



Prusik Investment Management LLP

Sustainability Framework at the Investment Manager

Prusik Investment Management LLP (“**Investment Manager**”) is a UK domiciled entity and is not directly in scope of the SFDR regime or SFDR disclosure requirements. The following information is provided on a voluntary basis pursuant to our UNPRI signatory status and/or to fulfil request from investors in EU domiciled products.

The Investment Manager believes that it is important for investors who are seeking to invest in Asian specific investment opportunities (such as the Prusik Asian Equity Income Fund) to consider issues of sustainability when researching investment opportunities in the region.

The Prusik Asian Equity Income Fund (the “Fund”) is classed as an Article 6 product under the SFDR. Although the Investment Manager considers sustainability risks (the “**sustainability risks**”) as part of the investment process, the Fund does not promote environmental or social characteristics or target sustainable investments.

For information on the investment objective and investment processes of the Fund please see the Fund prospectus and supplement, which can be found on the Investment Manager’s website or by contacting enquiries@prusikim.com.

As set out in the EU Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (“**SFDR**”), “*sustainability risk*” means an environmental, social or governance (“**ESG**”) event or condition that, if it occurs, could cause an actual or a potential material negative impact on the value of an investment.

Integration of Sustainability Risks

As part of the Investment Manager’s research process, the Investment Manager aims to understand the sustainability risks which might cause a material negative impact on the value of the Fund’s investments.

Prior to investing in a investee company, or an issuer, a full investment case is prepared and distributed to the investment team within the Investment Manager. The research element of this investment case includes a specific section assessing the key sustainability risks which the investee company faces (where relevant) and, where necessary, the Investment Manager may subsequently plan engagement with the investee company with respect to the sustainability risk identified. The Investment Manager uses Bloomberg ESG ratings as a guide for highlighting which sustainability risks are most relevant for the proposed investment. However, the Investment Manager may also

investigate additional areas of concern where appropriate. The potential investment is then subsequently debated by an internal Investment Committee (the “Investment Committee”) within the Investment Manager whereby any concerns relating to sustainability risks and other risk factors will be discussed. Once a decision to invest is made, the analyst responsible for monitoring the investee company will continue to review the information on a periodic basis to assess whether the level of risk including sustainability risks faced by the investee company changes.

The Investment Manager uses both quantitative and qualitative measures to determine the sustainability risks facing the Fund’s investments. To assist in determining the quantitative risks, the Investment Manager gathers data from both investee company disclosures and external data providers. Qualitative information will include discussions with the investment team within the Investment Manager with respect to their experience of investing in investee companies which face similar sustainability risks. This information is then analysed to determine whether the sustainability risks facing the investee company preclude the Investment Manager from investing in the investee company on behalf of the Fund. The Managing Board and Risk Committee of the Investment Manager discusses sustainability risks applicable to the investments of the Fund as and when required.

Impact of Sustainability Risks on Returns

The Investment Manager acknowledges that certain investments that may be made by the Fund may be negatively impacted by sustainability risks and that sustainability risks may impair the value of the investments made by the Fund. It is also acknowledged sustainability risks may arise and impact a specific investment made by the Fund or may have a broader impact on an economic sector, geographical regions, or countries which, in turn, may impact the Fund’s investments.

The Investment Manager seeks to invest in companies which manage their activities in a way which minimises sustainability risks. However, the Investment Manager may also consider investing in companies that have greater sustainability risks if the Investment Manager believes the investee company’s management of sustainability risks might improve in the future.

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