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Environmental and/or social characteristics

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of **environmentally sustainable economic activities**. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?

<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> It made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: ___% <input type="checkbox"/> in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy <input type="checkbox"/> in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy <input type="checkbox"/> It made sustainable investments with a social objective: ___%	<input type="checkbox"/> It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of ___% of sustainable investments <input type="checkbox"/> with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy <input type="checkbox"/> with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy <input type="checkbox"/> with a social objective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make any sustainable investments



To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

The sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of SFDR, through the inclusion of investments in companies that successfully managed sustainability risks and opportunities. This was measured within companies' operations and products/services, the exclusion of companies with business models that promoted any significant negative social and/or environmental impact, and engagement through dialogues to influence companies in a more sustainable direction. SEB Investment Management Sustainability Score (SIMS-S) was central to our sustainability integration process and evaluation. SIMS-S focused on risks and opportunities related to sustainable development in company management, products and services, and operations. This was evaluated through the use of metrics, such as alignment with the Paris Agreement, carbon footprint, gender diversity, Taxonomy alignment, and revenues aligned with the sustainable development goals ("SDGs"). The fund used the SIMS-S framework and scores in its sustainable integration process.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

● How did the sustainability indicators perform?

The SEB Investment Management Sustainability Score (the "SIMS-S"), is central to our sustainability integration process and evaluation. SIMS-S focuses on risks and opportunities related to sustainable development in company management, products & services, and operations, using metrics such as alignment with the Paris Agreement, carbon footprint, gender diversity, Taxonomy alignment, and sustainable development goals ("SDG") revenues. The purpose of SIMS-S is to both produce a relevant forward-looking sustainability score for companies/issuers and to be a guide in relation to current and future sustainability factors possibly influencing long-term risks and opportunities. Together with fundamental analysis, SIMS-S is a tool in our sustainability analysis that enables us to invest in issuers who promote sustainability.

To compare issuers correctly we mainly use the adjusted SIMS-S which is normalized within the relevant sector and region. An issuer with an adjusted score higher than 5 is above average in handling risks and opportunities related to sustainability. The fund had an adjusted SIMS-S score of 6.2, which means that the fund is primarily invested in issuers who perform above average in their respective sector and region.

Another important part of the fund's sustainability strategy is to invest in green and other sustainable bonds. At the end of the year, 9% of the fund was invested in green bonds and 2% of the fund was invested in social bonds.

Engagement dialogues are also a central part of the sustainability strategy, and during the year we have either directly or indirectly performed 27 dialogues on the account of the fund.

● ...and compared to previous periods?

During the year, the Fund Company has developed, and quantified which indicators are included in the Fund. Based on this development, it is not accurate to compare the Fund's indicators with previous periods.

- **What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?**

The product did not commit to any sustainable investments during the period.

- **How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?**

The product did not commit to any sustainable investments during the period.

- *How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?*

The product did not commit to any sustainable investments during the period.

- *Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?*

The product did not commit to any sustainable investments during the period.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The "do not significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

Prior to the investment decision, the following PAIs were considered:

- On an exclusionary basis:

From Annex 1 – Table 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

- PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector
- PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises
- PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

- During the ESG integration process using the SIMS-S combined with fundamental analysis:

From Annex 1 - Table 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288

- PAI 1: GHG emissions
- PAI 2: Carbon footprint
- PAI 3: GHG intensity of investee companies
- PAI 4: Exposure to companies active in the fossil sector
- PAI 7: Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas
- PAI 8: Emissions to water
- PAI 9: Hazardous waste ratio
- PAI 10: Violations of UN Global Compact Principles & OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises
- PAI 11: Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.
- PAI 12: Unadjusted gender pay gap
- PAI 13: Board gender diversity
- PAI 14: Exposure to controversial weapons

During the investment period, these PAIs are considered:

- In engagement dialogues with issuers:

PAI 13 from Annex 1 - Table 1 of CDR (EU) 2022/1288



What were the top investments of this financial product?

The list includes the investments constituting **the greatest proportion of investments** of the financial product during the reference period which is: Jan 1, 2022 to Dec 31, 2022

Largest investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
Novartis Finance SA	Health Care	3	Switzerland
Atlas Copco AB	Industrials	2.46	Sweden
Royal Bank of Canada	Financials	2.45	Canada
Credit Agricole SA/London	Financials	2.45	France
Bank of America Corp	Financials	2.44	United States
Aegon NV	Financials	2.41	Netherlands
SAP SE	Information Technology	2.38	Germany
Metropolitan Life Global Funding I	Financials	2.37	United States
Daimler International Finance BV	Consumer Discretionary	2.36	Germany
Svenska Handelsbanken AB	Financials	2.36	Sweden
Agence Francaise de Development	Financials	2.33	France
Allianz Finance II BV	Financials	2.33	Germany
SBAB Bank AB	Financials	2.31	Sweden
OP Corporate Bank plc	Financials	2.3	Finland
Siemens Financieringsmaatschappij NV	Industrials	2.29	Germany

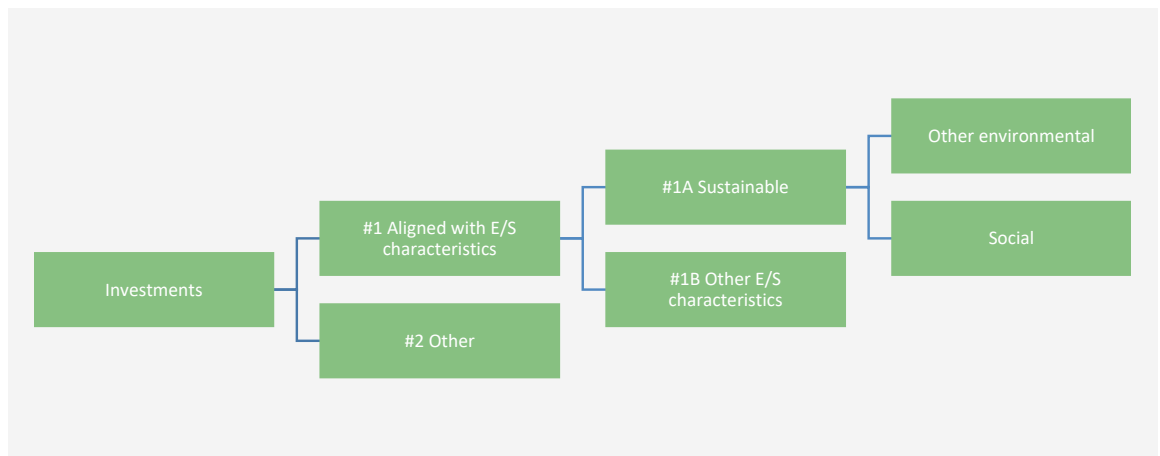


What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

● What was the asset allocation?

As at 31 December 2022 92.95% of the Assets under Management were aligned with E/S characteristics. As at 31 December 2022 7.05% of the Assets under Management were classified as "Other". These Assets consisted of Cash and Government Bonds. The product did not commit to any sustainable investments during the period, and only cash, derivatives and sovereign exposures would fall under Other.



#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product. As at 31 December 2022 92.95% of the Assets under Management were aligned with E/S characteristics.

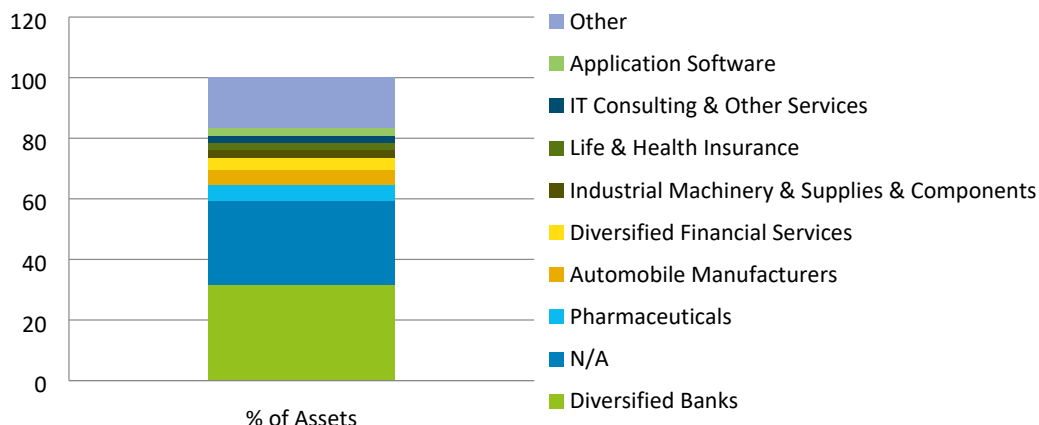
#2 Other includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments. As at 31 December 2022 7.05% of the Assets under Management were classified as "Other". These Assets consisted of Cash and Government Bonds.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

Investments were made in the following sub-sectors, with a breakdown of the 10 largest sub-sectors:



To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

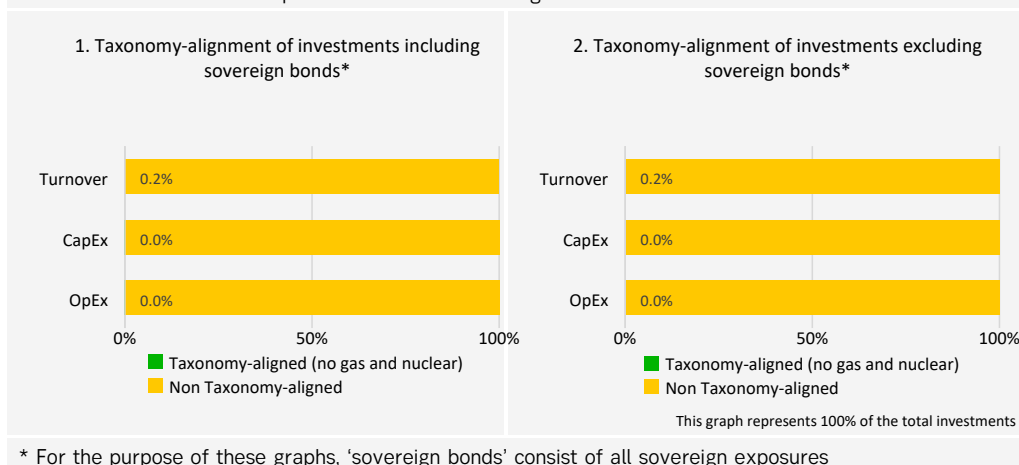
Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy*?

- Yes:
- In fossil gas
 - In nuclear energy

No

* available data on the sub-fund's investments are reported to be zero.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The proportion of investments in transition activities and enabling activities are so low in relation to the fund's investments that, given uncertainties linked to data quality, it does not make sense to report this separately.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- **turnover** reflects the "greenness" of investee companies today.
- **capital expenditure** (CapEx) shows the green investments made by investee companies, relevant for a transition to a green economy.
- **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

● **How did the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy compare with previous reference periods?**

Due to ambiguity around on the allowed use of estimated taxonomy alignment data for taxonomy reporting there are no previous reporting to compare this year's taxonomy alignment to.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The product did not commit to any sustainable investments with an environmental objective during the period.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under Regulation (EU) 2020/852.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The product did not commit to any sustainable investments with a social objective during the period.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

Cash in the meaning of ancillary liquid assets, sovereigns, supranationals (when not a sustainability labeled bond), mortgage bonds/covered bonds (when not a sustainability labeled bond), other investments for where data is missing and derivatives.

The purpose of cash is liquidity and flows, the purpose of derivatives was efficient portfolio management techniques and the purpose of mortgage bonds, sovereigns, supranationals was for allocation/investment strategy reasons. The minimal environmental and social minimum safeguards include for mortgage bonds the exclusionary process where issuers with confirmed breaches of international norms and standards are excluded and for sovereigns and supranationals there were no investments made in entities under US, EU, UK or OECD sanctions.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

The fund has continued investing in green bonds during the year, with green bonds currently accounting for 9% of the fund's assets. Green bonds are bonds where the use of proceeds is earmarked for investments with a clear positive environmental impact. One such investment has been SBAB bank green bonds.

The fund excludes companies that do not meet the fund company's extensive criteria for sustainability. As examples, BHP and Shell were excluded due to the use of fossil fuels and also for norm-based breaches.

The fund managers have had engagement dialogues with companies related to their sustainability work. The dialogues have focused on environmental characteristics with reducing greenhouse gas emissions being the main target. Reporting on scopes 1-3 emissions, and a clear pathway to reduce these by committing to science-based targets, have been our main points of engagement. During the year we have had engagement dialogues with ING, among others.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference benchmark?

The fund does not use a benchmark index to achieve its promotion of environmental and social characteristics.

● **How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index?**

The fund does not use a benchmark index to achieve its promotion of environmental and social characteristics.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

- **How did this financial product perform with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?**

The fund does not use a benchmark index to achieve its promotion of environmental and social characteristics.

- **How did this financial product perform compared with the reference benchmark?**

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- **How did this financial product perform compared with the broad market index?**

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