

# ERSTE FAIR INVEST

Investing with a social impact

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# **Social Impact ERSTE FAIR INVEST**

ERSTE FAIR INVEST invests worldwide in companies whose activities, products and services generate significant social benefits in the areas of health and well-being as well as work and society. Your investment thereby contributes to sustainable development. Please note that investments in investment funds entail both opportunities and risks.

The companies whose stocks were held in ERSTE FAIR INVEST as at the reporting date contribute to protecting the environment on an annual basis as illustrated by the examples below.\* These figures provide a snapshot of a specific point in time and may change over time.



### 44.8% women on supervisory boards and in management positions

in the companies selected because they offer fair opportunities for women. For the fund as a whole, the relevant figure is 35%. A percentage of at least 30% is currently considered to be a fair balance. The proportion of women on management boards is currently below 6% in Austria.1



### 16.5 million HIV patients in emerging economies

have gained access to innovative treatments at a significantly reduced cost.2



## > 38.6 million pupils and students

in total were taught in 2023 by the education providers held in the fund. Education is among the most important factors for prosperity and social advancement.



### > 32 million micro-borrowers

were granted microloans to support their projects in 2023. This also includes special funding for particularly vulnerable groups to overcome the COVID-19 pandemic or to achieve other social goals.3



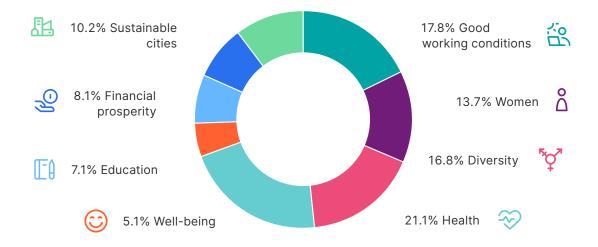
# 2.9 million families desiring to have

received special insurance benefits to help cover the medical costs of trying to conceive. 100,000 of them were able to have a child. In more and more industrialised economies, the number of women facing difficulties getting pregnant is reaching pandemic proportions.4

<sup>\*</sup> The indicators shown here measure the overall impact generated by the companies held in the fund as at the reporting date. They do not represent the share of ERSTE FAIR INVEST but the overall impact generated by these companies.

### The fund invests in the following areas:

(portfolio broken down by topic as classified by Erste AM)5

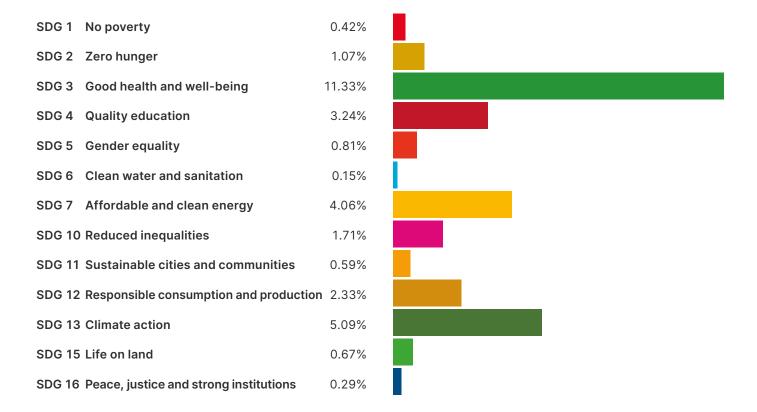


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### **Social impact of ERSTE FAIR INVEST:**

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations are at the centre of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, to which all UN Member States subscribed in 2015. The 17 SDGs cover social, economic and environmental issues, focusing on the fight against poverty, education and health as well as clean water, forward-looking infrastructure, responsible consumption and joint efforts to combat climate change.<sup>6</sup>

The following chart shows the investments of the fund in alignment with the SDGs. For example, health investments were allocated to SDG 3 "Good health and wellbeing". The figures in the chart refer to the proportion of the fund's overall contribution to the SDGs. They are calculated based on shares of turnover, which is why goals that cannot be reflected in a company's turnover, such as women's advancement or good working conditions, are not shown.



**Sources:** <sup>1</sup>Ethics and Boards (as of March 2021), <sup>2</sup>Gilead Sciences (as of 2023), <sup>3</sup>BRI, Kasikornbank (as of 2023), <sup>4</sup>Progyny (as of Q3 2023), <sup>5</sup>Erste AM, MSCI ESG, <sup>6</sup>Erste AM, business data (as of 2024)

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### Risk notes according to the Austrian Investment Fund Act 2011

ERSTE FAIR INVEST may exhibit increased volatility due to the composition of its portfolio, i.e. unit values may be subject to significant fluctuations both upwards and downwards within short periods of time.

For further information on the sustainable orientation of ERSTE FAIR INVEST as well as on the disclosures in accordance with the Disclosure Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2019/2088) and the Taxonomy Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2020/852), please refer to the current Prospectus, section II, item 12, and the Annex "Sustainability Principles". When deciding to invest in ERSTE FAIR INVEST, consideration should be given to all characteristics or objectives of ERSTE FAIR INVEST as described in the fund documents.

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