Our goal

Environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations underpin all our investment activities. Our goal is to make a difference – for our clients, society and the wider world. ESG investment is about doing the right thing, while aiming to achieve our clients' long-term financial goals.

Active engagement

ESG investment is about active engagement, with the goal of improving the performance of assets we manage around the world. To do this, we have a team of over 50 ESG specialists spanning the globe. This on-the-ground resource means we can fully understand the investments we make for our clients, building detailed pictures of companies that we invest in and the markets in which we operate.

Our commitment

It starts with us, that's why on top of our financial responsibilities to our clients, as a company we have committed:

- To cut our greenhouse gas emissions from energy use by 50% by 2030
- 33% of our Board and executive population will be female by June 2020
- Where feasible, to remove all single-use plastics from our offices in 2020
- To support our people with leading practices such as launching our new Parent Leave policy and piloting the innovative Living Hours programme (in the UK).

Part of our DNA since 1992
Aberdeen Standard Investments awarded the top A+ rating for strategy and governance approach.

Read the report

ESG integration across asset classes

- ESG integration in Equities
- ESG integration in Fixed Income
- ESG integration in Multi-Asset
- ESG integration in Private Markets
- ESG integration in Quantitative Investments
- ESG integration in real estate

Responsible Investing videos

- Investing for a sustainable tomorrow
- Emerging market debt - ESG embedded
- What does responsible investing mean to us?
- ESG investment: our capabilities
Impact investing
17 steps to a better future
Global Equity Impact Fund Annual Report

Quarterly reports

ESG report - Quarter 4 2019
ESG report - Quarter 3 2019
### Engagement and voting summary of Aberdeen Standard Investments*

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<th>Voting summary Q4 2019</th>
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<td>Shareholder meetings at which our clients’ shares were voted</td>
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* As at 31 December 2019, Source: Aberdeen Standard Investments

**Document library**

- Sustainable Development Equity Approach
- ESG Capabilities
- Strategic Asset Allocation: ESG's new frontier
- Controversial Weapons - our approach for investments
- Climate change - our approach for investments
- Dialling-up our integration of ESG into real estate