

# **ERSTE STOCK COMMODITIES**

**Jointly owned fund pursuant to the InvFG**

Annual Report 2020/21

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## General Information about the Investment Firm

<b>The company</b>	Erste Asset Management GmbH Am Belvedere 1, A-1100 Vienna Telephone: +43 05 0100-19777, fax: +43 05 0100-919777
<b>Registered capital</b>	EUR 2.50 million
<b>Shareholders</b>	Erste Group Bank AG (64.67%) Erste Bank der österreichischen Sparkassen AG (22.17%) Steiermärkische Bank und Sparkassen Aktiengesellschaft (3.30%) Tiroler Sparkasse Bankaktiengesellschaft Innsbruck (1.74%) DekaBank Deutsche Girozentrale, Frankfurt (1.65%) „Die Kärntner“ Trust-Vermögensverwaltungsgesellschaft m. b. H. & Co KG (1.65%) Salzburger Sparkasse Bank Aktiengesellschaft (1.65%) Sieben Tiroler Sparkassen Beteiligungsgesellschaft m. b. H. (1.65%) NÖ-Sparkassen Beteiligungsgesellschaft m. b. H. (0.76%) VIENNA INSURANCE GROUP AG Wiener Versicherung Gruppe (0.76%)
<b>Supervisory Board</b>	Rudolf SAGMEISTER (Chairman) Thomas SCHAUFLEDER (Deputy Chairman) Harald GASSER Gerhard GRABNER Harald Frank GRUBER Oswald HUBER Radovan JELASITY Robert LASSHOFER Franz PRUCKNER Rupert RIEDER Gabriele SEMMELROCK-WERZER Reinhard WATTL Gerald WEBER Appointed by the Works Council: Martin CEC Regina HABERHAUER Heinrich Hubert REINER Peter RIEDERER Nicole WEINHENGST Manfred ZOUREK
<b>Managing directors</b>	Heinz BEDNAR Winfried BUCHBAUER Peter KARL Thomas KRAUS (from 01.01.2021) Wolfgang TRANDL (until 28.02.2021)
<b>Prokuristen (proxies)</b>	Achim ARNHOF (until 30.06.2020) Karl FREUDENSCHUSS Manfred LENTNER Günther MANDL Gerold PERMOSER Magdalena REISCHL Oliver RÖDER (from 06.07.2020)
<b>State commissioners</b>	Walter MEGNER (from 01.10.2020) Christoph SEEL Eva SCHRITTWIESER (until 30.06.2020)
<b>Auditor</b>	Ernst & Young Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft m.b.H.
<b>Depository bank</b>	Erste Group Bank AG

## **Dear Unit-holder,**

We are pleased to present you the following annual report for the ERSTE STOCK COMMODITIES jointly owned fund pursuant to the InvFG for the accounting year from 1 March 2020 to 28 February 2021.

Even as the COVID-19 pandemic spreads, we are not losing sight of our responsibility to manage the assets entrusted to our care in a manner that maintains our ability to act on the capital markets and that enables us to make the best possible allocation decisions.

Modern technology also allows us to meet these obligations in full via teleworking.

## **Development of the Fund**

### **Development of the Fund (1 March 2020 to 28 February 2021)**

The financial year got off to a dismal start. The onset of the coronavirus crisis had a severe impact on the overall market, but especially cyclical shares. Energy and materials names lost around 35% on average in March. But a strong recovery followed and lasted into the summer thanks to central bank and fiscal policy stimulus. Equities consolidated during the summer months, and the fund began a new uptrend starting in November. This was driven by the announcement of vaccination measures and the associated hopes for an economic recovery in the near future. The energy price and materials recovered, giving the shares in the fund a further boost. The oil price was volatile during the reporting period. It fell from USD 70 to below USD 20 due to the coronavirus crisis. Some futures contracts even had negative values in the most severe phases. As the market recovered, the oil price stabilised again. Because of a hard winter in the USA, the oil price climbed to over USD 60, coming close to pre-coronavirus levels. Because of the high volatility of the oil price, the fund management overweighted more defensive companies on the commodities side and underweighted oil shares correspondingly. The copper price surged, so a focus was placed here. Materials shares and energy shares posted very different performance during the reporting period in general. While the energy sector was second worst ahead of the real estate sector, materials shares did very well and came in third for the period behind IT and consumer discretionary.

### **Investment policy – equities**

ERSTE STOCK COMMODITIES invests its entire assets in global energy and materials stocks. Assets are selected in the developed and emerging markets. The fund normally has an investment rate of 100% and holds no cash. Foreign currencies can have a significant effect on the result. The fund focuses on investments in high quality companies with appropriate valuations. The portfolio is structured based on a set weighting scheme with a preference for large caps. The final portfolio composition is determined through an optimisation process. The fund follows a rule-based investment policy that uses purely quantitative criteria, though a qualitative assessment is performed before implementation. The portfolio is restructured twice per year. The fund management also makes ad hoc adaptations as dictated by trends and target weightings. The investment policy incorporates the consideration of environmental, social, and corporate governance factors.

The relatively stable capital flows into and out of the fund were always taken into account quickly. The cash share ranged between 0.5% and 1.5%. A semi-annual restructuring was due in October, at which time energy shares were returned to a neutral weighting (50% of the fund volume). In the interim, significant underperformers were replaced with shares offering better performance. Among other things, the falling gold price led to a corresponding reduction in gold mine shares. The fund achieved a positive performance of 18.33% (ISIN: AT0000A01VR3) for the reporting period.

## Method of Calculating the Global Exposure

Method of calculating the global exposure:	Commitment approach
Reference assets used:	–
Value at risk:	–
Lowest value:	–
Average value:	–
Highest value:	–
Model used:	–
Leverage* when using the value-at-risk calculation method:	–
Leverage** according to § 4 of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Derivatives Risk Measurement and Reporting Regulation:	–

\* Total nominal values of derivative instruments without taking into account offsetting and hedging (item 8.5. Schedule B InvFG 2011).

\*\* Total derivative risk taking offsetting and hedging into account = total of the equivalent values of the underlying assets as a percentage of the fund assets.

## Asset Allocation

	As of 28.02.2021	
	EUR millions	%
Equities		
AUD	3.2	8.43
BRL	0.5	1.28
GBP	3.9	10.30
DKK	0.2	0.53
EUR	5.4	14.31
INR	1.1	2.89
IDR	0.2	0.49
JPY	1.0	2.73
CAD	2.6	6.94
MYR	0.1	0.38
PLN	0.4	1.06
SEK	0.5	1.39
CHF	1.2	3.18
ZAR	0.4	1.00
USD	16.6	43.59
Transferable securities	37.4	98.49
Bank balances	0.5	1.23
Dividend entitlements	0.1	0.28
Other deferred items	-0.0	-0.01
Fund assets	38.0	100.00

## Comparative Overview

Accounting year	Fund assets
2018/2019	39,562,486.88
2019/2020	32,606,621.03
2020/2021	37,998,319.22

General information about performance:

The performance of unit categories with no outstanding units at the end of the reporting period or no outstanding units during the reporting period is generally based on the dividend-adjusted performance of the overall fund. In these cases, the performance is not reported below.

When a unit category is issued during the reporting period, the performance and reinvestment are calculated from the point in time that the unit category is launched. Because of this and possible other fees and currency classes, the performance and reinvestment of this unit category differ from those of comparable unit categories. The performance is determined assuming the reinvestment of all paid dividends and amounts at their nominal value on the day of disbursement.

Accounting year	Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Calculated value per unit	Dividend disbursement/ payment	Re-investment	Development in per cent
2018/2019	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VR3	EUR	98.14	2.0000	0.0665	2.71
2019/2020	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VR3	EUR	86.73	2.0000	2.6077	-9.75
2020/2021	Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VR3	EUR	100.22	2.0000	0.0000	18.33

Accounting year	Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Calculated value per unit	Dividend disbursement/ payment	Re-investment	Development in per cent
2018/2019	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VS1	EUR	114.94	0.5082	1.8865	2.72
2019/2020	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VS1	EUR	103.26	1.0252	4.4785	-9.75
2020/2021	Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VS1	EUR	120.94	0.0189	0.0000	18.32

Accounting year	Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Calculated value per unit	Dividend disbursement/ payment	Re-investment	Development in per cent
2018/2019	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A1E119	CZK	3,032.28	-	65.3839	3.55
2019/2020	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A1E119	CZK	2,722.18	-	145.7859	-10.23
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A1E119	CZK	3,308.58	-	0.0000	21.54

Accounting year	Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Calculated value per unit	Dividend disbursement/ payment	Re-investment	Development in per cent
2018/2019	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VT9	EUR	118.37	-	2.5562	2.71
2019/2020	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VT9	EUR	106.83	-	5.7710	-9.75
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VT9	EUR	126.40	-	0.0000	18.32

Accounting year	Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Calculated value per unit	Dividend disbursement/ payment	Re-investment	Development in per cent
2018/2019	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A09GW7	HUF	37,389.53	-	808.8375	3.32
2019/2020	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A09GW7	HUF	36,067.23	-	1,851.8886	-3.54
2020/2021	KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A09GW7	HUF	45,802.30	-	0.0000	26.99

## Disbursement/Payment

The following disbursement or payment will be made for the accounting year from 1 March 2020 to 28 February 2021. The coupon-paying bank is obligated to withhold capital gains tax from this disbursement if the respective investor is not exempt from the payment of this tax.

The disbursement or payment will be effected on or after 1 June 2021 at

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and the respective bank managing the Unit-holder's securities account.

Fund type	ISIN	Currency	Dividend disbursement/ payment		KESt with option declaration	KESt w/o option declaration	Re-investment
Dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VR3	EUR	2.0000		0.0168	0.0168	0.0000
Non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VS1	EUR	0.0189		0.0189	0.0189	0.0000
KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A1E119	CZK	-	*	-	-	0.0000
KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A01VT9	EUR	-	*	-	-	0.0000
KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units	AT0000A09GW7	HUF	-	*	-	-	0.0000

\* Pursuant to the penultimate sentence of § 58 (2) of the Austrian Investment Fund Act, no capital gains tax will be paid.

# Income Statement and Changes in Fund Assets

## 1. Value Development over the Accounting Year (Fund Performance)

Calculation according to the OeKB method per unit in the unit currency not accounting for a front-end surcharge

The performance of unit categories with no outstanding units at the end of the reporting period or no outstanding units during the reporting period is generally based on the dividend-adjusted performance of the overall fund. In these cases, the “performance”, the “net earnings per unit”, and the “total value including (notional) units gained through disbursement/payment” are not reported in the following.

When a unit category is issued during the reporting period, the performance is calculated from the point in time that the unit category is launched. Because of this and possible other fees and currency classes, the performance of this unit category differs from that of comparable unit categories.

<b>AT0000A01VR3 dividend-bearing units EUR</b>	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (63,926.398 units)	86.73
Disbursement/payment on 28.05.2020 (corresponds to roughly 0.0241 units at a calculated value of 83.09)	2.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (59,523.077 units)	100.22
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	102.63
Net earnings per unit	15.90
<b>Value development of one unit in the period</b>	<b>18.33%</b>

<b>AT0000A01VS1 non-dividend-bearing units EUR</b>	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (228,851.219 units)	103.26
Disbursement/payment on 28.05.2020 (corresponds to roughly 0.0102 units at a calculated value of 100.27)	1.0252
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (222,584.387 units)	120.94
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	122.18
Net earnings per unit	18.92
<b>Value development of one unit in the period</b>	<b>18.32%</b>

<b>AT0000A1E119 KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units CZK</b>	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (13,819.974 units)	2,722.18
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (17,187.370 units)	3,308.58
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	3,308.58
Net earnings per unit	586.40
<b>Value development of one unit in the period</b>	<b>21.54%</b>

<b>AT0000A01VT9 KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units EUR</b>	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (16,510.957 units)	106.83
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (20,024.592 units)	126.40
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	126.40
Net earnings per unit	19.57
<b>Value development of one unit in the period</b>	<b>18.32%</b>

<b>AT0000A09GW7 KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units HUF</b>	
Unit value at the beginning of the reporting period (1,777.875 units)	36,067.23
Disbursement/payment	0.0000
Unit value at the end of the reporting period (3,223.769 units)	45,802.30
Total value including (notional) units gained through dividend disbursement/payment	45,802.30
Net earnings per unit	9,735.07
<b>Value development of one unit in the period</b>	<b>26.99%</b>



## 2. Fund Result

### a. Realised fund result

#### Ordinary fund result

##### Income (without profit or loss from price changes)

Interest income (excluding income adjustment)	- 3.01	
Dividend income	1,104,128.82	
Other income 8)	0.00	
Total income (without profit or loss from price changes)		1,104,125.81

Interest paid		- 4,373.16
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##### Expenses

Fees paid to Investment Firm	- 607,848.40	
Costs for the financial auditor and tax consultation	- 4,176.00	
Publication costs	- 45,416.07	
Securities account fees	2,655.47	
Depository bank fees	- 31,267.70	
Costs for the external consultant	0.00	
Total expenses		- 686,052.70
Compensation for management costs from sub-funds 1)		0.00

Ordinary fund result (excluding income adjustment)		413,699.95
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#### Realised profit or loss from price changes 2) 3)

Realised gains 4)	4,233,784.83	
Realised losses 5)	- 4,832,215.49	

Realised profit or loss from price changes (excluding income adjustment)		- 598,430.66
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Realised fund result (excluding income adjustment)		- 184,730.71
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### b. Unrealised profit or loss from price changes 2) 3)

Changes in the unrealised profit or loss from price changes 7)		6,382,943.68
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Result for the reporting period 6)		6,198,212.97
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### c. Income adjustment

Income adjustment for income in the period		4,386.76
Income adjustment for profit carried forward from dividend-bearing units		- 161,762.00

Overall fund result		6,040,837.73
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### **3. Changes in Fund Assets**

<b>Fund assets at the beginning of the reporting period</b>	<b>32,606,621.03</b>
<b>Disbursement/payment in the accounting year</b>	<b>- 365,695.05</b>
<b>Issue and redemption of units</b>	<b>- 283,444.49</b>
<b>Overall fund result</b>	
(The fund result is shown in detail under item 2.)	<b>6,040,837.73</b>
<b>Fund assets at the end of the reporting period</b>	<b><u>37,998,319.22</u></b>

- 1) Reimbursements (in the sense of commissions) paid by third parties are forwarded to the fund after deduction of appropriate costs. Erste Bank der oesterreichischen Sparkassen AG receives 25% of the calculated commissions to cover administrative costs.
- 2) Realised profits and losses are not calculated precisely for the specific periods, which means that they, as is the case for the changes in the unrealised profit or loss, are not necessarily congruent with the changes in the value of the fund in the reporting year.
- 3) Total profit or loss from price changes without income adjustment (realised profit or loss from price changes, without income adjustment, plus changes in the unrealised profit or loss): EUR 5,784,513.02.
- 4) Thereof profits from transactions with derivative financial instruments: EUR 0.00.
- 5) Thereof losses from transactions with derivative financial instruments: EUR 0.00.
- 6) The result for the accounting year includes explicitly reported transaction costs in the amount of EUR 43,606.19.
- 7) Thereof changes in unrealised gains EUR 2,932,313.35 and unrealised losses EUR 3,450,630.33.
- 8) The earnings reported under this item can be attributed to lending fees from securities lending transactions conducted with Erste Group Bank AG in the amount of EUR 0.00, to earnings from real estate funds in the amount of EUR 0.00, and to other earnings in the amount of EUR 0.00.

# Statement of Assets and Liabilities as of 28 February 2021

(including changes in securities assets from 1 March 2020 to 28 February 2021)

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions	Sales/ disposals	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
Units/nominal (nom. in 1,000, rounded)							
<b>Publicly traded securities</b>							
<b>Equities denominated in BRL</b>							
<b>Issue country Brazil</b>							
COSAN S.A.	BRCSANACNOR6	10,300	0	23,200	81.400	279,170.98	0.73
ULTRAPAR PARTICIP.	BRUGPAACNOR8	71,900	0	71,900	19.320	205,349.61	0.54
Total issue country Brazil						484,520.59	1.28
Total equities denominated in BRL translated at a rate of 6.76460						484,520.59	1.28
<b>Equities denominated in GBP</b>							
<b>Issue country Netherlands</b>							
ROYAL DUTCH SHELL A EO-07	GB00B03MLX29	120,000	66,400	115,600	14.448	1,923,737.39	5.06
Total issue country Netherlands						1,923,737.39	5.06
Total equities denominated in GBP translated at a rate of 0.86820						1,923,737.39	5.06
<b>Equities denominated in DKK</b>							
<b>Issue country Denmark</b>							
NOVOZYMES A/S REG. B DK 2	DK0060336014	0	13,100	3,900	380.800	199,718.94	0.53
Total issue country Denmark						199,718.94	0.53
Total equities denominated in DKK translated at a rate of 7.43605						199,718.94	0.53
<b>Equities denominated in EUR</b>							
<b>Issue country Germany</b>							
BASF SE N.P.	DE000BASF111	12,500	0	12,500	67.730	846,625.00	2.23
COVESTRO AG N.P.	DE0006062144	0	4,000	3,520	59.960	211,059.20	0.56
SYMRISE AG BEARER N.P.	DE000SYM9999	0	5,740	2,400	96.720	232,128.00	0.61
Total issue country Germany						1,289,812.20	3.39
<b>Issue country Ireland</b>							
SMURFIT KAPPA GR. EO-.001	IE00B1RR8406	8,900	0	8,900	39.160	348,524.00	0.92
Total issue country Ireland						348,524.00	0.92
<b>Issue country Austria</b>							
MAYR-MELNHOF KARTON	AT0000938204	500	0	500	180.800	90,400.00	0.24
Total issue country Austria						90,400.00	0.24
Total equities denominated in EUR						1,728,736.20	4.55

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Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal	Sales/ disposals (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
<b>Equities denominated in INR</b>							
<b>Issue country India</b>							
RELIANCE INDS(DEMAT) IR10	INE002A01018	5,500	5,100	47,000	2,085.800	1,099,068.23	2.89
Total issue country India						1,099,068.23	2.89
Total equities denominated in INR translated at a rate of 89.19610						1,099,068.23	2.89
<b>Equities denominated in CAD</b>							
<b>Issue country Canada</b>							
LUNDIN MINING CORP.	CA5503721063	20,000	0	20,000	14.570	189,633.29	0.50
Total issue country Canada						189,633.29	0.50
Total equities denominated in CAD translated at a rate of 1.53665						189,633.29	0.50
<b>Equities denominated in MYR</b>							
<b>Issue country Malaysia</b>							
DIALOG GROUP MR 0.10	MYL727700006	221,100	0	221,100	3.230	145,364.30	0.38
Total issue country Malaysia						145,364.30	0.38
Total equities denominated in MYR translated at a rate of 4.91285						145,364.30	0.38
<b>Equities denominated in SEK</b>							
<b>Issue country Sweden</b>							
HOLMEN AB B SK 25	SE0011090018	3,000	0	3,000	371.400	109,278.15	0.29
LUNDIN ENERGY SK-.01	SE0000825820	8,850	0	15,700	273.100	420,524.72	1.11
Total issue country Sweden						529,802.87	1.39
Total equities denominated in SEK translated at a rate of 10.19600						529,802.87	1.39
<b>Equities denominated in USD</b>							
<b>Issue country Ireland</b>							
LINDE PLC EO 0.001	IE00BZ12WP82	2,070	1,300	5,400	244.270	1,086,717.75	2.86
Total issue country Ireland						1,086,717.75	2.86
Total equities denominated in USD translated at a rate of 1.21380						1,086,717.75	2.86
Total publicly traded securities						7,387,299.56	19.44
<b>Securities admitted to organised markets</b>							
<b>Equities denominated in AUD</b>							
<b>Issue country Australia</b>							
AMPOL LTD	AU0000088338	7,700	0	7,700	24.580	120,720.76	0.32
BHP GROUP LTD. DL -.50	AU000000BHP4	2,000	0	41,400	49.130	1,297,347.88	3.41

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal	Sales/ disposals (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
FORTESCUE METALS GRP LTD.	AU000000FMG4	14,000	58,900	31,100	24.110	478,263.17	1.26
NORTHERN STAR RES.LTD.	AU000000NST8	13,000	0	13,000	10.210	84,660.03	0.22
SANTOS LTD	AU000000STO6	90,800	0	90,800	7.230	418,729.43	1.10
WOODSIDE PET.	AU000000WPL2	0	11,000	22,600	24.570	354,179.10	0.93
Total issue country Australia						2,753,900.37	7.25

**Issue country Netherlands**

JAMES HARDIE INDUSTR.CUFS	AU000000JHX1	0	7,800	4,300	36.510	100,135.86	0.26
Total issue country Netherlands						100,135.86	0.26

**Issue country Papua New Guinea**

OIL SEARCH LTD KI-.10	PG0008579883	128,500	0	128,500	4.240	347,518.82	0.91
Total issue country Papua New Guinea						347,518.82	0.91
Total equities denominated in AUD translated at a rate of 1.56780						3,201,555.05	8.43

**Equities denominated in GBP****Issue country Great Britain**

CRODA INTL LS -.10609756	GB00BJFFLV09	2,580	4,410	1,800	61.680	127,878.37	0.34
EVRAZ PLC DL 0.05	GB00B71N6K86	0	43,100	20,900	5.710	137,455.66	0.36
MONDI PLC EO -.20	GB00B1CRLC47	0	20,900	15,500	17.245	307,875.49	0.81
RIO TINTO PLC LS-.10	GB0007188757	3,800	0	18,900	61.870	1,346,859.02	3.54
Total issue country Great Britain						1,920,068.54	5.05

**Issue country Jersey**

POLYMETAL INTL PLC	JE00B6T5S470	0	10,600	4,200	14.215	68,766.41	0.18
Total issue country Jersey						68,766.41	0.18
Total equities denominated in GBP translated at a rate of 0.86820						1,988,834.95	5.23

**Equities denominated in EUR****Issue country Finland**

NESTE OYJ	FI0009013296	3,400	17,200	6,600	54.460	359,436.00	0.95
UPM KYMMENE CORP.	FI0009005987	7,000	0	7,000	31.600	221,200.00	0.58
Total issue country Finland						580,636.00	1.53

**Issue country France**

AIR LIQUIDE BEARER EO 5.50	FR0000120073	0	2,050	3,900	124.700	486,330.00	1.28
ARKEMA BEARER EO10	FR0010313833	2,400	0	2,400	91.500	219,600.00	0.58
TOTAL S.E. EO 2.50	FR0000120271	29,800	6,900	44,200	38.375	1,696,175.00	4.46
Total issue country France						2,402,105.00	6.32

**Issue country Netherlands**

AKZO NOBEL EO 0.5	NL0013267909	8,700	4,300	4,400	85.560	376,464.00	0.99
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Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal	Sales/ disposals (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
KONINKLIJKE DSM EO 1.50	NL0000009827	2,550	6,290	2,550	136.550	348,202.50	0.92
Total issue country Netherlands						724,666.50	1.91
Total equities denominated in EUR						3,707,407.50	9.76
<b>Equities denominated in IDR</b>							
<b>Issue country Indonesia</b>							
PT INDAH KIAT RP 1000	ID1000062201	245,500	0	245,500	13,175.000	187,827.59	0.49
Total issue country Indonesia						187,827.59	0.49
Total equities denominated in IDR translated at a rate of 17,220.38000						187,827.59	0.49
<b>Equities denominated in JPY</b>							
<b>Issue country Japan</b>							
JSR CORP.	JP3385980002	4,800	0	4,800	3,175.000	117,848.80	0.31
KANSAI PAINT CO.LTD	JP3229400001	9,600	0	9,600	2,782.000	206,523.05	0.54
NISSAN CHEMICAL CORP.	JP3670800006	3,500	0	3,500	5,790.000	156,706.42	0.41
NITTO DENKO	JP3684000007	5,100	0	5,100	9,090.000	358,487.68	0.94
TAIHEIYO CEMENT	JP3449020001	19,100	9,500	9,600	2,652.000	196,872.44	0.52
Total issue country Japan						1,036,438.39	2.73
Total equities denominated in JPY translated at a rate of 129.31825						1,036,438.39	2.73
<b>Equities denominated in CAD</b>							
<b>Issue country Canada</b>							
AGNICO EAGLE MINES LTD.	CA0084741085	3,200	0	3,200	71.040	147,937.40	0.39
ENBRIDGE INC.	CA29250N1050	9,600	11,150	19,250	42.980	538,421.24	1.42
FRANCO-NEVADA CORP.	CA3518581051	2,200	0	2,200	136.260	195,081.51	0.51
INTER PIPELINE LTD	CA45833V1094	24,300	0	24,300	17.910	283,221.94	0.75
KEYERA CORP.	CA4932711001	18,700	0	18,700	24.670	300,217.36	0.79
PEMBINA PIPELINE CORP.	CA7063271034	19,400	0	19,400	32.360	408,540.66	1.08
TC ENERGY CORP.	CA87807B1076	0	2,500	13,100	53.300	454,384.54	1.20
WHEATON PREC. METALS	CA9628791027	4,000	0	4,000	45.520	118,491.52	0.31
Total issue country Canada						2,446,296.17	6.44
Total equities denominated in CAD translated at a rate of 1.53665						2,446,296.17	6.44
<b>Equities denominated in PLN</b>							
<b>Issue country Poland</b>							
KGHM POLSKA MIEDZ ZY 10	PLKGHM000017	4,100	0	4,100	189.350	171,709.94	0.45
POLSKIE GO.NAF. A ZY 1	PLPGNIG00014	187,600	0	187,600	5.600	232,363.09	0.61
Total issue country Poland						404,073.03	1.06
Total equities denominated in PLN translated at a rate of 4.52120						404,073.03	1.06
<b>Equities denominated in CHF</b>							
<b>Issue country Switzerland</b>							
CLARIANT NA SF 3.70	CH0012142631	25,300	0	25,300	19.010	437,687.58	1.15

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal	Sales/ disposals (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
GIVAUDAN SA NA SF 10	CH0010645932	100	0	100	3,427.000	311,871.50	0.82
SIKA AG REG. SF 0.01	CH0418792922	0	2,320	2,100	240.200	459,043.55	1.21
Total issue country Switzerland						1,208,602.63	3.18
Total equities denominated in CHF translated at a rate of 1.09885						1,208,602.63	3.18
<b>Equities denominated in ZAR</b>							
<b>Issue country South Africa</b>							
KUMBA IRON ORE LTD RC -01	ZAE000085346	5,700	0	5,700	649.000	201,217.87	0.53
NORTHAM PLATINUM	ZAE000030912	0	7,000	14,800	221.900	178,634.78	0.47
Total issue country South Africa						379,852.65	1.00
Total equities denominated in ZAR translated at a rate of 18.38455						379,852.65	1.00
<b>Equities denominated in USD</b>							
<b>Issue country Curacao</b>							
SCHLUMBERGER DL-.01	AN8068571086	51,400	25,700	25,700	27.910	590,943.32	1.56
Total issue country Curacao						590,943.32	1.56
<b>Issue country Jersey</b>							
AMCOR PLC DL-.01	JE00BJ1F3079	40,900	0	40,900	10.940	368,632.39	0.97
Total issue country Jersey						368,632.39	0.97
<b>Issue country Russia</b>							
LUKOIL SP.ADR RL-.025	US69343P1057	7,860	10,800	4,900	74.500	300,749.71	0.79
POLYUS PJSC GDR 1/2	US73181M1172	0	4,070	1,300	93.700	100,354.26	0.26
Total issue country Russia						401,103.97	1.06
<b>Issue country USA</b>							
AIR PROD. CHEM. DL 1	US0091581068	2,900	0	2,900	255.620	610,725.00	1.61
AVERY DENNISON DL 1	US0536111091	0	2,910	3,600	175.210	519,653.98	1.37
BALL CORP.	US0584981064	4,400	0	4,400	85.390	309,536.99	0.81
CHENIERE ENERGY DL-.003	US16411R2085	2,100	8,300	6,800	67.390	377,535.01	0.99
CHEVRON CORP. DL-.75	US1667641005	17,400	4,500	31,000	100.000	2,553,962.76	6.72
CONOCOPHILLIPS DL-.01	US20825C1045	16,800	0	32,100	52.010	1,375,449.83	3.62
ECOLAB INC. DL 1	US2788651006	4,500	0	4,500	209.360	776,174.00	2.04
EXXON MOBIL CORP.	US30231G1022	32,000	21,600	53,400	54.370	2,391,957.49	6.29
FREEPORT-MCMORAN INC.	US35671D8570	14,400	0	14,400	33.910	402,293.62	1.06
HALLIBURTON CO. DL 2.50	US4062161017	36,000	0	36,000	21.830	647,454.28	1.70
INTL FLAVORS/FRAG.DL-.125	US4595061015	1,600	0	1,600	135.510	178,625.80	0.47
KINDER MORGAN P DL-.01	US49456B1017	50,000	16,000	34,000	14.700	411,764.71	1.08
NEWMONT CORP. DL 1.60	US6516391066	8,100	0	8,100	54.380	362,891.74	0.96
PHILLIPS 66 DL-.01	US7185461040	5,500	7,620	5,500	83.050	376,318.17	0.99
PPG IND. INC. DL 1.666	US6935061076	5,800	0	5,800	134.820	644,221.45	1.70
SCOTTS MIRAC.GRO A DL-.01	US8101861065	800	0	800	213.150	140,484.43	0.37
SEALED AIR CORP. DL-.01	US81211K1007	8,500	0	8,500	41.900	293,417.37	0.77
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS DL 1	US8243481061	0	370	1,100	680.340	616,554.62	1.62
STEEL DYNAMIC DL-.0025	US8581191009	13,700	0	13,700	41.580	469,307.96	1.24

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Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Sales/ disposals	Holding	Price	Value in EUR	% share of fund assets
VALERO ENERGY CORP.DL-.01	US91913Y1001	4,800	0	4,800	76.980	304,419.18	0.80
WILLIAMS COS INC. DL 1	US9694571004	18,800	0	18,800	22.840	353,758.44	0.93
Total issue country USA						14,116,506.83	37.15
Total equities denominated in USD translated at a rate of 1.21380						15,477,186.51	40.73
Total securities admitted to organised markets						30,038,074.47	79.05

### Breakdown of fund assets

Transferable securities	37,425,374.03	98.49
Bank balances	468,329.90	1.23
Dividend entitlements	107,070.30	0.28
Other deferred items	-2,455.01	-0.01
Fund assets	37,998,319.22	100.00

### Investor note:

The values of assets in illiquid markets may deviate from their actual selling prices.

Dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A01VR3	units	59,523.077
Value of dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A01VR3	EUR	100.22
Non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A01VS1	units	222,584.387
Value of non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A01VS1	EUR	120.94
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A09GW7	units	3,223.769
Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A09GW7	HUF	45,802.30
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A01VT9	units	20,024.592
Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A01VT9	EUR	126.40
KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing units outstanding	AT0000A1E119	units	17,187.370
Value of KEST-exempt non-dividend-bearing unit	AT0000A1E119	CZK	3,308.58

The fund is not permitted to engage in repurchase agreements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No. 2015/2365 (Regulation on Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions and of Reuse). For this reason, repurchase agreements were not employed.

No total return swaps pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 (Regulation on Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions and of Reuse) were concluded for the fund during the reporting period.

The fund is permitted to engage in securities lending agreements pursuant to Regulation (EU) No. 2015/2365 (Regulation on Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions and of Reuse) according to the fund rules. No securities lending transactions took place during the reporting period.



**Explanation on disclosure pursuant to Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 2016/2251 supplementing Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on OTC derivatives, central counterparties, and trade repositories with regard to regulatory technical standards for risk-mitigation techniques for OTC derivative contracts not cleared by a central counterparty:**

All OTC derivatives are traded through Erste Group Bank AG.

In the event of negative derivatives exposure, collateral in the form of cash or bonds is pledged to Erste Group Bank AG in accordance with the contractually agreed threshold.

In the event of positive derivatives exposure, EUR-denominated government bonds from the Republic of Austria and/or the Federal Republic of Germany are pledged by Erste Group Bank AG to the fund in accordance with the contractually agreed threshold. A one-time discount of 4% is agreed with the counterparty for this collateral. Collateral that would require a higher discount pursuant to Annex II to Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 2016/2251 is not accepted.

**Purchases and sales of transferable securities in the reporting period not listed in the statement of assets and liabilities**

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Sales/ disposals
<b>Publicly traded securities</b>			
<b>Equities denominated in CNY</b>			
<b>Issue country China</b>			
CHINA MERCH.EN.SP. A YC 1	CNE000001PQ8	0	214,000
CN NORTHN RARE E.GR.A YC1	CNE000000T18	0	146,000
<b>Equities denominated in EUR</b>			
<b>Issue country Germany</b>			
FUCHS PETROL.SE PREF N.P.	DE0005790430	16,000	16,000
<b>Equities denominated in INR</b>			
<b>Issue country India</b>			
RELIANCE INDS(DEMAT) -RIGHTS	INE002A20018	3,107	3,107
<b>Equities denominated in TWD</b>			
<b>Issue country Taiwan</b>			
ASIA CEMENT CORP. TA 10	TW0001102002	0	146,000

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Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Sales/ disposals
<b>Securities admitted to organised markets</b>			
<b>Equities denominated in AUD</b>			
<b>Issue country Australia</b>			
ALUMINA LTD	AU000000AWC3	0	147,000
EVOLUTION MINING LTD	AU000000EVN4	22,200	22,200
<b>Equities denominated in EUR</b>			
<b>Issue country Belgium</b>			
UMICORE S.A.	BE0974320526	0	16,800
<b>Issue country Netherlands</b>			
KON. VOPAK NV EO -.50	NL0009432491	2,650	6,920
<b>Equities denominated in HKD</b>			
<b>Issue country China</b>			
ANHUI CONCH CEMENT H YC1	CNE1000001W2	0	32,200
PETROCHINA CO. LTD H YC 1	CNE1000003W8	0	2,250,000
<b>Equities denominated in JPY</b>			
<b>Issue country Japan</b>			
NIPPON PAINT HLDGS CO.LTD	JP3749400002	0	12,400
SHIN-ETSU CHEM.	JP3371200001	0	7,460
<b>Equities denominated in CAD</b>			
<b>Issue country Canada</b>			
KIRKLAND LAKE GOLD N.P.	CA49741E1007	2,600	7,830
PARKLAND CORP.	CA70137W1086	4,000	4,000
<b>Equities denominated in NOK</b>			
<b>Issue country Norway</b>			
AKER BP NK 1	N00010345853	0	24,100
<b>Equities denominated in CHF</b>			
<b>Issue country Switzerland</b>			
EMS-CHEMIE HLDG BEARER SF-01	CH0016440353	0	1,280

Security designation	ISIN number	Purch./ additions Units/nominal (nom. in 1,000, rounded)	Sales/ disposals
<b>Equities denominated in ZAR</b>			
<b>Issue country South Africa</b>			
ANGLO AMERN PLATIN.RC-.10	ZAE000013181	0	2,530
ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI RC-.25	ZAE000043485	0	10,400
GOLD FIELDS LTD RC-.50	ZAE000018123	15,400	15,400
IMPALA PLATINUM N.P.	ZAE000083648	0	19,000
SIBANYE STILLWATER LTD.	ZAE000259701	0	44,200
<b>Equities denominated in USD</b>			
<b>Issue country Netherlands</b>			
LYONDELLBAS.IND.A EO -.04	NL0009434992	0	10,500
<b>Issue country Russia</b>			
GAZPROM ADR SP./2 RL 5L 5	US3682872078	0	101,000
MMC NOR.NICK.PJSC ADR RL1	US55315J1025	3,700	20,430
TATNEFT PJSC ADR REG.S 6	US8766292051	0	11,000
<b>Issue country USA</b>			
CABOT OIL + GAS DL-.10	US1270971039	0	29,600
CELANESE CORP. DL-.0001	US1508701034	0	6,990
EOG RESOURCES DL-.01	US26875P1012	0	9,900
ONEOK INC. (NEW)	US6826801036	0	10,800

Vienna, 30 April 2021

Erste Asset Management GmbH  
Electronically signed

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## Remuneration Policy

### Remuneration paid to employees of Erste Asset Management GmbH in EUR (2019 financial year of Erste Asset Management GmbH)

No investment success bonuses are paid, and no other amounts are paid directly from the investment funds.

Number of employees as of 31.12.19	247
Number of risk bearers in 2019	128
Fixed remuneration	17,977,688
Variable remuneration (bonuses)	5,281,483
<b>Total employee remuneration</b>	<b>23,259,171</b>
Thereof remuneration for managing directors	1,024,116
Thereof remuneration for managerial risk bearers	3,986,249
Thereof remuneration for risk bearers with control functions*	1,410,947
Thereof remuneration for other risk bearers	7,776,396
Thereof remuneration for employees in the same income bracket as managers and risk bearers due to the amount of their total remuneration	0
<b>Total remuneration for risk bearers</b>	<b>14,197,708</b>

\* Includes the Head of Compliance

### Principles governing performance-based remuneration components

The Management Company has adopted remuneration principles to prevent possible conflicts of interest and to ensure compliance with the standard rules of conduct when awarding remuneration to relevant persons.

Fixed salary components make up a large enough share of the total remuneration of all employees of the Management Company that a variable remuneration policy can be applied on an individualised basis.

The total remuneration (fixed and variable components) is governed by the principle of balance and is linked to sustainability so that the acceptance of excessive risks is not rewarded. Therefore, the variable remuneration forms no more than a balanced portion of the total remuneration awarded to an employee.

The performance-based remuneration components serve the short-term and long-term interests of the Management Company and contribute to preventing risky behaviour. The performance-based remuneration components take into account individual performance as well as the profitability of the Management Company.

The size of the bonus pool is calculated based on the bonus potential that can be applied to the different employee categories. Bonus potential is a percentage of the fixed annual gross remuneration. The bonus potential can be no more than 100% of the fixed annual gross remuneration. The bonus pool is adjusted depending on the success of the Management Company. The personal bonus is linked to individual performance. The total of personal bonuses is limited by the size of the bonus pool after deduction of penalties.

The performance-based payments are capped at 100% of the annual gross remuneration for all employees, including the material risk bearers (according to the definition in the remuneration policy) and managing directors of the Management Company.

The remuneration system is made up of three components:

- 1) Fixed remuneration
- 2) Variable remuneration
- 3) Fringe benefits

The bonus potential is based on the fixed annual gross remuneration. The target agreements concluded with the employees contain qualitative and/or quantitative objectives. The payment of performance-based remuneration components is subject to a minimum profitability level for the Management Company and to performance targets.

Sixty per cent of the performance-based remuneration components are paid immediately; for employees who are involved directly in fund and portfolio management, 50% of this is paid immediately in cash and 50% is paid one year later in the form of non-cash instruments. The remaining 40% of the performance-based remuneration components are retained and paid out over a period of three years, with 50% of this also being paid in cash and 50% in the form of non-cash instruments for employees who are involved directly in fund and portfolio management. The non-cash instruments can consist of units in an investment fund that is administered by the Management Company, equivalent holdings or instruments linked to units, or equivalent non-cash instruments. Based on the principle of proportionality, the Management Company has set a materiality threshold below which there is no incentive to enter into inappropriate risks, for which reason there is no need to make delayed payment or payment in the form of a non-cash instrument. Other non-cash benefits are fringe benefits that are not associated with performance but with a specific position (e.g. company car) or that apply for all employees (e.g. holiday).

The Supervisory Board of the Management Company has set up a Remuneration Committee to ensure that the remuneration policy and its application are independently assessed. This committee consists of the following persons: Rudolf Sagmeister, Harald Gasser (remuneration expert), and Heinrich Hubert Reiner.

The complete remuneration policy of the Management Company can be viewed at [http://www.erste-am.at/de/private\\_anleger/wer-sind-wir/investmentprozess](http://www.erste-am.at/de/private_anleger/wer-sind-wir/investmentprozess).

The last audit of compliance with the requirements of the remuneration policy by the Supervisory Board on 27 March 2020 revealed no deviations. There were also no material findings during the last audit by the Internal Auditing department.

No material changes were made to the remuneration policy during the past accounting year.

## Audit Report\*

### Statement on the annual report

#### Audit opinion

We have audited the annual report prepared by Erste Asset Management GmbH, Vienna, for the fund under its management

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consisting of the statement of assets and liabilities as of 28 February 2021, the income statement for the accounting year ending on this date, and the other information specified in Annex I Schedule B of the Austrian Investment Fund Act 2011 (InvFG 2011).

Based on the findings of our audit, we believe that the annual report satisfies the legal requirements and provides a true and fair view of the assets and financial position as of 28 February 2021 and of the earnings position of the fund for the accounting year ending on this date in accordance with Austrian commercial law and the provisions of the InvFG 2011.

#### Basis for the audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with § 49 (5) InvFG 2011 and in accordance with the Austrian principles of good auditing. These principles require the application of the International Standards on Auditing (ISA). Our responsibilities under these regulations and standards are described in the section “Responsibilities of the auditor in auditing the annual report” of our audit report. We are independent from the company as specified by the Austrian commercial and industry regulations and fulfilled our other professional obligations in accordance with these requirements. We feel that the audit evidence that we obtained up to the date of the audit certificate is sufficient and suitable to serve as a basis for our audit opinion as of that date.

#### Other information

The legal representatives are responsible for the other information. The other information includes all information in the annual report except for the statement of assets and liabilities, the income statement, the other information specified in Annex I Schedule B of the InvFG 2011, and the audit report.

Our audit opinion does not cover this other information, and we provide no assurance whatsoever for this other information.

In the context of our review of the annual report, we are responsible for reading this other information and assessing whether the other information contains material inconsistencies with the annual report or with the information gathered by us during our audit, or appears to contain other manners of material misstatements.

Should we come to the conclusion on the basis of the work completed with the other information received before the date of the audit report that this other information contains a material misstatement, we are required to report about this fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Management and supervisory board responsibilities relating to the annual report**

The legal representatives are responsible for preparing the annual report and for ensuring that this report provides a true and fair view of the assets and financial and earnings position of the fund in accordance with Austrian commercial law and the provisions of the InvFG 2011. The legal representatives are also responsible for implementing the internal controls that they deem necessary to facilitate the preparation of an annual report that is free from material misstatements due to error or fraud.

The supervisory board is responsible for monitoring the accounting process of the company as it applies to the fund under its management.

**Responsibilities of the auditor in auditing the annual report**

Our goals are to ascertain with sufficient certainty whether the annual report contains material misstatements due to error or fraud and to issue an audit certificate that includes our audit opinion. Sufficient certainty is a high degree of certainty but no guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Austrian standards on good auditing, which require the application of the ISA, will always discover material misstatements that may be present. Misstatements can result from fraud or errors and are considered to be material when it can be reasonably expected that individual misstatements or a combination of misstatements can influence economic decisions made by readers on the basis of this annual report.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with the Austrian standards on good auditing, which require the application of the ISA, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism during the entire audit process.

In addition:

- We identify and assess the risks of material misstatements in the annual report due to error or fraud, plan audit steps in response to these risks, perform the planned audit steps, and collect audit evidence that is sufficient and suitable to form a basis for our audit opinion. The risk that a material misstatement resulting from fraud will remain undiscovered is greater than for misstatements resulting from error because fraudulent activity can include collusion, the falsification of documents, intentional incomplete or misleading representations, and the circumvention of internal controls.
- We familiarise ourselves with the internal control systems that are relevant for the audit to plan audit steps that are appropriate under the specific circumstances, but not so as to state an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control system.

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- We assess the appropriateness of the accounting methods applied by the legal representatives and the reasonableness of the estimates made by the legal representatives in the accounts and of the associated information.
- We assess the overall presentation, the structure, and the content of the annual report including the figures as well as whether the annual report depicts the underlying transactions and events in a manner that provides a true and fair view.
- We discuss the planned scope and scheduling of the audit and any material audit findings, including material defects that we discover in the internal control system during our audit, with the supervisory board, among other issues.

Vienna, 30 April 2021

**Ernst & Young**  
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft m.b.H.

**Mag. Andrea Stippel**  
(Certified Public  
Accountant)

**ppa MMag. Roland Unterweger**  
(Certified Public Accountant)

\* In the case of the publication or dissemination of the annual report in a form that deviates from the confirmed (unabridged German) version (e.g. an abridged version or translation), reference may not be made to the audit report or our audit without our approval.



# Fund Rules

The Fund Rules for ERSTE STOCK COMMODITIES, jointly owned fund pursuant to the Austrian Investment Fund Act (Investmentfondsgesetz; InvFG) 2011 as amended, were approved by the Austrian Financial Market Authority (FMA).

The Fund is an undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities (UCITS) and is managed by Erste Asset Management GmbH (the "Management Company" in the following), which has its registered office in Vienna.

## Article 1 Fund Units

The joint ownership of the fund assets is evidenced by certificates having the characteristics of a bearer unit.

The unit certificates are depicted in separate global certificates for each unit category. For this reason, individual unit certificates cannot be issued.

## Article 2 Depositary Bank (Depositary)

The depositary bank (depositary) appointed for the Fund is Erste Group Bank AG, Vienna.

The payment offices for unit certificates are the depositary bank (depositary) and any other payment offices named in the prospectus.

## Article 3 Investment Instruments and Principles

The following assets may be selected for the Fund in accordance with the InvFG.

ERSTE STOCK COMMODITIES is an equity fund that invests predominantly, in other words at least 51% of its assets, in stocks from companies in the materials and energy sectors 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. The Fund may purchase shares in companies with small market capitalisations or mid-sized market capitalisations as well as shares in large, strong, and important companies that are internationally known (blue chips).

The fund assets are invested in the following instruments in accordance with the investment focus described above.

### a) Transferable securities

Transferable securities (including securities with embedded derivative financial instruments) comprise at least 51% of the fund assets.

### b) Money market instruments

Money market instruments may comprise up to 49% of the fund assets.

### c) Transferable securities and money market instruments

The Fund may purchase transferable securities and money market instruments that are not fully paid up as well as subscription rights for these types of instruments and other financial instruments that are not fully paid up.

Transferable securities and money market instruments may be purchased for the Fund when they meet the criteria regarding listing or trading on a regulated market or a securities exchange pursuant to the InvFG.

Transferable securities and money market instruments that do not meet the criteria described in the previous paragraph may comprise up to 10% of the fund assets in total.

### d) Units in investment funds

Units in investment funds (UCITS, UCI) may comprise up to 10% of the fund assets per individual issue and may comprise up to 10% in aggregate total, provided that the target funds themselves (UCITS, UCI) do not invest more than 10% of their fund assets in units of other investment funds.

e) Derivative financial instruments

Derivative financial instruments can be used as part of the investment strategy and for hedging purposes, and may comprise up to 49% of the fund assets.

f) Risk measurement method(s) of the Fund

The Fund applies the following risk measurement methods: commitment approach

The commitment value is determined according to § 3 of the 4th FMA Regulation on Risk Calculation and Reporting of Derivative Instruments (4. Derivate-Risikoberechnungs- und MeldeV) as amended.

g) Demand deposits or deposits with the right to be withdrawn

Demand deposits and deposits with the right to be withdrawn with a maximum term of 12 months may comprise up to 49% of the fund assets.

There are no minimum bank balance requirements.

However, in the course of the restructuring of the fund portfolio and/or in the case of the justified expectation of impending losses experienced by transferable securities, the Fund can hold a proportion of transferable securities below the specified limit and a higher proportion of demand deposits or deposits with the right to be withdrawn with a maximum term of 12 months.

h) Acceptance of short-term loans

The Management Company may accept short-term loans for the account of the Fund up to an amount of 10% of the total fund assets.

i) Repurchase agreements

Does not apply.

j) Securities lending

Securities lending transactions may comprise up to 30% of the fund assets.

Investment instruments may only be purchased for the entire Fund and not for individual unit categories or groups of unit categories.

This does not apply to currency hedging transactions, however. Such transactions can also be concluded solely for a single unit category. Expenses and income resulting from currency hedging transactions shall be allocated solely to the respective unit category.

### **Article 4 Issue and Redemption Procedure**

The unit value shall be calculated in the currency of the respective unit category.

The unit value is calculated at the same time as the issue and redemption price.

#### **Issue of units and front-end surcharge**

The issue price will be calculated and units issued on each Austrian exchange trading day with the exception of bank holidays.

The issue price shall be made up of the unit value plus a surcharge per unit amounting to up to 5.0% to cover the costs incurred by the Management Company in issuing the unit, rounded up to the next equivalent sub-unit of the currency unit specified for the respective unit category in the prospectus.

The Management Company shall be entitled to apply a sliding front-end surcharge scale at its own discretion.

There is no limit on the issue of units in principle. However, the Management Company reserves the right to temporarily or permanently suspend the issue of unit certificates.

#### **Redemption of units and back-end commission**

The redemption price will be calculated and units redeemed on each Austrian exchange trading day with the exception of bank holidays.

The redemption price is the unit value rounded down to the next equivalent sub-unit of the currency unit specified for the respective unit category in the prospectus. No back-end commission will be charged.

Upon request by the Unit-holder, his units shall be redeemed at the current redemption price in return for the unit certificate.

## **Article 5**

### **Accounting Year**

The accounting year of the Fund is from 1 March to the last day of February.

## **Article 6**

### **Unit Categories and Use of Earnings**

The Fund features three different unit categories and the corresponding certificates: dividend-bearing units, non-dividend-bearing units with capital gains tax payment, and non-dividend-bearing units without capital gains tax payment, with certificates being issued for one unit each and also for fractional units.

Various unit categories may be issued for this Fund. The creation of unit categories and the issue of units of a specific category shall be decided at the discretion of the Management Company.

#### **Use of earnings for dividend-bearing units**

The earnings generated during the accounting year (interest and dividends) less all costs can be distributed as deemed appropriate by the Management Company. Dividend disbursement may be omitted in the interests of the Unit-holders. Dividends may also be disbursed at the discretion of the Management Company from earnings generated by the sale of fund assets, including subscription rights. Disbursements of fund assets and interim dividends may be paid.

The fund assets may in no case fall below the legally stipulated minimum volume for termination as a result of dividend disbursements.

The amounts shall be paid to the holders of dividend-bearing units on or after 1 June of the following accounting year. The remaining amount shall be carried forward.

An amount calculated in accordance with the InvFG must also be paid out on or after 1 June to cover the capital gains tax assessed by the tax authorities on the dividend-equivalent earnings from the fund units unless the Management Company provides suitable proof from the banks managing the corresponding securities accounts that the unit certificates can only be held by Unit-holders who are not subject to Austrian personal income tax or corporation tax or who meet the conditions for exemption from capital gains tax according to § 94 EStG at the time of payment.

#### **Use of earnings for non-dividend-bearing units with capital gains tax payment (non-dividend-bearing units)**

The earnings generated by the Fund during the accounting year less all costs will not be paid out. In the case of non-dividend-bearing units, an amount calculated in accordance with the InvFG must be paid out on or after 1 June to cover the capital gains tax assessed by the tax authorities on the dividend-equivalent earnings from the fund units unless the Management Company provides suitable proof from the banks managing the corresponding securities accounts that the unit certificates can only be held by Unit-holders who are not subject to Austrian personal income tax or corporation tax or who meet the conditions for exemption from capital gains tax according to § 94 EStG at the time of payment.

#### **Use of earnings for non-dividend-bearing units without capital gains tax payment (KESt-exempt non-dividend-bearing units)**

The earnings generated by the Fund during the accounting year less all costs will not be paid out. No payment pursuant to the InvFG will be made. The reference date for the exemption from KESt payment for the profit for the year for the purposes of the InvFG shall be 1 June of the following accounting year.

The Management Company shall provide suitable proof from the banks managing the corresponding securities accounts that the unit certificates could only be held by Unit-holders who are not subject to Austrian personal income tax or corporation tax or who met the conditions for exemption from capital gains tax according to § 94 of the Austrian Income Tax Act (Einkommensteuergesetz) at the time of payment.

If these requirements are not met at the time of payment, the amount calculated pursuant to the InvFG must be paid out by the credit institution managing the respective securities account.

## **Article 7**

### **Management Fee, Compensation for Expenses, Liquidation Fee**

Valid until 31 December 2019:

The Management Company shall receive an annual fee for its administrative activities of up to 1.8% of the fund assets, which shall be accrued on a daily basis and calculated using the month-end values adjusted for the accrued fees.

Valid from 1 January 2020:

The Management Company shall receive an annual fee for its administrative activities amounting to up to 1.80% of the fund assets as calculated and accrued on the basis of the daily fund volume. The fee will be charged to the fund assets once per month.

The Management Company shall be entitled to apply a sliding management fee scale at its own discretion.

The costs for the introduction of new unit categories for existing investment funds shall be assessed against the unit price of the new unit categories.

The Management Company shall be entitled to compensation for all expenses incurred in the administration of the Fund.

Upon liquidation of the Fund, the party processing the liquidation shall receive a fee in the amount of 0.5% of the fund assets.

Further information and details about this Fund can be found in the prospectus.

### **Annex to the Fund Rules**

#### **List of exchanges with official trading and organised markets (As of September 2018)**

##### **1. Exchanges with official trading and organised markets in the Member States of the EEA as well as exchanges in European countries outside of the EEA considered to be equivalent to regulated markets**

Every Member State must maintain a current list of the authorised markets within its territory. This list must be submitted to the other Member States and the Commission.

According to this provision, the Commission is required to publish a list of the regulated markets registered with it by the Member States once per year.

Because of lower entry barriers and specialisation in different trading segments, the list of “regulated markets” is subject to significant changes. For this reason, the Commission will publish an up-to-date version of the list on its official website in addition to the annual publication of a list in the Official Journal of the European Union.

##### **1.1. The currently valid list of regulated markets can be found at**

[https://registers.esma.europa.eu/publication/searchRegister?core=esma\\_registers\\_upreg](https://registers.esma.europa.eu/publication/searchRegister?core=esma_registers_upreg) \*

##### **1.2. The following exchanges are included in the list of regulated markets:**

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|--------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1.2.1. | Luxembourg:  | Euro MTF Luxembourg                  |
| 1.2.2. | Switzerland: | SIX Swiss Exchange AG, BX Swiss AG** |

##### **1.3. Recognised markets in the EEA according to § 67 (2) 2 InvFG:**

Markets in the EEA that have been classified as recognised markets by the competent supervisory authorities.

##### **2. Exchanges in European countries outside of the EEA**

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|------|-------------------------|---|
| 2.1. | Bosnia and Herzegovina: | Sarajevo, Banja Luka  |
| 2.2. | Montenegro:             | Podgorica   |
| 2.3. | Russia:                 | Moscow (RTS Stock Exchange)<br>Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange (MICEX) |
| 2.4. | Serbia:                 | Belgrade  |
| 2.5. | Turkey:                 | Istanbul (only “National Market” on the stock market)                     |

##### **3. Exchanges in non-European countries**

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|-------|--------------|---|
| 3.1.  | Australia:   | Sydney, Hobart, Melbourne, Perth                                  |
| 3.2.  | Argentina:   | Buenos Aires  |
| 3.3.  | Brazil:      | Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo   |
| 3.4.  | Chile:       | Santiago  |
| 3.5.  | China:       | Shanghai Stock Exchange, Shenzhen Stock Exchange                  |
| 3.6.  | Hong Kong:   | Hong Kong Stock Exchange  |
| 3.7.  | India:       | Mumbai  |
| 3.8.  | Indonesia:   | Jakarta   |
| 3.9.  | Israel:      | Tel Aviv  |
| 3.10. | Japan:       | Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Kyoto, Fukuoka, Niigata, Sapporo, Hiroshima |
| 3.11. | Canada:      | Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal                                      |
| 3.12. | Colombia:    | Bolsa de Valores de Colombia                                      |
| 3.13. | Korea:       | Korea Exchange (Seoul, Busan)                                     |
| 3.14. | Malaysia:    | Kuala Lumpur, Bursa Malaysia Berhad                               |
| 3.15. | Mexico:      | Mexico City   |
| 3.16. | New Zealand: | Wellington, Christchurch/Invercargill, Auckland                   |

3.17.	Peru:	Bolsa de Valores de Lima
3.18.	Philippines:	Manila
3.19.	Singapore:	Singapore Stock Exchange
3.20.	South Africa:	Johannesburg
3.21.	Taiwan:	Taipei
3.22.	Thailand:	Bangkok
3.23.	USA:	New York, NYCE American, New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, Cincinnati
3.24.	Venezuela:	Caracas
3.25.	United Arab Emirates:	Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX)

#### 4. Organised markets in countries outside of the European Community

4.1.	Japan:	over the counter market
4.2.	Canada:	over the counter market
4.3.	Korea:	over the counter market
4.4.	Switzerland:	over the counter market of the members of the International Capital Market Association (ICMA), Zurich
4.5.	USA:	over the counter market (under the supervision of an authority such as the SEC, FINRA, etc.)

#### 5. Exchanges with futures and options markets

5.1.	Argentina:	Bolsa de Comercio de Buenos Aires
5.2.	Australia:	Australian Options Market, Australian Securities Exchange (ASX)
5.3.	Brazil:	Bolsa Brasileira de Futuros, Bolsa de Mercadorias & Futuros, Rio de Janeiro Stock Exchange, Sao Paulo Stock Exchange
5.4.	Hong Kong:	Hong Kong Futures Exchange Ltd.
5.5.	Japan:	Osaka Securities Exchange, Tokyo International Financial Futures Exchange, Tokyo Stock Exchange
5.6.	Canada:	Montreal Exchange, Toronto Futures Exchange
5.7.	Korea:	Korea Exchange (KRX)
5.8.	Mexico:	Mercado Mexicano de Derivados
5.9.	New Zealand:	New Zealand Futures & Options Exchange
5.10.	Philippines:	Manila International Futures Exchange
5.11.	Singapore:	The Singapore Exchange Limited (SGX)
5.12.	Slovakia:	RM System Slovakia
5.13.	South Africa:	Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE), South African Futures Exchange (SAFEX)
5.14.	Switzerland:	EUREX
5.15.	Turkey:	TurkDEX
5.16.	USA:	NYCE American, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Comex, FINEX, ICE Futures US, Inc., New York, Nasdaq PHLX, New York Stock Exchange, Boston Options Exchange (BOX)

\*) To open the list, select "Regulated market" under "Entity type" in the column on the left side of the page and then click "Search" (or "Show table columns" and "Update"). The link can be changed by the ESMA.

When the expected withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (GB) from the EU takes effect, GB will lose its status as an EEA member state and, in turn, the exchanges/regulated markets located there will also lose their status as EEA exchanges/regulated markets. In this event, we hereby inform you that the following exchanges and regulated markets located in GB shall be considered exchanges or recognised regulated markets in a third country as defined by the InvFG 2011 and the UCITS Directive that are expressly designated in the Fund Rules:

Cboe Europe Equities Regulated Market – Integrated Book Segment, London Metal Exchange, Cboe Europe Equities Regulated Market – Reference Price Book Segment, Cboe Europe Equities Regulated Market – Off-Book Segment, London Stock Exchange Regulated Market (derivatives), NEX Exchange Main Board (non-equity), London Stock Exchange Regulated Market, NEX Exchange Main Board (equity), Euronext London Regulated Market, ICE FUTURES EUROPE, ICE FUTURES EUROPE – AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS DIVISION, ICE FUTURES EUROPE – FINANCIAL PRODUCTS DIVISION, ICE FUTURES EUROPE – EQUITY PRODUCTS DIVISION, and Gibraltar Stock Exchange.

\*\*) In the event that Switzerland's stock market equivalence expires, SIX Swiss Exchange AG and BX Swiss AG are to be subsumed under item 2 "Exchanges in European countries outside of the EEA" until further notice.

**Note regarding the data used**

The sections Income Statement and Changes in Fund Assets, Statement of Assets and Liabilities and Details and Explanation of Tax Treatment in this annual report were prepared on the basis of data from the depositary bank for the Fund.

**The data and information provided by the depositary bank were collected with the greatest possible care and were checked solely for plausibility.**

**Note for retail funds:**

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