

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 Life Insurance considers principle adverse impacts for all direct investments. Moreover, UNIQA Life Insurance has not included externally managed funds in the calculations of the indicators, due to a lack of reliable data.

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

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Description of the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors

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. 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.

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 currently do not include externally managed funds due to a lack of sufficient data availability UNIQA Life Insurance understands the importance and materiality of the PAI indicators also for such fund investments and will continuously strive to improve the coverage to include them in future PAI statement reporting.

Indicators applicable to investments in investee companies						
Adverse sustainability indicator	Metric		Impact [year 2022] ¹	Impact [year n-1] ²	Explanation ³	Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period
CLIMATE AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT-RELATED INDICATORS						
Greenhouse gas emissions	1.	GHG emissions	Scope 1 GHG emissions	354.72		Decarbonisation Targets UNIQA Life Insurance 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 ₂ 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 Life
			Scope 2 GHG emissions	254.01		
			Scope 3 GHG emissions	2639.36		
			Total GHG emissions	3248.09		
	2.	Carbon footprint	Carbon footprint	224.05		
	3.	GHG intensity of investee companies	GHG intensity of investee companies	576.77		

Greenhouse gas emissions	4.	Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	6.96%		<p>Insurance will implement the Science Based Target Initiatives (SBTi) method for its approach of aligning direct investments with the 1.5°C target. This is conducted predominantly by increasing the percentage of corporate issuers in investments that have set their own science-based targets.</p> <p>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 Life Insurance 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 Life Insurance 's definition.</p>
	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	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			<p>Fossil Fuel Phase-out UNIQA Life Insurance 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</p>
			A	Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing	0.00	
			B	Mining and Quarrying	0.00	
			C	Manufacturing	0.62	
			D	Electricity, Gas, Steam, and Air Conditioning Supply	0.95	
E	Water Supply; Sewerage,	0.00				

Greenhouse gas emissions	Energy consum		Waste Management, and Remediation Activities	0.00	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
		F	Construction	0.00	
		G	Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	0.00	
		H	Transportation and Storage	1.58	

	<p>ption intensit y per high impact climate sector</p>	L	<p>Real Estate Activities</p>	0.03		<p>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).</p> <p>Sustainable Investments Finally, UNIQA Life Insurance 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.</p>
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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	0.00%			UNIQA Life Insurance '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 Life Insurance 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 Life Insurance takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue.
Water	8.	Emissions to water	Tonnes of emissions to water generated by investee companies per million EUR invested, expressed as a weighted average	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	3.64			

INDICATORS FOR SOCIAL AND EMPLOYEE, RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ANTI-BRIBERY MATTERS						
Social and employee matters	10.	Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multina	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.12%		UNIQA Life Insurance 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 U 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.

		tional Enterprises				
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	3.80%			New investments in companies with severe violations are excluded. For existing assets found to be in severe violation of these norms, UNIQA Life Insurance takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue
12.	Unadjusted gender pay gap	Average unadjusted gender pay gap of investee companies	15.56%			UNIQA Life Insurance'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

	13. Board gender diversity	Average ratio of female to male board members in investee companies, expressed as a percentage of all board members	44.63%		making process. The ESG Score includes social factors related to gender-equality. Moreover, UNIQA Life Insurance 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 Life Insurance takes part in collaborative engagements alongside ISS ESG to address the issue.
	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%		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 supranationals

Adverse sustainability indicator			Metric	Impact [year 2022] ¹	Impact [year n-1] ²	Explanation	Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period
Environmental	15.	GHG intensity	GHG intensity of investee countries	280			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.
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	46.21% (36)			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.

Indicators applicable to investments in real estate assets

Adverse sustainability indicator		Metric	Impact [year 2022] ¹	Impact [year n-1] ²	Explanation	Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period
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			

Additional climate and other environment-related indicators							
Indicators applicable to investments in investee companies							
CLIMATE AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT-RELATED INDICATORS							
Adverse sustainability indicator			Metric	Impact [year 2022] ¹	Impact [year n-1] ²	Explanation	Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period
Emissions	4.	Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives	Share of investments in investee companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives	40.67%			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.

Additional indicators for social and employee, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters

INDICATORS FOR SOCIAL AND EMPLOYEE, RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ANTI-BRIBERY MATTERS							
Adverse sustainability indicator			Metric	Impact [year 2022]¹	Impact [year n-1]²	Explanation	Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period
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	0.00%			UNIQA Life Insurance 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.
Indicators applicable to investments in sovereigns and supranationals							
Adverse sustainability indicator			Metric	Impact [year 2022]¹	Impact [year n-1]²	Explanation	Actions taken, and actions planned and targets set for the next reference period
Governance	22.	Non-cooperative tax jurisdictions	Investments in jurisdictions on the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes	0.02%			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.

¹ Information on impact relates to average data calculated from holdings as of 31.03.2022, 30.06.2022, 30.09. 2022 and 31.12.2022.

² Information on impact from previous years will only be calculated and provided starting 06.2024 and thereafter.

³ Information on the explanation on the differences in impacts will only be provided starting 06.2024 and thereafter when comparison of data is possible.

