#### SANTANDER SICAV

Société anonyme - société d'investissement à capital variable Registered office: 6, route de Trèves, L- 2633 Senningerberg, Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg R.C.S. Luxembourg number: B 45.337 (the "**Company**")

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF THE SUB-FUND SANTANDER GO GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS (the "Sub-Fund")

Luxembourg, 21 May 2025

Dear Shareholder,

The board of directors of the Company (the "**Board**") would like to inform you about some changes to the management of the Sub-Fund, as more fully detailed below with effective date as of 21 May 2025 (the "**Effective Date**").

Following the ESMA guidelines on funds' name issued on 14 May 2024, the management company of the Company performed a self-assessment and recommend the Company to proceed with some changes as described below.

In this context, and as of the Effective Date, the Board informs on the following changes:

 some minor adjustments on the ESG engagement and SFDR precontractual disclosure disclosed in the Prospectus without impact on the ESG engagement level, on the risk profile of the fund and its investment objective and policy and will have no impact on the costs for the investors. The fund excludes companies violating international norms, exposed to tobacco or controversial weapons, as well as companies active in sectors with possible negative impacts on the climate in accordance with the exclusion criteria defined in the Article 12. 1 (a-g) of (EU) delegated regulation 2020/1818 of the Commission.

Please refer to the Appendix to read the revised pre-contractual disclosure of the Sub-Fund.

The legal fees and related expenses for legal advice and registration of the Sub-Fund with governmental agencies or stock exchanges, including the preparation and filing of applications, prospectuses or similar material allocated to the Sub-Fund will be borne by an entity of the Santander Group, as applicable.

Please be advised that the revised prospectus of the Company, reflecting the above change, will be available free of charge upon request at the registered office of the Company or from the Company's local representatives, as applicable.

Please do not hesitate to contact us or your financial adviser if you require any further clarification.

Yours faithfully,

The Board

#### APPENDIX -PRE-CONTRACTUAL DISCLOSURE

#### Pre-contractual disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product name: Santander Go Global Environmental Solutions

Legal entity identifier: 213800115BDICDFT5J73

#### 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 lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

Environmental and/or social characteristics

Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?

•• 🗌 Yes

It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_%

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

It will make a minimum of sustainable investments with a social objective: \_\_\_\_%

No 🗴 No

It promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it does not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it will have a minimum proportion of 50% 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

L It promotes E/S characteristics, but **will not** make any sustainable investments



## What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The environmental/social characteristics promoted by this financial product are based on the investment in companies that participate in the transition to a sustainable world by focusing on challenges related to the environment across global markets, primarily climate change and nature degradation.

This includes, but is not limited to, companies that provide through their products, services or

pro-cesses, solutions to aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, the circular economy, as well as renewable energy production, energy technology & materials, and energy infrastructure & mobility.

- Theme One: Renewable Energy Production. This theme relates to decarbonising the energy system through production of renewable energy and carbon capture. Examples include clean power, hydrogen production, and renewable installation.
- Theme Two: Energy Technology & Materials. This theme relates to digitalising the energy system through electrification, efficiency and technology. Examples include batteries for electric vehicles, environmental data analytics, and critical raw materials.
- Theme Three: Energy Infrastructure & Mobility. This relates to decentralising the energy system through new infrastructure, distributed energy, and battery storage. This includes electric vehicle charging, hydrogen mobility and micro eMobility.
- Theme Four: Ocean Health & Clean Water. This relates to aquatic ecosystems, which sustain the lives of billions of people, regulate climate, produces half our oxygen. Examples include desalination, smart irrigation and water flow control.
- Theme Five: Smart Agriculture & Food Innovation. This relates to terrestrial ecosystems, which provide the basis for life through food supply, habitats for organisms and biodiversity. Examples include animal health, smart farming and forestry management.
- Theme Six: Circular Economy & Eco-Design. This relates to the circular economy, which includes reducing, re-using and recycling materials to reduce waste and pollution. Examples include biodegradable plastics, textile recycling and waste management.

This Sub-Fund also applies exclusion criteria with regard to issuers that are in violation of international norms and convention or operate in sensitive sectors as defined by the Investment Manager's Responsible Business Conduct Policy (RBC Policy).

No reference benchmark has been designated for the purpose of attaining the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

### What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The following sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the financial product:

- The percentage of the financial product's portfolio compliant with the RBC Policy.
- The financial product shall invest in companies with at least a 20% of revenue, profit or invested capital aligned with the financial product's thematic.
- The percentage of the financial product's portfolio covered by ESG analysis based on the investment manager's ESG internal proprietary methodology; The percentage of the financial product's portfolio invested in "sustainable

Sustainability

indicators measure how the sustainable objectives of this financial product are attained. investments" as defined in Article 2 (17) of the SFDR regulation.

# • What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The objectives of the sustainable investments made by the financial product are to finance companies that contribute to environmental and/or social objectives through their products and services, as well as their sustainable practices.

The internal methodology of the investment manager, as defined in the main part of the Prospectus, integrates several criteria into its definition of sustainable investments that are considered to be core components to qualify a company as sustainable. These criteria are complementary to each other. In practice, a company must meet at least one of the criteria described below in order to be considered as contributing to an environmental or social objective:

- A company with an economic activity aligned with the EU Taxonomy objectives. A company can be qualified as sustainable investment in case it has more than 20% of its revenues aligned with the EU Taxonomy. A company qualifying as sustainable investment through these criteria can for example contribute to the following environmental objectives: sustainable forestry, environmental restoration, sustainable manufacturing, renewable energy, water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation, sustainable transportation, sustainable buildings, sustain-able information and technology, scientific research for sustainable development.
- A company with an economic activity contributing to one or more United Nations Sustainable Development goals (UN SDG) targets. A company can be qualified as sustainable investment in case it has more than 20% of its revenues aligned with the SDGs and less than 20% of its revenues misaligned with the UN SDGs. A company qualifying as sustainable investment through these criteria can for example contribute to the following objectives:
  - Environmental: sustainable agriculture, sustainable management of water and sanitation, sustainable and modern energy, sustainable economic growth, sustainable infra-structure, sustainable cities, sustainable consumption and production patterns, fight against climate change, conservation and sustainable use of oceans, seas and marine resources, protection, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainable management of forests, fight against desertification, land degradation and biodiversity loss;
  - Social: no poverty, zero hunger, food security, healthy lives and wellbeing at all ages, inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning opportunities, gender equality, women and girls empowerment, availability of water and sanitation, access to affordable, reliable and modern energy, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work, resilient infrastructure, inclusive and sustainable industrialization,

reduced inequality, inclusive, safe and resilient cities and hu-man settlements, peaceful and inclusive societies, access to justice and effective, ac-countable and inclusive institutions, global partnership for sustainable development.

- A company operating in a high GHG emission sector that is transitioning its business model to align with the objective of maintaining the global temperature rise below 1.5°C. A company qualifying as sustainable investment through these criteria can for example contribute to the following environmental objectives: GHG emissions reduction, fight against climate change.
- A company with best-in-class environmental or social practices compared to its peers within the relevant sector and geographical region. The E or S best performer assessment is based on the Investment Manager ESG scoring methodology. The methodology scores companies and assesses them against a peer group comprising companies in comparable sectors and geo-graphical regions. A company with a contribution score above 10 on the Environmental or Social pillar qualifies as best performer. A company qualifying as sustainable investment through these criteria can for example contribute to the following objectives:
  - Environmental: fight against climate change, environmental risk management, sustain-able management of natural resources, waste management, water management, GHG emissions reduction, renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, green infrastructure.
  - Social: health and safety, human capital management, good external stakeholder management (supply chain, contractors, data), business ethics preparedness, good corporate governance.

Companies identified as a sustainable investment should not significantly harm any other environmental or social objectives (the Do No Significant Harm "DNSH" principle) and should follow good governance practices. The Investment Manager uses its proprietary methodology to assess all companies against these requirements, promoted by the financial product.

#### How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

Sustainable investments that the product partially intends to make should not significantly harm any environmental or social objective (DNSH Principle). In this respect, the investment manager commits to consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors by taking into account indicators for ad-verse impacts as defined in SFDR, and to not invest in companies that do not meet their fundamental obligations in line with the OECD Guidelines and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

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

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on The investment manager ensures that throughout its investment process, the financial product takes into account all the principal adverse impact indicators that are relevant to its investment strategy to select the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make by systematically implementing the sustainable investment pillars defined in the Investment Man-ager's Global Sustainability Strategy (GSS) into its investment process: RBC policy, ESG integration guidelines, Stewardship, the forward-looking vision – the '3Es' (Energy transition, Environmental sustainability, Equality & Inclusive Growth).

The RBC policy establishes a common framework across investments and economic activities that help identify industries and behaviours presenting a high risk of adverse impacts in violation of international norms. As part of the RBC Policy, sector policies provide a tailored approach to identify and prioritize principal adverse impacts based on the nature of the economic activity, and in many cases, the geography in which these economic activities take place.

The ESG Integration Guidelines includes a series of commitments, which are material to consideration of principal adverse sustainability impacts and guides the investment manager's ESG integration pro-cess. The investment manager's proprietary ESG scoring framework includes an assessment of a number of adverse sustainability impacts caused by companies in which we invest. The result of this assessment leads to the exclusion of companies that are not aligned with the SDGs.

The Forward-looking perspective defines a set of objectives and developed performance indicators to measure how the research, portfolios and commitments are aligned on three issues, the "3Es" (Energy transition, Environmental sustainability, Equality & inclusive growth) and thus support investment processes.

Furthermore, the Stewardship team regularly identifies adverse impacts through ongoing re-search, collaboration with other long-term investors, and dialogue with NGOs and other experts.

As regards the sustainable investments that the financial product intends to make, the following principal adverse sustainability impacts are taken into account:

Corporate mandatory indicators:

- 1. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions
- 2. Carbon footprint
- 3. GHG intensity of investee companies
- 4. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector
- 5. Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production
- 6. Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector
- 7. Activities negatively affecting biodiversity sensitive areas

- 8. Emissions to water
- 9. Hazardous waste ratio
- Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- 11. Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Com-pact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- 12. Unadjusted gender pay gap
- 13. Board gender diversity
- 14. Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)

Corporate voluntary indicators:

#### Environment

4. Investments in companies without carbon emission reduction initiatives

Social

- 4. Lack of a supplier code of conduct
- 9. Lack of a human rights policy

Sovereign mandatory indicators

- 15. GHG intensity
- 16. Investee countries subject to social violations

In addition, information on how the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors have been considered over the year will be available in the annual report of the financial product.

#### How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?

The investment universe of the financial product is periodically screened with a view to identify issuers that are potentially in violation or at risk of violation of the UN Global Compact Principles, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and UN Guiding Principles on Business & Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organisation on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights. This assessment is conducted within the Investment Manager Sustainability Centre on the basis of internal analysis and information provided by external experts, and in consultation with the Investment Manager's CSR Team. If an issuer is found to be in serious and repeated violations of any of the principles, it will be placed on an "exclusion list" and will not be available for investment. Existing investments should be divested from the portfolio according to an internal procedure. If an issuer is at risk of violating any of the principles, it is placed on a "watch list" monitored, as appropriate.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomyaligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU 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.



### Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

**X** Yes, the product considers principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors by systematically implementing the sustainable investment pillars defined in the GSS into its investment process. These pillars are covered by firm-wide policies that set criteria to identify, consider and prioritise as well as address or mitigate adverse sustainability impacts caused by issuers.

The RBC policy establishes a common framework across investments and economic activities that help identify industries and behaviours presenting a high risk of adverse impacts in violation of international norms. As part of the RBC Policy, sector policies provide a tailored approach to identify and prioritize principal adverse impacts based on the nature of the economic activity, and in many cases, the geography in which these economic activities take place.

The ESG Integration Guidelines includes a series of commitments, which are material to consideration of principal adverse sustainability impacts and guides the investment manager's ESG integration process. The investment manager's proprietary ESG scoring framework includes an assessment of a number of adverse sustainability impacts caused by companies in which we invest. The result of this assessment leads to the exclusion of companies that are not aligned with the SDGs.

The Forward-looking perspective defines a set of objectives and developed performance indicators to measure how the research, portfolios and commitments are aligned on three issues,

the "3Es" (Energy transition, Environmental sustainability, Equality & inclusive growth) and thus support investment pro-cesses.

Furthermore, the Investment Manager regularly identifies adverse impacts through ongoing research, collaboration with other long-term investors, and dialogue with NGOs and other experts.

Actions to address or mitigate principal adverse sustainability impacts depend on the severity and materiality of these impacts. These actions are guided by the Investment Manager's RBC Policy, ESG Integration Guidelines, and Engagement Policy which include the following provisions:

- Exclusion of issuers that are in violation of international norms and conventions and issuers that are involved in activities presenting an unacceptable risk to society and/or the environment.
- Engagement with issuers with the aim of encouraging them to improve their environmental, social and governance practices and, thus, mitigate potential adverse impacts.
- Ensuring all securities included in the portfolio have supportive ESG research.

Based on the above approach, and depending on the composition of the financial product's portfolio (i.e. the type of issuer), the financial product considers and addresses or mitigates the following principal adverse sustainability impacts:

Corporate mandatory indicators:

- 1. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions
- 2. Carbon footprint
- 3. GHG intensity of investee companies
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In addition, information on how the principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors have been considered over the year will be available in the annual report of the financial product.

No

#### What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

This Sub-Fund is actively managed. The benchmark MSCI ACWI (EUR) NR is used for performance comparison only. The Sub-Fund is not benchmark constrained and its performance may deviate significantly from that of the benchmark.

The Sub-Fund seeks to increase the value of its assets over the medium term by investing in shares issued by companies engaging in climate solutions across global markets. These companies provide through their products, services or processes solutions to aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems, the circular economy, as well as renewable energy production, energy technology & materials and energy infra-structure & mobility.

The Sub-Fund may be exposed to emerging markets up to 30% of its assets. It may be invested up to 20% of the Sub-Fund's assets in Mainland China shares restricted to foreign investors such as China A shares, which can be listed on a Stock Connect or through a use of a specific license granted by the Chinese authorities.

The investment universe of the financial product is thoroughly screened with a view to identify issuers that are in violation of the UN Global Compact Principles, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and UN Guiding Principles on Business & Human Rights. Issuers failing to meet their fundamental obligations in the areas of human and labour rights, environment and

The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance. corruption are excluded from the investment universe. The in-house sector policies relating to companies operating in sensitive areas (controversial weapons, asbestos, mining, palm oil, etc.) are implemented in order to identify and exclude companies with the worst practices.

In addition, the Investment Manager relies on their internal sustainable investment methodology, as de-fined in the answer to the question What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investments contribute to such objectives, to determine issuers that contribute to environmental and/or social objectives.

An extra-financial strategy may comprise methodological limitations such as the ESG Investment Risk as defined by the Investment Manager.

The elements of the investment strategy to attain the sustainable investment objective of this financial product as described below are systematically integrated throughout the investment process.

#### What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The financial product shall comply with the RBC Policy by excluding companies involved in controversies due to poor practices related to human and labour rights, environment, and corruption, as well as companies operating in sensitive sectors (tobacco, coal, controversial weapons, asbestos...), as these companies are deemed to be in violation of international norms, or to cause unacceptable harm to society and/or the environment.

More information on the RBC Policy, and in particular criteria relating to sectoral exclusions, can be found on the website of the investment manager: <u>Sustainability</u> <u>documents - BNP Paribas Asset Management - Corporate FR</u> The financial product shall invest in companies with at least a 20% of revenue, profit or invested capital aligned with the financial product's thematic.

- The financial product shall have at least 90% of its assets (excluding ancillary liquid assets) covered by the ESG analysis based on the ESG internal proprietary methodology of the investment manager.
- The financial product shall invest at least 50% of its assets in "sustainable investments" as defined in Article 2 (17) of the SFDR regulation. Criteria to qualify an investment as "sustainable investment" are indicated in the above question "What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and does the sustainable investments contribute to such objectives" and the quantitative and qualitative thresholds are mentioned in the main part of the Prospectus.
- The financial product excludes companies violating international norms, exposed to tobacco or controversial weapons, as well as companies active in sectors with possible negative impacts on the climate in accordance with the exclusion criteria defined in the Article 12. 1 (a-g) of (EU) delegated regulation 2020/1818 of the Commission. The details on how the exclusions are applied, depending on the asset

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.

structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance. classes, are available in the investment manager's website (<u>https://docfinder.bnpparibas-am.com/api/files/2895a45a-bb7a-44f6-8e48-990be2616498/</u> – section « PAB exclusions for ESMA Guidelines »).

### What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?

The Sub-Fund does not commit to a minimum rate.

#### What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?

The ESG scoring framework assesses corporate governance through a core set of standard key performance indicators for all sectors supplemented by sector specific metrics.

The governance metrics and indicators to assess good governance practices such as sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance include but are not limited to:

- Separation of power (e.g. Split CEO/Chair),
- Board diversity,
- Executive pay (remuneration policy),
- Board Independence, and key committees' independence
- Accountability of directors,
- Financial expertise of the Audit Committee,
- Respect of shareholders rights and absence of antitakeover devices
- The presence of appropriate policies (i.e. Bribery and corruption, whistle-blower),
- Tax disclosure,
- An assessment of prior negative incidents relating to governance.

The ESG analysis goes beyond the framework to look at a more qualitative assessment of how the insights from our ESG model are reflected in the culture and operations of investee companies. In some cases, the ESG analysts will conduct due diligence meetings to better understand the company's approach to corporate governance.

#### Asset allocation

describes the share of investments in specific assets.



#### What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

At least 80% of the investments of the financial product will be used to meet the environmental or social characteristics promoted, in accordance with the binding elements of the investment strategy of the financial product.

For the avoidance of doubt, such a proportion is solely a minimum commitment and the real per-centage of the investments of the financial product that attained the promoted environmental or social characteristics will be available in the annual report.

The minimum proportion of sustainable investments of the financial product is 50%.

The remaining proportion of the investments is mainly used as described under the question: "What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?"



**#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.

**#2Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

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

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.

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

### How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

Financial derivative instruments may be used for hedging, if applicable. These instruments are not used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the product.

### To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The extent to which sustainable investments with an environmental objective are aligned with the EU Taxonomy and that contribute to the environmental objectives' climate change mitigation, climate change adaptation, the sustainable use and protection of water and marine re-sources, the transition to a circular economy, pollution prevention and control and/or the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems are disclosed in the two graphs below.

The Investment Manager is improving its Taxonomy-alignment data collection to ensure the accuracy and suitability of its Taxonomy sustainability-related disclosures. Further subsequent prospectus and Taxonomy-alignment commitments updates will be made accordingly.

Economic activities that are not recognised by the Taxonomy Regulation are not necessarily environmentally harmful or unsustainable. In addition, all activities that can make a substantial contribution to environmental as well as social objectives are not

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**



activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective

#### Transitional activities are economic activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and that have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

yet part of the Taxonomy Regulation or subject to such Regulation.

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



The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds<sup>\*</sup>, 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.



What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

Not applicable.



### What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy is 10%.

The minimum share is intentionally low as the objective of the investment manager is not to prevent the product from investing in taxonomy-aligned activities within the framework of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objectives -see explanatory note in the left-hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

investment strategy of the product.

The Management Company is improving its Taxonomy-alignment data collection to ensure the accuracy and suitability of its Taxonomy sustainability-related disclosures. In the meantime, the financial product will invest in sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



#### What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

Not applicable.



### What investments are included under "#2 Other", what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

The remaining proportion of the investments may include:

 The proportion of assets that are not used to meet environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product. These assets are used for investment purposes, or instruments which are mainly used for liquidity, efficient portfolio management, and/or hedging purposes, notably cash, deposits and derivatives.

In any case, the investment manager will ensure that those investments are made while maintaining the improvement of the ESG profile of the financial product. In addition, those investments are made in compliance with our internal processes, including the following minimum environmental or social safeguards:

The risk management policy. The risk management policy comprises procedures as are necessary to enable the management company to assess for each financial product it manages the exposure of that product to market, liquidity, sustainability and counterparty risks. And the RBC policy, where applicable, through the exclusion of companies involved in controversies due to poor practices related to human and labour rights, environment, and corruption, as well as companies operating in sensitive sectors (tobacco, coal, controversial weapons, asbestos...), as these companies are deemed to be in violation of international norms, or to cause unacceptable harm to society and/or the environment.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

N/A



Where can I find more product specific information online? More product-specific information can be found on the website: https://www.santanderassetmanagement.lu/document-library/policies