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AllianzGI receives highest possible ESG Strategy & Governance score from PRI for fourth year in a row

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Summary

Allianz Global Investors, one of the world's leading active investment managers, has received an 'A+' from the PRI Association for its overarching approach to ESG Strategy and Governance for the fourth year in a row. This category encompasses environmental, social and governance (ESG) policies, objectives and memberships, and considers how the firm promotes its ESG efforts internally and externally.

- AllianzGI awarded (A+) for its overarching approach to ESG Strategy and Governance
- Achieves highest possible "A+" score for five categories and "A" for three categories
- Score for two categories improves from A to A+

Overall, AllianzGI achieved the highest possible "A+" score in five categories: 'Strategy & Governance', 'Listed Equity – Incorporation', 'Infrastructure Equity' and, for the first time, 'Listed Equity – Active Ownership' and 'Fixed Income – Corporate Non-Financial'.

In its individual annual assessment reports, the PRI Association rates signatories' progress in incorporating ESG factors into investment decisions, and aims to provide feedback to signatories to support the ongoing development of their ESG credentials.

Module name	AllianzGI score 2020	AllianzGI score 2019	Median score 2020
Strategy & Governance	A+	A+	A
Listed Equity - Incorporation	A+	A+	A
Listed Equity -Active Ownership	A+	A	B
Fixed Income - SSA	A	A	B
Fixed Income - Corporated Financial	A	A	B
Fixed Income - Corporated Non-Financial	A+	A	B
Fixed Income - Securitised	A	A	B
Infrastructure Equity	A+	A+	A

The PRI Assessment Report aims to provide feedback to signatories to support ongoing learning and development. Each module score ranges from "A+" (highest score) to "E" (lowest score) and is calculated from a respective set of indicators grouped together in module specific sections. 2020 scores refer to reporting period January 2019 - December 2019, while 2019 scores refer to reporting period January 2018 - December 2018.

Commenting on the results, **Deborah Zurkow, Global Head of Investments at AllianzGI**, said: *"Sustainable investing is an integral part of our value proposition and product offering at AllianzGI, with our ESG credentials dating back two decades. These results reflect how committed we are to driving performance across our sustainable investment approach, constantly evolving our offering and strengthening our active stewardship approach. to ensure these meet our clients' needs and address real-world problems".*

AllianzGI is a pioneer in sustainable investing and has been a signatory to the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) since 2007. The PRI is one of the most important and powerful global initiatives to promote responsible investing with more than 2,700 signatories representing more than USD 100 trillion of assets.

Separately, AllianzGI has been shortlisted for this year's PRI Awards in the category 'Real-world impact initiative of the year' for its innovative work in blended finance.

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