed	FKI 4
ew select	ion opti	ons have been added	to this indicator. Pleas	e review your prefilled respo	onses carefully.
	•			, , ,	•
PR 10.1				n your selection, appointment	and/or monitoring
	OI 1	hird-party property man	lagers.		
<ul><li>Yes</li></ul>					
		Indicate how your organized	anisation includes ESG	issues in your selection, appoi	intment and/or
PR 1	10.2		rty property managers.	,	
☑ S	election	process of property man	nagers incorporated ES0	G issues	
		Types of actions			
	☑ Requ	uest explanation of how	ESG is effectively integr	rated, including inquiries about	t governance and
	process				
		uest track records and e y management	examples of how the mar	nager implements ESG in their	r asset and
	☑ Disc	uss property level out-pe	erformance opportunities	s through greater integration o	of ESG criteria
	☑ Requ	uest explanation of enga	aging stakeholders on ES	SG issues	
	☐ Othe	r, explain			
		Coverage			
	⊚ 75-1	00%			
	O 50-7	5%			
	○ 25 –	50%			
	$\bigcirc 0 - 2$	5%			
☑ C	ontractu	al requirements when a	ppointing property mana	gers includes ESG issues	
		Types of actions			
	☐ Inclu	de clear and detailed ex	xpectations for incorpora	ting ESG	
	□ Requ	uire dedicated ESG prod	cedures in all relevant as	sset and property managemen	t phases
	☑ Clea	r ESG reporting require	ments		
	✓ Clea	r ESG performance targ	gets		
	□ Othe	r, explain			



		Coverage
	O 75-100%	6
	O 50-75%	
		%
	○ 0 <b>-</b> 25%	
$\checkmark$	Monitoring of	property managers covers ESG responsibilities and implementation
		Types of actions
	☐ Perform timeframe.	ance against quantitative and material environmental / resource targets over specified
		ance against quantitative and material environmental / resource targets against relevant
	☐ Perform portfolio/inv	ance against quantitative and qualitative targets to address social impacts of the vestment,
	□ Other, e	xplain
		Coverage
	O 75-100%	6
	O 50-75%	
		%
	○ 0 – 25%	
○ No		
PR 10.3	party p	le a brief description of your organisations selection, appointment and monitoring of third property managers and how they contribute to the management of ESG issues for your try investments.
practices		s has developed the Standards of Sustainability, which delineates sustainability best anagement. The ability to adhere to these standards is considered in selecting third-party
Post-i	nvestment (	monitoring and active ownership)
Overv	iew	

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

**Public** 

Gateway



PRI 2

**Mandatory** 

PR 11

PR 11.1

Indicate if your organisation, and/or property managers, considers ESG issues in post-investment activities relating to your property assets.

Yes

PR 11.2

Indicate whether your organisation, and/or property managers, considers ESG issues in the following post-investment activities relating to your property assets.

- ☑ We consider ESG issues in property monitoring and management
- ☑ We consider ESG issues in property developments and major renovations.
- ☑ We consider ESG issues in property occupier engagements
- ☐ We consider ESG issues in community engagements related to our properties
- ☑ We consider ESG issues in other post-investment activities, specify

Improving energy ratings and earning certifications for energy efficiency and green building practices

PR 11.3

Describe how your organisation, and/or property managers, considers ESG issues in post-investment activities related to your property assets.

Our real estate Standards of Sustainability for commercial real estate have been developed in conjunction with contracted property management sustainability teams, and using country-specific best practice guides to standardize sustainability best practices. These standards provide the overarching framework for the sustainability activities of our contracted property managers, and include guidelines for energy benchmarking, lighting upgrades, recycling, water conservation, training, tenant communication, and reporting of all such actions taken to asset management.

 $\bigcirc$  No

#### **Property monitoring and management**

PR 12 Mandatory Public Core Assessed PRI 2,3

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

PR 12.1

Indicate the proportion of property assets for which your organisation, and/or property managers, set and monitored ESG targets (KPIs or similar) during the reporting year.

- >90% of property assets
- 51-90% of property assets
- 10-50% of property assets
- <10% of property assets

(in terms of number of property assets)

PR 12.2

Indicate which ESG targets your organisation and/or property managers typically set and monitor

☑ Environmental



Target/KPI	Progress Achieved
Environmental: KPI = 3% U.S. Office Energy Reduction Goal	5.6% Reduction Achieved (US office assets);

Target/KPI	Progress Achieved
Implementation of standards of sustainability in U.S. and certain European countries	Completion of implementation in target regions

☑ Governance

Target/KPI	Progress Achieved
Completion of ESG checklist for 100% of new acquisitions (global)	near 100% completion

☐ We do not set and/or monitor against targets

#### Property developments and major renovations

PR 14	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2

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

PR 14.1

Indicate the proportion of active property developments and major renovations where ESG issues have been considered.

- >90% of active developments and major renovations
- $\bigcirc$  51-90% of active developments and major renovations
- 10-50% of active developments and major renovations
- <10% of active developments and major renovations
- O N/A, no developments and major renovations of property assets are active

(by number of active property developments and refurbishments)



PR 14.2

Indicate if the following ESG considerations are typically implemented and monitored in your property developments and major renovations.

- ☑ Environmental site selection requirements
- ☑ Environmental site development requirements
- ☑ Sustainable construction materials
- ☑ Water efficiency requirements
- ☐ Energy generation from on-site renewable sources
- ☑ Waste management plans at sites
- ☑ Health and safety management systems at sites
- ☑ Construction contractors comply with sustainability guidelines
- ☐ Resilient building design and orientation

Local Green Label Standards such as LEED-EB O &M, BREEAM for Refurbishments, etc

#### Occupier engagement

PR 15

**Mandatory** 

**Public** 

**Core Assessed** 

PRI 2

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

PR 15.1

Indicate the proportion of property occupiers your organisation, and/or your property managers, engaged with on ESG issues during the reporting year.

- >90% of occupiers
- 51-90% of occupiers
- 10-50% of occupiers
- <10% of occupiers

(in terms of number of occupiers)

PR 15.2

Indicate if the following practises and areas are typically part of your, and/or your property managers', occupier engagements.

- $\ensuremath{\square}$  Distribute a sustainability guide to occupiers
- ☑ Organise occupier events focused on increasing sustainability awareness
- ☑ Deliver training on energy and water efficiency
- ☑ Deliver training on waste minimisation
- $\ensuremath{\,\boxtimes\,}$  Provide feedback on energy and water consumption and/or waste generation
- ☑ Provide feedback on waste generation
- ☑ Carry out occupier satisfaction surveys
- ☑ Offer green leases
- ☐ Other, specify



PR 15.3

Additional information, [Optional

As we are not able to calculate information in terms of number of occupiers, we are using square footage as a proxy.

	Communication							
PR 20	)	Man	datory		Public	Core Assessed	PRI 6	
	PR 20.1		Indicate if your organisation proactively discloses ESG information on your property investments.					
	O Dis	Disclose publicly						
			provide URL					
http://realestate.deutscheam.com/sustainability/overview.jsp								
	F	PR 20.2	Indicate if your organisation uses property specific reporting standards to disclose information related to your property investments' ESG performance.					
☑ Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Construction & Real Estate Sector Supplement (CRE						Sector Supplement (CRESS)		
	✓ Other property reporting standards, specify							
GRESB, Greenprint, Energy Star, EPCs  ☐ No property specific reporting standards are used								
PR 20.3 Indicate if the level of ESG information you provide to the public is the same provide to your clients/beneficiaries.  O Yes  No						le to the public is the same as	the level you	
PR 20.4 Indicate the type of ESG information that your organisation proactively public.							closes to the	
☑ ESG information on how you select property investments						ents		
	ESG information on how you monitor and manage property investments							
	☐ Information on your property investments' ESG performance							
	☐ Other, specify							



PR 20.5

Indicate your organisation's typical frequency of disclosing ESG information to the public.

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

PR 20.6

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

- ☑ ESG information on how you select property investments
- ☑ ESG information on how you monitor and manage property investments
- ☑ Information on your property investments' ESG performance
- ☐ Other, specify

PR 20.7

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

- O Quarterly or more frequently
- O Semi annually
- O Annually
- O Every two years or less frequently
- Ad-hoc/when requested, specify

To clients during their regular reporting cycles (which vary client to client). Our larger funds typically report data on a quarterly basis.

PR 20.8

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

See previous annual reports at the link provided.

https://cr-report.db.com/2015/en/index.html

Additionally, see the additional webpages and information we provide publicly - the home page is here: http://realestate.deutscheam.com/sustainability/overview.jsp

Lastly, to clients, we disclose our full approach to ESG management, implementation and results, in client conferences and meetings, RFPs and DDQs, and in periodic portfolio updates which are sent to clients / investors and their advisors.

- O Disclose to clients/beneficiaries only
- O No proactive disclosure to the public or to clients/beneficiaries

