Template 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

**Product name: AGCM Asia Dividend Fund** 

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

Sustainability

environmental objective might be aligned with the

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

## Environmental and/or social characteristics

Legal entity identifier: LEI 5299005XMQP4HD2W4K13

Did this f	d this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?			
••	Yes	•	×	No
inv	in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy		char while	comoted Environmental/Social (E/S) racteristics and e it did not have as its objective a ainable investment, it had a proportion of of sustainable investments  with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  with a social objective
	ade sustainable investments a a social objective:%	Y		omoted E/S characteristics, but <b>did not</b> e any sustainable investments

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

The sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics by investing in companies which make a contribution to one or more of the five goals AGCM has selected from the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals.

The sub-fund has been screened for exclusion of companies engaged in activities with a significant negative impact on society, human health or the environment or non-adherence to international norms, principals or guidelines.

The Investment Manager conducted active ownership by proxy voting of an exernal ESG advisor.

In 2023 the share of holdings which complied with binding elements of the sub-fund's investment strategy to promote environmental or social characteristics was 95.4%.

How did the sustainability indicators perform?

#### Promoting investments in companies with environmental or social characteristics

The contribution to one or more of the UN SDGs of the sub-fund's holdings is shown below. Where an activity may be measurable in terms of revenue, a positive contribution is defined as deriving more than 5% of the turnover from one of the five SDGs prioritized by the sub-fund. Where the activity is generating a substantial positive contribution to a social characteristics, it may not be quantifiable in terms of revenue but may be guaged in terms of engagement in policies and activities which have a positive effect on employee health, safety and development. A positive contribution may also be evidenced by large-scale involvement in societal improvement programs such as inclusive financing in poor rural areas, re-development of shanty towns and cleaning up of the environment, emission reduction and flooding prevention infrastructure or education in digital literacy.

The five prioritized UN Sustainable Development Goals, contribution by investee companies:

No. 3 - Good health and well-being: 19%

No. 8 – Decent work and economic growth: 22%

No. 9 - Industry, innovation and infrastructure: 20%

No. 11 - Sustainable cities and infrastructure: 52%

No. 13- Climate action: 66%

#### **Negative screening of assets**

Negative screening of investee companies has been performed to ensure that they have met the criteria for non-involvement in harmful activities for human health, society or the environment. All the investee companies are compliant with the value based exclusion critiera.

None of the companies are involved in fossil fuels or controversial weapons. One of the investee companies, representing 2.16% of the portolio assets, has been reported to be in violation of UN Global Compact. The Investment Manager continues to monitor the case.

#### ...and compared to previous periods?

The share of investee companies contributing to each of the five Sustainable Development Goals is accounted for in 2023 as the first time.

All of the investee companies complied with the exclusion criteria in 2022.

One of the investee companies representing 2% of portfolio assets were in violation of UN Global Compact in 2022.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

N/A

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

N/A

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

The Investment Advisor has reviewed the development and alignment of the below Principal Adverse Impacts "PAI" on sustainability factors and the result is published with a comparison with the previous year. The PAIs below have been selected on the basis of available data from external information providers.

The adverse impacts on sustainability factors considered by the Investment Manager were:

- GHG emissions: Scope 1, Scope 2, Scope 3 and Total GHG emissions
- Carbon footprint
- GHG intensity of investee companies
- Exposure of investments in companies active in fossil fuels
- Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production
- Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector
- Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-intensive areas
- Emission to water
- Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio
- Violations of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- Unadjusted gender pay gap
- Board gender diversity
- Exposure to controversial weapons
- Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives
- Lack of anti-corruption and anti-bribery policy

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not 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.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

The sub-fund was screened by an external advisor for adherance to international norms and the result showed no negative deviances for alignment with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.



# How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors

The Investment Manager monitors the investee companies' progress in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and it is a part of the consideration in continuing to be invested. The sub-fund does not invest in companies which are active within fossil fuels. If a company has more than 5% of revenue derived from production of fossil fuels it is basis for exclusion. The investee companies are expected to adhere to the UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. Companies active with controversial weapons are excluded.

### Discussion of changes in Principal Adverse Indicators compared to the previous year:

The year 2023 is the first reporting period for which the Investment Manager reports on all of the 14 mandatory PAIs and two additional indicators. The comparison of coverage with the previous year for which the indicators were reported is shown within parenthesis next to the current data.

The majority of investee companies are showing a declining trend in emissions of Greenhouse gases year-over-year. The aggregated values for the individual metrics may nonetheless increase. This is mainly attributable to a change in the sub-fund's composition of holdings. Some industries have higher overall emissisons related to their activities as a part of the nature of their business. The mix of direct versus indirect emissions also varies. Any change in the composition of the investee companies will consequently have a direct impact. Asia Dividend Fund increased its share of holdings in ecommerce companies which had a negative effect on Scope 1 direct emissions of greenhous gases due to an increase in transportation services. The sub-fund has held a comparatively larger share of telcom operators on a year-on-year comparison, which has led to higher scope 2 indirect emissions as a function of their leased communication infrastructure equipment, albeit the majority of them reporting declining absolute indirect GHG emissions.

One of the investee companies showed a violation of UNGC principles which is an increase from the previous year when there was none.

#### Actions taken:

The Investment Manager is monitoring the situation with the violation of UNGC principles and expect a rectification, otherwise the sub-fund may divest of the holding.

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					Coverage of	
Adverse sustainability					investee companies 2023	Explanation, actions taken, and planned for
indicator	Metric	Year 2022	Year 2023	Change		and targets set for the next reference period
1. GHG emissions	Scope 1 GHG emissions	17.5976 tCO2e	29.5397 tCO2e	11.9 tCO2e		We expect that all companies we invest in
						work to reduce green house gas emissions
	Scope 2 GHG emissions	396.2885 tCO2e	446.8223 tCO2e	50.5 tCO2e	100%	and have a plan to reduce them significantly.
	Scope 3 GHG emissions	385.5777 tCO2e	261.6751 tCOe	-122.7 tCO2e	100/0	We monitor the investee companies' progress
					86,6% (89)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Total GHG emissions	798.6687 tCO2e	721.1122 tCO2e	-77.5 tCO2e	86,6% (89)	
Carbon footprint	Carbon footprint	94.4677 tCO2e/ EUR m invested	87.8123 tCOe EUR m invested	-6.6 tCO2e /EUR m investerat		regarding emissions and it is part of our
					86,6% (89)	
<ol><li>GHG intesity of investee companies</li></ol>	GHG intensity of investee companies	89.8488 tCO2e/ EUR m revenue	87.1956 tCO2e/ EUR m revenue	-2.6 tCO2e/ EUR m intäkter		consideration if continuing to be invested.
companies	companies	LON III Tevende	LOK III Tevende	intaktei	86,6% (89)	
4. Share of investments in		0%	0%	0%	100% (100)	We don't invest in companies active within
companies active within fossil fuels						fossil fues. If a company has >5% of revenue or production from fossil fuels it will be
lossii rueis						excluded.
5. Share of non-renewable	Share of non-renewable		79,9%		83%	
energy consumption and production	consumption and production of investee					
p	companies from non-					
	renewable energy sources					
6. Energy consumption	Energy consumption in		12,06		83%	
intensity per high impact	GWh/EUR m of revenue in					
climate sector.	investee companies per high					
7. Activities negatively	impact climate sector. Share of investments in		n.a	n.a.		
affecting bio-diversity	investee companies with		11.0	11.a.		
sensitive areas.	sites/operations located in					
	or near to biodiversity					
8. Emission to water	Tonnes of emissions to		0,00		3%	
	water generated by investee					
	companies per million of					
	EUR inevested, expressed as					
9. Hazardous waste and	Tonnes of hazardous waste		0,00			
radioactive waste ratio.	and radioactive waste					
	generated by investee companies per m Euro					
	invested evaressed as				54%	
<ol><li>Violations of UN Global Compact principles and</li></ol>	Share of investees which have been involved in	2.00%	2.16%	0.16%	100% (100)	We expect that all companies we invest in adhere to the UNGC principles and OECD
OECD Guidelines for	violations of the UNGC					Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.
Multinational Enterprises	principles of OECD					·
	Guidelines for Multinational					
11. Lack of processes and	Enterprises Share of investments in		13,2%		100%	
compliance mechanisms	investee companies without		13,270		100%	
to monitor compliance	policies to monitor					
with UN Global Compact	compliance with the UNGC					
principles and OECD Guidelines for	principles of OECD Guidelines for Multnational					
Multinational Enterprises.	Enterprises of					
	grievance/complaints					
42 11 - 12 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	handling mechanisms to		2.020/			
12. Unadjusted gender payment gap.	Average unadjusted gender pay gap of investee		3,02%			
payment gap.	companies.					
13. Board gender diversity	Average ratio of female to					
	male board members in investee companies,					
	expressed as a percentage of					
14 Evnocuro to	all based as anchors	201	20/	20/	96%	Companies active with anthropolis
14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved	0%	0%	0%	100% (100)	Companies active with controversial weapons are excluded.
anti-personal mines,	in the manufacture or selling					
cluster munitions,	of controversial weapons					
chemical weapons and						
hiological weapons) 15. Investments in	Share of companies without		10,05%		100%	
	carbone emission reduction					
emission reduction	alternatives.					
16. Lack of anti-corruption	Share of investee companies		8,9%		100%	
zor zack or arti corraption						
and anti-bribery policy	without anti-bribery policy.					



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

AGCM-Asia Dividend Fund 2023		
China Mobile	5,57% Communication	China
China Railway Construction	4,68% Industrial	China
Industrial & Com Bank of China	4,64% Financial	China
Sinopharm Group	4,43% Healthcare	China
China Construction Bank	4,39% Financial	China
Bank Mandiri	4,36% Financial	Indonesia
China Telecom	4,27% Communication	China
Bank of China	4,22% Financial	China
Ping An Insurance	3,82% Financial	China
Telekom Indonesia	3,73% Communication	Indonesia
Alibaba Group	3,72% Consumer	China
China Resources Land	3,59% Real estate	China
China Overseas Land	3,26% Real estate	China
DBS Group	2,22% Financial	Singapore
Samsung Electronics	2,02% Info tech	S. Korea

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

N/A

### What was the asset allocation?

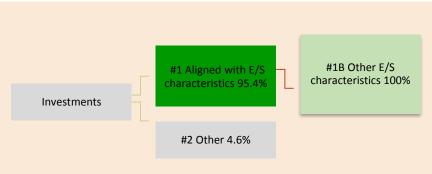
For the period 1 January to 31 December 2023, 95.4% of the holdings were #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics and 4.6% were #2 Other holdings. All holdings (100%) aligned with E/S characteristics were #1B Other E/S characteristics.

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is:

2023.





**#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.

**#20ther** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

[include the note below where the financial product made sustainable investments]

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category #1A Sustainable covers environmentally and socially sustainable investments.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### In which economic sectors were the investments made?

The investments were made in companies active in consumer goods and services, financials including insurance, communication, real estate, info tech, healthcare and industrials. The investments contributed to one or more of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. There were no investments in companies involved in extraction, production or distribution of fossil fuels.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy

N/A

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

Yes:		
	In fossil gas	In nuclear energy
↓ No		

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

### **Enabling activities**

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

# Transitional activities are

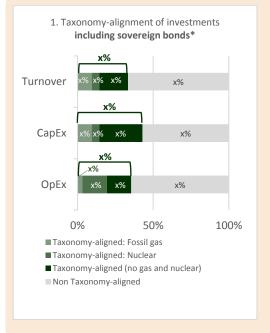
activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

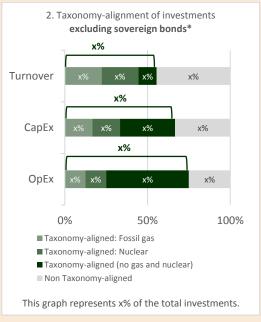
I gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate e ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the nd margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are with in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

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.

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

N/A

How did the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy compare with previous reference periods

N/A



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

N/A

N/A

What was the share of socially sustainable investments

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

are
sustainable
investments with an
environmental
objective that do
not take into
account the criteria
for environmentally
sustainable
economic activities
under Regulation
(EU) 2020/852.



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

The Investment Manager has screened all investee companies inhouse for E/S characteristics as well as periodically through an ESG consultant for adherence to international norms as well as value-based screening for compliance with limits for exclusion criterias. The sub-fund makes use of proxy voting through an external ESG consultant and has voted on all issues during the year.



# How did this financial product perform compared to the reference benchmark?

N/A

How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index?

N/A

How did this financial product perform with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?

N/A

How did this financial product perform compared with the reference benchmark?

N/A

How did this financial product perform compared with the broad market index?`

N/A

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the

the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.