

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

### Summary

UNIQA Life Insurance applies its Responsible Investment Strategy to all assets it manages for its clients. However, given the regulatory framework and product specific restrictions for some products, the exclusion constraints and sustainability targets as well as the time frame to achieve these might differ.

For this report UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH considers principle adverse impacts for all direct investments and has included externally managed funds for the first time for 2023.

UNIQA Life Insurance assesses the adverse impacts of its investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters as well as respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery concerns which its investment decisions have or may have.

The report shows the data on specific principal adverse impact factors and describes UNIQA Life Insurance approach to mitigate these effects.

### Financial market participant

UNIQA Life Insurance

### Financial market participant identifier

(LEI): 529900JXZ3AOURHL8Z49

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01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023

### Description of the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors

UNIQA Life assesses the adverse impacts of its investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters as well as respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery concerns which its investment decisions have or may have. Specifically, these impacts are defined by the EU as “negative, material, or likely to be material effects on sustainability factors that are caused, compounded by, or directly linked to investment decisions and advice performed by the legal entity.”

### **Description of policies to identify and prioritise principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors**

The adverse impacts on sustainability factors are prioritized according to its materiality towards UNIQA Life Insurance objectives. Specifically, UNIQA Life Insurance identifies climate change as one of the most significant materials ESG risks and has thus focused on monitoring and due diligence regarding PAI mandatory corporate indicators 1-4. This is addressed through an overall climate strategy, which includes reducing portfolio emission intensity, as well as phasing out fossil fuel investments. Moreover, UNIQA Life Insurance as part of UNIQA Group is committed to set SBTi approved targets for all investments.

Another indicator UNIQA Life Insurance focuses on is the "Violations of UNGC & OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises" A commitment to respect the UN Global Compact principles and the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises does not allow for new direct investments in corporate issuers involved in severe and structural breaches of norm-based criteria in the areas of governance, human rights, labour rights and environment as well as bribery and corruption.

Furthermore, UNIQA Life Insurance PAI due diligence also excludes new direct investments in corporate issuers involved in the development, production, use, maintenance, offering for sale, distribution, import or export, storage or transportation of controversial weapons.

For sovereign issuers, UNIQA Life Insurance monitors "Non – Cooperative Tax Jurisdictions" to support the EU in working to promote and strengthen good tax governance mechanisms, fair taxation and global tax transparency in order to tackle tax fraud, avoidance and evasion. Therefore, new direct investments in sovereign issuers located in jurisdictions that the EU considers to be non-cooperative on tax purposes, are excluded.

### **Other indicators for principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors**

Other mandatory PAI indicators, though not specifically addressed in UNIQA Life Insurance Responsible Investment Strategy, are incorporated in the monitoring of ESG scores and the consideration of these scores are part of the investment decision-making of new investments. Moreover, norms-based screening and engagement also addresses severe violations related to these indicators.

### **Engagement policies**

#### **Proxy Voting**

UNIQA Life Insurance have no or very limited exposure to direct equity holdings of listed companies and the exposure is therefore not significant in terms of overall assets. As a general Policy, UNIQA Life Insurance does not disclose any shareholder votes in compliance with § 185 and § 186 Börsegesetz (Austrian Securities Exchange Act).

#### **Engagement Policy**

To mitigate investment exposure to ESG risks, UNIQA Life Insurance engages individual corporate issuers on climate issues bilaterally and collaboratively with the CA100+ initiative. In addition, asset managers are engaged on a collaborative platform within the Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance.

### **References to international standards**

UNIQA Life Insurance approach to integrating ESG considers the latest comprehensive methods of sustainable investment, specifically in the insurance and pension industry, relevant national and international standards (e.g., Sustainable Development Goals, UNGC, OECD, UNPRI, UN Net-Zero Asset Owner Alliance and Austria's Green Finance Alliance), as well as the EU regulatory framework (e.g., SFDR, EU Action Plan for Financing Sustainable Growth).

UNIQA Life Insurance as part of the UNIQA Group is a member of the UN Global Compact, the Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance, the UN Principles of Responsible Investment and the Austrian Green Finance Alliance and has recently joined Climate Action 100+.

### **Historical comparison**

The first report for principal adverse impacts of investments on sustainability factors is published on 30.06.2023. Annual comparisons will be published on a continuous basis in the following years thereafter.

### **Governance**

UNIQA Life Insurance is responsible for setting UNIQA Group's ESG guidelines, which are updated annually.

In order to monitor the adherence to this guideline and develop it further, given that sustainable investment is constantly evolving, UNIQA Life Insurance has set up a "Responsible Investment Steering Committee", which consists of the Head of Group Asset Management as Chairman, members of Group Asset Management's ESG and Portfolio Management Teams and the Head of Sustainability Management of UNIQA Group. The Responsible Investment Steering Committee meets at least annually to review and discuss ESG issues, the development of the assets' ESG quality and any potentially necessary corrective measures. In addition, the Committee sets short-term as well as long-term ESG targets for selected key indicators.

### Data Sources

This report is based on data from the ESG data provider ISS ESG. UNIQA Life Insurance is reliant on the data quality provided by the data provider and conducts checks related to the reliability of these data.

The PAI indicators data include externally managed funds for the first time for 2023.

<b>Indicators applicable to investments in investee companies</b>				
<b>Adverse sustainability indicator</b>		<b>Metric</b>	<b>Impact Year 2023<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Impact Year 2022</b>
<b>CLIMATE AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT-RELATED INDICATORS</b>				
Greenhouse gas emissions	1. GHG emissions	Scope 1 GHG emissions	1 033.95	354.72
		Scope 2 GHG emissions	727.48	254.01
		Scope 3 GHG emissions	17 992.91	2 639.36
		Total GHG emissions	19 754.33	3 248.09
	2. Carbon footprint	Carbon footprint	489.10	224.05
	3. GHG intensity of investee companies	GHG intensity companies	871.54	576.77
	4. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	7.55%	6.96%

Greenhouse gas emissions	5. Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production	Share of non-renewable energy consumption and non-renewable energy production of investee companies from non-renewable energy sources compared to renewable energy sources, expressed as a percentage of total energy sources	42.93%	71.13%
	6. Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector	Energy consumption in GWh per million EUR of revenue of investee companies, per high impact climate sector		
		A. Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing	0.00	0.00
		B. Mining and Quarrying	0.83	0.00
		C. Manufacturing	0.25	0.62
		D. Electricity, Gas, Steam, and Air Conditioning Supply	0.61	0.95
		E. Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management, and Remediation Activities	0.00	0.00
		F. Construction	0.00	0.00
		G. Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	0.06	0.00
		H. Transportation and Storage	0.78	1.58
		L. Real Estate Activities	0.65	0.03



### **Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

The main reason for the increase in each of Scope 1, 2 & 3 emissions is an increase in coverage for the available data. This increase is even more substantial for Scope 3 emissions.

When comparing the carbon footprint of our portfolio, the value has increased, but mainly due to Scope 3 emissions from our investees. The carbon footprint of Scope 1 & 2 has decreased from 2022 to 2023.

A similar trend can be seen in the GHG intensity of investee companies in our portfolio. The intensity increase is mainly due to the increase of Scope 3 GHG intensity of investee companies despite the decrease in Scope 1 & 2 GHG intensity. As mentioned, UNIQA Group has set targets to reduce Scope 1 & 2 GHG intensity of investee companies, which were reached.

6. These indicators changed due to an increase in coverage as investee reporting becomes more detailed. Nevertheless, a lack of data availability for this indicator remains.

### **Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

#### **Decarbonisation Targets**

UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH as part of UNIQA Group is a member of the UN-convened Net-Zero Asset Owners Alliance committed to transitioning its investments to net-zero GHG emissions by 2050 - consistent with a maximum temperature rise of 1.5°C. In line with this membership, the Group has set targets to reduce carbon emission intensity (Scope 1&2 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/million € revenue) for single equity and corporate bond investments by 15% by 2025 (base year 2021). Scope 3 emissions are regularly monitored, but as the availability and reliability of the data is still limited, no portfolio targets have been set yet.

Moreover, as part of the Group's Green Finance Alliance (GFA) membership, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH has set short-term Science Based Target Initiatives (SBTi) validated targets in aligning our investments with 1.5°C. This is conducted predominantly by increasing the percentage of corporate issuers in investments that have set their own science-based targets.

#### **Decarbonisation Initiatives**

In order to reach these targets, in addition to constant monitoring of climate-related KPIs, the Group is actively focusing on engaging high emitting companies in the portfolio. This is done through direct bilateral engagement as well as collaboratively as part of the Climate Action 100+ membership. UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH has also set new investment guidelines for high-emitting issuers to have either a prime ESG score, an ambitious or SBTi recognised emission reduction target, or represent securities considered to be sustainable investments as per UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH's definition.

#### **Fossil Fuel Phase-out**

UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH has also implemented a fossil fuel phase-out strategy, whereby thermal coal producers and companies generating power from coal have been phased-out from on-balance sheet investments. On oil, unconventional petroleum projects will not be financed starting 2022 and no investments in projects with the aim to expand oil infrastructure or in companies

generating >30% of revenues from the oil sector will be made after 2024. Moreover, any company generating >5% of revenues from activities in the oil sector will be phased-out by the end of 2030. On natural gas, there will be no new investments in projects with the aim to expand natural gas infrastructure or companies generating >30% of revenues from the gas sector after 2025. Moreover, any company generating >5% of revenues from activities in the natural gas sector will be phased-out by the end of 2035 (exclusions exist for businesses and projects in line with the EU Taxonomy, SBTi and the Paris Agreement).

#### Sustainable Investments

Finally, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH as part of UNIQA Group has also set a target to increase its financing of sustainable investments, which include investments in renewable infrastructure investments and green bonds. These investments finance transition activities, including the increase in renewable energy capacities.

<b>Indicators applicable to investments in investee companies</b>					
<b>Adverse sustainability indicator</b>			<b>Metric</b>	<b>Impact Year 2023<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Impact Year 2022</b>
<b>CLIMATE AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT-RELATED INDICATORS</b>					
Biodiversity	7.	Activities negatively affecting biodiversity- sensitive areas	Share of investments in investee companies with sites/operations located in or near to biodiversity-sensitive areas where activities of those investee companies negatively affect those areas	4.03%	0.00%
Water	8.	Emissions to water	Tonnes of emissions to water generated by investee companies per million EUR invested, expressed as a weighted average	42.93	0.29
Waste	9.	Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio	Tonnes of hazardous waste and radioactive waste generated by investee companies per million EUR invested, expressed as a weighted average	0.00	3.64

#### Explanation<sup>2</sup>

7. This indicator changed due to an increase in coverage as investee reporting becomes more detailed. Nevertheless, a lack of data availability for this indicator remains.

8. The emissions to water indicator has slightly decreased and through our overall ESG approach, we expect this figure also to remain low in future years. Nevertheless, a lack of data availability for this indicator remains.

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**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH's responsible investment strategy does not specifically take this factor into consideration, but it is evaluated within the overall ESG Score, which is part of the investment decision making process. The ESG Score includes environmental factors related to biodiversity, water and hazardous waste. Moreover, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH excludes new investments in companies found with severe violations of UNGC/OECD norms which may include environmental or social violations related to these issues. For existing assets found to be in severe violation of these norms, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue.

<b>INDICATORS FOR SOCIAL AND EMPLOYEE, RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ANTI-BRIBERY MATTERS</b>				
Social and employee matters	10. Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.83%	0.12%
Social and employee matters	11. Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies without policies to monitor compliance with the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises or grievance/complaints handling mechanisms to address violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	99.75%	3.80%
	12. Unadjusted gender pay gap	Average unadjusted gender pay gap of investee companies	0.61%	15.56%
	13. Board gender diversity	Average ratio of female to male board members in investee companies, expressed as a percentage of all board members	0.00%	44.63%



	14. Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons	0.00%	0.00%
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**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

10. and 11. The main reason of a decrease in violations is that our ESG limits exclude new investments in issuers considered to be in violation of the UNGC and OECD Principle.

Despite this, the share of companies without processes or compliance mechanisms has increased during the year, as more detailed corporate reporting becomes available.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH as part of UNIQA Group has been a signatory to the UN Global Compact since 2020 and continues to be committed to the Ten Principles in the areas of human rights, labour rights, environment and anti-corruption. Moreover, norms-based screening is part of UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH's Responsible Investment Strategy, which identifies investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UN Global Compact principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. New investments in companies with severe violations are excluded. For existing assets found to be in severe violation of these norms, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue.

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

12. and 13. Figures on gender diversity and pay gap had worsened from 2023-2022. Our ESG investment policy currently does not explicitly focus on gender diversity issues, but we believe that future improvements in the related indicators are to be expected based on our overall ESG approach as well as the increased focus that our investee companies are allocating to address gender diversity issues.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH's responsible investment strategy does not specifically take this factor into consideration, but it is evaluated within the overall ESG Score, which is part of the investment decision making process. The ESG Score includes social factors related to gender-equality. Moreover, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH excludes new investments in companies found with severe violations of UNGC/OECD norms which may include social violations related to these issues. For existing assets found to be in severe violation of these norms, UNIQA Capital Markets GmbH takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue.

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

14. Exposure to controversial weapons remain at zero as UNIQA Group excludes such investments.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

UNIQA Life Insurance's responsible investment strategy does not allow for new direct investments nor to hold assets in corporate issuers involved in the development, production, use, maintenance, offering for sale, distribution, import or export, storage or transportation of controversial weapons related to any of the following weapon categories: anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons.

Indicators applicable to investments in sovereigns and supnationals				
Adverse sustainability indicator		Metric	Impact Year 2023	Impact Year 2022
Environmental	15. GHG intensity	GHG intensity of investee countries	372	280
Social	16. Investee countries subject to social violations	Number of investee countries subject to social violations (absolute number and relative number divided by all investee countries), as referred to in international treaties and conventions, United Nations principles and, where applicable, national law	46.19% (35)	46.21% (36)

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

15. The CO2e emission intensity for countries has increased stongly, due to a change in the calculation methodology of our data provider. As of 2023 it includes Scope 1, 2 & 3 emissions, while data for 2022 included only Scope 1 emissions.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

UNIQA Life Insurance monitors the production emissions of its investee countries. Moreover, as part of its membership of the Net-Zero Asset Owners Alliance, UNIQA Life Insurance takes part in working groups assessing the appropriate emission metrics, targets and strategies related to sovereign investments in order to transition investments to net-zero GHG emissions by 2050 - consistent with a maximum temperature rise of 1.5°C.

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

16. The share of countries with social violations has remained stable and as part of our overall ESG approach, we expect this figure to reduce in future years.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

UNIQA Life Insurance has defined the scope of these violations to include issues related to freedom of association, discrimination, freedom of speech, death penalty, child labour as well as human and labour rights. Currently, UNIQA Life Insurance's responsible investment strategy does not specifically take these factors into consideration, but these factors are included in the overall ESG score of each country, which is being monitored for investee countries.

<b>Indicators applicable to investments in real estate assets</b>				
<b>Adverse sustainability indicator</b>		<b>Metric</b>	<b>Impact Year 2023</b>	<b>Impact Year 2022</b>
Fossil fuels	17. Exposure to fossil fuels through real estate assets	Share of investments in real estate assets involved in the extraction, storage, transport or manufacture of fossil fuels		
Energy efficiency	18. Exposure to energy-inefficient real estate assets	Share of investments in energy- inefficient real estate assets		
<b>Additional climate and other environment-related indicators</b>				
<b>Indicators applicable to investments in investee companies</b>				
<b>CLIMATE AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT-RELATED INDICATORS</b>				
<b>Adverse sustainability indicator</b>		<b>Metric</b>	<b>Impact Year 2023</b>	<b>Impact Year 2022</b>
Emissions	4. Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives	Share of investments in investee companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives	54.33%	40.67%

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

4. The percentage of investee companies without carbon emission initiatives has increased during the year. Despite this, UNIQA is engaging with its highest financed emitters to ensure that they set science-based emission reduction targets and in the long term, this indicator is expected to decrease.

### Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period

UNIQA Life Insurance as part of UNIQA Group is committed to setting science-based emission reduction targets for its investment portfolio as part of the Science-Based Targets initiative (SBTi). This includes increasing the proportion of investee companies to have set emission reduction targets approved by the SBTi. To do so, the active ownership strategy engages investee companies to set science-based targets.

<b>Additional indicators for social and employee, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters</b>				
<b>INDICATORS FOR SOCIAL AND EMPLOYEE, RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ANTI-BRIBERY MATTERS</b>				
<b>Adverse sustainability indicator</b>		<b>Metric</b>	<b>Impact Year 2023</b>	<b>Impact Year 2022</b>
Anti-corruption and anti-bribery	16. Cases of insufficient action taken to address breaches of standards of anti-corruption and anti-bribery	Share of investments in investee companies with identified insufficiencies in actions taken to address breaches in procedures and standards of anti-corruption and anti-bribery	8.25%	0.00%
<b>Indicators applicable to investments in sovereigns and supnationals</b>				
<b>Adverse sustainability indicator</b>		<b>Metric</b>	<b>Impact Year 2023</b>	<b>Impact Year 2022</b>
Governance	22. Non-cooperative tax jurisdictions	Investments in jurisdictions on the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes	88.59%	0.02%

<sup>1</sup>Information on impact relates to average data calculated from holdings as of 31.03.2023, 30.06.2023, 30.09. 2023 and 31.12.2023.

<sup>2</sup>Information on the explanation on the differences in impacts 2023 vs 2022.

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

16. Though not explicitly the focus of our targets or limits, our overall ESG approach should ensure that this indicator is kept to zero.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period** As part of UNIQA Group has been a signatory to the UN Global Compact since 2020 and continues to be committed to the Ten Principles in the areas of human rights, labour rights, environment and anti-corruption. Norms-based screening is part of UNIQA Life Insurance's Responsible Investment Strategy, which identifies investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UN Global Compact principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. New investments in companies with severe violations are excluded. For existing assets in the portfolio found to be in severe violation of these norms, UNIQA Life Insurance takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue.

**Explanation<sup>2</sup>**

22. Exposure to sovereign issues in jurisdictions on the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes remain close to zero as this is part of UNIQA Group's ESG limit on new investments.

**Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period**

As part of UNIQA Life Insurance's responsible investment strategy new direct investments in sovereign issuers located in jurisdictions that the EU considers to be non-cooperative on tax purposes, are excluded.