

ESG First Fund General Exclusion List

The activities of the targeted company are validated against the **Fund's Exclusion List and KFW Exclusion List**¹. ESG First Fund will not invest in the following businesses or activities:

- Production of, or trade in, any product or activity deemed illegal under applicable local or national laws or regulations or subject to internationally agreed phase-outs or bans as defined in global conventions and agreements such as certain:
 - hazardous chemicals, PCB's (Polychlorinated Biphenyl's) and other specific, hazardous pharmaceuticals, pesticides/herbicides, and wastes;²
 - ozone depleting substances;³
 - endangered or protected wildlife or wildlife products;⁴ and
 - unsustainable fishing methods such as blast fishing and drift net fishing in the marine environment using nets in excess of 2.5 kilometres in length;
- Production of, or trade in, arms (i.e. weapons, munitions or nuclear products, primarily designated for military purposes);
- Destruction of High Conservation Value areas⁵;
- Production of, use of, or trade in, unbonded asbestos fibres
- Production of, or trade in, radioactive materials;
- Production or activities involving harmful or exploitative forms of forced labour/harmful child labour⁶;
- Pornography and/or Prostitution;
- Racist and/or anti-democratic media;
- Any businesses, if any of the following activities represents a substantial portion of such business:⁷
 - Production or trade in alcoholic beverages (excluding beer and wine)
 - Production or trade in tobacco
 - Gambling, casinos and equivalent enterprises

¹ Reference: KFW Exclusion List. https://www.kfw.de/PDF/Download-Center/Konzernthemen/Nachhaltigkeit/Ausschlussliste_EN.pdf

² As specified in the 2004 Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants ("POPs", see www.pops.int); the 2004 Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade (see www.pic.int); the 1992 Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal (see www.basel.int) and WHO Recommended Classification of Pesticides by Hazard Class Ia (extremely hazardous); or Ib (highly hazardous): http://www.who.int/ipcs/publications/pesticides_hazard/en/; as may be amended from time to time.

³ As specified in the 1999 Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (see www.ozone.unep.org), as may be amended from time to time.

⁴ As specified in the 1975 Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species or Wild Flora and Fauna ("CITES", see www.cites.org) as may be amended from time to time.

⁵ Destruction means the (1) elimination or severe diminution of the integrity of an area caused by a major, long-term change in land or water use or (2) modification of a habitat in such a way that the area's ability to maintain its role is lost. High Conservation Value (HCV) areas are defined as natural habitats where these values are considered to be of outstanding significance or critical importance (See <http://www.hcvnetwork.org>).

⁶ Forced labour means all work or service, not voluntarily performed, that is extracted from an individual under threat of force or penalty. Harmful child labour means the employment of children that is economically exploitive, or is likely to be hazardous to, or to interfere with, the child's education, or to be harmful to the child's health, or physical, mental, spiritual, moral, or social development.

⁷ For companies, substantial means more than 10% of their consolidated balance sheets or earnings. For financial institutions, substantial means more than 10% of their underlying portfolio