

Environmental, social and governance factors are key considerations in our investment decision process because companies and sectors that address ESG risks are best placed to deliver strong returns for members over the long term.

We have a board-approved investment exclusion framework and under this framework, there is a fund-wide exclusion on direct investments in companies that derive any revenue from the production of whole systems (weapons in their entirety, not just the components) of controversial weapons, including chemical weapons, cluster munitions, land mines and depleted uranium. The criteria relating to our fund-wide controversial weapons exclusion are set out clearly in the documentation we provide to members and are based on our Responsible Investment Policy.

Our Socially Conscious investment options, which are certified by the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia, have additional weapons-related investment exclusions including companies involved in the development, production and maintenance of nuclear weapons, and companies deriving 5 per cent or more of their revenue from the production and distribution of civilian firearms.

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