### Table 1

### Statement on the principal adverse sustainability impacts of investment decisions

Financial market participant eQ Fund Management Company Ltd., LEI: 7437000245ZT25KXG802

### **Summary**

eQ Fund Management Company has outsourced the portfolio management and investment operations of all the funds it manages to eQ Asset Management Ltd. eQ Asset Management considers principal adverse impacts (Principal Adverse Impact eli PAI) of its investment decisions on sustainability factors and systematically monitors these in its investment activities. This statement on the principal adverse sustainability impacts covers the reference period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

This statement shall be issued in the manner required by the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation, SFDR (2019/2088, Article 4). Reports related to the indicators of adverse impacts during the reference period are presented in Table 1 in Appendix I of the SFDR's Delegated Regulation (EU 2022/1288). This statement is reviewed annually.

This statement also describes the principles applied at eQ Asset Management in relation to the identification and prioritisation of principal adverse sustainability impacts and how these principles are kept up to date and applied.

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### Description of the principal adverse sustainability impacts

'Sustainability factors' mean environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

Companies included in the portfolio may have adverse impacts on sustainability factors through their economic activities. eQ Asset Management strives to monitor and report the possible harmful sustainability effects of the company's operations on the environment or society. The main adverse sustainability impacts are taken into account by examining investments with the most important PAI indicators of climate, environmental and social impacts. eQ reports for fixed income and equity funds and real estate and residential funds all the indicators listed in the EU Technical Regulatory Standards (RTS) supplementing the SFDR Regulation (See Table 1), mandatory indicators applicable to companies, states and transnational organizations and investments made in real estate assets. In addition, eQ reports the additional indicators agreed for the reference period January 1-

December 31, 2023 for fixed income and equity funds and real estate and residential funds. This statement does not yet include indicator data for eQ's Northern European private equity target funds. It is good to be aware that there is still very little information available on indicators of adverse sustainability impacts and the coverage of data is very low in private equity investments. The PAI indicator data and observations obtained from the target funds for the reference period 1.1.-31.12.2023 have been reported in fund-specific eQ private equity investment reports and the information has been given to investors who invest in the funds.

There may be restrictions on the available information and the quality of the information. The information related to sustainability has not yet been fully standardized and the target companies do not report the information widely, which is why some of the available PAI indicator information may be based on estimates. The quality, coverage and availability of data continue to pose challenges, especially for small businesses and less developed markets. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, you need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.

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## Indicators applied for investment in companies as investment products

Sustainability indicator describing the level of harm	Metric	Impact 2023 * **	Impact [year n-1]	Description	Measures taken and the measures planned and targets set for the next reference period
		****			reference period

### INDICATORS RELATED TO THE CLIMATE AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

eenhouse s emissions	<ol> <li>Greenhouse gas emissions</li> </ol>	Scope 1 – greenhouse gas emissions	76 205 tCO2e (78 %)	87 098 tCO2e (76 %)	eQ's key sustainable investment approaches ESG integration into
		Scope 2 – greenhouse gas emissions	28 125 tCO2e (79 %)	26 354 tCO2e (76 %)	investment practices, active ownership and engagement, and an industry-specific
		Scope 3 – greenhouse gas emissions	688 413 tCO2e (78 %)	564 073 tCO2e (75 %)	exclusion for the Article 9 equity fund. eQ reviews all investment targets
		Total greenhouse gas emissions	780 210 tCO2e (78 %)	677 707 tCO2e (75 %)	using the sustainability indicators defined in eQ's actively managed equity
	2. Carbon footprint	Carbon footprint	449,79 tCO2e/m€ (78 %)	374,21 tCO2e/m€ (79 %)	and fixed income funds (amount of target

3. Intensity of greenhouse gas emissions of companies we have invested in	Intensity of greenhouse gas emissions of companies we have invested in	798,71 tCO2e/m€ (82 %)	737,39 tCO2e/m€ (79 %)		companies' emissions, development of carbon intensity, commitment to emission reduction targets (science-based emissions
4. Responsibility related to companies that operate in the field of fossil fuels	Share of investment in companies that operate in the field of fossil fuels	6,4 % (80 %)	5,9 % (76 %)		target SBTi), assessment of adverse sustainability effects (PAI indicators) and the company's readiness to manage the risks and possibilities of
5. Share of the use and production of non renewable energy	Share of the use of nonrenewable energy and the production of nonrenewable energy in the companies we have invested in compared with renewable sources of energy, expressed as percentages of the total amount of energy sources	68,7 % (59 %)	70,0 % (64 %)		risks and possibilities of the transition to low carbon and the number of norm violations). To support the analysis of investment targets and influence work, the fund's portfolio manager, in addition to his own assessment, also uses the databases and analyzes of external service providers (MSCI and ISS ESG).  Exclusion  Article 9 of eQ in the
6. The intensity of energy comsumption per area that has a significant climate impact	Energy consumption as gigawatthours per million euros produced by the	NACE sector A (Agriculture, forestry and fishing) 0,95 GWh/m€ (0,0005%)	0,7 GWh/m€ (68 %)	Impact 2023: The coverage of the reviewed data is approximately 55%. It contains investment	fund's investment process excludes e.g. the following industries (fossil energy and industries where a sustainable strategy does

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	motorcycles) 0,1 GWh /m€ 3,3%)  NACE sector H (Transportation and storage) 1,4 GWh /m€ (1,34 %)  NACE sector L (real estate activities) 0,4 GWh /m€ (0,76%)	also been monitored, which are still largely estimates made by the ESG data supplier MSCI. To a large extent, companies do not yet self-report Scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions.  eQ's actively managed fund investments had no voting needs during 2023. The partners Fidelity (active Article 8 eQ Europe Active fund) and Vanguard (eQ's index funds) have exercised voting rights and held engagement discussions with investment targets
		during 2023.  One important engagement theme of eQ is related to the existence of emission reduction targets for the investment targets of actively managed interest and equity funds. eQ feels that the science-based emission reduction target set by the investment

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			targets is a concretely
			good measure for
			monitoring the
			development of
			companies' climate work.
			eQ has been following this
			development in
			investment targets for a
			few years now. Last year,
			in 2023, eQ carried out an
			emissions survey for all
			investment targets of
			actively managed funds
			whose emission reduction
			targets could not be found
			in MSCI's position. In all
			actively managed interest
			and equity funds, the
			growth of science-based
			emission reduction targets
			can be seen in the
			investment targets. An
			important question for
			eQ's portfolio managers is
			what exactly belongs to
			those companies that have
			not yet set an emission
			reduction target. In
			addition, eQ encourages
			companies to set science-
			based emission reduction
			targets for their own

	operations through the Science Based Target Initiative (SBTi) organized by CDP.
	eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, you need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.
	Plans for 2024
	Investment targets are monitored regularly with the help of sustainability indicators defined by eQ, and efforts are made to influence the companies' operating methods.

In fixed income and
equity investments, eQ is
a signatory to CDP's
Climate Change program.
eQ occasionally
participates in joint
influence initiatives
together with other
investors. Since 2019, eQ
has been involved in the
Science Based Target
Initiative organized by
CDP, which encourages
companies to set science-
based emission reduction
targets for their own
operations.
At the end of 2023, eQ
adopted the new PAI
additional indicators for
monitoring and reporting,
Article 9 and Article 8 of
eQ for fixed income and
equity funds: Emission
targets in accordance with
the Paris Climate
Agreement, Due diligence
to monitor the realization
of human rights and
Processes to prevent
human trafficking (only
applies to Article 9 funds).

					The engagement theme for 2024 will be about human rights.  eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will in the long term increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies.
Biological diversity	7. Functions that have a negative impact on areas with sensitive biological diverstity	Share of companies we have invested in that have locations or functions in areas with sensitive biological diversity or near them and where the functions of these companies have a negative impact on such an area	0,2 % (80 %)	2,7 % (76 %)	Period 2023  This PAI indicator figure slightly decreased and coverage slightly improved compared to 2022.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the

			long term. First, however, you need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.  Article 9 of eQ in the equity fund examines and takes into account e.g. regenerative farming and biodiversity and the related activities of the companies.
			Plans for 2024 eQ thinks that setting quantitative targets for
			biodiversity is still impossible. eQ is currently acquiring information and trying to understand what a
			science-based target for nature (SBTN, Science- Based Targets for Nature) means in practice and how
			related calculation methods are developing. In the fall of 2024, eQ will participate in the training
			organized by Sitra for companies and operators in the financial sector:

					How is TNFD environmental reporting introduced?  eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies in the long term.
Water	8. Emissions to water	The weighted average of emissions to water caused by companies we have invested in as tons per million euros invested	0,04 t/m€ (2 %)	0,2 t/m€ (1 %)	Period 2023  The coverage of the Emissions to water indicator is still low.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's opinion, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, you need to get more data

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					eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies in the long term.
Waste	9. Amount of hazardous waste and radioactive waste	The weighted average of hazardous waste and radioactive	1,9 t/m€ (27 %)	1,2 t/m€ (30 %)	Period 2023  The coverage of the waste indicator is still low.
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INDICATORS ANTI-BRIBER		EMPLOYEE MATT	ERS, RESPECT	FOR HUMAN RIGHTS	eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies in the long term.
Social and employee matters	10. Violations of the UN's Global Compact principles and the operating instructions for multinational companies issued by the Organisation for Economic Coopeartions and Development (OECD)	Share of investment in companies that have been part of a violation of the UN's Global Compact principles or the operating instructions for multinational companies issued	0,1 % (91 %)	0,1 % (90 %)	In the selection and monitoring of the investment targets of all actively managed funds, the possible realization of norm violations against the principles of the UN Global Compact is taken into account. If the company has a verified norm violation, and the company's operations do

complaints for intervening with violations of UN's Global Compact principles or the OECD's operating instructions for multinational companies  Complaints for intervening with fulfillment of workers' rights (forced labor, modern slavery and human trafficking).  Period 2023  eQ's actively managed fixed income and equity funds had no norm		11. Lack of processes and mechanisms to monitor that the UN Global Principles of the OECD's operating instructions for multinational companies are followed	intervening with violations of UN's Global Compact principles or the OECD's operating instructions for multinational	47,2 % (80 %)	40,3 % (76 %)	rights (forced labor, modern slavery and human trafficking).  Period 2023  eQ's actively managed fixed income and equity funds had no norm violations in 2023. 21 of the norm violations in
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				total of about 3,500 companies).  Plans for 2024  eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies in the long term.
12. Wage differentials between genders not evened	The unadjusted gender pay gap in the companies we have invested in	10,9 % (16 %)	13,3 % (15 %)	Period 2023  No significant change in the figure and coverage of the PAI indicator compared to 2022.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the

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13. Gender diversity in the Board of Directors	The average share of female Board members in relation to the male members in the companies we have invested in presented as percentages of all Board members	31,7 % (28 %)	31,1 % (25 %)	Period 2023  No significant change in the figure and coverage of the PAI indicator compared to 2022.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important

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14. Exposure to a risk related to controversial weapons (antipersonnel mines, cluster bombs, chemical weapons ad biological weapons)	Share of companies we have invested in that participate in the production or sale of controversial weapons	0,1 % (80 %)	0,1 % (76 %)	Period 2023  The numerical value of the indicator is very small (0.1%) and there is no big change in the coverage.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the

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			Article 9 In the investment
			process of eQ Blue Planet
			fund, e.g. the following
			industries (arms and
			defense industry). In
			addition, if the company
			has a verified norm
			violation in controversial
			weapons defined by eQ
			(e.g. cluster bombs and
			chemical weapons), the
			investment cannot be
			made in all funds
			managed by eQ itself. The
			exclusion regarding eQ's
			investment processes is
			described in more detail in
			eQ Asset Management
			Ltd.'s responsible

					investment principles on eQ's website.
					Plans for 2024
					eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies in the long term.
ndicators aplic	4. Investment in companie companies have no	Share of	53 % (81 %)	The indicator	Period 2023
	_	companies we		has been	
	initiatives to reducing carbon	have invested in that have no		monitored since 2023	New additional PAI indicator.
		have invested in that have no initiatives to		monitored	indicator.  One important
	reducing carbon	have invested in that have no initiatives to reduce carbon emission		monitored	indicator.  One important engagement theme of eQ is related to the existence
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				companies to set science-
				based emission reduction
				targets for their own
				operations through the
				Science Based Target

	Initiative (SBTi) organized by CDP.
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	Plans 2024
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## ADDITIONAL INDICATORS RELATED TO SOCAIL AND EMPLOYEE MATTERS, RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ANTI-BRIBERY MATTERS

Indicators applied for investment in companies as investment products

maicators applied	10. Lack of due	nes as investment proc	57 % (81 %)	The indicator	Period 2023
Human rights	diligence	Share of investments in entities without a due diligence process to identify, prevent, mitigate and address adverse human rights impacts	3/ % (81 %)	has been monitored since 2023	New additional PAI indicator.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the PAI additional indicator, which will be published for the first time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, you need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.
					Plans 2024 eQ's engagement theme is
					human rights in 2024.
					Survey 2024 for investment targets of

			actively managed fixed income and equity funds,
			for which there is no data
			yet in this regard via MSCI.
			The survey consists of:
			a. Human rights policy and the due diligence process for monitoring the realization of human rights
			b. Human trafficking
			c. Approved by the board/management team
			d. If no process yet -> future plans
			Results in summer 2024
			Other:
			eQ monitors how the EU's CSRD reporting obligation, which has entered into force, will increase and improve the responsibility information provided by companies in the long term.

11. Lack of processess and measures for preventing trafficking in human beings	Share of investments in investee companies without policies against trafficking in human beings	88 % (99 %). This indicator is followed only in article 9 eQ Blue Planet fund.	The indicator has been monitored since 2023	Period 2023  New additional PAI indicator.  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the PAI additional indicator, which will be published for the first time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, you need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.
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			yet in this regard via MSCI.
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			Results in summer 2024
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## Indicators applied to investment in governments and supranational organisations

Sustainability in level of harm	ndicator describing the	Metric	Impact 2023  *  **  ***	Impact [year n-1]	Description	Measures taken and the measures planned and targets set for the next reference period
Environment	15. Greenhouse gas intensity	Intensity of greenhouse gas emissions of countries we have invested in	220,3 tCO2e/m€ (93 %)	222,1 tCO2e/m€ (93 %)		The eQ Euro Government Bond fund mainly invests in euro-denominated bonds issued by countries belonging to the European Economic Area. Eurozone countries are committed to the energy and climate goals set by the EU.  As themes related to the environment, the portfolio manager monitors the issuers (states) with the sustainability indicator data obtained from them, for example the carbon intensity of the issuers and the warming scenario indicators concerning the issuers (warming scenario current state °C and

					warming scenario target state °C).  eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, you need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.  Period 2023
					No significant change in the number and coverage of the PAI indicator compared to 2022.
Social	16. Countries invested in that have committed a	Number of countries invested in (absolute number and a	0 0,0 % (100 %)	0 0,0 % (77 %)	The fund excludes from its investments issuing countries where the rule of law is not observed. If the

violation of social	relative divided by	fund's investment target is
code regulations	all invested	potentially excluded, the
	countries) that	investment will be
	have a committed	abandoned within a
	violation of	reasonable period of time.
		public sector corruption in
		the issuing state and

			equality of income distribution.
			Period 2023
			Data coverage has increased to 100 percent.

### Indicators applied to investment in real estate assets

	ability indicator describing el of harm	Metric	Impact 2023 *** ****	Impact [year n-1]	Description	Measures taken and the measures planned and targets se for the next reference period
Fossil fuels	17. Exposure to a risk related to fossil fuels through real estate assets	Share of investment in such real estate assets that relate to the recovert, storage, transport or production of fossil fuels	0 % (100 %)	0 % (100 %)		
Energy efficiency	18. Exposure to a risk related to energy inefficiency real estate assets	Share of investment in energy inefficien real estate assets	69,07 %	73,25 %	The share of GAV of properties with an energy certificate of C or worse as of	eQ's real estate and residential funds have been set a carbon-neutral target for energy consumption during operation by 2030. The

		31 December 2022. Properties without an energy certificate are also classified in the category "energy certificate C or worse". The calculation includes properties owned and completed on 31 December 2023.	measures for achieving the target of carbon neutrality are defined in eQ's low-carbon road map for real estate investments (2020). The achievement of the target is monitored and reported annually to investors. The set carbonneutral target guides both the selection process for real estate and measures to promote responsibility and sustainability in the real estate during ownership. In addition, Breeam In Use certification targets with schedules and Very Good target levels have been set for the real estate
		calculation	the selection process for real estate and measures to
		properties	sustainability in the real
		completed on	In addition, Breeam In
			with schedules and Very
			the help of certification, the functionality of both
			the property and the related maintenance
			functions is assessed, possible deficiencies are
			identified and development targets are
			development targets are

		Period 2023
		With the reporting reform regarding real estate investments implemented in 2023, eQ monitors and reports the energy class distribution of real estate sites and its development.
		Plans for 2024
		In accordance with the normal process, during the period of ownership, measures are taken to promote responsibility and sustainability in individual real estate sites. Among other things, consumption data for all sites (energy, water, waste) is collected, deviations are monitored and measures are taken based on the data. In addition, measures to improve energy efficiency are carried out in connection with, for example, ventilation, heating and cooling systems, lighting and thermal insulation of structures. The possibility

	CLIMATE AND OTHER E		ATED INDICAT	TORS	of using geoenergy, solar electricity and green district heating is always investigated in the sites. eQ's real estate funds have adopted BREEAM certification during use as one of their important tools for monitoring and developing responsibility and sustainability at the property level. BREEAM certifications continue.
Greenhouse gas emissions	2able to investments in real es	Scope 1 - GHG emissions generated by real estate assets  Scope 2 - GHG emissions generated by real estate assets  Scope 3 - GHG emissions generated by real estate assets	0 tCO2e (100 %)	The indicator followed in 2023. No Scope 3 emissions from 2023 yet.	Period 2023  New additional PAI indicators.  Coverage of indicators (Scope 1 and Scope 2) 100%. Scope 3 calculation is still under development.  The renewal of eQ's sustainable reporting on real estate investments was a key development project in 2023. Property-specific ESG data (energy efficiency MWh, carbon

Total GHG			footprint t CO2, water m3
emissions			and waste t) has been
generated by		Total	systematically collected
real estate assets	6 735 tCO2e	emissions do	since 2018, and the first
	(100 %)	not yet	ESG report on real estate
		include Scope	investments was published
		3 emissions.	in 2019. eQ carefully
			evaluates the ESG data
			needed for analysis and
			real estate development,
			its quality and coverage,
			the data collection process
			and general development
			needs in terms of data
			access and reporting. The
			reporting reform also
			moved to fund-specific
			ESG reports. The renewed
			ESG report of each fund
			consists of the fund's basic
			information and ESG
			indicators and their trend
			development. The report
			also shows the
			development of the fund's
			ESG ratings and carbon
			footprint, as well as key
			real estate development
			projects and the results of
			the tenant satisfaction
			survey. The waste
			recycling rate became a

	new indicator for reporting.
	Plans for 2024
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Energy consumption  19. Energy consumtion intensity	Energy consumption in GWh of owned real estate assets per square meter	0,00022 (80 %)	The indicator followed in 2023	Period 2023  New additional PAI indicator.  Indicator's value very low and coverage high.  Renewing eQ's sustainability reporting on real estate investments was a key development project in 2023. This has already been described in connection with the previous indicator.  Plans for 2024  In accordance with the normal process, during the period of ownership, measures are taken to promote responsibility and sustainability in individual real estate sites. Among other things, consumption data for all sites (energy, water, waste) is collected, deviations are monitored and measures are taken based on the data. In
				based on the data. In addition, measures to

					improve energy efficiency are carried out in connection with, for example, ventilation, heating and cooling systems, lighting and thermal insulation of structures. The possibility of using geoenergy, solar electricity and green district heating is always investigated in the sites.
Waste	20. Waste production in operations	Share of real estate assets not equipped with facilities for waste sorting and not covered by a waste recovery of recycling contract	0 % (100 %)	The indicator followed in 2023	Period 2023  New additional PAI indicator.  Indicator coverage 100%.  In the summer of 2023, the waste recycling rate became a new indicator for ESG reporting. Since the summer, real estate funds have monitored the waste recycling rate and at the same time implemented concrete measures (e.g. space arrangements to facilitate sorting, site-specific recycling and sorting

	guides for tenants) to improve the recycling rate. The recycling rate of eQ Commercial Properties fund 57% (ESG report 31.12.2023) and the recycling rate of eQ Community Properties fund 37% (ESG report 31.12.2023)
	Plans for 2024  Activities will be continued to improve the recycling rate of real estate funds.

<sup>\*</sup> Data source: MSCI (exc. in indicator 10 ISS ESG). The results for 2023 have been calculated as the average of the six months. The results for 2022 as as of 31 December 2022.

\*\*\*\* The impact has been calculated for the investment properties owned at the end of the reference period and based on the gross values of the time.

### Decription of the operating principles for identifying and prioritising principal adverse sustainability factor

The Board of Directors of eQ Fund Management Company has approved the policies most recently on 13 June 2024. The need to update the principles is assessed annually.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The number in brackets indicates how extensive the data is (%).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Data source: Data of eQ's real estate

# Information on how the responsibility for the implementation of these operating principles has been distributed in the strategies and operations of organisations

The implementation of the operating principles is supervised by eQ Fund Management Company. The members of eQ's investment teams, together with the support of the director of responsible investment, are responsible for the implementation of operating principles and for taking into account the principal adverse impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors throughout the investment's life cycle.

### **Methods**

Responsibility and sustainability are a key part of eQ Asset Management's investment activities and its processes. eQ Asset Management's principles of responsible investment create a reference framework for all of eQ's investment operations and its processes. The principles describe in detail the methods that are used both to identify sustainability risks and to consider principal adverse impacts in all of eQ's investment areas. The principles of responsible investing are available on eQ's website at www.eQ.fi. eQ Asset Management aims to identify the harmful principal adverse impacts of its own investment decisions and the investment decisions made by the partners it uses in several ways.

Regular screening of adverse sustainability impacts:

Principal adverse sustainability impacts are analysed using the indicators describing the level of harm presented in Table 1. eQ has not yet defined threshold values for PAI indicators. In eQ's view, interpreting the value of the individual PAI indicator, which will be officially published for the second time in the summer of 2024, is not yet meaningful. It is important to monitor the trend development of the PAI indicator reading in the long term. First, however, we need to get more data points and improve the coverage and quality of the data.

Integrating ESG into investment practices an active ownership and engagement:

The funds' key approaches to responsible investing are the integration of ESG into investment practices, active ownership and engagement, and the industry-specific exclusion for Article 9 equity fund. eQ evaluates the fund's target companies with regard to issues related to the environment, society and governance, i.e. ESG factors, both before investment decisions are made and during ownership. Investment targets are monitored regularly and efforts are made to influence the operating methods of the companies.

Engagement is done by having a direct sustainability dialogue with companies, participating in company general meetings if necessary, and by influencing companies through influence initiatives, either alone or together with other investors.

eQ's promotion activities are related to curbing climate change, compliance with human rights, anti-corruption measures, consideration of environmental issues, good governance and reporting of sustainability factors.

eQ reviews all investment targets using the sustainability indicators defined in eQ's actively managed equity and fixed income funds (amount of target companies' emissions, development of carbon intensity, commitment to emission reduction targets (science-based emissions target SBTi), assessment of principal adverse impacts (PAI indicators) and the company's readiness to manage the risks and possibilities of the transition to low carbon and the number of norm violations). To support the analysis of investment targets and influence work, the fund's portfolio manager, in addition to his own assessment, also uses the databases and analyzes of external service providers (MSCI and ISS ESG).

### Violation of international norms:

In the selection and monitoring of the investment targets of all actively managed funds, the possible realization of norm violations against the principles of the UN Global Compact is taken into account. If the company has a verified norm violation, and the company's operations do not meet the requirements of good governance, eQ will not invest in it.

The UN Global Compact principles are consistent with the following universal principles: the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, the UN Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and the UN Convention against Corruption.

### External asset managers:

Regarding external asset managers, eQ finds out before the investment whether the asset manager has signed the UN's principles of responsible investment, whether the asset manager has a responsible investment policy, what responsibility resources and processes and reporting capabilities are in use, and how the EU's regulation of sustainable finance is implemented in the asset manager's operations. From external asset managers already in use, eQ expects regular sustainability reporting and a summary of annual voting activity and discussions with investment targets. eQ also regularly investigates how asset managers take into account principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors in investment activities and encourages them to collect and report information related to PAI indicators.

### Real estate:

Principal adverse impacts are regularly assessed by taking into account the PAI indicators applicable to real estate investments. The indicators apply to risks related to fossil fuels and energy inefficiency. In real estate and residential funds, the portfolio manager also monitors the realization of the sustainable investment goal with, among other things, the development of the fund's carbon neutrality target, the results obtained from the GRESB

responsibility assessment, BREEAM In-use certificates and the development of consumption data for individual real estate sites (emissions, energy consumption, water, waste).

Collaboration with significant stakeholders is also key. As an example, let's mention the regular tenant satisfaction survey, the purpose of which is to collect information about the satisfaction and experiences of the users of the sites, to identify development targets for both individual properties and eQ's own operations and processes as well as those of its partners.

### The error margin and margin dexcription related to the above methods

Opportunities to identify and analyse the principal adverse impacts related to sustainability factors depend on the availability and quality of data. The information reported by the portfolio companies are the primary source, but companies do not yet publish data related to many of the adverse sustainability impacts which is why some of the available PAI data may be based on assessments made by external service providers. The quality, coverage and availability of information continue to pose challenges, especially for small companies and less developed markets. The aim is to constantly improve the quality and coverage of information by encouraging investment targets to develop e.g. own emission calculation.

### **Information sources used**

- eQ Asset Management uses not only the information obtained directly from the investment sites, but also the information sources of external service providers. The primary sources of information are MSCI and ISS ESG, which provide information on investments' emissions, the development of carbon intensity, commitment to emission reduction targets (science-based emissions target, SBTi), evaluation of adverse sustainability effects (PAI indicators) and the readiness of investment targets to manage the risks and opportunities of the transition to low carbon and norm violations by target companies. In addition, individual ESG indicators obtained from data sources are used as part of eQ's own broader analysis or assessment of the investment target's level of responsibility and its development. eQ also utilizes the sustainability information collected by Bloomberg on target companies.
- eQ has carefully familiarized itself with the methodologies of the service providers it uses, and has ensured their suitability for its purposes. The service providers use both the information reported by the companies and the evaluated information, which is based on the evaluation model developed by each service provider. The providers used have processes in place to ensure the quality of the data and to correct incorrect data points.
- eQ also regularly monitors the development of ESG information and service providers' services in the market, to enable appropriate information to support investment decisions and for customer reporting.

### **Engagement policies**

Investment targets are monitored regularly and efforts are made to influence the operating methods of the companies. Engagement is done by having a direct sustainability dialogue with the companies and, if necessary, participating in the company's general meetings. In addition to that, companies are influenced through partners and influence initiatives, either alone or together with other investors. For example, ISS ESG reviews the norm violations of all eQ fixed income and equity funds and in cases of norm violations directly affects the company and monitors the development.

More information about eQ's means of engagement in use can be found in eQ Asset Management's ownership policy, which are available together with eQ Asset Management's principles of responsible investment on eQ's website.

#### International standards

eQ Asset Management's method of assessing sustainability risks and the principal adverse impacts in investment decision-making is based on international standards and conventions, such as the UN Global Compact initiative (UNGC), the OECD's guidelines for multinational companies, the UN Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs) and the international labor organization (ILO) conventions.

eQ Asset Management has been an active pioneer of responsible investing for several years. eQ Asset Management has signed the UN's Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) in 2010.

### **Historical comparison**

Historical comparison year 1 January 2023 – 31 December 2023.