# **DWS Funds**

Annual Report 2022

Investment Company with Variable Capital (SICAV)
Incorporated under Luxembourg Law



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## General information

The funds described in this report are sub-funds of a SICAV (Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable) incorporated under Luxembourg law.

## **Performance**

The investment return, or performance, of a mutual fund investment is measured by the change in value of the fund's shares. The net asset values per share (= redemption prices) with the addition of intervening distributions are used as the basis for calculating the value. Past performance is not a guide to future results.

The corresponding benchmarks – if available – are also presented in the report. All financial data in this publication is as of December 31, 2022, (unless otherwise stated).

## Sales prospectuses

Fund shares are purchased on the basis of the current sales prospectus, the key investor information document and the articles of incorporation and by-laws of the SICAV, in combination with the latest audited annual report and any semiannual report that is more recent than the latest annual report.

## Issue and redemption prices

The current issue and redemption prices and all other information for shareholders may be requested at any time at the registered office of the Management Company and from the paying agents. In addition, the issue and redemption prices are published in every country of distribution through appropriate media (such as the Internet, electronic information systems, newspapers, etc.).

## Russia/Ukraine crisis

The conflict between Russia and Ukraine marked a dramatic turning point in Europe, which, among other things, is impacting on Europe's security architecture and energy policies in the long term and has caused considerable volatility. This volatility is likely to continue. However, the specific or possible medium-to-long-term effects of the crisis on the economy, individual markets and sectors, as well as the social implications, cannot be conclusively assessed due to the uncertainty at the time of preparing this report. The Management Company is therefore continuing its efforts, within the framework of its risk management strategy, to assess these uncertainties and their possible impact on the activities, liquidity and performance of the respective sub-fund. The Board of Directors of the SICAV is ensuring that the Management Company is taking all measures deemed appropriate to protect investor interests to the greatest possible extent.

## Significant changes after the balance sheet date - Name change

The sub-fund DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant will be renamed DWS Funds ESG-Garant with effect from January 1, 2023.

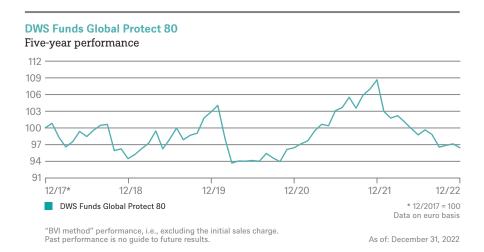
The sub-fund DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global will be renamed DWS Funds Invest WachstumsStrategie with effect from January 1, 2023.

# Annual report and annual financial statements

# Annual report DWS Funds Global Protect 80

## Investment objective\* in the reporting period

The objective of the investment policy for the guarantee fund DWS Funds Global Protect 80 is to achieve appreciation of capital in euro. To this end, the sub-fund may invest in interest-bearing securities, convertible bonds, warrant-linked bonds, participation and dividend-right certificates, equities, equity certificates, equity-linked bonds, equity warrants, money market instruments, liquid assets and in units of Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities or exchange-traded funds, or in the respective derivatives on all of the aforementioned instruments. The sub-fund pursues a dynamic capital-preservation strategy, in which assets are reallocated constantly between a growth component and a capital preservation component, depending on the market situation. The growth component comprises higher-risk investments, such as equity funds and higher-risk bond funds, as well as direct investments in or derivatives on higher-risk components such as equities and higher-risk bonds, while the capital preservation component comprises lower-risk investments such as lower-risk bond/money market funds and direct investments in or derivatives on lower-risk bonds/ money market instruments. The objective of this is to ensure a minimum value while also achieving the greatest possible participation in price increases in the international capital markets, such as the international equity, bond and commodity markets.



## **DWS Funds Global Protect 80**

## Performance at a glance

ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years
LU0188157704	-11.3%	-6.3%	-3.6%

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022 Data on euro basis

# Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the sub-fund recorded a decline of 11.3% per share in fiscal year 2022 (BVI method, in euro terms).

## **Guarantee\***

DWS Investment S.A. guarantees that the net asset value per share of the sub-fund plus any dividends will not be less than 80% of the maximum net asset value attained since December 1, 2011. If the guaranteed value is not achieved,

DWS Investment S.A. will pay the difference into the assets of the sub-fund from its own resources. For December 31, 2022, the guaranteed value was EUR 136.26.

## Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

This product reported in accordance with Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular reports for financial products within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (Regulation on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector, "Disclosure") and within the meaning

of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (Taxonomy) can be found after the Supplementary Information in the back of the report.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information on the investment policy and the exact guarantee amount is contained in the sales prospectus.

## Annual financial statements DWS Funds Global Protect 80

## Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
. Assets		
Investment fund units:		
ond funds	178 281 681.08	51.63
juity funds	34 262 482.52	9.92
dex funds	22 894 821.37	6.63
ther funds	109 385 697.12	31.68
otal investment fund units:	344 824 682.09	99.86
Derivatives	-53 435.27	-0.02
Cash at bank	895 920.62	0.26
Other assets	6 934.73	0.00
Receivables from share certificate transactions	148.40	0.00
. Liabilities		
Other liabilities	-277 452.10	-0.08
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	-82 442.58	-0.02
I. Net assets	345 314 355.89	100.00

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

## Investment portfolio - December 31, 2022

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals rting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Investment fund units							344 824 682.09	99.86
In-group fund units							332 081 741.69	96.17
Deutsche Managed Euro Fund Z-Class (IE00BZ3FDF20)	Count	817	1179	362	EUR	9 727.1340	7 947 068.48	2.30
(0.100%)	Count Count	2 407	6 422	14 087	EUR	1522.4500	3 664 537.15	1.06
(0.100%)	Count	316 999	397 721	87 848	EUR	99.3000	31 478 000.70	9.12
(0.400%)  DWS ESG Top World (DE0009769794) (1.450%)  DWS European Opportunities TFC (DE000DWS2NN9)	Count Count	8 073 10 847	16 057 26 175	48 900 69 337	EUR EUR	134.3600 143.7100	1084 688.28 1558 822.37	0.31 0.45
(0.800%)	Count	1927	4 228	14 275	EUR	417.0900	803 732.43	0.23
DWS Global Growth LD (DE0005152441) (1.450%)	Count	5 479 15 712	6 017	538	EUR	156.4300	857 079.97	0.25
DWS Global Value ID (LU1057898071) (0.600%)  DWS Global Water (DE000DWS0DT1) (1.450%)  DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Count Count	15 713 6 327	46 200 17 976	122 324 74 358	EUR EUR	134.0700 61.2400	2 106 641.91 387 465.48	0.61 0.11
(LU0099730524) (0.160%)	Count	3 574	5 039	2 106	EUR	13 703.6500	48 976 845.10	14.18
(0.100%)	Count	5 364	7 669	3 187	EUR	11 075.1400	59 407 050.96	17.20
(LU0193172185) (0.050%)	Count	5 144	6 896	3 185	EUR	11 554.4300	59 435 987.92	17.21
(0.100%)	Count Count	610 253 3 237	892 586 7 320	382 635 23 493	EUR EUR	97.4000 331.7200	59 438 642.20 1 073 777.64	17.21 0.31
(LU0329760267) (0.750%). DWS Invest ESG Global Emerg. Markets Equities FC	Count	8 612	30 707	79 289	EUR	125.5900	1081594.89	0.31
(LU1984219524) (0.750%)	Count	4 879	4 879		EUR	113.7000	554 776.41	0.16
(0.500%)	Count	3 436	5 769	19 176	EUR	153.0100	525 742.36	0.15
(LU0781239156) (0.750%)	Count	3 708	7 131	26 236	EUR	284.8600	1056 260.88	0.31
(0.600%)	Count	5 001	7 739	29 137	EUR	104.2300	521 254.23	0.15
DWS Top Europe IC (DE000DWS2L82) (0.600%)  DWS US Growth (DE0008490897) (1.450%)  DWS Vermögensbildungsfonds I ID (DE000DWS16D5)	Count Count	5 856 5 292	14 033 19 759	31 242 35 891	EUR EUR	184.2200 309.3900	1 078 792.32 1 637 291.88	0.31 0.47
(0.600%)	Count	12 993	33 434	82 132	EUR	231.5700	3 008 789.01	0.87
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC (LU0011254512) (0.200%) Xtrackers MSCI Emerging Markets ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Count	160 746	169 586	14 297	EUR	130.5400	20 983 782.84	6.08
(IE00BG370F43) (0.050%) Xtrackers MSCI Japan ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Count	16 882	18 440	1558	EUR	39.3100	663 631.42	0.19
(IE00BG36TC12) (0.100%) Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Count	95 059	95 059		EUR	16.4780	1566 382.20	0.45
(IE00BFMNPS42) (0.050%)Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Count	279 633	988 245	708 612	EUR	36.8300	10 298 883.39	2.98
(LU0274210672) (0.050%)	Count	87 991	325 446	554 574	EUR	102.6400	9 031 396.24	2.62
(IE00BL25JN58) <sup>3</sup> (0.150%)	Count	38 343	116 982	327 129	EUR	34.8050	1 334 528.12	0.39
DWS Invest CROCI US Dividends USD IC (LU1769942589) (0.500%)	Count	1668	1709	41	USD	331.0500	518 294.91	0.15
Non-group fund units							12 742 940.40	3.69
ATLAS Global Infrastructure Fund B EUR (IEO0BKTZQN06) (0.500%)	Count	4 234	6 177	28 131	EUR	124.0035	525 030.82	0.15
MFS MerEur.Research Fd. IS1 EUR Acc (LU1889970155) (0.670%)	Count	4 140	5 893	21 059	EUR	297.9300	1233 430.20	0.36
Schr. Intll. Selection Fd Emerging Asia Acc Eur (LU1751207348) (0.750%)	Count	32 776	95 295	210 262	EUR	49.3796	1 618 465.77	0.47
T. Row.Pr.Funds SICAV-Jap.Equity Fund Q10 EUR Acc. (LU1923401951) (0.380%)	Count	93 649	160 145	472 674	EUR	11.4700	1 074 154.03	0.31
(LU1960395389) (0.750%)	Count	128 307	399 015	689 016	EUR	14.4400	1852753.08	0.54
(LU0757431068) (1.500%)	Count	22 261	67 452	157 227	EUR	80.7465	1797 497.84	0.52
Fidelity Funds Asian-Special Situations Fd.USD Acc (LU2038752825) (0.600%)	Count	83 958	125 289	372 940	USD	10.7500	847 145.20	0.24
JHHF- Janus Henderson Horizon Gl.Pro.Eq.USD Acc (LU2260665604) (1.000%)	Count	23 337	46 388	195 064	USD	23.4300	513 221.24	0.15
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Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period	М	larket price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
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RBC Funds (Lux)- Global Equ. Focus Fund O USD Acc. (LU1096671539) (0.600%)	Count	9 769	22 016	49 825	USD	198.4757	1 819 888.41	0.53
(LU1767066605) (0.650%)	Count	18 515	51 328	118 756	USD	84.0900	1 461 353.81	0.42
Total securities portfolio							344 824 682.09	99.86
<b>Derivatives</b> Minus signs denote short positions								
Swaps							-53 435.27	-0.02
Equity swaps								
80% GAP SWAP DWS Funds Global Protect 80 (MEB) 08 06 2023 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-53 435.27	-0.02
Cash at bank							895 920.62	0.26
Demand deposits at Depositary								
EUR deposits	EUR	834 067.35			%	100	834 067.35	0.24
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
Japanese yen	JPY USD	1 624 922.00 53 598.27			% %	100 100	11 545.15 50 308.12	0.00 0.02
Other assets							6 934.73	0.00
Interest receivable Withholding tax claims Other receivables	EUR EUR EUR	548.34 6 367.79 18.60			% % %	100 100 100	548.34 6 367.79 18.60	0.00 0.00 0.00
Receivables from share certificate transactions	EUR	148.40			%	100	148.40	0.00
Total assets 1							345 727 685.84	100.12
Other liabilities							-277 452.10	-0.08
Liabilities from cost items	EUR EUR	-272 836.15 -4 615.95			% %	100 100	-272 836.15 -4 615.95	-0.08 0.00
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	EUR	-82 442.58			%	100	-82 442.58	-0.02
Net assets							345 314 355.89	100.00
Net asset value per share							148.56	
Number of shares outstanding							2 324 338.784	

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

## Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

MSCI World Index in EUR

Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	10.262
Highest market risk exposure	%	72.166
Average market risk exposure	%	24.493

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk is the risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the relative value-at-risk approach as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average leverage effect from the use of derivatives was 0.00, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 53 435.27 as of the reporting date.

#### Counterparties

Mediobanca - Banca di Credito Finanziario S.p.A., Milan

Securities loans							
The following securities were transferred under securities loa	The following securities were transferred under securities loans at the reporting date:						
Security name	Quantity/ principal amount (- / '000)		Fixed maturity	Securities loans Total market value in E No fixed maturity	UR	Total	
Xtrackers MSCI World Minimum Vol. UCITS ETF 1C	Count	127		4 420.24			
Total receivables from securities loans				4 420.24		4 420.24	
Contracting parties for securities loans UBS AG, London							
Total collateral pledged by third parties for securities loans	s				EUR	4 674.88	
thereof: Equities Other					EUR EUR	3 893.41 781.47	

## Market abbreviations

## Futures exchanges

OTC = Over the Counter

## Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

 Japanese yen
 JPY
 140.745000 = EUR
 1

 U.S. dollar
 USD
 1.065400 = EUR
 1

## Notes on valuation

Under the responsibility of the Board of Directors of the SICAV, the Management Company determines the net asset values per share and performs the valuation of the assets of the fund. The basic provision of price data and price validation are performed in accordance with the method introduced by the Board of Directors of the SICAV on the basis of the legal and regulatory requirements or the principles for valuation methods defined in the SICAV's prospectus.

If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, as external price service provider and the Management Company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values.

The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

## Footnotes

- Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.
- These securities are completely or partly lent as securities loans.

## Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022

VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-44 743 149.98
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-41 638 298.00
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR EUR	-37 486 121.53 -4 152 176.47
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-3 104 851.98
Capital gains/losses	EUR	44 350.54
1. Realized gains. 2. Realized losses.	EUR EUR	15 815 878.95 -15 771 528.41
IV. Sale transactions		
III. Net investment income	EUR	-3 149 202.52
Total expenses	EUR	-3 415 538.41
thereof: Performance-based fee from securities lending	EUK	-30 U32.34
thereof: All-in fee EUR -3 321 302.51 3. Other expenses	EUR	-38 032.34
thereof: Commitment fees EUR -2 253.69 2. Management fee	EUR	-3 321 302.51
Interest on borrowings and negative interest on deposits and expenses similar to interest	FUR	-56 203.56
II. Expenses		
Total income	EUR	266 335.89
thereof: Income from portfolio fees EUR 67 131.91 Income from legal claims EUR 24 641.53	LOIX	31773.44
and repurchase agreements	EUR	2 219.47 91 773.44
Income from investment certificates     Income from securities lending	EUR	155 154.65
Interest from investments of liquid assets     (before withholding tax)	EUR	17 188.33
I. Income		

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

## BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio was 0.94% p.a. The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's average net assets for a given fiscal year.

As well, the additional income from securities lending resulted in a performance-based fee of 0.000% of the fund's average net assets.

The fund invested more than 20% of its assets in target funds. Further costs, charges and fees were incurred at the level of the target funds. If the target funds publish a TER themselves, this will be taken into account at fund level (synthetic TER). If a TER is not published at target fund level, the all-in fee/management fee is used for the calculation. The synthetic TER was 1.12%.

#### Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 8 204.02.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation.

## Statement of changes in net assets for the fund

I. Value of the fund's net assets at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	398 741 893.18
1. Net inflows	EUR EUR	-8 777 465.13 12 656 602.06
b) Outflows from redemptions	EUR EUR EUR	-21 434 067.19 93 077.82 -44 743 149.98
thereof: Net change in unrealized appreciation Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR EUR	-37 486 121.53 -4 152 176.47
II. Value of the fund's net assets at the end of the fiscal year	EUR	345 314 355.89

## Summary of gains/losses

Summary of gains/losses		
Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	15 815 878.95
Securities transactions(Forward) currency transactions	EUR EUR	15 639 175.58 176 703.37
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-15 771 528.41
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR EUR	-14 846 599.58 -53 673.32 -871 255.51
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-41 638 298.00
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR	-41 929 516.89 291 218.89

Swap transactions may include results from credit derivatives.

## Details on the distribution policy\*

The income for the fiscal year is reinvested.

\* Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

## Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per share EUR
2022	345 314 355.89	148.56
2021.	398 741 893.18	167.50
2020	355 064 023.73	148.59

## Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 0.07% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 752 104 99.

## Annual report DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie

## Investment objective\* in the reporting period

The objective of the investment policy is to achieve appreciation of capital in euro. To this end, the sub-fund follows a dynamic capital-preservation strategy, where investments are constantly reallocated, depending on the market, between the growth component (comprising higher-risk funds, such as equity funds and higher-risk bond funds as well as direct investments in or derivatives on higher-risk components such as equities and higher-risk bonds) and the capital preservation component (comprising lower-risk open bond/money market funds and direct investments in or derivatives on lower-risk bonds/money market instruments). The objective of this is to ensure a minimum value while also achieving the greatest possible participation in price increases in the growth component.

# Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the sub-fund recorded a decline of 11.6% per share in fiscal year 2022 (BVI method, in euro terms).

## **Guarantee\***

The Management Company, DWS Investment S.A., guarantees that the net asset value per share of the sub-fund plus any dividends



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"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results. \* 12/2017 = 100 Data on euro basis

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As of: December 31, 2022

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## **DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie**

DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie

## Performance at a glance

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ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years
LU0275643301	-11.6%	-3.0%	5.4%

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022 Data on euro basis

(guaranteed value) at the end of each month will not be less than 80% of the net asset value determined on the last valuation date of the previous month. If the guaranteed value is not achieved, the Management Company will pay the difference into the sub-fund's net assets from its own resources. For December 31, 2022, the guaranteed value was EUR 113.50.

## Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

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Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular reports for financial products

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Additional information on the investment policy and the exact guarantee amount is contained in the sales prospectus.

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## Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
I. Assets		
1. Investment fund units: Equity funds	701 311 424.81	31.47
Bond funds Index funds	546 397 891.25 296 763 910.41	24.51 13.31
Other funds  Total investment fund units:	611 344 405.12 2 155 817 631.59	27.43 <b>96.72</b>
2. Derivatives	12 909 798.46	0.58
3. Cash at bank	43 929 353.57	1.97
4. Other assets	18 945 562.24	0.85
II. Liabilities		
1. Other liabilities	-2 746 841.01	-0.12
III. Net assets	2 228 855 504.85	100.00

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## Investment portfolio – December 31, 2022

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repo	Sales/ disposals orting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Investment fund units							2 155 817 631.59	96.72
In-group fund units							1 606 640 648.49	72.08
Deutsche Managed Euro Fund Z-Class (IE00BZ3FDF20) (0.100%)	Count Count	22 817 12 432	16 636	7 892 13 539	EUR EUR	9 727.1340 1 522.4500	221 944 016.48 18 927 098.40	9.96 0.85
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund (LU0225880524) (0.100%)	Count	1479 856	805 062	10 000	EUR	99.3000	146 949 700.80	6.59
DWS European Opportunities TFC				2 698	EUR			0.48
(DE000DWS2NN9) (0.800%)	Count Count	25 432 2 306 163	1 248 705 417		EUR	417.0900 83.4200	10 607 432.88 192 380 117.46	8.63
DWS Global Growth LD (DE0005152441) (1.450%)	Count Count	130 430 163 524	73 203	17 775 139 608	EUR EUR	156.4300 61.2400	20 403 164.90 10 014 209.76	0.92 0.45
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC (LU0099730524) (0.160%)	Count	10 726	3 875		EUR	13 703.6500	146 985 349.90	6.59
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield (LU0224902659) (0.100%)	Count	10 489	3 227		EUR	11 075.1400	116 167 143.46	5.21
DWS Institutional Pension Floating Yield IC								
(LU0193172185) (0.050%) DWS Institutional Pension Vario Yield	Count	10 531	3 937		EUR	11 554.4300	121 679 702.33	5.46
(LU1120400566) (0.100%) DWS Invest ESG Emerging Markets Top Dividend FC	Count	1192720	397 144		EUR	97.4000	116 170 928.00	5.21
(LU0329760267) (0.750%)	Count	112 291	18 022	18 854	EUR	125.5900	14 102 626.69	0.63
FC (LU1984219524) (0.750%)	Count	101 271	101 271		EUR	113.7000	11 514 517.25	0.52
(LU0781239156) (0.750%)	Count	38 577	38 577		EUR	284.8600	10 989 044.22	0.49
DWS SDG Global Equities IC (DE000DWS21L8) (0.600%)	Count	93 997		31934	EUR	104.2300	9 797 307.31	0.44
DWS Top Europe IC (DE000DWS2L82) (0.600%)	Count Count	69 506 71 860		17 133 63 664	EUR EUR	184.2200 309.3900	12 804 395.32 22 232 765.40	0.57 1.00
DWS US Growth (DE0008490897) (1.450%)	Count	731 311	197 819	03 004	EUR	130.5400	95 465 337.94	4.28
Xtrackers II EUR Overnight Rate Swap UCITS ETF 1C (LU0290358497) (0.020%)	Count	244 026		252 479	EUR	135.1000	32 967 912.60	1.48
Xtrackers MSCI Emerging Markets ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BG370F43) <sup>3</sup> (0.050%).	Count	634 569	1064899	993 592	EUR	39.3100	24 944 907.39	1.12
Xtrackers MSCI Japan ESG UCITS ETF 1C				330 332				
(IE00BG36TC12) (0.100%) Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Count	1367275	1367275	000.070	EUR	16.4780	22 529 957.45	1.01
(IE00BFMNPS42) (0.050%)Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Count	1 215 897	1 438 276	222 379	EUR	36.8300	44 781 486.51	2.01
(LU0274210672) (0.050%)Xtrackers MSCI World Minimum Vol. UCITS ETF 1C	Count	1564 067	277 591	1070096	EUR	102.6400	160 535 836.88	7.20
(IE00BL25JN58) (0.150%)	Count	316 156		932 741	EUR	34.8050	11 003 809.58	0.49
DWS Invest CROCI US Dividends USD IC (LU1769942589) (0.500%).	Count	34 570	34 570		USD	331.0500	10 741 879.58	0.48
	Count	01070	01070		000	001.0000		
Non-group fund units ATLAS Global Infrastructure Fund B EUR							549 176 983.10	24.64
(IE00BKTZQN06) (0.500%)	Count Count	82 465 1 920 327		38 190 779 305	EUR EUR	124.0035 22.2000	10 225 948.63 42 631 259.40	0.46 1.91
BNP Par Fds Europe Sm. Cap Act.au Port. Cap. I EUR (LU0212179997) (0.850%)	Count	102 469	2 317	7 699	EUR	264.8000	27 133 791.20	1.22
BNP Paribas Funds - Global Low Vol Equity Cap. (LU0823418115) (0.750%)	Count	27 430		12 231	EUR	733.7900	20 127 859.70	0.90
BNP Paribas Sust.Eur.MF Equity I Acc EUR (LU1956135914) (0.750%)	Count	327 182		93 251	EUR	146.6100	47 968 153.02	2.15
MFS MerEur.Research Fd. IS1 EUR Acc (LU1889970155) (0.670%)	Count	71 700	34 355	7 708	EUR	297.9300	21 361 581.00	0.96
RCGF SICAV-Robeco QI Global Cons. Equities I EUR			34 333					
(LU0705783958) (0.450%)	Count	69 877		64 892	EUR	277.2600	19 374 097.02	0.87
(LU0233138477) (0.680%)	Count	164 487		106 100	EUR	224.1600	36 871 405.92	1.65
(LU1408525894) (0.880%)	Count	134 573	53 381	17 386	EUR	201.3100	27 090 890.63	1.22
(LU1751207348) (0.750%)	Count	576 472		179 446	EUR	49.3796	28 465 956.77	1.28
(LU0248185190) (1.250%)	Count	157 024		71 777	EUR	207.4836	32 579 904.81	1.46
(LU1960395389) (0.750%)	Count	1034382		175 865	EUR	14.4400	14 936 476.08	0.67

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repo	Sales/ disposals orting period	١	Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Threadneedle Lux- Global Select 1E EUR ACC								
(LU1864957136) (1.500%) Threadneedle (Lux) - Global Focus AU EUR	Count	14 266 356	5 186 983	5 176 290	EUR	3.3145	47 285 836.96	2.12
(LU0757431068) (1.500%)	Count	544 476		199 549	EUR	80.7465	43 964 531.33	1.97
Schroder Inte.Selection Fund-Japanese Equity A Acc (LU0106239873) (1.250%)	Count	3 099 377		643 790	JPY	1379.5250	30 378 827.35	1.36
AXA IM.Eq.AUS E.I.E.QI (IE0033609615) (0.350%) Fidelity Funds Asian-Special Situations Fd.USD Acc	Count	1106 831		528 354	USD	49.5900	51 518 443.11	2.31
(LU2038752825) (0.600%)  JHHF- Janus Henderson Horizon Gl.Pro.Eq.USD Acc	Count	1 935 218		417 774	USD	10.7500	19 526 556.69	0.88
(LU2260665604) (1.000%)	Count	410 179		136 834	USD	23.4300	9 020 550.00	0.40
(LU1096671539) (0.600%)	Count	100 460	53 660	11 493	USD	198.4757	18 714 913.48	0.84
Total securities portfolio							2 155 817 631.59	96.72
Derivatives								
Minus signs denote short positions							40.000.004.50	0.00
Equity index derivatives (Receivables/payables)							13 992 924.50	0.63
Equity index futures								
MSCI ACWI FMAE INDEX MAR 23 (EURX) EUR	Count	-1 263 500					13 992 924.50	0.63
Swaps							-1 083 126.04	-0.05
Equity swaps								
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie (CSSSV) 19 04 2023 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-386 013.53	-0.02
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie (DBK) 19 04 2023 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-334 625.39	-0.02
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie (HVB) 19 04 2023 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-362 487.12	-0.02
Cash at bank							43 929 353.57	1.97
Demand deposits at Depositary								
EUR deposits	EUR	43 045 821.99			%	100	43 045 821.99	1.93
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
Japanese yen	JPY USD	64 847 671.00 450 435.95			% %	100 100	460 745.82 422 785.76	0.02 0.02
Other assets							18 945 562.24	0.85
Interest receivable Withholding tax claims Initial margins. Other receivables.	EUR EUR EUR EUR	6 141.74 24 271.31 18 912 656.40 2 492.79			% % %	100 100 100 100	6 141.74 24 271.31 18 912 656.40 2 492.79	0.00 0.00 0.85 0.00
Total assets 1							2 232 685 471.90	100.17
Other liabilities							-2 746 841.01	-0.12
Liabilities from cost items	EUR EUR	-2 671 158.10 -75 682.91			% %	100 100	-2 671 158.10 -75 682.91	-0.12 0.00
Net assets							2 228 855 504.85	100.00
Net asset value per share							140.39	
Number of shares outstanding							15 876 642.000	

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

85% MSCI All Country World Index, in EUR, 15% 1 Month Euribor Index

Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	34.667
Highest market risk exposure	%	79.963
Average market risk exposure	%	47 628

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022 using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the <u>relative value-at-risk approach</u> as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average leverage effect from the use of derivatives was 0.2, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 353 283 751.04 as of the reporting date.

#### Counterparties

Credit Suisse Bank (Europe) S.A., Madrid; Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt/Main; UniCredit Bank AG, Munich

## Securities loans

The following securities were transferred under securities loans at the reporting date:

Security name	Quantity/ principal amount (- / '000)		Fixed maturity	Securities loans Total market value in EUR No fixed maturity		Total
Xtrackers MSCI Emerging Markets ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Count	15 000		589 650.00		
Total receivables from securities loans				589 650.00		589 650.00
Contracting parties for securities loans Barclays Bank Ireland PLC, Dublin						
otal collateral pledged by third parties for securities loans	S			ı	EUR	633 080.17
thereof: Bonds Equities					EUR EUR	326 179.29 306 900.88

## Market abbreviations

## Futures exchanges

EURX = Eurex (Eurex Frankfurt/Eurex Zurich)

OTC = Over the Counter

## Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

 Japanese yen
 JPY
 140.745000 = EUR 1
 1

 U.S. dollar
 USD
 1.065400 = EUR 1
 1

#### Notes on valuation

Under the responsibility of the Board of Directors of the SICAV, the Management Company determines the net asset values per share and performs the valuation of the assets of the fund. The basic provision of price data and price validation are performed in accordance with the method introduced by the Board of Directors of the SICAV on the basis of the legal and regulatory requirements or the principles for valuation methods defined in the SICAV's prospectus.

If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, as external price service provider and the Management Company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values.

The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

#### Footnotes

- Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.
- These securities are completely or partly lent as securities loans.

## Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 20	22	
I. Income		
Interest from investments of liquid assets     (before withholding tax)	EUR EUR	455 598.01 711 907.85
Income from securities lending     and repurchase agreements     thereof:	EUR	66 857.61
From securities lending	EUR	2 052 152.22
Total income	EUR	3 286 515.69
II. Expenses		
Interest on borrowings and negative interest on deposits and expenses similar to interest	EUR	-827 973.11
Commitment fees	EUR	-33 914 530.07
All-in fee.   EUR-33 914 530.07	EUR	-374 076.79
Total expenses	EUR	-35 116 579.97
III. Net investment income	EUR	-31 830 064.28
IV. Sale transactions		
1. Realized gains	EUR EUR	180 116 638.70 -107 690 881.49
Capital gains/losses	EUR	72 425 757.21
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	40 595 692.93
Net change in unrealized appreciation.     Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR EUR	-351 509 955.51 -2 102 046.26
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-353 612 001.77
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-313 016 308.84

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

#### BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio was 1.47% p.a. The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's average net assets for a given fiscal year.

As well, the additional income from securities lending resulted in a performance-based fee of 0.001% of the fund's average net assets.

The fund invested more than 20% of its assets in target funds. Further costs, charges and fees were incurred at the level of the target funds. If the target funds publish a TER themselves, this will be taken into account at fund level (synthetic TER). If a TER is not published at target fund level, the all-in fee/management fee is used for the calculation. The synthetic TER was 1.87%

#### Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 349 559.18.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation..

## Statement of changes in net assets for the fund

I. Value of the fund's net assets at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	2 737 757 342.04
Net inflows     a) Inflows from subscriptions.     b) Outflows from redemptions     lincome adjustment     3. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year     thereof:	EUR EUR EUR EUR	-199 364 492.10 83 873 319.72 -283 237 811.82 3 478 963.75 -313 016 308.84
Net change in unrealized appreciation Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR EUR	-351 509 955.51 -2 102 046.26
II. Value of the fund's net assets	FUR	2 228 855 504 85

## Summary of gains/losses

Summary of gains/losses		
Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	180 116 638.70
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR EUR	146 270 807.34 33 341 764.05 504 067.31
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-107 690 881.49
from: Securities transactions Financial futures transactions (Forward) currency transactions Swap transactions	EUR EUR EUR EUR	-10 675 567.43 -88 195 204.82 -314 977.46 -8 505 131.78
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-353 612 001.77
from: Securities transactions Financial futures transactions Swap transactions	EUR EUR EUR	-369 038 571.70 13 992 924.50 1 433 645.43

Swap transactions may include results from credit derivatives.

## Details on the distribution policy\*

The income for the fiscal year is reinvested.

## Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per share EUR
2022	2 228 855 504.85	140.39
2021	2737757342.04	158.79
2020	1969 620 652 95	131.18

## Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 0.19% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 3 655 748 68.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

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## Investment objective\* in the reporting period

The objective of the investment policy is to achieve appreciation of capital in euro. To this end, the sub-fund follows a dynamic capital-preservation strategy, where investments are constantly reallocated, depending on the market, between the growth component (comprising higher-risk funds, such as equity funds and higher-risk bond funds as well as direct investments in or derivatives on higher-risk components such as equities and higher-risk bonds) and the capital preservation component (comprising lower-risk open bond/money market funds and direct investments in or derivatives on lower-risk bonds/money market instruments). The objective of this is to ensure a minimum value while also achieving the greatest possible participation in price increases in the growth component.

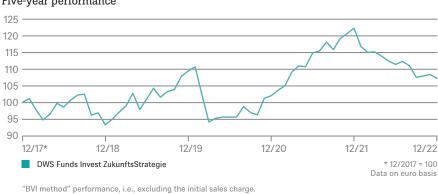
## Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the sub-fund recorded a decline of 12.3% per share in fiscal year 2022 (BVI method, in euro terms).

## **Guarantee\***

The Management Company, DWS Investment S.A., guarantees that the net asset value per share of the sub-fund plus any dividends





"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022

## **DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie**

## Performance at a glance

ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years
LU0313399957	-12.3%	-2.0%	7.3%

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022 Data on euro basis

(quaranteed value) at the end of each month will not be less than 80% of the net asset value determined on the last valuation date of the previous month. If the guaranteed value is not achieved, the Management Company will pay the difference into the sub-fund's net assets from its own resources. For December 31, 2022, the guaranteed value was EUR 177.51.

## Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

This product reported in accordance with Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular

reports for financial products within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (Regulation on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector, "Disclosure") and within the meaning of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (Taxonomy) can be found after the Supplementary Information in the back of the report.

Additional information on the investment policy and the exact guarantee amount is contained in the sales prospectus.

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## Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
I. Assets		
1. Investment fund units:		
Equity funds	1 020 161 304.37	28.48
Index funds	733 548 712.57	20.48
Bond funds	598 853 476.68	16.72
Other funds	1140 227 285.27	31.83
Total investment fund units:	3 492 790 778.89	97.51
2. Derivatives	21 055 028.23	0.58
3. Cash at bank	42 145 655.41	1.18
4. Other assets	30 848 553.66	0.86
II. Liabilities		
1. Other liabilities	-4 812 495.45	-0.13
III. Net assets	3 582 027 520.74	100.00

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

## Investment portfolio – December 31, 2022

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repo	Sales/ disposals erting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Investment fund units							3 492 790 778.89	97.51
In-group fund units							3 099 776 654.88	86.54
Deutsche Managed Euro Fund Z-Class (IE00BZ3FDF20) (0.100%)  DWS ESG Akkumula ID (DE000DWS2D74) (0.600%)  DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund	Count Count	36 659 61 541	27 744	14 658 33 728	EUR EUR	9 727.1340 1 522.4500	356 587 005.31 93 693 095.45	9.95 2.62
(LU0225880524) (0.100%)  DWS ESG Qi LowVol Europe MFC	Count	3 224 349	1 213 659		EUR	99.3000	320 177 855.70	8.94
(DE000DWS2MS0) (0.400%)  DWS ESG Top World (DE0009769794) (1.450%)  DWS European Opportunities TFC	Count Count	253 787 331 501		89 578 154 344	EUR EUR	134.3600 143.7100	34 098 821.32 47 640 008.71	0.95 1.33
(DE000DWS2NN9) (0.800%)	Count	83 930		23 493	EUR	417.0900	35 006 363.70	0.98
DWS Floating Rate Notes IC (LU1534073041) (0.200%)  DWS Global Value ID (LU1057898071) (0.600%)	Count Count	2 165 573 502 059	559 747	318 755	EUR EUR	83.4200 134.0700	180 652 099.66 67 311 050.13	5.04 1.88
DWS Global Water (DE000DWS0DT1) (1.450%)	Count	269 825		264 028	EUR	61.2400	16 524 083.00	0.46
(LU0099730524) (0.160%)	Count	23 370	8 789		EUR	13 703.6500	320 254 300.50	8.94
(LU0224902659) (0.100%)	Count	12 586	4 218		EUR	11 075.1400	139 391 712.04	3.89
(LU0193172185) (0.050%)	Count	12 066	4 035		EUR	11 554.4300	139 415 752.38	3.89
(LU1120400566) (0.100%)	Count Count	1 431 149 125 019	484 497	42 220	EUR EUR	97.4000 331.7200	139 393 912.60 41 471 302.68	3.89 1.16
DWS Invest ESG Emerging Markets Top Dividend FC (LU0329760267) (0.750%).	Count	352 237		48 474	EUR	125.5900	44 237 498.33	1.23
DWS Invest ESG Global Emerg. Markets Equities FC (LU1984219524) (0.750%)	Count	139 253	139 253		EUR	113.7000	15 833 101.35	0.44
(LU0616864954) (0.500%)	Count	114 963		22 954	EUR	153.0100	17 590 488.63	0.49
(LU0781239156) (0.750%)	Count	113 025		81 029	EUR	284.8600	32 196 301.50	0.90
(DE000DWS21L8) (0.600%)	Count	155 102		66 678	EUR	104.2300	16 166 281.46	0.45
DWS Top Europe IC (DE000DWS2L82) (0.600%) DWS US Growth (DE0008490897) (1.450%)	Count Count	191 149 192 074	77 517	79 635 84 339	EUR EUR	184.2200 309.3900	35 213 468.78 59 425 774.86	0.98 1.66
DWS Vermögensbildungsfonds I ID (DE000DWS16D5) (0.600%)	Count Count	305 478 1 097 044	78 037	278 214	EUR EUR	231.5700 130.5400	70 739 540.46 143 208 123.76	1.97 4.00
Xtrackers II EUR Overnight Rate Swap UCITS ETF 1C (LU0290358497) (0.020%)	Count	1394300	710 319	328 050	EUR	135.1000	188 369 930.00	5.26
Xtrackers MSCI Japan ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BG36TC12) (0.100%).	Count	3 003 118	3 003 118		EUR	16.4780	49 485 378.40	1.38
Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IEO0BFMNPS42) (0.050%).	Count	6 469 330	9 176 538	2 707 208	EUR	36.8300	238 265 423.90	6.65
Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C (LU0274210672) (0.050%)	Count	2 126 241	588 247	1 486 081	EUR	102.6400	218 237 376.24	6.09
(IEOOBL25JN58) (0.150%)	Count	1126 005		1193 000	EUR	34.8050	39 190 604.03	1.09
Non-group fund units							393 014 124.01	10.97
ATLAS Global Infrastructure Fund B EUR (IEO0BKTZQN06) (0.500%)	Count	136 073		77 997	EUR	124.0035	16 873 528.26	0.47
MFS MerEur.Research Fd. IS1 EUR Acc (LU1889970155) (0.670%)	Count	118 309		40 381	EUR	297.9300	35 247 800.37	0.98
Schr. Intll. Selection Fd Emerging Asia Acc Eur (LU1751207348) (0.750%)	Count	951 217	916	466 092	EUR	49.3796	46 970 714.97	1.31
T. Row.Pr.Funds SICAV-Jap.Equity Fund Q10 EUR Acc. (LU1923401951) (0.380%)	Count	2 819 067	280 253	944 259	EUR	11.4700	32 334 698.49	0.90
(LU1960395389) (0.750%)	Count	3 840 299	1 436 286	1389772	EUR	14.4400	55 453 917.56	1.55
(LU0757431068) (1.500%)	Count	781236	2 461	269 482	EUR	80.7465	63 082 072.67	1.76
Fidelity Funds Asian-Special Situations Fd.USD Acc (LU2038752825) (0.600%)	Count	2 075 606	74 783	692 721	USD	10.7500	20 943 086.63	0.58
JHHF- Janus Henderson Horizon Gl.Pro.Eq.USD Acc (LU2260665604) (1.000%)	Count	1 015 235		427 360	USD	23.4300	22 326 784.35	0.62
RBC Funds (Lux)- Global Equ. Focus Fund O USD Acc. (LU1096671539) (0.600%)	Count	290 090	11 392	71 081	USD	198.4757	54 041 501.61	1.51

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period	М	larket price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Vontobel Fund-mtx Sustainable Em.Mk.Lead.G USD Acc (LU1767066605) (0.650%)	Count	579 515	14 369	253 908	USD	84.0900	45 740 019.10	1.28
Total securities portfolio							3 492 790 778.89	97.51
<b>Derivatives</b> Minus signs denote short positions								
Equity index derivatives (Receivables/payables)							22 703 038.00	0.63
<b>Equity index futures</b> MSCI ACWI FMAE INDEX MAR 23 (EURX) EUR	Count	-2 050 000					22 703 038.00	0.63
Swaps							-1 648 009.77	-0.05
Equity swaps								
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie (DBK) 16 02 2023 (OTC) Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest	EUR	0.100					-855 474.83	-0.02
ZukunftsStrategie (HVB) 16 02 2023 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-792 534.94	-0.02
Cash at bank							42 145 655.41	1.18
Demand deposits at Depositary								
EUR deposits	EUR	39 994 457.28			%	100	39 994 457.28	1.12
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
Japanese yen	JPY USD	205 991 227.00 732 590.93			% %	100 100	1 463 577.58 687 620.55	0.04 0.02
Other assets							30 848 553.66	0.86
Interest receivable	EUR	1933.54			%	100	1933.54	0.00
Withholding tax claims	EUR EUR	31 643.62 30 814 976.50			% %	100 100	31 643.62 30 814 976.50	0.00 0.86
Total assets <sup>1</sup>							3 588 488 025.96	100.18
Other liabilities							-4 812 495.45	-0.13
Liabilities from cost items	EUR EUR	-4 664 988.41 -147 507.04			% %	100 100	-4 664 988.41 -147 507.04	-0.13 0.00
Net assets							3 582 027 520.74	100.00
Net asset value per share							219.62	
Number of shares outstanding							16 309 974.000	

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

#### Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

85% MSCI All Country World Index, in EUR, 15% 1 Month Euribor Index

#### Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	31.367
Highest market risk exposure	%	79.709
Average market risk exposure	%	46.427

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022 using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the <u>relative value-at-risk approach</u> as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average leverage effect from the use of derivatives was 0.2, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 573 085 509.77 as of the reporting date.

#### Counterparties

Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt/Main: UniCredit Bank AG, Munich

#### Market abbreviations

#### Futures exchanges

EURX = Eurex (Eurex Frankfurt/Eurex Zurich)

OTC = Over the Counter

## Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

Japanese yen	JPY	140.745000	=	EUR	1
U.S. dollar	USD	1.065400	=	EUR	1

## Notes on valuation

Under the responsibility of the Board of Directors of the SICAV, the Management Company determines the net asset values per share and performs the valuation of the assets of the fund. The basic provision of price data and price validation are performed in accordance with the method introduced by the Board of Directors of the SICAV on the basis of the legal and regulatory requirements or the principles for valuation methods defined in the SICAV's prospectus.

If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, as external price service provider and the Management Company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values.

The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

## Footnotes

Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.

## Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 20	)22	
I. Income		
Interest from investments of liquid assets     (before withholding tax)     Income from investment certificates     Income from securities lending	EUR EUR	692 912.55 3 350 557.33
and repurchase agreementsthereof:	EUR	32 848.50
From securities lending	EUR	783 674.59
Total income	EUR	4 859 992.97
II. Expenses		
Interest on borrowings and negative interest on deposits and expenses similar to interest	EUR	-1123 678.02
Commitment fees EUR -23 830.62  2. Management fee thereof:	EUR	-58 617 192.15
All-in fee	EUR	-669 132.86
Total expenses	EUR	-60 410 003.03
III. Net investment income	EUR	-55 550 010.06
IV. Sale transactions		
1. Realized gains	EUR EUR	320 760 630.20 -190 199 140.56
Capital gains/losses	EUR	130 561 489.64
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	75 011 479.58
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR EUR	-588 290 671.05 -43 223 021.95
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-631 513 693.00
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-556 502 213.42

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

#### BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio was 1.58% p.a. The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's  $\,$ average net assets for a given fiscal year.

As well, the additional income from securities lending resulted in a performance-based fee of 0.000% of the fund's average net assets.

The fund invested more than 20% of its assets in target funds. Further costs, charges and fees were incurred at the level of the target funds. If the target funds publish a TER themselves, this will be taken into account at fund level (synthetic TER). If a TER is not published at target fund level, the all-in fee/management fee is used for the calculation. The synthetic TER was 1.90%.

#### Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 619 389.79.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation.

## Statement of changes in net assets for the fund

I. Value of the fund's net assets at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	4 583 562 811.37
Net inflows     a) Inflows from subscriptions.     b) Outflows from redemptions     Income adjustment     3. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year     thereof:	EUR EUR EUR EUR	-455 761 469.43 348 146 822.26 -803 908 291.69 10 728 392.22 -556 502 213.42
Net change in unrealized appreciation Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR EUR	-588 290 671.05 -43 223 021.95
II. Value of the fund's net assets at the end of the fiscal year	EUR	3 582 027 520.74

## Summary of gains/losses

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Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	320 760 630.20
from:		
Securities transactions	EUR	253 152 329.97
Financial futures transactions	EUR	66 337 167.36
(Forward) currency transactions	EUR	1 271 132.87
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-190 199 140.56
from:		
Securities transactions	EUR	-24 211 180.61
Financial futures transactions	EUR	-151 647 429.45
(Forward) currency transactions	EUR	-119 323.06
Swap transactions	EUR	-14 221 207.44
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-631 513 693.00
from:		
Securities transactions	EUR	-657 413 786.57
Financial futures transactions	EUR	22 703 038.00
Swap transactions	EUR	3 197 055.57

Swap transactions may include results from credit derivatives.

## Details on the distribution policy\*

The income for the fiscal year is reinvested.

## Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per share EUR
2022	3 582 027 520.74	219.62
2021	4 583 562 811.37	250.43
2020	2 849 795 641.91	208.84

## Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 0 19% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 7 427 283 29.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

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## Investment objective\* in the reporting period

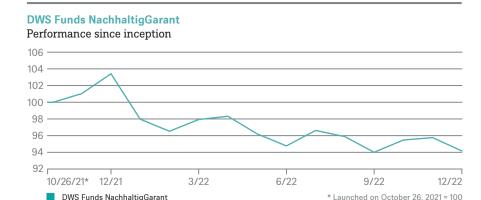
The sub-fund invests in a growth component (global equities with the lowest possible volatility) and a capital preservation component (bond and money market investments). Depending on the market situation, there is a reallocation between the two components. The following applies: The further the net asset value per share is above the guaranteed value, the higher the share of the growth component, as a rule. Conversely, the share of the capital preservation component increases when the net asset value per share is close to the guaranteed value. For the exact guarantee amount, please refer to the sales prospectus. The fund meets the DWS ESG minimum requirements.

# Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the sub-fund recorded a decline of 9.0% per share in fiscal year 2022 (BVI method, in euro terms).

## **Guarantee\***

The Management Company, DWS Investment S.A., guarantees that the net asset value per share of the sub-fund plus any dividends (guaranteed value) at the end of each month will not be less than 80% of the net asset value determined on the last valuation date



"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge Past performance is no guide to future results. As of: December 31, 2022

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## Performance at a glance

ISIN	1 year	Since inception <sup>1</sup>
LU2334589889	-9.0%	-5.9%

<sup>1</sup> Launched on October 26, 2021

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022 Data on euro basis

of the previous month. If the guaranteed value is not achieved, the Management Company will pay the difference into the sub-fund's net assets from its own resources. For December 31, 2022, the guaranteed value was EUR 82.75.

## Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

This product reported in accordance with Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular reports for financial products within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (Regulation on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector, "Disclosure") and within the meaning of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (Taxonomy) can be found after the Supplementary Information in the back of the report.

Additional information on the investment policy and the exact guarantee amount is contained in the sales prospectus.

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## Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
. Assets		
I. Equities (sectors):		
Health Care	18 706 634.16	9.83
nformation Technology	12 950 708.92	6.80
Communication Services	12 491 616.96	6.56
Consumer Staples	12 389 867.27	6.51
ndustrials	7 906 519.25	4.15
inancials	7 335 745.21	3.85
Consumer Discretionaries	6 990 900.40	3.67
Itilities	5 641 535.38	2.96
Basic Materials	2 949 872.20	1.55
nergy	627 651.02	0.33
Other	2 675 457.61	1.41
otal equities:	90 666 508.38	47.62
. Investment fund units:		
Bond funds	59 396 974.52	31.20
Other funds	35 633 121.75	18.71
otal investment fund units:	95 030 096.27	49.91
. Cash at bank	4 806 104.96	2.52
I. Other assets	68 451.00	0.04
I. Liabilities		
. Other liabilities	-159 886.33	-0.08
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	-10 416.24	-0.01
II. Net assets	190 400 858.04	100.00

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

## Investment portfolio - December 31, 2022

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals rting period	Market price		Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Securities traded on an exchange							90 666 508.38	47.62
Equities								
Wesfarmers (AU000000WES1)	Count	11 898	18 892	8 294	AUD	45.9100	348 132.42	0.18
Agnico Eagle Mines (CA0084741085)	Count	21 141	41 547	36 512	CAD	70.6100	1 034 129.55	0.54
Franco-Nevada (CA3518581051)	Count	10 454	13 705	19 821	CAD	185.1000	1 340 516.38	0.70
Hydro One (CA4488112083)	Count	13 494	17 218	25 851	CAD	36.4700	340 925.65	0.18
Northland Power (CA6665111002)	Count	12 972	13 396	424	CAD	37.6100	337 981.93	0.18
Royal Bank of Canada (CA7800871021)	Count Count	3 632 6 300	3 752 16 747	970	CAD CAD	128.6600 53.7100	323 722.29 234 411.50	0.17 0.12
Wheaton Precious Metals (CA9628791027)	Count	6 300	10 /4/	32 786	CAD	55.7100	234 411.30	0.12
Kühne + Nagel International			0.740		0115	0.17.0000	100.050.50	
Reg. (CH0025238863)	Count Count	1 953 6 757	3 710 8 500	1 757 13 459	CHF CHF	217.6000 107.8000	432 058.56 740 549.61	0.23 0.39
Nestlé Reg. (CH0038863350)	Count	16 261	29 894	13 633	CHF	84.3800	1394 980.87	0.33
Swisscom Reg. (CH0008742519)	Count	1 441	3 078	3 837	CHF	507.6000	743 647.42	0.39
Zurich Insurance Group Reg.								
(CH0011075394)	Count	623	643	20	CHF	445.1000	281 920.80	0.15
Novo-Nordisk B (DK0060534915)	Count	6 780	10 035	31 792	DKK	945.3000	861 935.11	0.45
Beiersdorf (DE0005200000)	Count	6 613	7 300	4 479	EUR	107.3000	709 574.90	0.37
Deutsche Börse Reg. (DE0005810055)	Count	1995	1995		EUR	161.6500	322 491.75	0.17
Deutsche Telekom Reg. (DE0005557508)	Count	72 676	113 708	41 032	EUR	18.7480	1362 529.65	0.72
Elisa Bear. A (Fl0009007884)	Count	16 465	32 157	30 342	EUR	49.6500	817 487.25	0.43
ENI (IT0003132476)	Count	28 887	28 887	0.001	EUR	13.4840	389 512.31	0.20
Ferrari (NL0011585146)	Count Count	4 061 716	6 722 1 018	2 661 1 033	EUR EUR	202.0000 1453.0000	820 322.00 1 040 348.00	0.43 0.55
lberdrola (new) (ES0144580Y14)	Count	26 359	50 025	151 869	EUR	11.0100	290 212.59	0.15
Industria de Diseño Textil (ES0148396007).	Count	24 889	42 170	17 281	EUR	25.0300	622 971.67	0.33
KONE OYj (Fl0009013403)	Count	6 441	29 090	22 649	EUR	48.6900	313 612.29	0.16
Koninklijke Ahold Delhaize (NL0011794037)	Count	33 337	44 942	90 437	EUR	27.1150	903 932.76	0.47
Koninklijke KPN (NL0000009082)	Count	311 886	372 608	346 156	EUR	2.9200	910 707.12	0.48
Orange (FR0000133308)	Count Count	123 381 29 214	133 895 37 921	10 514 53 294	EUR EUR	9.3600 16.4500	1154 846.16 480 570.30	0.61 0.25
Sanofi (FR0000120578)	Count	4 642	7 373	2 731	EUR	90.4800	420 008.16	0.23
Snam (IT0003153415)	Count	47 677	47 677	2701	EUR	4.5890	218 789.75	0.11
Gsk (GB00BN7SWP63)	Count	28 164	44 727	16 563	GBP	14.4060	458 167.90	0.24
AIA C (IIKOOOOOCCCOO)	0	39 200	62 200	23 000	HKD	00 0000	400 440 74	0.22
AIA Group (HK0000069689) Bank of China (Hongkong) (HK2388011192)	Count Count	284 000	384 500	312 000	HKD	86.8000 26.6000	409 448.74 909 062.47	0.48
Cheung Kong Property Holdings (KYG2177B1014)	Count	64 000	144 000	80 000	HKD	48.0500	370 055.72	0.19
SITC International Holdings Reg.S (KYG8187G1055)	Count	106 000	106 000		HKD	17.3600	221 436.57	0.12
Sun Hung Kai Properties (HK0016000132)	Count	34 000	55 000	21 000	HKD	106.8000	436 962.25	0.23
Chugai Pharmaceutical Co. (JP3519400000)	Count	20 400	49 600	83 400	JPY	3 368.0000	488 167.96	0.26
Dai Nippon Printing Co. (JP3493800001)	Count	23 500	35 800	39 900	JPY	2 650.0000	442 466.87	0.23
Daiwa House Industry Co. (JP3505000004)	Count	16 600	33 800	17 200	JPY	3 039.0000	358 431.21	0.19
ITOCHU Corp. (JP3143600009)	Count	36 300	61 100	54 700	JPY	4146.0000	1069 308.32	0.56
Kajima Corp. (JP3210200006)	Count	26 000	55 000	29 000	JPY	1536.0000	283 747.20	0.15
KDDI Corp. (JP3496400007)	Count Count	15 000 28 000	22 000 35 000	23 100 7 000	JPY JPY	3 982.0000 4 283.0000	424 384.53 852 065.79	0.22 0.45
Nintendo Co. (JP3756600007)	Count	25 900	32 000	6 100	JPY	5 532.0000	1 018 002.77	0.43
Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (JP3735400008)	Count	42 900	82 300	140 700	JPY	3 762.0000	1146 682.30	0.60
Ono Pharmaceutical Co. (JP3197600004)	Count	24 600	29 900	5 300	JPY	3 083.0000	538 859.64	0.28
Osaka Gas Co. (JP3180400008)	Count	44 300	56 800	57 200	JPY	2130.0000	670 425.24	0.35
Otsuka Corp. (JP3188200004)	Count	8 100	8 100	20.000	JPY	4 155.0000	239 123.95	0.13
Secom Co. (JP3421800008) Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group (JP3890350006)	Count Count	10 600 19 100	13 500 19 100	20 600	JPY JPY	7 543.0000 5 296.0000	568 089.81 718 701.20	0.30 0.38
Suntory Beverage & Food (JP3336560002)	Count	11 900	30 600	18 700	JPY	4 500.0000	380 475.33	0.20
USS Co. (JP3944130008)	Count	16 400	45 900	29 500	JPY	2 095.0000	244 115.24	0.13
Spark New Zealand (NZTELE0001S4)	Count	184 110	184 110		NZD	5.4000	591 096.05	0.31
Swedbank (SE0000242455)	Count	27 263	43 300	16 037	SEK	178.3500	436 818.35	0.23
DBS Group Holdings (SG1L01001701)	Count Count	37 600 33 800	46 600 42 200	98 000 8 400	SGD SGD	33.9200 12.1800	892 038.47 287 941.25	0.47 0.15

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the report	Sales/ disposals ting period	1	Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
United Overseas Bank (SG1M31001969)	Count	40 300	71 600	31300	SGD	30.7000	865 333.10	0.45
Accenture (IE00B4BNMY34)	Count	5 036	6 657	9 292	USD	268.3800	1 268 595.53	0.67
Air Products & Chemicals (US0091581068)	Count	1 166	1166		USD	311.4100	340 814.77	0.18
American Water Works Co. (US0304201033)	Count	1562	3 600	16 010	USD	154.7800	226 925.44	0.12
AmerisourceBergen Corp. (US03073E1055)	Count Count	3 118 5 379	5 851 5 555	2 733 176	USD USD	166.0500 76.6200	485 961.99 386 839.67	0.26 0.20
Apple (US0378331005)	Count	2 200	3 805	1605	USD	129.6100	267 638.45	0.14
AT & T (US00206R1023)	Count	42 016	76 230	34 214	USD	18.4500	727 609.54	0.38
Atmos Energy Corp. (US0495601058)	Count	4 677	6 439	13 050	USD	114.4900	502 599.71	0.26
Automatic Data Processing (US0530151036)	Count	4 117	8 124	4 007	USD	240.6200	929 822.17	0.49
AutoZone (US0533321024)Bank of America Corp. (US0605051046)	Count Count	113 13 427	117 16 732	4 3 305	USD USD	2 464.3800 33.1400	261 380.65 417 656.07	0.14 0.22
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. (US1101221083)	Count	6 611	12 238	5 627	USD	72.1000	447 393.56	0.23
Broadcom (US11135F1012)	Count	938	969	31	USD	557.8100	491 107.36	0.26
Cboe Global Markets (US12503M1080)	Count	3 130	19 384	16 254	USD	127.1800	373 637.51	0.20
Check Point Software Technologies (IL0010824113)	Count	1999	3 539	1540	USD	126.1000	236 600.24	0.12
Cheniere Energy (US16411R2085)	Count Count	1 693 30 922	1 693 39 827	34 408	USD USD	149.8600 47.5000	238 138.71 1 378 632.44	0.13 0.72
Consolidated Edison (US2091151041).	Count	20 733	36 703	15 970	USD	96.4900	1877 724.02	0.99
Costco Wholesale Corp. (US22160K1051)	Count	895	1921	4 714	USD	456.5300	383 512.62	0.20
Cummins (US2310211063)	Count	1 381	2 192	811	USD	241.7300	313 336.90	0.16
Dollar General (new) (US2566771059)	Count	2 843	5 070	9 972	USD	248.0100	661 810.05	0.35
Electronic Arts (US2855121099)	Count	5 372	10 254	20 760	USD	122.1900	616 111.02	0.32
Eli Lilly and Company (US5324571083)	Count Count	2 819 10 204	5 531 13 501	2 712 11 332	USD USD	367.0200 105.2100	971 118.25 1 007 661.76	0.51 0.53
Extra Space Storage SBI (US30225T1025)	Count	2 640	4 872	13 208	USD	149.0100	369 238.22	0.19
Fox Cl.B (US35137L2043)	Count	10 822	20 863	14 165	USD	28.5800	290 306.70	0.15
General Mills (US3703341046)	Count	17 036	20 165	28 906	USD	84.3800	1349 256.32	0.71
Gilead Sciences (US3755581036)	Count	20 110	31 121	11 011	USD	85.2600	1609 328.52	0.85
Hologic (US4364401012)	Count Count	6 532 1 560	10 372 2 102	3 840 542	USD USD	76.1000 513.2000	466 571.43 751 447.34	0.25 0.39
Incyte Corp. (US45337C1027)	Count	5 090	10 745	5 655	USD	79.4800	379 719.54	0.20
Intercontinental Exchange (US45866F1049)	Count	3 311	6 939	3 628	USD	104.1000	323 517.08	0.17
J.M. Smucker Co. (US8326964058)	Count	2 980	4730	1750	USD	158.5600	443 503.66	0.23
Jack Henry & Associates (US4262811015)	Count	6 669	14 075	7 406	USD	177.4900	1111 020.10	0.58
Johnson & Johnson (US4781601046) JPMorgan Chase & Co. (US46625H1005)	Count Count	3 472 4 149	13 409 8 705	26 249 4 556	USD USD	177.5600 133.2200	578 644.94 518 800.24	0.30 0.27
Keysight Technologies (US49338L1035)	Count	7 485	10 612	16 840	USD	172.2000	1209 796.32	0.64
Kimberly-Clark Corp. (US4943681035)	Count	5 994	5 994	10010	USD	137.2400	772 119.92	0.41
McDonald's Corp. (US5801351017)	Count	6 290	11 043	11 508	USD	265.9300	1570 020.37	0.82
Merck & Co. (US58933Y1055)	Count	20 932	31 161	36 698	USD	110.8200	2 177 289.51	1.14
Microsoft Corp. (US5949181045)	Count Count	4 222 7 108	6 851 9 208	10 204 14 006	USD USD	241.0100 258.8100	955 081.87 1726 695.59	0.50 0.91
Neurocrine Biosciences (US64125C1099)	Count	5 616	5 800	184	USD	120.2000	633 605.41	0.33
Otis Worldwide (US68902V1070)	Count	5 966	12 379	37 783	USD	79.0700	442 774.19	0.23
Paychex (US7043261079)	Count	12 073	19 816	7743	USD	116.4600	1 319 712.39	0.69
PepsiCo (US7134481081)	Count	11 837	14 396	15 946	USD	181.9800	2 021 867.15	1.06
Pfizer (US7170811035)	Count Count	16 945 4 301	27 245 7 132	50 051 8 458	USD USD	51.3300 282.5800	816 394.64 1 140 770.21	0.43 0.60
Quest Diagnostics (US74834L1008)	Count	6 106	9 695	3 589	USD	156.7900	898 591.83	0.47
Regeneron Pharmaceuticals (US75886F1075)	Count	1 176	2 248	5 010	USD	721.2900	796 167.67	0.42
Republic Services (US7607591002)	Count	2 979	5 054	2 075	USD	130.7500	365 594.38	0.19
Rollins (US7757111049)	Count	15 822	16 340	518	USD	36.6600	544 428.87	0.29
Sirius XM Holdings (US82968B1035)	Count Count	84 126 2 608	148 951 4 491	64 825 1 883	USD USD	5.8200 101.3400	459 558.21 248 070.88	0.24 0.13
Texas Instruments (US8825081040)	Count	3 361	5 786	16 128	USD	165.0200	520 585.90	0.13
The Coca-Cola Co. (US1912161007)	Count	7 540	15 995	8 455	USD	63.9500	452 584.01	0.24
The Hershey Co. (US4278661081)	Count	7 292	11 801	18 328	USD	233.2500	1 596 451.10	0.84
The Home Depot (US4370761029)	Count	2 674	3 519	7 804	USD	320.4100	804 182.79	0.42
The Kroger Co. (US5010441013)	Count Count	22 629 11 788	41 171 15 508	78 668 22 096	USD USD	44.6200 152.5900	947 724.78 1 688 315.11	0.50 0.89
T-Mobile US (US8725901040)	Count	2 032	7 529	5 497	USD	139.4000	265 872.72	0.89
U.S. Bancorp (US9029733048)	Count	6 227	6 430	203	USD	43.5700	254 655.89	0.13
UnitedHealth Group (US91324P1021)	Count	2 473	2 473		USD	529.8800	1229 954.23	0.65
Verizon Communications (US92343V1044)	Count	46 532	63 668	63 018	USD	39.2600	1714704.64	0.90
Vertex Pharmaceuticals (US92532F1003)	Count	3 286	7 836	15 404	USD	289.0800	891 605.86	0.47
VISA CI.A (US92826C8394)	Count Count	4 657 7 041	8 243 15 068	3 586 8 027	USD USD	208.0600 158.8700	909 456.94 1 049 937.74	0.48 0.55
WEC Energy Group (US92939U1060)	Count	7 765	7 765	0 021	USD	95.4100	695 380.75	0.37
Yum! Brands (US9884981013)	Count	5 062	5 062		USD	129.9900	617 617.21	0.32
Other equity securities								
Roche Holding Profitsh. (CH0012032048)	Count	4 752	6 282	8 771	CHF	292.0000	1 410 719.80	0.74

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Investment fund units							95 030 096.27	49.91
In-group fund units							95 030 096.27	49.91
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund (LU0225880524) (0.100%)	Count	119 599	151 374	104 652	EUR	99.3000	11 876 180.70	6.24
DWS Euro Ultra Short Fixed Income Fund NC								
(LU0080237943) (0.100%)	Count Count	158 099 142 498	148 291 157 281	85 237 101 201	EUR EUR	75.1600 83.4200	11 882 720.84 11 887 183.16	6.24 6.24
(LU0099730524) (0.160%)	Count	867	1207	1226	EUR	13 703.6500	11 881 064.55	6.24
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield (LU0224902659) (0.100%)	Count	1072	1 018	772	EUR	11 075.1400	11 872 550.08	6.24
(LU0193172185) (0.050%)	Count	1028	1 678	1 443	EUR	11 554.4300	11 877 954.04	6.24
(LU1120400566) (0.100%)	Count	121 936	155 538	127 495	EUR	97.4000	11 876 566.40	6.24
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC (LU0011254512) (0.200%)	Count	90 975	70 481	49 679	EUR	130.5400	11 875 876.50	6.24
Total securities portfolio							185 696 604.65	97.53
Cash at bank							4 806 104.96	2.52
Demand deposits at Depositary								
EUR deposits	EUR EUR	4 075 187.53 89 088.95			% %	100 100	4 075 187.53 89 088.95	2.14 0.05
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
Australian dollar. Canadian dollar Swiss franc. British pound Hong Kong dollar Japanese yen New Zealand dollar Singapore dollar U.S. dollar	AUD CAD CHF GBP HKD JPY NZD SGD USD	54 589.39 52 736.43 10 633.82 28 732.96 96 556.05 6 929 259.00 154 027.03 332 387.17 151 647.22			% % % % % %	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	34 791.36 36 533.72 10 811.12 32 446.46 11 619.12 49 232.72 91 576.46 232 479.22 142 338.30	0.02 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.01 0.03 0.05 0.12 0.07
Other assets							68 451.00	0.04
Interest receivable Dividends/Distributions receivable. Withholding tax claims	EUR EUR EUR	2 461.14 53 465.10 12 524.76			% % %	100 100 100	2 461.14 53 465.10 12 524.76	0.00 0.03 0.01
Total assets <sup>1</sup>							190 571 160.61	100.09
Other liabilities							-159 886.33	-0.08
Liabilities from cost items	EUR EUR	-148 170.30 -11 716.03			% %	100 100	-148 170.30 -11 716.03	-0.08 -0.01
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	EUR	-10 416.24			%	100	-10 416.24	-0.01
Net assets							190 400 858.04	100.00
Net asset value per share							94.14	
Number of shares outstanding							2 022 491.000	

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

1M EURIBOR (20%) and MSCI World (80%) in EUR

#### Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	25.289
Highest market risk exposure	%	66.340
Average market risk exposure	%	39.234

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022 using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the <u>relative value-at-risk approach</u> as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average leverage effect from the use of derivatives was 0.00, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 0.00 as of the reporting date.

#### Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

Australian dollar	AUD	1.569050	=	EUR	1
Canadian dollar	CAD	1.443500	=	EUR	1
Swiss franc	CHF	0.983600	=	EUR	1
Danish krone	DKK	7.435750	=	EUR	1
British pound	GBP	0.885550	=	EUR	1
Hong Kong dollar	HKD	8.310100	=	EUR	1
Japanese yen	JPY	140.745000	=	EUR	1
New Zealand dollar	NZD	1.681950	=	EUR	1
Swedish krona	SEK	11.131300	=	EUR	1
Singapore dollar	SGD	1.429750	=	EUR	1
U.S. dollar	USD	1.065400	=	EUR	1

## Notes on valuation

Under the responsibility of the Board of Directors of the SICAV, the Management Company determines the net asset values per share and performs the valuation of the assets of the fund. The basic provision of price data and price validation are performed in accordance with the method introduced by the Board of Directors of the SICAV on the basis of the legal and regulatory requirements or the principles for valuation methods defined in the SICAV's prospectus.

If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, as external price service provider and the Management Company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values.

The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

## Footnote

Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.

## Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022				
I. Income				
Dividends (before withholding tax)	EUR	1980 459.91		
(before withholding tax)	EUR	6 976.26		
Income from investment certificates     Deduction for foreign withholding tax	EUR FUR	7 001.85 -424 339.54		
5. Other income	EUR	17.62		
Total income	EUR	1 570 116.10		
iotal income	LUK	1370 110.10		
II. Expenses				
1. Interest on borrowings and negative interest				
on deposits and expenses similar to interest	EUR	-30 600.11		
Commitment fees EUR -594.56				
2. Management fee	EUR	-1 824 447.12		
thereof: All-in fee				
3. Other expenses	EUR	-42 409.98		
thereof: Legal and consulting expenses EUR -112.15				
Taxe d'abonnement EUR -42 297.83				
Total expenses	EUR	-1 897 457.21		
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III. Net investment income	EUR	-327 341.11		
IV. Sale transactions				
1. Realized gains	EUR	5 681 638.64		
2. Realized losses	EUR	-16 125 300.88		
Capital gains/losses	EUR	-10 443 662.24		
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-10 771 003.35		
Net change in unrealized appreciation	FUR	-7 141 855.97		
Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR	-1 996 801.84		
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year		-9 138 657.81		
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-19 909 661.16		

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

## BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio was 0.96% p.a. The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's average net assets for a given fiscal year.

The fund invested more than 20% of its assets in target funds. Further costs, charges and fees were incurred at the level of the target funds. If the target funds publish a TER themselves, this will be taken into account at fund level (synthetic TER). If a TER is not published at target fund level, the all-in fee/management fee is used for the calculation. The synthetic TER was 1.02%.

## Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 105 430.65.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation.

## Statement of changes in net assets for the fund

I. Value of the fund's net assets		
at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	236 526 128.66
1. Net inflows	EUR	-25 536 808.35
a) Inflows from subscriptions	EUR	4 405 280.64
b) Outflows from redemptions	EUR	-29 942 088.99
2. Income adjustment	EUR	-678 801.11
3. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year thereof:	EUR	-19 909 661.16
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR	-7 141 855.97
Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR	-1 996 801.84
II. Value of the fund's net assets		
at the end of the fiscal year	EUR	190 400 858.04

## Summary of gains/losses

Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	5 681 638.64
from: Securities transactions (Forward) currency transactions	EUR EUR	5 576 187.18 105 451.46
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-16 125 300.88
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR	-16 077 351.38 -47 949.50
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-9 138 657.81
from: Securities transactions	EUR	-9 138 664.47

## Details on the distribution policy\*

The income for the fiscal year is reinvested.

## Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per share EUR
2022	190 400 858.04 236 526 128.66	94.14 103.44

## Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 0.00% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 0.00.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

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### Investment objective\* in the reporting period

The objective of the investment policy for the sub-fund DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global is to achieve appreciation of capital in euro. To this end, the sub-fund follows a dynamic capital-preservation strategy, where investments are constantly reallocated, depending on the market, between the growth component (comprising higher-risk funds, such as equity funds and higher-risk bond funds as well as direct investments in or derivatives on higher-risk components such as equities and higher-risk bonds) and the capital preservation component (comprising lower-risk open bond/money market funds and direct investments in or derivatives on lower-risk bonds/ money market instruments). The objective of this is to ensure a minimum value while also achieving the greatest possible participation in price increases in the growth component.

### Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the sub-fund recorded a decline of 13.1% per share in fiscal year 2022 (BVI method, in euro terms).

#### **Guarantee\***

The Management Company, DWS Investment S.A., guarantees that

#### **DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global** Five-year performance



"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022

#### **DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global**

#### Performance of share class (in euro)

Share class	ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years
Class LC	LU0275643053	-13.1%	-6.0%	2.6%

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results

As of: December 31, 2022

the net asset value per share of the sub-fund plus any dividends (quaranteed value) at the end of each month will not be less than 80% of the net asset value determined on the last valuation date of the previous month. If the guaranteed value is not achieved, the Management Company will pay the difference into the sub-fund's net assets from its own resources. For December 31, 2022, the guaranteed value was EUR 98.63.

#### Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

This product reported in accordance with Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular

reports for financial products within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (Regulation on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector, "Disclosure") and within the meaning of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (Taxonomy) can be found after the Supplementary Information in the back of the report.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information on the investment policy and the exact guarantee amount is contained in the sales prospectus.

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#### Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
. Assets		
. Equities (sectors):		
Health Care	117 044 216.91	15.32
nformation Technology	81 400 456.67	10.65
ommunication Services	78 835 393.41	10.31
Consumer Staples	77 521 145.16	10.14
ndustrials	49 469 453.97	6.47
inancials	47 046 896.74	6.15
Consumer Discretionaries	43 744 318.83	5.72
Itilities	35 296 850.12	4.62
Basic Materials	18 458 046.70	2.41
nergy	3 926 903.95	0.51
Other	16 758 195.05	2.19
otal equities:	569 501 877.51	74.49
. Investment fund units	154 641 652.27	20.22
. Derivatives	-645 558.01	-0.08
. Cash at bank	41 778 731.42	5.46
. Other assets	558 028.45	0.07
. Receivables from share certificate transactions	117.42	0.00
. Liabilities		
Other liabilities	-1 223 964.84	-0.16
Other Habilities	-1 223 964.64	-0.16
I. Net assets	764 610 884.22	100.00

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

### Investment portfolio – December 31, 2022

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repo	Sales/ disposals rrting period	ı	Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Securities traded on an exchange							569 501 877.51	74.49
Equities								
Wesfarmers (AU000000WES1)	Count	74 449	135 852	66 645	AUD	45.9100	2 178 358.62	0.28
Agnico Eagle Mines (CA0084741085)	Count	132 278	308 029	264 889	CAD	70.6100	6 470 488.11	0.85
Franco-Nevada (CA3518581051)	Count	65 409	114 281	140 605	CAD	185.1000	8 387 395.84	1.10
Hydro One (CA4488112083)	Count	84 431	147 388	185 509	CAD	36.4700	2 133 147.61	0.28
Northland Power (CA6665111002)	Count Count	81 170 22 727	101 143 30 666	19 973 11 520	CAD CAD	37.6100 128.6600	2 114 862.28 2 025 670.81	0.28 0.26
Wheaton Precious Metals (CA9628791027)	Count	39 419	154 832	236 277	CAD	53.7100	1 466 709.03	0.26
Kühne + Nagel International Reg. (CH0025238863)	Count	12 221	24 658	12 437	CHF	217.6000	2 703 629.12	0.35
Nestlé Reg. (CH0038863350)	Count	42 279	73 874	96 348	CHF	107.8000	4 633 668.36	0.61
Novartis Reg. (CH0012005267)	Count	101 747	210 000	108 253	CHF	84.3800	8 728 560.25	1.14
Swisscom Reg. (CH0008742519)	Count	9 017	25 490	28 648	CHF	507.6000	4 653 344.04	0.61
Zurich Insurance Group Reg. (CH0011075394)	Count	3 896	4 855	959	CHF	445.1000	1763 023.18	0.23
Novo-Nordisk B (DK0060534915)	Count	42 426	114 324	230 158	DKK	945.3000	5 393 578.03	0.71
Beiersdorf (DE0005200000)	Count	41 380	58 610	38 163	EUR	107.3000	4 440 074.00	0.58
Deutsche Börse Reg. (DE0005810055)	Count	12 484	14 758	2 274	EUR	161.6500	2 018 038.60	0.26
Deutsche Telekom Reg. (DE0005557508)	Count	454 728	816 973	362 245	EUR	18.7480	8 525 240.54	1.11
Elisa Bear. A (Fl0009007884)	Count Count	103 022 180 745	233 692 213 670	211 747 32 925	EUR EUR	49.6500 13.4840	5 115 042.30 2 437 165.58	0.67 0.32
Ferrari (NL0011585146)	Count	25 409	46 048	20 639	EUR	202.0000	5 132 618.00	0.67
Hermes International (FR0000052292)	Count	4 477	7760	7 329	EUR	1453.0000	6 505 081.00	0.85
Iberdrola (new) (ES0144580Y14)	Count	164 931	529 424	1079 430	EUR	11.0100	1 815 890.31	0.24
Industria de Diseño Textil (ES0148396007)	Count	155 732	285 549	129 817	EUR	25.0300	3 897 971.96	0.51
KONE OYj (Fl0009013403)	Count	40 299	203 277	162 978	EUR	48.6900	1 962 158.31	0.26
Koninklijke Ahold Delhaize (NL0011794037)	Count	208 590 1 951 450	417 249 2 962 867	645 092 2 591 132	EUR EUR	27.1150 2.9200	5 655 917.85 5 698 234.00	0.74 0.75
Orange (FR0000133308)	Count Count	771 983	996 774	224 791	EUR	9.3600	7 225 760.88	0.75
Red Electrica Corporacion (ES0173093024)	Count	182 793	312 076	383 606	EUR	16.4500	3 006 944.85	0.39
Sanofi (FR0000120578)	Count	29 046	51 508	22 462	EUR	90.4800	2 628 082.08	0.34
Snam (IT0003153415)	Count	298 312	352 656	54 344	EUR	4.5890	1368 953.77	0.18
Gsk (GB00BN7SWP63)	Count	176 223	312 534	136 311	GBP	14.4060	2 866 770.41	0.37
AIA Group (HK0000069689)	Count	244 800	433 600	188 800	HKD	86.8000	2 556 965.62	0.33
Bank of China (Hongkong) (HK2388011192)	Count	2 099 500	3 082 000	2 152 500	HKD	26.6000	6720340.31	0.88
Cheung Kong Property Holdings (KYG2177B1014)	Count	399 500	955 000	555 500	HKD	48.0500	2 309 957.16	0.30
SITC International Holdings Reg.S (KYG8187G1055)	Count	662 000	783 000	121 000	HKD	17.3600	1382 934.02	0.18
Sun Hung Kai Properties (HK0016000132)	Count	214 500	381 500	167 000	HKD	106.8000	2 756 717.73	0.36
Chugai Pharmaceutical Co. (JP3519400000)	Count	127 600	412 600	582 100	JPY	3 368.0000	3 053 442.75	0.40
Dai Nippon Printing Co. (JP3493800001)	Count	147 100	279 400	284 600	JPY	2 650.0000	2769654.34	0.36
Daiwa House Industry Co. (JP3505000004)ITOCHU Corp. (JP3143600009)	Count Count	103 900 227 000	229 700 452 000	125 800 390 500	JPY JPY	3 039.0000 4 146.0000	2 243 433.87 6 686 859.21	0.29 0.87
Kajima Corp. (JP3210200006)	Count	163 000	370 300	207 300	JPY	1536.0000	1778 876.69	0.87
KDDI Corp. (JP3496400007)	Count	93 800	177 200	172 600	JPY	3 982.0000	2 653 817.90	0.35
Mitsubishi Corp. (JP3898400001)	Count	175 400	250 700	75 300	JPY	4 283.0000	5 337 583.57	0.70
Nintendo Co. (JP3756600007)	Count	162 300	235 300	73 000	JPY	5 532.0000	6 379 222.00	0.83
Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp. (JP3735400008)	Count	268 200 153 900	687 100 213 700	979 900	JPY JPY	3 762.0000	7 168 769.05	0.94 0.44
Ono Pharmaceutical Co. (JP3197600004) Osaka Gas Co. (JP3180400008)	Count Count	277 000	468 600	59 800 439 300	JPY	3 083.0000 2 130.0000	3 371 158.48 4 192 049.45	0.44
Otsuka Corp. (JP3188200004)	Count	51 000	60 300	9300	JPY	4155.0000	1505 595.23	0.20
Secom Co. (JP3421800008)	Count	66 200	116 800	147 500	JPY	7 543.0000	3 547 881.63	0.46
Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group (JP3890350006)	Count	119 800	141 600	21 800	JPY	5 296.0000	4 507 874.52	0.59
Suntory Beverage & Food (JP3336560002)	Count	74 400	213 500	139 100	JPY	4 500.0000	2 378 770.12	0.31
USS Co. (JP3944130008)	Count	102 900	325 700	222 800	JPY	2 095.0000	1531674.30	0.20
Spark New Zealand (NZTELE0001S4)	Count	1 361 812	1 361 812	59 417	NZD	5.4000	4 372 178.01	0.57
Swedbank (SE0000242455)	Count	170 587	302 535	131 948	SEK	178.3500	2 733 210.99	0.36
DBS Group Holdings (SG1L01001701)	Count	235 100	351 300	619 600	SGD	33.9200	5 577 612.87	0.73
Oversea-Chinese Banking (SG1S04926220)	Count	211 600	302 700	91 100	SGD	12.1800	1802614.44	0.24
United Overseas Bank (SG1M31001969)	Count	252 300	473 700	221 400	SGD	30.7000	5 417 457.60	0.71
Accenture (IE00B4BNMY34)	Count Count	31 513 7 299	55 056 8 628	66 046 1329	USD USD	268.3800 311.4100	7 938 294.48 2 133 453.72	1.04 0.28

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period	1	Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
American Water Works Co. (US0304201033)	Count	9 776	44 470	113 196	USD	154.7800	1 420 245.24	0.19
AmerisourceBergen Corp. (US03073E1055)	Count	19 510	39 915	20 405	USD	166.0500	3 040 769.19	0.40
Amphenol Corp. Cl. A (US0320951017)	Count	33 659	41 942	8 283	USD	76.6200	2 420 642.56	0.32
Apple (US0378331005)	Count	13 763	25 510	11 747	USD	129.6100	1 674 321.79	0.22
AT & T (US00206R1023)	Count	262 891	543 023	280 132	USD	18.4500	4 552 598.98	0.60
Atmos Energy Corp. (US0495601058)	Count	29 263	59 092 55 100	92 198	USD	114.4900	3 144 660.10	0.41 0.76
Automatic Data Processing (US0530151036)	Count Count	25 763 708	881	29 337 173	USD USD	240.6200 2 464.3800	5 818 559.28 1 637 676.97	0.76
Bank of America Corp. (US0605051046)	Count	84 016	120 138	36 122	USD	33.1400	2 613 375.48	0.34
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. (US1101221083)	Count	41 367	83 701	42 334	USD	72.1000	2 799 475.03	0.37
Broadcom (US11135F1012)	Count	5 867	7 310	1 443	USD	557.8100	3 071 777.05	0.40
Cboe Global Markets (US12503M1080)	Count	20 500	132 087	111 587	USD	127.1800	2 447 146.61	0.32
Check Point Software Technologies (IL0010824113)	Count	12 510	23 472	10 962	USD	126.1000	1 480 674.86	0.19
Cheniere Energy (US16411R2085)	Count	10 591	12 520	1929	USD	149.8600	1 489 738.37	0.19
Cisco Systems (US17275R1023)	Count Count	193 476 129 726	313 045 243 442	260 711 113 716	USD USD	47.5000 96.4900	8 625 971.47 11 748 884.68	1.13 1.54
Costco Wholesale Corp. (US22160K1051)	Count	5 601	18 591	33 417	USD	456.5300	2 400 060.57	0.31
Cummins (US2310211063)	Count	8 639	15 323	6 684	USD	241.7300	1 960 114.01	0.26
Dollar General (new) (US2566771059)	Count	17 789	45 577	70 654	USD	248.0100	4 141 026.74	0.54
Electronic Arts (US2855121099)	Count	33 610	93 717	146 967	USD	122.1900	3 854 708.00	0.50
Eli Lilly and Company (US5324571083)	Count	17 640	37 671	20 031	USD	367.0200	6 076 809.46	0.79
Expeditors International of Washington (US3021301094) .	Count	63 848	106 367	86 924	USD	105.2100	6 305 094.88	0.82
Extra Space Storage SBI (US30225T1025)Fox CI.B (US35137L2043)	Count Count	16 517 67 712	47 791 150 723	92 594 100 036	USD USD	149.0100 28.5800	2 310 116.55 1 816 415.39	0.30 0.24
General Mills (US3703341046)	Count	106 594	177 423	213 290	USD	84.3800	8 442 276.82	1.10
Gilead Sciences (US3755581036)	Count	125 827	219 402	93 575	USD	85.2600	10 069 466.89	1.32
Hologic (US4364401012)	Count	40 871	72 474	31603	USD	76.1000	2 919 357.14	0.38
Humana (US4448591028)	Count	9 759	14 776	5 017	USD	513.2000	4 700 881.17	0.61
Incyte Corp. (US45337C1027)	Count	31 851	72 229	40 378	USD	79.4800	2 376 119.28	0.31
Intercontinental Exchange (US45866F1049)	Count	20 718	46 702	25 984	USD	104.1000	2 024 351.23	0.26
J.M. Smucker Co. (US8326964058) Jack Henry & Associates (US4262811015)	Count Count	18 643 41 728	33 056 94 602	14 413 52 874	USD USD	158.5600 177.4900	2 774 576.76 6 951 663.90	0.36 0.91
Johnson & Johnson (US4781601046)	Count	21724	111 071	180 033	USD	177.5600	3 620 530.73	0.47
JPMorgan Chase & Co. (US46625H1005)	Count	25 958	58 556	32 598	USD	133.2200	3 245 846.41	0.42
Keysight Technologies (US49338L1035)	Count	49 042	100 070	125 951	USD	172.2000	7 926 630.75	1.04
Kimberly-Clark Corp. (US4943681035)	Count	37 503	44 334	6 831	USD	137.2400	4 830 966.51	0.63
McDonald's Corp. (US5801351017)	Count	39 354	83 819	81 396	USD	265.9300	9 822 985.94	1.28
Merck & Co. (US58933Y1055)	Count	130 970	245 569	260 828	USD	110.8200	13 623 141.92	1.78
Microsoft Corp. (US5949181045)	Count	26 419 44 474	54 635 77 335	70 942 99 078	USD USD	241.0100 258.8100	5 976 387.45 10 803 750.65	0.78 1.41
Neurocrine Biosciences (US64125C1099)	Count Count	35 140	43 786	8 646	USD	120.2000	3 964 546.65	0.52
Otis Worldwide (US68902V1070)	Count	37 331	123 126	259 442	USD	79.0700	2 770 567.08	0.36
Paychex (US7043261079)	Count	75 543	136 324	60 781	USD	116.4600	8 257 685.17	1.08
PepsiCo (US7134481081)	Count	74 062	119 074	119 831	USD	181.9800	12 650 462.51	1.65
Pfizer (US7170811035)	Count	106 023	247 113	361 151	USD	51.3300	5 108 091.41	0.67
Public Storage (US74460D1090)	Count	26 912	56 255	61 349	USD	282.5800	7 137 969.74	0.93
Quest Diagnostics (US74834L1008)	Count	38 204 7 357	67 748 21 211	29 544 35 671	USD USD	156.7900 721.2900	5 622 306.33 4 980 787.06	0.74 0.65
Regeneron Pharmaceuticals (US75886F1075)	Count Count	18 640	34 206	15 566	USD	130.7500	2 287 572.74	0.30
Rollins (US7757111049).	Count	99 000	123 363	24 363	USD	36.6600	3 406 551.53	0.45
Sirius XM Holdings (US82968B1035)	Count	526 371	987 869	461 498	USD	5.8200	2 875 426.34	0.38
Take-Two Interactive Software (US8740541094)	Count	16 321	30 182	13 861	USD	101.3400	1552 440.53	0.20
Texas Instruments (US8825081040)	Count	21 033	60 350	114 896	USD	165.0200	3 257 805.20	0.43
The Coca-Cola Co. (US1912161007)	Count	47 175	110 225	63 050	USD	63.9500	2 831 651.26	0.37
The Hershey Co. (US4278661081)	Count	45 627 16 734	98 500 33 469	130 108 55 465	USD USD	233.2500 320.4100	9 989 203.82 5 032 608.35	1.31 0.66
The Home Depot (US4370761029)	Count Count	141 587	33 469 362 576	55 465 554 432	USD	44.6200	5 929 802.83	0.66
The Procter & Gamble (US7427181091)	Count	73 757	128 899	156 868	USD	152.5900	10 563 713.75	1.38
T-Mobile US (US8725901040)	Count	12 714	52 606	39 892	USD	139.4000	1663 536.32	0.22
U.S. Bancorp (US9029733048)	Count	38 962	48 549	9 587	USD	43.5700	1593 368.07	0.21
UnitedHealth Group (US91324P1021)	Count	15 474	18 293	2 819	USD	529.8800	7 696 041.97	1.01
Verizon Communications (US92343V1044)	Count	291 144	482 363	445 509	USD	39.2600	10 728 659.13	1.40
Vertex Pharmaceuticals (US92532F1003) VISA CI.A (US92826C8394)	Count	20 558	67 446	106 824	USD	289.0800	5 578 098.97	0.73
Waste Management Inc. (US94106L1098)	Count Count	29 140 44 059	54 684 99 948	25 544 55 889	USD USD	208.0600 158.8700	5 690 696.83 6 569 976.84	0.74 0.86
WEC Energy Group (US92939U1060)	Count	48 588	57 438	8 850	USD	95.4100	4 351 211.83	0.57
Yum! Brands (US9884981013)	Count	31 672	37 441	5 769	USD	129.9900	3 864 316.95	0.51
Other equity securities								
Roche Holding Profitsh. (CH0012032048)	Count	29 731	53 689	62 645	CHF	292.0000	8 826 201.71	1.15
Investment fund units							154 641 652.27	20.22
In-group fund units							154 641 652.27	20.22
Deutsche Managed Euro Fund Z-Class (IE00BZ3FDF20) (0.100%)	Count	3 909	7 740	3 831	EUR	9 727.1340	38 023 366.81	4.97

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repo	Sales/ disposals orting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund (LU0225880524) (0.100%)	Count	137 685	1103 075	965 390	EUR	99.3000	13 672 120.50	1.79
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC (LU0099730524) (0.160%)	Count	1109	8 108	6 999	EUR	13 703.6500	15 197 347.85	1.99
(LU0224902659) (0.100%)	Count	2 067	9 907	9 326	EUR	11 075.1400	22 892 314.38	2.99
(LU0193172185) (0.050%)	Count	1981	9 504	8 949	EUR	11 554.4300	22 889 325.83	2.99
(LU1120400566) (0.100%)	Count Count	235 031 146 125	1126 593 577 226	1 060 505 520 217	EUR EUR	97.4000 130.5400	22 892 019.40 19 075 157.50	2.99 2.49
Total securities portfolio							724 143 529.78	94.71
Derivatives								
Minus signs denote short positions								
Swaps							-645 558.01	-0.08
Equity swaps								
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest Nachhaltigkeits Strategie Aktien Global (CSSSV) 29 06 2023 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-590 735.92	-0.08
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Funds Invest Nachhaltigkeits Strategie Aktien Global (HVB) 29 06 23 (OTC)	EUR	0.100					-54 822.09	-0.01
Cash at bank							41 778 731.42	5.46
Demand deposits at Depositary								
EUR deposits Deposits in other EU/EEA currencies	EUR EUR	37 713 247.03 25 810.13			% %	100 100	37 713 247.03 25 810.13	4.93 0.00
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
Australian dollar	AUD CAD CHF	704 115.67 180 008.35 38 212.97			% % %	100 100 100	448 752.86 124 702.70 38 850.11	0.06 0.02 0.01
British pound	GBP HKD	103 631.82 275 604.03			% %	100 100	117 025.37 33 164.95	0.02 0.00
Japanese yen	JPY NZD	63 357 581.00 790 181.99			% %	100 100	450 158.66 469 801.12	0.06 0.06
Singapore dollar U.S. dollar	SGD USD	59 541.37 2 467 012.42			% %	100	41 644.60 2 315 573.89	0.01 0.30
Other assets							558 028.45	0.07
Interest receivable	EUR	5 926.00			%	100	5 926.00	0.00
Dividends/Distributions receivable	EUR EUR	376 381.59 175 720.86			% %	100 100	376 381.59 175 720.86	0.05 0.02
Receivables from share certificate transactions	EUR	117.42			%	100	117.42	0.00
Total assets <sup>1</sup>							766 480 407.07	100.24
Other liabilities							-1 223 964.84	-0.16
Liabilities from cost items	EUR EUR	-1141471.30 -82493.54			% %	100 100	-1141471.30 -82493.54	-0.15 -0.01
Net assets							764 610 884.22	100.00

Net asset value per share and number of shares outstanding	Count/ currency	Net asset value per share in the respective currency
Net asset value per share Class LC	EUR	118.00
Number of shares outstanding Class LC	Count	6 480 020.000

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

#### Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

1M EURIBOR (15%) and MSCI World (85%) in EUR from July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022

#### Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	47.631
Highest market risk exposure	%	78.647
Average market risk exposure	%	61.117

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk is the risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the relative value-at-risk approach as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

#### Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

85% MSCI All Country World Index, in EUR, 15% 1 Month Euribor Index from January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022

#### Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	45.576
Highest market risk exposure	%	92.296
Average market risk exposure	%	63.948

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022, using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk is the risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the relative value-at-risk approach as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average effect from the use of derivatives was 0.00, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 645 558.01 as of the reporting date.

#### Counterparties

Credit Suisse Bank (Europe) S.A., Madrid; UniCredit Bank AG, Munich

#### Market abbreviations

#### Futures exchanges

OTC = Over the Counter

#### Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

AUD	1.569050	=	EUR	1
CAD	1.443500	=	EUR	1
CHF	0.983600	=	EUR	1
DKK	7.435750	=	EUR	1
GBP	0.885550	=	EUR	1
HKD	8.310100	=	EUR	1
JPY	140.745000	=	EUR	1
NZD	1.681950	=	EUR	1
SEK	11.131300	=	EUR	1
SGD	1.429750	=	EUR	1
USD	1.065400	=	EUR	1
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#### Notes on valuation

Under the responsibility of the Board of Directors of the SICAV, the Management Company determines the net asset values per share and performs the valuation of the assets of the fund. The basic provision of price data and price validation are performed in accordance with the method introduced by the Board of Directors of the SICAV on the basis of the legal and regulatory requirements or the principles for valuation methods defined in the SICAV's prospectus.

If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, as external price service provider and the Management Company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values.

The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

#### Footnotes

Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.

#### Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022					
I. Income					
Dividends (before withholding tax)	EUR	13 748 204.58			
(before withholding tax)	EUR	161 250.19			
Income from investment certificates	EUR FUR	509.40 -2 967 622.40			
5. Other income	EUR	1904.04			
Total income	EUR	10 944 245.81			
II. Expenses					
Interest on borrowings and negative interest	ELID	100 100 00			
on deposits and expenses similar to interest	EUR	-192 169.93			
Commitment fees EUR -5 050.92					
Management fee	EUR	-14 200 678.97			
All-in fee EUR-14 200 678.97					
3. Other expenses thereof:	EUR	-301 690.53			
Legal and consulting expenses EUR -449.00					
Taxe d'abonnement EUR -301241.53					
Total expenses	EUR	-14 694 539.43			
III. Net investment income	EUR	-3 750 293.62			
IV. Sale transactions					
1. Realized gains	EUR	61 907 894.43			
2. Realized losses	EUR	-77 027 788.04			
Capital gains/losses	EUR	-15 119 893.61			
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-18 870 187.23			
Net change in unrealized appreciation	FUR	-100 319 878 06			
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR	-11 264 602.75			
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-111 584 480.81			

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

#### Total expense ratio / Transaction costs

#### BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio(s) for the share class(es) was/were:

Class LC 1.82% p.a.

The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's average net assets in relation to the respective share class for a given fiscal year

The fund invested more than 20% of its assets in target funds. Further costs, charges and fees were incurred at the level of the target funds. If the target funds publish a TER themselves, this will be taken into account at fund level (synthetic TER) and displayed in relation to the respective share class. If a TER is not published at target fund level, the all-in fee / management fee will be used for the calculation. The synthetic TER was:

Class LC 1.84% p.a.

#### Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 710 269.19.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation.

Statement of cl	hanges in net	assets for	the fund
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I. Value of the fund's net assets at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	989 684 224.89
Net inflows	EUR EUR	-95 867 775.52 141 841 916.39
b) Outflows from redemptions 2. Income adjustment	EUR EUR EUR	-237 709 691.91 1 249 102.89 -130 454 668.04
thereof: Net change in unrealized appreciation Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR FUR	-100 319 878.06 -11 264 602.75
II. Value of the fund's net assets	EUR	764 610 884.22

#### Summary of gains/losses

Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	61 907 894.43
from: Securities transactions (Forward) currency transactions	EUR EUR	61 554 641.30 353 253.13
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-77 027 788.04
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR EUR	-72 034 745.43 -958 180.75 -4 034 861.86
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-111 584 480.81
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR EUR	-111 997 938.70 -409.37 413 867.26

Swap transactions may include results from credit derivatives.

#### Details on the distribution policy\*

The income for the fiscal year is reinvested.

# Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

Net assets at the end of the fiscal year

2021		EUR EUR EUR	764 610 884.22 989 684 224.89 599 760 606.13
Net asse	t value per share at the end of the fiscal year		
2022 2021 2020	Class LC	EUR EUR EUR	118.00 135.79 111.91

#### Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 0.00% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 0.00.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

# Annual report DWS ESG Zinseinkommen

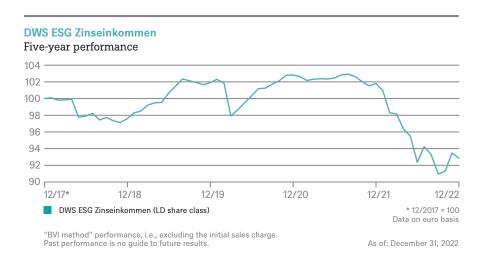
# Investment objective in the reporting period

The sub-fund DWS ESG Zinseinkommen invests in interest-bearing securities that are denominated in or hedged against the euro. The focus is on government bonds, covered bonds (mortgage bonds) and corporate bonds. The sub-fund's investments in asset-backed securities and subordinated bonds are limited in each case to 20% of the sub-fund's assets. In addition, the sub-fund's assets may be invested in money market and short-term bond funds. The sub-fund concept aims to achieve or distribute a return in line with market rates equal to the average current yield.

# Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the sub-fund registered a decline of 8.8% per share in the 2022 fiscal year (LD unit class; BVI method; in euro).

In 2022, the international financial markets found themselves in increasingly rough waters. This downward trend began with a dramatic increase in inflation due to mounting supply shortages during the rapid economic recovery following the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic. The situation was further compounded by Russia's invasion of Ukraine on



#### **DWS ESG Zinseinkommen**

Performance of share class (in euro)

Share class	ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years
Class LD	LU0649391066	-8.8%	-8.9%	-7.2%

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022

February 24, 2022, and the war in Ukraine that ensued. Intensifying sanctions by Western countries against Russia and supply boycotts by Russia pushed up prices for both energy (oil, gas, coal) and food dramatically. In order to combat the dynamic rise in inflation, many central banks raised interest rates significantly, in some cases taking leave of their years of expansionary monetary policy. For example, the U.S. Federal Reserve (Fed) increased its key interest rate by 4.25 percentage points in seven steps from mid-March to mid-December 2022, to a range of 4.25% p.a. - 4.50% p.a. The European Central Bank (ECB) followed suit in the second half of July 2022, hiking its key interest rate in four steps by 2.5 percentage points to a total of 2.50% p.a. after a pause of almost three years. Against this background and in

view of weakening economic growth worldwide during 2022, market players increasingly feared a widespread recession.

In view of the high level of global debt and initially still very low interest rates, the bond markets saw marked price declines in the course of the year to the end of December 2022, accompanied by a noticeable rise in bond yields. The key drivers of the rise in yields were the pace of inflation and the significant interest rate hikes implemented by central banks in response. The corporate bond markets suffered price declines in both the investment grade and high yield segments, with yields rising and risk premiums widening.

# Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

This product reported in accordance with Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular reports for financial products within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (Regulation on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector, "Disclosure") and within the meaning of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (Taxonomy) can be found after the Supplementary Information in the back of the report.

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#### Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
I. Assets		
1. Bonds (issuers): Companies Institutions Other financing institutions Central governments Other public bodies Total bonds:	59 601 583.41 54 053 161.89 50 738 667.22 25 977 264.60 24 935 651.92 215 306 329.04	26.01 23.58 22.14 11.33 10.88
2. Investment fund units	6 371 411.40	2.78
3. Derivatives	1395 433.93	0.61
4. Cash at bank	4 132 839.20	1.80
5. Other assets	2 127 144.60	0.93
6. Receivables from share certificate transactions	181.50	0.00
II. Liabilities		
1. Other liabilities	-129 466.45	-0.05
2. Liabilities from share certificate transactions	-15 496.02	-0.01
III. Net assets	229 188 377.20	100.00

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

### Investment portfolio - December 31, 2022

Security n	ame	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals rting period	N	Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Securitie	es traded on an exchange							215 306 329.04	93.94
Interest-	bearing securities								
0.2780	% Bank of Nova Scotia 22/01 04 27								
	MTN (CH1167887251)	CHF	1500	1500		%	93.3730	1423 947.74	0.62
2.5000	% A2A 22/15 06 2026 MTN (XS2491189408)	EUR	900	900		%	95.2100	856 890.00	0.37
3.2480	% Abertis Finance 20/und (XS2256949749)	EUR	900	000	600	%	84.9310	764 379.00	0.33
2.3750	% ACCOR 21/29 11 28 (FR0014006ND8)	EUR	300			%	85.7600	257 280.00	0.11
2.6250	% Adevinta 20/15 11 25 Reg S (XS2249892535) .	EUR	500		200	%	93.4110	467 055.00	0.20
0.8800	% AIA Group 21/09 09 33 (XS2356311139)	EUR	770		100	%	77.9300	600 061.00	0.26
0.5000	% Air Products & Chemicals 20/05 05 28 (XS2166122304)	EUR	800			%	85.7700	686 160.00	0.30
2.6250	% Allianz 20/Und. (DE000A289FK7)	EUR	600			%	73.7970	442 782.00	0.30
2.1250	% Almirall 21/30 09 26 Reg S	LUK	000			/0	73.7370	442 /02.00	0.13
2.1200	(XS2388162385) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	140			%	91.6820	128 354.80	0.06
1.3750	% American Medical Systems Europe								
	22/08 03 28 (XS2452433910) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	640	740	100	%	88.3740	565 593.60	0.25
0.4000	% American Tower 21/15 02 27 (XS2393701284)	EUR	980			%	85.5830	838 713.40	0.37
1.1250	% Amplifon 20/13 02 27 (XS2116503546)	EUR	800			%	89.9800	719 840.00	0.31
3.4500	% Amprion 22/22 09 2027 (DE000A30VPL3)	EUR	800	800		%	98.1980	785 584.00	0.34
3.9710	% Amprion 22/22 09 2032 (DE000A30VPM1)	EUR	400	400		%	98.8040	395 216.00	0.17
6.0000	% AMS-OSRAM 20/31 07 25 Reg S (XS2195511006) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	400	400		%	93.8430	375 372.00	0.16
0.2000	% ANZ New Zealand (Intl) 21/23 09 27 MTN	LUK	400	400		/0	33.0430	3/3 3/2.00	0.10
0.2000	(XS2389757944)	EUR	1 270			%	83.6910	1062 875.70	0.46
3.0000	% Arcelik 21/27 05 26 (XS2346972263)	EUR	510			%	90.9180	463 681.80	0.20
3.6410	% Arena Luxembourg Finance 20/01 02 27								
	Reg S (XS2111944992)	EUR	200			%	90.9850	181 970.00	0.08
1.6250	% Aroundtown 21/Und. MTN (XS2287744721)	EUR	700		800	%	33.4560	234 192.00	0.10
0.3360	% Asahi Group Holdings 21/19 04 27	5115					05.00.40		
0.0500	(XS2328981431)	EUR	1080		100	%	85.9040	927 763.20	0.40
0.2500	% ASB Finance 21/08 09 28 MTN (XS2381560411)	EUR	1970		200	%	79.7610	1 571 291.70	0.69
0.7500	% Ascendas Real Estate Inv.Trust 21/23 06 28	LUK	1370		200	/0	73.7010	13/1231.70	0.03
0.7000	MTN (XS2349343090)	EUR	840		400	%	78.3140	657 837.60	0.29
7.0000	% ASR Nederland 22/0712 2043								
	(XS2554581830)	EUR	330	330		%	100.3960	331 306.80	0.14
1.0000	% ASTM 21/25 11 26 MTN (XS2412267358)	EUR	910			%	85.7530	780 352.30	0.34
1.8000	% AT & T 18/05 09 26 (XS1907120528)	EUR	1000			%	93.1370	931 370.00	0.41
2.8750	% AT & T 20/Und (XS2114413565)	EUR	1100		200	%	89.9440	989 384.00	0.43
2.0000	% Autostrade per L'Italia 21/15 01 30	FUE	000	000		0/	70.4500	005 040 00	0.00
2.6250	(XS2278566299)	EUR	800	800		%	79.4520	635 616.00	0.28
2.0230	(XS2251742537)	EUR	600			%	94.6720	568 032.00	0.25
1.8750	% AXA 22/10 07 42 MTN (XS2431029441)	EUR	1400	1700	300	%	74.7620	1046 668.00	0.46
3.7500	% AXA 22/12 10 2030 MTN (XS2537251170)	EUR	940	940		%	100.5810	945 461.40	0.41
	% Axalta Coating Syst. Dutch Hold. 16/15 01 25								
	Reg S (XS1492656787)	EUR	500			%	96.1550	480 775.00	0.21
5.1250	% Banco de Sabadell 07/11 12 08 MTN								
	(XS2553801502)	EUR	700	700		%	100.2790	701 953.00	0.31
0.8750	% Banco de Sabadell 21/16 06 28 MTN	ELID	200		400	0/	00.0100	64400400	0.20
1.1250	(XS2353366268)	EUR	800		400	%	80.6130	644 904.00	0.28
1.1230	(XS2194370727)	EUR	700		700	%	88.9380	622 566.00	0.27
0.5000	% Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego 21/08 07 31	2010	,00		, , , ,	70	22.0000	322 000.00	5.27
	(XS2361047538)	EUR	3 000			%	70.4030	2 112 090.00	0.92
0.3750	% Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego 21/13 10 28								
0.0000	MTN (XS2397082939)	EUR	1380			%	79.2470	1093 608.60	0.48
3.0000	% Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego 22/30 05 29	EUD	1000	1000		0/	00.0000	170407000	0.70
1.0000	MTN (XS2486282358)	EUR	1980	1980		%	90.6200	1794 276.00	0.78
1.0000	(XS2465609191)	EUR	2 860	2 860		%	92.6410	2 649 532.60	1.16
0.0100	% Bank of New Zealand 21/15 06 28 PF	2010	2 300	2 000		,,	02.0110	2 3 .3 302.00	
	(XS2353483733)	EUR	2800		200	%	82.6510	2 314 228.00	1.01
3.7500	% Bayer 14/01 07 74 (DE000A11QR73)	EUR	500	500		%	96.2410	481 205.00	0.21
3.1250	% Bayer 19/12 11 79 (XS2077670342)	EUR	500	500		%	85.1690	425 845.00	0.19
1.0000	% Bayerische Landesbank 21/23 09 31	=							
0.7500	(XS2356569736)	EUR	700			%	80.2930	562 051.00	0.25
0./500	% Berlin Hyp 18/26 02 26 S 207 PF	ELID	1500	1500		0/	02.0700	1 200 105 00	0.01
1.2500	(DE000BHY0MX7)	EUR	1500	1500		%	92.6790	1 390 185.00	0.61
1.2000	(DE000BHY0GK6) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1 410	1 410		%	95.2390	1342 869.90	0.59
		2010	. 110	1 110		/0	33.2000	. 5 .2 555.55	0.50

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1.0000	% Berry Global 19/15 01 25 Reg S								
1.0000	(XS2093880735)	EUR	370		130	%	94.3840	349 220.80	0.15
	(FR0013299641)	EUR	500			%	94.5570	472 785.00	0.21
	% Booking Holdings 21/08 03 28 (XS2308322002)	EUR	1 020			%	84.1300	858 126.00	0.37
	% Booking Holdings 22/15 11 2031 (XS2555220941)	EUR	910	910		%	101.3520	922 303.20	0.40
2.2500 3.2500	<ul> <li>Bouygues 22/29 06 29 (FR001400AJX2) <sup>3</sup></li> <li>BP Capital Markets 20/Und. (XS2193661324).</li> </ul>	EUR EUR	800 1940	800	100	% %	90.2550 92.2590	722 040.00 1789 824.60	0.32 0.78
2.3750	% BRISA - Concessao Rodoviaria 17/10 05 27 MTN (PTBSSLOM0002)	EUR	300	300		%	95.4870	286 461.00	0.12
2.1250	% British Telecommunications 18/26 09 28 MTN (XS1886403200)	EUR	100	100		%	90.4930	90 493.00	0.04
0.3750 6.3750	% Bulgaria 20/23 09 30 Mtn (XS2234571425) % C.N.d.Reas.Mut.Agrico.Group 14/und.	EUR	1500			%	75.1860	1127790.00	0.49
	(FR0011896513)	EUR	1200			%	101.8200	1221840.00	0.53
	(FR0014007RB1)	EUR	800	800	200	%	77.6630	621 304.00	0.27
1.0000 2.3750	% Carnival 19/28 10 29 (XS2066744231)	EUR	700	200	300	%	41.6940	291 858.00	0.13
4.7770	Reg S (XS2125168729) % Celanese US Holdings 22/19 07 2026	EUR	600	600		%	81.9650	491790.00	0.21
1.7500	(XS2497520705)	EUR	740	1480	740	%	95.3340	705 471.60	0.31
0.1000	(XS2247549731) % Chile 21/26 01 27 (XS2369244087)	EUR EUR	900 500	900	1 310	% %	77.7790 85.8460	700 011.00 429 230.00	0.31 0.19
3.6250	% Chorus 22/07 09 2029 MTN (XS2521013909)	EUR	570	570		%	96.9020	552 341.40	0.24
4.0000	% Cie. Financement Foncier 10/24 10 25 MTN PF (FR0010913749) 3	EUR	1300	1300		%	101.7520	1322776.00	0.58
7.5000	% CMA CGM 20/15 01 26 Reg S (XS2242188261)	EUR	500	500		%	103.5480	517 740.00	0.23
2.2500	% Coloplast Finance 22/19 05 27 MTN (XS2481287808)	EUR	592	592		%	93.9060	555 923.52	0.24
0.7500	% Commerzbank 20/24 03 26 MTN (DE000CB0HRQ9) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1000	332		%	91.4340	914 340.00	0.40
2.7500	% Commerzbank 22/08 12 2025 MTN PF			0.40					
0.5000	(DE000CZ43ZJ6) % Commerzbank 22/15 03 27 PF MTN	EUR	840	840	400	%	98.6310	828 500.40	0.36
4.6250	(DE000CZ45W16)	EUR	1140	1240	100	%	89.4320	1 019 524.80	0.44
2.1250	(DE000CZ43ZB3)	EUR	1000	1000		%	97.8850	978 850.00	0.43
4.2500	MTN (XS2517103417) % Constellium 17/15 02 26 Reg S	EUR	500	500		%	91.9650	459 825.00	0.20
4.7500	(XS1713568811) % Covestro 22/15 11 2028 (XS2554997937)	EUR EUR	600 500	500		% %	96.5960 100.3250	579 576.00 501 625.00	0.25 0.22
0.2500	% CPPIB Capital 21/18 01 41 MTN (XS2287744135) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	810			%	56.9110	460 979.10	0.20
0.0500	% CPPIB Capital 21/24 02 31 MTN (XS2305736543)	EUR	1580			%	76.1820	1203 675.60	0.53
1.0810	% Crédit Logement 21/15 02 34 MTN (FR0014006IG1)	EUR	1200			%	79.5510	954 612.00	0.42
0.1250	% Crédit Mutuel Home Loan SFH 20/16 12 24 MTN PF (FR0013505575) 3	EUR	1300	1300		%	94.0440	1222 572.00	0.53
1.2500	% Credit Suisse Group 17/17 07 25 MTN			1300	750				
7.7500	(CH0343366842)	EUR	750	750	750	%	89.8440	673 830.00	0.29
2.8750	(CH1214797172)	EUR	750	750		%	99.5930	746 947.50	0.33
1.0000	(XS1758723883) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	700			%	95.5440	668 808.00	0.29
1.0000	20/16 07 27 (XS2193733503)	EUR	950			%	83.4330	792 613.50	0.35
1.0000	(XS2299135819) % Deutsche Bank 20/191125 MTN	EUR	600			%	86.5690	519 414.00	0.23
	(DE000DL19VR6) % Deutsche Bank 22/05 09 2030	EUR	1600		200	%	93.4070	1 494 512.00	0.65
	(DE000A30VT06)	EUR	1000	1000		%	96.9320	969 320.00	0.42
	(XS2265369657)	EUR	600			%	90.5280	543 168.00	0.24
	(DE000A3T0X22)	EUR	400			%	86.9890	347 956.00	0.15
2.2500 0.6250	% DIC Asset 21/22 09 26 (XS2388910270)	EUR EUR	500 700	200	500	% %	57.3360 68.7320	286 680.00 481 124.00	0.13 0.21

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1.9000	% Discovery Communications 15/19 03 27								
4.6250	(XS1117298247) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1400		100	%	90.4650	1 266 510.00	0.55
5.0000	(XS2560328648) % doValue 20/04 08 25 Reg S	EUR	740	740		%	98.5480	729 255.20	0.32
2.6250	(XS2212625656)	EUR EUR	300 1000	300		% %	96.6810 94.5560	290 043.00 945 560.00	0.13 0.41
	% DXC Capital Funding 21/15 09 27 Reg S (XS2384715244)	EUR	1720		500	%	82.7970	1 424 108.40	0.62
0.0100	% DZ HYP 21/26 10 26 MTN PF (DE000A3E5UY4)	EUR	4 000			%	88.6010	3 544 040.00	1.55
1.8750	% EDP - Energias de Portugal 21/02 08 81 (PTEDPROM0029).	EUR	600	800	200	%	85.7690	514 614.00	0.22
0.3750	% EDP Finance 19/16 09 26 MTN (XS2053052895)	EUR	700		200	%	88.4010	618 807.00	0.27
0.3750	% Elenia Verkko 20/06 02 27 MTN	EUR	440			%	84.7400	272.056.00	0.16
1.0000	(XS2113885011)	EUR	600		200	%	93.2020	372 856.00 559 212.00	0.16
4.5000	% ELM 16/und. MTN (XS1492580516)	EUR	600		600	%	95.1600	570 960.00	0.25
3.3750	% ENEL 18/24 11 81 (XS1713463559)	EUR	700		200	%	90.5730	634 011.00	0.28
	% ENEL Finance International 21/17 06 27 MTN (XS2353182020)	EUR	870		500	%	84.6900	736 803.00	0.32
2.3750 0.8750	% EQT 22/06 04 28 (XS2463988795)	EUR	890	1090	200	%	87.9770	782 995.30	0.34
	(AT0000A2GH08)	EUR	1000			%	87.7720	877 720.00	0.38
	22/15 12 2025 MTN (EU000A2SCAD0)	EUR	490	490		%	96.0040	470 419.60	0.21
1.3750	(EU000A3K4DJ5) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	600	600		%	94.9290	569 574.00	0.25
1.3730	(DE000A3E5WW4) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	900	1000	100	%	81.4520	733 068.00	0.32
2.3750	% Faurecia 21/15 06 29 (XS2312733871) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	300			%	75.8860	227 658.00	0.10
7.2500	% Faurecia 22/15 06 2026 (XS2553825949) % Federat. Caisses Desjard Queb	EUR	170	170		%	101.2450	172 116.50	0.08
	22/31 08 2026 MTN PF (XS2526825463)	EUR	930	930		%	95.1760	885 136.80	0.39
1.8750	(XS2052337503)	EUR	500	500		%	92.2690	461 345.00	0.20
	(XS2482872418)	EUR	620	620		%	94.6570	586 873.40	0.26
3.5000 0.1250		EUR	1000			%	97.6080	976 080.00	0.43
	21/24 06 27 MTN (DE000A3E5QW6) % GSK Capital 22/28 11 2027 MTN	EUR	1000		1300	%	82.8860	828 860.00	0.36
3.1250	(XS2553817680) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	550	550		%	97.9590	538 774.50	0.24
6.2500	(XS2553817763)	EUR	670	670		%	95.6110	640 593.70	0.28
0.2300	MTN (DE000HCB0BQ0)	EUR	1400	1400		%	101.3370	1 418 718.00	0.62
1.1250	% Hannover Rück 19/09 10 39 (XS2063350925)	EUR	600			%	76.8480	461 088.00	0.20
2.6250	% Heimstaden Bostad 21/und. (XS2294155739). % Heimstaden Bostad Treasury 21/13 10 24	EUR	600		400	%	53.7400	322 440.00	0.14
1.6250	MTN (XS2397239000)	EUR	590		400	%	88.6210	522 863.90	0.23
	20/18 09 29 (XS2231183646)	EUR	600		400	%	82.2130	493 278.00	0.22
1.4750	MTN (XS2342058117)	EUR	600		200	%	80.3930	482 358.00	0.21
	MTN (XS2433135543)	EUR	600	800	200	%	78.1670	469 002.00	0.20
	% Howoge Wohnungs. 21/0111 28 MTN (DE000A3H3GF4)	EUR	1000	400		%	81.2860	812 860.00	0.35
4.2500 3.1250	% Huhtamaki 22/09 06 2027 (FI4000523550)	EUR	400	400		%	98.0390	392 156.00	0.17
3.2500	(XS2558916693)	EUR	700	700	,	%	98.2080	687 456.00	0.30
3.7500	(XS1890845875)	EUR	900		100	%	96.4610	868 149.00	0.38
5.3750	(XS1490159495) % Iliad 22/14 06 2027 (FR001400EJI5)	EUR EUR	300 200	300 200		% %	87.2230 99.4790	261 669.00 198 958.00	0.11 0.09
	% Infineon Technologies 19/Und. (XS2056730679) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	500		500	%	89.6410	448 205.00	0.20
2.7500	% ING Bank 22/2111 2025 MTN PF (XS2557551889) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1200	1200		%	QQ FE10	1100 610 00	0.52
2.1250	(XS2557551889) 5	EUR	1300	1300		%	98.5510 95.2130	1182 612.00 1237 769.00	0.52
4.1250	% ING Group 22/24 08 2033 (XS2524746687)	EUR	600	600		% %	94.2760	565 656.00	0.54
3.1250	% Intrum 17/15 07 24 Reg S (XS1634532748)	EUR	650	000		%	96.5610	627 646.50	0.27
1.7500	% IQVIA 21/15 03 26 Reg S (XS2305742434)	EUR	410			%	91.8620	376 634.20	0.16
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10500	0/ 100 F' 00 /07 07 07 0F MTV								
1.2500	% ISS Finance 20/07 07 25 MTN (XS2199343513)	EUR	1020			%	93.9080	957 861.60	0.42
0.3500	% Italy 19/01 02 25 (IT0005386245)	EUR	1750	2 000	250	%	94.0440	1645 770.00	0.72
1.8500	% Italy 20/0107 25 (IT0005408502) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	8 400		1600	%	96.1350	8 075 340.00	3.52
0.9500	% Italy 20/15 09 27 (IT0005416570)	EUR	1000		7 000	%	87.9270	879 270.00	0.38
0.0000	% Italy 21/15 08 24 (IT0005452989)	EUR	1800	1800		%	95.0650	1711170.00	0.75
5.0000	% Italy B.T.P. 09/01 03 25 (IT0004513641)	EUR	4 000	000	500	%	103.4110	4 136 440.00	1.80
2.5000 3.6250	% JAB Holdings 20/17 04 27 (DE000A28V301) % James Hardie International Fin 18/0110 26	EUR	800	800		%	94.4370	755 496.00	0.33
0.0200	Reg S (XS1888221261)	EUR	400	400		%	93.8600	375 440.00	0.16
0.5000	% JDE Peet's 21/16 01 29 MTN (XS2354569407)	EUR	1380		400	%	79.8340	1101709.20	0.48
3.0000	% Johnson Con. Int./Tyco Fire& Sec.Fin.								
	22/15 09 2028 (XS2527421668)	EUR	600	600		%	94.7150	568 290.00	0.25
5.5000	% Jyske Bank 22/16 11 2027 (XS2555918270)	EUR	1070	1070		%	100.8190	1 078 763.30	0.47
0.2580	% Korea Housing Finance (KHFC) 21/27 10 28 Reg S (XS2388377827)	EUR	3 000			%	83.7995	2 513 985.00	1.10
3.1250	% La Poste 18/und. (FR0013331949)	EUR	900	900		%	91.3430	822 087.00	0.36
2.3750	% LB Hessen-Thüringen 22/21 09 2026 MTN								
	(XS2536375368) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	800	800		%	97.2720	778 176.00	0.34
1.5000	% Logicor Financing 20/13 07 26 MTN								
0.0500	(XS2200175839)	EUR	600	600	100	%	84.6910	508 146.00	0.22
3.2500 4.6250	% Loxam 19/14 01 25 (XS2031870921)	EUR	400		400	%	95.4760	381904.00	0.17
4.0230	22/07 02 2029 MTN (XS2563002653)	EUR	900	900		%	98.8700	889 830.00	0.39
3.0000	% Medtronic Global Holdings 22/15 10 2028	LOIK	500	500		70	56.6766	000 000.00	0.00
	(XS2535308477)	EUR	1190	1 190		%	96.8150	1152 098.50	0.50
3.3750	% Medtronic Global Holdings 22/15 10 2034								
	(XS2535309798)	EUR	930	930		%	94.0700	874 851.00	0.38
2.6250	% Mercedes-Benz Int. Finance 20/07 04 25	FUE	4.000			0/	00.0070	4 040 500 04	0.70
2 6250	MTN (DE000A289RN6)	EUR EUR	1632			% %	98.8070	1 612 530.24	0.70 0.59
3.6250 1.2500	% Municher Hypothekenbk. 21/14 02 30 IHS	EUK	1400			/0	97.0280	1358 392.00	0.55
1.2000	MTN (DE000MHB30J1)	EUR	900	900		%	87.9400	791 460.00	0.35
1.2500	% Municher Rückversicherung 20/26 05 41								
	(XS2221845683)	EUR	1000			%	74.8750	748 750.00	0.33
1.6250	% Nexi Spa 21/30 04 2026 (XS2332589972)	EUR	420			%	91.4110	383 926.20	0.17
4.6250 2.5000	% NN Group 14/08 04 44 (XS1054522922) % Nomad Foods BondCo 21/24 06 28 Reg S	EUR	2 000			%	99.4140	1988 280.00	0.87
2.5000	(XS2355604880)	EUR	500			%	85.1240	425 620.00	0.19
3.6750	% North Macedonia 20/03 06 26 Reg S	LOIX	300			70	03.1240	423 020.00	0.15
	(XS2181690665)	EUR	1500			%	92.5130	1387695.00	0.61
0.3750	% Ontario, Province 17/14 06 24 MTN								
	(XS1629737625) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	5 000			%	95.8750	4 793 750.00	2.09
2.7500	% OP-Asuntoluottopankki 22/22 06 2026 MTN	EUD	1500	1500		0/	00.0100	1 470 005 00	0.04
1,0000	PF (XS2558247677)	EUR	1500	1500		%	98.2190	1 473 285.00	0.64
1.0000	(XS2013539635)	EUR	500	500		%	81.4320	407 160.00	0.18
2.3750	% Orange 19/Und. MTN (FR0013413887)	EUR	1100		1000	%	94.9300	1044 230.00	0.46
2.8750	% Organon/Org. Foreign Debt Co-ls.								
	21/30 04 28 Reg S (XS2332250708)	EUR	280			%	87.8960	246 108.80	0.11
5.2500		EUR	430	430		%	101.9170	438 243.10	0.19
3.5000	% Peach Property Finance 19/15 02 23 Reg S	EUR	900			%	07.7600	AC7 2E2 C1	0.20
2.7500	(XS2010038060)	EUR	500		500	%	97.7690 94.9400	467 352.61 474 700.00	0.20
0.8750	% Philippines 19/17 05 27 MTN	2010	500		300	,0	55 100	1700.00	U.L.
	(XS1991219442)	EUR	500		500	%	88.2820	441 410.00	0.19
1.5390	% Prosus 20/03 08 28 Reg S (XS2211183244)	EUR	485		100	%	81.1570	393 611.45	0.17
1.2880	% Prosus 21/13 07 29 Reg S (XS2360853332)	EUR	600	500	300	%	76.0630	456 378.00	0.20
1.2070 2.8750	% Prosus 22/19 01 26 Reg S (XS2430287529) % Raiffeisen Bank International 20/18 06 32	EUR	390	590	200	%	90.0690	351 269.10	0.15
2.6/50	MTN (XS2189786226)	EUR	700		300	%	82.2510	575 757.00	0.25
4.1250	% Raiffeisen Bank International 22/08 09 2025	LOIX	700		300	70	02.2310	3/3/3/.00	0.23
	MTN (XS2526835694)	EUR	700	700		%	98.3510	688 457.00	0.30
4.1250	% RCI Banque 22/0112 2025 MTN								
	(FR001400E904)	EUR	960	960		%	99.3460	953 721.60	0.42
4.7500	% RCI Banque 22/06 07 2027 MTN	EUS	070	070		01	00.0440	000 105 00	0.40
3.8750	(FR001400B1L7)	EUR	970	970		%	99.8140	968 195.80	0.42
3.0/50	(XS2494945939)	EUR	500	940	440	%	99.2590	496 295.00	0.22
2.1000	% Republic of Italy 19/15 07 26 (IT0005370306)	EUR	900	370	1600	%	94.8950	854 055.00	0.22
2.1250	% Rexel 21/15 06 28 Reg S (XS2332306344)	EUR	130		V = =	%	88.1640	114 613.20	0.05
2.8750	% Romania 16/26 05 28 MTN Reg S								
0.0=	(XS1420357318) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	3 000			%	86.6090	2 598 270.00	1.13
2.8750	% Romania 18/11 03 29 MTN Reg S	EUD	2.000			0/	00.0400	1.050.000.00	0.70
2 7500	(XS1892141620) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	2 000			%	82.8430	1656 860.00	0.72
2.7000	(XS2178857285) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1300	1300		%	94.7030	1 231 139.00	0.54
		2010	. 500	. 500		,0	5 000	. 201 100.00	0.01

Security n	ame	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period	М	larket price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
2.1250	% Romania 22/07 03 28 Reg S								
6.7500	(XS2434895558) <sup>3</sup>	EUR EUR	1240 400	1240 400		% %	83.5770 99.3960	1 036 354.80 397 584.00	0.45 0.17
2.3750	% Royal Bank of Canada 22/13 09 2027 PF (XS2531567753)	EUR	1030	1030		%	95.5660	984 329.80	0.43
0.3750	% Royal Schiphol Group 20/08 09 27 MTN (XS2227050023) 3	EUR	1000		100	%	84.9100	849 100.00	0.37
1.1250	% Samhallsbyggnadsbolaget I Norden 19/04 09 26 MTN (XS2049823680)	EUR	1000		980	%	74.5360	745 360.00	0.33
0.0000	% Santander Consumer Finance 21/23 02 26 MTN (XS2305600723)	EUR	800		700	%	88.6930	709 544.00	0.31
2.2500	% Séché Environnement 21/15 11 28 (XS2399981435) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	500			%	86.1390	430 695.00	0.19
2.5000	% Siemens Financieringsmaat. 22/08 09 2027 MTN (XS2526839258)	EUR	600	600		%	96.2110	577 266.00	0.25
2.7500	% Siemens Financieringsmaat. 22/09 09 2030 MTN (XS2526839761)	EUR	700	700		%	95.2780	666 946.00	0.29
2.7500	% Smurfit Kappa Acquisitions Unl. 15/01 02 25 Reg S (XS1117298759) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	500	, 00		%	97.2880	486 440.00	0.21
1.8750	% Soc. Autorout. Nord-l'Est France 15/16 03 26 (FR0013053329)	EUR	500			%	93.0650	465 325.00	0.20
2.1250	% SoftBank Group 21/06 07 24 (XS2361253862)	EUR	690			%	94.3080	650 725.20	0.28
0.6000	% Spain 19/31 10 29 (ES0000012F43)	EUR	2 000			%	84.1250	1682 500.00	0.73
1.2500	% Spain 20/31 10 30 (ES0000012G34)	EUR	2 000			%	85.8500	1717 000.00	0.75
0.0000	% Spain 21/31 05 24 (ES0000012H33)	EUR	5 000	5 000		%	96.1060	4 805 300.00	2.10
6.0000	% Spain 99/31 01 29 (ES0000011868)	EUR	700			%	115.5420	808 794.00	0.35
2.6250	% Spie 19/18 06 26 (FR0013426376)	EUR	400		300	%	94.6700	378 680.00	0.17
3.6250	% Swedbank 22/23 08 2032 MTN (XS2522879654)	EUR	500	500		%	92.4150	462 075.00	0.20
3.8750	% Synthomer 20/01 07 25 (XS2194288390) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	700	300		%	91.9390	643 573.00	0.28
0.7500	% Takeda Pharmaceutical 20/09 07 27	LOIK	700			70	51.5656	0 10 07 0.00	0.20
	(XS2197348324)	EUR	1300		200	%	87.8970	1142 661.00	0.50
4.0000	% Talanx 22/25 10 2029 MTN (XS2547609433).	EUR	800	800		%	99.6730	797 384.00	0.35
2.1250	% Tele2 18/15 05 28 MTN (XS1907150780)	EUR	500			%	90.3610	451 805.00	0.20
2.7500	% Telecom Italia 19/15 04 25 MTN	EUD	500		200	0/	00.0100	404 550 00	0.00
2 0000	(XS1982819994)	EUR EUR	500		200 100	% %	92.9100	464 550.00	0.20
3.0000 3.8750	% Telefonica Europe 18/und. (XS1795406575)	EUR	300 800		400	%	97.2500 90.8730	291 750.00 726 984.00	0.13 0.32
7.1250	% Telefonica Europe 18/und. (XS1795406658) % Telefonica Europe 22/und. (XS2462605671)	EUR	300	300	400	%	102.3710	307 113.00	0.32
	% Telenet Finance Luxembourg 17/01 03 28	LOIX	300	300		70	102.3710	307 113.00	0.10
	Reg S (BE6300371273)	EUR	800			%	90.8340	726 672.00	0.32
2.9950	<u> </u>	EUR	800	800		%	97.4120	779 296.00	0.34
4.0000	% The Goldman Sachs Group 22/21 09 2029	FUE	000	200		0/	07.0000	000447.00	0.00
0.8000	MTN (XS2536502227)	EUR	860	860		%	97.2230	836 117.80	0.36
1.7070	(XS2366407018)	EUR	500		910	%	81.1770	405 885.00	0.18
1.7070	(XS2508690612)	EUR	3 200	3 200		%	95.8260	3 066 432.00	1.34
1.7500	% TotalEnergies 19/Und. MTN (XS1974787480).	EUR	1540	0.200	300	%	94.6420	1457 486.80	0.64
1.4500	% Transurban Finance 19/16 05 29 MTN (XS1997077364)	EUR	900		600	%	84.9610	764 649.00	0.33
1.2500	% UBS Group 16/01 09 26 MTN (CH0336602930)	EUR	400		1420	%	90.2390	360 956.00	0.16
0.1000	% Unedic 20/25 11 26 MTN (FR0126221896) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	3 000		1420	%	89.0040	2 670 120.00	1.17
1.3750	% UniCredit Bank 22/07 06 2027 (DE000HV2AYZ8) <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1100	1100		%	92.4930	1 017 423.00	0.44
6.8750	% UNIQA Insurance Group 13/31 07 43			1100				100 116.00	
3.6250	(XS0808635436)	EUR	100			%	100.1160		0.04
E 2750	(XS1634252628)	EUR	600 500	500		% %	89.1550	534 930.00	0.23
5.3750 0.3750	% Valéo 22/28 05 2027 MTN (FR001400EA16) . % Verizon Communications 21/22 03 29	EUR	500	500		%	97.5480	487 740.00	0.21
	(XS2320759538)	EUR	1000			%	80.7130	807130.00	0.35
4.2500	% Verizon Communications 22/3110 2030 (XS2550881143)	EUR	1250	1250		%	101.2440	1265 550.00	0.55
3.3750	% Vinci 22/17 10 2032 MTN (FR001400D8K2)	EUR	600	1100	500	%	96.9360	581 616.00	0.55
1.5000	% Visa 22/15 06 2026 (XS2479941499)	EUR	1570	1570	300	%	93.9010	1 474 245.70	0.64
	% Viterra Finance 21/24 09 28 MTN (XS2389688875)	EUR	810		100	%	80.2540	650 057.40	0.28
3.3750	% Volkswagen Int. Finance 18/und. (XS1799938995)	EUR	500	500	. <del>-</del>	%	95.3230	476 615.00	0.21
4.6250	% Volkswagen Int. Finance 18/und. (XS1799939027)	EUR	600	000	500	%	88.8880	533 328.00	0.23
4.2500	% Volvo Car 22/31 05 2028 MTN			200	300				
	(XS2486825669)	EUR	220	220		%	92.2390	202 925.80	0.09

Security na	ame	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repor	Sales/ disposals ting period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
2.0000	% Volvo Treasury 22/19 08 2027 MTN								
	(XS2521820048)	EUR	390	390		%	92.4510	360 558.90	0.16
	(DE000A30VQA4)	EUR	600	600		%	98.8760	593 256.00	0.26
2.8750	% VZ Vendor Financing 20/15 01 29 Reg S (XS2272845798)	EUR	500	500	40.0	%	77.3540	386 770.00	0.17
5.8750 3.8750	% Webuild 20/15 12 25 (XS2271356201) % Webulid 22/28 07 26 (XS2437324333)	EUR EUR	200 250	250	100	% %	89.0670 80.4110	178 134.00 201 027.50	0.08 0.09
2.4985	% Wintershall Dea Finance 2 21/und. (XS2286041517)	EUR	1100		500	%	81.0810	891 891.00	0.39
2.0000	% ZF Finance 21/06 05 27 MTN Reg S (XS2338564870)	EUR	400	200		%	82.1850	328 740.00	0.14
2.0200	% Zürcher Kantonalbank 22/13 04 28 (CH1170565753)	EUR	1060	1060		%	90.3000	957 180.00	0.42
2 0250		LOIK	1000	1000		,0	30.0000	007 100.00	0.12
	% B&M European Value Reta 20/15 07 25 (XS2199627030) 3	GBP	500			%	93.4980	527 909.21	0.23
	% Pinewood Finco 19/30 09 25 Reg S (XS2052466815)	GBP	600			%	92.3690	625 841.57	0.27
4.2500	% Virgin Media Secured Finance 19/15 01 30 (XS2062666602)	GBP	600			%	78.2570	530 226.41	0.23
1.8500	% DNB Boligkreditt 17/14 03 24 PF								
1.6250	(NO0010805310)	NOK	10 000			%	98.0190	932 404.28	0.41
	MTN (XS1967658243)	NOK	20 000			%	97.9795 99.8470	1864 057.07	0.81
	% Norway 14/14 03 24 (NO0010705536)	NOK	30 000			76	99.6470	2 849 379.31	1.24
2.4000	% Corp. Financiera Desarrollo 20/28 09 27 Reg S (USP3R94GAY57)	USD	2 000	2 000		%	83.8670	1574375.82	0.69
5.2500	% Namibia 15/29 10 25 Reg S (XS1311099540)	USD	1000			%	93.8500	880 889.81	0.38
Investme	ent fund units							6 371 411.40	2.78
In-group	fund units							6 371 411.40	2.78
	citutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC 730524) (0.160%)	Count	465	4 824	4 359	EUR	13 701.9600	6 371 411.40	2.78
Total se	curities portfolio							221 677 740.44	96.72
<b>Derivati</b> Minus sig	<b>res</b> gns denote short positions								
	rate derivatives oles/payables)							1 264 126.50	0.55
	rate futures								
	DBL MAR 23 (EURX)	EUR EUR	-45 000 -17 700					1 072 966.50 191 160.00	0.47 0.08
Currency	derivatives							131 307.43	0.06
Currency	y futures (short)								
Open po	sitions								
GBP/EUF NOK/EUI	1.145 million. 2.152 million. 8.60.77 million 2.63 million							-3 285.60 35 083.62 64 577.96 34 931.45	0.00 0.02 0.03 0.02
Cash at	bank							4 132 839.20	1.80
Demand	deposits at Depositary								
EUR dep	ositsin other EU/EEA currencies	EUR EUR	4 046 369.74 33 477.05			% %	100 100	4 046 369.74 33 477.05	1.77 0.01

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the reportir	Sales/ disposals ng period		Market price	Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies								
Swiss franc	CHF	27 993.36			%	100	28 460.11	0.01
British pound	GBP	2 038.12			%	100	2 301.53	0.00
U.S. dollar	USD	23 684.66			%	100	22 230.77	0.01
Other assets							2 127 144.60	0.93
Interest receivable	EUR	2 102 700.17			%	100	2 102 700.17	0.92
Other receivables	EUR	24 444.43			%	100	24 444.43	0.01
Receivables from share certificate transactions	EUR	181.50			%	100	181.50	0.00
Total assets <sup>1</sup>							229 336 625.27	100.06
Other liabilities							-129 466.45	-0.05
Liabilities from cost items	EUR	-93 836.22			%	100	-93 836.22	-0.04
Tax liabilities	EUR	-27 563.57			%	100	-27 563.57	-0.01
Additional other liabilities	EUR	-8 066.66			%	100	-8 066.66	0.00
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	EUR	-15 496.02			%	100	-15 496.02	-0.01

Net asset value per share and number of shares outstanding	Count/ currency	Net asset value per share in the respective currency
Net asset value per share Class LD	EUR	90.69
Number of shares outstanding Class LD	Count	2 527 111.480

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

#### $\textbf{Maximum limit for the market risk exposure} \ (according to \ CSSF \ circular \ 11/512)$

14.14% of portfolio value

#### Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	0.539
Highest market risk exposure	%	2.611
Average market risk exposure	%	1.803

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022 using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. Market risk is the risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the **absolute value-at-risk approach** as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average leverage effect from the use of derivatives was 0.4, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 71373 896.22 as of the reporting date.

#### Counterparties

HSBC Continental Europe S.A., Paris; Morgan Stanley Europe S.E., Frankfurt/Main; State Street Bank GmbH, Munich

#### Securities loans

The following securities were transferred under securities loans at the reporting date:

Security r	ame	Quantity/ principal amo (- / '000)	ount	Fixed maturity	Securities loans Total market value in EUR No fixed maturity	Total
2.1250	% Almirall 21/30 09 26 Reg S	EUR	140		128 354.80	
1.3750	% American Medical Systems Europe					
	22/08 03 28	EUR	500		441 870.00	
6.0000	% AMS-OSRAM 20/31 07 25 Reg S	EUR	400		375 372.00	
1.2500	% Berlin Hyp Ag 22/25 08 2025 PF	EUR	1000		952 390.00	
2.2500	% Bouygues 22/29 06 29	EUR	800		722 040.00	
4.0000	% Cie. Financement Foncier 10/24 10 25 MTN PF	EUR	900		915 768.00	
0.7500	% Commerzbank 20/24 03 26 MTN	EUR	1000		914 340.00	
0.2500	% CPPIB Capital 21/18 01 41 MTN	EUR	800		455 288.00	
0.1250	% Crédit Mutuel Home Loan SFH 20/16 12 24					
	MTN PF	EUR	1200		1128 528.00	
2.8750	% Crown European Holdings 18/01 02 26 Reg S .	EUR	500		477 720.00	
1.9000	% Discovery Communications 15/19 03 27	EUR	1400		1 266 510.00	
0.8000	% European Union 22/04 07 25 S.NGEU	EUR	600		569 574.00	
1.3750	% Evonik Industries 21/02 12 81	EUR	900		733 068.00	
2.3750	% Faurecia 21/15 06 29	EUR	300		227 658.00	
3.0000	% GSK Capital 22/28 11 2027 MTN	EUR	500		489 795.00	
3.6250	% Infineon Technologies 19/Und	EUR	500		448 205.00	
2.7500	% ING Bank 22/2111 2025 MTN PF	EUR	100		98 551.00	
1.8500	% Italy 20/01 07 25	EUR	6 000		5 768 100.00	
2.3750	% LB Hessen-Thüringen 22/21 09 2026 MTN	EUR	700		680 904.00	
3.6250	% Mexico 14/09 04 29 MTN	EUR	1000		970 280.00	
0.3750	% Ontario, Province 17/14 06 24 MTN	EUR	1300		1246 375.00	
2.7500	% Peru 15/30 01 26	EUR	500		474 700.00	
2.8750	% Romania 16/26 05 28 MTN Reg S	EUR	2 700		2 338 443.00	
2.8750	% Romania 18/11 03 29 MTN Reg S	EUR	500		414 215.00	
2.7500	% Romania 20/26 02 26 Reg S	EUR	1000		947 030.00	
2.1250	% Romania 22/07 03 28 Reg S	EUR	1000		835 770.00	
0.3750	% Royal Schiphol Group 20/08 09 27 MTN	EUR	400		339 640.00	
2.2500	% Séché Environnement 21/15 11 28	EUR	450		387 625.50	
2.7500	% Smurfit Kappa Acquisitions Unl. 15/01 02 25					
	Reg S	EUR	500		486 440.00	
3.8750	% Synthomer 20/01 07 25.	EUR	600		551 634.00	
0.1000	% Unedic 20/25 11 26 MTN	EUR	2 800		2 492 112.00	
1.3750	% UniCredit Bank 22/07 06 2027	EUR	500		462 465.00	
3.6250	% B&M European Value Reta 20/15 07 25	GBP	500		527 909.21	
Total re	ceivables from securities loans				29 268 674.51	29 268 674.51

#### Contracting parties for securities loans

Barclays Bank Ireland PLC, Dublin; BNP Paribas S.A., Paris; Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt/Main; J.P. Morgan AG, Frankfurt/Main; Morgan Stanley Europe S.E., Frankfurt/Main; Nomura Financial Products Europe GmbH, Frankfurt/Main; Société Générale S.A., Paris; Zürcher Kantonalbank, Zurich

Total collateral pledged by third parties for securities loans	EUR	31 603 902.06
thereof: Bonds Equities	EUR EUR	24 332 491.90 4 838 487.67
Other	EUR	2 432 922.49

#### Market abbreviations

#### Futures exchanges

EURX = Eurex (Eurex Frankfurt/Eurex Zurich)

#### Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

CHF	0.983600	=	EUR	1
GBP	0.885550	=	EUR	1
NOK	10.512500	=	EUR	1
USD	1.065400	=	EUR	1
	CHF GBP NOK USD	GBP 0.885550 NOK 10.512500	GBP 0.885550 = NOK 10.512500 =	GBP 0.885550 = EUR NOK 10.512500 = EUR

#### Notes on valuation

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If no trading prices are available, prices are determined with the aid of valuation models (derived market values) which are agreed between State Street Bank International GmbH, Luxembourg Branch, as external price service provider and the Management Company and which are based as far as possible on market parameters. This procedure is subject to an ongoing monitoring process. The plausibility of price information from third parties is checked through other pricing sources, model calculations or other suitable procedure.

Investments reported in this report are not valued at derived market values.

The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

#### Footnotes

- Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.
- These securities are completely or partly lent as securities loans.

#### Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 20	22	
I. Income		
Interest from securities (before withholding tax)     Interest from investments of liquid assets	EUR	3 945 463.51
(before withholding tax)	EUR	11 236.37
and repurchase agreements	EUR	154 236.89
from securities lending	EUR EUR	-9 481.71 574 074.11
Total income	EUR	4 675 529.17
II. Expenses		
Interest on borrowings and negative interest     on deposits and expenses similar to interest	EUR	-18 467.22
Commitment fees	EUR	-1167 282.96
thereof: All-in fee EUR -1167 282.96		
3. Other expenses	EUR	-160 082.83
Performance-based fee from securities lending EUR -50 897.68		
Legal and consulting expenses EUR -132.10 Taxe d'abonnement EUR -109 053.05		
Total expenses	EUR	-1 345 833.01
III. Net investment income	EUR	3 329 696.16
IV. Sale transactions		
1. Realized gains	EUR	13 979 632.29
2. Realized losses	EUR	-18 033 096.95
Capital gains/losses	EUR	-4 053 464.66
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-723 768.50
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR EUR	-2 002 651.94 -22 779 899.74
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-24 782 551.68
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-25 506 320.18

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

#### Total expense ratio / Transaction costs

#### BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio(s) for the share class(es) was/were:

Class I D 0.54% p.a.

The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's average net assets in relation to the respective share class for a given fiscal year.

As well, the additional income from securities lending resulted in a performance-based fee of

Class LD 0.021%

of the average net asset value of the respective share class.

#### Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 17703.02.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation.

#### Statement of changes in net assets for the fund

I. Value of the fund's net assets at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	303 632 538.89
1. Distribution for the previous year	EUR	-3 523 210.64
2. Net inflows	EUR	-45 739 007.76
a) Inflows from subscriptions	EUR	8 503 943.29
b) Outflows from redemptions	EUR	-54 242 951.05
3. Income adjustment	EUR	324 376.89
4. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-25 506 320.18
	FUR	-2 002 651.94
Net change in unrealized appreciation		
Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR	-22 779 899.74
II. Value of the fund's net assets		
at the end of the fiscal year	EUR	229 188 377.20

#### Summary of gains/losses

Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	13 979 632.29
from:		
Securities transactions	EUR	346 678.12
Financial futures transactions	EUR	11 733 052.81
(Forward) currency transactions	EUR	1 899 901.36
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-18 033 096.95
from:		
Securities transactions	EUR	-14 473 401.70
Financial futures transactions	EUR	-1131783.51
(Forward) currency transactions	EUR	-2 427 911.74
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-24 782 551.68
from:		
Securities transactions	EUR	-25 221 947.13
Financial futures transactions	EUR	126 866.50
(Forward) currency transactions	EUR	312 528.95

### Details on the distribution policy\*

Class LD			
Туре	As of	Currency	Per share
Final distribution	March 10, 2023	EUR	1.62

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

# Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

Net assets at the end of the fiscal year

2021		EUR EUR EUR	229 188 377.20 303 632 538.89 355 167 376.01
Net asset	t value per share at the end of the fiscal year		
2022 2021 2020	Class LD	EUR EUR EUR	90.69 100.75 103.08

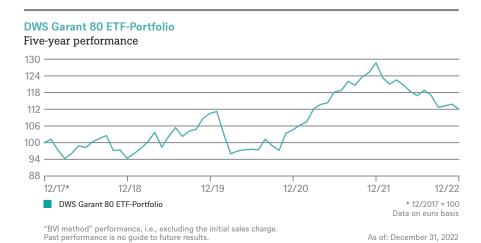
#### Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 4 36% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 17 754 374 42.

# Annual report DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio

# Investment objective\* in the reporting period

The objective of the investment policy of the sub-fund DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio is to generate appreciation of capital in euro. To this end, the sub-fund may invest flexibly in interest-bearing securities, convertible bonds, warrant-linked bonds, participation and dividend-right certificates, equities, equity and index certificates, equity-linked bonds, warrants, money market instruments, liquid assets and in units of funds that were launched by a company of the DWS/Deutsche Bank Group or other issuers, or in exchange traded funds (ETFs), as well as in the respective derivatives of the aforementioned instruments or in derivatives on indices. As part of its investment policy, the net assets of the sub-fund are mainly invested in exchange-traded funds (ETFs). The sub-fund follows the dynamic capital-preservation strategy "FPI", where investments are constantly reallocated, depending on the market, between the growth component (comprising higher-risk funds, such as equity and also higher-risk bond funds and direct investments in or derivatives on higher-risk components such as equities and higher-risk new bonds) and the capital preservation component (comprising lower-risk open bond/money market funds and direct investments in or derivatives on lower-risk bond/money market securities). The objective of this is to ensure a minimum value while also achieving the greatest possible participation in price increases in the growth component.



#### **DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio**

#### Performance at a glance

ISIN	1 year	3 years	5 years
LU1217268405	-13.0%	1.4%	12.1%

"BVI method" performance, i.e., excluding the initial sales charge. Past performance is no guide to future results.

As of: December 31, 2022 Data on euro basis

# Investment climate and performance in the reporting period

The investment environment in the reporting period was characterized by the COVID-19 pandemic, high levels of debt worldwide, still very low, partly negative interest rates in the industrial countries and uncertainty regarding the monetary policy of the central banks. Against this difficult backdrop, the subfund recorded a decline of 13.0% per share in fiscal year 2022 (BVI method, in euro terms).

#### **Guarantee\***

Deutsche Bank AG, London branch ("guarantor"), guarantees that during a calendar month the net asset value per share of the subfund DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio plus any dividends will not be less than 80% of the net asset value determined on the last valuation

date of the previous month ("guaranteed value"). If the guaranteed value is not achieved, Deutsche Bank AG, London branch, will pay the difference into the assets of the sub-fund from its own resources. For December 31, 2022, the guaranteed value was EUR 102.90.

# Information on environmental and/or social characteristics

This product reported in accordance with Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosure requirements in the financial services sector ("SFDR").

Presentation of the information to be disclosed for the regular reports for financial products within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 (Regulation on sustainabilityrelated disclosure requirements in the financial services sector, "Disclosure") and within the meaning of Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2020/852 (Taxonomy) can be found after the Supplementary Information in the back of the report.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information on the investment policy and the exact guarantee amount is contained in the sales prospectus.

## Annual financial statements DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio

#### Statement of net assets as of December 31, 2022

	Amount in EUR	% of net assets
I. Assets		
1. Investment fund units: Index funds Bond funds Other funds	95 643 105.27 17 897 177.06 11 442 547.75	72.16 13.50 8.63
Total investment fund units:	124 982 830.08	94.29
2. Derivatives	-30 053.66	-0.02
3. Cash at bank	7 664 161.73	5.78
4. Other assets	476.73	0.00
II. Liabilities		
1. Other liabilities	-71 585.34	-0.05
III. Net assets	132 545 829.54	100.00

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

### **DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio**

### Investment portfolio - December 31, 2022

Security name	Count/ currency (- / '000)	Quantity/ principal amount	Purchases/ additions in the repo	Sales/ disposals rting period	Market price		Total market value in EUR	% of net assets
Investment fund units							124 982 830.08	94.29
In-group fund units							84 736 926.60	63.93
DWS Floating Rate Notes IC (LU1534073041) (0.200%) DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Count	214 543	668 943	454 400	EUR	83.4200	17 897 177.06	13.50
(LU0099730524) (0.160%) Xtrackers II EUR Overnight Rate Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Count	835	1380	545	EUR	13 703.6500	11 442 547.75	8.63
(LU0290358497) (0.020%)	Count	133 768	228 402	143 000	EUR	135.1000	18 072 056.80	13.63
Xtrackers MSCI Emerging Markets ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BG370F43) (0.050%)	Count	149 533	556 496	406 963	EUR	39.3100	5 878 142.23	4.43
Xtrackers MSCI Europe ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BFMNHK08) (0.100%).	Count	260 032	1085394	825 362	EUR	23.9700	6 232 967.04	4.70
Xtrackers MSCI Japan ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BG36TC12) (0.100%)	Count	116 927	572 351	455 424	EUR	16.4780	1 926 723.11	1.45
Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BFMNPS42) (0.050%)	Count	204 155	830 492	626 337	EUR	36.8300	7 519 028.65	5.67
Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C (LU0274210672) (0.050%)	Count	72 749	172 461	272 967	EUR	102.6400	7 466 957.36	5.63
Xtrackers MSCI USA UCITS ETF 1C (IE00BJ0KDR00) (0.010%)	Count	73 682	173 232	275 886	EUR	101.3100	7 464 723.42	5.63
Xtrackers Stoxx Europe 600 UCITS ETF 1C (LU0328475792) (0.100%)	Count	8 351	29 007	55 545	EUR	100.1800	836 603.18	0.63
Non-group fund units							40 245 903.48	30.36
Deka Deutsche Börse EUROGOV Germany MM UCITS							40 243 303.48	30.30
ETF (DE000ETFL227) (0.120%)	Count	272 655	419 350	241 000	EUR	68.4530	18 664 052.72	14.08
(DE000A0Q4RZ9) (0.130%)	Count	256 323	394 300	226 400	EUR	72.7110	18 637 501.65	14.06
(IEOOB3XXRP09) (0.070%)	Count	43 319	104 631	61 312	EUR	67.9690	2 944 349.11	2.22
Total securities portfolio							124 982 830.08	94.29
<b>Derivatives</b> Minus signs denote short positions								
Swaps							-30 053.66	-0.02
Equity swaps								
Swap 80% Gap SWAP DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio (DBK) 27 01 2023 (OTC).	EUR	0.100					-30 053.66	-0.02
Cash at bank							7 664 161.73	5.78
Demand deposits at Depositary								
EUR deposits	EUR	7 644 918.02			%	100	7 644 918.02	5.77
Deposits in non-EU/EEA currencies	USD	20 502.25			%	100	19 243.71	0.01
U.S. dollar	02D	20 502.25			%	100		
Other assets Interest receivable	EUR	476.73			%	100	<b>476.73</b> 476.73	<b>0.00</b>
1	LUIN	470.73			,,,	100		
Total assets '							132 647 468.54	100.08
Other liabilities Liabilities from cost items	EUR	-62 095.89			%	100	<b>-71 585.34</b> -62 095.89	<b>-0.05</b> -0.05
Additional other liabilities	EUR	-9 489.45			%	100	-9 489.45	-0.01
Net assets							132 545 829.54	100.00
Net asset value per share							126.58	
Number of shares outstanding							1 047 125.000	

Negligible rounding errors may have arisen due to the rounding of calculated percentages.

A list of the transactions completed during the reporting period that no longer appear in the investment portfolio is available free of charge from the Management Company upon request.

#### **DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio**

Composition of the reference portfolio (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

85% MSCI All Country World Index, in EUR, 15% 1 Month Euribor Index

Market risk exposure (value-at-risk) (according to CSSF circular 11/512)

Lowest market risk exposure	%	20.626
Highest market risk exposure	%	93.617
Average market risk exposure	%	46 851

The values-at-risk were calculated for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, using the VaR method of historical simulation with a 99% confidence level, a 10-day holding period and an effective historical observation period of one year. The risk in a reference portfolio that does not contain derivatives is used as the measurement benchmark. Market risk to the fund's assets arising from an unfavorable change in market prices. The Company determines the potential market risk by means of the <u>relative value-at-risk approach</u> as defined in CSSF circular 11/512.

In the reporting period, the average effect from the use of derivatives was 0.00, whereby the total of the nominal amounts of the derivatives in relation to the fund's assets was used for the calculation (sum-of-notional approach).

The gross exposure generated via derivatives pursuant to point 40 a) of the "Guidelines on ETFs and other UCITS issues" of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) totaled EUR 30 053.66 as of the reporting date.

#### Counterparties

Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt/Main

#### Market abbreviations

#### **Futures exchanges**

OTC = Over the Counter

#### Exchange rates (indirect quotes)

As of December 30, 2022

#### Notes on valuation

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The management fee / all-in fee rates in effect as of the reporting date for the investment fund units held in the securities portfolio are shown in parentheses. A plus sign means that a performance-based fee may also be charged. As the fund held units of other investment funds (target funds) in the reporting period, further costs, charges and fees may have been incurred at the level of these individual target funds.

#### Footnotes

Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.

#### **DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio**

#### Statement of income and expenses (incl. income adjustment)

for the period from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022						
I. Income						
Interest from investments of liquid assets     (before withholding tax)     Income from investment certificates	EUR EUR	23 338.34 218 128.00				
3. Other income	EUR	7 919.97				
Total income	EUR	249 386.31				
II. Expenses						
Interest on borrowings and negative interest on deposits and expenses similar to interest	EUR	-22 032.49				
Commitment fees EUR -870.88  2. Management fee	EUR	-804 382.19				
All-in fee	EUR	-44 202.96				
Total expenses	EUR	-870 617.64				
III. Net investment income	EUR	-621 231.33				
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IV. Sale transactions	E					
Realized gains     Realized losses	EUR EUR	11 924 492.41 -7 506 961.27				
Capital gains/losses	EUR	4 417 531.14				
V. Realized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	3 796 299.81				
Net change in unrealized appreciation     Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR EUR	-17 468 241.22 -3 932 923.43				
VI. Unrealized net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-21 401 164.65				
VII. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-17 604 864.84				

Note: The net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is calculated by subtracting the total of all unrealized appreciation (depreciation) at the end of the fiscal year from the total of all appreciation (depreciation) at the beginning of the fiscal year. Total unrealized appreciation (depreciation) includes positive (negative) differences resulting from the comparison of the values recognized for the individual assets as of the reporting date with their respective acquisition costs.

Unrealized appreciation/depreciation is shown without income adjustment.

#### BVI total expense ratio (TER)

The total expense ratio was 0.61% p.a. The TER expresses total expenses and fees (excluding transaction costs) including any commitment fees as a percentage of the fund's average net assets for a given fiscal year.

The fund invested more than 20% of its assets in target funds. Further costs, charges and fees were incurred at the level of the target funds. If the target funds publish a TER themselves, this will be taken into account at fund level (synthetic TER). If a TER is not published at target fund level, the all-in fee/management fee is used for the calculation. The synthetic TER was 0.73%.

#### Transaction costs

The transaction costs paid in the reporting period amounted to EUR 807.00.

The transaction costs include all costs that were reported or settled separately for the account of the fund in the reporting period and are directly connected to the purchase or sale of assets. Any financial transaction taxes which may have been paid are included in the calculation.

#### Statement of changes in net assets for the fund

I. Value of the fund's net assets	FUD	404 004 740 00
at the beginning of the fiscal year	EUR	131 204 710.82
1. Net inflows	EUR	19 852 833.30
a) Inflows from subscriptions	EUR	26 653 602.94
b) Outflows from redemptions	EUR	-6 800 769.64
2. Income adjustment	EUR	-906 849.74
3. Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	EUR	-17 604 864.84
thereof:		
Net change in unrealized appreciation	EUR	-17 468 241.22
Net change in unrealized depreciation	EUR	-3 932 923.43
II. Value of the fund's net assets		
at the end of the fiscal year	EUR	132 545 829.54

#### Summary of gains/losses

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Realized gains (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	11 924 492.41
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR	11 924 227.29 265.12
Realized losses (incl. income adjustment)	EUR	-7 506 961.27
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR	-7 206 015.40 -300 945.87
Net change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation	EUR	-21 401 164.65
from: Securities transactions	EUR EUR	-21 469 143.15 67 978.50

Swap transactions may include results from credit derivatives.

#### Details on the distribution policy\*

The income for the fiscal year is reinvested.

# Changes in net assets and in the net asset value per share over the last three years

	Net assets at the end of the fiscal year EUR	Net asset value per share EUR
2022	132 545 829.54 131 204 710.82 64 980 636.40	126.58 145.47 118.26

#### Transactions processed for the account of the fund's assets via closely related companies (based on major holdings of the Deutsche Bank Group)

The share of transactions conducted in the reporting period for the account of the fund's assets via brokers that are closely related companies and persons (share of 5% and above), amounted to 3 01% of all transactions. The total volume was EUR 18 408 948.36.

<sup>\*</sup> Additional information is provided in the sales prospectus.

# DWS Funds SICAV – December 31, 2022

Portfolio composition (in EUR)			
	DWS Funds SICAV Consolidated	DWS Funds Global Protect 80	DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie
Securities portfolio	7 249 933 797.52	344 824 682.09	2 155 817 631.59
Equity index derivatives	36 695 962.50	-	13 992 924.50
Interest rate derivatives	1 264 126.50	-	-
Currency derivatives	131 307.43	-	-
Swaps	- 3 460 182.75	- 53 435.27	- 1 083 126.04
Cash at bank	145 352 766.91	895 920.62	43 929 353.57
Other assets	52 555 151.41	6 934.73	18 945 562.24
Receivables from share certificate transactions	447.32	148.40	-
Total assets <sup>1</sup>	7 485 936 845.19	345 727 685.84	2 232 685 471.90
Other liabilities	- 9 421 691.52	- 277 452.10	- 2 746 841.01
Liabilities from share certificate transactions	- 108 354.84	- 82 442.58	-
= Net assets	7 472 943 330.48	345 314 355.89	2 228 855 504.85

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Does not include positions with a negative balance, if such exist.

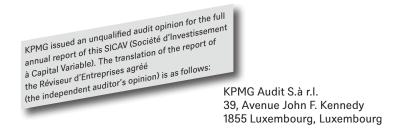
Statement of income and expenses incl. income adjustment (in EUR)				
	DWS Funds SICAV Consolidated	DWS Funds Global Protect 80	DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie	
Dividends (before withholding tax)	15 728 664.49	-	-	
Interest from securities (before withholding tax)	3 945 463.51	-	-	
Interest from investments of liquid assets (before withholding tax)	1 368 500.05	17 188.33	455 598.01	
Income from investment certificates	4 443 259.08	155 154.65	711 907.85	
Income from securities loans and repurchase agreements	256 162.47	2 219.47	66 857.61	
Deduction for foreign withholding tax	- 3 401 443.65	-	-	
Other income	3 511 515.99	91773.44	2 052 152.22	
= Total income	25 852 121.94	266 335.89	3 286 515.69	
Interest on borrowings and negative interest on deposits	- 2 271 124.44	- 56 203.56	- 827 973.11	
Management fee	- 113 849 815.97	- 3 321 302.51	- 33 914 530.07	
Other expenses	- 1 629 628.29	- 38 032.34	- 374 076.79	
= Total expenses	- 117 750 568.70	- 3 415 538.41	- 35 116 579.97	
= Net investment income	- 91 898 446.76	- 3 149 202.52	- 31 830 064.28	

DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie	DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio	DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant	DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global	DWS ESG Zinseinkommen
3 492 790 778.89	124 982 830.08	185 696 604.65	724 143 529.78	221 677 740.44
22 703 038.00	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	1 264 126.50
-	-	-	-	131 307.43
- 1648 009.77	- 30 053.66	-	- 645 558.01	-
42 145 655.41	7 664 161.73	4 806 104.96	41 778 731.42	4 132 839.20
30 848 553.66	476.73	68 451.00	558 028.45	2 127 144.60
-	-	-	117.42	181.50
3 588 488 025.96	132 647 468.54	190 571 160.61	766 480 407.07	229 336 625.27
- 4 812 495.45	- 71 585.34	- 159 886.33	- 1223 964.84	- 129 466.45
-	-	- 10 416.24	-	- 15 496.02
3 582 027 520.74	132 545 829.54	190 400 858.04	764 610 884.22	229 188 377.20

DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie	DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio	DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant	DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global	DWS ESG Zinseinkommen
-	-	1980 459.91	13 748 204.58	-
-	-	-	-	3 945 463.51
692 912.55	23 338.34	6 976.26	161 250.19	11 236.37
3 350 557.33	218 128.00	7 001.85	509.40	-
32 848.50	-	-	-	154 236.89
-	-	- 424 339.54	- 2 967 622.40	- 9 481.71
783 674.59	7 919.97	17.62	1904.04	574 074.11
4 859 992.97	249 386.31	1 570 116.10	10 944 245.81	4 675 529.17
- 1123 678.02	- 22 032.49	- 30 600.11	- 192 169.93	- 18 467.22
- 58 617 192.15	- 804 382.19	- 1 824 447.12	- 14 200 678.97	- 1167 282.96
- 669 132.86	- 44 202.96	- 42 409.98	- 301 690.53	- 160 082.83
- 60 410 003.03	- 870 617.64	- 1 897 457.21	- 14 694 539.43	- 1345 833.01
- 55 550 010.06	- 621 231.33	- 327 341.11	- 3 750 293.62	3 329 696.16

Statement of changes in net assets for the fund (in EUR)				
	DWS Funds SICAV Consolidated	DWS Funds Global Protect 80	DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie	
Value of the fund's net assets at the beginning of the fiscal year	9 381 109 649.85	398 741 893.18	2737757342.04	
Distribution for the previous year	- 3 523 210.64	-	-	
Net inflows	- 811 194 184.99	- 8 777 465.13	- 199 364 492.10	
Income adjustment	14 288 262.72	93 077.82	3 478 963.75	
Net gain/loss for the fiscal year	- 1107 737 186.46	- 44 743 149.98	- 313 016 308.84	
thereof:				
Net change in unrealized appreciation	- 1104 219 375.28	- 37 486 121.53	- 351 509 955.51	
Net change in unrealized depreciation	- 89 451 472.44	- 4 152 176.47	- 2102046.26	
= Value of the fund's net assets at the end of the fiscal year	7 472 943 330.48	345 314 355.89	2 228 855 504.85	

DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie	DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio	DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant	DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global	DWS ESG Zinseinkommen
4 583 562 811.37	131 204 710.82	236 526 128.66	989 684 224.89	303 632 538.89
-	-	-	-	- 3 523 210.64
- 455 761 469.43	19 852 833.30	- 25 536 808.35	- 95 867 775.52	- 45 739 007.76
10 728 392.22	- 906 849.74	- 678 801.11	1 249 102.89	324 376.89
- 556 502 213.42	- 17 604 864.84	- 19 909 661.16	- 130 454 668.04	- 25 506 320.18
- 588 290 671.05	- 17 468 241.22	- 7 141 855.97	- 100 319 878.06	- 2 002 651.94
- 43 223 021.95	- 3 932 923.43	- 1 996 801.84	- 11 264 602.75	- 22 779 899.74
3 582 027 520.74	132 545 829.54	190 400 858.04	764 610 884.22	229 188 377.20



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### REPORT OF THE "REVISEUR D'ENTREPRISES AGREE"

#### Report on the audit of the annual financial statements

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of the DWS Funds SICAV and its respective sub-funds (the "fund"), which comprise the statement of net assets, the statement of investments in the securities portfolio and other net assets as of December 31, 2022, the statement of income and expenses and the statement of changes in net assets for the fiscal year then ended, as well as explanatory notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the attached financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of DWS Funds SICAV and its respective sub-funds as of December 31, 2022, and of the results of its operations and changes in its net assets for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of financial statements.

#### Basis for the audit opinion

We conducted our audit in compliance with the Law concerning the audit profession ("Law of July 23, 2016") and in accordance with International Standards on Auditing ("ISA") as adopted by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF") for Luxembourg. Our responsibility under the law of July 23, 2016, and the ISA standards as adopted in Luxembourg by the CSSF is further described in the section "Responsibility of the Réviseur d'Entreprises agréé for the audit of the financial statements". We are also independent of the fund in compliance with the "International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, including International Independence Standards", issued by the "International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants" ("IESBA Code") and adopted by the CSSF for Luxembourg together with the ethical requirements that we must comply with when performing audits and have met all other professional obligations in compliance with these ethical requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Other information

The Board of Directors of the fund is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information that is contained in the annual report but excluding the annual financial statements and our Report of the "réviseur d'entreprises agréé" on these annual financial statements.

Our audit opinion on the annual financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not provide assurances of any kind in relation to this information.

In connection with the audit of the annual financial statements, it is our responsibility to read the other information and to assess whether there is a material discrepancy between this information and the annual financial statements or the findings obtained during the audit or also whether the other information appears to be materially misrepresented in some other way. If, based on the work that we carry out, we draw the conclusion that the other information contains material misstatements, we are obliged to report this matter. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Responsibility of the Board of Directors of the fund

The Board of Directors of the fund is responsible for the preparation and proper overall presentation of the annual financial statements in compliance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of annual financial statements and for the internal controls that the Board of Directors of the Fund considers necessary to enable the annual financial statements to be prepared such that they are free from material, intentional or unintentional, misstatement.

When preparing the annual financial statements, the Board of Directors of the fund is responsible for assessing the capability of the fund and of its respective sub-funds of continuing the business activity and – where relevant – for furnishing particulars in relation to the continuation of the business activity and for using the assumption of the company operating as a going concern as an accounting principle, unless the Board of Directors of the fund intends to liquidate the fund or any of its sub-funds, to cease business activities or no longer has any other realistic alternative than to take such action.

#### Responsibility of the réviseur d'entreprises agréé for the audit of the annual financial statements

The objective of our audit is to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the annual financial statements as a whole are free from material – intentional or unintentional – misstatement, and to issue a corresponding report of the "réviseur d'entreprises agréé" that contains our audit opinion. Reasonable assurance corresponds to a high degree of certainty but is not a guarantee that an audit in compliance with the Law of July 23, 2016, and in accordance with the ISAs adopted by the CSSF for Luxembourg always finds a material misstatement, if present. Misstatements can result either from inaccuracies or infringements and are considered to be material if it can be reasonably assumed that these, either individually or as a whole, influence the business decisions of addressees taken on the basis of these annual financial statements.

When performing an audit in compliance with the Law of July 23, 2016, and in accordance with the ISAs adopted by the CSSF for Luxembourg, we exercise our professional judgment and adopt a critical approach.

#### Furthermore:

- We identify and assess the risk of material misstatement in the annual financial statements as a result of inaccuracies or infringements, we plan and conduct audit procedures in response to these risks and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to serve as a basis for the audit opinion. The risk of material misstatements not being discovered is higher for infringements than for inaccuracies, as infringements may entail fraudulent collaboration, forgery, intentional incompleteness, misleading information or the by-passing of internal controls.
- We gain an understanding of the internal control system of relevance to the audit in order to plan audit procedures that are appropriate in the given circumstances, but not, however, with the objective of issuing an audit opinion on the effectiveness of the fund's internal control system.

- We assess the appropriateness of the accounting methods applied by the Board of Directors of the fund, of the accounting-related estimates and of the corresponding explanatory information.
- We draw conclusions based on the adequacy of the application of the accounting principle of the continuation of the business activity by the Board of Directors of the fund as well as on the basis of the audit evidence obtained as to whether a material uncertainty exists in connection with events or circumstances that could cast significant doubt on the ability of the fund or of any of its sub-funds to continue the business activity. If we come to the conclusion that a material uncertainty exists, we are obliged to point out the associated explanatory information provided in the annual financial statements in the report of the "réviseur d'entreprises agréé" or, if the information is inadequate, to modify the audit opinion. These conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the report of the "réviseur d'entreprises agréé". Future events or circumstances may, however, lead to the fund or some of its sub-funds no longer being able to continue their business activity.
- We assess the overall presentation, the structure and the content of the annual financial statements, including the explanatory information, and assess whether these appropriately present the underlying business transactions and events.

We communicate the planned scope of the audit and time frame as well as the most significant audit findings, including material weaknesses in the internal control system that we identify in performing the audit, to those in charge of monitoring.

Luxembourg, April 13, 2023

KPMG Audit S.à r.l. Cabinet de révision agréé

Mirco Lehmann

# Supplementary information

## Fees and shareholdings of the members of the Board of Directors

#### Fees and shareholdings of members of the Board of Directors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021

Following shareholder approval at the Company's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on April 21, 2022, the annual compensation of the Independent Director was approved based on the number of sub-funds at the end of the Company's fiscal year. The Independent Director received EUR 10,000 for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021.

The compensation of the Independent Directors is paid by the Management Company.

By way of clarification: Non-independent members of the Board of Directors receive neither compensation for their role as members of the Board of Directors nor other benefits in kind from the Company or the Management Company.

#### Fees and shareholdings of members of the Board of Directors for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022

The annual meeting of shareholders of the Company to be held on April 17, 2023, will approve the annual compensation for the Independent Director for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022. The proposed amount for the Independent Director is EUR 10,000 and is based on the number of sub-funds at the end of the fiscal year as of December 31, 2022.

The compensation of the Independent Directors is paid by the Management Company.

By way of clarification: Non-independent members of the Board of Directors receive neither compensation for their role as members of the Board of Directors nor other benefits in kind from the Company or the Management Company.

## Remuneration disclosure

DWS Investment S.A. (the "Company") is a subsidiary in DWS Group GmbH & Co. KGaA ("DWS KGaA"), and is subject to the regulatory requirements of the Fifth Directive on Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities ("UCITS V Directive") and the Alternative Investment Fund Management Directive ("AIFM Directive") as well as the European Securities and Markets Authority's Guidelines on Sound Remuneration Policies ("ESMA Guidelines") with regard to the design of its remuneration system.

#### **Remuneration Policy & Governance**

The Company is governed by the Group-wide Compensation Policy that DWS KGaA has adopted for itself and all of its subsidiaries ("DWS Group" or only "Group").

In line with the Group structure, committees have been set up to ensure the appropriateness of the compensation system and compliance with regulatory requirements on compensation and are responsible for reviewing it.

As such the DWS Compensation Committee was tasked by the DWS KGaA Executive Board with developing and designing sustainable compensation principles, making recommendations on overall compensation and ensuring appropriate governance and oversight with regard to compensation and benefits for the Group.

Furthermore, the Remuneration Committee was established to support the Supervisory Board of DWS KGaA in monitoring the appropriate structure of the remuneration systems for all Group employees. This is done by testing the consistency of the remuneration strategy with the business and risk strategy and taking into account the effects of the remuneration system on the group-wide risk, capital and liquidity management.

The internal annual review at DWS Group level concluded the design of the remuneration system to be appropriate and no significant irregularities were recognized.

#### **Compensation structure**

Employee compensation consists of fixed and variable compensation.

Fixed compensation remunerates employees for their skills, experience and competencies, commensurate with the requirements, size and scope of their role.

Variable compensation takes into account performance at group, divisional and individual level. Variable compensation generally consists of two elements – the "Franchise Component" and the "Individual Component".

The Franchise Component is determined based upon the performance of three Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) at DWS Group level. For the performance year 2022 these were: Adjusted Cost Income Ratio ("CIR"), Net Flows and ESG metrics.

The individual component of variable compensation takes into account a number of financial and non-financial factors, relativities within the peer group, and retention considerations. Variable compensation can be reduced accordingly or cancelled completely in the event of negative performance contributions or misconduct. In principle, it is only granted and paid out if the granting is affordable for the Group. Guaranteed variable compensation is not normally granted to employees. On an exceptional basis, guaranteed variable compensation can be granted to new hires but only during their first year of employment.

The compensation strategy is designed to achieve an appropriate balance between fixed and variable compensation. This helps to align employee compensation with the interests of customers, investors and shareholders, as well as to industry standards. At the same time, it ensures that fixed compensation represents a sufficiently high proportion of total compensation to allow the Group full flexibility in granting variable compensation.

#### Determination of variable compensation and appropriate risk-adjustment

The total amount of variable compensation is subject to appropriate risk-adjustment measures which include ex-ante and ex-post risk adjustments. The robust methodology is designed to ensure that the determination of variable compensation reflects Group's risk-adjusted performance as well as the capital and liquidity position.

A number of considerations are used in assessing the performance of the business units. Performance is assessed in the context of financial and non-financial targets based on balanced scorecards. The allocation of variable compensation to the infrastructure areas and in particular to the control functions depends on the overall results of the Group, but not on the results of the business areas they oversee.

Principles for determining variable compensation apply at individual employee level which detail the factors and metrics that must be taken into account when making IVC decisions. These include, for instance, investment performance, client retention, culture considerations, and objective setting and performance assessment based on the "Total Performance" approach. Furthermore, any control function inputs and disciplinary sanctions and their impact on the VC have to be considered as well.

#### **Sustainable Compensation**

Sustainability and sustainability risks are an essential part that determine the variable compensation. Therefore, the remuneration policy is fully in line and consistent with sustainability risks. Hence, DWS Group incentivises behaviour that benefits both interest of clients and the long-term performance of the firm. Relevant sustainability factors are reviewed on a regular basis and incorporated in the design of the compensation system.

#### **Compensation for 2022**

The DWS Compensation Committee has monitored the affordability of VC for 2022 and determined that the Group's capital and liquidity levels remain above regulatory minimum requirements, and internal risk appetite threshold.

As part of the overall 2022 variable compensation granted in March 2023, the Franchise Component is awarded to eligible employees in line with the assessment of the defined KPIs. The Executive Board recognizing the considerable contribution of employees and determined a target achievement rate of 76.25% for 2022.

#### **Identification of Material Risk Takers**

In accordance with the regulatory requirements, the Company has identified Material Risk Takers. The identification process was carried out in accordance with the Group's policies and is based on an assessment of the impact of the following categories of staff on the risk profile of the Company or on a fund it manages: (a) Board Members/Senior Management, (b) Portfolio/Investment managers, (c) Control Functions, (d) Staff heading Administration, Marketing and Human Resources, (e) other individuals (Risk Takers) in a significant position of influence, (f) other employees in the same remuneration brackt as other Risk Takers, whose roles have an impact on the risk profile of the Company or the Group. At least 40% of the VC for Material Risk Takers is deferred. Additionally, at least 50% of both, the upfront and the deferred proportion, are granted in the Group share-based instruments or fund-linked instruments for Key Investment Professionals. All deferred components are subject to a number of performance conditions and forfeiture provisions which ensure an appropriate ex-post risk adjustment. In case the VC is lower than EUR 50,000, the Material Risk Takers receive their entire variable compensation in cash without any deferral.

#### Aggregate Compensation Information for the Company for 20221

Number of employees on an annual average	152
Total Compensation <sup>2</sup>	EUR 21,279,765
Fixed Pay	EUR 18,301,194
Variable Compensation	EUR 2,978,570
Thereof: Carried Interest	EUR 0
Total Compensation for Senior Management <sup>3</sup>	EUR 1,454,400
Total Compensation for other Material Risk Takers <sup>4</sup>	EUR 0
Total Compensation for Control Function employees	EUR 1,248,758

<sup>1</sup> In cases where portfolio or risk management activities have been delegated by the Company, the compensation data for delegates are not included in the table.

Considering various elements of remuneration as defined in the ESMA Guidelines which may include monetary payments or benefits (such as cash, shares, options, pension contributions) or none (directly) monetary benefits (such as fringe benefits or special allowances for car, mobile phone, etc.).

<sup>3</sup> Senior Management refers to the members of the Management Board of the Company, only. Members of the Management Board meet the definition of managers.

Apart from the members of Senior Management in further managers have been identified.

Apart from the members of Senior Management, no further managers have been identified.

4 Identified risk takers with control functions are shown in the line "Control Function employees"

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

	Securities lending	Repurchase agreements	Total return swaps
Stated in fund currency			
	1. Assets used		
Absolute	4 420.24	-	-
In % of the fund's net assets	0.00	-	-
	2. Top 10 counterparties		
1. Name	UBS AG, London		
Gross volume of open transactions	4 420.24		
Country of registration	United Kingdom		
2. Name			
Cross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
3. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
4. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
5. Name			
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
6. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
7. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
8. Name			
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			

9. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
10. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
	3. Type(s) of settlement and clearing		
(e.g., bilateral, tri-party, central counterparty)	bilateral	-	
	4. Transactions classified by term to n	naturity (absolute amounts)	
Less than 1 day	-	-	
1 day to 1 week	- 1	-	
1 week to 1 month	- 1	-	
1 to 3 months	-	-	
3 months to 1 year	- 1	-	
More than 1 year	- 1	-	
No fixed maturity	4 420.24	-	
	5. Type(s) and quality/qualities of coll	ateral received	
	Type(s):		
Bank balances	-	-	
Bonds	-		
Equities	3 893.41		
Other	781.47	-	
	Quality/Qualities:		
	Insofar as securities lending transactions, re		with OTC derivatives (except forward
	currency transactions) are concluded, collat	eral in one of the following forms is provided	to the fund:
	Liquid assets such as cash, short-term banl of March 19. 2007. letters of credit and first	eral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC
	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term banl of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD local, regional or international level, regard	eral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC ted credit institutions not affiliated with the supranational institutions and authorities at
	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term banl of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD local, regional or international level, regard  - Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;	reral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by lless of their term to maturity;	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC ted credit institutions not affiliated with the supranational institutions and authorities at t calculates a net asset value daily and has a
	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term band of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD local, regional or international level, regard  - Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;  - Units of a UCITS that invests predominantle.	reral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by lless of their term to maturity;	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC ted credit institutions not affiliated with the supranational institutions and authorities at calculates a net asset value daily and has a ext two indents;
	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term banl of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD local, regional or international level, regard  - Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;  - Units of a UCITS that invests predominantl  - Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity	reral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord c-demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by lless of their term to maturity; ag investing in money market instruments that ly in the bonds and equities listed under the now, that have a minimum rating of low investments and market in a member state of the European	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC ted credit institutions not affiliated with the supranational institutions and authorities at t calculates a net asset value daily and has a ext two indents; nt-grade;
	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term bank of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD local, regional or international level, regard  - Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;  - Units of a UCITS that invests predominantl  - Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity  - Equities admitted to or traded in a regulate member country, provided that these equitates.	reral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord c-demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by lless of their term to maturity; ag investing in money market instruments that ly in the bonds and equities listed under the now, that have a minimum rating of low investments and market in a member state of the European	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC ted credit institutions not affiliated with the supranational institutions and authorities at t calculates a net asset value daily and has a ext two indents; nt-grade; Union or on an exchange in an OECD ntioned collateral.
	- Liquid assets such as cash, short-term banl of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first counterparty, or bonds issued by an OECD local, regional or international level, regard  - Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;  - Units of a UCITS that invests predominantl  - Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity  - Equities admitted to or traded in a regulate member country, provided that these equitable that the member country, provided that these equitable furthermore, the Management Company reserves the rigital control of the company reserves the rigital control of the management Company reserves the rigital contr	reral in one of the following forms is provided k deposits, money market instruments accord demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by lless of their term to maturity; ag investing in money market instruments that ly in the bonds and equities listed under the now, that have a minimum rating of low investment and market in a member state of the European ties are included in a major index.	ing to the definition in Directive 2007/16/EC ted credit institutions not affiliated with the supranational institutions and authorities at a calculates a net asset value daily and has a ext two indents; nt-grade; Union or on an exchange in an OECD ntioned collateral.

	6. Currency/Currencies of collateral r	received	
Currency/Currencies:	JPY; EUR; SEK; USD	-	-
	7. Collateral classified by term to mate		
Less than 1 day	7. Collateral classified by term to matter	urity (absolute amounts)	_
1 day to 1 week	_	_	<u> </u>
1 week to 1 month	_	_	_
1 to 3 months	_	_	<u> </u>
3 months to 1 year	_	_	_
More than 1 year		_	_
No fixed maturity	4 674.88		
<b>,</b>			I
	8. Income and cost portions (before in	ncome adjustment) *	
	Income portion of the fund		
Absolute	1506.82	-	-
In % of gross income	67.00	-	-
Cost portion of the fund	-	-	-
	Income portion of the Management (	Company	
Absolute	742.03	-	-
In % of gross income	33.00		
Cost portion of the Management Company	-	-	-
	Income portion of third parties		
Absolute			
In % of gross income	_	_	<u> </u>
Cost portion of third parties		_	_
oost portion or time parties			
	securities lending and borrowing as costs/fi such transactions. Out of the 33%, the Mana the direct costs (e.g., transaction and collate	ending and borrowing, the (sub-)fund pays 33' ees to the Management Company and retains agement Company retains 5% for its own coo eral management costs) to external service pust and the direct costs) is paid to DWS Investmenting securities lending and borrowing.	67% of the gross revenues generated from rdination and oversight tasks and pays roviders. The remaining amount (after de-
	For simple reverse repurchase agreement transactions (if permitted), i.e., those which are not used to reinvest cash collateral received under securities lending and borrowing or repurchase agreement transactions, the respective (sub-)fund retains 100% of the gross revenues, less the transaction costs that the (sub-)fund pays as direct costs to an external service provider.		
	The Management Company is a related part	ty to DWS Investment GmbH.	
	transactions, and not other (reverse) repurc actions will be used, the Sales Prospectus w generated from (reverse) repurchase agreer of the gross revenues generated from such t its own coordination and oversight tasks an service providers. The remaining amount (a:	e agreement transactions, these are currently hase agreement transactions. In case other (r vill be updated accordingly. The (sub-)fund wiment transactions as costs/fees to the Manag transactions. Out of the maximum of 33%, the d will pay the direct costs (e.g., transaction are fter deduction of the Management Company. Management Company in initiating, preparing	everse) repurchase agreement trans- II then pay up to 33% of the gross revenues ement Company and retain at least 67% & Management Company will retain 5% for nd collateral management costs) to external costs and the direct costs) will be paid to
	9. Income for the fund from reinvestm	nent of cash collateral, based on all SF	Ts and total return swaps
Absolute			-

otal	4 420.24		
nare	0.00		
	44 7 40: 4 4 11057		
	11. Top 10 issuers, based on all SFTs ar	nd total return swaps	
. Name	Kirby Corp.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	422.08		
. Name	ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Amsterdam		
olume of collateral received absolute)	418.73		
. Name	Heijmans N.V.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	418.69		
. Name	Hitachi Construction Machinery Co. Ltd.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	417.79		
. Name	GAP Inc.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	417.31		
. Name	Van Lanschot Kempen N.V.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	416.59		
. Name	Masimo Corporation		
olume of collateral received absolute)	413.51		
. Name	Tripadvisor Inc.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	402.33		
. Name	Harley-Davidson Inc.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	384.83		
O. Name	Autoliv Inc.		
olume of collateral received absolute)	362.74		
	12. Reinvested collateral in % of collateral	taral received, based on all SET	Te and total return ewane
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	13. Custody type of provided collatera (In % of all provided collateral from SFT	•	
Segregated cash/custody accounts	-		-
Pooled cash/custody accounts	-		-
Other cash/custody accounts	-		-
Recipient determines custody type	-		-
	14. Depositaries/Account holders of re	eceived collateral from SFTs and total	return swaps
Total number of depositaries/ account holders	1	-	-
1. Name	State Street Bank International GmbH (Custody Operations)		
Amount held in custody (absolute)	4 674.88		

<sup>\*</sup> Any deviations from the corresponding information in the detailed statement of income and expenses are based on effects due to income adjustment.

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

	Securities lending	Repurchase agreements	Total return swaps
Stated in fund currency			
	1. Assets used		
Absolute	589 650.00	-	-
In % of the fund's net assets	0.03	-	-
	2. Top 10 counterparties		
1. Name	Barclays Bank Ireland PLC, Dublin		
Gross volume of open transactions	589 650.00		
Country of registration	Ireland		
2. Name			
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
3. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
4.11			
4. Name Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
5. Name			
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
6. Name			
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7. Name			
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9. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
10. Name			
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
	3. Type(s) of settlement and clearing		
(e.g., bilateral, tri-party, central counterparty)	bilateral	-	-
	4. Transactions classified by term to r	maturity (absolute amounts)	
Less than 1 day	-	-	-
1 day to 1 week	-	-	-
1 week to 1 month	-	-	-
1 to 3 months	-	-	-
3 months to 1 year	-	-	-
More than 1 year	-	-	-
No fixed maturity	589 650.00	-	-
	5. Type(s) and quality/qualities of coll	lateral received	
	Type(s):		
Bank balances	-	-	-
Bonds	326 179.29	-	-
Equities	306 900.88	-	-
Other	-	-	-
	Quality/Qualities:		
		everse repurchase agreements or transactions teral in one of the following forms is provided	
	of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first	nk deposits, money market instruments accord t-demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra o member country or its local authorities or by dless of their term to maturity;	ted credit institutions not affiliated with the
	- Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;	ng investing in money market instruments tha	t calculates a net asset value daily and has a
	- Units of a UCITS that invests predominant	tly in the bonds and equities listed under the n	ext two indents;
	- Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity	y, that have a minimum rating of low investme	nt-grade;
	- Equities admitted to or traded in a regulat member country, provided that these equi	ed market in a member state of the European ities are included in a major index.	Union or on an exchange in an OECD
		yht to restrict the permissibility of the aforemenserves the right to deviate from the aforemen	
	Additional information on collateral require	ments can be found in the sales prospectus fo	r the fund/sub-fund.

Currency/Currencies:   EUR; CHF; DKK; GBP   -	
Less than 1 day	
1 day to 1 week	
1 week to 1 month	
1 to 3 months	
More than 1 year	
No fixed maturity	
No fixed maturity   633 080.17   -	
8. Income and cost portions (before income adjustment) *  Income portion of the fund  Absolute	-
Absolute 46 923.37 - In % of gross income 67.00 - Cost portion of the fund  Income portion of the Management Company  Absolute 23 111.47 - In % of gross income 33.00 - Cost portion of the Management Company  Income portion of the Management Company  Income portion of the Management Company  In % of gross income 33.00 - Income portion of the Management Company	
Absolute	- - -
In % of gross income  Cost portion of the fund  Income portion of the Management Company  Absolute  In % of gross income  Cost portion of the Management Company  In % of gross income  Cost portion of the Management Company  Income portion of third parties	- - -
Cost portion of the fund  Income portion of the Management Company  Absolute  23111.47  In % of gross income  Cost portion of the Management Company  Income portion of the Management Company  Income portion of third parties	-
Income portion of the Management Company  Absolute 23 111.47 -  In % of gross income 33.00 -  Cost portion of the Management Company  Income portion of third parties	-
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In % of gross income  Cost portion of the Management Company  Income portion of third parties	
Cost portion of the Management Company  Income portion of third parties	
Management Company  Income portion of third parties	
	-
Absolute	
	-
In % of gross income	-
Cost portion of third parties	
If the (sub-)fund has carried out securities lending and borrowing, the (sub-)fund pays 33% of the gross revenues generated fro securities lending and borrowing as costs/fees to the Management Company and retains 67% of the gross revenues generated such transactions. Out of the 33%, the Management Company retains 5% for its own coordination and oversight tasks and pays the direct costs (e.g., transaction and collateral management costs) to external service providers. The remaining amount (after duction of the Management Company costs and the direct costs) is paid to DWS Investment GmbH for supporting the Manager Company in initiating, preparing and implementing securities lending and borrowing.  For simple reverse repurchase agreement transactions (if permitted), i.e., those which are not used to reinvest cash collateral received under securities lending and borrowing or repurchase agreement transactions, the respective (sub-)fund retains 100% the gross revenues, less the transaction costs that the (sub-)fund pays as direct costs to an external service provider.  The Management Company is a related party to DWS Investment GmbH.  If the (sub-)fund has entered into repurchase agreement transactions, these are currently simple reverse repurchase agreement transactions, and not other (reverse) repurchase agreement transactions. In case other (reverse) repurchase agreement transactions will be used, the Sales Prospectus will be updated accordingly. The (sub-)fund will then pay up to 33% of the gross revenues generated from (reverse) repurchase agreement transactions ac ossts/fees to the Management Company and retain at least 67 of the gross revenues generated from such transactions. Out of the maximum of 33%, the Management Company will retain 59 its own coordination and oversight tasks and will pay the direct costs (e.g., transaction and collateral management costs) to exervice providers. The remaining amount (after deduction of the Management Company costs and the direct costs) will be paid.	of mues % for ernal to
9. Income for the fund from reinvestment of cash collateral, based on all SFTs and total return swaps  Absolute	

	500.050.00	
Total	589 650.00	
Share	0.03	
	11. Top 10 issuers, based on all SFTs a	nd total return swaps
. Name	Van Lanschot Kempen N.V.	
olume of collateral received absolute)	56 590.50	
2. Name	Reply S.p.A.	
olume of collateral received absolute)	56 528.53	
3. Name	ISS AS	
olume of collateral received absolute)	56 313.91	
. Name	Banque Nationale Belgique S.A.	
olume of collateral received absolute)	56 166.10	
. Name	Tecan AG	
olume of collateral received absolute)	56 133.52	
5. Name	Deutsche Bahn Finance GmbH	
olume of collateral received absolute)	56 022.93	
'. Name	Mercedes-Benz International Finance B.V.	
olume of collateral received absolute)	55 809.48	
. Name	Nordrhein-Westfalen, Land	
olume of collateral received absolute)	55 587.42	
). Name	Orange S.A.	
olume of collateral received absolute)	53 645.72	
0. Name	Engie S.A.	
olume of collateral received absolute)	51 624.20	

	13. Custody type of provided collatera (In % of all provided collateral from SFT		
Segregated cash/custody accounts	-		-
Pooled cash/custody accounts	-		-
Other cash/custody accounts	-		-
Recipient determines custody type			-
	14. Depositaries/Account holders of r	eceived collateral from SFTs and tota	return swaps
Total number of depositaries/ account holders	1	-	-
			I
1. Name	State Street Bank Luxembourg S.C.A.		
Amount held in custody (absolute)	633 080.17		

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Any deviations from the corresponding information in the detailed statement of income and expenses are based on effects due to income adjustment.

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	Securities lending	Repurchase agreements	Total return swaps
Stated in fund currency			
	1. Assets used		
Absolute		-	-
In % of the fund's net assets			-
	2. Top 10 counterparties		
1. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
2. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
3. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
4. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
, ,			
5. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
6. Name		1	
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
7. Name			
Gross volume			
of open transactions			
Country of registration			
Q. Nome		1	
8. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			

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Name			
ross volume open transactions			
ountry of registration			
. Name			
oss volume open transactions			
untry of registration			
	3. Type(s) of settlement and cleari	ng	
ı., bilateral, tri-party, tral counterparty)		-	-
	4. Transactions classified by term	to maturity (absolute amounts)	
ss than 1 day			-
y to 1 week			-
ek to 1 month			-
months			-
ıs to 1 year			-
nn 1 year			-
maturity			-
	5 T ()		
	5. Type(s) and quality/qualities of	collateral received	
alances	Type(s):		
ances			-
			-
	Out like (Out liking)		
	Quality/Qualities:		
		s, reverse repurchase agreements or transaction ollateral in one of the following forms is provided	
	of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and counterparty, or bonds issued by an Of	bank deposits, money market instruments accord first-demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra ECD member country or its local authorities or by gardless of their term to maturity;	ated credit institutions not affiliated with the
	- Units of a collective investment undert rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;	aking investing in money market instruments tha	t calculates a net asset value daily and has a
	- Units of a UCITS that invests predomin	nantly in the bonds and equities listed under the r	next two indents;
	- Bonds, regardless of their term to mat	urity, that have a minimum rating of low investme	ent-grade;
	- Equities admitted to or traded in a reg member country, provided that these	ulated market in a member state of the European equities are included in a major index.	Union or on an exchange in an OECD
		e right to restrict the permissibility of the aforem y reserves the right to deviate from the aforemer	
	Additional information on collateral requ	uirements can be found in the sales prospectus fo	or the fund/sub-fund.

	6. Currency/Currencies of collateral r	eceived			
Currency/Currencies:	-	-	-		
Loss than 1 day	7. Collateral classified by term to mate	urity (absolute amounts)			
Less than 1 day	-	-	-		
1 day to 1 week	-	-	-		
1 week to 1 month	-	-	-		
1 to 3 months	-	-	-		
3 months to 1 year	-	-	-		
More than 1 year	-	-	-		
No fixed maturity	-	-	-		
	8. Income and cost portions (before in	ncome adjustment) *			
	Income portion of the fund				
Absolute	23 463.16	-	-		
In % of gross income	67.00	-	-		
Cost portion of the fund	-	-	-		
	Income montion of the Management				
Absolute	Income portion of the Management (	Company			
	33.00				
In % of gross income  Cost portion of the	33.00	_			
Management Company	-	-	-		
	Income portion of third parties				
Absolute	-	-	-		
In % of gross income	-	-	-		
Cost portion of third parties	-	-	-		
	securities lending and borrowing as costs/f such transactions. Out of the 33%, the Man: the direct costs (e.g., transaction and collat duction of the Management Company costs Company in initiating, preparing and implent For simple reverse repurchase agreement treceived under securities lending and borrothe gross revenues, less the transaction cost The Management Company is a related part If the (sub-)fund has entered into repurchast transactions, and not other (reverse) repurcactions will be used, the Sales Prospectus will be used, the Sales Prospectus will generated from (reverse) repurchase agreer	ansactions (if permitted), i.e., those which are wing or repurchase agreement transactions, that that the (sub-)fund pays as direct costs to a cry to DWS Investment GmbH.  The agreement transactions, these are currently hase agreement transactions. In case other (revilled be updated accordingly. The (sub-)fund with ment transactions as costs/fees to the Manag	67% of the gross revenues generated from redination and oversight tasks and pays roviders. The remaining amount (after detent GmbH for supporting the Management enot used to reinvest cash collateral the respective (sub-)fund retains 100% of an external service provider.  simple reverse repurchase agreement everse) repurchase agreement translithen pay up to 33% of the gross revenues ement Company and retain at least 67%		
Absoluta	of the gross revenues generated from such transactions. Out of the maximum of 33%, the Management Company will retain 5% for its own coordination and oversight tasks and will pay the direct costs (e.g., transaction and collateral management costs) to external service providers. The remaining amount (after deduction of the Management Company costs and the direct costs) will be paid to DWS Investment GmbH for supporting the Management Company in initiating, preparing and implementing (reverse) repurchase agreement transactions.  9. Income for the fund from reinvestment of cash collateral, based on all SFTs and total return swaps				
Absolute			-		

	10. Lent securities in % of all lendabl	e assets of the fund	
Total	-	]	
Share	-		
	11. Top 10 issuers, based on all SFTs a	and total return swaps	
1. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
2. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
3. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
4. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
5. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
6. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
7. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
8. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
9. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
10. Name			
Volume of collateral received (absolute)			
	12 Painvoeted colleteral in 9/ of colle	teral received, based on all SFTs and t	otal return ewane
Share	12. Remivested Consters in % of Cons	iterar received, pased on an SF IS and t	otal return swaps

	13. Custody type of provided collaters (In % of all provided collateral from SF1	•	
Segregated cash/custody accounts	-		-
Pooled cash/custody accounts	-		-
Other cash/custody accounts	-		-
Recipient determines custody type	-		-
	14. Depositaries/Account holders of r	eceived collateral from SFTs and total	return swaps
Total number of depositaries/ account holders	-	-	-
1. Name			
Amount held in custody (absolute)			

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## DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

There were no securities financing transactions according to the above Regulation in the reporting period.

## DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

There were no securities financing transactions according to the above Regulation in the reporting period.

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

	Securities lending	Repurchase agreements	Total return swaps	
Stated in fund currency				
	1. Assets used			
Absolute	29 268 674.51	-	-	
In % of the fund's net assets	12.77	-	-	
	2. Top 10 counterparties			
1. Name	Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt/Main			
Gross volume of open transactions	7 822 593.00			
Country of registration	Federal Republic of Germany			
2. Name	Barclays Bank Ireland PLC, Dublin			
Gross volume of open transactions	5 948 410.00			
Country of registration	Ireland			
3. Name	Société Générale S.A., Paris			
Gross volume of open transactions	5 768 100.00			
Country of registration	France			
4. Name	Zürcher Kantonalbank, Zurich			
Gross volume of open transactions	3 285 473.00			
Country of registration	Switzerland			
5. Name	Morgan Stanley Europe S.E.,			
	Frankfurt/Main			
Gross volume of open transactions	2 348 495.30			
Country of registration	egistration Federal Republic of Germany			
6. Name	BNP Paribas S.A., Paris			
Gross volume of open transactions	1981679.00			
Country of registration	France			
7. Name	Nomura Financial Products Europe GmbH, Frankfurt/Main			
Gross volume of open transactions	1246 375.00			
Country of registration	Federal Republic of Germany			
8. Name	J.P. Morgan AG, Frankfurt/Main			
Gross volume	867 549.21			
of open transactions	Federal Republic of Germany			
Country of registration	i ederal Republic of Germany			

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9. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
10. Name			
Gross volume of open transactions			
Country of registration			
	3. Type(s) of settlement and clearing		
(e.g., bilateral, tri-party, central counterparty)	bilateral	-	
	4. Transactions classified by term to r	naturity (absolute amounts)	
Less than 1 day	-	-	
1 day to 1 week	-		
1 week to 1 month	-	-	
1 to 3 months	-	-	
3 months to 1 year	-	-	
More than 1 year	-	-	
No fixed maturity	29 268 674.51		
ŕ	F. Town (c) and multiply multiple of a st	lateral received	
	5. Type(s) and quality/qualities of coll  Type(s):	a cerai receiveu	
Bank balances	-	-	
Bonds	24 332 491.90	-	
Equities	4 838 487.67	-	
Other	2 432 922.49	-	
	Quality/Qualities:		
	Insofar as securities lending transactions, re	everse repurchase agreements or transactions teral in one of the following forms is provided	
	of March 19, 2007, letters of credit and first	k deposits, money market instruments accord t-demand guarantees that are issued by top-ra member country or its local authorities or by fless of their term to maturity;	ted credit institutions not affiliated with the
	Units of a collective investment undertakin rating of AAA or an equivalent rating;	ng investing in money market instruments tha	t calculates a net asset value daily and has
	– Units of a UCITS that invests predominant	ly in the bonds and equities listed under the n	ext two indents;
	- Bonds, regardless of their term to maturity	y, that have a minimum rating of low investme	nt-grade;
	- Equities admitted to or traded in a regulat- member country, provided that these equi	ed market in a member state of the European ties are included in a major index.	Union or on an exchange in an OECD
		ht to restrict the permissibility of the aforeme serves the right to deviate from the aforemen	
	Additional information on collateral requirer	ments can be found in the sales prospectus fo	r the fund/sub-fund.

	o. Currency/Currencies of conateral r	CCCIVCU	
Currency/Currencies:	EUR; AUD; DKK; JPY; USD	-	-
	7. Collateral classified by term to mate	urity (absolute amounts)	
Less than 1 day		-	-
1 day to 1 week	-	-	-
1 week to 1 month	-	-	-
1 to 3 months	-	-	-
3 months to 1 year	-	-	-
More than 1 year	-	-	-
No fixed maturity	31 603 902.06	-	-
	8. Income and cost portions (before in	ncome adjustment) *	
	Income portion of the fund		
Absolute	111 138.63	-	-
In % of gross income	67.00	-	-
Cost portion of the fund	-	-	-
	Income portion of the Management (	^omnany	
Absolute	54 739.09	-	
In % of gross income	33.00	-	_
Cost portion of the Management Company	-	-	-
	Income portion of third parties		
Absolute		-	-
In % of gross income	-	-	-
Cost portion of third parties	-	-	-
	securities lending and borrowing as costs/f such transactions. Out of the 33%, the Mant the direct costs (e.g., transaction and collat duction of the Management Company costs Company in initiating, preparing and implent For simple reverse repurchase agreement traceived under securities lending and borrough the gross revenues, less the transaction cost The Management Company is a related part If the (sub-)fund has entered into repurchase transactions, and not other (reverse) repurcactions will be used, the Sales Prospectus with generated from (reverse) repurchase agreer of the gross revenues generated from such its own coordination and oversight tasks an service providers. The remaining amount (a	ansactions (if permitted), i.e., those which ar wing or repurchase agreement transactions, ts that the (sub-)fund pays as direct costs to a	67% of the gross revenues generated from redination and oversight tasks and pays roviders. The remaining amount (after detent GmbH for supporting the Management and the respective (sub-)fund retains 100% of an external service provider.  The simple reverse repurchase agreement the respective (sub-)fund retains 100% of an external service provider.  The simple reverse repurchase agreement trans-ll then pay up to 33% of the gross revenues ement Company and retain at least 67% and collateral management costs) to external costs and the direct costs) will be paid to
Absolute	9. Income for the fund from reinvestm	nent of cash collateral, based on all SF	Ts and total return swaps

6. Currency/Currencies of collateral received

Total	29 268 674.51		
hare	13.20		
	11. Top 10 issuers, based on all SFTs ar	nd total return swaps	
. Name	North Rhine - Westphalia, state		
olume of collateral received absolute)	4 774 493.70		
. Name	ÖBB-Infrastruktur AG		
olume of collateral received absolute)	3 555 900.04		
. Name	International Development Association		
olume of collateral received absolute)	2 707 755.35		
. Name	French Republic		
olume of collateral received absolute)	2 660 230.64		
. Name	Federal Republic of Germany		
olume of collateral received absolute)	1014 966.45		
. Name	International Bank for Reconstruction and Developm		
olume of collateral received absolute)	885 884.18		
Name	European Financial Stability Facility (EFSF)		
olume of collateral received absolute)	854 823.06		
. Name	European Union		
olume of collateral received absolute)	798 509.06		
. Name	Belgium, Kingdom of		
olume of collateral received absolute)	794 428.84		
0. Name	Spain, Kingdom of		
olume of collateral received absolute)	587 650.09		
	12. Reinvested collateral in % of collat		

	13. Custody type of provided collatera (In % of all provided collateral from SFT	•	
Segregated cash/custody accounts	-		-
Pooled cash/custody accounts	-		-
Other cash/custody accounts	-		-
Recipient determines custody type	-		-
	14. Depositaries/Account holders of r	eceived collateral from SFTs and total	return swaps
Total number of depositaries/ account holders	1	-	-
1. Name	State Street Bank Luxembourg S.C.A.		
Amount held in custody (absolute)	31 603 902.06		

<sup>\*</sup> Any deviations from the corresponding information in the detailed statement of income and expenses are based on effects due to income adjustment.

#### **DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio**

Information pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2015/2365 on transparency of securities financing transactions (SFTs) and of reuse and amending Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012 – Statement in accordance with Section A

There were no securities financing transactions according to the above Regulation in the reporting period.

#### Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

Product name: DWS Funds Global Protect 80

Legal entity identifier: 549300775WX7Y2Y4IV84

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?

**ISIN:** LU0188157704

#### Environmental and/or social characteristics

Yes X No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a The **EU Taxonomy** is a proportion of 10.6 % of sustainable investments. in economic activities that qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as sovereign matters through the avoidance of (1) issuers exposed to excessive climate and transition risks, (2) issuers exposed to highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties, (4) issuers moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) issuers involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

#### How did the sustainability indicators perform?

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

DWS Funds Global Protect 80		
Indicators	Description	Performance
Sustainability indicators		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A		4.35 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B		1.52 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C		88.38 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D		5.2 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E		0.42 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F		0 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment A		90.76 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment B		2.01 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment C		1.67 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment D		4.12 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment E		1.01 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment F		0.31 % of assets
Norm Assessment A		2.2 % of assets
Norm Assessment B		4.05 % of assets
Norm Assessment C		88.17 % of assets
Norm Assessment D		5.46 % of assets
Norm Assessment E		0 % of assets
Norm Assessment F		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment C		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial sectors		O W of accets
Civil firearms C		0 % of assets
Civil firearms D Civil firearms E		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Civil firearms F		0 % of assets
Coal C		0 % of assets
Coal D		0 % of assets
Coal E		0 % of assets
Coal F		0 % of assets
Military Defense C		0 % of assets
Military Defense D		0 % of assets
Military Defense E		0 % of assets
Military Defense F		0 % of assets
Oil sands C		0 % of assets
Oil sands D		0 % of assets
Oil sands E		0 % of assets
Oil sands F		0 % of assets
Tobacco C		0 % of assets
Tobacco D		0 % of assets
Tobacco E		0 % of assets
Tobacco F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial weapons		
Anti-personnel mines D		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines E		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines F		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions D		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions E		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions F		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons D		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons E		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons F		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons D		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons E		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons F		0 % of assets
Dringing Advance Inches		

Principal Adverse Impact

Indicators	Description	Performance
PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR	The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its enterprise value including cash (EVIC)	302.55
PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity	Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3	785.39
PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	6.02 %
PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.04 % of assets
PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0 % of assets

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

#### DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>8</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transition Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87,5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75-87.5 score)
С	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose <sup>2</sup>	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25–50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

- Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available. Thresholds can be individually set.
- Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones. Owning more than 20% equity.

Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F.

Single purpose key component.

- Includes ILO controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.
- In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards observed via data from ESG data vendors - such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors identified, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.

  (8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed violation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Goal 1: No poverty
- Goal 2: Zero hunger
- · Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- · Goal 4: Quality education
- · Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

The sub-fund management considered the following principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises (no. 10); and
- Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14).

The above principal adverse impacts were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the sub-fund's assets that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics via the proprietary ESG assessment methodology as detailed in section "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were further considered in the DNSH assessment as described above in section "How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery

matters.



Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
DWS Institutional Pension Floating Yield IC	Bonds funds	13.6 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Vario Yield	Bonds funds	13.4 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield	Bonds funds	13.1 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	12.7 %	Luxembourg
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund	Money market funds	7.2 %	Luxembourg
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC	Money market funds	4.4 %	Luxembourg
Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	4.0 %	United States
Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	2.2 %	Ireland
DWS ESG Akkumula ID	Equity funds	1.8 %	Germany
Xtrackers S&P 500 Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	1.8 %	United States
DWS Vermögensbildungsfonds I ID	Equity funds	1.6 %	Germany
DWS Global Value ID	Equity funds	1.3 %	Luxembourg
Threadneedle (Lux) - Global Focus AU EUR	Equity funds	1.2 %	Luxembourg
DWS US Growth	Equity funds	1.1 %	United States
RBC Funds (Lux)- Global Equ. Focus Fund O USD Acc.	Equity funds	1.0 %	Luxembourg

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

# Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

#### What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 100% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category,10.6% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

0% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume	
Bond funds	51.6 %	
Other funds	31.7 %	
Equity funds	9.9 %	
Index funds	6.6 %	
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	6.0 %	

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To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental
objective.

rules.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

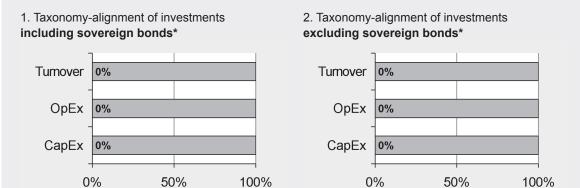
In nuclear energy

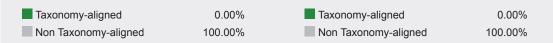
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<sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.





<sup>\*</sup>For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore, the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments' underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 10.6% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 10.6% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a multi-asset strategy as the principal investment strategy, which was mapped by means of a dynamic hedging strategy. Depending on the market situation and the assessment of the fund management, the investments were switched between higher-risk investments (growth component) and lower-risk investments (capital preservation component). Higher-risk investments were, for example, equities, equity funds, higher-risk bonds and higher-risk bond funds. Lower-risk investments were, for example, bond/money market funds or lower-risk bonds. The objective was to ensure a minimum value for the share price while at the same time benefiting to the greatest possible extent from price increases as well as from positive returns in the growth component. The fund's assets could, at the discretion of the fund management, also be fully invested in either the growth component or the capital preservation component. The fund could additionally use derivatives (financial instruments whose value depended on the performance of one or more underlyings, e.g., a security, index or interest rate) in order to protect against extreme losses within a very short period of time.

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

## **ESG** assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and may result might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

## • DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g. in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

## • DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, for example, within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, for example, human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

## • DWS Sovereign Assessment

The DWS Sovereign Assessment evaluated the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

## Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas

and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence and tobacco. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, coal mining and coal-based power generation. Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. As regards the involvement in tobacco and civil firearms, issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment

As regards the involvement in the military defence industry, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation or other controversial sectors and controversial business practices, issuers (excluding target funds) with excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score "F") were excluded as an investment.

## Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons included for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons. Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk and Norm Assessment as outlined above.

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

## Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via,

e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

## Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance

Product name: DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?

Legal entity identifier: 549300XL2FT0E8FSI033

**ISIN:** LU0275643301

## Environmental and/or social characteristics

practices. Yes X No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a The **EU Taxonomy** is a proportion of 12.72 % of sustainable investments. classification system with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the

financial product are

attained.

To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as sovereign matters through the avoidance of (1) issuers exposed to excessive climate and transition risks, (2) issuers exposed to highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties, (4) issuers moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) issuers involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

## How did the sustainability indicators perform?

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie				
Indicators	Description	Performance		
Sustainability indicators				
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A		3.3 % of assets		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B		2.67 % of assets		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C		74.65 % of assets		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D		16.34 % of assets		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E		0 % of assets		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F		0 % of assets		
ESG Quality Assessment A		65.52 % of assets		
ESG Quality Assessment B		3.75 % of assets		
ESG Quality Assessment C		12.2 % of assets		
ESG Quality Assessment D		12.18 % of assets		
ESG Quality Assessment E		3.32 % of assets		
ESG Quality Assessment F		0 % of assets		
Norm Assessment A		6.12 % of assets		
Norm Assessment B		2.86 % of assets		
Norm Assessment C		71.52 % of assets		
Norm Assessment D		16.46 % of assets		
Norm Assessment E		0 % of assets		
Norm Assessment F		0 % of assets		
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A		0 % of assets		
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B		0 % of assets		
Sovereign Freedom Assessment C		0 % of assets		
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D		0 % of assets		
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E		0 % of assets		
Sovereign Freedom Assessment F		0 % of assets		
Involvement in controversial sectors				
Civil firearms C		0 % of assets		
Civil firearms D		0 % of assets		
Civil firearms E		0 % of assets		
Civil firearms F		0 % of assets		
Coal C		0 % of assets		
Coal D		0 % of assets		
Coal E		0 % of assets		
Coal F		0 % of assets		
Military Defense C		0 % of assets		
Military Defense D		0 % of assets		
Military Defense E		0 % of assets		
Military Defense F		0 % of assets		
Oil sands C		0 % of assets		
Oil sands D		0 % of assets		
Oil sands E		0 % of assets		
Oil sands F		0 % of assets		
Tobacco C		0 % of assets		
Tobacco D		0 % of assets		
Tobacco E		0 % of assets		
Tobacco F		0 % of assets		
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Cluster munitions F		0 % of assets		
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Principal Adverse Impact

DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie				
Indicators	Description	Performance		
PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR	The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its enterprise value including cash (EVIC)	331.1		
PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity	Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3	822.36		
PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	5.84 %		
PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.15 % of assets		
PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0 % of assets		

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

## DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>8</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transition Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87.5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75–87.5 score)
С	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose 2	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25-50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

- Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available: Thresholds can be individually set.
- Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones. Owning more than 20% equity.

Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F.

Single purpose key component.

- Includes ILO controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.
- In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards observed via data from ESG data vendors such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors identified, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.

  (8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed violation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Goal 1: No poverty
- Goal 2: Zero hunger
- · Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- · Goal 4: Quality education
- · Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

The sub-fund management considered the following principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises (no. 10); and
- Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14).

The above principal adverse impacts were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the sub-fund's assets that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics via the proprietary ESG assessment methodology as detailed in section "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were further considered in the DNSH assessment as described above in section "How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.



## DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie

Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	8.8 %	United States
DWS Floating Rate Notes IC	Bonds funds	7.0 %	Luxembourg
Deutsche Managed Euro Fund Z-Class	Money market funds	6.0 %	Ireland
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	5.5 %	Luxembourg
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund	Money market funds	5.3 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield	Bonds funds	4.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Floating Yield IC	Bonds funds	4.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Vario Yield	Bonds funds	4.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC	Money market funds	3.3 %	Luxembourg
AXA IM.Eq.AUS E.I.E.QI	Equity funds	2.8 %	Ireland
BNP Paribas Sust.Eur.MF Equity I Acc EUR	Equity funds	2.4 %	Luxembourg
Threadneedle Lux- Global Select 1E EUR ACC	Equity funds	2.4 %	Luxembourg
Threadneedle (Lux) - Global Focus AU EUR	Equity funds	2.3 %	Luxembourg
AXA IM Eq.A.TrGlob.Eq.QI	Equity funds	2.3 %	Ireland
Robeco BP GI Premium Equities I EUR	Equity funds	2.0 %	Luxembourg

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

## Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

## What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 98.85% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category, 12.72% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

1.15% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

DWS Funds Invest VermögensStrategie				
Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume			
Equity funds	31.5 %			
Other funds	27.4 %			
Bond funds	24.5 %			
Index funds	13.3 %			
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	5.8 %			

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To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental

objective.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

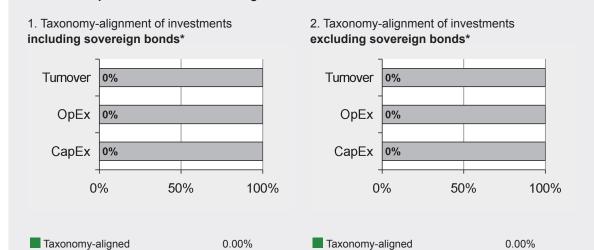
In nuclear energy



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



Non Taxonomy-aligned

100.00%

\*For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

100.00%

Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore, the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments' underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



Non Taxonomy-aligned

What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 12.72% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 12.72% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a multi-asset strategy as the principal investment strategy, which was mapped by means of a dynamic hedging strategy. Depending on the market situation and the assessment of the fund management, the investments were switched between higher-risk investments (growth component) and lower-risk investments (capital preservation component). Higher-risk investments were, for example, equities, equity funds, higher-risk bonds and higher-risk bond funds. Lower-risk investments were, for example, bond/money market funds or lower-risk bonds. The objective was to ensure a minimum value for the share price while at the same time benefiting to the greatest possible extent from price increases as well as from positive returns in the growth component. The fund's assets could, at the discretion of the fund management, also be fully invested in either the growth component or the capital preservation component. The fund could additionally use derivatives (financial instruments whose value depends on the performance of one or more underlyings, e.g., a security, index or interest rate) in order to protect against extreme losses within a very short period of time.

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

## **ESG** assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and may result might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

## DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g. in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

## DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, for example, within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, for example, human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

## • DWS Sovereign Assessment

The DWS Sovereign Assessment evaluated the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

## Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas

and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence and tobacco. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, coal mining and coal-based power generation. Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. As regards the involvement in tobacco and civil firearms, issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

As regards the involvement in the military defence industry, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation or other controversial sectors and controversial business practices, issuers (excluding target funds) with excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score "F") were excluded as an investment.

## Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons included for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons. Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk and Norm Assessment as outlined above.

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

## Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via,

e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

## Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance

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Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?

**ISIN:** LU0313399957

## Environmental and/or social characteristics

practices. Yes X No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 12.75 % of sustainable investments. with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as sovereign matters through the avoidance of (1) issuers exposed to excessive climate and transition risks, (2) issuers exposed to highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties, (4) issuers moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) issuers involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

## How did the sustainability indicators perform?

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie		
Indicators	Description	Performance
Sustainability indicators		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A		10.22 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B		3.51 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C		64.47 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D		13.47 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E		1.28 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F		0 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment A		68.2 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment B		5.87 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment C ESG Quality Assessment D		4.22 % of assets 10.89 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment E		2.87 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment F		0.91 % of assets
Norm Assessment A		7.72 % of assets
Norm Assessment B		9.28 % of assets
Norm Assessment C		61.78 % of assets
Norm Assessment D		14.17 % of assets
Norm Assessment E		0 % of assets
Norm Assessment F		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B Sovereign Freedom Assessment C		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial sectors		
Civil firearms C		0 % of assets
Civil firearms D		0 % of assets
Civil firearms E		0 % of assets
Civil firearms F		0 % of assets
Coal C		0 % of assets
Coal D		0 % of assets
Coal E		0 % of assets
Coal F Military Defense C		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Military Defense D		0 % of assets
Military Defense E		0 % of assets
Military Defense F		0 % of assets
Oil sands C		0 % of assets
Oil sands D		0 % of assets
Oil sands E		0 % of assets
Oil sands F		0 % of assets
Tobacco C		0 % of assets
Tobacco D Tobacco E		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Tobacco F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial weapons		0 70 01 00000
Anti-personnel mines D		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines E		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines F		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions D		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions E		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions F		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons D		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons E Depleted uranium weapons F		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons D		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons E		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons F		0 % of assets
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Principal Adverse Impact

#### DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie Description Performance Indicators The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR 300.25 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its enterprise value including cash (EVIC) PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3 796.03 PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel Share of investments in companies active in the fossil 5.21 % sector fuel sector PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Share of investments in investee companies that 0.11 % of assets Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons Share of investments in investee companies involved 0 % of assets in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical

weapons and biological weapons)

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

## DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>8</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transition Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87,5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75-87.5 score)
С	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose <sup>2</sup>	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25–50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

- Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available: Thresholds can be individually set.
- Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones. Owning more than 20% equity.
- Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F
- Single purpose key component.
- Includes ILO controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.
- In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards observed via data from ESG data vendors - such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors identified, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.

  (8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed violation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Goal 1: No poverty
- Goal 2: Zero hunger
- Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- · Goal 4: Quality education
- · Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

The sub-fund management considered the following principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises (no. 10); and
- Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14).

The above principal adverse impacts were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the sub-fund's assets that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics via the proprietary ESG assessment methodology as detailed in section "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were further considered in the DNSH assessment as described above in section "How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.



## DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie

Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	7.2 %	United States
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	6.8 %	Luxembourg
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund	Money market funds	6.8 %	Luxembourg
Deutsche Managed Euro Fund Z-Class	Money market funds	6.0 %	Ireland
Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	5.8 %	Ireland
DWS Floating Rate Notes IC	Bonds funds	4.4 %	Luxembourg
Xtrackers II EUR Overnight Rate Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	4.2 %	Luxembourg
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC	Money market funds	3.5 %	Luxembourg
DWS ESG Akkumula ID	Equity funds	3.1 %	Germany
DWS Institutional Pension Floating Yield IC	Bonds funds	2.9 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield	Bonds funds	2.9 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Vario Yield	Bonds funds	2.9 %	Luxembourg
DWS Vermögensbildungsfonds I ID	Equity funds	2.7 %	Germany
DWS Global Value ID	Equity funds	2.2 %	Luxembourg
Threadneedle (Lux) - Global Focus AU EUR	Equity funds	2.1 %	Luxembourg

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

## Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

## What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 98.86% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category, 12.75% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

1.14% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

DWS Funds Invest ZukunftsStrategie		
Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume	
Other funds	31.8 %	
Equity funds	28.5 %	
Index funds	20.5 %	
Bond funds	16.7 %	
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	5.2 %	

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To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental
objective.

rules.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

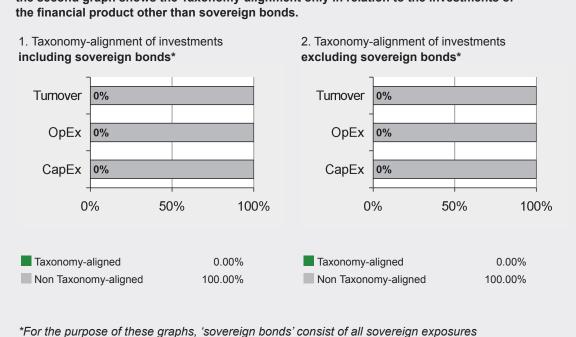
In nuclear energy



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore, the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments' underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 12.75% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 12.75% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a multi-asset strategy as the principal investment strategy, which was mapped by means of a dynamic hedging strategy. Depending on the market situation and the assessment of the fund management, the investments were switched between higher-risk investments (growth component) and lower-risk investments (capital preservation component). Higher-risk investments were, for example, equities, equity funds, higher-risk bonds and higher-risk bond funds. Lower-risk investments were, for example, bond/money market funds or lower-risk bonds. The objective was to ensure a minimum value for the share price while at the same time benefiting to the greatest possible extent from price increases as well as from positive returns in the growth component. The fund's assets could, at the discretion of the fund management, also be fully invested in either the growth component or the capital preservation component. The fund could additionally use derivatives (financial instruments whose value depends on the performance of one or more underlyings, e.g., a security, index or interest rate) in order to protect against extreme losses within a very short period of time.

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

#### **ESG** assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and may result might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

## • DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g. in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

## DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, for example, within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, for example, human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

## DWS Sovereign Assessment

The DWS Sovereign Assessment evaluated the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

## • Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence and tobacco. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, coal mining and coal-based power generation. Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. As regards the involvement in tobacco and civil firearms, issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

As regards the involvement in the military defence industry, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation or other controversial sectors and controversial business practices, issuers (excluding target funds) with excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score "F") were excluded as an investment.

## · Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons included for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons. Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk and Norm Assessment as outlined above.

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

## Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via, e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

# Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

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Legal entity identifier: 254900T8TIGRDJAV2I29

ISIN: LU2334589889

## **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? Yes X No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 16.63 % of sustainable investments. with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as general ESG quality through the avoidance of issuers (1) exposed to high or excessive climate and transition risks, (2) exposed to high or highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) exposed to high or excessive environmental, social and governance risks compared to their peer group, (4) moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant				
ndicators Description	Performance			
Sustainability indicators				
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A	0 % of assets			
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B	5.09 % of assets			
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C	78.6 % of assets			
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D	12.73 % of assets			
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E	1.42 % of assets			
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F	0 % of assets			
ESG Quality Assessment A	73.04 % of assets			
ESG Quality Assessment B	9.75 % of assets			
ESG Quality Assessment C	11.05 % of assets			
ESG Quality Assessment D ESG Quality Assessment E	3.99 % of assets 0 % of assets			
ESG Quality Assessment F	0 % of assets			
Norm Assessment A	12.17 % of assets			
Norm Assessment B	5.78 % of assets			
Norm Assessment C	64.68 % of assets			
Norm Assessment D	13.79 % of assets			
Norm Assessment E	1.41 % of assets			
Norm Assessment F	0 % of assets			
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A	0 % of assets			
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B	0 % of assets			
Sovereign Freedom Assessment C	0 % of assets			
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D	0 % of assets			
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E	0 % of assets			
Sovereign Freedom Assessment F Involvement in controversial sectors	0 % of assets			
Adult entertainment C	0.13 % of assets			
Adult entertainment D	0.13 % of assets			
Adult entertainment E	0 % of assets			
Adult entertainment F	0 % of assets			
Civil firearms C	0 % of assets			
Civil firearms D	0 % of assets			
Civil firearms E	0 % of assets			
Civil firearms F	0 % of assets			
Coal C	2.07 % of assets			
Coal D	0.36 % of assets			
Coal E	0 % of assets			
Coal F	0 % of assets			
Gambling C Gambling D	2.37 % of assets 0 % of assets			
Gambling E	0 % of assets			
Gambling F	0 % of assets			
Military Defense C	2.64 % of assets			
Military Defense D	0 % of assets			
Military Defense E	0 % of assets			
Military Defense F	0 % of assets			
Nuclear power C	1.17 % of assets			
Nuclear power D	0 % of assets			
Nuclear power E	0 % of assets			
Nuclear power F	0 % of assets			
Oil sands C	0.71 % of assets			
Oil sands D	0 % of assets			
Oil sands E Oil sands F	0 % of assets			
Tobacco C	0 % of assets 0 % of assets			
Tobacco D	0 % of assets			
Tobacco E	0 % of assets			
Tobacco F	0 % of assets			
nvolvement in controversial weapons				
Anti-personnel mines D	0 % of assets			
Anti-personnel mines E	0 % of assets			
Anti-personnel mines F	0 % of assets			
Cluster munitions D	0 % of assets			

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Indicators	Description	Performance
Cluster munitions E		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions F		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons D		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons E		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons F		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons D		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons E		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons F		0 % of assets
Principal Adverse Impact		
PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR	The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its	297.36
	enterprise value including cash (EVIC)	
PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity	Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3	690.31
PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	7.9 %
PAII - 08. Emissions to water	Waste water discharged (metric tons) into surface waters as a result of industrial or manufacturing activities.	29.02
PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0 % of assets
PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0 % of assets

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

## DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>6</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transitio Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87,5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75–87.5 score)
С	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose 2	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25–50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available: Thresholds can be individually set.

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Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones
Owning more than 20% equity.

Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F.

Single purpose key component.

Includes ILO controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.

In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards – observed via data from ESG data vendors – such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors interfield, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the insurer to expected. as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.

(8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed violation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Goal 1: No poverty
- · Goal 2: Zero hunger
- Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- · Goal 4: Quality education
- · Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

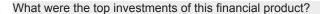
The sub-fund management considered the following principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Emissions to water (no. 8);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises (no. 10); and
- Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14).

The above principal adverse impacts were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the sub-fund's assets that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics via the proprietary ESG assessment methodology as detailed in section "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were further considered in the DNSH assessment as described above in section "How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.





# DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant

Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
DWS Institutional Pension Floating Yield IC	Bonds funds	6.7 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Vario Yield	Bonds funds	6.7 %	Luxembourg
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund	Money market funds	6.3 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield	Bonds funds	6.3 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	6.2 %	Luxembourg
DWS Floating Rate Notes IC	Bonds funds	6.1 %	Luxembourg
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC	Money market funds	6.1 %	Luxembourg
DWS Euro Ultra Short Fixed Income Fund NC	Bonds funds	5.9 %	Eurozone
PepsiCo	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	0.8 %	United States
Motorola Solutions	Telecommunications	0.8 %	United States
Verizon Communications	Telecommunications	0.8 %	United States
The Procter & Gamble	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	0.8 %	United States
Merck & Co.	Health Care	0.8 %	United States
Roche Holding Profitsh.	Health Care	0.7 %	Switzerland
Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp.	Telecommunications	0.7 %	Japan

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

# Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

#### What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 97.83% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category,16.63% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

2.17% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

DWS Funds NachhaltigGarant	
Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume
Bond funds	31.2 %
Other funds	18.7 %
Health Care	9.8 %
Consumer Staples	6.9 %
Telecommunication Services	6.6 %
Industrials	5.3 %
Financials	4.9 %
Information Technology	4.6 %
Consumer Discretionary	3.3 %
Utilities	3.0 %
Materials	1.6 %
Not classified	1.4 %
Energy	0.3 %
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	7.9 %

As of: December 31, 2022



To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental

objective.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

In nuclear energy

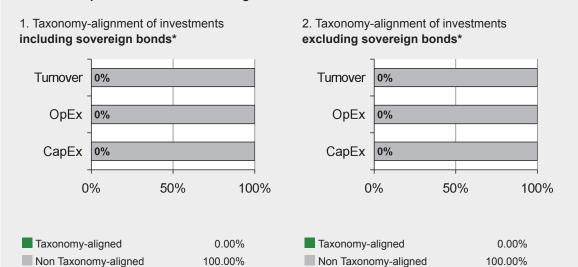


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of

investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore,

the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments'

\*For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 16.63% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 16.63% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a multi-asset strategy as the principal investment strategy, which was mapped by means of a dynamic hedging strategy. Depending on the market situation and the assessment of the fund management, the investments were switched between higher-risk investments (growth component) and lower-risk investments (capital preservation component). Higher-risk investments were, for example, equities, equity funds, higher-risk bonds and higher-risk bond funds. Lower-risk investments were, for example, bond/money market funds or lower-risk bonds. The objective was to ensure a minimum value for the share price while at the same time benefiting to the greatest possible extent from price increases as well as from positive returns in the growth component. The fund's assets could, at the discretion of the fund management, also be fully invested in either the growth component or the capital preservation component. The fund could additionally use derivatives (financial instruments whose value depends on the performance of one or more underlyings, e.g., a security, index or interest rate) in order to protect against extreme losses within a very short period of time.

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

#### **ESG** assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

# DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g., in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e., a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment. Issuers with high climate risk profile (i.e., a letter score of "E") were limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, e.g., within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, e.g., human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts, and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e., a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment. Issuers with high severity of norm issues (i.e., a letter score of "E") were limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

# DWS ESG Quality Assessment

The DWS ESG Quality Assessment distinguished between corporate and sovereign issuers. For corporate issuers, the DWS ESG Quality Assessment allowed for a peer group comparison based on cross vendor consensus on overall ESG assessment (best-in-class approach), for example concerning the handling of environmental changes, product safety, employee management or

corporate ethics. The peer group was composed of issuers from the same sector in the same region. Issuers rated better in this peer group comparison received a better score, while issuers rated worse in the comparison received a worse score. Corporate issuers rated poorly compared to their peer group (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

For sovereign issuers, the DWS ESG Quality Assessment evaluated a countries' governance from a holistic perspective taking into account, among other things, the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding governance (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

Further, issuers with a letter score of "D" in the DWS ESG Quality Assessment were limited to 15% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### · Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence, tobacco and adult entertainment. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, nuclear energy or coal mining and coal-based power generation.

Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. Issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

#### · Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons include for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons.

Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk, Norm Assessment and ESG Quality Assessment as outlined above (excluding the assessment of sovereign issuers).

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

### Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or

behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via, e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

# Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

Product name: DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global

Legal entity identifier: 5493003J83M8ZVW2GU08

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# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? Yes  $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{X}}$ No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 21.39 % of sustainable investments. with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as general ESG quality through the avoidance of issuers (1) exposed to high or excessive climate and transition risks, (2) exposed to high or highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) exposed to high or excessive environmental, social and governance risks compared to their peer group, (4) moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

# DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global

Indicators	Description	Performance

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Sustainability indicators	
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A	0 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B	7.93 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C	69.45 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D	19.85 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E	2.21 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F	0 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment A	
ESG Quality Assessment B	60.48 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment C	15.21 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment D	17.54 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment E	6.22 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment F	0 % of assets
Norm Assessment A	0 % of assets
Norm Assessment B	23.58 % of assets
Norm Assessment C	9.02 % of assets
Norm Assessment D	43.07 % of assets
Norm Assessment E	21.58 % of assets
Norm Assessment F	2.2 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A	0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B	0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment C	0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D	0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E	0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment F	0 % of assets

Sovereign Freedom Assessment F	0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial sectors	
Adult entertainment C Adult entertainment D Adult entertainment E Adult entertainment F Civil firearms C	0.21 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Civil firearms C Civil firearms D Civil firearms E Civil firearms F Coal C	0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Coal D Coal E Coal F	3.23 % of assets 0.56 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Gambling C Gambling D Gambling E Gambling F	3.7 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Military Defense C Military Defense D Military Defense E Military Defense F	4.12 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Nuclear power C Nuclear power D Nuclear power E Nuclear power F	1.82 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Oil sands C Oil sands D Oil sands E Oil sands F	1.1 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Tobacco C Tobacco D Tobacco E Tobacco F	0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets 0 % of assets

Indicators Description Performance

#### Involvement in controversial weapons

Anti-personnel mines D 0 % of assets Anti-personnel mines E 0 % of assets Anti-personnel mines F 0 % of assets Cluster munitions D 0 % of assets Cluster munitions E  $0\ \%$  of assets Cluster munitions F 0 % of assets Depleted uranium weapons D 0 % of assets Depleted uranium weapons E 0 % of assets Depleted uranium weapons F 0 % of assets 0 % of assets Nuclear weapons D 0 % of assets Nuclear weapons E 0 % of assets Nuclear weapons F

### **Principal Adverse Impact**

PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR	The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its enterprise value including cash (EVIC)	234.26
PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity	Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3	654.53
PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	9.44 %
PAII - 08. Emissions to water	Waste water discharged (metric tons) into surface waters as a result of industrial or manufacturing activities.	38.65
PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0 % of assets
PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0 % of assets

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

#### DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>8</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transitio Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87,5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75–87.5 score)
C	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose <sup>2</sup>	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25–50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

- Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available: Thresholds can be individually set.

  Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones.

  Owning more than 20% equity.

  Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F.

  Single purpose key component.

  Includes II,O controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.

- (6) Includes II.O confroverses as well as corporate governance and product issues.
   (7) In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards observed via data from ESG data vendors such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors identified, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.
   (8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed volation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- · Goal 1: No poverty
- · Goal 2: Zero hunger
- · Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- Goal 4: Quality education
- Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- · Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

The sub-fund management considered the following principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Emissions to water (no. 8);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises (no. 10); and
- Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14).

The above principal adverse impacts were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the sub-fund's assets that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics via the proprietary ESG assessment methodology as detailed in section "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were further considered in the DNSH assessment as described above in section "How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.



#### What were the top investments of this financial product?

Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
DWS Institutional Pension Floating Yield IC	Bonds funds	4.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Flex Yield	Bonds funds	4.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional Pension Vario Yield	Bonds funds	4.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Vorsorge Geldmarkt LC	Money market funds	3.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	2.2 %	Luxembourg
DWS ESG Euro Money Market Fund	Money market funds	2.2 %	Luxembourg
PepsiCo	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	1.4 %	United States
Verizon Communications	Telecommunications	1.3 %	United States
Motorola Solutions	Telecommunications	1.3 %	United States
Merck & Co.	Health Care	1.3 %	United States
The Procter & Gamble	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	1.3 %	United States
Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp.	Telecommunications	1.2 %	Japan
Roche Holding Profitsh.	Health Care	1.2 %	Switzerland
The Hershey Co.	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	1.2 %	United States
McDonald's Corp.	Travel & Leisure	1.1 %	United States

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

# Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

# What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 99.45% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category, 21.39% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

0.55% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

DWS Funds Invest NachhaltigkeitsStrategie Aktien Global	
Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume
Other funds	11.2 %
Bond funds	9.0 %
Health Care	15.3 %
Consumer Staples	10.7 %
Telecommunication Services	10.3 %
Industrials	8.3 %
Financials	7.8 %
Information Technology	7.2 %
Consumer Discretionary	5.2 %
Utilities	4.6 %
Materials	2.4 %
Not classified	2.2 %
Energy	0.5 %
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	9.4%

As of: December 31, 2022



To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental
objective.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

In nuclear energy

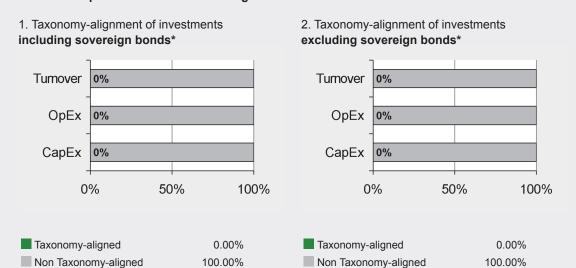


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnove reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditur (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operationa expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of

investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



\*For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore, the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments' underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 21.39% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 21.39% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a multi-asset strategy as the principal investment strategy, which was mapped by means of a dynamic hedging strategy. Depending on the market situation and the assessment of the fund management, the investments were switched between higher-risk investments (growth component) and lower-risk investments (capital preservation component). Higher-risk investments were, for example, equities, equity funds, higher-risk bonds and higher-risk bond funds. Lower-risk investments were, for example, bond/money market funds or lower-risk bonds. The objective was to ensure a minimum value for the share price while at the same time benefiting to the greatest possible extent from price increases as well as from positive returns in the growth component. The fund's assets could, at the discretion of the fund management, also be fully invested in either the growth component or the capital preservation component. The fund could additionally use derivatives (financial instruments whose value depends on the performance of one or more underlyings, e.g., a security, index or interest rate) in order to protect against extreme losses within a very short period of time.

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

#### ESG assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

# • DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g., in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e., a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment. Issuers with high climate risk profile (i.e., a letter score of "E") were limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, e.g., within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, e.g., human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts, and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e., a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment. Issuers with high severity of norm issues (i.e., a letter score of "E") were limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### • DWS ESG Quality Assessment

The DWS ESG Quality Assessment distinguished between corporate and sovereign issuers. For corporate issuers, the DWS ESG Quality Assessment allowed for a peer group comparison based on cross vendor consensus on overall ESG assessment (best-in-class approach), for example concerning the handling of environmental changes, product safety, employee management or corporate ethics. The peer group was composed of issuers from the same sector in the same region. Issuers rated better in this peer group comparison received a better score, while issuers rated worse in the comparison received a worse score. Corporate issuers rated poorly compared to their peer group (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

For sovereign issuers, the DWS ESG Quality Assessment evaluated a countries' governance from a holistic perspective taking into account, among other things, the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding governance (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

Further, issuers with a letter score of "D" in the DWS ESG Quality Assessment were limited to 15% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence, tobacco and adult entertainment. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, nuclear energy or coal mining and coal-based power generation.

Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. Issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

#### Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons include for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons.

Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk, Norm Assessment and ESG Quality Assessment as outlined above (excluding the assessment of sovereign issuers).

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

#### Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or

behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via, e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

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# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? Yes X No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 17.35 % of sustainable investments. with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are

attained.

To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as general ESG quality through the avoidance of issuers (1) exposed to high or excessive climate and transition risks, (2) exposed to high or highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) exposed to high or excessive environmental, social and governance risks compared to their peer group, (4) moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

Indicators	Description	Performance
Sustainability indicators		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A		5.67 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B		6.9 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C		58.04 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D		23.97 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E		3.03 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F		0 % of assets
SG Quality Assessment A		42.64 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment B		20.66 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment C		28.51 % of assets 4.89 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment D ESG Quality Assessment E		0 % of assets
SG Quality Assessment F		0 % of assets
Iorm Assessment A		20.39 % of assets
Iorm Assessment B		12.16 % of assets
Norm Assessment C		20.14 % of assets
Norm Assessment D		16.59 % of assets
Norm Assessment E		2.29 % of assets
Norm Assessment F		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A		5.84 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B		19.24 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment C		1.78 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D		1.42 % of assets 0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E Sovereign Freedom Assessment F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial sectors		0 // 01 d33et3
Adult entertainment C		0 % of assets
Adult entertainment D		0 % of assets
Adult entertainment E		0 % of assets
Adult entertainment F		0 % of assets
Civil firearms C		0 % of assets
Civil firearms D		0 % of assets
Civil firearms E		0 % of assets
Civil firearms F		0 % of assets
Coal C		1.97 % of assets
Coal D		0 % of assets
Coal E Coal F		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Gambling C		1.19 % of assets
Gambling D		0 % of assets
Gambling E		0 % of assets
Gambling F		0 % of assets
Military Defense C		1.59 % of assets
Military Defense D		0 % of assets
Military Defense E		0 % of assets
Military Defense F		0 % of assets
Nuclear power C		0.9 % of assets
Nuclear power D		0 % of assets
Nuclear power E Nuclear power F		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Oil sands C		0.64 % of assets
Oil sands D		0 % of assets
Oil sands E		0 % of assets
Oil sands F		0 % of assets
Tobacco C		0 % of assets
Tobacco D		0 % of assets
Tobacco E		0 % of assets
Tobacco F		0 % of assets
nvolvement in controversial weapons Anti-personnel mines D		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines E		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines E		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions D		0 % of assets
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Indicators	Description	Performance
Cluster munitions E		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions F		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons D		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons E		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons F		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons D		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons E		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons F		0 % of assets
Principal Adverse Impact		
PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR	The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its enterprise value including cash (EVIC)	400.97
PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity	Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3	855.16
PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	5.38 %
PAII - 08. Emissions to water	Waste water discharged (metric tons) into surface waters as a result of industrial or manufacturing activities.	58.84
PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0 % of assets
PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0 % of assets
PAII - 16. Investee countries subject to social violations	Relative number of investee countries subject to social violations, as referred to in international treaties and conventions, United Nations principles and, where applicable, national law	0.22 %

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

#### DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>6</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transitio Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87,5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75–87.5 score)
С	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose <sup>2</sup>	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25–50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available. Thresholds can be individually set.

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Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones
Owning more than 20% equity.

Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F.

Single purpose key component.

Includes ILO controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.

In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards – observed via data from ESG data vendors – such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors interfield, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the insurer to expected. as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.

(8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed violation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Goal 1: No poverty
- · Goal 2: Zero hunger
- · Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- · Goal 4: Quality education
- · Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

The sub-fund management took into account the following principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the SFDR:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Emissions to water (no. 8);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (no. 10):
- · Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14) and
- Investee countries subject to social violations (no. 16).

The principal adverse impacts listed above were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the assets of the sub-fund which fulfilled the environmental and social characteristics when the proprietary ESG assessment methodology was applied, as described in more detail in the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were also considered in the DNSH assessment as outlined in the preceding section entitled "How have the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors been taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters,

respect for human

and anti-bribery matters.

rights, anti-corruption



# DWS ESG Zinseinkommen

Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
Italy 20/01.07.25	Bonds	3.6 %	Italy
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	3.0 %	Luxembourg
Ontario, Province 17/14.06.24 MTN	Bonds	1.9 %	Canada
Italy B.T.P. 09/01.03.25	Bonds	1.8 %	Italy
Italy 20/15.09.27	Bonds	1.6 %	Italy
Italy B.T.P. 10/01.03.26	Bonds	1.5 %	Italy
DZ HYP 21/26.10.26 MTN PF	Bonds	1.5 %	Germany
Norway 14/14.03.24	Bonds	1.2 %	Norway
Unedic 20/25.11.26 MTN	Bonds	1.1 %	France
Romania 16/26.05.28 MTN Reg S	Bonds	1.1 %	Romania
Korea Housing Finance (KHFC) 21/27.10.28 Reg S	Bonds	1.1 %	South Korea
Bank of New Zealand 21/15.06.28 PF	Bonds	1.0 %	New Zealand
Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego 21/08.07.31	Bonds	0.9 %	Poland
Bank of Montreal 22/05.04.26 PF	Bonds	0.9 %	Canada
Indonesia 18/24.04.25	Bonds	0.9 %	Indonesia

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



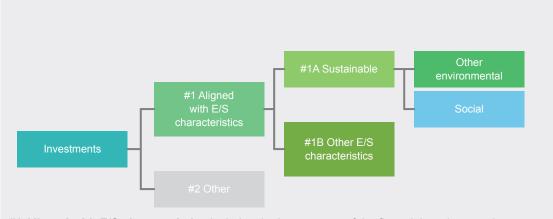
What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

# Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

#### What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 98.06% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category, 17.35% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

1.94% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

DWS ESG Zinseinkommen		
Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume	
Companies	26.5 %	
Institutions	23.6 %	
Other financing institutions	21.6 %	
Central governments	11.3 %	
Other public bodies	10.9 %	
Other funds	2.8 %	
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	5.4 %	

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To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental
objective.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

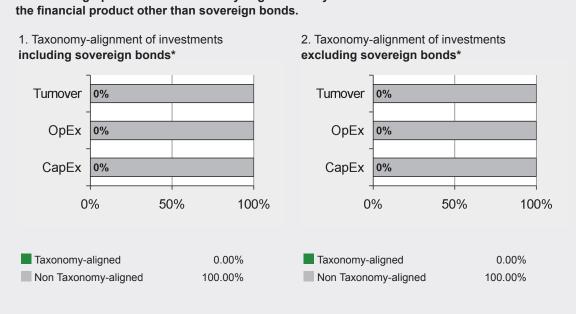
In nuclear energy



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore, the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments' underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

\*For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 17.35% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 17.35% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a bond strategy as the principal investment strategy. The sub-fund's assets were invested in government and corporate bonds denominated in or hedged against the euro as well as in covered bonds. The focus was on issuers that had investment-grade status at the time of acquisition. Subordinated bonds and asset-backed securities could be added in.

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

#### **ESG** assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

# • DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g., in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e., a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment. Issuers with high climate risk profile (i.e., a letter score of "E") were limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, e.g., within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, e.g., human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts, and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e., a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment. Issuers with high severity of norm issues (i.e., a letter score of "E") were limited to 5% of the sub-fund's net assets.

#### DWS ESG Quality Assessment

The DWS ESG Quality Assessment distinguished between corporate and sovereign issuers. For corporate issuers, the DWS ESG Quality Assessment allowed for a peer group comparison based on cross vendor consensus on overall ESG assessment (best-in-class approach), for example concerning the handling of environmental changes, product safety, employee management or corporate ethics. The peer group was composed of issuers from the same sector in the same region. Issuers rated better in this peer group comparison received a better score, while issuers rated worse in the comparison received a worse score. Corporate issuers rated poorly compared to their peer group (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

For sovereign issuers, the DWS ESG Quality Assessment evaluated a countries' governance from a holistic perspective taking into account, among other things, the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding governance (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

Further, issuers with a letter score of "D" in the DWS ESG Quality Assessment were limited to 15% of

the sub-fund's net assets.

#### · Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence, tobacco and adult entertainment. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, nuclear energy or coal mining and coal-based power generation.

Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. Issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e., a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

#### · Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons include for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons.

Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk, Norm Assessment and ESG Quality Assessment as outlined above (excluding the assessment of sovereign issuers).

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

# Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via,

e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote. Periodic disclosure for financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraph 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

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# **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? Yes X No X It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) it made sustainable investments with an environmental objective: \_\_\_\_% characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 8.42 % of sustainable investments. with an environmental objective in economic in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy in economic activities that do not qualify as with an environmental objective in economic environmentally sustainable under the EU activities that do not qualify as environmentally Taxonomy sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments with a social It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make objective: \_\_\_% any sustainable investments

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not lay down a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.



To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

This sub-fund promoted environmental and social characteristics related to climate, governance and social norms as well as sovereign matters through the avoidance of (1) issuers exposed to excessive climate and transition risks, (2) issuers exposed to highest severity of norm issues (i.e. as regards compliance with international standards of corporate governance, human rights and labour rights, customer and environment safety and business ethics), (3) sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties, (4) issuers moderately, highly or excessively exposed to controversial sectors and controversial activities, and/or (5) issuers involved in controversial weapons.

This sub-fund further promoted a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with a positive contribution to one or several of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs). This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark for the purpose of attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted.

No derivatives were used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the subfund.

# How did the sustainability indicators perform?

Please see the section entitled "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?" for detailed descriptions of the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments for attaining the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted and the assessment methodology for determining whether and to what extent assets and indicators met the defined ESG standards.

The ESG ratios are calculated based on the valuation prices for the assets, which are recorded in the front office system. This can lead to slight variations from the other market prices presented in the annual report, which are taken from the fund accounting system.

DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio		
Indicators	Description	Performance
Sustainability indicators		
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment A		10.37 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment B		4.43 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment C		23.63 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment D		42.29 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment E		0 % of assets
Climate and Transition Risk Assessment F		0 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment A		66.61 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment B		0.63 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment C		0 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment D		13.48 % of assets 0 % of assets
ESG Quality Assessment E ESG Quality Assessment F		0 % of assets
Norm Assessment A		10.59 % of assets
Norm Assessment B		5.67 % of assets
Norm Assessment C		50.35 % of assets
Norm Assessment D		14.12 % of assets
Norm Assessment E		0 % of assets
Norm Assessment F		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment A		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment B		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment C		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment D		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment E		0 % of assets
Sovereign Freedom Assessment F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial sectors		
Civil firearms C		0 % of assets
Civil firearms D Civil firearms E		0 % of assets
Civil firearms F		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Coal C		0 % of assets
Coal D		0 % of assets
Coal E		0 % of assets
Coal F		0 % of assets
Military Defense C		0 % of assets
Military Defense D		0 % of assets
Military Defense E		0 % of assets
Military Defense F		0 % of assets
Oil sands C		0 % of assets
Oil sands D		0 % of assets
Oil sands E		0 % of assets
Oil sands F		0 % of assets
Tobacco C		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
Tobacco D Tobacco E		0 % of assets
Tobacco F		0 % of assets
Involvement in controversial weapons		
Anti-personnel mines D		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines E		0 % of assets
Anti-personnel mines F		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions D		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions E		0 % of assets
Cluster munitions F		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons D		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons E		0 % of assets
Depleted uranium weapons F		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons D		0 % of assets
Nuclear weapons E Nuclear weapons F		0 % of assets 0 % of assets
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Principal Adverse Impact

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Indicators	Description	Performance
PAII - 02. Carbon Footprint - EUR	The carbon footprint is expressed as tonnes of CO2 emissions per million EUR invested. The CO2 emissions of an issuer are normalised by its enterprise value including cash (EVIC)	307.88
PAII - 03. Carbon Intensity	Weighted average carbon intensity scope 1+2+3	746.78
PAII - 04. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector	2.85 %
PAII - 10. Violations of UNGC principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.06 % of assets
PAII - 14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0 % of assets

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The Principal Adverse Impact Indicators (PAII) are calculated on the basis of information available within DWS back-office and front-office systems, that are amongst others based on information sourced from external ESG data vendors. In case individual securities or issuers related to such securities do not have information related to an individual PAII, either through a lack of data availability or through the non-applicability of the PAII to that individual issuer or security, the PAII calculation methodology for individual indicators may consider such securities or issuers with a value of 0. For Target Fund investments, a "look-through" into target fund holdings is performed subject to data availability, amongst others related to reasonable actual information of target fund holdings as well as the related security or issuer information. The calculation methodology for the individual PAII indicators may change in subsequent reporting periods as a consequence of evolving market standards, a change of treatment of securities of specific instrument types (such as derivatives), an increase in data coverage or through regulatory clarifications.

#### DWS ESG-Assessment Scale

In the following assessment categories, the assets received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the best score and "F" being the worst score

Criteria	Involvement in controversial sectors <sup>1</sup>	Involvement in controversial weapons	Norm Assessment <sup>8</sup>	ESG Quality Assessment	SDG- Assessment	Climate & Transition Risk Assessment
Α	Non-involvement	Confirmed non-involvement	Confirmed no issues	True leader in ESG (≥ 87.5 DWS ESG score)	True SDG contributor (≥ 87.5 SDG score)	True climate leader (≥ 87.5 score)
В	Remote involvement	Alleged		ESG leader (75-87,5 DWS ESG score)	SDG contributor (75-87.5 SDG score)	Climate solution provider (75-87.5 score)
С	0% - 5%	Dual-Purpose <sup>2</sup>	Violations of lesser degree	ESG upper midfield (50-75 DWS ESG score)	SDG upper midfield (50-75 SDG score)	Low transition risk (50-75 score)
D	5% - 10% (coal: 5% -15%)	Owning <sup>3</sup> /Owned <sup>4</sup>		ESG lower midfield (25-50 DWS ESG score)	SDG lower midfield (25–50 SDG score)	Mod. transition risk (25–50 score)
Е	10% - 25% (coal: 15% - 25%)	Component <sup>5</sup> producer	High severity or re- assessed highest severity <sup>7</sup>	ESG laggard (12.5-25 DWS ESG score)	SDG obstructer (12.5-25 SDG score)	High transition risk (12.5-25 score)
F	≥ 25%	Weapon producer	Highest severity/ global compact violation <sup>8</sup>	True laggard in ESG (0-12.5 DWS ESG score)	Significant SDG obstructer (0-12.5 SDG score)	Excessive transition risk (0-12.5 score)

- Revenue share thresholds as per standard scheme. Sub-Granularity available. Thresholds can be individually set.
- Encompasses e.g., weapon-carrying systems such as combat aircraft that carry non-controversial weapons as well as controversial ones. Owning more than 20% equity.

Being owned by more than 50% of company involved in grade E or F.

Single purpose key component.

- Includes ILO controversies as well as corporate governance and product issues.
- In its ongoing assessment, DWS takes into account the violation(s) of international standards observed via data from ESG data vendors such as the UN Global Compact, but also possible ESG data vendor errors identified, future expected developments of these violations as well as the willingness of the issuer to engage in dialogue regarding corporate decisions in this regard.

  (8) An F-grade can be considered a reconfirmed violation of the United Nations Global Compact rule framework for corporate behavior.

What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The sub-fund invested partially in sustainable investments according to article 2(17) SFDR. Such sustainable investments contributed to at least one of the UN SDGs that relate to environmental and/or social objectives, such as the following (non-exhaustive list):

- Goal 1: No poverty
- Goal 2: Zero hunger
- Goal 3: Good health and well-being
- · Goal 4: Quality education
- · Goal 5: Gender equality
- · Goal 6: Clean water and Sanitation
- · Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy
- Goal 10: Reduced inequality
- · Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities
- Goal 12: Responsible consumption
- · Goal 13: Climate action
- · Goal 14: Life below water
- · Goal 15: Life on land

The extent of contribution to individual UN SDGs varied based on the actual investments in the portfolio.

DWS measured the contribution to the UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity can be considered as sustainable. Via this assessment, the sub-fund management evaluated (1) whether an economic activity contributed to one or several of the UN SDGs, (2) whether the economic activity or other economic activities of that company significantly harmed any of these objectives (Do Not Significantly Harm (DNSH) assessment) and (3) whether the company as such was in line with the DWS safeguard assessment.

The sustainability investment assessment used data from multiple data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to determine if an activity was sustainable. Activities that contributed positively to the UN SDGs were measured in terms of revenues, capital expenditure (CapEx) and/or operational expenditure (OpEx). If a positive contribution was determined, the activity was considered sustainable if the company passed the DNSH assessment and complied with the DWS safeguard assessment (as detailed in the section "Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?".)

The sub-fund did not commit to target a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

The DNSH assessment was integral part of the sustainability investment assessment and evaluated whether an economic activity with a contribution to an UN SDG caused significant harm to any of these objectives. In case that a significant harm was identified, the economic activity failed the DNSH assessment and could not be considered as sustainable economic activity.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

As part of the DNSH assessment under article 2(17) SFDR, the sustainability investment assessment systematically integrated all mandatory principal adverse indicators from Table 1 and relevant indicators from Tables 2 and 3 of Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR). Taking into account these adverse impacts, DWS established quantitative thresholds and/or qualitative values to determine if an investment significantly harmed any of the environmental or social objectives. These values were set based upon various external and internal factors, such as data availability or market developments.

Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

As part of its sustainability investment assessment, DWS further evaluated through its safeguard assessment the alignment of a company with international norms. This included checks in relation to adherence to international norms, for example, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and the standards of the International Labour Organization. Companies with assessed and reconfirmed highest violations of one of the international norms were considered as non-compliant to the safeguards and their economic activities could not be considered sustainable.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union Criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the Union Criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

The sub-fund management considered the following principle adverse impacts on sustainability factors from Annex I of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 supplementing the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation:

- · Carbon footprint (no. 2);
- GHG intensity of investee companies (no. 3);
- Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (no. 4);
- Violation of UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for multinational enterprises (no. 10); and
- Exposure to controversial weapons (no. 14).

The above principal adverse impacts were considered at product level through the exclusion strategy for the sub-fund's assets that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics via the proprietary ESG assessment methodology as detailed in section "What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?".

For sustainable investments, the principal adverse impacts were further considered in the DNSH assessment as described above in section "How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?".

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.



### DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio

Largest investments	Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of average portfolio volume	Breakdown by country
Deka Deutsche Börse EUROGOV Germany MM UCITS ETF	Financial Services	14.1 %	Germany
iShares eb.rexx Gov.Germany 0-1yr Ucits Etf [De]	Financial Services	14.1 %	Germany
Xtrackers II EUR Overnight Rate Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	12.0 %	Luxembourg
DWS Floating Rate Notes IC	Bonds funds	9.4 %	Luxembourg
Xtrackers MSCI USA UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	7.8 %	Ireland
Xtrackers MSCI USA Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	7.8 %	United States
Xtrackers MSCI USA ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	4.6 %	Ireland
Xtrackers MSCI Europe ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	3.7 %	Ireland
DWS Institutional ESG Euro Money Market Fund IC	Money market funds	3.7 %	Luxembourg
Xtrackers MSCI Emerging Markets ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	3.3 %	Ireland
Xtrackers S&P 500 Swap UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	3.2 %	United States
Xtrackers MSCI Europe UCITS ETF 1C	Financial Services	2.5 %	Luxembourg
Xtrackers MSCI Emerging Markets UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	2.2 %	Ireland
Vanguard Funds - Vanguard S&P 500 UCITS ETF USD	Financial Services	1.3 %	Ireland
Xtrackers MSCI Japan ESG UCITS ETF 1C	Equity funds	1.3 %	Ireland

for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 30, 2022

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: for the period from January 01, 2022, through December 31, 2022



What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

# Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

# What was the asset allocation?

This sub-fund invested 94.38% of its net assets in investments that were aligned with the promoted environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). Within this category, 8.42% of the sub-fund's assets qualified as sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable).

5.62% of the investments were not aligned with these characteristics (#2 Other). A more detailed description of the specific asset allocation of this sub-fund can be found in the Special Section of the Sales Prospectus.



**#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#2 Other** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category **#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics** covers:

- The sub-category **#1A Sustainable** covers sustainable investments with environmental or social objectives.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

In which economic sectors were the investments made?

DWS Garant 80 ETF-Portfolio		
Breakdown by sector / issuer	in % of portfolio volume	
Index funds	72.2 %	
Bond funds	13.5 %	
Other funds	8.6 %	
Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	2.8 %	

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To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

Enabling activities
Directly enable other
activities to make a
substantial contribution
to an environmental
objective.

Transitional activities
Are economic activities
for yet low-carbon
alternatives are not yet
available and that have
greenhouse gas
emission levels
corresponding to the
best performance.

To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

Yes:

In fossil gas

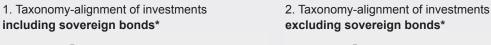
In nuclear energy

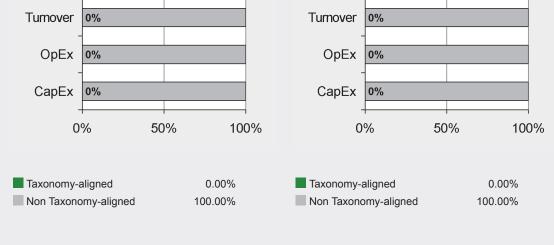


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do no significant harm to any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: - turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies. - capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy. - operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting the green operational activities of investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the Taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy-alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.





<sup>\*</sup>For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures

Due to a lack of reliable data the sub-fund did not commit to invest a minimum proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy. Therefore, the percentage of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0% of the sub-fund's net assets. However, there may have been instances in which part of the investments' underlying economic activities were aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

The sub-fund did not have a minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities, as it did not commit to a minimum proportion of environmentally sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the Regulation (EU) 2020/85.



What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 8.42% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not intend to make a minimum allocation to environmentally or socially sustainable investments pursuant to Article 2(17) SFDR. However, the share of environmentally and socially sustainable investments in total was 8.42% of the net assets of the sub-fund.



What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

This sub-fund promoted a predominant asset allocation in investments that were aligned with environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics). In addition, and on an ancillary basis, this sub-fund invested into investments that are not considered aligned with the promoted characteristics (#2 Other). These remaining investments could include all asset classes as foreseen in the specific investment policy including cash and derivatives.

In line with the market positioning of this sub-fund, the purpose of these remaining investments was to provide investors with an exposure to non-ESG aligned investments while at the same time ensuring a predominant exposure to environmentally and socially aligned investments. Remaining investments could be used by the portfolio management for performance, diversification, liquidity and hedging purposes.

This sub-fund did not consider any minimum environmental or social safeguards on these remaining investments.



What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

This sub-fund followed a multi-asset strategy as the principal investment strategy, which was mapped by means of a dynamic hedging strategy. Depending on the market situation and the assessment of the fund management, the investments were switched between higher-risk investments (growth component) and lower-risk investments (capital preservation component). Higher-risk investments were, for example, equities, equity funds, higher-risk bonds and higher-risk bond funds. Lower-risk investments were, for example, bond/money market funds or lower-risk bonds. The objective was to ensure a minimum value for the share price while at the same time benefiting to the greatest possible extent from price increases as well as from positive returns in the growth component. The fund's assets could, at the discretion of the fund management, also be fully invested in either the growth component or the capital preservation component. The fund could additionally use derivatives (financial instruments whose value depends on the performance of one or more underlyings, e.g., a security, index or interest rate) in order to protect against extreme losses within a very short period of time

Please refer to the special section of the Sales Prospectus for further details of the principal investment strategy.

The sub-fund's assets were primarily invested in assets that fulfilled the defined standards for the promoted environmental or social characteristics, as set out in the following sections. The strategy of the sub-fund in relation to the promoted environmental or social characteristics was an integral part of the ESG assessment methodology and was continuously monitored through the investment guidelines of the sub-fund.

#### **ESG** assessment methodology

The portfolio management of this sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics by assessing potential investments via a proprietary ESG assessment methodology irrespective of economic prospects of success. This methodology was based on the ESG database, which used data from multiple ESG data providers, public sources and internal assessments (based on a defined assessment and classification methodology) to derive combined scores. The ESG database was therefore constituted by data and figures as well as on internal assessments that took into account factors beyond the processed data and figures, such as an issuer's future expected ESG development, plausibility of the data with regard to past or future events, an issuer's willingness to engage in dialogues on ESG matters or corporate decisions.

The ESG database derived "A" to "F" letter coded assessments within different categories as further detailed below. Within each category, issuers received one of six possible scores, with "A" being the highest score and "F" being the lowest score. If an issuer's score in one category was deemed insufficient, the portfolio management was prohibited from investing in that issuer, even if it was eligible according to other categories. For exclusion purposes, each letter score in a category was considered individually and may result might have resulted in exclusion of an issuer.

The ESG database used a variety of assessment categories to assess the attainment of the promoted environmental and social characteristics, including amongst others:

# DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment

The DWS Climate and Transition Risk Assessment evaluated issuers in relation to climate change and environmental changes, e.g. in respect to greenhouse gas reduction and water conservation. Issuers that contributed less to climate change and other negative environmental changes or were less exposed to such risks received better evaluations. Issuers with excessive climate risk profile (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

# • DWS Norm Assessment

The DWS Norm Assessment evaluated the behaviour of issuers, for example, within the framework of the principles of the United Nations Global Compact, the standards of the International Labour Organization and behaviour within generally accepted international standards and principles. The Norm Assessment examined, for example, human rights violations, violations of workers' rights, child or forced labour, adverse environmental impacts and business ethics. Issuers with highest severity of norm issues (i.e. a letter score of "F") were excluded as an investment.

#### • DWS Sovereign Assessment

The DWS Sovereign Assessment evaluated the assessment of political and civil liberties. Sovereign issuers with high or excessive controversies regarding political and civil liberties (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

# Exposure to controversial sectors

The ESG database defined certain business areas and business activities as relevant. Business areas

and business activities were defined as relevant if they involve the production or distribution of products in a controversial area ("controversial sectors"). Controversial sectors were defined, for example, as the civil firearms industry, military defence and tobacco. Other business sectors and business activities that affect the production or distribution of products in other sectors were defined as relevant. Other relevant sectors were, for example, coal mining and coal-based power generation. Issuers were evaluated according to the share of total revenues they generate in controversial business areas and controversial business activities. The lower the percentage of revenues from the controversial business areas and controversial business activities, the better the score. As regards the involvement in tobacco and civil firearms, issuers (excluding target funds) with a moderate, high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

As regards the involvement in the military defence industry, issuers (excluding target funds) with high or excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score of "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment. As regards the involvement in coal mining and coal-based power generation or other controversial sectors and controversial business practices, issuers (excluding target funds) with excessive exposure (i.e. a letter score "F") were excluded as an investment.

#### Involvement in controversial weapons

The ESG database assessed a company's involvement in the business of controversial weapons. Controversial weapons included for example anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, depleted uranium weapons, nuclear weapons, chemical and biological weapons. Issuers were assessed based on their degree of involvement (production of controversial weapons, component production, etc.) in the manufacturing of controversial weapons, regardless of total revenues they generate from controversial weapons. Issuers (with the exception of target funds) with medium, high or excessive involvement (i.e., a letter score of "D", "E" or "F") were excluded as an investment.

To the extent that the sub-fund sought to attain the promoted environmental and social characteristics as well as the corporate governance practices also by means of an investment in target funds, the latter had to meet the DWS standards on Climate and Transition Risk and Norm Assessment as outlined above.

Derivatives were not used to attain the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the sub-fund, which was why they were not taken into account in the calculation of the minimum proportion of assets that fulfilled these characteristics. However, derivatives on individual issuers could be acquired for the sub-fund if, and only if, the issuers of the underlyings fulfilled the ESG assessment methodology.

The ESG assessment methodology was not used for liquid assets.

### Sustainability investment assessment methodology

Further, for the proportion of sustainable investments DWS measured the contribution to one or several UN SDGs via its sustainability investment assessment which evaluated potential investments in relation to different criteria to conclude that an economic activity could be considered as sustainable as further detailed in section "What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?"

The applied ESG investment strategy did not pursue a committed minimum reduction of the scope of the investments.

The procedure to assess the good governance practices of the investee companies was based on the DWS Norm Assessment. Accordingly, the assessed investee companies followed good governance practices.

Further, the management company considered active ownership as a strong driver to improve governance, policies and practices, and thus for a better long-term performance of investee companies. Active ownership meant using the position as shareholders to influence the activities or behaviour of the investee companies. An engagement activity could have been initiated with the investee companies regarding matters such as strategy, financial and non-financial performance, risk, capital structure, social and environmental impact as well as corporate governance including topics like disclosure, culture and remuneration. The engagement activity could have been undertaken via,

e.g., issuer meetings or engagement letters. Furthermore, for equity investments it could also be an interaction with the company resulting from proxy voting activities or participation at general meetings.



How did this financial product perform compared to the reference sustainable benchmark?

This sub-fund had not designated a reference benchmark to determine whether it was aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promoted.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

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