Information according to Art 10 SFDR

Name of the product:

Legal entity identifier:

ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL (CZK) 5299000BWKWHPHG4KP28 AT0000A1AW14

a) Summary

The Fund invests at least 85% of its assets in units of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL (the master fund) on a permanent basis.

Information about the master fund:

ISIN:

In accordance with Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 of the European Parliament and of the Council on sustainabilityrelated disclos ures in the financial services sector (Disclosure Regulation), this financial product promotes environmental or social characteristics but does not have a sustainable investment objective.

Fund applies a broad interpretation of sustainability. Both environmental and social characteristics are promoted through the application of the Management Company's proprietary sustainability approach. This is ensured by the application of the Management Company's ESG toolbox as part of the investment process.

The sustainable investments that comprise part of this financial product do no significant harm to the environmental or social sustainable investment objectives because this Fund invests in financial products that have been categorised as sustainable by the Management Company on the basis of the applicable sustainable investment process. This categorisation sets forth that the financial products may have no significant adverse impacts on environmental or social factors, as such a violation would preclude an investment based on the binding ESG characteristics of this investment process.

The Management Company takes into account the principal adverse impacts (PAI) on sustainability factors in the investment strategy of this Fund.

Brief description of the investment objectives, structure, investment strategy, and risk profile of the master fund ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL:

The master fund is an equity fund that invests primarily in equities that have been issued by companies around the world operating under business policies that the Management Company has determined to contain sustainable fundamental principles. It aims to achieve long-term value increases by investing according to ethical and sustainability criteria. The fund currency is EUR.

The master fund invests predominantly, in other words at least 51% of its assets, in stocks from companies operating under business policies that the Management Company has determined to be sustainable on the basis of a predefined screening process in the form of directly purchased individual instruments, in other words not indirectly or directly through investment funds or through derivatives. There are no restrictions with regard to the location of the issuer's registered office.

All purchased securities must have been categorised as sustainable by the Management Company on the basis of a predefined screening process at the time of purchase. In the screening process, issuers are assessed in terms of their environmental, social, and corporate governance risks. Only companies whose business policy demonstrates a sufficiently sustainable approach (in part based on the positive criteria listed below) to the Management Company are eligible for inclusion in the investment universe. This analysis is completed on the basis of internal evaluation and using external research. These issuers must also comply with the exclusion criteria to be eligible for the Fund. The exclusion criteria for companies include human rights violations, labour law violations, child labour, violations of the UN Global Compact, corruption, balance sheet fraud, nuclear energy, coal mining, electricity generation from coal, the thermal conversion of coal, petroleum and natural gas extraction, the manufacture and sale of

armaments/weapons, green gene technology, consumptive embryo research, gambling, pornography, tobacco, and unnecessary animal testing. The Management Company may employ defined thresholds and operationalisation to facilitate the application of the exclusion criteria in terms of an identification limit and to ensure that the criteria have the desired effect.

The Management Company also exercises an active ownership function when it makes direct investments in securities.

Data from external providers are also used when gathering sustainability related data for internal analyses.

The external data may be incomplete, imprecise, or unavailable at times. The providers of sustainability ratings also take different influences into account and apply different weightings, meaning that a company that is the target of an investment can have different sustainability scores. There is therefore the risk of a security or issuer being assessed incorrectly.

A proprietary rating model called ESGenius is used to limit this risk. In this rating model, the predominant sustainability approaches in the market (ethically oriented approach versus a risk view) are combined into an overall view during the analysis. Combining the different providers reduces any data gaps and also verifies the plausibility of the different approaches, and thus attains the promoted environmental or social characteristics.

No index has been designated as a reference benchmark for the attainment of the environmental and/or social objectives.

Information on how the environmental or social characteristics of the Fund are promoted can be found in the annex to the prospectus or the Information for Investors pursuant to § 21 AIFMG.

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Summary - czech

Tímto finančním produktem jsou podle článku 8 nařízení (EU) 2019/2088 Evropského parlamentu a Rady o zveřejňování informací souvisejících s udržitelností v odvětví finančních služeb ("nařízení o zveřejňování") podporovány ekologické nebo sociální prvky, ale není usilováno o investice s ohledem na udržitelnost.

Investiční fond se řídí širokým výkladem udržitelnosti. Uplatňováním proprietárního přístupu správcovské společnosti k udržitelnosti jsou podporovány jak environmentální, tak sociální charakteristiky. To je zajištěno pomocí nástroje ESG správcovské společnosti v rámci investičního procesu.

Udržitelné investice, které jsou tímto finančním produktem částečně uskutečňovány, neškodí podstatně ekologickým nebo sociálním udržitelným investičním cílům, protože tento investiční fond investuje do finančních produktů, které byly na základě aplikovaného udržitelného investičního procesu správcovskou společností zatříděny jako udržitelné. Toto zatřídění klade podmínku, že finanční produkty nesmí mít žádný signifikantní účinek na ekologické nebo sociální faktory, protože na základě závazné charakteristiky ESG tohoto investičního procesu by v takovém případě přestupku nebyla investice přípustná.

V investiční strategii tohoto investičního fondu obhospodařovatel zohledňuje nejvýznamnější nepříznivé dopady na faktory udržitelnosti (Principle Adverse Impacts - "PAI").

Krátký popis investičních cílů, struktury, investiční strategie, profilu rizik masteru ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK GLOBAL: Master je akciovým fondem a nejvíce investuje celosvětově do akcií podniků, ve kterých správcovská společnost rozpozná obchodní politiku založenou na základních principech udržitelnosti. Jeho investičním cílem je snaha o dlouhodobé zvyšování hodnoty podle etických a udržitelných investičních kritérií. Účetní měnou fondu je EUR. Pro majetek master fondu jsou převážně, tzn. až do minmálně 51% majetku fondu nabývány akcie firem z celého světa formou přímo získaných jednotlivých titulů, tedy ne nepřímo nebo přímo prostřednictvím investičního fondu nebo prostřednictvím derivátů, které jsou na základě předdefinovaného procesu výběru správcovskou společností zatříděny jako udržitelné. Pokud jde o jejich sídlo, emitenti nepodléhají žádným geografickým omezením. Všechny nabyté jednotlivé tituly musí být k časovému termínu nabytí klasifikovány na bázi předdefinovaného procesu výběru správce fondu jako udržitelné. V rámci procesu výběru jsou emitenti hodnoceni podle jejich ekologických, sociálních rizik a rizik spojených s vedením společnosti. Do investičního portfolia mohou být zahrnuty pouze ty firmy, v nichž obchodní politika správcovské společnosti dokáže identifikovat dostatečně udržitelnou orientaci (mimo jiné podle níže uvedených pozitivních kritérií). Tato analýza probíhá prostřednictvím interního hodnocení a evaluace a rovněž na základě externího průzkumu. Aby bylo možné takto investovat, musí navíc tito emitenti obstát v rámci vylučovacích kritérií fondu. K vylučovacím kritériím pro firmy se počítá mimo jiné porušování lidských práv, porušování pracovní legislativy, dětská práce, porušování Global Compact OSN, korupce, falšování bilance, atomová energie, dobývání a rovněž výroba elektrické energie a přeměna uhlí na termickou energii, dobývání ropy a zemního plynu, výroba zbraňové výstroje / výroba zbraní, zelené genové technologie, aplikovaný výzkum embryí, hazard, pornografie, tabákové výrobky a rovněž pokusy se zvířaty, které nejsou nezbytné. Pro udržení operativní realizovatelnosti vylučovacích kritérií ve smyslu prokazatelné meze, resp. pro zabezpečení jejich cílové bezpečnosti, mohou být použity správcovskou společností definované prahové hodnoty a operacionalizace.

Správcovská společnost kromě toho sleduje při přímých investicích do cenných papírů také funkci Active Ownership.

Pro sběr dat spojených s udržitelností, která se následně použijí pro vlastní analýzu, jsou také brána v potaz data externích poskytovatelů.

Externí data mohou být mimo jiné nekompletní, nepřesná nebo nemusí být dočasně k dispozici. Poskytovatelé ratingů udržitelnosti navíc zohledňují nejrůznější vlivové faktory a nejrůznější specifikace, takže pro jednu a tu samou firmu, do které je v rámci investice investováno, mohou vycházet různá skóre udržitelnosti. Proto existuje riziko, že cenný papír nebo emitent nebude správně vyhodnocen.

Pro omezení tohoto rizika se používá vlastní ratingový model, ESGenius. V rámci tohoto ratingového modelu jsou v rámci analýzy do celkového pohledu slučována zaměření s ohledem na udržitelnost, která na trhu dominují (eticky orientovaný vklad vs. náhled na riziko). Kombinací různých poskytovatelů jsou redukovány eventuální mezery v datech, různé vklady jsou současně plausibilizovány a tím jsou plněny podporované ekologické nebo sociální znaky.

Jako referenční hodnota pro dosažení ekologických a/nebo sociálních cílů není dosazován žádný index.

b) No sustainable investment objective

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Exclusion Criteria			ESG Analysis / Best in Class						bact	
Minimum criteria	Exclusion criteria	Norm-based Screening	ESG Risk Analysis	Best in Class	Integration	Engagement	Voting	Thematic funds	Focused sustainability Impact	Fulfill Austrian ecolabel or FNG label criteria
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Based on the management companies' ESG fund selection criteria and the analysis of the investment process, as disclosed by the respective manufacturer, it is expected that third party funds demonstrate similar environmental and social characteristics as funds managed by the management company. Nevertheless, differences can persist.

All 14 PAIs from Table 1 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 that apply to the Fund were taken into account. The Fund also takes the following PAIs from Tables 2 and 3 into account:

- Indicator 8 (Table 2) Exposure to areas of high water stress (share of investments in investee companies with sites located in areas of high water stress without a water management policy)
- Indicator 14 (Table 3) Number of identified cases of severe human rights issues and incidents (number of cases of severe human rights issues and incidents connected to investee companies on a weighted average basis)

By applying the exclusion criteria described above and taking the ESG analysis into account in selection, the sustainability approach of the Fund ensures compliance with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, including the principles and rights set out in the eight fundamental conventions identified in the Declaration of the International Labour Organization on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the International Bill of Human Rights.

In the event that third-party funds are held, the indicators for the adverse impacts on sustainability factors and the OECD Guidelines are taken into account in the manner defined by the respective manufacturers.

c) Environmental or social characteristics of the financial product

The focus topics of the ESG analysis, selection process, and active ownership practices are adapted to the specific ESG risk profile of each issuer.

At the level of the Fund, the Management Company is pursuing the objective of achieving improvements in the following key environmental and social aspects through its proprietary sustainability approach:

- The environmental footprint of the investments held by the Fund, in particular
 - the carbon footprint and the mitigation of climate change in general, and
 - the water footprint and measures for the responsible use of the resource water.

- The avoidance of environmental risks

- for the protection of biodiversity
- the responsible management of waste and other emissions
- Social factors such as
 - the exclusion of any investments in companies that produce or deal in controversial weapons.
 - the promotion of human rights and exclusion of issuers complicit in human rights violations.
 - the promotion of good working conditions, for example in the areas workplace safety and training, and the exclusion of issuers that are complicit in labour law violations, in particular of the core standards of the ILO.
 - the promotion of diversity and the exclusion of issuers that practice discrimination.
 - The avoidance of corruption and fraud.
- The promotion of good corporate governance:
 - the independence of supervisory bodies
 - management remuneration
 - good accounting practices
 - the protection of shareholder rights

All invested financial products managed by third party management companies shall be officially classified as Art. 8 or 9 in accordance with REG (EU) 2019/2088 by their manufacturer and comply with SFDR good governance rules where applicable.

In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only financial products demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

Based on the management company's ESG fund selection criteria and the analysis of the investment process, as disclosed by the respective third-party manufacturer, it is expected that third-party funds demonstrate similar environmental and social characteristics as funds managed by the management company. Nevertheless, differences can persist.

Therefore the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by these financial products are those declared by their respective producer in compliance with the regulation.

d) Investment strategy

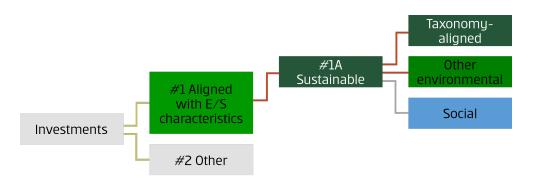
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The good governance practices are assessed based on compliance with the exclusion criteria, the minimum ESGenius score, and the assessment of compliance with the principles of the UN Global Compact.



Under the investment strategy described in lit. b), investments are held in direct or indirect risk positions in companies.

f) Monitoring of environmental or social characteristics

The ESG criteria are complied with continuously in terms of the environmental, social, and ethical exclusion criteria as well as in relation to the ESG analysis for direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) that are managed by the Management Company. This is ensured by the quarterly review and updating of the eligible investment universe of the Fund.

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In addition, the sustainable/ESG investment process of all such investment funds undergo a pre investment due diligence. Only financial products demonstrating an ESG selection process and ESG criteria similar to those of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE funds will be whitelisted for investment. Compliance with this requirement is reviewed on a regular basis. Funds, which's ESG standard no longer meet the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE standards are deleted from the whitelist and divested in the best interests of the investors.

The monitoring of the environmental or social characteristics is ensured by the applied investment process and the daily review of all transactions (ex-ante check) and holdings of the Fund by Risk Management.

g) Methodologies

Direct investments in securities and investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by the management company

All issuers in which the Fund invests are analysed and selected before acquisition on the basis of a predefined sustainability process. The proprietary ESGenius process provides a comprehensive ESG analysis of each issuer based on its specific ESG risk profile and the measures taken to mitigate these risks. Based on the results of this analysis, the ESGenius rating, only those issuers that achieve a score of at least 50 of 100 possible points are eligible for investment based on a best-in-class approach. This minimum score can be higher depending on the sector of the economy in which the issuer is active. All issuers are also evaluated for violations of the Fund's exclusion criteria. This excludes at least half of the analysed issuers from the eligible universe of the Fund. The investment universe is assessed for compliance with these criteria at least once per quarter and updated as needed. Compliance with the eligible investment universe is verified daily. Securities from issuers that no longer meet the sustainability criteria of the Fund are sold while protecting Unit-holder interests.

Moreover, social, and environmental characteristics are promoted by applying exclusion criteria.

The Management Company also exercises an active ownership function. Through engagement with issuers in the analysed investment universe, contributions are made to the improvement of the environmental and social performance of these companies.

Investments in investment funds (indirect investments) managed by third party management companies

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Based on the management companies' ESG fund selection criteria and the analysis of the investment process, as disclosed by the respective manufacturer, it is expected that third party funds demonstrate similar environmental and social characteristics as funds managed by the management company. Nevertheless, differences can persist.

Therefore the objectives of the sustainable investments that these financial products partially intends to make and the ways the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives are those defined by their respective producers.

h) Data sources and processing

Data from external providers are also used when gathering sustainabilityrelated d ata for the sustainability analysis.

The following data sources and providers are used, among others:

- MSCI ESG
- ISS ESG
- FactSet TrueValueLabs
- Sustainalytics (engagement)

The strict selection of the data providers and the aggregation of their data in a model ensures maximum data quality. For the investment funds that are managed by the Management Company, the data are aggregated and analysed using the Management Company's proprietary sustainability approach (ESGenius). The ESG data supplied by the specified providers may contain a limited degree of estimates.

i) Limitations to methodologies and data

The external data may be incomplete, imprecise, or unavailable at times. The providers of sustainability ratings also take different influences into account and apply different weightings, meaning that a company that is the target of an investment can have different sustainability scores. There is therefore the risk of a security or issuer being assessed incorrectly.

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j) Due diligence

The Management Company has drawn up procedures for taking the principal adverse impacts into account and has developed policies for fulfilling its due diligence obligations relating to the adverse impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors.

The due diligence procedure consists primarily of

• the regular review of quantitative requirements and limits in risk management using

- o positive lists and/or
- o negative lists

• additional supporting (quantitative) evaluations in risk management for verifying the plausibility of assumptions and further (relevant) information for management

• the review of the processes and documentation as part of the regular OP risk, ICS, and compliance audits

Procedures for taking the relevant financial and sustainability risks into account have been integrated into the Management Company's processes.

k) Engagement policies

We understand active ownership to mean our responsibility to not only take sustainability criteria into account when selecting securities, but to also be an active investor that engages with the companies to promote measures that serve social responsibility, environmental protection, and enhanced transparency. We differentiate here between engagement, in other words formal and informal dialogue with companies, and the exercise of voting rights at annual general meetings.

Engagement

As a committed investor, EAM seeks active dialogue with the management of relevant companies as part of its sustainability process where it holds direct investments. This puts the spotlight on weaknesses in the management of environment, social, and governance aspects and is intended to serve as a way to find a joint solution for improvement. Engagement is not only a question of responsibility, but also contributes to minimising risks and can thus improve long-term investment success. EAM can exclude companies that consistently refuse to enter into dialogue from the investment universe.

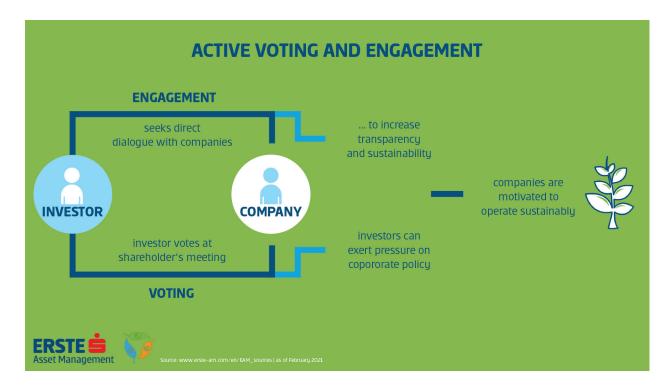
EAM employs four engagement strategies:

Austrian engagement: Promoting the integration of ESG criteria in management decisions of Austrian companies through investor meetings/personal discussions.

Collaborative engagement: Combination of ESG interests with other investors to have a more powerful voice, especially with international corporate groups. International sustainability networks such as PRI and CRIC and the engagement service of a research services provider are used for this.

Theme-specific engagement: ESG research on topics of particular social relevance. The results are made available to the fund management and may result in divestment. Investor pressure can also be increased by addressing the issue in the ESG letter and/or in a press release.

ESG dialogues: Promotion of the integration of ESG risks in management decisions of international companies via dialogues at the executive management level.



Voting

Voting is a central pillar of the active ownership approach. EAM has already exercised the voting rights conferred by the shares held by its RESPONSIBLE funds in accordance with the EAM Voting Policy since 2012. And EAM expanded its voting to the conventionally managed equity funds in 2016. This actively makes the voices of the investors who hold units in EAM funds heard as indirect shareholders of the target companies.

More detailed information about the voting policy can also be found on EAM's website at <u>https://www.erste-am.at/de/private-anleger/nachhaltigkeit/publikationen-und-richtlinien</u>

To ensure transparency and consistency in voting behaviour, the voting behaviour is reported regularly on the EAM voting portal.

https://www.erste-am.at/de/private-anleger/nachhaltigkeit/publikationen-und-richtlinien#/active-ownership

I) Fixed reference value

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m) Information referred to in Article 8 of the Disclosure Regulation

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