

## **Estia Social Housing**

### **Art.10 - Transparency of the promotion of environmental and/or social characteristics and the sustainable investments on the websites**

#### **Summary**

The fund «Estia Social Housing», established and managed by Prelios SGR, is a closed-end real estate alternative investment fund reserved for investments in the social infrastructure sector (the «Fund»). The Fund, through its investment strategy, will promote social and environmental characteristics in accordance with Article 8 of EU Regulation 2088/2019 - SFDR.

The Fund actively contributes to the promotion of social and/or environmental characteristics through the selection of investments in which activities with high social content aimed at the protection of human dignity and the improvement of the quality of life in terms of cultural, health, labor, recreational and social aspects are/will be carried out, oriented primarily towards the incremental purposes of Social Housing equipped with high levels of energy performance, safety and environmental sustainability, on the basis of which management choices are oriented.

For the purpose of promoting the above characteristics, various elements are taken into consideration, such as (i) negative and positive screening processes, (ii) safeguards, in the case of procurement contracts.

At least 80% of the investments promoted by the Fund are directed toward achieving social or environmental characteristics.

The achievement of each social and/or environmental characteristic is monitored and evaluated based on a three macro-step approach:

- ex-ante identification of key metrics (KPIs) associated with the UN SDGs;
- definition of expected targets for the development of the identified KPIs over the holding period of the target investment;
- periodic monitoring (reporting) of sustainability.

Data needed to assess and monitor the achievement of social and/or environmental characteristics are collected, either directly or through third parties, during the due diligence and monitoring process.

The SGR subjects each investment opportunity presented to the Board of Directors or Chief Executive Officer (where applicable) to ESG due diligence, performed by the Fund Management structure.

#### **No sustainable investment objective**

This financial product promotes environmental or social characteristics but does not have as its objective sustainable investment.

### **Environmental or social characteristics of the financial product**

The Fund actively promotes social and/or environmental characteristics by **investing in real estate assets that can produce a positive social and/or environmental impact**. These include social housing units as defined by national legislation and properties that alleviate housing hardship for disadvantaged individuals and/or households unable to access rental accommodation on the open market.

From a long-term strategic standpoint, the Fund considers resource efficiency, asset location and occupant quality of life, acknowledging these factors as fundamental to creating sustainable and resilient value.

The Fund promotes the following social and environmental characteristics in line with some of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals ("**UN SDGs**"), including but not limited to:

#### **Environmental:**

- Improvement of energy efficiency through refurbishment measures and the adoption of low-consumption technologies, water-saving solutions, and sustainable waste management practices
- Use of energy from renewable sources
- Reduction of environmental impacts (e.g., prevention and mitigation of pollution)

#### **Social:**

- Enhancement of social inclusiveness through improved access to public services, infrastructure, and sustainable transport networks, with the aim of reducing environmental impact and improving accessibility
- Improvement of the well-being and quality of life of occupants, including aspects such as comfort, indoor air quality, natural lighting, and acoustic insulation
- Access to adequate, safe, and affordable housing
- Promotion of practices aimed at fostering the development and creation of decent employment opportunities

### **Investment strategy**

The Fund adopts the following ESG investment strategies in order to promote social or environmental characteristics:

- ✓ a negative screening process; also in line with the exclusions of the Climate Transition Benchmark ("CTB");
- ✓ a positive screening process (provision of sustainability indicators/KPIs, also based on the SDGs, defining targets for improvement/maintenance);
- ✓ appropriate safeguards, in the case of procurement contracts, such as but not limited to: guarantees of good performance (performance bonds), penalties in relation to adherence

to deadlines, safeguards in the areas of anti-mafia certifications, money laundering, staffing and occupational safety.

### **Proportion of investments**

At least 80% of the investments promoted by the Fund are directed toward achieving social or environmental characteristics. For the remainder, the SGR reserves some flexibility to make investments that do not promote social or environmental characteristics and that are not aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

### **Monitoring of environmental or social characteristics**

Ongoing monitoring after the completion of a transaction is an essential part of any investment. Data on properties are collected and processed to measure the performance of the selected KPIs for each investment, identify any anomalies, and evaluate any improvement measures:

- during the holding period, on at least an annual basis, periodic monitoring of the social and environmental characteristics promoted is carried out, including the collection of data relevant to the evaluation and monitoring of the selected KPIs;
- on an annual basis, in addition, the Funds' management team analyzes the selected KPIs to assess and quantify the relevant performance.

Downstream of the monitoring process, a report is expected, at least annually, addressed to the Sustainable Finance Committee and the Board of Directors of the SGR according to the current policy, which includes the KPIs aimed at defining the ESG profile of the Funds.

### **Methodologies for environmental or social characteristics**

The achievement of each social and/or environmental characteristic will be monitored and evaluated based on a three macro-phase approach, the final results of which will also be monitored by the Risk Management structure:

- **ex-ante identification of key metrics (KPIs) associated with the UN SDGs:** the SGR identifies and defines ex-ante the main sustainability KPIs associated with the UN SDGs;
- **definition of expected targets for the development of the identified KPIs over the holding period of the target investment:** the SGR Fund Management team formulates ex-ante expectations for the development of the defined KPIs, including investment sustainability assessments in the functional documentation for the approval of each transaction;
- **periodic monitoring (reporting) of sustainability:** the SGR monitors on an ongoing basis the status and development of sustainability metrics based on an annual report.

### **Data sources and processing**

Data needed to assess and monitor the achievement of social and/or environmental characteristics are collected, either directly or through third parties, during the due diligence process. Where possible, external or public databases and sources are also used.

In order to ensure data quality, checks are carried out to identify possible bias. The impact that different sources have on investment decisions is also assessed.

Data are received in different modes of transmission, which may vary from information transmitted by email or received through automated processes. The second is the mode that is preferred to avoid any form of operational risk or unnecessary human intervention. The data received are entered within internal databases so that they are always available to the Fund for various evaluations. Whenever possible, point-in-time data are always preferred. Limited to sporadic situations where point data are not available, estimation procedures are used, giving adequate disclosure of the proxies used.

### **Limitations to methodologies and data**

The SGR is in the phase of careful evaluation of the data available to date, however, the SGR is aware of this obligation to disclose the Website under SFDR Final Draft Level 2 - which, as mentioned above, remains subject to change. The SGR will fully comply with this disclosure requirement and more generally the SFDR Final Draft Level 2 in line with the entry into force of the final legislation.

### **Due Diligence**

The SGR subjects each investment opportunity presented to the Board of Directors or Chief Executive Officer, where applicable, to ESG due diligence, which is an integral part of the analysis criteria and helps to define the investment through property analysis.

ESG due diligence is carried out by the Fund Management structure with the possible support of third-party advisors.

In order to identify the ESG indicators associated with individual investments, a reference framework («KPI Framework») has been set up, in which the KPIs for the investments of individual social housing funds are identified. At least maintenance/improvement KPIs must be selected for each investment and must include the following:

- for the Social Pillar: housing with social purposes promoted by the Fund, eligible beneficiaries under municipal agreements and estimated economic benefit for the beneficiary; and
- for the environmental Pillar: recovery of built areas, improvement of energy performance and exposure to fossil fuels.

### **Engagement policies**

Engagement techniques consist of constructive dialogue with stakeholders to discuss how to manage ESG risks and capture business opportunities associated with sustainability challenges.

The SGR uses a proactive approach focusing on long-term and financially relevant ESG opportunities and risks that may influence the assessment of investment opportunities and the ability to create value. The Fund's primary objective is to create value for investors including through the achievement of KPIs identified at the individual investment level.

**Designated reference benchmark**

No index has been designated as a benchmark to meet the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.