

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.

Product Name: Vontobel Fund – mtX Sustainable Emerging Markets Leaders

Legal Entity Identifier: 529900WCEMQJKF4XGP13

Environmental and/or social characteristics

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?	
<div><input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> YES</div>	<div><input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="checkbox"/> NO</div>
<div><input type="checkbox"/> It made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: ____%</div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy</div></div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> It made sustainable investments with a social objective: ____%</div>	<div><input checked="" 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 27.9% of sustainable investments</div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> with a social objective</div></div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make any sustainable investments</div>



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

The environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund were met and all binding criteria complied with.

The Sub-Fund promoted environmental and social characteristics by employing several safeguards and evaluating all equity investments against sustainability criteria with hard thresholds required to be met for inclusion. The Investment Manager further promoted environmental and social criteria with an extensive ESG engagement and voting program. Integrating sustainability criteria is a central pillar in the investment process with the aim of improving the long-term risk-return characteristics of the Sub-Fund’s portfolio and supporting elevated social or environmental practices by the investee companies. The Investment Manager is motivated by the understanding that its investments have the potential to affect society and the environment, and that such investments are affected by society and the environment. The Sub-Fund invested in issuers that the Investment Manager considered well-prepared to handle financially material environmental and social challenges, having satisfied minimum pass ESG scores as well as sectoral and norms-based exclusions. It also exceeded its commitments related to carbon emissions.

The Investment Manager applied its Minimum Standards and F-Score Frameworks, as described in the Sub-Fund's *Sustainability-Related Disclosures* on the website, to promote Environmental & Social (E/S) characteristics.

The Sub-Fund has not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and social characteristics that it promotes.

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

● **How did the sustainability indicators perform?**

During the reference period, the attainment of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund has been measured with the sustainability indicators, as presented in the table below:

Sustainability Indicators	Value	Comments
1) Percentage of investments in securities of corporate issuers that derive a non-negligible part of their revenues from products and/or activities excluded by the Sub-Fund	0%	Excluded products and /or activities are indicated in the Sub Fund's website SFDR disclosures
2) Percentage of investments in companies that pass the minimum ESG score (as evaluated using the "Minimum Standards Framework", the Investment Manager's proprietary ESG evaluation framework, minimum is set at 2.4 out of 5).	100%	The Sub-Fund holds Alrosa, which has a below threshold ESG score. Due to sanctions, the position cannot yet be traded and the Investment Manager therefore awaits an opportunity to sell the position. However, as it has no weight in the fund it does not impact the value shown.
3) Percentage of investments in companies evaluated as having an overriding Fail Score under the "Minimum Standards Framework"	0%	
4) Percentage of investments in companies with an F-Score evaluated under the F-Score Framework, the Investment Manager's proprietary tool for evaluating critical controversies	0%	
5) Percentage of investments in companies that are in violation of certain global norms and standards promoted by the Sub-Fund or that are exposed to critical controversies (aka Critical ESG Events), (unless the Investment Manager believes reasonable progress can be attained, for example, through active ownership activities). Such controversies may be related to environmental, social or governance issues.	0%	During the reporting period, there were no new Critical ESG Events. The Sub-Fund continues to hold Tencent, which was flagged by one ESG rater as in breach of UNGC but was cleared by Investment Manager's Delegated Committee who opined that the allegations by the ESG rater were not substantiated.
6) Percentage of investments in UN Sanctioned Countries	0%	
7) The Sub-Fund's carbon footprint relative to the benchmark (evaluated on the basis of each issuer's scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions normalized by the company's enterprise value including cash (EVIC) and multiplied by its weight in the portfolio). The sum of such weighted average carbon footprint is calculated and then compared to that of the reference benchmark (MSCI Emerging Markets TR net).	Sub-Fund carbon footprint: 25.7 Benchmark footprint: 131.2	The Sub-fund commits to maintaining a carbon footprint that is at least 20% lower than its reference benchmark.

	The Sub-Fund's footprint was 80% below that of its reference benchmark	
8) Companies' carbon footprint, including Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions normalized by EVIC is compared to the reference benchmark. The Investment Manager then reports on the number of companies who are in the top 30% relative to their reference benchmark and report on these weighted holdings (excluding cash) as representing the Sub-Fund's percentage of sustainable investments.	27.90%	Threshold required is 15%
9) Percentage of securities covered by ESG analysis	100%	
10) Percentage of potential investments excluded via the top-down exclusions applied to the starting universe plus via the sustainability screening applied in a bottom-up approach to the smaller sub-set of companies that passed the fundamental, financial assessment.	4.9% of companies were excluded via screening 24.8% of companies failed the ESG screening by Investment Manager's Analysts	4.9% and 24.8% can't be summed as they are taken from different lists. ESG analysis is only conducted on the narrower universe of companies that have passed fundamental screens

● **... And compared to previous periods?**

Financial year of the Fund ending on 31 August	2024	2023
Sustainability Indicators	Value	Value
1) Percentage of investments in securities of corporate issuers that derive a non-negligible part of their revenues from products and/or activities excluded by the Sub-Fund	0%	0%
2) Percentage of investments in companies that pass the minimum ESG score (as evaluated using the "Minimum Standards Framework", the Investment Manager's proprietary ESG evaluation framework, minimum is set at 2.4 out of 5).	100%	100%
3) Percentage of investments in companies evaluated as having an overriding Fail Score under the "Minimum Standards Framework"	0%	0%
4) Percentage of investments in companies with an F-Score evaluated under the F-Score Framework, the Investment Manager's proprietary tool for evaluating critical controversies	0%	0%

5) Percentage of investments in companies that are in violation of certain global norms and standards promoted by the Sub-Fund or that are exposed to critical controversies (aka Critical ESG Events), (unless the Investment Manager believes reasonable progress can be attained, for example, through active ownership activities).	0%	0%
6) Percentage of investments in UN Sanctioned Countries	0%	0%
7) The Sub-Fund's carbon footprint relative to the benchmark (evaluated on the basis of each issuer's scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions normalized by the company's enterprise value including cash (EVIC) and multiplied by its weight in the portfolio). The sum of such weighted average carbon footprint is calculated and then compared to that of the reference benchmark (MSCI Emerging Markets TR net).	Sub-Fund carbon footprint: 25.7 Benchmark footprint: 131.2 The Sub-Fund's footprint was 80% below that of its reference benchmark	Sub-Fund carbon footprint: 23.58. Benchmark footprint: 66.22 The Sub-Fund's footprint was 64% below that of its reference benchmark
8) Companies' carbon footprint, including Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions normalized by EVIC is compared to the reference benchmark. The Investment Manager then reports on the number of companies who are in the top 30% relative to their reference benchmark and report on these weighted holdings (excluding cash) as representing the Sub-Fund's percentage of sustainable investments.	27.90%	35.90%
9) Percentage of securities covered by ESG analysis	100%	100%
10) Percentage of potential investments excluded via the top-down exclusions applied to the starting universe plus via the sustainability screening applied in a bottom-up approach to the smaller sub-set of companies that passed the fundamental, financial assessment.	4.9% of companies were excluded via screening 24.8% of companies failed the ESG screening by Investment Manager's Analysts	7.0% of companies were excluded via screening 32.8% of companies failed the ESG screening by Investment Manager's Analysts

● ***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 objective of the Sub-Fund's partial sustainable investments strategy is to support climate change mitigation and the transition to the low-carbon economy by identifying issuers that are in the lowest 30% of carbon footprint (sc.1+2) relative to their reference benchmark and maintaining a carbon footprint that is at least 20% lower than that of its reference benchmark. The Sub-Fund exceeded its targets by holding 27.9% of issuers with lowest (smallest 30%) carbon footprint, as against a commitment of 15%. The Sub-Fund's total carbon footprint was 80% below that of its Benchmark, and thus also exceeded its goal to beat the benchmark by 20%. Calculation approach is provided in the pre-contractual disclosures

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

In order to ensure that the Sustainable Investments of the Sub-Fund do not cause significant harm to any environmental or social investment objective, the Sub-Fund takes into account all the mandatory principal adverse impacts indicators and ensures that the Sub-Fund's investments are aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights as further outlined below.

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

For the Sustainable Investments that the Sub-Fund partially made, the Investment Manager took into account the adverse impacts on sustainability factors by applying an extensive screening using all mandatory and multiple additional Principle Adverse Impact indicators (PAI) (from SFDR RTS Annex I). The assessment is based on a two-step approach. In an initial step, potential negative impacts associated with an investment are identified. If these impacts can be mitigated, the process proceeds to a second step in which the Investment Manager conduct a rigorous analysis of mitigation measures implemented by the companies in question. If a company is flagged for potential negative impacts and lacks appropriate mitigation measures, it does not pass the DNSH test. Consequently, such companies are excluded from being considered sustainable investments. To facilitate these assessments, the Investment Manager relies on a combination of reputable data sources, including in-house research, ESG data providers, news alerts, and issuer reported data. Where no reliable third-party data was available, the Investment Manager made reasonable estimates or assumptions. No investment was identified as having a critical and poorly managed impact in any of the considered principal adverse impacts areas during the reference period.

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

The Sub-Fund has a controversy monitoring process in place, that among others takes into account the alignment with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. This process is based on third party data and may be complemented by the Investment Manager's own ESG research capabilities. The Sub-Fund excludes issuers that are (i) in violation of the norms and standards (defined under the investment strategy section) promoted by the Sub-Fund; (ii) involved in critical controversies. Unless, in either case, the Investment Manager has identified a positive outlook (i.e., through proactive response by the issuer, proportionate rectification measures already announced or taken, or through active ownership activities with reasonable promise of successful outcomes).

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no 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 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.

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

The Investment Manager considered the following adverse sustainability indicators for the Sub-Fund's investment strategy:

Table	Number	Principal Adverse Impact Indicator
1	1	Scope 1 GHG emissions
1	1	Scope 2 GHG emissions
1	2	Carbon footprint
1	3	GHG intensity of investee companies
1	4	Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector
1	5	Share of non-renewable energy consumption
1	5	Share of non-renewable energy production

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.

1	6	Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector NACE A-H and L
1	7	Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas
1	8	Emissions to water
1	9	Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio
1	10	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
1	11	Share of investments in investee companies without policies to monitor compliance with, or mechanisms to handle grievance/complaints in relation to the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
1	12	Unadjusted gender pay gap
1	13	Board gender diversity
1	14	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons
3	14	Number of identified cases of severe human rights issues and incidents

The Investment Manager applied a process to identify issuers that are exposed to principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors based on in-house research and/or external data sources, including ESG data providers, news alerts, and the issuers themselves.

No investment was identified as having a critical and poorly managed impact in any of the principal adverse impact areas considered.



What were the top investments of this financial product?

The top investments of the Sub-Fund are detailed below:

Largest investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
Samsung Electronics	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	6.27	Korea, Republic Of
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	5.04	Taiwan
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing ADR	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	4.54	Taiwan
Tencent Holdings	Other telecommunications activities	4.16	Cayman Islands
State Bank Of India	Monetary intermediation	3.13	India
Media Tek	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	2.99	Taiwan
Kia	Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	2.85	Korea, Republic Of
Mercadolibre	Agents involved in the sale of a variety of goods	2.85	United States
Trip.com	Activities of holding companies	2.68	Cayman Islands
PT Bank Mandiri Persero TBK	Monetary intermediation	2.50	Indonesia
Alibaba Group Holding	Activities of head offices	2.46	Cayman Islands

The list includes the investments constituting **the greatest proportion of investments** of the financial product during the reference period which is: 01/09/2023-31/08/2024

Bajaj Auto	Manufacture of other transport equipment	2.41	India
Aia Group	Insurance	2.22	Hong-Kong
Haier Smart Home	Activities of head offices	2.20	China
Prio	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	2.14	Brazil

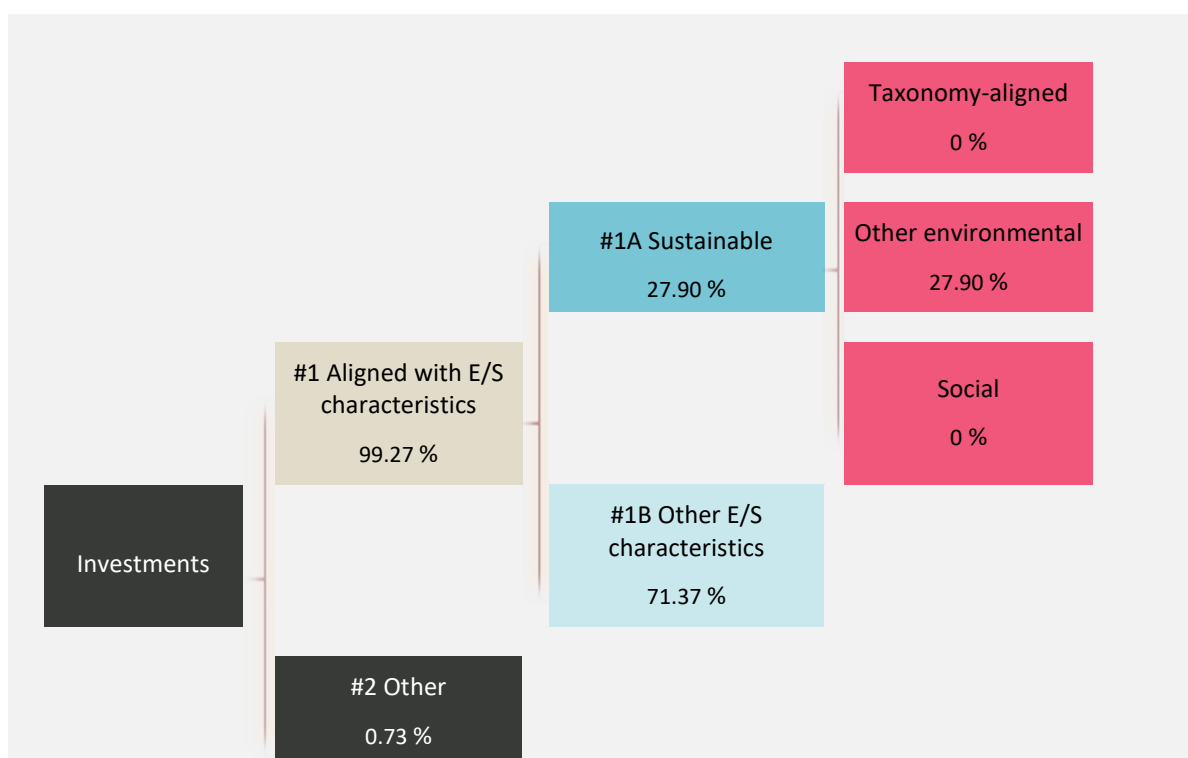
The portfolio proportions of investments presented above are an average over the reference period, based on the Sub-Fund's holdings at the quarter-ends of the financial year.

What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

The proportion of sustainability-related investments was 99.27% (assets aligned with environmental and social characteristics).

What was the asset allocation?

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.



#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.

Depending on the potential usage of derivatives as part of this Sub-Fund's investment strategy, the exposure detailed above could be subject to variability as the portfolio's total value of investments (NAV) may be impacted by the Mark to Market of derivatives. For more details on the potential usage of derivatives by this Sub-Fund, please refer to its pre-contractual disclosures and the investment policy described in the Sales Prospectus.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

The Sub-Fund's investments were made in the economic sectors detailed below:

Top sector	Sub- sector	Proportion (%)
Manufacturing	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	26.45
Financial and insurance activities	Activities of holding companies	9.59
Financial and insurance activities	Monetary intermediation	9.47
Professional, scientific and technical activities	Activities of head offices	8.94
Information and communication	Other telecommunications activities	4.16
Manufacturing	Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	2.85
Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	Agents involved in the sale of a variety of goods	2.85
Mining and quarrying	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	2.61
Manufacturing	Manufacture of other transport equipment	2.41
Manufacturing	Manufacture of electrical equipment	2.38
Financial and insurance activities	Insurance	2.22
Manufacturing	Manufacture of beverages	2.21
Construction	Development of building projects	2.18
Financial and insurance activities	Other financial service activities, except insurance and pension funding	1.83
Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	Wholesale of electronic and telecommunications equipment and parts	1.77
Information and communication	Software publishing	1.66
Information and communication	Wired telecommunications activities	1.53
Manufacturing	Manufacture of paper and paper products	1.38
Manufacturing	Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	1.31
Information and communication	Data processing, hosting and related activities; web portals	1.20
Information and communication	Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	1.19
Financial and insurance activities	Activities auxiliary to financial services, except insurance and pension funding	1.19
Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	Wholesale of other machinery and equipment	1.18
Manufacturing	Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	1.17
Real estate activities	Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis	1.03
total of remaining sectors with a proportion < 1.0%		3.55

The portfolio proportions of investments presented above are an average over the reference period.

2.61% of the total value of investments (NAV) were in companies involved in sectors that could be connected to non-renewable energy sources, such as "Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply (NACE code D)", "Mining and quarrying (NACE code B)" or "Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products (NACE code C19)". It's important to note that even companies categorized under different NACE codes might still have some involvement with non-renewable energy-related activities, even if it's not their main focus. Additionally, the Sub-Fund might invest in bonds labeled as green, social, or sustainability bonds. These bonds typically fund projects unrelated to non-renewable energy, even if the companies issuing them can be active in sectors with potential links to non-renewable energy sources.



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

● *Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy?*¹

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for **fossil gas** include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For **nuclear energy**, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

☐ Yes

☐ In fossil gas

☐ In nuclear energy

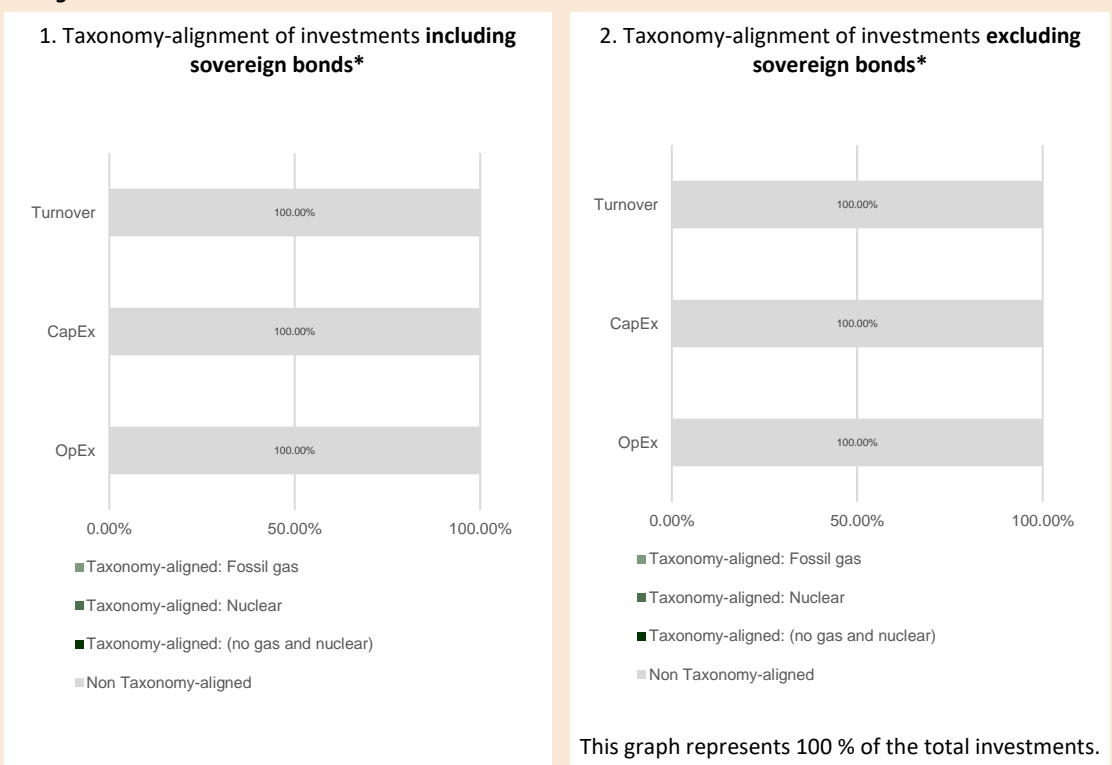
☒ No

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 not significantly harm 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.
- **capital expenditure** (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g for a transition to a green economy.
- **operational expenditure** (OpEx) reflecting green operational 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.*



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

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

The share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities was 0 %.

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

Percentage of investments aligned with EU Taxonomy	
2024	2023
0	0

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 not aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 27.9% for this Sub-Fund.

The investment manager did not make a commitment to investments under the reporting scope of the EU Taxonomy and did not have sufficient information to conclude an assessment on this.

What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The Sub-Fund invested 0% in sustainable investments with a social objective.



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

The “Other” investments represented 0.73% of the Sub-Fund’s Net Asset Value and consisted of:

- Cash (0.73%) and cash equivalent investments, for liquidity management purposes.

Environmental or social safeguards were applied and assessed on all “other” assets except on (i) non single name derivatives, (ii) on UCITS and/or UCIs managed by other management company and (iii) on cash and cash equivalent investments described above.



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

The binding elements of the investment strategy used for the selection of the investments to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this Sub-Fund have been monitored throughout the reporting period.

To support the promotion of environmental and social characteristics, the Investment Manager engages actively on voting and engagement on areas of sustainability-related risks. The Sub-Fund has an engagement coverage of 55% (based on engagement during the reporting period, for holdings as at August 30, 2024) of its holdings via the direct engagement of the Investment Manager and its third-party specialist engagement partner.

The Investment Manager also has a dedicated process to actively vote on all company ballots following review by financial and ESG analysts, incorporating sustainability considerations where relevant. The Sub-Fund thereby voted in 100% (80 meetings) in the reporting period (a de-minimis figure <2% of ballots are sometimes rejected for technical reasons).



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.

The Sub-Fund has not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether this Sub-Fund is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes.