Periodic disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 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.

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

objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

environmental

**Product Name:** HSBC GLOBAL INVESTMENT FUNDS - GLOBAL LOWER CARBON EQUITY

Legal Entity Identifier: 213800ENBN1SRILVHQ60

#### Environmental and/or social characteristics

#### Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective? It made sustainable investments It promoted Environmental/ with an environmental objective: Social (E/S) characteristics and \_% while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 43.26% of sustainable in economic activities that qualify as investments environmentally sustainable under the **EU Taxonomy** with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as in economic activities that do not environmentally sustainable under the qualify as environmentally sustainable **EU Taxonomy** under the EU Taxonomy with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy with a social objective It made sustainable investments It promoted E/S characteristics, but with a social objective: \_% did not make any sustainable investments



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

The environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this sub-fund were:

- 1. Active consideration of low carbon intensity investments compared to the Reference Benchmark.
- 2. Responsible business practices in accordance with UN Global Compact and OECD Principles for businesses.
- 3. Identification and analysis of a company's environmental characteristics including, but not limited to, physical risks of climate change and human capital management.
- 4. Active consideration of environmental issues through engagement and proxy voting.
- 5. Excluding activities covered by HSBC Asset Management's Responsible Investment Policies the "Excluded Activities").

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

financial product are

attained.

#### How did the sustainability indicators perform?

| Sustainability Indicator   | sub-fund | Reference Benchmark |  |
|--|----------|---------------------|--|
| Identification and analysis of a company's environmental and social factors  |          |                     |  |
| ESG score (third-party score)  | 8.20     | 6.79                |  |
| E Pillar Weighted  | 1.17     | 1.16                |  |
| S Pillar Weighted  | 2.57     | 2.16                |  |
| G Pillar Weighted  | 2.36     | 2.16                |  |
| Consideration of lower carbon intensity investments  |          |                     |  |
| GHG Intensity of investee companies - Tons of CO2 equivalents per million of Euros of revenue  | 52.53    | 105.51              |  |
| Responsible business practice in line with UNGC and OECD principles  |          |                     |  |
| Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises | 0.00%    | 0.54%               |  |
|  |          |                     |  |

#### **Excluded Activities**

The sub-fund did not invest in any of the Excluded Activities detailed in the Prospectus/pre-contractual disclosure

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Reference Benchmark - MSCI World

#### ...and compared to previous periods?

| Sustainability Indicator  | Period Ending | sub-fund | Reference Benchmark |  |
|---|---------------|----------|---------------------|--|
| Identification and analysis of a company's environmental and social factors |               |          |                     |  |
| ESG score (third-party score)   | 31 March 2025 | 8.20     | 6.79                |  |
|   | 31 March 2024 | 8.25     | 6.87                |  |
|   | 31 March 2023 | 8.37     | 6.94                |  |
| E Pillar Weighted   | 31 March 2025 | 1.17     | 1.16                |  |
|   | 31 March 2024 | 1.25     | 1.22                |  |
|   | 31 March 2023 | 2.54     | 1.22                |  |
| S Pillar Weighted   | 31 March 2025 | 2.57     | 2.16                |  |
|   | 31 March 2024 | 2.49     | 2.11                |  |
|   | 31 March 2023 | 2.54     | 2.14                |  |
| G Pillar Weighted   | 31 March 2025 | 2.36     | 2.16                |  |
|   | 31 March 2024 | 2.35     | 2.19                |  |
|   | 31 March 2023 | 2.34     | 2.19                |  |
| Consideration of lower carbon intensity investments                         |               |          |                     |  |
| GHG Intensity of investee companies - Tons                                  | 31 March 2025 | 52.53    | 105.51              |  |
| of CO2 equivalents per million of Euros of                                  | 31 March 2024 | 54.03    | 109.67              |  |
| revenue   | 31 March 2023 | 66.00    | 144.58              |  |

### Responsible business practice in line with UNGC and OECD principles

| Violations of UN Global Compact principles<br>and Organisation for Economic<br>Cooperation and Development (OECD)<br>Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises | 31 March 2025<br>31 March 2024<br>31 March 2023 | 0.00%<br>0.00%<br>0.00% | 0.54%<br>0.69%<br>0.80% |
|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Excluded Activities   |   |                         |                         |
| Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-  | 31 March 2025                                   | 0.00%                   | 0.23%                   |
| personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)  | 31 March 2024                                   | 0.00%                   | 0.24%                   |
| chemical weapone and biological weapone,  | 31 March 2023                                   | 0.00%                   | 0.00%                   |

Please note that the sustainability indicators were updated in the latest pre-contractual disclosure document, which formed part of the Prospectus dated 31 March 2025, and there may be some variation in the table above in comparison to previous years.

# 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 sustainable investments contributed to the environmental and/or social objectives of the sub-fund. Investments were considered sustainable if they made a positive contribution in accordance with HSBC's Sustainable Investment Policy. The objective of the sustainable investments of the sub-fund was the promotion of the highest levels of environmental and social practices.

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

The sustainable investments of the sub-fund were assessed against the principle of Do No Significant Harm ("DNSH") to ensure that the investments did not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives. The DNSH principle applied only to the underlying sustainable investments of the sub-fund. This principle was incorporated into the investment decision-making process, which included the assessment of principal adverse impacts ("PAIs").

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

The mandatory PAIs as defined in Table 1 of Annex 1 of the regulatory technical standards for Regulation 2019/2088 were used to assess whether the sustainable investments of the sub-fund were significantly harming the environmental or social objective.

To support the DNSH assessment, quantitative criteria was established across the PAIs

In instances where data was either non-existent or not sufficient, either a qualitative review and/or a relevant proxy may have been used as an alternative. Where a company was determined to cause or contribute to significant harm, it may still have been held within the sub-fund but did not count toward the portion of 'sustainable investments' within the sub-fund.

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

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, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

The Investment Adviser used third-party research providers to monitor companies for controversies which indicated potential breaches of the UNGC principles. Companies that were flagged for potential violation of UNGC principles were systematically excluded, unless they went through an ESG due diligence assessment, undertaken by HSBC, and were determined not to be in breach of these principles.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do no significant harm" principle by which Taxonomyaligned 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 specifically considered the following PAIs, as part of the investment process:

| Principal Adverse Impact   | Period Ending | sub-fund | Reference Benchmark |
|--|---------------|----------|---------------------|
| 3. GHG Intensity of investee companies -   | 31 March 2025 | 52.53    | 105.51              |
| Tons of CO2 equivalents per million of<br>Euros of revenue                         | 31 March 2024 | 54.03    | 109.67              |
|  | 31 March 2023 | 66.00    | 144.58              |
| 10. Violations of UN Global Compact  | 31 March 2025 | 0.00%    | 0.54%               |
| principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)        | 31 March 2024 | 0.00%    | 0.69%               |
| Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises   | 31 March 2023 | 0.00%    | 0.80%               |
| 14. Exposure to controversial weapons  | 31 March 2025 | 0.00%    | 0.23%               |
| (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons) | 31 March 2024 | 0.00%    | 0.24%               |
| annea magana ana siological weapone,   | 31 March 2023 | 0.00%    | 0.00%               |

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Reference Benchmark - MSCI World



The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: Based on the four-quarter average holdings of the reference period as at 31/03/2025

#### What were the top investments of this financial product?

| Largest Investments                         | Sector                 | % Assets | Country                     |
|---|------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| NVIDIA Corporation                          | Information Technology | 4.86%    | United States of<br>America |
| Microsoft Corporation                       | Information Technology | 4.82%    | United States of<br>America |
| Apple Inc.                                  | Information Technology | 4.07%    | United States of<br>America |
| Amazon.com, Inc.                            | Consumer Discretionary | 2.24%    | United States of<br>America |
| Alphabet Inc. Class A                       | Communication Services | 1.60%    | United States of<br>America |
| Home Depot, Inc.                            | Consumer Discretionary | 1.40%    | United States of<br>America |
| International Business Machines Corporation | Information Technology | 1.12%    | United States of<br>America |
| Texas Instruments Incorporated              | Information Technology | 1.10%    | United States of<br>America |
| American Express Company                    | Financials             | 1.07%    | United States of<br>America |
| Applied Materials, Inc.                     | Information Technology | 1.07%    | United States of<br>America |
| Adobe Inc.                                  | Information Technology | 1.06%    | United States of<br>America |
| Elevance Health, Inc.                       | Health Care            | 1.05%    | United States of<br>America |
| Automatic Data Processing, Inc.             | Industrials            | 1.04%    | United States of<br>America |
| Gilead Sciences, Inc.                       | Health Care            | 1.04%    | United States of<br>America |
| Meta Platforms Inc Class A                  | Communication Services | 1.03%    | United States of<br>America |

Cash and derivatives were excluded

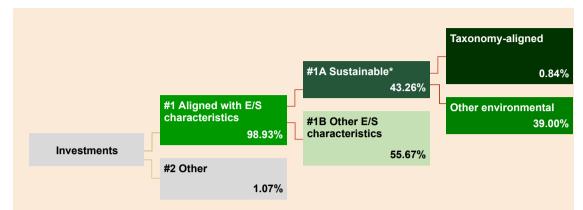


**Asset allocation** describes the share of investments in specific assets.

#### What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

43.26% of the portfolio was invested in sustainable investments.

#### What was the asset allocation?



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

\*A company or issuer considered as a sustainable investment may contribute to both a social and environmental objective, which can be aligned or non-aligned with the EU Taxonomy. The figures in the above diagram take this into account, but one Company or Issuer may only be recorded once under the sustainable investments figure (#1A Sustainable).

Due to the difference in the calculation methods, the percentages of Taxonomy-aligned and Other environmental, do not equal #1A Sustainable.

#### In which economic sectors were the investments made?

| Sector   Sub-Sector                | % Assets |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Information Technology             | 27.68%   |
| Financials                         | 19.11%   |
| Industrials                        | 13.33%   |
| Consumer Discretionary             | 11.49%   |
| Health Care                        | 8.56%    |
| Communication Services             | 6.47%    |
| Consumer Staples                   | 3.08%    |
| Materials                          | 2.68%    |
| Real Estate                        | 2.25%    |
| Energy                             | 2.10%    |
| Integrated Oil & Gas               | 1.11%    |
| Oil & Gas Exploration & Production | 0.10%    |
| [Unassigned]                       | 1.97%    |
| Utilities                          | 2.09%    |
| Electric Utilities                 | 0.99%    |
| Gas                                | 0.14%    |
| Multi-Utilities                    | 0.49%    |
| [Unassigned]                       | 0.76%    |
| Cash & Derivatives                 | 1.17%    |
| Total                              | 100.00%  |

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.



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

The proportion of sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 0.84%. The sub-fund did not make any commitment to make any EU Taxonomy aligned investments.

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy<sup>1</sup>?

|   | Yes: |               | <br>_             |
|---|------|---------------|-------------------|
|   |      | In fossil gas | In nuclear energy |
| ✓ | No   |               | <br>-             |

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- **turnover** reflects the "greenness" of investee companies today.

<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.

### - capital expenditure

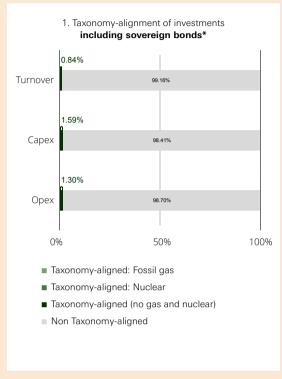
(CapEx) shows the green investments made by investee companies, relevant for a transition to a green economy.

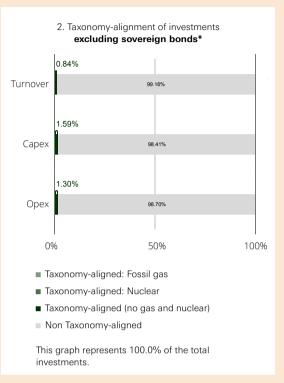
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

#### **Enabling activities**

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective. 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.
- What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

For the reference period the sub-fund's share of investment in transitional activities was 0.00% and the share of investment in enabling activities was 0.59%.

How did the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy compare with previous reference periods?

| Indicator                                       | 2024-25 | 2023-24 | 2022-23 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue - Taxonomy-aligned: Fossil gas          | 0.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.00%   |
| Revenue - Taxonomy-aligned: Nuclear             | 0.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.00%   |
| Revenue - Taxonomy-aligned (no gas and nuclear) | 0.84%   | 0.20%   | 0.00%   |
| Revenue - Non Taxonomy-aligned                  | 99.16%  | 99.80%  | 100.00% |
| CAPEX - Taxonomy-aligned: Fossil gas            | 0.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.00%   |
| CAPEX - Taxonomy-aligned: Nuclear               | 0.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.00%   |
| CAPEX - Taxonomy-aligned (no gas and nuclear)   | 1.59%   | 0.54%   | 0.00%   |
| CAPEX - Non Taxonomy-aligned                    | 98.41%  | 99.46%  | 100.00% |
| OPEX - Taxonomy-aligned: Fossil gas             | 0.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.00%   |
| OPEX - Taxonomy-aligned: Nuclear                | 0.00%   | 0.00%   | 0.00%   |
| OPEX - Taxonomy-aligned (no gas and nuclear)    | 1.30%   | 0.44%   | 0.00%   |
| OPEX - Non Taxonomy-aligned                     | 98.70%  | 99.56%  | 100.00% |





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

The sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy were 39.00%. Due to lack of coverage and data, the sub-fund did not commit to making any EU Taxonomy aligned investments.



#### What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The sub-fund did not invest in socially sustainable investments.



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

#2 Other included money market funds for liquidity management purposes, liquid assets (ancillary liquid assets, bank deposits, money market instruments and money market funds) and financial derivative instruments which may have been used for efficient portfolio management. This may also have included investments that were not aligned for other reasons such as corporate actions and non-availability of data.

Liquid assets (ancillary liquid assets, bank deposits, money market instruments and money market funds) and financial derivatives instruments are not considered to be aligned with E/S characteristics within the sub-fund and do not have any minimum environmental or social safeguards applied. However, money market funds which meet the requirements of Article 8 SFDR are deemed to have minimum environmental or social safeguards.



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

Over the course of the reporting period, the Investment Adviser excluded activities including, but not limited to banned weapons, controversial weapons, companies with more than 10% revenue generated from thermal coal extraction and coal fired power generation and tobacco production and invested in companies with responsible business practices in accordance with UNGC principles.

In order to lower the carbon intensity of the portfolio and raise its ESG score, all holdings in the portfolio were assessed for their individual carbon intensity and ESG scores at each monthly rebalance. Through an HSBC proprietary systematic investment process, a portfolio was created to maximise the exposure to the desired factors to deliver its financial objectives, but which also aimed for a lower carbon intensity and a higher ESG score than the MSCI World which is the Reference Benchmark. As a result, the sub-fund had a higher ESG score and a lower carbon intensity than the benchmark throughout the reporting period.



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

Not applicable.

- How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index?
  Not applicable.
- How did this financial product perform with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?

Not applicable.

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 with the reference benchmark?

Not applicable.

How did this financial product perform compared with the broad market index?

Not applicable.

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