

**Sammanfattning för fond som redovisas som artikel 9**

Pursuant to EU regulation 2019/2088 on sustainability-related disclosures in the financial services sector (SFDR). The fund has sustainable investments as its objective.

**Fund: Handelsbanken Hälsovård Tema****No significant harm to the sustainable investment objective**

For a company to be defined as a sustainable investment, an investment must not only contribute positively to the attainment of an environmental or social goal, but the investment must also not cause significant harm to any other environmental or social objective and the company must follow good governance practices. To ensure compliance with the do not cause significant harm principle, the Management Company applies the following principles:

1. Exclusion criteria for companies with activities linked to controversial sectors as well as specific PAI indicators (Principal Adverse Impact), such as fossil fuels and controversial weapons.
2. Exclusion criteria for companies with verified violations of international norms and conventions.
3. Assessment that the investments are not considered to cause significant adverse impacts on sustainability factors (PAI). This is conducted through the Management Company's internal PAI tool.
4. Assessment of what products and services in which the company is otherwise involved in, as well as if these can be considered as significantly impeding a sustainable development.

**Sustainable investment objective of the financial product**

The fund is a global equity fund with the objective of making investments in companies whose economic activities contribute to the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals in Agenda 2030 in general and, in particular, Goal 3: Good health and well-being. Goal 3 involves, for example, whether companies produce new medicines for previously incurable diseases or make basic healthcare accessible to a greater number of people through more cost-effective treatments. The fund's objective will be attained through investments in companies within the healthcare sector. The healthcare sector refers to pharmaceuticals, medical technology, biotech, service and other healthcare-related sectors such as healthcare-related IT, aesthetics, or preventive care.

**Investment strategy**

The fund is an actively-managed global equity fund. The fund applies the following investment strategy to meet the sustainable investment objective:

*Sustainability analysis:* The fund is managed through a thematic process with focus on companies within the healthcare sector. The fund's objective is to make investments in companies whose economic activities contribute to the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals in Agenda 2030 in general and, in particular, Goal 3: Good health and well-being.

*Dialogue and active corporate governance:* Active engagement is an essential strategy to influence companies in a more sustainable direction. The Management Company and the fund manager manage this through company dialogues, corporate governance work and work within investor networks. Company dialogues are conducted directly between the fund manager and the company, together with other investors or within the scope of investor networks and other collaborations.

*Exclusion strategy:* The fund applies sustainability criteria in the form of an exclusion strategy. The strategy includes companies with production and distribution of controversial weapons, nuclear weapons, weapons and military equipment, alcohol, tobacco, cannabis, pornography, commercial gambling, fossil fuels, as well as companies with verified violations of international norms and conventions related to human rights, the environment, employee rights or anti-corruption and anti-bribery.

**Proportion of investments**

The fund normally invests directly in equities. However, indirect investments in the form of index-based financial instruments (such as futures) may be used in the fund's management of liquidity.

The stated asset allocation is based on the fund's investment strategy and its objective of making investments in companies whose economic activities contribute to the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals in Agenda 2030 in general and, in particular, Goal 3: Good health and well-being. The fund's sustainable investments will only be made in investments with social objectives and the minimum share of such investments (90%) is set at a conservative level intentionally in light of the rules applicable to the fund's management. The result of the actual allocation in the fund will be reported in the fund's annual report.

**Monitoring of sustainable investment objective**

The Management Company's risk control function monitors compliance regarding the fund's sustainable investment objective and the exclusion strategy on a daily basis. The control relates to the share of the fund's investments that are considered to be a sustainable investment. The control relates to the sectors we exclude and that we consider risk impeding a sustainable development. We also follow up to ensure that the fund does not invest in companies that are in violation of international norms and conventions. For additional information, refer to the "Methodologies" section below.

The following sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of the financial product's sustainable investment objective:

- The attainment of the sustainable investment objective is measured based on the share of the fund's investments that are invested in sustainable investments with a social objective.

**Methodologies**

The Management Company regularly applies follow up at the holdings level to ensure that investments are made in companies that comply with the sustainable investment requirements, pursuant to the assessment method applied by the Management Company. In a corresponding manner, a regular follow up occurs to ensure that companies with activities in the sectors excluded by the fund and/or companies that violate international norms and conventions are not included in the fund. This means that information about each individual fund is obtained from external data providers, such as ISS ESG ([issgovernance.com/esg](https://issgovernance.com/esg)) and Sustainalytics ([sustainalytics.com](https://sustainalytics.com)).

## **Data sources and processing**

Information about exposure to excluded operations and incidents that lead to violations of international norms and conventions is obtained from external data providers. The external data providers obtain information about the companies' exposure to excluded operations from public presentations provided by the companies and/or through direct contact with the companies. Information about violations of international norms and conventions is obtained from ISS ESG. The EU taxonomy contributions are obtained from Sustainalytics and the SDG contributions are obtained from ISS ESG. In addition to this, the fund company conducts its own analysis regarding contributions to environmental or social objectives. The assessment is based primarily on data from the companies' annual reports.

Sustainability data for various areas can be estimated when this can be reliably measured, and the estimate in this case is made in order to give a conservative estimate. For example, a company's exposure to fossil-based operations or a company's greenhouse gas emissions are estimated if the concerned company does not report this information in a reliable manner.

## **Limitations to methodologies and data**

Information about the companies' exposure to excluded activities is limited to the information made available from companies themselves. Consequently, it is not always possible to ensure the exact exposure to these activities. The limitations are most prominent for companies with a smaller portion of the business involved in the excluded activities, such as a grocery store that also sells alcohol.

## **Due diligence**

The Management Company regularly takes into account the principal adverse impacts for sustainable development in the management of all of its investment decisions. The Management Company's website, [www.handelsbankenfond.se](https://www.handelsbankenfond.se), provides a description of the Management Company's due diligence routines for identifying and prioritizing principal adverse impacts and general information about the indicators used for sustainable development. The website also provides a description of the principal adverse impacts for sustainable development within the Management Company's business activities and a report of the actions taken in relation to these. The description also includes information about how the Management Company engages companies on behalf of the funds through dialogue and active corporate governance.

## **Engagement policies**

As a significant investor, the Management Company has a responsibility and an opportunity to engage with companies to act responsibly and conduct their business activities in a sustainable manner, in addition to promoting the development of the sustainability efforts in the asset management industry. The Management Company engages through company dialogues, corporate governance work and investor networks. Our engagement efforts are based on Handelsbanken's core values, our commitments, as well as the international norms and conventions supported by the Management Company.

## **Attainment of the sustainable investment objective**

The fund does not use an index to attain the fund's sustainable investment objective.