

## Generali Investments SICAV (GIS) Euro Green &amp; Sustainable Bond

# Investing today for a better tomorrow

Bonds to help build solar energy farms or finance water reclamation projects... In today's world, green business is good business. Why not invest where your money can make a positive impact on society and the environment?

At Generali Investments<sup>1</sup> we launched the Generali Investments SICAV (GIS) Euro Green & Sustainable Bond sub-fund, a natural evolution of the Generali Group's commitment to sustainability, combined with our proven expertise in managing fixed-income assets.

Our Group has been using a proprietary Ethical Filter since 2006<sup>2</sup>, monitoring ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) controversies on several hundreds of billions worth of assets under management. It also committed to investing EUR 4.5bn in green debt and infrastructure by 2021, supporting a "Just transition" approach based on managing climate change transition and its potential economic and social impacts.

Indeed, we are one of Europe's major players in the fixed income space, with a strong expertise and experience in managing euro-denominated fixed-income assets (+€405bn in AUM<sup>3</sup>).

## Why invest in Green & Sustainable bonds?

We believe that the main reason an investor would decide to invest in green bonds is simple: as a way to invest responsibly, in bonds that finance green & sustainable projects with real positive impacts on climate change and energy transition for instance.

It can also be used as a way to reduce the carbon footprint of an existing portfolio of investments, through a fixed income strategy that remains liquid, through listed instruments.

It is worth also noting that the "green" assessment of a green bond is totally independent from the asset manager or the issuer and that the strategy is transparent, based on liquid listed securities.

The expected level of yield of green bonds should also be similar to that of traditional non-green bonds issued by the same entity, though the "use of proceeds" or the underlying nature of the financed project is the fundamental differentiating feature.

At Generali Investments<sup>1</sup>, we consider that this positive, real-life impact is the primary benefit of investing in Green & Sustainable bonds.

## What are the key features of our bespoke investment approach?

The investment approach we implement in the GIS Euro Green & Sustainable Bond sub-fund leverages both internal and external expertise.

We start by screening the initial green and sustainable investment universe at different levels and through different parties:

- Through our proprietary Ethical Filter<sup>3</sup>, identifying and screening potential ESG controversies affecting corporate issuers
- At the index level - Bloomberg MSCI Barclays Euro Green bond index - based on MSCI ESG Research's approach and the Green Bond Principles
- We also monitor ESG risks and credentials of candidate green bond issuers, based on Sustainability's ESG Risk Ratings methodology.

Within this framework, the fund managers select bonds and build the portfolio based on our internal sovereign and credit research inputs.

The result is a fixed income strategy and a sub-fund that allow our clients to invest in the future, with a positive impact on society.

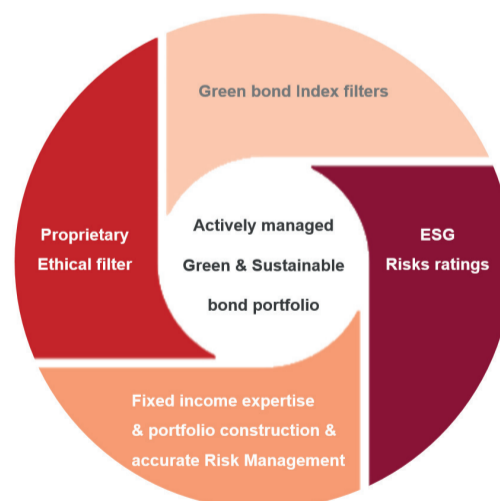
## Company Profile:

At Generali Investments<sup>4</sup> we gather the Generali Group's boutiques, leveraging focused skillsets to create and share enduring value with our clients both inside and outside the Group.

Leveraging Generali Group's more than 185 years of experience, we manage over €500bn and rely on a team of over 1,500 skilled asset managers and investment specialists to serve investors in over 15 countries<sup>3</sup>.

We respond to the challenges of today and tomorrow through our distinctive multi-boutique approach. We combine the experience and solidity we have matured over time in Liability-Driven Investment solutions with new, highly-focused skillsets introduced through our dedicated boutiques. The result is a powerful investment engine in service of our clients.

## GIS Euro Green & Sustainable bond – Investment Process



## FOOTNOTE

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2 Applying the Group Ethical Filter is part of the discretionary evaluation of the investment manager and the results of such evaluation are confidential.

3 Source: Generali Investments Partners S.p.A. Società di gestione del risparmio, as at end of December 2019.

4 Generali Investments Holding S.p.A. holds the majority stake of each boutique.



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