



Global Corporate ESG Bond Fund

Environmental & Social Characteristics

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The Compartment takes ESG characteristics into account as part of its selection process. In that respect, the Compartment promotes environmental and/or social characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR.

For the assessment, areas like corporate strategy, corporate governance, transparency and the product and service range of a company are taken into account in the investment process and strategy. Issuers are assessed via an ESG and sustainability analysis based on the MSCI ESG Ratings model. MSCI ESG Rating is designed to measure a company's resilience to long-term, industry material environmental, social and governance (ESG) risks.

The Benchmark uses a rules-based methodology to identify industry leaders and laggards according to their exposure to ESG risks and how well they manage those risks relative to peers. ESG Ratings range from leader (AAA, AA), average (A, BBB, BB) to laggard (B, CCC). MSCI ESG Ratings model covers the following elements:

- **MSCI ESG Ratings:** The Management Company uses the MSCI ESG Ratings model to assess the opportunity to invest in such an issuer. MSCI assigns a rating between AAA and CCC. The Management Company will invest at least 70% of the Compartment's portfolio in issuers with a rating BBB or higher. The weighted average of the Compartment's portfolio rating must be BBB or higher;
- **MSCI ESG Controversies:** According to the MSCI ESG Controversies system, every issuer controversy will be analysed and rated in a range Red-Orange-Yellow-Green, from more severe to no controversy status. The issuers will be flagged at the worst flag level of its controversies status. Controversies are an important evidence and alert to investors regarding potential harmful events. The Management Company will exclude every issuer with a red flagged controversy status;
- **MSCI ESG Government Ratings:** Governments are rated by MSCI, by screening the policies and the public status with a similar rating system applicable to private companies, although underlying criteria and factors are different. The Management Company will include government ratings in the above exposed framework, as if they were private issuers.

The Compartment's investment universe is determined by the Management Company by using information provided by the companies (i.e. the companies' sustainability reports) and third-party data providers.