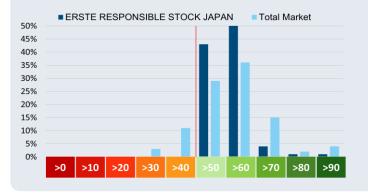
ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK JAPAN

EAM ESG Rating



ERSTE RESPONSIBLE Total Market STOCK JAPAN 63

The graph represents the distribution of companies according to the EAM ESG rating for the fund and the Total Market. The EAM ESG ratings are weighted averages of the ESGenius Scores of the companies included.

ESG Performance Factors

\bigcirc Emission of Greenhouse Gases (E)

To what extent are greenhouse gases emitted directly (Scope 1) and indirectly from purchased energy (Scope 2) in relation to sales?

The CO2 intensity is an indicator of operational efficiency. Companies with lower emissions also have a lower risk when the regulatory environment is tightening.

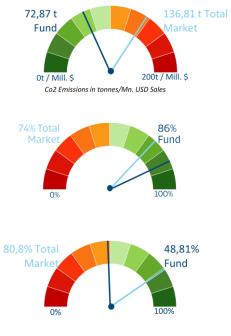
🖉 Compliance with Labour Standards (S)

Is it possible for employees to organize in a union? Have collective agreements been put into force?

High employee standards reduce the operational risk in the production process and increase the productivity of the company.

Independence of the Board (G)

What is the proportion of independent Supervisory Board members with regard to personal/business relationships with the Management Board or the company? By avoiding conflicts of interest, there can be better control in the interest of shareholders. This reduces the risk of corruption cases.



Top 5 Holdings by Weight

Company	GICS Sector	Country	CO2 Intensity	Collective Agreement	Independence of the Board	EAM ESG Rating
KDDI Corp.	Communication Services	JP	24,3	Yes	50,00%	69
Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp.	Communication Services	JP	33,7	Yes	50,00%	67
SoftBank Corp.	Communication Services	JP	16,4	Yes	46,15%	68
Advantest Corp.	Information Technology	JP	12,0	Yes	45,45%	68
Renesas Electronics Corp.	Information Technology	JP	109,8	Yes	80,00%	66

The companies listed here have been selected as an example and do not serve as an investment advice.

What is the Sustainable Footprint?

For the sustainable footprint, three environmental, social and governance criteria have been identified that provide information on traditional measures and are easily measurable across all sectors at the portfolio level:

- CO2 intensity (tonnes of CO2/annual sales in MIn. \$) of the companies taking into account the portfolio weighting
- · Share of independent supervisory board members at the company level, taking into account the portfolio weighting
- Share of companies with collective agreements, taking into account the portfolio weighting

How is the EAM-ESG rating calculated?

The ratings of the fund and of the Total Market are calculated as the weighted average of the ESGenius Scores of the respective companies, i.e. every company in the fund or in the Total Market has a sustainability rating based on our analysis and that of external research partners. Aggregated over portfolio holdings and considering the weightings, an overall rating is obtained.

Important Information

The fund employs an active investment policy and is not oriented towards a benchmark. The assets are selected on a discretionary basis and the scope of discretion of the management company is not limited.

Portfolio positions of funds disclosed in this document are based on market developments at the time of going to print. In the context of active management, the portfolio positions mentioned may change at any time.

Please note that investments in securities entail risks in addition to the opportunities presented here.

For further information on the sustainable focus of ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK JAPAN 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 <u>Prospectus</u>, section 12 and the Annex "Sustainability Principles". In deciding to invest in ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK JAPAN, consideration should be given to any characteristics or objectives of the ERSTE RESPONSIBLE STOCK JAPAN as described in the Fund Documents.

Risk notes according to 2011 Austrian Investment Fund Act

Not applicable

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