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# Sustainability Risks Policy 10 March 2021

as amended

This document sets out the policy for PGIM Real Estate Germany AG (LEI: 529900X2Q4V8EL5EB666), PGIM Luxembourg S.A. (LEI: 549300L5RQD5M18TN802) (the "EU AIFMs") and for PGIM, INC. (LEI: [+] 5493009SX8QJBZYIGB87

) in respect of such fund(s), which are actively marketed into the European Union under a National Private Placement Regime (the "Non-EU AIFM") (together the "AIFMs") on the integration of sustainability risks in our investment decision-making process.

#### 1. Introduction

The EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation ("SFDR") requires the AIFMs to formalise how sustainability is integrated into our business and processes, and to make new public and client-facing disclosures on sustainability matters.

In overview, the AIFM's sustainability values are that we believe that doing the right thing for our people, the environment and our communities leads to better results for all our stakeholders. We strive to embed sustainability related best practices throughout our investment, asset management, risk management, and talent management processes.

This document sets out the AIFM's policies in respect of the integration of sustainability risks in our investment decision-making process, as required by Article 3 SFDR. The policy applies to the AIFMs, and AIFMs and applies in respect of all portfolio and asset management services or AIF management carried on by the AIFMs.

For reference, the AIFMs maintain other policies and documentation related to sustainability, including:

- Principal Adverse Impacts Investment Due Diligence policy, .
- PGIM Real Estate's Global ESG-Sustainability Policy, ٠
- **Remuneration Policy**

This policy applied as from 10 March 2021 and may be amended from time to time.

#### 2. Purpose of this policy

Under SFDR, "sustainability risk" means an environmental, social or governance event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or a potential material negative impact on the value of an investment.

This policy therefore approaches sustainability risk from the perspective of the risk that ESG events might cause a material negative impact on the value of our clients' investments.

The AIFMs recognise that the world faces growing environmental, social, and governance-related risks. A key part of our role as a fiduciary is to act in the best interests of our clients, and this includes appropriately taking account of how those sustainability risks could impact on our clients' investments. This policy therefore establishes our framework to identify, measure, manage and monitor sustainability risks to our clients.

For the purposes of SFDR, sustainability risk is not concerned with the risk of harm that our investment decisions may do externally to sustainability factors. In other words, this policy covers "value" rather than "values". The external harm of investments is covered by a separate regime under SFDR, which considers the principal adverse impacts of a firm's investment decisions on sustainability factors. The AIFMs are compliant with the principal adverse impacts rules under Article 4 SFDR<sub>7</sub> and have separately implemented a due diligence policy on this matter.

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In addition, SFDR is <u>not</u> specifically concerned with the risks that sustainability events may cause to the AIFM's own balance sheet or prudential position. Such risks will be separately covered by the AIFM's enterprise risk management.

# 3. Governance and senior management responsibility

The AIFM's Board of Directors or the Management Board, as applicable, are ultimately responsible for the AIFM's policies and procedures in respect of sustainability. The AIFM's respective executive committee have approved this policy and the related procedures and the AIFM's integration of sustainability risks into investment decision making. The board of PGIM, Inc. has delegated the task to update and amend policies and procedures in respect of sustainability <u>in relation to PGIM</u>, Inc. to the PGIM Global Head of ESG.

### 4. Sustainability risk management

As part of our broader risk management processes when investing and during the holding period of the asset, the AIFMs have implemented procedures to (i) **identify**, (ii) **measure**, (iii) **manage** and (iv) **monitor** sustainability risks.

The AIFM's approach to sustainability risk management is based on (amongst other things) the time horizon for our investments, the types of assets in which we invest, the sectors / geographies in which we invest, and the investment strategies we apply.

# 4.1 Acquisition

#### (A) Identify & Measure

# (1) Real Estate Eequity Investments

Sustainability risk is being considered in the initial acquisition phase, with a strong focus on the energy efficiency and the resiliency of an asset.

For all new investments, assets are "screened" at bid stage from a review of vendor due diligence, where available, and publicly available environmental information. Once under offer, comprehensive and thorough due diligence is completed utilising a standardised scope of works and approved panel of independent specialist consultants. As part of the due diligence review, the likelihood of occurrence of sustainability risks is analysed. This includes a scorecard assessment highlighting the strengths and weaknesses of an asset from <u>a an</u>-sustainability perspective. The relevant risks are broadly divided into the three categories of environmental, social and governance/resilience. The ESG scorecard calculates environment, social and governance/resilience into "below average", "average" and "above average" and requires commentary on notable risks. The ESG score, whilst formulated by the AIFM and using internal analysis, also relies on third-party data sources including <u>physical climate</u>. <u>Moody's ESG Solutions Climate on Demand</u> risk analytics and <u>GRESB</u>.

The investment committee report includes key findings of the due diligence assessments and the output of the asset level ESG scorecard. Any material risks identified are discussed at the committee and underwritten as required, such as through insurance or price adjustment. By embedding this assessment strategy into underwriting, the AIFM is able to quantify, at a high level, the impact of sustainability risks.

Within each of the regions, certain sustainability risk items are considered 'investment critical' i.e. could have a material impact on an investment decision from a regulatory or financial aspect, and where a negative appraisal may preclude investment. To handle these items regionally, decision trees have been developed to support the identification of material risks, consider potential impacts and any mitigation measures which might be required. The investment committee report, alongside the output of the ESG scorecard, presents each of the investment critical items as "critical issue/action", "important issue/action" and "no current issue". Mitigation measures and associated capital expenditure are reported for all "critical issue/action" and "important issue/action". As above, any material risks identified are discussed at committee and underwritten as required.

# (2) Real Estate Debt Investments

Globally, the debt business (commercial and agriculture) performs a screening process similar to the equity business. During the loan structuring and underwriting due diligence, a suite of appropriate third-

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<sup>1</sup> Available at https://www.unglobalcompact.org/what-is-gc/mission/principles <sup>2</sup> Available at https://www.sasb.org/

- 4. Social commitment score: The current methodology ranks companies based on disclosures with regard to diversity, stakeholder satisfaction and community engagement. REITs that currently provide that information in their annual ESG reports are rated on those factors. REITs' portfolio social standings are also assessed, looking at affordable-housing benefits and walkability measures.
- PGIM ESG Platform assessment: A scoring assessment is based on analyst and property manager interactions with REIT management team regarding ESG matters.

# 4.2 Active Ownership

#### (A) Management & Monitoring

#### (1) Real Estate Eequity Investments

Sustainability risks continue to be monitored during annual portfolio reviews and throughout the investment holding period. The relevant risks are broadly divided into the three categories of environment, social and governance. The ESG section of the review process, whilst formulated by the AIFM and using internal analysis, also relies on third-party data sources including <u>physical climate Moody's</u> <u>ESG Solutions Climate on Demand</u> risk analytics and GRESB. By embedding this review into standard processes, the AIFM is able to continue to manage and monitor sustainability risks as they arise.

# (2) Real Estate Delebt Investments

PGIM Real Estate's<sup>3</sup> standardized loan documentation also addresses sustainability risks. In addition to relevant sustainability risks, where applicable and required, the loan asset management team and loan servicer will monitor compliance with the sustainability and financial covenants throughout the life of the loan to ensure that there is continued knowledge and understanding of the assets.

By striving to embed ESG best practices throughout our real estate investment, asset management (e.g. lease structuring), risk management, and talent management processes, as demonstrated above, PGIM Real Estate looks to ensure appropriate protections, even in the event of catastrophic sustainability risk events.

## (1)(3) Fund of Funds

Post investment, the following sustainability risk monitoring activities are performed:

- Portfolio companies: on a quarterly basis, portfolio companies (including newly acquired ones) are
  reviewed against the high-risk industry list and an updated risk-rating is sourced through the third
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   provider. Any increases in risk are subject to additional desktop research or discussion
  with the respective fund manager if appropriate.
- Portfolio GPs: on an annual basis, portfolio GPs are invited to complete a sustainability risk monitoring questionnaire.

#### (4) MiFID

 The ESG score described in the previous section is monitored on a monthly basis. <u>Moreover, Tthe scores</u> are updated annually as part of the GRESB submission;.

# 5. Disclosure of this policy

SFDR requires that the AIFMs must publish on our website information about this policy.

SFDR also requires that the AIFMs must include, in the pre-contractual disclosures for our financial products, a description of the manner in which sustainability risks are integrated into our investment decisions. The AIFMs satisfy this requirement by disclosing a separate summary of this policy in the prospectus or offering document for

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "PGIM Real Estate" refers to the real estate investment management business of PGIM, the principal asset management business of Prudential Financial, Inc. ("PFI"), a company incorporated and with its principal place of business in the United States.

a fund, and the investment management agreement or other terms and conditions for a portfolio management service.

# 6. Transitional Period

This policy is made on [•] and effective as of 1 January 2024 5. From that date it supersedes the policy dated 10.1 Commented [DT2]: Update the date March-January 2024 1.

# 7. Appendix 1: High-risk industries

The AIFM identified industries it deems to carry excessive sustainability risk for private equity investments and established acceptability thresholds of respectively 1% or 5% of a transaction's Fair Market Value ("FMV") depending on the specific risk level of any such industry.

The screening and exclusion principles outlined below represent the AIFM's current process commitment to its clients. This Policy shall not be considered part of the offering documentation for any Fund advised or managed by the AIFM. As such, this Policy is not binding for any of the AIFM's funds... This Policy does not prevent the AIFM to enter in additional or more restrictive commitments in respect to specific funds or clients for example in Limited Partnership Agreements and side letters.

### 7.1 Tier 1 industries

The AIFM or the delegated portfolio managers will not advise its funds and clients to make investments in transactions that, to the AIFM's or the delegated portfolio manager's actual knowledge, are invested in any portfolio company or which, to the actual knowledge of the AIFM\_or the delegated portfolio managers, intend to make an investment into a portfolio company that is principally engaged in the following activities:

- a) the production, trade and/or distribution of controversial weapons such as antipersonnel landmines and / or cluster munitions and of weapons other than in the defense industry of countries that are not designated as
- sanctioned by the US OFAC, the United Nations or the European Union;
- ) the production, distribution and/or trade of pornographic products, or any activity of prostitution;
- c) the production, trade and/or distribution of tobacco (excluding any an underlying portfolio company involved in the supply chain related to the production, sale or distribution of non-tobacco components of tobacco products);
- d) business that is expressly prohibited in international conventions (e.g. conventions on the elimination of all forms
- of racial discrimination and discrimination against women, civil and political rights, economic, environmental,
  - social and cultural rights, rights of the child and the rights of persons with disabilities).

#### 7.2 Tier 2 industries

In addition, the AIFM <u>or the delegated portfolio managers</u> will not advise its funds and clients to make investments in transactions that, to the AIFM's <u>or the or the delegated portfolio manager's</u> actual knowledge, derive in aggregate >5% of their Fair-Market Value from portfolio companies that are principally engaged in:

a) gambling;

- b) the production, trade and/or distribution of alcohol (excluding wine and beer);
- e) oil sands activities, including, but not limited to, oil sands extraction, or a combination of oil sands and coal activity;
- thermal coal mining (including any an underlying portfolio company whose primary business is energy generation through the use of thermal coal) and/or fracking in relation to natural resources;
- e) the production or trade in unbonded asbestos fibers:
- f) drift net fishing in the marine environment using nets in excess of 2.5 km. in length;
- g) the trade of wildlife or wildlife products regulated under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered

Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

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