

Cash and Fixed Interest Securitised Assets Guideline

The purpose of this policy is to outline the treatment of securitised assets when defining the investible universe of the Altius Sustainable Bond Fund, Altius Sustainable Short Term Income Fund and the Altius Green Bond Fund (Funds).

Securitised assets in the investible universe are assessed by and where necessary referred to the Altius Sustainability Committee based on the individual security and the corresponding pool of assets.

Thus, the sustainability of a securitised pool of assets will be determined by direct reference to the method and integrity of securitisation and the resulting assets held within.

Specifically, securitised assets are assessed by reference to:

- Asset back securities are assessed with reference but not limited to the following.
 - The type of assets in the pool (noting that securitisation of assets comprising receivables from business activities excluded by virtue of the Cash and Fixed Interest Sustainability Policy's negative screen will also be excluded from the investible universe)
 - The originator's responsible lending standards or fairness of the marketing of the loan or lease products within the pool; and
 - The objectivity and rigour applied to the underwriting process of the packaged products.
 - Overall governance and sustainability strategy.
- Mortgage based product (RMBS) are considered to deliver a positive social benefit. RMBS will be granted automatic inclusion without the need to review the underlying pool if the issuer/originator meets the criteria of the Cash and Fixed Income Sustainability Policy.
- RMBS issues are not automatically excluded if the originator fails the Sustainability Policy but will require specific approval by the Sustainable Advisory Committee.

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