# Brookfield Global Renewables & Sustainable Infrastructure UCITS Fund ESG Investment Guidelines

Below is a summary of environmental standards that are considered by the Brookfield Public Securities Group LLC when making investments for funds and accounts, such as the Brookfield Global Renewables & Sustainable Infrastructure UCITS Fund (the "Fund"), managed in the Brookfield Global Renewables & Sustainable Strategy.

Please review the Fund's prospectus for additional information regarding the Fund's investment objective, strategies (including asset level revenue and other applicable considerations), and risks. Please click on this <u>link</u> to access a copy of the Fund's prospectus.

# **Environmental Standards for Investment**

Companies with power generation assets must meet the following criteria:

- Absolute production of or capacity for coal-based or nuclear-based energy related products/services shall not be structurally increasing
- Absolute production of or capacity for contributing products/services shall be increasing
- Additionally, companies shall meet at least one of the following criteria:
  - Have a Science Based Target Initiative ("SBTi") target set at well-below 2°C or 1.5°C, or have a SBTi 'Business Ambition for 1.5°C' commitment<sup>i</sup>
  - o Derive more than 50% of its revenues from contributing activities<sup>ii</sup>
  - Have more than 50% of CapEx dedicated to contributing activities
  - Carbon Emissions Intensity (Scope 1 & 2 grams / kilowatt hour ("kWh")): <374 in 2022 trending to <315 in 2025 (post 2025, the company should meet one of the previous criteria)

#### Additional key sustainability targets:

- Coal power: <10% asset mix / cash flow contribution trending to 0% in 2025</li>
- Natural Gas power: <30% asset mix / cash flow contribution
- Nuclear power: <30% asset mix / cash flow contribution
- GHG reduction targets: >25% reduction target over a 10-year period

Conventional Oil & Gas (exploration, extraction, or refining of oil & gas): full exclusion

Conventional Gas Transportation: companies shall meet at least one of the following criteria to be considered for inclusion:

- Have a SBTi target set at well-below 2°C or 1.5°C, or have a SBTi 'Business Ambition for 1.5°C' commitment
- Derive less than 5% of its revenues from oil and gas-related activities
- Have less than 15% of CapEx dedicated to oil and gas-related activities and not with the objective of increasing revenue
- Have more than 15% of CapEx dedicated to contributing activities

#### Other exclusions:

- Tobacco: full exclusion
- Weapons (controversial or manufacturing): full exclusion
- Unconventional Oil & Gas: full exclusion

• Coal (exploration, mining, extraction, transportation, distribution or refining): full exclusion

A company not yet aligned with these criteria but are transitioning their business model, may merit inclusion in the Fund. The total portfolio exposure to non-compliant companies is < 5%. This margin will decrease by 1% per year as of January 1, 2023.

### **Normative Based Screening**

We monitor alignment of companies with the following frameworks (do no harm controversies):

- UN Global Compact
- UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)
- OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (as far as relevant)
- ILO Conventions

We have put in place screening criteria in addition to bottom-up company research and analysis to determine if a company has violated any of the above frameworks and will not be included in the portfolio should any violation occur.

## Alignment with UN Sustainable Development Goals

We actively map companies to the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- 6: Clean Water & Sanitation Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
- 7: Affordable & Clean Energy Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all
- 9: Industry, Innovation & Infrastructure Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
  - Most relevant: 9.4 Upgrading Infrastructure for sustainability & efficiency
- 12: Responsible Consumption & Production Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
  - o 12.2 Achieve sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources
  - 12A Support developing countries to move towards sustainable patterns of consumption & production
  - o 12C Rationalize inefficient fossil-fuel subsidies that encourage wasteful consumption
- 13: Climate Action Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

We expect a portfolio company to map to at least 3 of the 5 categories identified above.

## Additional Policies - Key ESG Issues

We assess the impact of the following areas as a part of our ESG analysis:

- Biodiversity: part of ESG Integration analysis
- Water Use: part of ESG Integration analysis
- Pollution & Waste: part of ESG Integration analysis
- Gender & diversity: part of ESG Integration analysis
- Taxation: part of ESG Integration analysis
- Oppressive regimes: included in Normative Screening
- Death penalty: not currently part of analysis
- Forward contracts on agricultural commodities: not in scope

# Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) Signatory

Brookfield Asset Management is a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Investment, formally demonstrating our ongoing commitment to responsible investment and ESG best practices.

# **Proxy Voting**

We primarily engage the companies in our asset class in person, rather than through the voting process. We do, however, vote against management recommendations when in the interest of our clients, especially on shareholder proposals for environmental disclosures.

#### **Disclosures**

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<sup>1</sup> Companies have signed a commitment letter. This commitment relates to achieving a scale of value chain emissions reductions consistent with reaching global net-zero in pathways that limit warming to 1.5°C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>ii</sup> Contributing activity refers to a certain activity that makes a substantial contribution to one of the six environmental objectives of the EU Taxonomy. 1) Climate Change Mitigation 2) Climate Change Adaption 3) The sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources 4) The transition to a circular economy 5) pollution prevention and control 6) the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems.