



LEA 02	Discipline: Mandatory	Principle: PRI 1, 2, 3
<p>Type of engagement</p> <p>Individual/ internal staff engagements</p>	<p>Reason for interaction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company related ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice or identify the need to enhance corporate practice <input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in internal staff 	
<p>Collaborative engagements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company related ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice or identify the need to enhance corporate practice <input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in collaborative engagements 	
<p>Service provider engagements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company related ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To enhance corporate practice or identify the need to enhance corporate practice <input type="checkbox"/> Other: specify <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage in service provider engagements 	

RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

2019

Colchester Global Investors Limited

About this report

The PRI Reporting Framework is a key step in the journey towards building a common language and industry standard for reporting responsible investment (RI) activities. This RI Transparency Report is one of the key outputs of this Framework. Its primary objective is to enable signatory transparency on RI activities and facilitate dialogue between investors and their clients, beneficiaries and other stakeholders. A copy of this report will be publicly disclosed for all reporting signatories on the [PRI website](#), ensuring accountability of the PRI Initiative and its signatories.

This report is an export of the individual Signatory organisation's response to the PRI during the 2019 reporting cycle. It includes their responses to mandatory indicators, as well as responses to voluntary indicators the signatory has agreed to make public. The information is presented exactly as it was reported. Where an indicator offers a response option that is multiple-choice, all options that were available to the signatory to select are presented in this report. Presenting the information exactly as reported is a result of signatory feedback which suggested the PRI not summarise the information. As a result, the reports can be extensive. However, to help easily locate information, there is a **Principles index** which highlights where the information can be found and summarises the indicators that signatories complete and disclose.

Understanding the Principles Index

The Principles Index summarises the response status for the individual indicators and modules and shows how these relate to the six [Principles for Responsible Investment](#). It can be used by stakeholders as an 'at-a-glance' summary of reported information and to identify particular themes or areas of interest.

Indicators can refer to one or more Principles. Some indicators are not specific to any Principle. These are highlighted in the 'General' column. When multiple Principles are covered across numerous indicators, in order to avoid repetition, only the main Principle covered is highlighted.

All indicators within a module are presented below. The status of indicators is shown with the following symbols:

Symbol	Status
✓	The signatory has completed all mandatory parts of this indicator
☑	The signatory has completed some parts of this indicator
🔒	This indicator was not relevant for this signatory
-	The signatory did not complete any part of this indicator
Ⓜ	The signatory has flagged this indicator for internal review

Within the table, indicators marked in blue are mandatory to complete. Indicators marked in grey are voluntary to complete.

Principles Index

Organisational Overview				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
OO TG		-	n/a							
OO 01	Signatory category and services	✓	Public							✓
OO 02	Headquarters and operational countries	✓	Public							✓
OO 03	Subsidiaries that are separate PRI signatories	✓	Public							✓
OO 04	Reporting year and AUM	✓	Public							✓
OO 05	Breakdown of AUM by asset class	✓	Asset mix disclosed in OO 06							✓
OO 06	How would you like to disclose your asset class mix	✓	Public							✓
OO 07	Fixed income AUM breakdown	✓	Private							✓
OO 08	Segregated mandates or pooled funds	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 09	Breakdown of AUM by market	✓	Public							✓
OO 10	Active ownership practices for listed assets	✓	Public							✓
OO 11	ESG incorporation practices for all assets	✓	Public							✓
OO 12	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	Public							✓
OO LE 01	Breakdown of listed equity investments by passive and active strategies	🔒	n/a							✓
OO LE 02	Reporting on strategies that are <10% of actively managed listed equities	🔒	n/a							✓
OO FI 01	Breakdown of fixed income investments by passive and active strategies	✓	Public							✓
OO FI 02	Reporting on strategies that are <10% of actively managed fixed income	🔒	n/a							✓
OO FI 03	Fixed income breakdown by market and credit quality	✓	Public							✓
OO SAM 01	Breakdown of externally managed investments by passive and active strategies	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PE 01	Breakdown of private equity investments by strategy	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PE 02	Typical level of ownership in private equity investments	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PR 01	Breakdown of property investments	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PR 02	Breakdown of property assets by management	🔒	n/a							✓
OO PR 03	Largest property types	🔒	n/a							✓
OO INF 01	Breakdown of infrastructure investments	🔒	n/a							✓
OO INF 02	Breakdown of infrastructure assets by management	🔒	n/a							✓
OO INF 03	Largest infrastructure sectors	🔒	n/a							✓
OO HF 01	Breakdown of hedge funds investments by strategies	🔒	n/a							✓
OO End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

CCStrategy and Governance				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SG 01	RI policy and coverage	✓	Public							✓
SG 01 CC	Climate risk	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 02	Publicly available RI policy or guidance documents	✓	Public						✓	
SG 03	Conflicts of interest	✓	Public							✓
SG 04	Identifying incidents occurring within portfolios	✓	Private							✓
SG 05	RI goals and objectives	✓	Public							✓
SG 06	Main goals/objectives this year	✓	Private							✓
SG 07	RI roles and responsibilities	✓	Public							✓
SG 07 CC	Climate-issues roles and responsibilities	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 08	RI in performance management, reward and/or personal development	✓	Private							✓
SG 09	Collaborative organisations / initiatives	✓	Public				✓	✓		
SG 09.2	Assets managed by PRI signatories	🔒	n/a	✓						
SG 10	Promoting RI independently	✓	Public				✓			
SG 11	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	✓	Private				✓	✓	✓	
SG 12	Role of investment consultants/fiduciary managers	✓	Public				✓			
SG 13	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Public	✓						
SG 13 CC		🔒	n/a							✓
SG 14	Long term investment risks and opportunity	✓	Private	✓						
SG 14 CC		🔒	n/a							✓
SG 15	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	✓						
SG 16	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 17	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 18	Innovative features of approach to RI	✓	Private							✓
SG 19	Communication	✓	Public		✓				✓	
SG End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

Direct - Fixed Income				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
FI 01	Incorporation strategies applied	✓	Public	✓						
FI 02	ESG issues and issuer research	✓	Private	✓						
FI 03	Processes to ensure analysis is robust	✓	Public	✓						
FI 04	Types of screening applied	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 05	Examples of ESG factors in screening process	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 06	Screening - ensuring criteria are met	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 07	Thematic investing - overview	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 08	Thematic investing - themed bond processes	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 09	Thematic investing - assessing impact	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 10	Integration overview	✓	Public	✓						
FI 11	Integration - ESG information in investment processes	✓	Public	✓						
FI 12	Integration - E,S and G issues reviewed	✓	Public	✓						
FI 13	ESG incorporation in passive funds	🔒	n/a	✓						
FI 14	Engagement overview and coverage	✓	Private		✓					
FI 15	Engagement method	✓	Private	✓	✓					
FI 16	Engagement policy disclosure	✓	Private	✓	✓					
FI 17	Financial/ESG performance	✓	Private							✓
FI 18	Examples - ESG incorporation or engagement	✓	Private	✓	✓					
FI End	Module confirmation page	✓	-							

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Reported Information

Public version

Organisational Overview

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Basic information

OO 01

Mandatory

Public

Gateway/Peering

General

OO 01.1

Select the services and funds you offer

Select the services and funds you offer	% of asset under management (AUM) in ranges
Fund management	<input type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input checked="" type="radio"/> >50%
Fund of funds, manager of managers, sub-advised products	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%
Other	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 0% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> >50%
Total 100%	

Further options (may be selected in addition to the above)

- Hedge funds
- Fund of hedge funds

OO 02

Mandatory

Public

Peering

General

OO 02.1

Select the location of your organisation's headquarters.

United Kingdom

OO 02.2

Indicate the number of countries in which you have offices (including your headquarters).

- 1
- 2-5
- 6-10
- >10

OO 02.3 Indicate the approximate number of staff in your organisation in full-time equivalents (FTE).

FTE

70

OO 03 **Mandatory** **Public** **Descriptive** **General**

OO 03.1 Indicate whether you have subsidiaries within your organisation that are also PRI signatories in their own right.

- Yes
- No

OO 04 **Mandatory** **Public** **Gateway/Peering** **General**

OO 04.1 Indicate the year end date for your reporting year.

31/12/2018

OO 04.2 Indicate your total AUM at the end of your reporting year.

Include the AUM of subsidiaries, but exclude advisory/execution only assets, and exclude the assets of your PRI signatory subsidiaries that you have chosen not to report on in OO 03.2

	trillions	billions	millions	thousands	hundreds
Total AUM		44	321	161	784
Currency	USD				
Assets in USD		44	321	161	784

Not applicable as we are in the fund-raising process

OO 04.4 Indicate the total assets at the end of your reporting year subject to an execution and/or advisory approach.

Not applicable as we do not have any assets under execution and/or advisory approach

OO 06 **Mandatory** **Public** **Descriptive** **General**

OO 06.1 Select how you would like to disclose your asset class mix.

as percentage breakdown

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
Listed equity	0	0

Fixed income	100	0
Private equity	0	0
Property	0	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0
Fund of hedge funds	0	0
Forestry	0	0
Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	0	0
Cash	0	0
Money market instruments	0	0
Other (1), specify	0	0
Other (2), specify	0	0

as broad ranges

OO 06.2

Publish asset class mix as per attached image [Optional].

OO 06.3

Indicate whether your organisation has any off-balance sheet assets [Optional].

Yes

No

OO 06.5

Indicate whether your organisation uses fiduciary managers.

Yes, we use a fiduciary manager and our response to OO 5.1 is reflective of their management of our assets.

No, we do not use fiduciary managers.

OO 09

Mandatory

Public

Peering

General

OO 09.1	Indicate the breakdown of your organisation's AUM by market.
	Developed Markets
62	
	Emerging Markets
38	
	Frontier Markets
0	
	Other Markets
0	
	Total 100%
100%	

Asset class implementation gateway indicators

OO 10	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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	Fixed income SSA – engagement
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- We engage with SSA bond issuers on ESG factors via our staff, collaborations or service providers.
- We do not engage directly and do not require external managers to engage with SSA bond issuers on ESG factors. Please explain why you do not.

OO 11	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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	Fixed income - SSA
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- We address ESG incorporation.
- We do not do ESG incorporation.

OO 12	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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OO 12.1	Below are all applicable modules or sections you may report on. Those which are mandatory to report (asset classes representing 10% or more of your AUM) are already ticked and read-only. Those which are voluntary to report on can be opted into by ticking the box.
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Core modules

- Organisational Overview
- Strategy and Governance

RI implementation directly or via service providers

Direct - Fixed Income

- Fixed income - SSA

RI implementation via external managers

Closing module

- Closing module

Peering questions

OO FI 01	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	General
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Update: this indicator has changed from "Mandatory to report, voluntary to disclose" to "Mandatory". **Your response to this indicator will be published in the Public Transparency Report.** This change is to enable improved analysis and peering.

OO FI 01.1 Provide a breakdown of your internally managed fixed income securities by active and passive strategies

Type	Passive	Active - quantitative	Active - fundamental & others	Total internally managed fixed income security
SSA	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50% <input type="radio"/> 10-50% <input type="radio"/> <10% <input type="radio"/> 0%	100%

OO FI 01.2 Additional information. [Optional]

It is a quantitative approach supplemented with fundamental research, judgement and experience. It would be a combination of the 2 options above Active - quantitative/fundamental and others

OO FI 03	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	General
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Update: this indicator has changed from "Mandatory to report, voluntary to disclose" to "Mandatory". **Your response to this indicator will be published in the Public Transparency Report.** This change is to enable improved analysis and peering.

OO FI 03.1 Indicate the approximate (+/- 5%) breakdown of your SSA investments, by developed markets and emerging markets.

SSA	<p>Developed markets</p> <p>62</p>
	<p>Emerging markets</p> <p>38</p>
	<p>Total</p> <p>100%</p>

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Strategy and Governance

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Investment policy

SG 01

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

General

New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 01.1

Indicate if you have an investment policy that covers your responsible investment approach.

Yes

SG 01.2

Indicate the components/types and coverage of your policy.

Select all that apply

Policy components/types	Coverage by AUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy setting out your overall approach <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on environmental factors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on social factors <input type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors <input type="checkbox"/> Fiduciary (or equivalent) duties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific RI guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> Sector specific RI guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> Screening / exclusions policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other, specify (1) country governance factors <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify(2)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover all AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a majority of AUM <input type="radio"/> Applicable policies cover a minority of AUM

SG 01.3

Indicate if the investment policy covers any of the following

- Your organisation's definition of ESG and/or responsible investment and it's relation to investments
- Your investment objectives that take ESG factors/real economy influence into account
- Time horizon of your investment
- Governance structure of organisational ESG responsibilities
- ESG incorporation approaches
- Active ownership approaches
- Reporting
- Climate change
- Understanding and incorporating client / beneficiary sustainability preferences
- Other RI considerations, specify (1)
- Other RI considerations, specify (2)

SG 01.4

Describe your organisation's investment principles and overall investment strategy, interpretation of fiduciary (or equivalent) duties, and how they consider ESG factors and real economy impact.

Colchester Global Investors Limited (Colchester) is a medium-term value driven investment manager. Investments are made in fixed interest securities issued by sovereigns and supranational institutions and their currencies. The factors that underpin the Colchester investment process are wide ranging incorporating macroeconomic and financial analysis alongside environmental, social and governance factors (ESG). These factors help us in assigning the Financial Stability Score (FSS). FSS represents an assessment of a country's overall balance sheet and governance standards and includes the social and where possible the environmental factors.

Following the assessment of real yield and real exchange valuations, the FSS is applied prior to the portfolio construction process. Were there two countries with equal real yields, and similar volatility and risk characteristics, the one with the higher FSS would be favored as it is reasonable to assume that a country with higher standards on all or some factors would have a better return outcome. Colchester believes that countries with better ESG standards tend to produce better economic growth, more stable balance sheets, and better long-term and sustainable financial outcomes for clients.

Responsible investing is, and has been since the inception of the company in 1999, integral to the investment process employed by Colchester.

SG 01.5

Provide a brief description of the key elements, any variations or exceptions to your investment policy that covers your responsible investment approach. [Optional]

Colchester's Investment team also performs detailed research assessments of each market within the investment opportunity set's macro-economic environment and ESG standards. This country research process is performed independently by Colchester's investment professionals and is supplemented with country visits to complement the balance sheet analysis. During these fact finding trips, where possible, we will engage with stakeholders/authorities on ESG issues.

The extensive balance sheet analysis incorporating ESG standards, as described above, forms the basis of the Financial Stability Score (FSS) Colchester assigns to a country. The score is produced both for the bonds issued by a country and for the currency and has been an integral part of the investment process since inception of the firm. Countries with a strong FSS receive premium consideration while weaker ones are penalised.

No

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SG 02**Mandatory****Public****Core Assessed****PRI 6**

New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 02.1

Indicate which of your investment policy documents (if any) are publicly available. Provide a URL and an attachment of the document.

Policy setting out your overall approach

URL/Attachment

URL

URL

<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

- Attachment (will be made public)
- Formalised guidelines on environmental factors

URL/Attachment

- URL

URL

<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

- Attachment (will be made public)
- Formalised guidelines on social factors

URL/Attachment

- URL

URL

<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

- Attachment (will be made public)
- Asset class-specific RI guidelines
- Other, specify (1)
- We do not publicly disclose our investment policy documents

SG 02.2 Indicate if any of your investment policy components are publicly available. Provide URL and an attachment of the document.

- Your organisation's definition of ESG and/or responsible investment and it's relation to investments

URL/Attachment

- URL

URL

<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

- Attachment
- Your investment objectives that take ESG factors/real economy influence into account

URL/Attachment

URL

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<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

Attachment

Time horizon of your investment

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<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

Attachment

ESG incorporation approaches

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Active ownership approaches

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<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

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Reporting

URL/Attachment

URL

URL

<http://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements>

Attachment

We do not publicly disclose any investment policy components

SG 02.3 Additional information [Optional].

Other publications/case study:

<https://www.unpri.org/download?ac=5962>

SG 03 **Mandatory** **Public** **Core Assessed** **General**

SG 03.1 Indicate if your organisation has a policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

Yes

SG 03.2 Describe your policy on managing potential conflicts of interest in the investment process.

All Colchester employees must adhere to the firm's Code of Ethics (the "Code"). The Code sets out minimum standards of performance and conduct for Colchester's employees (including those employed by its affiliates). The Code's purpose is to promote honest and ethical conduct and to ensure Colchester's compliance not only with all legal and regulatory requirements, but with current best practices in the investment management industry as well. The Code is reviewed each year and is approved annually by Colchester's Board of Directors. Each Colchester employee must attest that they have read the Code and agree to comply with its provisions at all times. The Code is available to all Colchester clients upon request. Colchester's Conflict of Interest policy is incorporated within the Code.

No

Objectives and strategies

SG 05 **Mandatory** **Public** **Gateway/Core Assessed** **General**

SG 05.1 Indicate if and how frequently your organisation sets and reviews objectives for its responsible investment activities.

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad-hoc basis
- It is not set/reviewed

Governance and human resources

SG 07

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

General

SG 07.1

Indicate the internal and/or external roles used by your organisation, and indicate for each whether they have oversight and/or implementation responsibilities for responsible investment.

Roles

- Board members or trustees
- Internal Roles (triggers other options)

Select from the below internal roles

- Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Chief Operating Officer (COO), Investment Committee
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Other Chief-level staff or head of department, specify
- Portfolio managers
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Investment analysts
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Dedicated responsible investment staff
- Investor relations
- Other role, specify (1)
- Other role, specify (2)
- External managers or service providers

SG 07.2

For the roles for which you have RI oversight/accountability or implementation responsibilities, indicate how you execute these responsibilities.

Responsible Investment and ESG factors are integrated within the Investment Process via the creation of a Financial Stability Score. All countries included in Colchester's opportunity set have a Financial Stability Score which is reviewed during the monthly Investment Management Committee meetings and are further assessed after regular country reviews.

SG 07.3

Indicate the number of dedicated responsible investment staff your organisation has.

Number

9

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Promoting responsible investment

SG 09	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4,5
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SG 09.1	Select the collaborative organisation and/or initiatives of which your organisation is a member or in which it participated during the reporting year, and the role you played.
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Select all that apply

Principles for Responsible Investment

Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting period (see definitions)
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- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced

Provide a brief commentary on the level of your organisation's involvement in the initiative. [Optional]
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Member of the PRI Fixed Income Advisory Committee

Chair of PRI Sovereign working Group

Member of the CFA Voluntary ESG group

- Asian Corporate Governance Association
- Australian Council of Superannuation Investors
- AFIC – La Commission ESG
- BVCA – Responsible Investment Advisory Board
- CDP Climate Change
- CDP Forests
- CDP Water
- CFA Institute Centre for Financial Market Integrity
- Code for Responsible Investment in SA (CRISA)
- Code for Responsible Finance in the 21st Century
- Council of Institutional Investors (CII)
- Eumedion
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- ESG Research Australia
- Invest Europe Responsible Investment Roundtable
- Global Investors Governance Network (GIGN)
- Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN)
- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)
- Green Bond Principles
- Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC)
- Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)
- International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN)
- Investor Group on Climate Change, Australia/New Zealand (IGCC)
- International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC)
- Investor Network on Climate Risk (INCR)/CERES
- Local Authority Pension Fund Forum
- Principles for Sustainable Insurance
- Regional or National Social Investment Forums (e.g. UKSIF, Eurosif, ASRIA, RIAA), specify
- Responsible Finance Principles in Inclusive Finance
- Shareholder Association for Research and Education (Share)
- United Nations Environmental Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
- United Nations Global Compact
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

Colchester commented on TEG on the Proposal for an EU Green Bond Standard

Your organisation's role in the initiative during the reporting year (see definitions)

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

SG 10

Mandatory

Public

Core Assessed

PRI 4

SG 10.1

Indicate if your organisation promotes responsible investment, independently of collaborative initiatives.

- Yes

SG 10.2

Indicate the actions your organisation has taken to promote responsible investment independently of collaborative initiatives. Provide a description of your role in contributing to the objectives of the selected action and the typical frequency of your participation/contribution.

- Provided or supported education or training programmes (this includes peer to peer RI support) Your education or training may be for clients, investment managers, actuaries, broker/dealers, investment consultants, legal advisers etc.)

Description

client meetings and educating them about Colchester's approach about RI and explain the PRI

Frequency of contribution

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other
- Provided financial support for academic or industry research on responsible investment
- Provided input and/or collaborated with academia on RI related work
- Encouraged better transparency and disclosure of responsible investment practices across the investment industry
- Spoke publicly at events and conferences to promote responsible investment

Description

Spoke at Colchester's Best of Breed about RI and how it is implemented into the investment process

Frequency of contribution

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other

Wrote and published in-house research papers on responsible investment

Description

published in house research with CFA/PRI official publications were annually but internally biannually
<https://www.unpri.org/download?ac=5962>

Frequency of contribution

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other

Encouraged the adoption of the PRI

Responded to RI related consultations by non-governmental organisations (OECD, FSB etc.)

Wrote and published articles on responsible investment in the media

A member of PRI advisory committees/ working groups, specify

Description

member of PRI FI advisory committee and Chair of Sovereign Working Group

Frequency of contribution

- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other

On the Board of, or officially advising, other RI organisations (e.g. local SIFs)

Other, specify

specify description

CFA voluntary ESG Group, Undertaking research trips, collaboration on PRI platform

	Description
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Formalizing the ESG Learning Outcomes

	Frequency of contribution
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- Quarterly or more frequently
- Biannually
- Annually
- Less frequently than annually
- Ad hoc
- Other
- No

Outsourcing to fiduciary managers and investment consultants

SG 12	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 4
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New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 12.1	Indicate whether your organisation uses investment consultants.
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- Yes, we use investment consultants
- No, we do not use investment consultants.

ESG issues in asset allocation

SG 13	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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SG 13.1	Indicate whether the organisation undertakes scenario analysis and/or modelling and provide a description of the scenario analysis (by asset class, sector, strategic asset allocation, etc.).
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- Yes, to assess future ESG factors
- Yes, to assess future climate-related risks and opportunities
- No, not to assess future ESG/climate-related issues

Communication

SG 19	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 2, 6
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SG 19.1	Indicate whether your organisation typically discloses asset class specific information proactively. Select the frequency of the disclosure to clients/beneficiaries and the public, and provide a URL to the public information.
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Caution! The order in which asset classes are presented below has been updated in the online tool to match the Reporting Framework overview.
 If you are transferring data from an offline document, please check your response carefully.

Fixed income

Do you disclose?

- We do not disclose to either clients/beneficiaries or the public.
- We disclose to clients/beneficiaries only.
- We disclose to the public

The information disclosed to clients/beneficiaries is the same

- Yes
- No

Disclosure to public and URL	
Disclosure to public and URL	
<input type="radio"/> Broad approach to RI incorporation <input checked="" type="radio"/> Detailed explanation of RI incorporation strategy used	
Frequency	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Biannually <input type="checkbox"/> Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Less frequently than annually <input type="checkbox"/> Ad hoc/when requested	
URL	
https://www.colchesterglobal.com/policy-statements	
URL	
https://www.unpri.org/download?ac=5962	

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ESG incorporation in actively managed fixed income

Implementation processes

FI 01	Mandatory	Public	Gateway	PRI 1
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FI 01.1	Indicate (1) Which ESG incorporation strategy and/or combination of strategies you apply to your actively managed fixed income investments; and (2) The proportion (+/- 5%) of your total actively managed fixed income investments each strategy applies to.
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SSA		
	Screening alone	0
	Thematic alone	0
	Integration alone	100
	Screening + integration strategies	0
	Thematic + integration strategies	0
	Screening + thematic strategies	0
	All three strategies combined	0
	No incorporation strategies applied	0
		100%

FI 01.2	Describe your reasons for choosing a particular ESG incorporation strategy and how combinations of strategies are used.
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Colchester incorporates ESG factors into the investment process via the Financial Stability Score (FSS) which is produced for all sovereign issuers in our opportunity set. The FSS is determined through an extensive assessment of the macro-economic environment, policy framework, ESG standards and other country specific factors. These metrics which may vary from country to country, are key components of the FSS, which in turn, is an integral part of the investment process. Due to varying metrics and measures for ESG for each country, there is not one single way to integrate ESG in to the investment decision process for sovereign bonds. The integration therefore can be qualitative as well as quantitative and may vary over time as ESG metrics develop.

FI 03	Mandatory	Public	Additional Assessed	PRI 1
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FI 03.1	Indicate how you ensure that your ESG research process is robust:
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- Comprehensive ESG research is undertaken internally to determine companies' activities; and products and/or services
- Issuers are given the opportunity by you or your research provider to review ESG research on them and correct inaccuracies
- Issuer information and/or ESG ratings are updated regularly to ensure ESG research is accurate
- Internal audits and regular reviews of ESG research are undertaken in a systematic way.
- A materiality/sustainability framework is created and regularly updated that includes all the key ESG risks and opportunities for each sector/country.
- Other, specify

	specify description
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On our country research trip the investment team will assess the additional ESG factors, are discussed with various stakeholders/authorities country to potentially correct ESG inaccuracies

None of the above

FI 03.2	Describe how your ESG information or analysis is shared among your investment team.
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- ESG information is held within a centralised database and is accessible to all investment staff
- ESG information is displayed on front office research platforms
- ESG information is a standard item on all individual issuer summaries, research notes, 'tear sheets', or similar documents
- Investment staff are required to discuss ESG information on issuers as a standard item during investment committee meetings
- Records capture how ESG information and research was incorporated into investment decisions
- Other, specify
- None of the above

FI 03.3	Additional information. [Optional]
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ESG information and metrics are standard items for each country research report. Where applicable, additional country-specific variables and factors will be included.

(C) Implementation: Integration

FI 10	Mandatory	Public	Descriptive	PRI 1
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FI 10.1 Describe your approach to integrating ESG into traditional financial analysis.

Colchester believes that its real return estimates are improved by taking account of a sovereign bond issuer's financial strength which is impacted by ESG factors. Much as an equity analyst assesses the quality of a company's balance sheet, assets and level of governance etc. when forecasting earnings potential, Colchester believes that assessing a country's balance sheet in combination with ESG factors improves the quality of its return estimates.

Colchester's Investment Team performs detailed research assessments of each market within the investment opportunity sets' macro-economic environment and ESG standards. This country research process is performed independently by Colchester's investment professionals and is supplemented with country visits to complement the balance sheet analysis. During these trips, where possible, ESG factors will be discussed with the authorities.

The extensive balance sheet analysis incorporating ESG standards, as described above, forms the basis of the Financial Stability Score (FSS) Colchester assigns to a market. The score is produced both for the bonds issued by a country and for the currency and has been an integral part of the investment process since inception of the firm. Countries with a strong FSS receive premium consideration while weaker ones are penalised.

FI 10.2 Describe how your ESG integration approach is adapted to each of the different types of fixed income you invest in.

SSA

Colchester invests only in sovereign bonds, supranational bonds and their agencies and therefore has only one integration process. The FSS represents an assessment of a country's overall balance sheet and governance standards and also includes, where possible and practicable, environmental factors.

Colchester assigns an FSS after it has assessed a country's real yield and its real exchange rate. but before the portfolio construction process. Where Colchester is presented with two countries that have equal real yields, the one with the higher FSS will be favoured, as it is reasonable to assume that a country with higher standards on all or some factors would have a better return outcome.

The FSS includes both quantitative and qualitative assessment factors for a country. Some example factors included within the score for ESG assessment are as follows:

Environmental Factors

World Risk Index

Yale Environmental Performance Index etc.

Social Factors

Labour Standards

Human Development Index etc.

Governance Factors

Rule of Law

Control of Corruption etc.

FI 11	Mandatory	Public	Core Assessed	PRI 1
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FI 11.1 Indicate how ESG information is typically used as part of your investment process.

Select all that apply

	SSA			
ESG analysis is integrated into fundamental analysis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
ESG analysis is used to adjust the internal credit assessments of issuers.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
ESG analysis is used to adjust forecasted financials and future cash flow estimates.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
ESG analysis impacts the ranking of an issuer relative to a chosen peer group.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
An issuer's ESG bond spreads and its relative value versus its sector peers are analysed to find out if all risks are priced in.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
The impact of ESG analysis on bonds of an issuer with different durations/maturities are analysed.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Sensitivity analysis and scenario analysis are applied to valuation models to compare the difference between base-case and ESG-integrated security valuation.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
ESG analysis is integrated into portfolio weighting decisions.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Companies, sectors, countries and currency and monitored for changes in ESG exposure and for breaches of risk limits.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
The ESG profile of portfolios is examined for securities with high ESG risks and assessed relative to the ESG profile of a benchmark.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Other, specify	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

FI 11.2 Additional information [OPTIONAL]

Colchester's ESG factors are part of the Financial Stability Scores, which adjust the real yield and/or real exchange rates and therefore adjust the forecasted financials of a country.

FI 12 **Mandatory** **Public** **Additional Assessed** **PRI 1**

FI 12.1 Indicate the extent to which ESG issues are reviewed in your integration process.

	Environment	Social	Governance
SSA	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Environmental <input type="radio"/> Systematically <input type="radio"/> Occasionally <input type="radio"/> Not at all	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Social <input type="radio"/> Systematically <input type="radio"/> Occasionally <input type="radio"/> Not at all	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Governance <input type="radio"/> Systematically <input type="radio"/> Occasionally <input type="radio"/> Not at all

FI 12.2 Please provide more detail on how you review E, S and/or G factors in your integration process.

SSA

ESG factors are not as easily identified, measured or acted upon for sovereign debt as they are for equity or corporate debt. However, they still can be incorporated into a government bond investment process. Colchester believes that a government with sound ESG policies will have a more stable debt and currency market and therefore will have a better risk/return profile compared to countries with poor ESG practices.

Colchester assigns a Financial Stability Score (FSS) for each country in its investment opportunity set by undertaking an extensive analysis of each country's balance sheet whereby macro-economic variables are combined with ESG standards and a score or value is assigned. We address E, S and G in more detail below:

'G' Governance factors: The 'G' or governance factor represents the fundamental cornerstone for the 'S' and 'E' factors as it sets the policies for the other factors and in turn determines a country's long term economic and financial outcome. Generally, the higher the level of a country's governance, the more likely it will be to have a more stable debt and currency path. Colchester looks at a broad range of variables, among which are the control of corruption, government effectiveness, regulatory quality and the rule of law.

'S' Social factors: Political and governance issues, as expressed via a country's policy, will affect significantly the long term social and financial aspects of a country. Therefore, government policies will have a significant impact on, among other areas, educational, living and health standards as well as the life expectancy of a country's residents.

'E' Environmental factors: The environmental considerations on government bonds are limited. Nevertheless, Colchester looks for example at the disaster risk a country faces and whether its policies are designed to help it cope with disaster events. Again, the better the government policies are with regards to these environmental issues, the lower the impact will be on economic variables on a country. Other factors Colchester looks at include the environmental sustainability of a country i.e CO2/per capita, yale environmental performance indicators.

In conclusion, countries with strong financial balance sheets and high ESG ratings (in particular within the 'G' factors) will receive a strong FSS and premium consideration, while weaker ones (weak FSS) will be penalised. Colchester will never make investment decisions based solely upon ESG factors, but we do believe that these factors are an important determinant of identifying sustainable value which is in the interests of our clients. The FSS for each country is reviewed at each Investment Management Committee meeting and is an integral part of portfolio construction.

Lastly, with regards to portfolio construction, all portfolios managed by Colchester follow a similar investment management strategy based on the analysis of inflation, real interest rates and real exchange rates, supplemented by an assessment of sovereign financial balances - fiscal, external, monetary and ESG factors etc. With this consistent process, separate policies are not required for each fund or portfolio managed by Colchester. Most variables are reviewed at each Investment Management Committee meeting and are an integral part of the investment process.