



LEA 02	Discipline: Monetary	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's material ESG issues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice or identify the need for additional or other specific <input type="checkbox"/> We do not engage via internal staff <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company's material ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice or identify the need for additional or other specific 	
<p>Collaborative engagements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company's material ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice or identify the need for additional or other specific 	
<p>Service provider engagements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> To support investment decisionmaking in & company's material ESG issues <input type="checkbox"/> To influence corporate practice or identify the need for additional or other specific 	

RI TRANSPARENCY REPORT

2016

AAC Capital Benelux

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 2016 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 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	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 08	Segregated mandates or pooled funds	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 09	Breakdown of AUM by market	✓	Public							✓
OO 10	Additional information about organisation	✓	Private							✓
OO 11	RI activities for listed equities	🔒	n/a							✓
OO 12	RI activities in other asset classes	✓	Public							✓
OO 13	Modules and sections required to complete	✓	n/a							✓

Strategy and Governance				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
SG 01	RI policy and coverage	✓	Public							✓
SG 02	Publicly available RI policy or guidance documents	✓	Public							✓
SG 03	Conflicts of interest	✓	Public							✓
SG 04	RI goals and objectives	✓	Public							✓
SG 05	Main goals/objectives this year	✓	Private							✓
SG 06	RI roles and responsibilities	✓	Public							✓
SG 07	RI in performance management, reward and/or personal development	✓	Private							✓
SG 08	Collaborative organisations / initiatives	✓	Public				✓	✓		
SG 09	Promoting RI independently	✓	Public				✓			
SG 10	Dialogue with public policy makers or standard setters	✓	Private				✓	✓	✓	
SG 11	ESG issues in strategic asset allocation	✓	Private	✓						
SG 12	Long term investment risks and opportunity	✓	Private	✓						
SG 13	Allocation of assets to environmental and social themed areas	✓	Private	✓						
SG 14	ESG issues for internally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 15	ESG issues for externally managed assets not reported in framework	🔒	n/a							✓
SG 16	RI/ESG in execution and/or advisory services	🔒	n/a	✓	✓					
SG 17	Innovative features of approach to RI	✓	Private							✓
SG 18	Internal and external review and assurance of responses	✓	Private							✓

Direct – Private Equity				Principle						General
Indicator	Short description	Status	Disclosure	1	2	3	4	5	6	
PE 01	Breakdown of investments by strategy	✓	Private							✓
PE 02	Typical level of ownership	✓	Private							✓
PE 03	Description of approach to RI	✓	Public	✓						✓
PE 04	Investment guidelines and RI	✓	Public		✓					
PE 05	Fund placement documents and RI	✓	Public	✓			✓		✓	
PE 06	Formal commitments to RI	✓	Private				✓			
PE 07	Incorporating ESG issues when selecting investments	✓	Public	✓						
PE 08	ESG advice and research when selecting investments	✓	Private	✓						
PE 09	ESG issues in investment selection process	✓	Public	✓		✓				
PE 10	Types of ESG information considered in investment selection	✓	Private	✓		✓				
PE 11	Encouraging improvements in investees	✓	Private	✓	✓					
PE 12	ESG issues impact in selection process	✓	Private	✓						
PE 13	Proportion of companies monitored on their ESG performance	✓	Public		✓					
PE 14	Proportion of portfolio companies with sustainability policy	✓	Public		✓					
PE 15	Actions taken by portfolio companies to incorporate ESG issues into operations	✓	Private		✓					
PE 16	Type and frequency of reports received from portfolio companies	✓	Private		✓	✓				
PE 17	Disclosure of ESG issues in pre-exit	✓	Private		✓					
PE 18	ESG issues affected financial/ESG performance	✓	Private	✓	✓					
PE 19	Examples of ESG issues that affected your PE investments	✓	Private	✓	✓					
PE 20	Disclosure of ESG information to public and clients/beneficiaries	✓	Public							✓
PE 21	Approach to disclosing ESG incidents	✓	Private							✓

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Organisational Overview

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Basic Information

OO 01	Mandatory	Gateway/Peering	General
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OO 01.1 Select the services you offer.

Fund management

% of assets under management (AUM) in ranges

<10%

10-50%

>50%

Fund of funds, manager of managers, sub-advised products

Other, specify

Execution and advisory services

OO 01.2 Additional information. [Optional]

With offices in Amsterdam and Antwerp, AAC is a leading Benelux mid-market buy-out firm, which has to date completed 29 management buyouts, of which 24 have been realised. It targets opportunities for majority stakes in profitable, cash-generative companies headquartered in the Benelux. AAC's deal size is typically an enterprise value between €10 and €150 million, and it is currently investing from its third, Benelux focussed fund. AAC is a growth-oriented investor, with such companies in its portfolio as Desotec, Lubbers Transport Group and Corilus.

OO 02	Mandatory	Peering	General
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OO 02.1 Select the location of your organisation's headquarters.

Netherlands

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

14

OO 03	Mandatory	Descriptive	General
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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

Gateway/Peering

General

OO 04.1

Indicate the year end date for your reporting year.

31/12/2015

OO 04.2

Indicate your total AUM at the end of your reporting year, excluding subsidiaries you have chosen not to report on, and advisory/execution only assets.

	trillions	billions	millions	thousands	hundreds
Total AUM			150	000	000
Currency	EUR				
Assets in USD			163	530	873

OO 06

Mandatory

Descriptive

General

OO 06.1

To contextualise your responses to the public, indicate how you would like to disclose your asset class mix.

Publish our asset class mix as percentage breakdown

Publish our asset class mix as broad ranges

	Internally managed (%)	Externally managed (%)
Listed equity	0	0
Fixed income	0	0
Private equity	>50%	0
Property	0	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Commodities	0	0
Hedge funds	0	0
Forestry	0	0

Farmland	0	0
Inclusive finance	0	0
Cash	0	0
Other (1), specify	0	0
Other (2), specify	0	0

OO 06.2 Publish our asset class mix as per attached image [Optional].

OO 09

Mandatory to Report Voluntary to Disclose

Peering

General

OO 09.1

Indicate the breakdown of your organisation's AUM by market.

Market breakdown	% of AUM
Developed Markets	<input type="radio"/> 0%
	<input type="radio"/> <10%
	<input type="radio"/> 10-50%
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> >50 %
Emerging, Frontier and Other Markets	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 0%
	<input type="radio"/> <10%
	<input type="radio"/> 10-50%
	<input type="radio"/> >50 %

Gateway asset class implementation indicators

OO 12

Mandatory

Gateway

General

OO 12.1

Select internally managed asset classes where you implemented responsible investment into your investment decisions and/or your active ownership practices (during the reporting year)

- Private equity
- None of the above

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Strategy and Governance

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Responsible investment policy

SG 01

Mandatory

Core Assessed

General

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors <input type="checkbox"/> Asset class-specific guidelines <input type="checkbox"/> Sector specific RI guidelines <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Screening / exclusions policy <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify (1) <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 what norms have you used to develop your RI policy.

- UN Global Compact Principles
- UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
- Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- International Bill of Human Rights
- International Labour Organization Conventions
- United Nations Convention Against Corruption
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- Other, specify (1)
- Other, specify (2)
- Other, specify (3)
- None of the above

No

SG 02

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 6

SG 02.1

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

- Policy setting out your overall approach
- Formalised guidelines on environmental factors
- Formalised guidelines on social factors
- Formalised guidelines on corporate governance factors
- Screening / exclusions policy
- We do not publicly disclose our investment policy documents

SG 03

Mandatory

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.

If a conflict of interest arises or is expected to arise, the AAC team will remove any (potential) conflicted person(s) from the decision making process.

- No

Objectives and strategies

SG 04

Mandatory

Gateway/Core Assessed

General

SG 04.1

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 reviewed

Governance and human resources

SG 06

Mandatory

Core Assessed

General

SG 06.1

Indicate the roles present in your organisation and for each, indicate whether they have oversight and/or implementation responsibilities for responsible investment.

Roles present in your organisation

- Board members or trustees
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Investment Committee
- 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
- Dedicated responsible investment staff
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- External managers or service providers
 - Oversight/accountability for responsible investment
 - Implementation of responsible investment
 - No oversight/accountability or implementation responsibility for responsible investment
- Investor relations
- Other role, specify
- Other role, specify

SG 06.3 Indicate the number of dedicated responsible investment staff your organisation has.

Number

2

Promoting responsible investment

SG 08	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 4,5
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New selection options have been added to this indicator. Please review your prefilled responses carefully.

SG 08.1 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.

Select all that apply

- Principles for Responsible Investment

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

- Basic
- Moderate
- Advanced
- AFIC – La Commission ESG
- Asian Corporate Governance Association
- Australian Council of Superannuation Investors
- 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)
- Council of Institutional Investors (CII)
- ESG Research Australia
- Eumedion
- EVCA – Responsible Investment Roundtable
- Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI)
- Global Investors Governance Network (GIGN)
- Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN)
- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB)
- 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 Financial Action for the 21st Century
- Regional or National Social Investment Forums (e.g. UKSIF, Eurosif, ASRIA, RIAA), specify
- Shareholder Association for Research and Education (Share)
- United Nations Environmental Program Finance Initiative (UNEP FI)
- United Nations Global Compact
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify
- Other collaborative organisation/initiative, specify

SG 09

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 4

SG 09.1

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

Yes

SG 09.2

Indicate which of the following actions your organisation has taken to promote responsible investment, independently of collaborative initiatives.

- Provided or supported education or training programmes for clients, investment managers, broker/dealers, investment consultants, legal advisers or other investment organisations
- Provided financial support for academic or industry research on responsible investment
- Encouraged better transparency and disclosure of responsible investment practices across the investment industry
- Spoke publicly at events and conferences to promote responsible investment
- Wrote and published in-house research papers on responsible investment
- Encouraged the adoption of the PRI
- Wrote articles on responsible investment in the media.
- Other, specify

No

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Direct – Private Equity

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Overview

PE 03	Voluntary	Descriptive	PRI 1-6
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PE 03.1	Provide a brief overview of your organisation's approach to responsible investment in private equity.
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Our ESG policy is centred around identifying and addressing the key sustainability issues and opportunities in portfolio companies and their respective industries. In doing so, we take a business model centred approach. The ESG items identified impact the strategic value of a particular company given its specific business model and industry dynamics.

Our approach moves beyond compliance by addressing ESG items which could lead to improvements in operational excellence or growth prospects of a business. It is designed to offer further opportunities to create value.

The goal of AAC's ESG policy is to gain an understanding of the ESG exposure and opportunities in our portfolio and support our management teams in improving the ESG performance of their companies. We encourage our management teams to come up with action plans to address the relevant ESG issues and move in the direction of best-in-class in their respective industries.

ESG is integrated into our investment processes through early screening on ESG issues during lead analyses, due diligence processes and through addressing key considerations in our investment proposals. Post-closing, a mandatory AAC ESG scan is performed in cooperation with a sustainability consultancy to identify the key ESG issues and opportunities. Subsequently, the relevant ESG issues, and related KPI's, become part of the management agenda. On a yearly basis, the Supervisory Board monitors and discusses the progress made.

PE 04	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 2
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PE 04.1	Indicate if your organisation's investment guidelines for private equity refer to responsible investment.
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- Our investment guidelines do refer to responsible investment

PE 04.2	Describe how your organisation's investment guidelines outline your expectations on staff and portfolio companies' approach towards ESG issues [Optional].
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ESG scan is mandatory in our portfolio approach.

- Our investment guidelines do not refer to responsible investment
- We do not have investment guidelines

Fundraising of private equity funds

PE 05	Mandatory	Core Assessed	PRI 1,4,6
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PE 05.1	Indicate if your most recent fund placement documents (private placement memorandums (PPMs) or similar) refer to responsible investment aspects of your organisation.
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- Yes

PE 05.2

Indicate how your fund placement documents (PPMs or similar) refer to the following responsible investment aspects of your organisation:

- Policy and commitment to responsible investment
- Approach to ESG issues in pre-investment processes
- Approach to ESG issues in post-investment processes
- No
- Not applicable as our organisation does not fundraise

Pre-investment (selection)

PE 07

Mandatory

Gateway

PRI 1

PE 07.1

During due-diligence indicate if your organisation typically incorporates ESG issues when selecting private equity investments.

- Yes

PE 07.2

Describe your organisation's approach to incorporating ESG issues in private equity investment selection.

ESG is integrated into our investment processes through early screening on ESG issues during lead analyses, due diligence processes and through addressing key considerations in our investment proposals.

- No

PE 09

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 1,3

PE 09.1

Indicate which E, S and/or G issues are typically considered by your organisation in the investment selection process and list up to three typical examples per issue.

ESG issues

- Environmental

List up to three typical examples of environmental issues

Usage of scarce resources - energy usage
Preservation of ecosystems - water usage
Non-degradable waste in top soil - waste output

- Social

List up to three typical examples of social issues

Labour conditions - inputs for production which can be an issue with respect to human rights
Health and safety issues on workforce

- Governance

List up to three typical examples of governance issues

Limited or no code of conduct

Limited or no anti-bribery/ money laundering / fraud policies

PE 09.2 Additional information. [Optional]

E, S and/or G issues are considered by our organisation in the investment selection process, if the the outcome is that some standards do not meet our basic requirements - we assess if we can improve this during our investment period. If so, we will invest and improve the issues.If not and the issues are structural by nature, we do not invest.

Post-investment (monitoring and active ownership)

PE 13

Mandatory

Gateway/Core Assessed

PRI 2

PE 13.1

Indicate whether your organisation incorporates ESG issues in investment monitoring of portfolio companies.

Yes

PE 13.2

Indicate the proportion of portfolio companies where your organisation included ESG performance in investment monitoring during the reporting year.

- >90% of portfolio companies
- 51-90% of portfolio companies
- 10-50% of portfolio companies
- <10% of portfolio companies

(in terms of total number of portfolio companies)

PE 13.3

Indicate ESG issues for which your organisation typically sets and monitors targets (KPIs or similar) and provide examples per issue.

ESG issues

Environmental

List up to three example targets of environmental issues

Decrease fuel consumption/ CO2 emissions

Decrease energy usage/ waste

Social

List up to three example targets of social issues

Data security

Health and safety (accident risk)

Governance

List up to three example targets of governance issues

Improve governance by implementing minimum standards on code of conduct

Improve governance by implementing standards on sourcing policy

Implement segregation of duties

We do not set and/or monitor against targets

No

PE 14

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 2

PE 14.1

Indicate if your organisation tracks the proportion of your portfolio companies that have an ESG/sustainability-related policy (or similar guidelines).

Yes

PE 14.2

Indicate what percentage of your portfolio companies has an ESG/sustainability policy (or similar guidelines).

- >90% of portfolio companies
- 51-90% of portfolio companies
- 10-50% of portfolio companies
- <10% of portfolio companies
- 0% of portfolio companies

(in terms of total number of portfolio companies)

No

Communication

PE 20

Mandatory

Core Assessed

PRI 6

PE 20.1

Indicate whether your organisation proactively discloses ESG information on your private equity investments.

- Disclose publicly
- Disclose to investor clients (LPs)/beneficiaries only

PE 20.5

Indicate the type of ESG information that your organisation proactively discloses to your clients (LPs)/beneficiaries.

- ESG information in relation to our pre-investment activities
- ESG information in relation to our post-investment monitoring and ownership activities
- Information on our portfolio companies' ESG performance
- Other, specify

PE 20.6

Indicate your organisation's typical frequency of disclosing ESG information to your clients(LPs)/beneficiaries.

- Quarterly or more frequently
 - Biannually
 - Annually
 - Less frequently than annually
 - Ad-hoc/when requested, specify
- No proactive disclosure to the public or to clients (LPs)/beneficiaries