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SFDR Periodic Report

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Periodic disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product Name : Schroder ISF Global Climate Change Equity Legal Entity Identifier : TA82RI0NRIZRTKERSH09

Environmental and/or social characteristics

Sustainable Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? investment means an investment in an •• Yes Χ No economic activity that contributes to It made sustainable investments with an X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) an environmental or environmental objective: __% characteristics and while it did not have social objective, provided that the as its objective a sustainable investment, investment does not it had a proportion of 69% of sustainable significantly harm investments anv environmental or social objective in economic activities that qualify as with an environmental objective in and that the economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under investee companies environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy follow good the EU Taxonomy governance practices. in economic activities that do not with an environmental objective in X qualify as environmentally sustainable economic activities that do not under the EU Taxonomy qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy X with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a It promoted E/S characteristics, but did social objective: % not make any sustainable investments

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.

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The environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the Fund were met.

The Fund maintained a higher overall level of avoided emissions than the MSCI All Country World (Net TR) Index, based on the Investment Manager's rating system. This benchmark (which is a broad market index) is not a reference benchmark for the purposes of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Fund.

The Fund also invested at least 40% of its assets in sustainable investments during the reference period.

The reference period for this Fund is 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

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• How did the sustainability indicators perform?

The Fund's level of avoided emissions for the reference period was 173 tCO₂e/\$M and the benchmark's level of avoided emissions for the reference period was 15 tCO₂e/\$M. This means that the Fund's average level of avoided emissions during the reference period, based on guarterly-end data, was higher than the benchmark's average level of avoided emissions over the same period.

The Investment Manager invested 69% of the Fund's assets in sustainable investments. This figure represents the average percentage of sustainable investments during the reference period, based on quarter-end data. Sustainable investments are measured by reference to the sustainability score in Schroders' proprietary tool.

The Fund also applied certain exclusions, with which the Investment Manager monitored compliance on an ongoing basis via its portfolio compliance framework.

• ... and compared to previous periods?

Sustainable investments

This table details the percentage of assets invested in This table details the Fund's and benchmark's level of sustainable investments, year on year.

Period	Fund
	(%)
Jan 2024 - Dec 2024	69
Jan 2023 - Dec 2023	63
Aug 2022 - Dec 2022	52

Avoided emissions

avoided emissions, year on year.

Period	Fund	Benchmark
	(tCO ₂ e/\$M)	(tCO ₂ e/\$M)
Jan 2024 - Dec 2024	173	15
Jan 2023 - Dec 2023	202	34
Jan 2022 - Dec 2022	207	10

For 2022 the percentage of sustainable investments was calculated as an average over the last four months of the reference period. From 2023 the percentage is calculated as an average based on quarter-end data.

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

Sustainability

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For 2022 the avoided emissions value was calculated as at the end of the reference period. From 2023 the value is calculated as an average based on quarter-end data.

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

In respect of the proportion of the Fund's portfolio that was invested in sustainable investments, each sustainable investment demonstrated a net positive effect across a range of environmental or social objectives, as scored by Schroders' proprietary tool.

The objectives of the sustainable investments that the Fund made included, but were not limited to:

 Avoided Emissions: the estimated environmental benefits of companies that enable system-or economy-wide reductions in carbon emissions;

- Connectivity: the estimated societal benefits from companies' that enable or support the connection of communities through telecommunication services;

- High Salaries: the estimated societal benefit of paying staff above local living wages (for regions in which they operate). Assigned in proportion to the surplus companies are paying employees compared to the average living wage;

- Innovation: the estimated societal benefits arising from the investment in Research and Development (R&D). Assigned based on the unitary benefit of R&D spend, or estimated based on company patent applications; and

- Water Access: the estimated societal benefits associated with the benefits to human health from the provision of clean drinking water. Assigned in proportion to company market share of global revenue.

The above examples of the objectives of the sustainable investments that the Fund made during the reference period are based on the most significant objectives at each quarter-end. Other objectives may have applied during the reference period.

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, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

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

The Investment Manager's approach to not causing significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective included the following:

- Firm-wide exclusions applied to Schroders funds. These related to international conventions on cluster munitions, anti-personnel mines, and chemical and biological weapons and thermal coal mining. Further information and a list of excluded controversial weapons companies is available at https://www.schroders.com/en/sustainability/active-ownership/group-exclusions/.

- The Fund excluded companies that derive revenues above certain thresholds from activities related to tobacco and thermal coal.

- The Fund excluded companies that are assessed by Schroders to have breached one or more 'global norms' thereby causing significant environmental or social harm; these companies comprise Schroders'

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'global norms' breach list. Schroders' determination of whether a company has been involved in such a breach considers relevant principles such as those contained in the UN Global Compact (UNGC) principles, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. The 'global norms' breach list may be informed by assessments performed by third party providers and by proprietary research, where relevant to a particular situation.

- The Fund may have also applied certain other exclusions in addition to those summarised above. Further information on all of the Fund's investment exclusions is to be found under "Sustainability-Related Disclosure" on The Fund's webpage https://www.schroders.com/en-lu/lu/individual/fund-centre.

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

When seeking to identify significant harm, Schroders' approach to taking into account the Principal Adverse Impacts (PAI) indicators involved taking both a quantitative and a qualitative approach. Investee companies deemed not to satisfy the quantitative thresholds would generally have been excluded, unless on a case-by-case basis the data was deemed not representative of a company's performance in the relevant area. Where it was not considered appropriate or feasible to set quantitative thresholds, the Investment Manager engaged, where relevant, in accordance with the priorities documented in Schroders' Engagement Blueprint and/or voting policy.

This framework is subject to ongoing review, particularly as the availability and quality of the data evolves.

Our approach included:

1. Quantitative: this included indicators where specific thresholds have been established:

- Via the application of exclusions. This approach is relevant to PAI 4 (Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector), PAI 5 (Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production) and PAI 14 (Exposure to controversial weapons). Further, the following PAIs were assessed as part of Schroders 'global norms' breach list exclusion (which seeks to exclude companies where significant harm is occurring): PAI 7 (Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas), PAI 8 (Emissions to water), PAI 9 (Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio), PAI 10 (Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development 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 and Voluntary) and PAI 14 in Table 3 (Number of identified cases of severe human rights issues and incidents).

- Via the application of an alert system flag if the relevant indicator(s) exceeded a threshold. These quantitative thresholds to assess significant harm are established centrally by our Sustainable Investment team and monitored systematically. This approach applies to indicators where we have segmented the population into harm groups to establish a threshold, such as carbon related PAI metrics, PAI 1 (GHG emissions), PAI 2 (Carbon footprint) and Voluntary PAI 4 in Table 2 (Investing in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives). PAI 3 (GHG intensity of investee companies) operates in a similar way but the threshold is based on a revenue metric. A threshold for PAI 6 (Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector) is established based on the above mentioned carbon measures. A similar approach has been taken for PAI 15 (GHG intensity). PAI 16 (Investee countries subject to social violations) also operates in the same way but based on data availability regarding social violations. Through this process the relevant issuer(s) that were deemed not to satisfy the quantitative thresholds were flagged to the Investment Manager for consideration, whose response may have involved selling the holdings(s) or maintaining the position

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if on a case-by-case basis the data was deemed not representative of a company's performance in the relevant area. Investee companies deemed to cause significant harm were excluded from the Fund.

2. Qualitative: This included PAI indicators where Schroders' believed that the data available did not enable us to make a quantitative determination regarding whether significant harm was done so as to warrant excluding an investment. In such cases, the Investment Manager engaged where possible with the company or companies held, in accordance with the priorities documented in Schroders' Engagement Blueprint and/or voting policy. This approach applies to indicators such as PAI 12 (Unadjusted gender pay gap) and PAI 13 (Board gender diversity), where we engaged and used our voting rights where we considered appropriate. Both board gender diversity and disclosure of gender pay gap information are captured in our Engagement Blueprint.

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

The portion of the portfolio in sustainable investments were aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

Companies on Schroders' 'global norms' breach list were not categorised as sustainable investments. Schroders' determination of whether a company should be included on such list considered the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, among other relevant principles. The 'global norms' breach list was informed by third party providers and proprietary research, where relevant.

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 Union criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

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



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

The Investment Manager's approach to considering principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors differs depending on the relevant indicator. Some indicators were considered via the application of exclusions, some were considered via the investment process and some via engagement. Further details on how these have been considered during the reference period are detailed below.

PAIs were considered as part of pre-investment through the application of exclusions. These included: - Controversial weapons: PAI 14 (Exposure to controversial weapons, such as anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons).

- UNGC violators: PAI 10 (Violations of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises) and Schroders' 'global norms' breach list which covers: PAI 7 (Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas), PAI 8 (Emissions to water), PAI 9 (Hazardous waste

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ratio), PAI 10 (Violations of UN Global Compact principles and 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) and PAI 14 in Table 3 (Number of identified cases of severe human rights issues and incidents).

- Companies that derived revenues above certain thresholds from activities related to thermal coal, that were deemed by the Investment Manager to contribute significantly to climate change were excluded from the investible universe: PAIs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (Greenhouse gas emissions).

The Fund's exclusions regarding:

- Fossil fuels: PAI 4 (Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector) and PAI 5 (Share of nonrenewable energy consumption and production). The Fund did not invest in companies on the Carbon Underground 200 list or companies with significant exposure to fossil fuels defined as those with 5% or more of their revenues coming from fossil fuel extraction and production.

During the reference period, PAIs were also considered through integration in the investment process. The Fund considered climate change criteria at the stock level as part of the sustainability assessment in the investment process over the period. This covered greenhouse gas emissions, carbon footprint, greenhouse gas intensity of investment companies: PAI 1,2 & 3. As part of our analysis, we considered how a firm manages its environmental footprint (including its impact on the climate), as well as its potential exposure to the effects of long-term climate change. While no single climate change metric determined the overall assessment of a company's environmental management score, the Fund evaluated a variety of different metrics – from both internal and external data sources (including a Schroders' proprietary tool) – to determine whether a company was adequately managing its climate and environmental risks. PAIs 12 (Unadjusted gender pay gap) and 13 (Board gender diversity) were considered as part of our investment process using data from a Schroders' proprietary tool.

A summary of the Fund's engagement activity during the reference period, including the relevant engagement theme, is shown below:

Engagement Theme	# Issuers
Climate Change	17
Corporate Governance	12
Human Rights	8
Natural Capital and Biodiversity	3
Human Capital Management	2
Diversity and Inclusion	1

The engagements shown relate to engagements with companies and issuers.

PAIs were also considered post-investment through engagement where the Investment Manager engaged in line with the approach and expectations set out in Schroders Engagement Blueprint, which outlines our approach to active ownership. During the reference period, we engaged with investee companies within our universe to understand how companies are responding to the challenges climate change may pose to their long-term financial position. In reference to PAI 1, 2, 3 & PAI 4 from Annex 1 Table 2, we are continuing our efforts to encourage companies to set clear emissions reduction targets for all three scopes of emissions and where targets are already set, to confirm these targets are properly integrated into company remuneration policies. All PAI indicators are monitored via Schroders' PAI dashboard.

Our approach is subject to ongoing review, particularly as the availability, and quality, of PAI data evolves.

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What were the top investments of this financial product?

During the reference period the top 15 investments were:

The list includes the investments constituting **the** greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: 1 Jan 2024 to 31 Dec 2024

Largest Investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
ALPHABET INCORPORATED CL A NPV	Information Technology	5.91	United States
MICROSOFT CORPORATION COMMON STOCK USD0.0000125	Information Technology	5.77	United States
AMAZON.COM INCORPORATED USD0.01	Consumer Discretionary	4.94	United States
SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE EUR4	Industrial	3.71	United States
HITACHI LIMITED NPV	Information Technology	3.32	Japan
SWISS RE AG CHF0.10	Financial	3.31	United States
NEXTERA ENERGY INCORPORATED COMMON STOCK USD0.01	Utilities	2.26	United States
PRYSMIAN SPA EUR0.10	Industrial	2.25	Italy
VESTAS WIND SYSTEMS DKK0.2	Industrial	2.24	Denmark
LOWE'S COMPANIES INCORPORATED COMMON STOCK USD0.50	Consumer Discretionary	2.10	United States
CHROMA ATE INCORPORATED TWD10	Information Technology	2.06	Taiwan
LEGRAND SA EUR4	Industrial	2.06	France
UNION PACIFIC CORPORATION COMMON STOCK USD2.50	Industrial	1.96	United States
KROGER COMPANY (THE) COMMON STOCK USD1	Consumer Staples	1.86	United States
BAYERISCHE MOTOREN WERKE AG	Consumer Discretionary	1.84	Germany

The list above represents the average of the Fund's holdings at each guarter-end during the reference period.

The largest investments and % of assets referred to above are derived from the Schroders Investment Book of Record (IBoR) data source. The largest investments and % of assets detailed elsewhere in the Audited Annual Report are derived from the Accounting Book of Record (ABoR) maintained by the administrator. As a result of these differing data sources, there may be differences in the largest investments and % of assets due to the differing calculation methodologies of these alternative data sources.



Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

• What was the asset allocation?

The Fund's investments that were used to meet its environmental or social characteristics are summarised below.

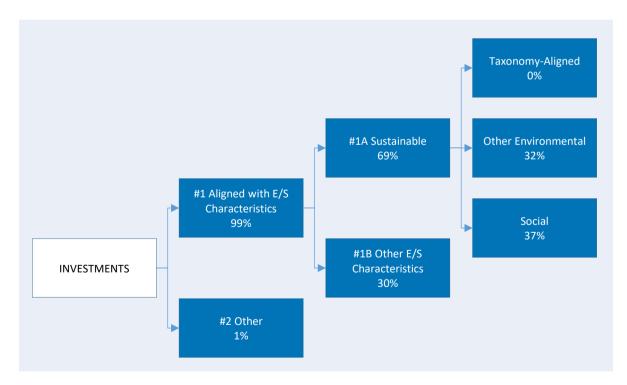
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#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the Fund's assets that were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics, which is equal to 99%. The Fund maintained a higher overall level of avoided emissions than the MSCI All Country World (Net TR) Index, and so the Fund's investments that were measured by Schroders' proprietary sustainability tool are included within #1 on the basis that they contributed to the Fund's overall level of avoided emissions (whether such individual investment had a high or low level). The percentage in #1 Aligned represents the average during the reference period, based on quarter-end data.

The Fund invested 69% of its assets in sustainable investments. This percentage represents the average during the reference period, based on quarter-end data. Within this, 32% was invested in sustainable investments with an environmental objective and 37% was invested in sustainable investments with a social objective. The percentage of sustainable investments with an environmental objective and the percentage of sustainable investments with a social objective may not sum to the percentage of sustainable investments, due to rounding. In respect of the proportion of the Fund's portfolio that was invested in sustainable investments, each sustainable investment demonstrated a net positive effect across a range of environmental or social objectives, as scored by Schroders' proprietary tool. A sustainable investment is classified as having an environmental or social objective depending on whether the relevant issuer has a higher score in Schroders' proprietary tool relative to its applicable peer group for its environmental indicators or its social indicators. In each case, indicators are comprised of both "costs" and "benefits".

#2 Other includes cash, which was treated as neutral for sustainability purposes. #2 also includes other investments that were not covered by Schroders' proprietary sustainability tool and so did not contribute towards the Fund's overall level of avoided emissions.



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#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 **#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

The category #1 Aligned with E/S Characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers environmentally and socially sustainable investments

- 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?

During the reference period investments were made in the following economic sectors:

Sector	Sub-Sector	% Assets
Industrial	Capital Goods	31.16
Industrial	Transportation	3.48
Industrial	Commercial and Professional Services	1.71
Information Technology	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	7.13
Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	6.91
Information Technology	Software & Services	6.17
Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Discretionary Distribution & Retail	8.26
Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	4.25
Consumer Discretionary	Automobiles & Components	3.30
Communication Services	Media & Entertainment	5.91
Utilities	Utilities	5.87
Consumer Staples	Consumer Staples Distribution & Retail	3.20
Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	1.74
Materials	Materials	4.35
Financial	Insurance	3.31
Financial	Financial Services	0.76
Real Estate	Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)	1.75
Cash	Cash	0.75

The list above represents the average of the Fund's holdings at each quarter-end during the reference period.

The % of assets and sector classifications aligned to economic sectors referred to above are derived from the Schroders Investment Book of Record (IBoR) data source. The % of assets and sector classifications aligned to economic sectors detailed elsewhere in the Audited Annual Report are derived from the Accounting Book of Record (ABoR) maintained by the administrator. As a result of these differing data sources, there may be differences in the % of assets and sector classifications aligned to economic sectors, due to the differing calculation methodologies and data availability of these alternative data sources.



To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective

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aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

There was no extent to which the Fund's investments (including transitional and enabling activities) with an environmental objective were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Taxonomy alignment of this Fund's investments has therefore not been calculated and has as a result been deemed to constitute 0% of the Fund's portfolio.

• Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:	
In fossil gas	In nuclear energy
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¹ Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

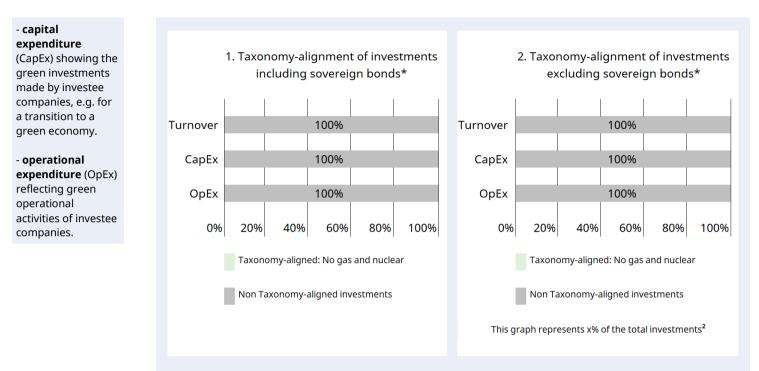
Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover

reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies 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.

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*For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

²As there is no Taxonomy-alignment, there is no impact on the graph if sovereign bonds are excluded (i.e. the percentage of Taxonomy-aligned investments remains 0%) and the Management Company therefore believes that there is no need to mention this information.

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

As per the above, the share of investments by the Fund in transitional and enabling activities has been deemed to constitute 0% of the Fund's portfolio.

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

This question is not applicable.

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activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective

Transitional

activities are economic activities for which lowcarbon alternatives are not yet available and that have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

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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 sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that were not aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 32%.

What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The share of sustainable investments with a social objective was 37%.

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

#2 Other includes cash, which was treated as neutral for sustainability purposes. #2 also includes other investments and derivatives that were not covered by Schroders' proprietary sustainability tool and so did not contribute towards the Fund's overall level of avoided emissions.

Minimum safeguards were applied where relevant to investments and derivatives by restricting (as appropriate) investments in counterparties where there were ownership links or exposure to higher risk countries (for the purpose of money laundering, terrorist financing, bribery, corruption, tax evasion and sanctions risks). A firm-wide risk assessment considers the risk rating of each jurisdiction; which includes reference to a number of public statements, indices and world governance indicators issued by the UN, the European Union, the UK Government, the Financial Action Task Force and several Non-Government Organisations (NGOs), such as Transparency International and the Basel Committee.

In addition, new counterparties were reviewed by Schroders' Credit Risk team and approval of a new counterparty was based on a holistic review of the various sources of information available, including, but not limited to, quality of management, ownership structure, location, regulatory and social environment to which each counterparty is subject, and the degree of development of the local banking system and its regulatory framework. Ongoing monitoring was performed through a Schroders' proprietary tool, which supports the analysis of a counterparty's management of environmental, social and governance trends and challenges.

Schroders' Credit Risk team monitored the counterparties and during the reference period, to the extent counterparties were removed from the approved list for all funds in line with our policy and compliance requirements, such counterparties were ineligible for use by the Fund in respect of any relevant investments from the date they were removed.



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

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The actions taken during the reference period to meet the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Fund were the following:

- The Investment Manager applied sustainability criteria when selecting investments for the Fund;

- The Investment Manager considered the level of avoided emissions of the Fund when selecting the assets held by the Fund;

- A central good governance test was applied to assess good governance practices of investee companies; and

- The Investment Manager undertook engagements covering one or more of the six priority themes set out in our Engagement Blueprint (Link

https://mybrand.schroders.com/m/3222ea4ed44a1f2c/original/schroders-engagement-blueprint.pdf). A summary of the Fund's engagement activity, including the number of issuers engaged with and the related theme, is shown above in the question 'How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?'. Through our engagement activities, we build relationships and have a two-way dialogue with our investee companies.

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

Reference

benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote. No index was designated as a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the Fund.

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

This question is not applicable for this Fund.

• 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?

This question is not applicable for this Fund.

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

This question is not applicable for this Fund.

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

This question is not applicable for this Fund.

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