First Sentier Investors ICVC -RQI Global All Country Fund



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This product does not have a UK sustainable investment label.

Sustainable investment labels help investors find products that have a specific sustainability goal. This product does not have a UK sustainable investment label as it does not have an objective to improve or pursue specific positive environmental or social outcomes through the assets it invests in or its investment activities.

Sustainability approach

We aim to generate returns by using a quantitative (systematic) approach. This includes building a core portfolio and applying various signals assessed over different time periods.

We consider ESG signals, which include:

- 1. Management Quality: Looks at governance data such as board independence and audit committee independence.
- 2. Carbon Intensity: Measures CO2-equivalent emissions and changes in carbon intensity to assess management efficiency.
- **3. Reputational Risk:** Monitors ESG-related incidents that may indicate higher ESG risk and potential underperformance.
- **4. Gender Diversity:** Evaluates board and management diversity, as diverse teams are linked to greater profitability.

We use ESG screening and an exclusion policy, as well as a carbon intensity reduction policy. We set a "carbon baseline" based on the carbon intensity of a model portfolio as of June 30, 2020. We aim to have a maximum carbon intensity of 70% of the baseline by 31 December 2025, and reduce this to 50% by 31 December 2030 by reducing the level of investment in companies with higher carbon intensity.

Our ESG exclusion policy strictly excludes any investment in companies involved in the manufacture of tobacco products and certain controversial weapons.

If we find negative sustainability issues with a company, we may engage with the company in accordance with the First Sentier Investors' Responsible Investment and Stewardship Policy and Principles.

Sustainability metrics

We will report in the annual report on the following metrics to assist investors in understanding the application of the ESG screens and exclusions, and the carbon intensity reduction policy:

- The carbon intensity levels of the Fund against the Carbon Baseline with, reference to the carbon risk reduction targets described above.
- The average gender diversity ratio at board and management level of the Fund during the reference period.

Further details

More information about the ESG features of this fund can be found in the <u>Prospectus</u>. Information on the performance of the sustainability metrics will be made available in the Funds public Sustainability Product Report.

Non-Sustainability related information

The UCITS KIID can be found for the live share classes of this Fund on firstsentierinvestors.com.