ESG Investing 2.0: Strategies to Gain an Advantage

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ESG INVESTING: STRATEGIES FOR USING IT TO YOUR ORGANIZATION'S ADVANTAGE







Defining ESG



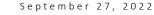
ESG is an investment discipline that considers environmental, social and corporate governance criteria in the portfolio construction process

- <u>Environmental</u> criteria considers how a company performs as a steward of nature
- <u>Social</u> criteria examine how it manages relationships with employees, suppliers, customers, and the communities where it operates
- <u>Governance</u> deals with a company's leadership, executive pay, audits, internal controls, and shareholder rights

ESG is NOT:

- A Separate Asset Class
- An "All or Nothing" Discipline
- The same for all Investors
- An absolute metric for being an attractive investment

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The List of Potential ESG Issues Is Extensive & Growing*

Environmental



Social



Governance



Air emissions and air quality	Natural resource preservation	Land contamination	
Biodiversity protection	Energy Conservation	Occupational health and safety	
Community health, safety, and security	Fossil fuels	Renewable energy sources	
Water use and conservation	Hazardous materials use	Waste generation	

Adequate housing	Consumer privacy	Opioids	
Abortion providers	Employment of minorities and women	Religious Values	
Adult entertainment	Human rights standards	Tobacco	
Alcohol	Income inequality	Union Relationships	
Animal testing	Manufacturers of birth control products	Weapons	
Casinos and gambling equipment	Obesity	Workforce exploitation	



* Source: Vanguard





ESG Investment Strategies



ESG Investing Continuum

Impact Investing

- Investments made with the intention to generate a measurable, beneficial social or environmental impact alongside a financial return
- Impact investments provide capital to address social and/or environmental issues

Thematic Investing

Social Impact

 Investments made with a specific nonfinancial lens

- Climate change
- Sustainable Development

Faith-Based Value

according to a specific faith belief system

- Social Justice
- United Nations Goals

Investing

Investing

Socially Responsible

Investing (SRI)

Exclusionary

screening





Best in Class **Investing**

- Look for investments with the highest ranking from an ESG perspective
- Determined internally or via ESG ranking by providers (MSCI, Sustainalytics)

ESG Integration

- Incorporate **FSG** factors into the portfolio construction process
- Tends to incorporate quantitative and qualitative measures

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ESG Investing Evolution

Pre 20 th Century Jewish and Riba Law	Early 20 th Century	Mid to late 20 th Century	21st Century
Jewish and Riba Law established ethical considerations, avoiding exploitation and societal imbalances Methodism in the 18 th century embraced exclusionary screening – slave trade, liquor, tobacco and gambling	Socially Responsible Investing (SRI) - amalgam of religious values and exclusionary screening 1928 – first publicly offered fund – Pioneer Fund Responsible Investing (RI) surges in 1930s, focusing on governance issues post Depression and corporate scandals	Vietnam War led to restrictions on defense contractors Sustainable Investing (SI) emerges as Chernobyl effects cause a surge in interest in the environment and climate change South Africa apartheid led to divestitures in investments	ESG Investing United Nations' Principles of Responsible Investing is launched in 2006, incorporating ESG issues into investment process Impact Investing emerges, looking to emphasize non- financial goals alongside financial returns





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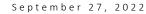
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