Sustainability Related Disclosure

Sustainable Finance Disclosure regulation

PGGM Developed Market Alternative Equity II Fund (DMAE II Fonds)

This document provides you with information about this financial product in relation to the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation. The information is required by law to help you understand the sustainability characteristics and/or objectives and risks of this financial product.



(a)	Summary Dutch					
Thi	This section summarizes all the information contained in the different sections below about the financial					
product that promote environmental or social characteristics.						
Naam financieel product		PGGM Developed Market Alternative Equity II Fund				
Classificatie product		Artikel 8 SFDR				
b.	Geen duurzame	van toepassing (geen duurzame beleggingsdoelstelling)				
	beleggingsdoelstelling					
с.	Ecologische of sociale	We promoten de volgende E/S kenmerken. Ecologisch: klimaatverandering,				
	kenmerken	klimaatmitigatie, duurzaam gebruik en bescherming van water en a				
		Sociaal: mensenrechter	n, gezond leven, werknemersomstandigheden,			
		bestrijding van (poging	tot) omkoping en afpersing.			
d.	Beleggingsstrategie	Door de opname van ESG factoren creëren een verantwoorde				
		aast verschuiven we onze beleggingen van bedrijven				
		die niet voldoen aan onze minimale ESG vereisten, naar bedrijven die daar				
		wel aan voldoen.				
e.	Aandeel beleggingen	≥90% aligned met E/S kenmerken. ≤5% cash en MMIs. ≤5% futures en ETFs.				
f.	Monitoring ecologische	Uitsluitingen	van toepassing			
	of sociale kenmerken	OECD-screening	van toepassing			
		CO ₂ -doelstelling	van toepassing			
g. Methodologieën Voorafgaand aan de belegging worden		elegging worden bedrijven uitgesloten op basis van				
		onze uitsluitingenlijst b	eschikbaar op <u>de website</u> . Daarnaast volgt een			
		OECD-screening voor se	chendingen en negatieve impact. Daarnaast heeft dit			
		-	ond die een limiet stelt op de hoeveelheid tonnen			
		uitgestoten CO2 per miljoen dollar omzet. Deze CO2 intensiteit wordt				
		berekend op basis van scope 1 en 2.				
h.	Databronnen en -	Uitsluitingen	Sustainalytics			
	verwerking	OECD-screening	Sustainalytics			
		CO ₂ -doelstelling	Trucost			
		Geschatte data	van toepassing			
i.	Methodologische- en	Ontbrekende data	van toepassing			
	databeperkingen	CO2-methodologie	van toepassing			
j.	Due diligence	Op basis van OECD-standaarden en het Global Compact van de VN				
k.	Engagementbeleid	van toepassing				
١.	Aangewezen	De berekeningsmethode wordt niet bekend gemaakt, omdat het een op				
	referentiebenchmark	maat gemaakte benchmark betreft.				



(a) Summary English

This section summarizes all the information contained in the different sections below about the financial product that promote environmental or social characteristics.

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Name financial product		PGGM Developed Market Alternative Equity II Fund		
Classification product		Article 8 SFDR		
b.	No sustainable	applicable (No sustainable investment objective)		
	investment objective			
c.	Environmental or social	We promote the following E/S characteristics. Environmental: climate		
	characteristics of the	change, mitigation, sustainable use and protection of water and soil. Social:		
	financial product	human rights, healthy living, employment relations, combating bribery, bribe		
		solicitation and extortion.		
d.	Investment strategy	We apply a responsible basis for our investments by including ESG factors.		
		We shift our investments from companies and investments that do not meet		
		our minimum ESG requirements to companies and investments that do.		
e. Proportion of		≥90% aligned with E/S characteristics. ≤5% cash and MMIs. ≤5% futures and		
	investments	ETFs.		
f.	Monitoring of	Exclusions	applicable	
	environmental or social	OECD-screening	applicable	
	characteristics	CO ₂ -target	applicable	
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g.	Methodologies	Pre-Investment, firms are excluded based on our exclusions available on our		
		website and OECD-screening for violations and negative impact. Additionally,		
		a CO2 ceiling limiting the tonnes CO2 emitted per million dollars of revenue.		
		Intensity calculation based on scope 1 and 2.		
h.	Data sources and	Exclusion	Sustainalytics	
	processing	OECD-screening	Sustainalytics	
		CO ₂ -target	Trucost	
		Estimate data	applicable	
i.	Limitations to	Missing data	applicable	
	methodologies and	CO2-methodology	applicable	
	data			
j.	Due diligence	Based on OECD standards and the UN Global Compact Principles		
k.	Engagement policies	applicable		
I.	Designated reference	The calculation method is not disclosed due to the fact that it is a customized		
benchmark		benchmark.		



(b) No sustainable investment objective

This financial product promotes environmental or social characteristics, but does not have as its objective sustainable investment.

(c) Environmental or social characteristics of the financial product

What are the environmental or social characteristics that the financial products promotes?

- Environmental characteristics promoted are climate change mitigation and sustainable use and protection of water and soil.
- Social characteristics promoted regard Human Rights, Healthy living, Employment Relations, Combating Bribery, Bribe Solicitation and Extortion.
- A reference benchmark has been designated for the purpose of attaining environmental and social characteristics.

(d) Investment strategy

What is the investment strategy used to meet the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

We apply a responsible basis for our investments, by including ESG factors in our investment decisions, The PGGM Beliefs and Foundations for Responsible Investment specify strict minimum standards for our investments. The minimum standards are applicable to all our investments and include exclusions and OECD screening. With these minimum standards we shift our investments from companies and investments that do not meet our minimum ESG requirements to companies and investments that do. We follow a specific benchmark, and the benchmark is (also) updated using our exclusions and OECD screening. Our managers are free to invest in the benchmark names. For further details please refer to the benchmark section of this Annex.

Exclusions

Before a new investment is made, a check takes place in order to ensure that the companies/government bonds are not listed on the exclusion list. The trading system(s) should prevent any buying orders in these securities. The exclusion list is updated at least twice a year and after the exclusion list is updated, the existing portfolio is checked again and securities of companies/government bonds on the exclusion list, are sold.

OECD screening

In the OECD screening, companies are given a score based on incidents within their own production locations and in the supply chain. Very severe and severe violation will lead to an exclusion of the companies involved, unless a severe violation occurs at a large company. In that case we prefer to first engage with the company as engagement with the larger companies could have more effect then just divesting. In case the engagement does - within a reasonable timeframe – however not lead to indicated changes, the company will also be excluded.

The OECD screening is used for pre-investment as well as periodic monitoring of the portfolio. The OECD screening list is updated twice a year.

Next to the minimum standards we have set a CO2/CHG target for this product.

This product further has a target to realize reduction of CO2/GHG. PGGM aims to reduce the portfolio CO2



intensity (expressed in tonnes per million dollars of revenue of investee companies) to a maximum of 106 tonnes per million dollar of sales by the end of 2025.

Annually, a CO2 measurement and reporting are carried out for the portfolio. The monitoring and calculations, including data gathering etc., are in accordance with the "PGGM manual – CO2 calculations". The CO2 intensity will be measured in ton per million US Dollar sales and calculated for each company in the portfolio or benchmark by dividing the CO2 emissions by the sales (as determined by Trucost). CO2 intensity will be calculated based on Trucost data scope 1 and 2.

What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies, including with respect to sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance?

We assess the good governance practises of all the companies we invest in. In particular with respect to sound management structures, employee relations remuneration of staff and tax compliance. For this we have developed a screening method together with Sustainalytics based on the UN Global Compact Principles and OECD Guidelines for Institutional Investors. In particular Principle 3-6 UN Global Compact and Chapter II, V, X and XI OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises are relevant.

In case a company does not follow good governance practises based on OECD-Screening, they are excluded.

(e) Proportion of investments

This product invests in shares, and derivatives thereof in global developed equity markets. The product can also hold cash or money market instruments and FX instruments. Part of the investment strategy is to contribute to the reduction of the CO2 intensity. The non-derivative or non-cash instruments are aligned with E/S characteristics because they have to meet the minimum ESG standards.

A maximum of 5% can be invested in cash and money market instruments. There is a limit on futures and ETF's for a maximum of 5% combined exposure. Instruments obtained from corporate actions, FX instruments and forwards are not included in the calculation because the exposure is negligible. Therefore, we expect a maximum of 10% to be invested in the sum of the aforementioned instruments. As we do not consider those products to contribute to the E/S characteristics, 90% of the investments are aligned with E/S characteristics. The exposure to forwards and FX spots is negligible and therefore not included under "Other". No sustainable investments are currently planned for the product, although it could be that in practice investments are made that fulfil the criteria for sustainable investment.





(f) Monitoring of environmental or social characteristics

How are the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product and the sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of each of those environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product monitored throughout the lifecycle of the financial product and what are the related internal or external control mechanisms?

Exclusions

We choose to exclude certain investments. This prevents investments managed by PVBV from contributing financially to certain practices that have a negative impact on sustainability factors and that therefore do not match the standards and values of PVBV, its clients and their participants. We adhere to a strict lower limit, which applies to all PGGM funds managed by PVBV and all public and private segregated mandates for individual clients managed by PVBV. The companies in the benchmark that do not meet the criteria of the lower limit will be placed on a list referred to as the exclusion list. This list is regularly updated, at least twice per calendar year. We use external data providers (such as Sustainalytics, Trucost and Bloomberg) and our own analyses to compile the list of exclusions. The list of exclusions is available on <u>our website</u>.

Agreements have been made with all internal and external managers regarding compliance with the exclusion lists. For our internal managers, PVBV has set up monitoring, management and compliance systems, in Bloomberg, among others. This should prevent trading in companies that are on the exclusion list. External managers are responsible for complying with and monitoring the exclusion list in accordance with the contractual agreements. Every external manager has to make a compliance statement once a month, confirming to PVBV that the external manager has complied with all agreements with PVBV. This includes the correct implementation of the exclusion list. This compliance statement must be signed off by a compliance officer. PVBV monitors compliance with the obligations and the external managers also adhere to the obligations. Furthermore, PVBV also checks its funds and mandates after every trading day to ensure that no investments have been made in companies that are on the exclusion list.

Benchmark CO₂

For the actively managed portfolios, Alternative Equities a CO2-ceiling will be used to guide the portfolios to their reduction target.

This product further has a target to realize reduction of CO2/GHG. PGGM aims to reduce the portfolio CO2 intensity (expressed in tonnes per million dollars of revenue of investee companies) to a maximum of 106 tonnes per million dollars of sales by the end of 2025.



Annually, a CO2 measurement and reporting are carried out for the portfolio. The monitoring and calculations, including data gathering etc., are in accordance with the "PGGM manual – CO2 calculations". The CO2 intensity will be measured in ton per million US Dollar sales and calculated for each company in the portfolio or benchmark by dividing the CO2 emissions by the sales (as determined by Trucost). CO2 intensity will be calculated based on Trucost data scope 1 and 2.

We try to calculate the so-called 'Scope 1' and 'Scope 2' emissions for each company. Scope 1 emissions concern the direct CO2 emissions: the CO2 emissions caused by the company itself, internally (for example in its manufacturing activities). Scope 2 emissions are indirect CO2 emissions: the CO2 that is emitted due to the consumption of electricity and heat by a company (which is generated by another party, such as a power station).

OECD screening

In the OECD screening, companies are given a score based on incidents within their own production locations and in the supply chain.

To assess the seriousness of the negative impact of companies on people and the environment, we have developed a screening method together with Sustainalytics regarding the UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Institutional Investors. Companies are given a score based on incidents within their own production locations and in the supply chain. Very severe and severe violation will lead to an exclusion of the companies involved, unless a severe violation occurs at a large company. In that case we prefer to first engage with the company as engagement with the larger companies could have more effect then just divesting. In case the engagement does - within a reasonable timeframe – however not lead to indicated changes, the company will also be excluded.

The OECD screening is used for pre-investment as well as periodic monitoring of the portfolio. The OECD screening list is updated twice a year.

(g) Methodologies

What are the methodologies to measure how the social or environmental characteristics promoted by the financial product are met?

In order to measure the attainment of the above E/S characteristics, we apply the following sustainability indicators:

- Number of companies that are active in the fossil fuel sector which (i) do not commit themselves to the Paris Climate Agreement and the increased ambitions of COP26 and (ii) do not have a convincing and verifiable climate transition strategy.
- Number of companies involved in the production of tobacco and/or tobacco products (for example cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco etc.) and companies which are (co-)owners of companies engaged in the production of tobacco and/or tobacco products (with regard to ownership, PGGM applies the principle of controlling interest, meaning an interest in a joint venture and/or an interest of 30% or more in a listed company);
- Number of companies deriving more than 5% of their total revenues from producing (mining) thermal coal or more than and 30% from power generation using thermal coal;
- Number of companies deriving more than 1% of their total revenues from producing oil out of tar sands/oil sands;
- Number of companies involved in the production and distribution of controversial weapons (1. Weapons of mass destruction (a) nuclear weapons, b) chemical weapons and c) biological weapons) and 2. Weapons with a considerable risk of casualties (including among civilians) during and/or



after military conflict (a) anti-personnel mines, b) cluster bombs and c) munitions with depleted uranium);

- Number of companies deriving more than 1% of their total revenues from Arctic oil drilling;
- Number of investments in liquid equities and credit of Russian and Belarus companies, defined as

 companies that are identified as 'Russian' or 'Belarus' by the benchmark providers, and/or (2)
 that have the majority of their business in Russia, according to our data providers ('country of risk');
- Number of bonds (including inflation-linked government bonds and other debt securities without
 a predefined purpose of central government and local authorities) issued by states on which the
 UN Security Council and/or the Council of the European Union have imposed restrictive measures
 (sanctions), if these are targeted at the country itself or the incumbent government and concern a
 weapons embargo or relate to a situation of gross and systematic violation of human rights, or if
 there is possible deployment of controversial weapons.
- Number of companies that violate the UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- Number of companies that show lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
- CO2 intensity of investee companies (expressed in tonnes per million dollars of revenue of these investee companies)

(h) Data sources and processing

- What are the data sources used to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?
- What measures are taken to ensure data quality?
- How is data processed?
- What is the proportion of data that are estimated?

Data sources

PGGM Developed Markets Alternative Equity II Fund makes use of ESG data from the following external data vendors:

- Exclusions and minimum sustainability requirements:
 - Sustainalytics: ESG data is used as input for screening methodology, based on OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and UN Global Compact Principles
- CO2:
 - > Trucost: GHG emission and intensity data

SDI Asset Owners Platform

PGGM, APG and two large foreign asset management companies have founded the Sustainable Development Investments Asset Owner Platform (SDI-AOP). As part of the SDI-AOP, a methodology has been developed to determine in an automated way if a company within the investment universe substantially contributes to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Data quality and processing

When selecting data vendors, multiple aspects of data quality are assessed, including the completeness of the data for the intended investment universe of the product, the methodology and data quality controls performed by the data vendor. Data vendors are evaluated prior to the date of contract extensions.



The screening methodology on OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and UN Global Compact Principles is part of a wider and partly qualitative process in which the data driven results are checked and validated manually for every company that is flagged as a result of the screening.

The CO2 data of Trucost is validated annually, by performing controls on both absolute and relative year-onyear changes in the CO2 scope 1 and 2 absolute emissions and intensity data.

Data collection and further processing of ESG data is performed in multiple ways. The guiding principle for this is to automate the data collection and further processing as much as possible in order to reduce operational risk; e.g. by setting up automated data collection from secured SFTP-locations or by collecting the data from our data distribution partner (FactSet).

Estimated data

For the exclusion list we use several data providers and -sources, like Sustainalytics*) and Truecost:

(i) **Product Involvement**

- Coal: Estimate: approx. 50% of the revenue from coal
- *Tar Sand*: Estimate: no data available (we expect <50%)
- Arctic Drilling: Reported: approx. 24%, Estimated: approx. 76%
- Tobacco Production: Reported: approx. 55%, Estimated: approx. 45%

(ii) Controversial Weapons Radar

The use of estimations in the CWR data is minimal - less than 1% of total data points. The only data point (out of dozens of others) which uses estimations is the Defense revenue data. This data point does not refer specifically to revenues derived from controversial weapons, but rather the overall proportion of revenues derived from defense related activities and has no impact on the company's evidence of activity or category of involvement.

(iii) Country Screening

The country screening focusses on states on which sanctions have been imposed by the UN Security Council and/or the European Union. Sustainalytics consults reputable third-party sources for both treaty and sanctions research.

*) In terms of data sources, Sustainalytics typically uses for research across its products (these differ per product) company reports, media reports, governmental sources and NGO reports, as well as data from third party data sources, a list of which is available at: <u>Legal Disclaimer (sustainalytics.com)</u>.

For CO2 related data we have an approximate coverage of 99% of the total AUM excluding cash and derivatives. Our approach for estimating missing data can be found in the next section "Limitations to methodologies and data".

(i) Limitations to methodologies and data

What are potential limitations to the methodologies or data sources and how do such limitations not affect how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are met?

Missing ESG data

The most prominent limitation to methodologies and data is the lack of availability of complete and consistent ESG data caused by incomplete, inadequate and/or non-standardized reporting by investee companies in the field of sustainability and sustainability risks. This is a challenged faced by the entire asset management industry, but the expectation is that this will improve over time as more companies adhere to existing initiatives and standards on sustainability (risk) reporting (e.g. CDP, TCFD, PCAF) and because of new legislation in this area (e.g. the EU's Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive in 2024).



In order to mitigate the risk of missing or inconsistent ESG data, we use multiple external data vendors and we make use of ESG data of the parent company if ESG data of an issues is not directly available. Furthermore, we will estimate ESG data based on sector averages or portfolio averages where needed.

Limitations to GHG methodologies

Since absolute GHG emissions (financed emissions), footprint and intensity indicators all make use of financial data (i.e. EVIC, and revenue data, these indicators can be impacted by market factors like inflation, volatility in asset prices and FX effects. Still, this is inherent to all commonly used GHG methodologies. PGGM is committed to follow industry standards with regards to GHG calculations and reporting. Most noticeably, PGGM aims to follow the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF) Global GHG Accounting & Reporting Standard and the Task Force on Climate-related Disclosures (TCFD) framework if possible.

(j) Due diligence

What due diligence is carried out on the underlying assets of the financial product (including the internal and external controls)?

Due diligence

We start by performing a due diligence process into (potential) investments, in order to identify any negative impact an **investment** may have on sustainability. We do this based on the OECD standards (incorporated in the IMVB covenant) and the UN Global Compact Principles. We consider the following:

- The probability and seriousness of the negative impact;
- The allocation percentage of the company within the portfolio;
- The extent to which the company contributes to the clients' focus areas and 'sustainable world' objectives.

For the selection and assessment of external investors, the External Management department uses the following approach:

We aim to select external managers who share the ESG beliefs that we hold at PVBV and who pay attention to ESG risks and opportunities in their investment decision-making processes. We expect external managers to adhere to our views when it comes to responsible investment. In assessing the external managers, we look at the extent to which they are clear frontrunners/opinion-formers in relation to ESG and the extent to which ESG integration is a visible component of the organisation and processes. The investment performance of the external investors are also tested, both in relation to financial and social objectives. In addition to the return in euros, we also look more closely at factors including the portfolio's ESG scores and the sustainability impact it has achieved. The ESG performance of the external managers is tested against the mandate's ESG objective as well as compared to the performance of other managers managing a comparable mandate.

For the due diligence of the investments we manage, we use data from several sources: non-governmental organisations (NGOs), specialised data providers, the media and the companies themselves. PVBV then does additional research itself.

In order to establish the seriousness of the negative impact of companies on people and the environment, we have developed a screening method in cooperation with Sustainalytics. This is based on the OECD guidelines for institutional investors. Companies are given a score based on incidents within their own manufacturing sites and incidents in the supply chain.



As PVBV invests in many different investment categories, there is a wide range of possible adverse impacts. These include climate change, human rights such as employment rights, or water shortages. Out of the possible adverse impacts, PVBV has identified climate change as the most important adverse sustainability impact.

When we identify that an investment comes with negative sustainability effects, we can take various measures. We can move to exclusion, or we can use active shareholdership to attempt to change the situation. In other words: based on our findings, we will decide whether we want to invest in a specific company, and if so, how we take up a position as the (active) shareholder.]

(k) Engagement policies

What is the engagement policy applied, in the case that engagement is part of the environmental or social investment strategy (including any management procedures applicable to sustainability-related controversies in investee companies)?

Active and involved shareholdership

PVBV uses its influence as a shareholder to constantly monitor developments in the companies in its portfolio and, where necessary, making improvements in the area of ESG. We do this by engaging in conversation (dialogue), by implementing predefined improvements in the area of ESG (engagement), by exercising our voting rights and, in extreme cases, by issuing legal proceedings.

i) Dialogue and engagement

PVBV has a Responsible Investment (RI) team for setting up, monitoring and reporting on the implementation of engagement. RI uses an assessment framework (see 'Figure: Assessment Framework for Implementation of Engagement' in the Responsible Investment Implementation Framework) to establish the most appropriate way to implement engagement - as established in the policy. Depending on the theme and/or sector, RI uses various (external) data sources and data providers. Information is also involved via our membership organisations and collaborations with like-minded institutional investors. PVBV monitors the progress of executed engagement processes by recording these in an Engagement Data Base (EDB) that we ourselves have built. At the end of the engagement programs and processes, PVBV will establish whether the engagement program has had the desired result. This is where PVBV distinguishes between successful and unsuccessful engagements.

In the event of (a reactive or proactive) engagement, we distinguish between engagement to prevent, mitigate or resolve negative issues in the investment portfolio ('sound basis') and reinforcing the positive contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that are a focus area ('sustainable world'). In the event of a reactive approach, PGGM will monitor whether there is (a risk of) an incident. As concerns the sound basis, a screening in accordance with the OECD standards (incorporated in the IMVB covenant) is used in order to discuss with clients which companies they wish to engage with.

(ii) Voting (proxy voting)

PVBV will cast active and informed votes on behalf of its clients. PVBV does this on the basis of publicly accessible voting guidelines (the <u>Global Voting Guidelines</u>) that are evaluated and updated annually. In order to cast votes, PVBV uses a specialist voting service provider (Glass Lewis). This voting service provider also gives voting advice based on PVBV's aforementioned voting guidelines. This voting platform allows PVBV to vote remotely in the listed portfolio companies. Every quarter, a sample is used to verify whether the voting



advice is in line with the voting guidelines at PVBV and the voting service provider itself will make a compliance statement to confirm compliance.

(iii) Legal proceedings

PVBV has set up internal systems that enable it to monitor on a worldwide scale where possible proceedings relating to our investments (in listed companies) could be conducted in the interest of its clients. PVBV will look into those opportunities and will provide its clients with reasoned advice as to whether or not to get involved in these proceedings, and if so, in what capacity. Where appropriate, we will use a specialist law firm to conduct a feasibility analysis and/or to conduct proceedings, whether or not jointly with other affected institutional investors.

(I) Designated reference benchmark

Has an index has been designated as a reference benchmark to meet the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product? If yes, how that index is aligned with the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product, and where can one find information with regards to input data, methodologies used to select those data, the rebalancing methodologies and index calculations?

The calculation method is not disclosed due to the fact that it is a customized benchmark.