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## Systematic Dispersion Fund

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

#### Activity report

for the reporting period from 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024

#### Investment objectives and investment policy for achieving the investment objectives

The Fund invests in a base portfolio and a total return swap on a dispersion strategy on the US market. The base portfolio is mainly invested in euro-denominated government bonds (fixed or floating rate notes) with a short (remaining) maturity (up to 2 years) and in money market instruments. Security is key for the base portfolio, which is why investments are only made in investment-grade bonds. In principle, the Investment Ordinance in accordance with the Insurance Supervision Act applies to the selection of the base portfolio. Environmental and social characteristics are also taken into account. To ensure that the Fund only invests in liberal economies where political freedoms and civil rights are guiding principles, only countries with the Freedom House Index status "free" are included. In addition, the Fund only invests in government bonds where the issuer (1) has signed and ratified the Paris Agreement, (2) abides by the Convention on Biological Diversity and (3) complies with the Kyoto Protocol. In addition, only countries with a minimum MSCI ESG rating of "A" are taken into account. Issuers that do not meet these criteria will not be taken into account in the investment process and will be excluded accordingly. This means that only issuers that are top performers in ESG in both transparency and performance will be selected. In addition to the base portfolio, the Fund will invest in a total return swap on a dispersion strategy that aims to benefit from differences in index and individual share volatility. The dispersion strategy takes advantage of the relative value differences in the implied volatilities between an index and the individual index components. Options on an index are sold/bought and options on individual shares are bought/sold. The factors driving these returns are volatility and correlation of individual shares. The environmental and social aspects of the Fund are only applied to the physical part of the portfolio, not to the derivative part. This Fund promotes environmental and social aspects within the meaning of Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation.

#### Structure of the portfolio and material changes during the reporting period

##### Fund structure

	30/09/2024	% of	30/09/2023	% of
	Market value	Fund assets	Market value	Fund assets
Bonds	174,654,870.00	95.16	231,664,150.00	93.09
Swaps	-1,760,059.20	-0.96	-1,250,331.33	-0.50
Bank balances	10,427,763.83	5.68	17,963,405.74	7.22
Interest and dividend claims	576,049.78	0.31	679,050.86	0.27
Other receivables/liabilities	-360,562.72	-0.20	-186,350.59	-0.07
Fund assets	183,538,061.69	100.00	248,869,924.68	100.00

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The Fund was invested in EUR-denominated bonds with a short residual maturity during the reporting period. The portfolio consisted of non-interest-bearing treasury notes and bonds issued by countries in the eurozone, the ESM and the EU. The fund management's portfolio allocation sets great value on a high degree of security and liquidity.

The reporting period was marked by macroeconomic tensions arising from inflation figures that remained too high and collateral damage from the persistently high key interest rates. From June, inflation figures were only slightly above the central banks' target range of around 2% and interest rates in the eurozone had been lowered twice by the end of the reporting period.

The vega-neutral dispersion strategy had a negative impact on the Fund's performance. This is because the realised volatility made a negative contribution, particularly at the end of 2023, due to the surprising strength of the US equity market, and this negative contribution could not be made up for during the reporting period. The correlation premium, on the other hand, made a positive overall contribution over the year as the realised correlation fell. Furthermore, the strategy's conservative orientation limited carrying costs to a manageable level.

#### **Material risks**

##### General market price risks

The price performance or market performance of financial products depends in particular on the development of the capital markets, which in turn is influenced by the general shape of the global economy and the economic and political conditions in the respective countries. The general development of securities prices, especially on a stock exchange, can also be affected by irrational factors such as sentiment, opinion and rumour.

The Ukraine crisis and the resulting market turbulence and sanctions imposed by the industrialised nations against Russia are having a range of different effects on the financial markets in general and on funds in particular. The movements on the stock exchanges are reflected accordingly in the Fund assets (value of the Fund). In addition, uncertainties about the further course of the conflict and the economic consequences of the various sanctions are weighing on the markets.

##### Risks of interest rate change

Investment in fixed-interest securities is associated with the possibility that the market yield level existing at the time a security is issued may change. As a rule, the prices of fixed-interest securities fall when market yields rise above the interest rates at the time of issue. Similarly, if the market yield falls, the prices of fixed-interest securities rise. These price changes cause the current yield on fixed-interest securities to correspond approximately to the current market yield. The extent of this price performance, however, differs depending on the maturity of the fixed-interest securities. Fixed-interest securities with shorter maturities carry a lower interest rate change/price risk than fixed-interest securities with longer maturities.

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#### Default risks/issuer risks

The Fund may suffer losses from the default of an issuer or counterparty. Issuer risk is the effect of particular developments at the issuer that affect the price of a security separately from the general trends in the capital markets. Even if the utmost care is exercised in selecting the securities, losses due to the financial collapse of issuers cannot be ruled out. Counterparty risk includes the risk that a party to a mutual agreement will default on the claim, in whole or in part. This applies to all contracts entered into for the account of the Fund.

#### Credit risks

In the case of bonds, a debtor's rating can change. Depending on whether the credit rating rises or falls, the price of the security may change.

#### Risks in connection with derivative transactions

The company may conduct transactions with derivatives for the account of the Fund both for hedging purposes and for investment purposes. The hedging transactions serve to reduce the overall risk of the Fund, but may also reduce the chances of returns.

Buying and selling options or entering into futures contracts or swaps is associated with the following risks:

- Changes in the price of the underlying asset can reduce the value of an option right or futures contract to the point where it is worthless. The Fund can also suffer losses from changes in the value of the assets underlying a swap.
- Closing out a position with an offsetting transaction, when necessary, generates costs.
- The value of the Fund can be more strongly influenced by the leverage effect of options than would be the case if the underlying assets were acquired directly.
- The purchase of options entails the risk that the prices of the underlying assets might not change as expected, leading to expiry of the option without exercise and consequent loss of the option premium paid by the Fund. When options are sold, there is a risk that the Fund may be obliged to accept/deliver assets at a price that differs from the current market price.
- With futures contracts too, there is a risk that the Fund will suffer losses as a result of unexpected changes in the market price on expiry.

#### **Fund performance**

The main sources of the negative disposal result during the reporting period were realised losses from swaps.

Performance during the reporting period (1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024)<sup>1</sup>.

Unit class X: -0.94%

Unit class I: -1.15%

<sup>1</sup>In-house calculations using the BVI method (not including issuing surcharges). Past performance is not an indicator of future results. Future performance cannot be predicted.

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## Systematic Dispersion Fund

### Balance sheet as at 30/09/2024

Investment focus	Daily value in EUR	% of Fund assets
<b>I. Assets</b>	<b>183,906,981.42</b>	<b>100.20</b>
1. Bonds	174,654,870.00	95.16
<1 year	164,497,595.00	89.63
>=1 year to <3 years	10,157,275.00	5.53
2. Derivatives	-1,760,059.20	-0.96
3. Bank balances	9,217,763.83	5.02
4. Other assets	1,794,406.79	0.98
<b>II. Liabilities</b>	<b>-368,919.73</b>	<b>-0.20</b>
<b>III. Fund assets</b>	<b>183,538,061.69</b>	<b>100.00</b>

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### Statement of assets as at 30/09/2024

Description	ISIN	Market	Quantity or units or currency in '000	Holdings 30/09/2024	Purchases/ Additions in reporting period	Sales/ Disposals	Price	Market value in EUR	% of Fund assets
<b>Portfolio holdings</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>174,654,870.00</b>	<b>95.16</b>
<b>Exchange-traded securities</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>70,742,130.00</b>	<b>38.54</b>
<b>Interest-bearing securities</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>70,742,130.00</b>	<b>38.54</b>
0,8000 % Belgien, Königreich EO-Obl. Lin. 2015(25) Ser. 74	BE0000334434		EUR	5,000	5,000	0 %	98.578	4,928,900.00	2.69
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 13.3.2025	BE0312799712		EUR	5,000	5,000	0 %	98.666	4,933,300.00	2.69
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 8.5.2025	BE0312800726		EUR	5,000	10,000	5,000 %	98.342	4,917,100.00	2.68
2,2000 % Bundesrep.Deutschland Bundesschatzanw. v.22(24)	DE0001104909		EUR	5,000	2,000	0 %	99.829	4,991,450.00	2.72
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 10.1.2025	EU000A3L0VR7		EUR	15,500	17,500	2,000 %	99.139	15,366,545.00	8.37
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 4.10.2024	EU000A3K4EV8		EUR	8,000	10,000	2,000 %	99.982	7,998,560.00	4.36
6,0000 % Frankreich EO-OAT 1994(25)	FR0000571150		EUR	5,000	5,000	0 %	103.643	5,182,150.00	2.82
3,5000 % Frankreich EO-OAT 2010(26)	FR0010916924		EUR	2,500	2,500	0 %	101.808	2,545,200.00	1.39
1,7500 % Frankreich EO-OAT 2014(24)	FR0011962398		EUR	5,000	1,000	0 %	99.775	4,988,750.00	2.72
0,0000 % Niederlande EO-Anl. 2022(26)	NL0015000QL2		EUR	2,500	2,500	0 %	97.197	2,429,925.00	1.32
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2024(24)	NL00150024A5		EUR	7,500	15,000	7,500 %	99.524	7,464,300.00	4.07
1,6500 % Österreich, Republik EO-Bundesanal. 2014(24)	AT0000A185T1		EUR	5,000	3,000	0 %	99.919	4,995,950.00	2.72

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Description	ISIN	Market	Quantity or units or currency in '000	Holdings 30/09/2024	Purchases/ Additions in reporting period	Sales/ Disposals	Price	Market value in EUR	% of Fund assets
<b>Securities admitted to or included in organised markets</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>103,912,740.00</b>	<b>56.62</b>
<b>Interest-bearing securities</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>103,912,740.00</b>	<b>56.62</b>
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/11 f.16.10.24	DE000BU0E105		EUR	8,000	10,000	2,000 %	99.893	7,991,440.00	4.35
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/12 f.20.11.24	DE000BU0E113		EUR	15,000	15,000	0 %	99.590	14,938,500.00	8.14
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.24/01 f.15.01.25	DE000BU0E139		EUR	5,000	10,000	5,000 %	99.130	4,956,500.00	2.70
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.24/02 f.11.12.24	DE000BU0E121		EUR	14,000	14,000	0 %	99.433	13,920,620.00	7.58
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.24/05 f.14.05.25	DE000BU0E170		EUR	10,000	10,000	0 %	98.321	9,832,100.00	5.36
Europäischer Stabilitäts.(ESM) EO-Bills Tr. 7.11.2024	EU000A3JZSV2		EUR	9,500	9,500	0 %	99.666	9,468,270.00	5.16
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0128071075		EUR	5,000	5,000	0 %	99.495	4,974,750.00	2.71
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0128071067		EUR	10,000	10,000	0 %	99.742	9,974,200.00	5.43
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0128071059		EUR	18,000	20,000	2,000 %	99.992	17,998,560.00	9.81
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2024(25)	FR0128227826		EUR	10,000	10,000	0 %	98.578	9,857,800.00	5.37
<b>Total securities</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>174,654,870.00</b>	<b>95.16</b>

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Description	ISIN	Market	Quantity or units or currency in '000	Holdings 30/09/2024	Purchases/ Additions in reporting period	Sales/ Disposals	Price	Market value in EUR	% of Fund assets
<b>Derivatives</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>-1,760,059.20</b>	<b>-0.96</b>
(Holdings shown with a minus sign are sold positions.)									
<b>Swaps</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>-1,760,059.20</b>	<b>-0.96</b>
Claims/liabilities									
<b>Total return swaps</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>-1,760,059.20</b>	<b>-0.96</b>
Long swap on commodity index 05/12/23 / 05/12/24		OTC	EUR	182,901,494				-1,760,059.20	-0.96



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### Statement of assets as at 30/09/2024

Description	ISIN	Market	Quantity or units or currency in '000	Holdings 30/09/2024	Purchases/ Additions in reporting period	Sales/ Disposals	Price	Market value in EUR	% of Fund assets
<b>Bank balances, non-securitised money market instruments and money market funds</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>9,217,763.83</b>	<b>5.02</b>
<b>Bank balances</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>9,217,763.83</b>	<b>5.02</b>
<b>EUR credit balances with:</b>									
State Street Bank International GmbH			EUR	9,217,763.83		%	100.000	9,217,763.83	5.02
<b>Other assets</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>1,794,406.79</b>	<b>0.98</b>
Interest claims			EUR	576,049.78				576,049.78	0.31
Receivables from cash collateral			EUR	1,210,000.00				1,210,000.00	0.66
Other receivables			EUR	8,357.01				8,357.01	0.00
<b>Other liabilities</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>-368,919.73</b>	<b>-0.20</b>
Management fee			EUR	-345,683.81				-345,683.81	-0.19
Custodian fee			EUR	-16,635.92				-16,635.92	-0.01
Auditing expenses			EUR	-6,000.00				-6,000.00	0.00
Publication expenses			EUR	-600.00				-600.00	0.00
<b>Fund assets</b>							<b>EUR</b>	<b>183,538,061.69</b>	<b>100.00 1)</b>
<b>Systematic Dispersion Fund X</b>									
Unit value							EUR	99.14	
Issuing price							EUR	99.14	
Redemption price							EUR	99.14	
Number of units							QTY	1,826,377	

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Statement of assets as at 30/09/2024

Description	ISIN	Market	Quantity or units or currency in '000	Holdings 30/09/2024	Purchases/ Additions in reporting period	Sales/ Disposals	Price	Market value in EUR	% of Fund assets
<b>Systematic Dispersion Fund I</b>									
Unit value							EUR	97.79	
Issuing price							EUR	97.79	
Redemption price							EUR	97.79	
Number of units							QTY	25,209	

Footnotes:

1) Small rounding differences may exist due to rounding of percentage figures.

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**Securities prices or market rates**

The Fund's assets have been valued on the basis of the most recently determined prices/market rates.

**Market code**

OTC	Over-the-Counter
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#### Transactions concluded during the reporting period that no longer appear in the statement of assets: - Purchases and sales of securities, investment units and borrower's note loans (market allocation as at the reporting date):

Description	ISIN	Quantity or units currency in '000	Purchases or Additions	Sales or Disposals	Volume in '000
<b>Exchange-traded securities</b>					
<b>Interest-bearing securities</b>					
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 9.1.2025	BE0312798706	EUR	5,000	5,000	
0,0000 % Frankreich EO-OAT 2018(24)	FR0013344751	EUR	1,000	5,000	
<b>Unlisted securities *)</b>					
<b>Interest-bearing securities</b>					
2,6000 % Belgien, Königreich EO-Obl. Lin. 2014(24) Ser. 72	BE0000332412	EUR	0	10,000	
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 11.1.2024	BE0312792642	EUR	0	10,000	
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 11.7.2024	BE0312795678	EUR	12,500	12,500	
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 7.3.2024	BE0312793657	EUR	5,000	15,000	
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 9.11.2023	BE0312791636	EUR	0	6,000	
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 9.5.2024	BE0312794663	EUR	5,000	15,000	
0,2000 % Bundesrep.Deutschland Bundesschatzanw. v.22(24)	DE0001104883	EUR	2,000	5,000	
0,4000 % Bundesrep.Deutschland Bundesschatzanw. v.22(24)	DE0001104891	EUR	6,000	10,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.22/10 f.18.10.23	DE0001030898	EUR	0	2,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.22/11 f.22.11.23	DE0001030906	EUR	0	11,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/02 f.13.12.23	DE000BU0E006	EUR	0	5,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/03 f.21.02.24	DE000BU0E022	EUR	0	11,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/04 f.20.03.24	DE000BU0E030	EUR	5,000	16,500	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/05 f.17.04.24	DE000BU0E048	EUR	2,000	10,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/06 f.15.05.24	DE000BU0E055	EUR	2,000	10,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/07 f.19.06.24	DE000BU0E063	EUR	16,000	16,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/08 f.17.07.24	DE000BU0E071	EUR	10,000	10,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/09 f.21.08.24	DE000BU0E089	EUR	15,000	15,000	
Bundesrep.Deutschland Unv.Schatz.A.23/10 f.18.09.24	DE000BU0E097	EUR	10,000	10,000	

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#### Transactions concluded during the reporting period that no longer appear in the statement of assets: - Purchases and sales of securities, investment units and borrower's note loans (market allocation as at the reporting date):

Description	ISIN	Quantity or units currency in '000	Purchases or Additions	Sales or Disposals	Volume in '000
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 5.7.2024	EU000A3K4EQ8	EUR	10,000	10,000	
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 6.9.2024	EU000A3K4ET2	EUR	20,000	20,000	
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 7.6.2024	EU000A3K4EP0	EUR	10,000	10,000	
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 8.12.2023	EU000A3K4D90	EUR	0	9,000	
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 8.3.2024	EU000A3K4EC8	EUR	10,000	10,000	
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 9.8.2024	EU000A3K4ER6	EUR	17,500	17,500	
Europäischer Stabilitäts.(ESM) EO-Bills Tr. 21.3.2024	EU000A3JZR92	EUR	20,000	20,000	
Europäischer Stabilitäts.(ESM) EO-Bills Tr. 22.2.2024	EU000A3JZR76	EUR	0	8,000	
Europäischer Stabilitäts.(ESM) EO-Bills Tr. 23.11.2023	EU000A3JZR19	EUR	0	10,000	
2,0000 % Finnland, Republik EO-Bonds 2014(2024)	FI4000079041	EUR	0	2,500	
4,2500 % Frankreich EO-OAT 2007(23)	FR0010466938	EUR	0	9,000	
0,0000 % Frankreich EO-OAT 2020(24)	FR0014001N46	EUR	10,000	14,000	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(23)	FR0127921189	EUR	0	10,000	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0127613505	EUR	0	9,500	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0127613497	EUR	0	9,000	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0127921072	EUR	2,000	10,000	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0127921312	EUR	10,000	10,000	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	FR0127921338	EUR	25,000	25,000	
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2024(24)	FR0128227727	EUR	10,000	10,000	
2,0000 % Niederlande EO-Anl. 2014(24)	NL0010733424	EUR	5,000	7,000	
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2023(23)	NL0015001F08	EUR	0	10,000	
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2023(23)	NL0015001GL1	EUR	0	9,000	
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	NL0015001L75	EUR	10,000	15,000	
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	NL0015001S60	EUR	11,000	11,000	
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2024(24)	NL0015001Z53	EUR	10,000	10,000	
1,7500 % Österreich, Republik EO-Bundesanl. 2013(23)	AT0000A105W3	EUR	0	4,000	
0,0000 % Österreich, Republik EO-Medium-Term Notes 2019(24)	AT0000A28KX7	EUR	0	3,000	

The company ensures that investor interests are not adversely affected by transaction costs by setting a limit for transaction costs based on average Fund volume, and for the portfolio turnover rate, taking into account the investment objectives of this Fund. The company monitors compliance with the limits and takes further measures if they are exceeded.

\*) In the case of unlisted securities, for technical reasons securities held to maturity may also be reported.

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund X

#### Statement of operations (including income equalisation) for the period from 01/10/2023 to 30/09/2024

			Total	Per unit
<b>I. Income</b>				
1. Dividends from domestic issuers (before corporation tax/capital gains tax)	EUR		0.00	0.00
2. Dividends from foreign issuers (before withholding tax)	EUR		0.00	0.00
3. Interest from domestic securities	EUR		1,410,261.64	0.77
4. Interest from foreign securities (before withholding tax)	EUR		4,022,201.59	2.20
5. Interest from domestic liquidity investments	EUR		109,627.16	0.06
6. Interest from foreign liquidity investments (before withholding tax)	EUR		0.00	0.00
7. Income from investment units	EUR		0.00	0.00
8. Income from securities lending and securities repurchase agreements	EUR		0.00	0.00
9. Deduction of domestic corporation tax/capital gains tax	EUR		0.00	0.00
10. Deduction of foreign withholding tax	EUR		0.00	0.00
11. Other income	EUR		389.45	0.00
<b>Total income</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>5,542,479.84</b>	<b>3.03</b>
<b>II. Expenses</b>				
1. Interest on borrowings	EUR		-77,270.30	-0.04
2. Management fee	EUR		-708,634.74	-0.39
- Management fee	EUR	-708,634.74		
- Consultancy fee	EUR	0.00		
- Asset management fee	EUR	0.00		
3. Custodian fee	EUR		-103,937.30	-0.06
4. Auditing and publication expenses	EUR		-9,354.26	-0.01
5. Other expenses	EUR		216,098.48	0.13
- Custodial fees	EUR	-45,591.46		
- Equalisation of ordinary expenses	EUR	267,342.49		
- Other costs	EUR	-5,652.55		
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>-683,098.12</b>	<b>-0.37</b>
<b>III. Ordinary net income</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>4,859,381.73</b>	<b>2.66</b>
<b>IV. Disposals</b>				
1. Realised gains	EUR		1,097,498.26	0.60
2. Realised losses	EUR		-5,562,134.27	-3.05
<b>Gain or loss on disposals</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>-4,464,636.01</b>	<b>-2.45</b>

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund X

<b>V. Realised net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>394,745.72</b>	<b>0.21</b>
1. Net change in unrealised gains	EUR	102,498.18	0.06
2. Net change in unrealised losses	EUR	-404,705.58	-0.22
<b>VI. Unrealised net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>-302,207.40</b>	<b>-0.16</b>
<b>VII. Net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>92,538.32</b>	<b>0.05</b>

### Change in the value of the Fund

**2023/2024**

<b>I. Value of the Fund at the start of the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>247,385,916.06</b>
1. Distribution for the previous year/tax deduction for the previous year	EUR	0.00
2. Interim distributions	EUR	0.00
3. Net cash inflow/outflow	EUR	-66,106,819.27
a) Cash inflows from unit certificate sales	EUR	64,907,680.04
b) Cash outflows from unit certificate redemptions	EUR	-131,014,499.31
4. Income equalisation/expense equalisation	EUR	-298,778.46
5. Net income for the financial year	EUR	92,538.32
of which unrealised gains	EUR	102,498.18
of which unrealised losses	EUR	-404,705.58
<b>II. Value of the Fund at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>181,072,856.65</b>

### Utilisation of Fund earnings

#### Calculation of amount reinvested, in total and per unit

		Total	Per unit
<b>I. Available for reinvestment</b>			
1. Realised net income for the financial year	EUR	394,745.72	0.21
2. Transfer from the Fund	EUR	0.00	0.00
3. Tax deduction for the financial year	EUR	0.00	0.00
<b>II. Reinvestment</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>394,745.72</b>	<b>0.21</b>

## Annual report Systematic Dispersion Fund X

### Comparative overview since launch

Financial year	Units in circulation at the end of the financial year		Fund assets at the end of the financial year		Unit value at the end of the financial year	
2022/2023 *)	Quantity	2,471,897	EUR	247,385,916.06	EUR	100.08
2023/2024	Quantity	1,826,377	EUR	181,072,856.65	EUR	99.14

\*) Launch date 14/11/2022



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### Systematic Dispersion Fund I

#### Statement of operations (including income equalisation) for the period from 01/10/2023 to 30/09/2024

			Total	Per unit
<b>I. Income</b>				
1. Dividends from domestic issuers (before corporation tax/capital gains tax)	EUR		0.00	0.00
2. Dividends from foreign issuers (before withholding tax)	EUR		0.00	0.00
3. Interest from domestic securities	EUR		19,227.00	0.76
4. Interest from foreign securities (before withholding tax)	EUR		54,839.72	2.18
5. Interest from domestic liquidity investments	EUR		1,495.03	0.06
6. Interest from foreign liquidity investments (before withholding tax)	EUR		0.00	0.00
7. Income from investment units	EUR		0.00	0.00
8. Income from securities lending and securities repurchase agreements	EUR		0.00	0.00
9. Deduction of domestic corporation tax/capital gains tax	EUR		0.00	0.00
10. Deduction of foreign withholding tax	EUR		0.00	0.00
11. Other income	EUR		5.31	0.00
<b>Total income</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>75,567.06</b>	<b>3.00</b>
<b>II. Expenses</b>				
1. Interest on borrowings	EUR		-729.63	-0.03
2. Management fee	EUR		-9,786.09	-0.39
- Management fee	EUR	-9,786.09		
- Consultancy fee	EUR	0.00		
- Asset management fee	EUR	0.00		
3. Custodian fee	EUR		-960.26	-0.04
4. Auditing and publication expenses	EUR		-74.66	0.00
5. Other expenses	EUR		-3,203.30	-0.13
- Custodial fees	EUR	-544.76		
- Equalisation of ordinary expenses	EUR	-2,613.57		
- Other costs	EUR	-44.97		
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>-14,753.94</b>	<b>-0.59</b>
<b>III. Ordinary net income</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>60,813.11</b>	<b>2.41</b>
<b>IV. Disposals</b>				
1. Realised gains	EUR		16,248.70	0.64
2. Realised losses	EUR		-77,184.92	-3.06
<b>Gain or loss on disposals</b>	<b>EUR</b>		<b>-60,936.22</b>	<b>-2.42</b>

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund I

<b>V. Realised net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>-123.11</b>	<b>-0.01</b>
1. Net change in unrealised gains	EUR	6,126.70	0.24
2. Net change in unrealised losses	EUR	-44,451.61	-1.76
<b>VI. Unrealised net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>-38,324.91</b>	<b>-1.52</b>
<b>VII. Net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>-38,448.02</b>	<b>-1.53</b>

### Change in the value of the Fund

**2023/2024**

<b>I. Value of the Fund at the start of the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>1,484,008.62</b>
1. Distribution for the previous year/tax deduction for the previous year	EUR	0.00
2. Interim distributions	EUR	0.00
3. Net cash inflow/outflow	EUR	999,999.95
a) Cash inflows from unit certificate sales	EUR	999,999.95
b) Cash outflows from unit certificate redemptions	EUR	0.00
4. Income equalisation/expense equalisation	EUR	19,644.48
5. Net income for the financial year	EUR	-38,448.02
of which unrealised gains	EUR	6,126.70
of which unrealised losses	EUR	-44,451.61
<b>II. Value of the Fund at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>2,465,205.04</b>

### Utilisation of Fund earnings

#### Calculation of amount reinvested, in total and per unit

		Total	Per unit
<b>I. Available for reinvestment</b>			
1. Realised net income for the financial year	EUR	-123.11	-0.01
2. Transfer from the Fund *)	EUR	123.11	0.00
3. Tax deduction for the financial year	EUR	0.00	0.00
<b>II. Reinvestment</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-0.01</b>

\*) The transfer from the Fund was carried out to account for realised losses.

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Systematic Dispersion Fund I

Comparative overview since launch

Financial year	Units in circulation at the end of the financial year		Fund assets at the end of the financial year		Unit value at the end of the financial year	
2023 *)	Quantity	15,001	EUR	1,484,008.62	EUR	98.93
2023/2024	Quantity	25,209	EUR	2,465,205.04	EUR	97.79

\*) Launch date 09/06/2023

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

#### Statement of operations (including income equalisation) for the period from 01/10/2023 to 30/09/2024

				Total
<b>I. Income</b>				
1. Dividends from domestic issuers (before corporation tax/capital gains tax)		EUR		0.00
2. Dividends from foreign issuers (before withholding tax)		EUR		0.00
3. Interest from domestic securities		EUR		1,429,488.64
4. Interest from foreign securities (before withholding tax)		EUR		4,077,041.31
5. Interest from domestic liquidity investments		EUR		111,122.19
6. Interest from foreign liquidity investments (before withholding tax)		EUR		0.00
7. Income from investment units		EUR		0.00
8. Income from securities lending and securities repurchase agreements		EUR		0.00
9. Deduction of domestic corporation tax/capital gains tax		EUR		0.00
10. Deduction of foreign withholding tax		EUR		0.00
11. Other income		EUR		394.76
<b>Total income</b>		<b>EUR</b>		<b>5,618,046.90</b>
<b>II. Expenses</b>				
1. Interest on borrowings		EUR		-77,999.93
2. Management fee		EUR		-718,420.83
- Management fee	EUR		-718,420.83	
- Consultancy fee	EUR		0.00	
- Asset management fee	EUR		0.00	
3. Custodian fee		EUR		-104,897.56
4. Auditing and publication expenses		EUR		-9,428.92
5. Other expenses		EUR		212,895.18
- Custodial fees	EUR		-46,136.22	
- Equalisation of ordinary expenses	EUR		264,728.92	
- Other costs	EUR		-5,697.52	
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>EUR</b>		<b>-697,852.06</b>
<b>III. Ordinary net income</b>		<b>EUR</b>		<b>4,920,194.84</b>
<b>IV. Disposals</b>				
1. Realised gains		EUR		1,113,746.96
2. Realised losses		EUR		-5,639,319.19
<b>Gain or loss on disposals</b>		<b>EUR</b>		<b>-4,525,572.23</b>

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

<b>V. Realised net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>394,622.61</b>
1. Net change in unrealised gains	EUR	108,624.88
2. Net change in unrealised losses	EUR	-449,157.19
<b>VI. Unrealised net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>-340,532.31</b>
<b>VII. Net income for the financial year</b>	<b>EUR</b>	<b>54,090.30</b>

<b>Change in the value of the Fund</b>				<b>2023/2024</b>
<b>I. Value of the Fund at the start of the financial year</b>			<b>EUR</b>	<b>248,869,924.68</b>
1. Distribution for the previous year/tax deduction for the previous year			EUR	0.00
2. Interim distributions			EUR	0.00
3. Net cash inflow/outflow			EUR	-65,106,819.32
a) Cash inflows from unit certificate sales	EUR	65,907,679.99		
b) Cash outflows from unit certificate redemptions	EUR	-131,014,499.31		
4. Income equalisation/expense equalisation			EUR	-279,133.97
5. Net income for the financial year			EUR	54,090.30
of which unrealised gains	EUR	108,624.88		
of which unrealised losses	EUR	-449,157.19		
<b>II. Value of the Fund at the end of the financial year</b>			<b>EUR</b>	<b>183,538,061.68</b>

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

#### Overview of unit class characteristics

Unit class	Minimum investment amount in currency	Issuing surcharge, currently (stated in %) *)	Management fee, currently (stated in % p.a.) *)	Utilisation of earnings	Currency
Systematic Dispersion Fund X	10,000,000	0.00	0.270	Reinvestment	EUR
Systematic Dispersion Fund I	500,000	0.00	0.490	Reinvestment	EUR

\*) The maximum fee can be found in the current prospectus.

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

## Notes pursuant to Section 7(9) of the German Capital Investment Accounting and Valuation Ordinance (KARBV)

### Information according to the German Derivatives Ordinance (DerivateV)

Underlying exposure obtained through derivatives	EUR	1,760,059.20
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#### Counterparties in derivative transactions

Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG (G) (V) - Frankfurt

Securities holdings as a percentage of Fund assets	95.16
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Derivatives holdings as a percentage of Fund assets	-0.96
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Since 14/11/2022, the company has used the qualified approach as defined in DerivateV using reference assets when determining the extent of the market risk for this Fund. The value-at-risk figures were calculated using the historical simulation method with a 99% confidence level and one-day holding period, using an effective historical observation period of one year. Market risk means the risk to which the Fund is exposed due to possibly unfavourable changes in market prices.

#### Potential exposure to market risk in accordance with Section 37(4) DerivateV

lowest potential exposure	0.02 %
highest potential exposure	1.07 %
average potential exposure	0.90 %

Average leverage achieved using derivative transactions during the financial year:	1.94
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#### Composition of the reference portfolio at the reporting date

iBoxx Euro Sovereigns Eurozone (1-3 Y) TR (EUR) (ID: XFIIBOXX0110   BB: QW1E)	80.00 %
VSTOXX Short-Term Futures Inverse Investable ER (EUR) (ID: XFI000003138   BB: VST1MISE)	20.00 %

## Annual report Systematic Dispersion Fund

### Notes pursuant to Section 7(9) of the German Capital Investment Accounting and Valuation Ordinance (KARBV)

#### Other disclosures

##### Systematic Dispersion Fund X

Unit value	EUR	99.14
Issuing price	EUR	99.14
Redemption price	EUR	99.14
Number of units	QTY	1,826,377

##### Systematic Dispersion Fund I

Unit value	EUR	97.79
Issuing price	EUR	97.79
Redemption price	EUR	97.79
Number of units	QTY	25,209

#### Specification of procedures for the valuation of assets

##### Valuation

For currencies, equities, bonds and derivatives that can be traded on a stock exchange or another organised market or can be included within this category, the last available trading price will be taken as a basis in accordance with Section 27 KARBV.

In accordance with Section 29 KARBV, the current values are used as the basis for investment fund units, and the par value or redemption amount is used as the basis for bank balances and liabilities.

Assets that are not admitted to trading on a stock exchange or another organised market, or included in the regulated market or OTC trading on a stock exchange, or for which there is no tradeable price available, are valued pursuant to Section 28 KARBV in conjunction with Section 168(3) of the German Capital Investment Code (KAGB) at a market value that is reasonable upon careful estimation in accordance with suitable valuation models taking the current market conditions into account.

Market value is considered to be the amount for which the asset concerned could be exchanged in a transaction between knowledgeable, willing and independent counterparties.



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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

#### Notes pursuant to Section 7(9) of the German Capital Investment Accounting and Valuation Ordinance (KARBV)

##### Information about transparency and the total expense ratio

###### Total expense ratio

###### Systematic Dispersion Fund X

The total expense ratio (excluding transaction costs) for the short financial year just ended amounts to

0.33 %

The total expense ratio expresses all of the expenses and payments (excluding transaction costs) incurred by the Fund during the course of the year as a percentage of the average net asset value of the Fund.

Flat-rate remuneration paid to the management company or third parties

EUR

0.00

###### Systematic Dispersion Fund I

The total expense ratio (excluding transaction costs) for the short financial year just ended amounts to

0.57 %

The total expense ratio expresses all of the expenses and payments (excluding transaction costs) incurred by the Fund during the course of the year as a percentage of the average net asset value of the Fund.

Flat-rate remuneration paid to the management company or third parties

EUR

0.00

##### Note as required under Section 101(2) No. 3 KAGB (cost transparency)

The company receives the management fee due to it from the Fund assets. A significant portion of the management fee is used to compensate agents selling units in the Fund. The company receives no portion of the fees and expense reimbursements provided to the custodian and third parties by the Fund. The company has not received any non-cash benefits from trading partners in connection with trading activities performed for the Fund.

## Annual report Systematic Dispersion Fund

### Notes pursuant to Section 7(9) of the German Capital Investment Accounting and Valuation Ordinance (KARBV)

#### Material other income and other expenses

##### Systematic Dispersion Fund X

Material other income:	EUR	0.00
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Material other expenses:	EUR	0.00
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##### Systematic Dispersion Fund I

Material other income:	EUR	0.00
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Material other expenses:	EUR	0.00
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#### Transaction costs (total of additional acquisition costs [incidental acquisition costs] and costs from the disposal of assets)

Transaction costs	EUR	1,454.18
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The transaction costs take into account all costs that were shown or settled separately for the account of the Fund in the financial year and are directly related to the purchase or sale of assets.

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### Systematic Dispersion Fund

## Notes pursuant to Section 7(9) of the German Capital Investment Accounting and Valuation Ordinance (KARBV)

### Information about employee remuneration

<b>Total employee remuneration paid by the CMC in the past financial year</b>	<b>in EUR million</b>	<b>84.3</b>
of which fixed remuneration	in EUR million	75.0
of which variable remuneration	in EUR million	9.3
Number of employees of the CMC		998
Amount of carried interest paid	in EUR	0
<b>Total remuneration paid to risk takers by the CMC in the past financial year</b>	<b>in EUR million</b>	<b>4.8</b>
of which executives	in EUR million	3.9
of which other risk takers	in EUR million	0.9

### Remuneration system of the capital management company

Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH is subject to the supervisory requirements applicable to capital management companies in relation to the design of its remuneration system. The company has regulated the design in detail in remuneration guidelines, the aim of which is to ensure a sustainable remuneration system taking sustainable corporate governance into account and to prevent false incentives to enter into excessive risks (including relevant sustainability risks).

The remuneration system of the capital management company is reviewed at least once a year by the Remuneration Committee of Universal Investment in terms of its suitability and compliance with all legal and internal and external regulatory requirements. It comprises fixed and variable elements of the remuneration. The definition of ranges for total target remuneration ensures that there is no significant dependence on variable remuneration, and that there is a suitable ratio of variable to fixed remuneration. Special rules apply to the Management Board of the capital management company and employees whose work has a significant effect on the overall risk profile of the capital management company and the investment funds it manages (risk takers). Risk-relevant employees whose variable remuneration does not exceed a threshold of EUR 50,000 for the respective financial year will receive the variable remuneration in full in the form of a cash payment. If this threshold for risk-relevant employees is exceeded, 40% of the variable remuneration is deferred over a period of three years. The deferred portion of the remuneration is therefore dependent on the risk during this period, which means that it may be reduced in the case of negative contributions to success on the part of the employee or the capital management company as a whole. At the end of each year during the waiting period, the deferred portion of the remuneration is vested pro rata and paid out on the respective payment date.

Insofar as portfolio management is outsourced, no employee remuneration is paid directly from the Fund.

## **Annual report Systematic Dispersion Fund**

### **Notes pursuant to Section 7(9) of the German Capital Investment Accounting and Valuation Ordinance (KARBV)**

#### **Information in accordance with Section 101(2) No. 5 KAGB**

##### **Material medium- to long-term risks**

The information on material medium- to long-term risks is provided in the activity report.

##### **Composition of the portfolio, portfolio turnover and portfolio turnover costs**

Information on the composition of the portfolio is provided within the statement of assets.

The information on portfolio turnover is provided within the statement of assets and within the statement of transactions concluded during the reporting period.

The transaction costs are disclosed in the Notes.

##### **Consideration of the medium- to long-term development of the company in the investment decision**

The selection of individual securities depends on the investment strategy. The contractual basis for investment decisions can be found in the agreed Terms and Conditions of Investment and, if applicable, the investment guidelines. The medium- to long-term performance of the portfolio companies is taken into account if this is stipulated in the contractual terms.

##### **Use of proxy advisors**

For the use of proxy advisors, please refer to the new participation report on the website <https://www.universal-investment.com/en/Corporate/Compliance/Germany/>.

##### **Management of securities lending and the handling of conflicts of interest within the framework of participation in the companies, in particular through the exercising of shareholder rights**

With regard to the basic management of securities lending and the handling of conflicts of interest within the framework of the company's participation, in particular through the exercising of shareholder rights, please refer to our current participation policy on the website <https://www.universal-investment.com/en/Corporate/Compliance/Germany/>.

Frankfurt am Main, 1 October 2024

Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH  
The Management Board

## Annual report

### Systematic Dispersion Fund

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To: Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH, Frankfurt am Main

##### *Audit opinion*

We have audited the annual report of the Systematic Dispersion Fund investment fund, comprising the activity report for the financial year from 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024, the balance sheet and statement of assets as at 30 September 2024, the statement of operations, the statement of appropriation, the development account for the financial year from 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 as well as the comparative overview for the last three financial years, the list of transactions concluded during the reporting period, in so far as these are no longer part of the statement of assets, and the notes.

In accordance with German statutory provisions, we have not taken into account the elements of the annual report mentioned in the "Other information" section of our report when formulating our audit opinion on the annual report.

In our opinion, based on the findings of our audit, the accompanying annual report complies in all material respects with the provisions of the German Investment Code (KAGB) and allows a comprehensive view of the actual circumstances and developments of the investment fund to be obtained in accordance with these regulations. Our audit opinion on the annual report does not extend to the content of the elements of the annual report mentioned in the "Other information" section.

##### *Basis for the audit opinion*

We conducted our audit of the annual report in accordance with Section 102 KAGB and German generally accepted standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the Institute of Auditors (IDW). Our responsibility under these rules and principles is further described in the "Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the annual report" section of our report. We are independent of Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH in accordance with German commercial law and professional regulations and have fulfilled our other German professional obligations in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the annual report.

##### *Other information*

The legal representatives are responsible for the other information. The other information includes the following elements of the annual report:

- the information contained in the annual report and specified as not covered by the audit opinion on the annual report.

Our audit opinion on the annual report does not extend to the other information; accordingly, we do not issue an audit opinion or any other form of audit conclusion on the other information in this report.

## **Annual report Systematic Dispersion Fund**

In connection with our audit, we are obligated to read the other information referred to above and to assess whether the other information

- includes material discrepancies against the elements of the annual report covered by the audit opinion or our audit findings; or
- contains other material misstatements.

### *Responsibility of the legal representatives for the annual report*

The legal representatives of Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH are responsible for the preparation of the annual report, which complies in all material respects with the provisions of the German KAGB, and for ensuring that the annual report gives a comprehensive view of the actual circumstances and developments of the investment fund in accordance with these regulations. In addition, the legal representatives are responsible for internal controls which they deem to be necessary in accordance with these regulations in order to facilitate the presentation of the annual report without material misstatements due to fraud (e.g. manipulation of the accounts and misappropriation of assets) or error.

When preparing the annual report, the legal representatives are responsible for including in the reporting events, decisions and factors which may have a material influence on the further development of the investment fund. This means, among other things, that when preparing the annual report, the legal representatives must assess the continuation of the investment fund by Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH and have the responsibility to disclose facts in connection with the continuation of the investment fund, if relevant.

### *Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the annual report*

Our objective is to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the annual report as a whole is free from material misstatement due to fraud or error, and to issue a report that includes our opinion on the annual report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but not a guarantee, that an audit conducted in accordance with Section 102 KAGB and German generally accepted standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the German Institute of Public Auditors (IDW) will always reveal a material misstatement. Misstatements may result from fraud or error and are considered material if it could be reasonably expected that they would affect, individually or collectively, the economic decisions of users made on the basis of this annual report.

## Annual report Systematic Dispersion Fund

During the audit, we exercise our best judgement and maintain a critical attitude. In addition

- We identify and evaluate the risks of material misstatement, due to fraud or error, in the annual report, plan and perform audit procedures in response to those risks and obtain audit evidence sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion. The risk that material misstatements resulting from fraud will not be detected is greater than the risk that material misstatements resulting from error will not be detected, as fraud may involve fraudulent collusion, counterfeiting, intentional incompleteness, misrepresentation, or the removal of internal controls.
- We gain an understanding of the internal control system relevant to the audit of the annual report in order to plan audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of this system of Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH.
- We assess the appropriateness of the accounting policies used by the legal representatives of Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH in the preparation of the annual report and the reasonableness of the estimates and related disclosures presented by the legal representatives.
- We draw conclusions on the basis of the audit evidence obtained as to whether there is any material uncertainty in connection with events or circumstances that could cast significant doubt on the continuation of the investment fund by Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH. If we conclude that there is a material uncertainty, we are required to make a note of the related disclosures in the annual report or, if the disclosures are inappropriate, to modify our opinion. We draw our conclusions on the basis of the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our audit opinion. However, future events or circumstances may result in the investment fund not being continued by Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH.
- We evaluate the presentation, structure and content of the annual report, including the disclosures and whether the annual report presents the underlying transactions and events in such a way that the annual report provides a comprehensive view of the actual circumstances and developments of the investment fund in accordance with the provisions of the German KAGB.

We discuss with those responsible for monitoring, among other things, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant findings of the audit, including any material deficiencies in the internal control system that we identify during our audit.

Frankfurt am Main, 13 January 2025

Deloitte GmbH  
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

René Rumpelt  
Auditor

Abelardo Rodríguez González  
Auditor

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**Notes pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on securities financing transactions**

**Information for each type of securities financing transaction/total return swap**

		Total return swaps
<b>Income and cost shares</b>		
Income share for the Fund		
	Absolute EUR	-8,249,849.38
	In % of gross income	100
Cost share for the Fund		
	EUR	0.00
Income share for the CMC		
	Absolute EUR	*)
	In % of gross income	-
Cost share for the CMC		
	EUR	-
Income share for third parties (e.g. lending agents)		
	Absolute EUR	**)
	In % of gross income	-
Cost share for third parties		
	EUR	-
<b>Income for the Fund from reinvestment of cash collateral, based on all securities financing transactions and total return swaps (absolute amount)</b>		
	EUR	0.00

\*) Income shares of the CMC are covered by the management fee.

\*\*\*) Income shares of the portfolio manager are covered by the portfolio management fee.



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## Additional disclosures pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on securities financing transactions

### Information on securities financing transactions

#### Total return swaps

##### Market value of total return swaps

Absolute	EUR	-1,760,059.20
In % of Fund assets		-0.96

##### Largest counterparty/counterparties of total return swaps

Rank	Name	Gross volume of open transactions in EUR	Country of residence
1	Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG (G) (V) - Frankfurt	182,901,494.40	Federal Republic of Germany

##### Total return swaps broken down by residual maturity

Maturity band	Gross volume in EUR
<1 day	0.00
>= 1 day to <1 week	0.00
>= 1 week to <1 month	0.00
>= 1 month to <3 months	182,901,494.40
>= 3 months to <1 year	0.00
>= 1 year	0.00
Unlimited	0.00

##### Collateral in connection with total return swaps

The transfer of collateral between the Fund and the counterparties to the total return swaps is based on the agreements made with the respective counterparty in the collateralisation annex to the master agreement for financial transactions. Collateral is provided on a net basis for all OTC derivatives of the Fund/segment vis-à-vis a counterparty and not only for total return swaps. The required collateralisation is constantly monitored on the basis of the market values of open transactions.

The total return swaps in the portfolio on the reporting date were concluded with the counterparty Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG (G) (V) - Frankfurt.

A minimum transfer amount of EUR 250,000 and a rounding of the collateral to EUR 10,000 was agreed with the counterparty Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG (G) (V) - Frankfurt.

The following instruments can serve as collateral:

- EUR-Cash at an imputation rate of 100%

##### Information on the reuse of collateral

The collateral received by the Fund will not be reinvested.

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### **Other information – not covered by the audit opinion on the annual report**

#### **Disclosures regarding non-financial performance indicators**

##### **Article 8 Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (financial products that promote environmental and/or social characteristics)**

The Principal Adverse Impacts (PAI) on sustainability factors are taken into account in the investment process at company level. It is mandatory to take PAIs into account at Fund level and for this reason they are taken into account in this way.

**For further information about the environmental and/or social characteristics and on taking the PAIs on sustainability factors into account, please see the annex "Periodic disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852".**

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#### Overview of the unit classes

##### Initial issuing date

Unit class X	14 November 2022
Unit class I	9 June 2023

##### Initial issuing price

Unit class X	EUR 100.00
Unit class I	EUR 100.00

##### Minimum investment amount

Unit class X	EUR 10,000,000.00
Unit class I	EUR 500,000.00

##### Management fee

Unit class X	currently 0.27% p.a.
Unit class I	currently 0.49% p.a.

##### Custodian fee

Unit class X	currently 0.0225% p.a.
Unit class I	currently 0.0225% p.a.

##### Currency

Unit class X	euro
Unit class I	euro

##### Utilisation of earnings

Unit class X	Reinvestment
Unit class I	Reinvestment

##### German securities number/ISIN:

Unit class X	A3DQ2Q / DE000A3DQ2Q1
Unit class I	A3DQ2R / DE000A3DQ2R9

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## Systematic Dispersion Fund

### Brief overview of the partners

#### 1. Capital management company

Universal-Investment-Gesellschaft mbH

##### Street address:

Theodor-Heuss-Allee 70  
60486 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

##### Postal address:

PO Box 17 05 48  
60079 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

Tel.: +49 (0) 69 710 43-0  
Fax: +49 (0) 69 710 43-700  
www.universal-investment.com

Founded: 1968  
Legal form: Limited liability company  
Subscribed and paid-up capital: EUR 10,400,000.00  
Equity capital: EUR 71,352,000.00 (as at: October 2022)

##### Managing directors:

David Blumer, Schaan  
Mathias Heiß, Langen  
Dr André Jäger, Witten  
Corinna Jäger, Nidderau  
Katja Müller, Bad Homburg vor der Höhe  
Axel Vespermann, Dreieich

##### Supervisory board:

Prof. Harald Wiedmann (Chairman), Berlin  
Dr Axel Eckhardt, Dusseldorf  
Ellen Engelhardt, Glauburg  
Daniel Fischer, Bad Vilbel  
Janet Zirlwagen, Wehrheim

#### 2. Custodian

State Street Bank International GmbH

##### Street address:

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80333 Munich, Germany

##### Postal address:

PO Box 20 19 16  
80019 Munich, Germany

Tel.: +49 (0) 89 55878 00  
Fax: +49 (0) 89 55878 460  
www.statestreet.com

Legal form: Limited liability company  
Liable equity capital: EUR 2,627 million (as at: 31/12/2021)

#### 3. Asset management company

Universal-Investment-Luxembourg S.A, Frankfurt am Main branch

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60079 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

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#### 4. Distributor

Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG

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60323 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

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Other information – not covered by the audit opinion on the annual report

ANNEX

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

**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:  
Systematic Dispersion Fund

Legal entity identifier (LEI):  
529900DSYZM9F2Q6ZA14

Environmental and/or social characteristics

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?	
<div>●●□ Yes</div>	<div>●●☒ No</div>
<div><input type="checkbox"/> It made <b>sustainable investments with an environmental objective</b>: ____%</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><input type="checkbox"/> It made <b>sustainable investments with a social objective</b>: ____%</div>	<div><input type="checkbox"/> It <b>promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics</b> and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of ____% of sustainable investments</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy</div> <div><input 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><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> It promoted E/S characteristics, but <b>did not make any sustainable investments</b>.</div>



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

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

This Fund promoted environmental and social characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation.

The Fund took into account environmental aspects such as emissions, resource consumption and biodiversity. As regards the social aspects, political freedom and civil rights were the guiding principles. National economies should also have a higher ESG rating than an average economy. The Fund therefore invested exclusively in best-in-class countries, i.e. those that are leaders in ESG transparency and performance.

The Fund applied standard-based screening to:

- (1) The Paris Agreement
- (2) They must be signatories to the Kyoto Protocol
- (3) They must be signatories to the Convention on Biological Diversity

The Fund applied exclusions to sovereign exposures. The following exclusions were applied:

- Countries with serious violations of democratic rights and human rights are excluded on the basis of Freedom House's assessment.
- Countries that have not ratified the Paris Agreement.
- Countries that are not signatories to the Kyoto Protocol.
- Countries that are not signatories to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

Only countries with an MSCI ESG rating of at least "A" will be considered.

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

All sustainability indicators of the Fund used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics of the Fund were met during the reference period. Compliance with the environmental and/or social criteria for the selection of assets was checked both before and after their purchase.

A detailed list of the criteria that led to the exclusion of companies, countries and/or target funds is given in the previous section: "To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?".

In addition, the Fund was obliged to take the following sustainability factors into account in its strategy and discloses the adverse impacts on these:

- Investee countries subject to social violations 0  
(Metric: Number of investee countries subject to social violations, as referred to in international treaties and conventions, United Nations principles and, where applicable, national law)
- Investee countries subject to social violations 0.00%  
(Metric: Percentage of investee countries subject to social violations, as referred to in international treaties and conventions, United Nations principles and, where applicable, national law).

● ... and compared to previous periods?

Sustainability indicator for adverse impacts	Metric	Impacts 2024	Impacts 2023
<b>Indicators applicable to investments in sovereigns and supranationals</b>			
16. Investee countries subject to social violations	Number of investee countries subject to social violations, as referred to in international treaties and conventions, United Nations principles and, where applicable, national law	0	0
	Percentage of investee countries subject to social violations, as referred to in international treaties and conventions, United Nations principles and, where applicable, national law	0.00%	0.00%

*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?

Individual PAI indicators, such as PAI 10 (violations of the UN Global Compact) or PAI 14 (exposure to controversial weapons), are considered to be fundamental exclusion criteria.

Additional PAI indicators will also be taken into account as part of a quantitative process. At portfolio level, the selected PAIs are tracked by historical comparison and taken into account accordingly.



## What were the top investments of this financial product?

The greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reporting period (main investments) takes into account in each case the investments made in the relevant quarters. These are then used to calculate the 15 largest investments on average, which are then presented here.

For equities, the sectors are reported at the first level of the MSCI master data deliveries; for bonds they are reported at industrial sector level in accordance with Bloomberg. Fund units are not fully allocated to MSCI sectors.

Largest investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	Governments	5.91	France
Bundesrep. Deutschland Unv. Schatz. A.23/12 f. 20.11.24	Governments	4.41	Federal Republic of Germany
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	Governments	4.40	France
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	Governments	3.08	France
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 9.8.2024	Governments	3.04	other EU institution
Belgien, Königreich EO-Treasury Certs 9.5.2024	Governments	2.65	Belgium
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 6.9.2024	Governments	2.63	other EU institution
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2024(24)	Governments	2.35	Netherlands
Frankreich EO-Treasury Bills 2024(25)	Governments	2.22	France
Bundesrep. Deutschland Unv. Schatz. A. 24/05 f. 14.05.25	Governments	2.22	Federal Republic of Germany
Bundesrep. Deutschland Bundesschatz anw. v.22(24)	Governments	2.11	Federal Republic of Germany
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 10.1.2025	Governments	2.09	other EU institution
Europäische Union EO-Bills Tr. 4.10.2024	Governments	1.98	other EU institution
Bundesrep. Deutschland Unv. Schatz. A. 23/11 f.16.10.24	Governments	1.98	Federal Republic of Germany
Niederlande EO-Treasury Bills 2023(24)	Governments	1.94	Netherlands

The list includes the investments constituting the **greatest proportion of investments** of the financial product during the reference period which is: 01/10/2023–30/09/2024



## What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

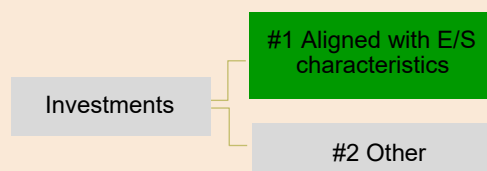
Sustainability-related investments (not to be confused with sustainable investments) refers to all investments that contribute to the achievement of the environmental and/or social characteristics set out in the investment strategy.

The Fund's sustainability strategy is monitored through defined investments based on a fund-specific investment list (positive list).

As at the close of the financial year on 30/09/2024, 100% of the Fund was invested in sustainability-related investments in accordance with the Fund's sustainability strategy. The percentage shows the proportion of sustainability-related investments in the securities portfolio.

### What was the asset allocation?

As at the close of the financial year on 30/09/2024, 95.47% of the Fund was invested in bonds. The remaining investments were in derivatives and cash and cash equivalents.



**#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.

**Asset allocation** describes the share of investments in specific assets.



● **In which economic sectors were the investments made?**

As at the end of the financial year on 30/09/2024, the Fund's bond investments were largely in the following sectors:

- 94.60% governments and
- 5.40% sovereigns.

The share of investments during the reporting period in sectors and sub-sectors of the economy and the income generated from exploration, mining, production, manufacturing, processing, storage, refining or sale of fossil fuels, including transport, storage and trading, as defined in Article 2(62) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 of the European Parliament and of the Council are not known.

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

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Yes:

☐ In fossil gas

☐ In nuclear energy

☒

No

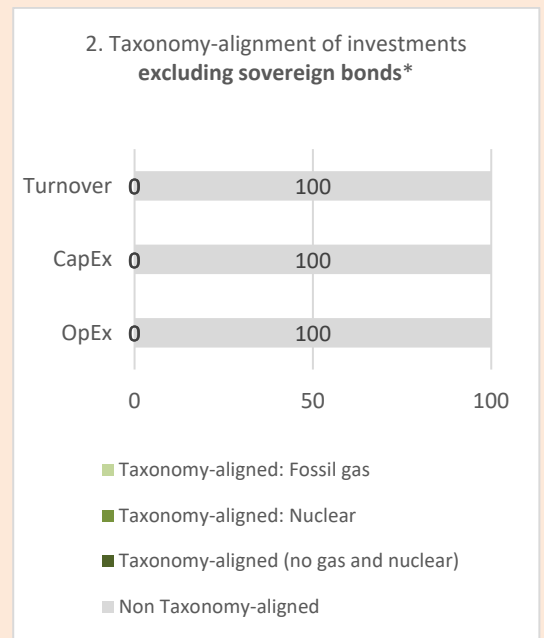
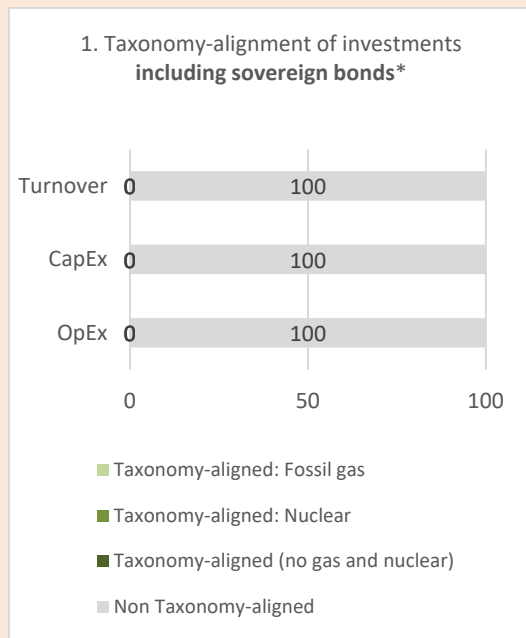
Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- **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.

<sup>1</sup> 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. 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.

**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.

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

This Fund is not currently committed to investing in economic activities classified as enabling and transitional activities.



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

"Other" included total return swaps for hedging purposes and cash to manage liquidity.

For other investments that fall outside the scope of the Fund's sustainability strategy, it is ensured that they are not used in a way that contradicts the sustainability strategy. If derivatives may be acquired, it is ensured that the underlying asset is aligned with the sustainability strategy. If an underlying index is used, it is ensured that the index has sustainability characteristics. Due to the availability of financial instruments on the market, the sustainability characteristics of the underlying index may differ from the Fund's characteristics. All derivatives whose underlying assets could be categorised as inconsistent with the sustainability strategy, as well as currency holdings that do not correspond to the Fund currency or that are not denominated in EUR, USD, GBP, CHF, JPY, AUD, NZD, CAD, NOK or SEK, may not be included as a significant component in the Fund. The use of derivatives to offset negative market fluctuations is not included. In addition, investments that are not subject to an explicit review of minimum environmental and/or social safeguards can be specifically excluded from the sustainability strategy.



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

Compliance with the environmental and/or social characteristics of the Fund during the reference period was largely ensured through compliance with the quantitative sustainability indicators described above, together with the mandatory elements of the investment strategy. Compliance with the criteria is monitored prior to the acquisition of assets by portfolio management and after their acquisition by means of further appropriate daily monitoring by the Investment Controlling department of the capital management company and on an ongoing basis by the portfolio manager.

The engagement policy (exposure) of the capital management company was implemented by means of the exercising of voting rights. In order to safeguard the interests of investors in the managed funds and to take on the associated responsibility, the capital management company exercised the shareholders' and creditors' rights arising from the equity holdings of the managed funds in the interests of the investors. For the capital management company, the decision as to whether or not to exercise voting rights was based on the interests of the investors and the integrity of the market, as well as the benefits for the investment fund concerned and its investors.

The capital management company based its domestic voting behaviour on the BVI analysis guidelines for shareholders' meetings (*Analyse-richtlinien für Gesellschafterversammlungen*), which are considered to be ESG compliant and, as the industry standard, form the basis for responsible dealings with investors, capital and rights.

In the case of foreign votes, the capital management company used the respective country-specific guidelines from Glass Lewis, which take local framework conditions into account. In addition, the Glass Lewis guidelines for "Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) Initiatives" were applied to the specific country guidelines and given preference. The application of these guidelines ensures that voting was country-specific and based on the criteria of a transparent and sustainable corporate governance policy, as well as on other environmental and social

criteria aimed at the long-term success of companies held by investment funds (known as portfolio companies).

These voting standards are aligned with the interests of the funds managed by the capital management company and have therefore been applied as a rule for all funds, unless it is necessary to deviate from these voting guidelines for individual funds in the interests of the investors, market integrity or for the benefit of the investment fund concerned.

The capital management company publishes the principles of its engagement policy and an annual participation report on its website.

The asset manager, if portfolio management is outsourced, or an appointed investment advisor, if applicable, may have taken additional measures to meet environmental and/or social characteristics as part of their corporate exposure activities. However, these exposure activities are not carried out on behalf of the Fund.