# Methodology to assess the level of responsibility of investment funds

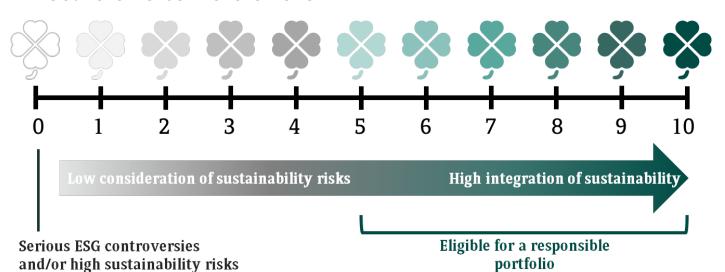


# Compare the responsibility level of investment funds

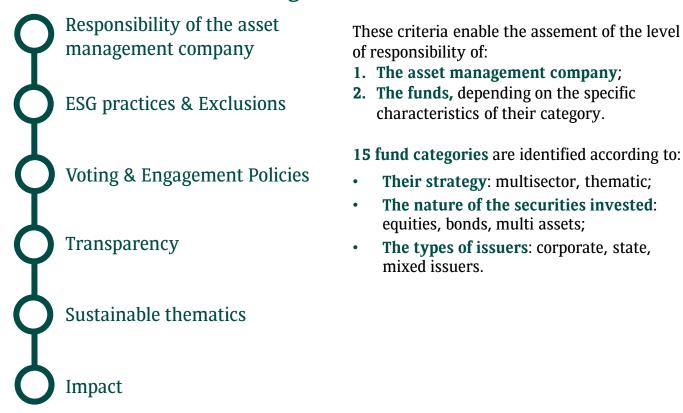
The evaluation enables an objective comparison of the level of responsibility between funds of different asset management companies and of different categories. Not just single lines in the portfolio.

We assess the responsibility approach of each asset management company and the impact achieved via the financial instruments of each fund.

## A scale of 0 to 10 clovers



## 150 criteria assessed, categorized in 6 areas





# A 4-step methodology

The aim is to assess all funds, whether sustainable or not



(#1

A questionnaire, aimed at measuring 150 sustainability criteria, is sent to all asset management companies for each of the funds selected for the BNP Paribas Wealth Management investment universe.



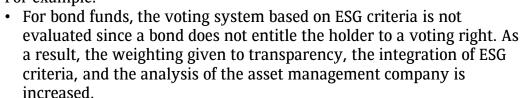
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The consideration of sustainable development by asset management companies and funds is analysed by BNP Paribas Wealth Management's Responsible Investment specialists.



Points are assigned according to the level of sustainability.





 The analysis of relevance and the implementation of the sustainability theme that evaluates the quality of stock selection along a defined theme concerns exclusively sustainable thematic funds (and not multi-sector funds).

A score is calculated out of a maximum of 100 points, converted on a scale of 0 to 10 clovers.



#4

The final number of clovers attributed to a fund is subject to our mandatory criteria. Their number and nature may vary according to category of fund. If these criteria are not met, the number of clovers corresponding to the final score is reduced.

## **Key points**

- This methodology measures the responsibility level of all recommended funds, whether responsible or not, for all geographies. It is unique and exclusive.
- It allows to compare, in an objective and homogeneous way, the responsibility of funds of all asset managers.



#### **GLOSSARY**

#### **ESG**

In the financial community, these initials refer to the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria, which are used to complete the traditional financial analysis of issuers. ESG criteria assess the extent to which issuers are responsible for the environment and their stakeholders (employees, customers, suppliers, subcontractors, partners, local community, etc.).

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