#### ANNEX IV

Template periodic disclosure for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2a, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

**Product name:** UBS (Lux) Equity SICAV - Global Defensive Sustainable (USD) **Legal entity identifier:** 549300YYY9BCGZ75G026

### **Environmental and/or social characteristics**

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The EU Taxonomy is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of environmentally sustainable economic activities. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?				
Yes	• No			
It made sustainable investments with an environmental objective:%  in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy	It promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 60.94% of sustainable investments  with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy  with a social objective			
It made sustainable investments with a social objective:%	It promoted E/S characteristics, but did not make any sustainable investments			



To what extent were the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product met?

The following characteristics are promoted by the financial products equity portfolio:

- 1) A sustainability profile that is higher than its benchmark's sustainability profile.
- 2) A lower Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) than the reference benchmark.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

The extent to which the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product were met is stated in the answer to the question "How did the sustainability indicators perform?" of this annex.

The portfolio construction benchmark is a broad market index which does not assess or include constituents ac-cording to environmental and/or social characteristics and therefore is not intended to be consistent with the characteristics promoted by the financial product. No ESG reference benchmark has been designated for the purpose of attaining the characteristics promoted by the financial product.

The sustainability profile of the financial product is measured by its benchmark's profile and the corresponding results are calculated at least once a year from the respective monthly profiles.

#### How did the sustainability indicators perform?

During this reference period 2023/24:

#### Characteristic 1:

The sustainability profile alignment score was higher than that of its benchmark.

- The implied sustainability profile alignment score of the financial product: 7.17
- The implied sustainability profile alignment score of the benchmark: 6.52

#### Characteristic 2:

The Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) was lower than that of its benchmark.

- Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) of the financial product: 43.21 tonnes of CO2 per million dollars revenues.
- Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) of the benchmark: 101.60 tonnes of CO2 per million dollars revenues.

#### ...and compared to previous periods?

From 25 November 2022, characteristic 1:

The sustainability profile alignment score was higher than that of its benchmark.

- The implied sustainability profile alignment score of the financial product: 5.57
- The implied sustainability profile alignment score of the benchmark: 5.49

From 25 November 2022, characteristic 2:

The Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) was lower than that of its benchmark.

- Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) of the financial product: 32.15 tonnes of CO2 per million dollars revenues.
- Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI) of the benchmark: 85.89 tonnes of CO2 per million dollars revenues.

### What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?

The objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make is to contribute to the environmental and/or social characteristic(s) promoted by the financial product.

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anticorruption and antibribery matters.

How did the sustainable investments that the financial product partially made not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?

When assessing "do no significant harm" (DNSH), we consider selected principal adverse impact indicators based on availability and appropriateness. These indicators are combined into a signal based on individual thresholds defined per indicator. A fail on a single indicator leads to an investment failing the DNSH criteria.

How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?

Principal adverse impacts (the "PAI") are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption, and anti-bribery matters. UBS integrates PAI indicators in its decision making process.

At present, the following PAI indicators are considered by means of exclusions from the investment universe:

- 1.4 "Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector":
- Companies that exceed a certain revenue threshold (as per the UBS AM Sustainability Exclusion Pol-icy) from thermal coal mining and its sale to external parties or from oil sands extraction are excluded.
- Companies that exceed a certain revenue threshold (as per the UBS AM Sustainability Exclusion Pol-icy) from thermal coal-based power generation are excluded.
- 1.10 "Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises":
- Companies violating the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) principles which do not demonstrate credible corrective action as determined by UBS-AM's Stewardship Committee are excluded
- 1.14 "Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)":
- UBS-AM does not invest in companies involved in: cluster munitions, anti-personnel mines or chemical and biological weapons, nor does it invest in companies in breach of the Treaty on the Non- Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. UBS-AM considers a company to be involved in controversial weapons if the company is involved in development, production, storage, maintenance or transport of controversial weapons, or is a majority shareholder (>50% ownership stake) of such a company.

The link to the Sustainability Exclusion Policy can be found in the section headed "Sustainability Exclusion Policy" in the main body of the Sales Prospectus.

The following PAI indicator is considered by virtue of the promoted characteristics:

- 1.3 "GHG intensity of investee companies"
- The Portfolio Manager selects investments based upon a low scope 1+2 carbon intensity, either ab-solute or relative to a benchmark

The following PAI indicators are additionally part of the DNSH signal:

- 1.7 "Activities negatively affecting bio-diversity-sensitive areas"
- 1.13 "Board gender diversity"
- 1.15. "GHG Intensity"
- 1.16. "Investee countries subject to social violations"

 Were sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights? Details:

Companies violating the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) principles which do not demonstrate credible corrective action as determined by UBS-AM's Stewardship Committee are excluded.



### How did this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

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- 1.7 "Activities negatively affecting bio-diversity-sensitive areas"
- 1.13 "Board gender diversity"
- 1.15. "GHG Intensity"
- 1.16. "Investee countries subject to social violations"

Information on consideration of PAIs on sustainability factors is also available in the sub-fund's annual report.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a "do not significant harm" principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific Union criteria.

The "do no significant harm" principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



#### What were the top investments of this financial product?

The list includes the investments constituting the greatest proportion of investments of the financial product during the reference period which is: 31.05.2024

Largest Investments	Sector	% Net Assets*	Country
Microsoft Corp	Internet, software & IT services	4.54	United States
NVIDIA Corp	Electronics & semiconductors	4.17	United States
Apple Inc	Computer hardware & network equipment providers	4.13	United States
Alphabet Inc	Internet, software & IT services	2.98	United States
Amazon.com Inc	Retail trade, department stores	2.25	United States
Meta Platforms Inc	Internet, software & IT services	1.32	United States
Eli Lilly & Co	Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics & medical products	0.96	United States
Tesla Inc	Vehicles	0.75	United States
ASML Holding NV	Electronics & semiconductors	0.74	Netherlands
Broadcom Inc	Computer hardware & network equipment providers	0.74	United States

Novo Nordisk A/S	Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics & medical products	0.70	Denmark
JPMorgan Chase & Co	Banks & credit institutions	0.69	United States
Merck & Co Inc	Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics & medical products	0.65	United States
Visa Inc	Banks & credit institutions	0.64	United States
Home Depot Inc	Retail Trade, department stores	0.62	United States

<sup>\*</sup>Minor differences with "Statement of Investments in Securities" might occur due to rounding in production system



#### Asset allocation

describes the share of investments in specific assets.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria for fossil gas include limitations on emissions and switching to fully renewable power or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. For nuclear energy, the criteria include comprehensive safety and waste management rules.

#### **Enabling activities**

directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

### Transitional activities are

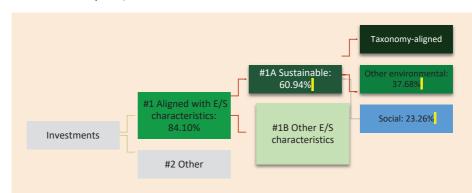
activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.

#### What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

As per the end of the reference period the proportion of sustainability-related investments of the financial product was 60.94%

#### What was the asset allocation?

The proportions of investments of the financial product were calculated as per the end of the reference period, which is: 31.05.2024.



**#1** Aligned with E/S characteristics includes the investments of the financial product used to attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product.

**#20ther** includes the remaining investments of the financial product which are neither aligned with the environmental or social characteristics, nor are qualified as sustainable investments.

The category #1 Aligned with E/S characteristics covers:

- The sub-category #1A Sustainable covers environmentally and socially sustainable investments.
- The sub-category **#1B Other E/S characteristics** covers investments aligned with the environmental or social characteristics that do not qualify as sustainable investments.

#### In which economic sectors were the investments made?

Please refer to the section "Structure of the Securities Portfolio" of the relevant sub-fund of this Annual report to review the breakdown of the economic sectors where the investments were made.

<sup>\*</sup>Minor differences with "Statement of Investments in Securities" might occur due to rounding and valuation differences in production systems.



To what extent were the sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

It has not been possible to collect data on the environmental objective(s) set out in Article 9 of the Taxonomy Regulation and on how and to what extent the investments underlying the financial product are in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under Article 3 of the Taxonomy Regulation ("Taxonomy Aligned Investments"). On that basis, the financial product has 0% Taxonomy Aligned Investments.

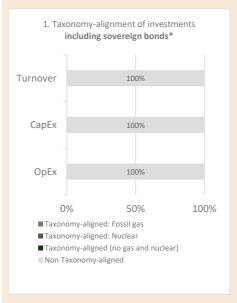
Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy¹?

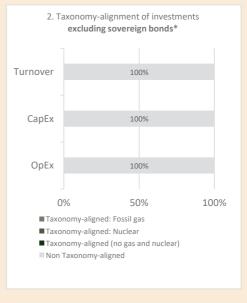
	Yes:		
		In fossil gas	In nuclear energ
×	No		

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover
   reflecting the
   share of revenue
   from green
   activities of
   investee
   companies.
- capital
   expenditure
   (CapEx) showing
   the green
   investments made
   by investee
   companies, e.g. for
   a transition to a
   green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.

The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds\*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.





\* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.

What was the share of investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

There is no commitment to a minimum proportion of investments in transitional and enabling activities.

How did the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy compare with previous reference periods?

Not applicable. This is the first reference period.



sustainable investments with an environmental objective that do not take into account the criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities under Regulation (EU) 2020/852.



### What was the share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The financial product had a proportion of sustainable investment with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy as stated in the asset allocation section of this annex.



#### What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The financial product had a proportion of socially sustainable investment as stated in the asset allocation section of this annex.



### What investments were included under "other", what was their purpose and were there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

Included in "#2 Other" are cash and unrated instruments for the purpose of liquidity and portfolio risk management. Unrated instruments may also include securities for which data needed for the measurement of attainment of environmental or social characteristics is not available.



### What actions have been taken to meet the environmental and/or social characteristics during the reference period?

During the reference period, the environmental and/ or social characteristics were met by following the investment strategy and applying exclusion criteria as per the sales prospectus. The investment strategies and/ or exclusion criteria are monitored to ensure adherence.



#### How did this financial product perform compared to the reference benchmark?

No ESG reference benchmark has been designated for the purpose of determining whether the financial product is aligned with the characteristics that it promotes.

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index? Not applicable.

How did this financial product perform with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?

Not applicable.

- How did this financial product perform compared with the reference benchmark?
  Not applicable.
- How did this financial product perform compared with the broad market index?
  Not applicable.