

AHAM Capital's Investment Stewardship Policy Statement

Introduction

At AHAM Asset Management Berhad ("AHAM Capital"), our clients entrust us to achieve their investment objectives. As fiduciaries, we are committed to remaining well-informed and actively engaged as asset managers. We recognise that the decisions and practices of investee companies directly affect the long-term performance and financial well-being of our clients' investments.

The primary objective of our stewardship and active ownership activities is to protect and enhance long-term value for our clients. Our stewardship is demonstrated through two key mechanisms:

- **Corporate Engagement:** Ongoing two-way dialogue with investee companies to deepen our understanding of material ESG risks and opportunities, and to advocate for responsible business practices.
- **Proxy Voting:** Exercising voting rights to promote good governance and support outcomes that align with our clients' long-term interests.

Scope

The philosophy of our stewardship policy applies across all internally managed asset classes, although certain engagement mechanisms may vary depending on the asset class type.

Commitment to Responsible Stewardship

We strive to increase meaningful engagement with investee companies on ESG issues and to encourage best practices. Our commitment is reflected in the following key practices:

- Active corporate engagement on material ESG issues;
- Proxy voting aligned with long-term value creation;
- Collaboration with the broader investment community to promote good stewardship practices; and
- Monitoring and tracking of stewardship activities and outcomes.

Governance and Oversight

Strong governance underpins our stewardship activities. Clear roles, responsibilities, and decision-making processes ensure consistent application of our principles and alignment with clients' long-term interests.

- **Board of Directors:** Provides oversight, approves this policy, and reviews stewardship performance.
- **Group Sustainability Management Committee:** Aligns stewardship initiatives with broader corporate sustainability goals and reports progress to the Board.
- **Investment Sustainability Committee:** Guides active ownership activities, sets engagement priorities, and monitors stewardship KPIs.
- **Proxy Voting Committee:** Oversees implementation of Proxy Voting Guidelines and resolves complex voting matters.
- **ESG Team:** Maintains the policy, tracks activities, provides ESG insights, and coordinates reporting.
- **Investment Department:** Executes engagements and voting, escalates material concerns, and documents stewardship actions.

Corporate Engagement

We view corporate engagement as a key pillar of responsible investing. Engagement priorities are determined by:

- the materiality of ESG risks and opportunities; and
- the significance of our investment exposure.

Investee companies are classified as High, Medium, or Low priority based on ESG materiality and exposure. Engagement topics and methods are tailored to the industry context and each company's specific circumstances. Our engagement methods include:

- direct dialogue with management and boards;
- participation in public forums and industry events;
- collaborative engagements with other investors; and
- public advocacy on systemic ESG issues.

Where engagement does not yield progress, we may escalate through formal letters, voting against resolutions, filing proposals, collaborating with other investors, or reducing exposure as a last resort. All engagements are documented, outcomes are reported internally, and stewardship activity reports and updates are provided to clients upon request.

Proxy Voting

Proxy voting is a fundamental component of our stewardship responsibilities. AHAM Capital exercises voting rights in the best interests of clients and in alignment with long-term investment objectives. Voting decisions follow our Proxy Voting Guidelines and are informed by independent third-party research, while final decisions remain at AHAM Capital's discretion. AHAM Capital will assess each voting exercise on a case-by-case basis, with consideration of company-specific circumstances and local practices. All voting activities are documented, and rationales for deviations from recommendations are recorded.

Policy Advocacy and Collaboration

We actively engage with policymakers, regulators, and industry bodies to advocate for frameworks that drive sustainable business practices and safeguard shareholder rights. We also collaborate with other investors through initiatives and platforms that amplify our influence on systemic ESG issues while maintaining full independence in our investment and voting decisions.

Our approach may include, but is not limited to:

- Participating in industry initiatives and collaborative platforms;
- Advocating for enhancements in regulatory frameworks and corporate disclosure standards;
- Providing written feedback to policymakers and regulators on proposed policies and frameworks;
- Contributing thought leadership, stewardship perspectives, and best practices through publications, events, and forums;
- Engaging in joint investor actions to amplify influence on investee companies, where opportunities for collaborative engagement exist.

Managing Conflict of Interest

AHAM Capital recognises that conflicts of interest may arise in the course of our stewardship and proxy voting responsibilities. We are committed to acting in the best interests of our clients at all times. To mitigate potential conflicts, we adhere to our established Proxy Voting Guidelines and consider independent third-party proxy advice to support objective decision-making.

When a potential conflict is identified, the Investment Department assesses the matter in internal discussions, focusing on how the issue may affect the long-term interests of our clients. If further review is required such as when a proposed vote deviates from our guidelines or differs from third-party recommendations, the matter is escalated to the Proxy Voting Committee ("PVC"). Any decision that departs from our guidelines must be supported by a written rationale and approved by a majority of PVC members.

In cases of personal conflicts, responsibilities may be reassigned or further escalated to ensure independence. All deliberations, recommendations, and resolutions are documented to provide transparency, accountability, and alignment with AHAM Capital's stewardship principles.

Disclosure and Reporting

AHAM Capital provides transparency through regular internal reporting and, upon request, discloses engagement and voting activities to clients. All stewardship activities are documented and reported to the Investment Sustainability Committee ("ISC").

Policy Review

This Investment Stewardship Policy is reviewed periodically to ensure alignment with our responsible investment philosophy, regulatory requirements, and evolving best practices in stewardship and corporate governance.

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