

DNB European Defence

DNB Asset Management AS

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Styrets årsberetning for verdipapirfondene 2025

Organisering

Forvaltningsselskapet DNB Asset Management AS (DNB Asset Management) er heleid av DNB Asset Management Holding AS og har kontorer i Oslo og Bergen, filial i Luxembourg og representasjonskontorer i Spania og Sveits. DNB Asset Management er underlagt tilsyn av Finanstilsynet.

Pr. 31.12.2025 er ca. 832 milliarder plassert i verdipapirfond forvaltet av DNB Asset Management, en økning på 137 milliarder siden i fjor. Selskapet forvalter 94 verdipapirfond og har om lag 14 520 andelseiere. Fondene har ingen ansatte. Fondenes depotmottaker er DNB Bank ASA. Verdipapirfondenes virksomhet forurenser i svært liten grad det ytre miljø.

Selskapets styre har seks medlemmer, hvorav to medlemmer er valgt blant andelseierne. Andelseierne kan årlig fremme forslag til mulige kandidater til vervet som andelseiervalgt styremedlemmer til valgkomiteen ved dens sekretær.

Markedsutvikling

2025 ble et turbulent år i finansmarkedene, men endte med god avkastning i de fleste aktivklasser. Aksjemarkedet hadde nok et godt år. Globale aksjer steg over 20 prosent, men en svekkelse av US dollar reduserte avkastningen målt i norske kroner til knappe 8 prosent. Norske aksjer målt ved Oslo Børs fondsindeks steg 20 prosent.

Avkastningen i norske likviditetsfond ble rundt 5 prosent, slått av norske og globale obligasjonsfond som ga mellom 5 og 7 prosent. Nordiske høyrentepapirer var på nytt beste renteplassering, med en avkastning på rundt 9 prosent.

Annonseringen av nye tollsatser på importvarer til USA sendte børsene ned på starten av året. Etter hvert som satsene ble forhandlet ned bedret stemningen seg. Deretter skiftet fokuset til potensialet innen investeringer i kunstig intelligens og teknologiaksjer.

Dette bidro til å løfte avkastningen i fremvoksende markeder, hvor flere av de sentrale selskapene i verdikjeden befinner seg. Europeiske aksjer ble blant vinnerne i 2025, drevet av nok et godt år for bank- og forsvarsaksjer.

Kombinasjonen av høy statsgjeld, budsjettunderskudd, handelskonflikter og USA's presidents press på sentralbanken har skapt uro i valutamarkedet. Dollaren svekket seg rundt 10 prosent i fjor, og det spekuleres i om den er i ferd med å miste sin status som verdens reservevaluta. Dette har ført til en kraftig oppgang i prisen på edelmetaller og børsnoterte gruveselskaper.

Avkastningsresultater

Alle verdipapirfond under forvaltning, eksklusiv DNB Lev Mer-fondene og fond-i-fond serien DNB Grønt Skifte, har en referanseindeks som fondenes avkastning måles mot. En sammenligning av fondenes avkastning med referanseindekser viser et blandet bilde for 2025. Opp mot 62 prosent av fondene hadde meravkastning etter forvaltningshonorar i 2025. Relativ avkastning varierte fra minus 18,5 prosent til pluss 14,5 prosent, mens den faktiske avkastningen - som forteller mer om hvordan markedene har utviklet seg - varierte fra minus 6,7 prosent til pluss 30,4 prosent i andelsklassens valuta etter forvaltningshonorarer. Vår ambisjon er fortsatt at alle våre fond skal være foran sine respektive referanseindekser.

Endringer i verdipapirfondene

I 2025 har selskapet foretatt flere endringer i fondssortimentet. De viktigste enkeltendringene var:

- Endring av navnet på det bærekraftstematiske aksjefondet DNB Global Lavkarbon til DNB Global Klima Faktor
- Fusjon av likviditetsfondene DNB Likviditet II og DNB Likviditet
- Avvikling av rentefondet DNB AM Kort Obligasjon
- Lansering av de internasjonale indeksnære aksjefondene DNB Global Enhanced Small Cap og DNB Global Enhanced Plus
- Lansering av de internasjonale tematiske aksjefondene DNB European Defence og DNB Sport & Entertainment
- Lansering av et nytt tilfang til vår fondsserie med livssyklusfond, DNB Lev Mer - 2075
- Lansering av det nordiske utbyttefondet DNB Nordisk Utbytte
- Lansering av et lavrisiko likviditetsfond, DNB Stabil Likviditet
- Fjerning av bestemmelse om årlig utdeling av utbytte i samtlige rentefond (se informasjon under)
- Introduksjon av andelsklasser i fremmed valuta i en rekke fond

Selskapet har besluttet å gjøre endringer i vedtektene til samtlige rentefond slik at disse ikke lenger blir utbytteutdelende. Bakgrunnen for denne omleggingen har vært endringen i norsk skattelovgivning hvor renteinntekter ikke lenger vil beskattes i fondet.

Risikostyring og organisering av denne



Risikoen i det enkelte verdipapirfond avhenger av fondets investeringsstrategi. Finansiell risiko oppstår som følge av markedsendringer, endringer i valutakurser, renter, likviditet og kredittisiko, i tillegg til eksponering mot motparter fondene handler med.

I tillegg til å overholde lovpålagte regler, stiller forvaltningsselskapet selv en rekke krav til hvordan risiko styres og kontrolleres i det enkelte fond. Den uavhengige seksjonen for risikokontroll har ansvaret for at både eksterne og interne rammer for risiko kontrolleres. Porteføljenes avkastning måles daglig i forhold til respektive fonds referanseindekser. Styret i DNB Asset Management får regelmessige gjennomgang av fondenes risikofaktorer og hvilke tiltak som er etablert for å kontrollere disse. Eventuelle alvorlige brudd på diskresjonære mandater, vedtekter og prospekter i fond blir rapportert til styret, og samtlige brudd rapporteres kvartalsvis til Finanstilsynet. DNBs konsernrevisjon følger også opp selskapets styring av risiko i fondene.

For nærmere informasjon om det enkelte fonds investeringsstrategi, avkastning og risikoprofil viser vi til oversikter i årsrapporten for 2025 og DNB Asset Managements internettside dnbam.com.

Ansvarlig forvaltning og eierstyring (Corporate Governance)

DNB Asset Management arbeider aktivt for å ivareta ansvarlig forvaltning av verdipapirfondenes investeringer, og har retningslinjer for dette. Retningslinjene søker å sikre at DNB Asset Management på vegne av fondene ikke investerer i selskaper som bidrar til grove krenkelsers av menneske- og arbeidstakerrettigheter, alvorlig miljøskade, uakseptable klimagassutslipp, korrupsjon eller andre handlinger som er eller kan oppfattes som uetiske eller uansvarlige. Retningslinjene er basert på anerkjente internasjonale standarder, prinsipper og konvensjoner, som UN Global Compact, FNs veiledende prinsipper for virksomhet, og menneskerettigheter og OECDs retningslinjer for flernasjonale selskaper. Videre skal vurderinger av risiko innen miljø, sosiale forhold og eierstyring integreres i forvaltningen. Informasjon om vårt arbeid er å finne i vår [årsrapport for ansvarlige investeringer](#).

I henhold til DNBs instruks for ansvarlige investeringer investeres det ikke i selskaper som selv, eller gjennom enheter de kontrollerer, produserer tobakk, cannabis eller pornografi. Det investeres heller ikke i selskaper som er involvert i produksjon av våpen som ved normal anvendelse bryter med grunnleggende humanitære prinsipper, slik som antipersonellminer og klasevåpen, som beskrevet i Konvensjonen om forbud mot antipersonellminer og Konvensjonen om klaseammunisjon, eller i selskaper som utvikler og produserer sentrale komponenter til masseødeleggelsesvåpen. Instruksen har også spesifikke kriterier for investeringer i oljesand og termisk kull, samt en liste over normbaserte eksklusjonskriterier. Se fullstendig instruks på selskapets nettside [her](#).

I tillegg til eksklusjonskriteriene i DNBs konserninstruks, tilbyr DNB Asset Management fond med utvidede eksklusjonskriterier slik som utvidede produktkriterier eller krav til selskapers eksponering til fossilt brensel og utslipp av klimagasser.

Å investere ansvarlig innebærer å ivareta miljø, sosiale forhold og eierstyring. DNB Asset Management søker på vegne av fondene å være en aktiv eier i de selskapene fondene er investert i. Hovedformålene med arbeidet er å

- bidra til bærekraftig utvikling
- unngå at investeringene gjør vesentlig skade
- bidra til god avkastning med et akseptabelt risikonivå, slik at selskapene kan levere langsiktig verdiskapning

Viktige virkemidler i arbeidet er integrering av miljø, sosiale forhold og eierstyring i investeringsprosessene, standardsetting, eksklusjoner og aktiv eierskapsutøvelse ved dialog og stemmegivning.

Som aktiv eier på vegne av fondene engasjerer DNB Asset Management seg gjennom dialog direkte med selskapene, gjennom vår samarbeidspartner for selskapsdialog og gjennom investorsamarbeid. Påvirkningsarbeidet er tett knyttet opp mot våre langsiktige og tematiske fokusområder og DNB Asset Managements forventningsdokumenter. Forventningsdokumentene beskriver det DNB Asset Management anser som beste praksis innenfor en rekke temaer knyttet til vårt arbeid med ansvarlige investeringer. I 2025 har vi publisert et nytt forventningsdokument for temaet [Humankapital](#), der vi tydeliggjør at muligheter er like viktige som håndtering av bærekraftsrisiko.

I 2021 publiserte DNB en oppdatert bærekraftstrategi med et mål om at DNB skal ha netto nullutslipp fra finansierings- og investeringsvirksomheten innen 2050. I 2023 ble den tilhørende transisjonsplanen lansert, og både bærekraftstrategien og transisjonsplanen inkluderer viktige delmål for DNB Asset Management. Klima har vært et av DNB Asset Managements fokusområder over lengre tid, og sammen med Menneskerettigheter, Naturmangfold og Vann utgjorde det våre langsiktige fokusområder i 2025. Det tematiske fokusområdet i 2025 var Humankapital & Kunstig Intelligens. Vi arbeider aktivt mot selskaper for å påvirke dem til å identifisere, håndtere, rapportere og redusere sin risiko innenfor de definerte fokusområdene og områder definert som vesentlige. I 2025 utviklet DNB Asset Management en egen metodikk for å identifisere selskaper som er i miljømessig transisjon. Dette svarer blant annet opp retningslinjene publisert av European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) om bruk av ESG- og bærekraftsrelaterede begreper i fondsnavn som trådte i kraft for alle våre fond.



Styret, med representanter fra andelseierne, får regelmessig oversikt over hvordan stemmeretten er utøvd på vegne av fondene. Retningslinjer for stemmegivning og opplysninger om fondenes stemmegivning på generalforsamlinger legges ut på [nettsidene til DNB Asset Management](#). I 2025 avga selskapet stemme på 1 434 generalforsamlinger, som er en svak økning fra fjoråret. Selskapet stemte på 1 040 fremlagte aksjonærforslag, der omlag en tredjedel av forslagene var rettet mot miljømessige- og sosiale forhold, mens resten av forslagene var rettet mot eierstyring. Selskapet stemte på 19 272 forslag fremlagt av ledelsen i det aktuelle selskapet, der flesteparten av forslagene var rettet mot eierstyring og tematikk slik som styresammensetning, styre- og lederavlønning og aksjonærrettigheter. Det ble stemt mot selskaps anbefaling i 9% av tilfellene, da anbefalingene ikke var i tråd med våre retningslinjer for stemmegivning. DNB Asset Management har løpende dialog med selskapenes styre, ledelse og valgkomiteer for å medvirke til at sakene som fremmes på generalforsamlingene er i samsvar med god eierstyring.

I henhold til Offentliggjøringsforordningen ("Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation", SFDR) skal finansmarkedsaktører gi tydelig og sammenlignbar informasjon om hvordan bærekraft integreres i investeringsprosessen. Formålet med regelverket er å øke åpenheten, styrke investorbekyttelsen og redusere grønnvasking. Fondenes periodiske SFDR-rapporter er inkludert som vedlegg til denne rapporten.

Store innløsninger

Selskapet har gode rutiner som sikrer likebehandling av andelseierne ved tegning og innløsning av andeler. Det har ikke vært ekstraordinært store innløsninger i noen av våre verdipapirfond i 2025.

Disponering av årets resultat og fortsatt drift

Styret bekrefter at forutsetningen for fortsatt drift er lagt til grunn ved avleggelsen av fondenes årsregnskap. Denne forutsetningen er også lagt til grunn ved avleggelsen av regnskapet for forvaltningsselskapet. Årsregnskapet for forvaltningsselskapet viser en tilfredsstillende finansiell stilling.

Styret foreslår disponering av fondenes årsresultat slik dette fremkommer i hvert enkelt fondsregnskap, vist i tabellen under. Styret mener at resultatregnskapene, balansene og porteføljerapportene med tilhørende noter gir tilfredsstillende informasjon om årets virksomhet og verdipapirfondenes stilling ved årsskiftet.

Fondenes regnskaper er basert på virkelige verdier og gir etter styrets oppfatning grunnlag for fortsatt drift.

RESULTAT VERDIPAPIRFONDENE 2025

Verdipapirfond	Årets resultat	Netto utbetalt til andelseierne gjennom året	Avsatt til utdeling til andelseierne 31.12	Overført til/fra opptjent egenkapital
DNB Aktiv 10	93 034 655			93 034 655
DNB Aktiv 100	1 092 036 004			1 092 036 004
DNB Aktiv 30	435 789 018			435 789 018
DNB Aktiv 50	453 408 394			453 408 394
DNB Aktiv 80	882 204 607			882 204 607
DNB Aktiv Rente	248 694 395	-24 466 408	248 134 848	25 025 955
DNB Aktiv Rente (II)	453 789 399	-35 174 975	454 092 975	34 871 399
DNB AM Globale Aksjer	1 309 538 224			1 309 538 224
DNB AM Kort Obligasjon 2	683 125 265	-417 478 710	1 065 469 381	35 134 594
DNB AM Lang Obligasjon	1 019 519 763	-13 080 705	431 591 722	601 008 746
DNB AM Norske Aksjer	3 815 822 247			3 815 822 247
DNB Barnefond	285 546 637			285 546 637
DNB Bioteknologi	33 450 996			33 450 996
DNB Europa Indeks	959 883 698			959 883 698
DNB European Covered Bonds	26 368 370		0	26 368 370
DNB European Defence	45 738 399			45 738 399
DNB Finans	1 593 830 553			1 593 830 553
DNB FRN	338 554 073	-16 829 751	334 092 650	21 291 175
DNB Global	6 115 611 805			6 115 611 805

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DNB Global Core	608 382 993			608 382 993
DNB Global Credit	2 699 365 079	-106 309 405	3 544 955 461	-739 280 978
DNB Global Emerging Markets	1 757 149 907			1 757 149 907
DNB Global Emerging Markets Indeks	1 327 880 882			1 327 880 882
DNB Global Enhanced Index	932 617 191			932 617 191
DNB Global Enhanced Plus	459 401 177			459 401 177
DNB Global Enhanced Small Cap	75 822 504			75 822 504
DNB Global High Grade	231 524 722	41 245 898	386 069 087	-195 790 262
DNB Global Indeks	8 853 706 828			8 853 706 828
DNB Global Industrisektor Indeks	86 763 696			86 763 696
DNB Global Klima Faktor	184 667 358			184 667 358
DNB Global Marked Valutasikret	1 100 417 352			1 100 417 352
DNB Global Materialektor Indeks	20 178 857			20 178 857
DNB Global Treasury	157 321 208	-2 986 100	99 729 476	60 577 831
DNB Grønt Skifte 100	1 236 519			1 236 519
DNB Grønt Skifte 30	360 107			360 107
DNB Grønt Skifte 50	1 581 503			1 581 503
DNB Grønt Skifte 80	2 950 487			2 950 487
DNB Grønt Skifte Norden	305 997 186			305 997 186
DNB Grønt Skifte Norge	20 991 577			20 991 577
DNB Health Care	308 773 968			308 773 968
DNB High Yield	1 267 939 636	-50 011 235	1 866 596 646	-548 645 776
DNB Kjernekraft	222 275 589			222 275 589
DNB Klima Indeks	282 888 364			282 888 364
DNB Kredittobligasjon	268 715 455	1 458 749	157 194 535	110 062 170
DNB Lev Mer	10 576 266			10 576 266
DNB Lev Mer - 2025	20 885 125			20 885 125
DNB Lev Mer - 2030	49 367 816			49 367 816
DNB Lev Mer - 2035	54 938 882			54 938 882
DNB Lev Mer - 2040	44 171 095			44 171 095
DNB Lev Mer - 2045	36 688 579			36 688 579
DNB Lev Mer - 2050	35 062 954			35 062 954
DNB Lev Mer - 2055	32 558 563			32 558 563
DNB Lev Mer - 2060	21 261 676			21 261 676
DNB Lev Mer - 2065	7 152 011			7 152 011
DNB Lev Mer - 2070	1 072 862			1 072 862
DNB Lev Mer - 2075	540 642			540 642
DNB Likviditet	1 141 164 876	-137 645 993	1 285 657 267	-6 846 398
DNB Likviditet Institusjon	499 494 530	153 778 594	351 150 188	-5 434 252
DNB Likviditet Kort	278 201 159	10 318 267	272 684 745	-4 801 853
DNB Low Carbon Credit	223 388 695	-20 149 610	276 660 656	-33 122 351
DNB Miljøinvest	258 332 932			258 332 932
DNB Norden	531 918 190			531 918 190
DNB Norden Indeks	1 571 831 501			1 571 831 501
DNB Nordic Investment Grade	244 380 563	-16 684 794	287 682 563	-26 617 205
DNB Nordisk Utbytte	47 298 391			47 298 391
DNB Norge	3 387 565 449			3 387 565 449
DNB Norge Indeks	2 993 009 015			2 993 009 015



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DNB Norge Pensjon	169 814 371			169 814 371
DNB Norge Selektiv	1 030 640 885			1 030 640 885
DNB Obligasjon	1 668 946 606	47 648 461	1 114 318 737	506 979 408
DNB Obligasjon 20	158 756 567	9 372 390	104 053 446	45 330 731
DNB Obligasjon Norden	203 047 806	-35 305 615	262 274 105	-23 920 684
DNB OBX	298 800 878			298 800 878
DNB OMF	56 411 378	-3 923 210	57 826 793	2 507 795
DNB PB Discretionary Credit	341 154 781	-30 735 220	348 313 699	23 576 303
DNB PB Discretionary Equity Strategies	1 904 154 305			1 904 154 305
DNB PB Discretionary Multi Strategies	6 164 143			6 164 143
DNB PB Discretionary Rates	292 760 944	-31 192 814	334 042 147	-10 088 390
DNB Private Banking Premium 100	313 956 514			313 956 514
DNB Private Banking Premium 30	168 752 739			168 752 739
DNB Private Banking Premium 50	224 088 629			224 088 629
DNB Private Banking Premium 80	913 401 642			913 401 642
DNB Quant Allocation AC	382 908 082			382 908 082
DNB Quant Allocation DM	409 678 406			409 678 406
DNB SMB	740 753 364			740 753 364
DNB SPARE 100	173 675 473			173 675 473
DNB SPARE 30	69 421 735			69 421 735
DNB SPARE 50	168 225 409			168 225 409
DNB SPARE 80	309 282 634			309 282 634
DNB Sport & Entertainment	-6 021 925			-6 021 925
DNB Stabil Likviditet	121 934			121 934
DNB Teknologi	18 433 280			18 433 280 325
DNB Telecom	73 550 876			73 550 876
DNB USA Indeks	2 980 303			2 980 303

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Translation of the report of the Board of directors for the securities funds 2025:

The board's annual report for the securities funds 2025

Organisation

The management company DNB Asset Management AS (DNB Asset Management) is wholly owned by DNB Asset Management Holding AS and has offices in Oslo and Bergen, a branch in Luxembourg and representative offices in Spain and Switzerland. DNB Asset Management is subject to supervision by the Norwegian Financial Supervisory Authority.

As of 31 December 2025, approximately NOK 832 billion is invested in securities funds managed by DNB Asset Management, an increase of 137 billion since last year. The company manages 94 Norwegian domiciled securities funds. The funds have no employees. The funds' custodian is DNB Bank ASA. The securities funds' activities only pollute the external environment to a very small extent.

The company's board of directors has six members, two of whom are elected from among the shareholders. Shareholders may annually submit proposals for possible candidates for the office of shareholder-elected board members to the nomination committee through its secretary.

Market developments

2025 was a turbulent year in the financial markets but ended with good returns in most asset classes. The stock market had another good year. Global stocks rose over 20 percent, but a weakening of the US dollar reduced the return measured in Norwegian kroner to just under 8 percent. Norwegian stocks measured by the Oslo Stock Exchange fund index rose 20 percent.

The return on Norwegian liquidity funds was around 5 percent, beaten by Norwegian and global bond funds that yielded between 5 and 7 percent. Nordic high yield bonds were once again the best fixed income investment, with a return of around 9 percent.

The announcement of new tariffs on US imports sent stock markets plummeting at the start of the year. As the tariffs were negotiated down, sentiment improved. Then the focus shifted to the potential for investment in artificial intelligence and technology stocks.

This helped lift returns in emerging markets, where several of the key companies in the value chain are located. European equities were among the winners in 2025, driven by another good year for stocks within the banking and defence sectors.

The combination of high national debt, budget deficits, trade conflicts and the US president's pressure on the central bank has created turmoil in the currency market. The dollar weakened by around 10 percent last year, and there is speculation that it is losing its status as the world's favoured reserve currency. This has led to a sharp increase in the price of precious metals and listed mining companies.

Investment performance

All securities funds under management, excluding the DNB Lev Mer funds and the fund-of-funds series DNB Grønt Skifte, have a benchmark index against which the funds' returns are measured. A comparison of the funds' returns with benchmark indices shows a mixed picture for 2025. Up to 62 percent of the funds had excess returns after management fees in 2025. Relative returns ranged from minus 18.5 percent to plus 14.5 percent, while the actual returns - which tell us more about how the markets have developed - ranged from minus 6.7 percent to plus 30.4 percent in the share class currency after deduction of management fees. Our ambition remains for all our funds to outperform their respective benchmark indices.

Changes in the securities funds

In 2025, the company made several changes to its fund range. The most important individual changes were:

- Change of name of the sustainability-themed equity fund DNB Global Low Carbon to DNB Global Climate Factor.

- Merger of the liquidity funds DNB Likviditet II and DNB Likviditet.
- Liquidation of the fixed income fund DNB AM Kort Obligasjon.
- Launch of the international enhanced index equity funds DNB Global Enhanced Small Cap and DNB Global Enhanced Plus.
- Launch of the international thematic equity funds DNB European Defence and DNB Sport & Entertainment.
- Launch of a new addition to our life cycle fund series, DNB Lev Mer – 2075.
- Launch of the Nordic dividend fund DNB Nordisk Utbytte.
- Launch of a low-risk liquidity fund, DNB Stabil Likviditet.
- Removal of the provision on annual dividend distribution in all fixed income funds (see information below).
- Introduction of share classes in various currency denominations in a number of funds.

The company has decided to amend the articles of association of all fixed income funds so that they will no longer pay dividends by default. The reason for this change has been the change in Norwegian tax legislation where interest income will no longer be taxed in the fund.

Risk management and its organisation

The risk in each securities fund depends on the fund's investment strategy. Financial risk arises as a result of market changes, changes in exchange rates, interest rates, liquidity and credit risk, in addition to exposure to counterparties with which the funds trade.

In addition to complying with statutory regulations, the management company itself sets a number of requirements for how risk is managed and controlled in the individual fund. The independent risk control section is responsible for ensuring that both external and internal risk limits are controlled. The portfolios' returns are measured daily in relation to the respective fund's benchmark indices. The board of directors of DNB Asset Management receives regular reviews of the funds' risk factors and the measures that have been established to control these. Any serious breaches of discretionary mandates, articles of association and prospectuses in funds are reported to the board, and all breaches are reported quarterly to the Norwegian Financial Supervisory Authority. DNB's Group Audit also follows up on the company's management of risk in the funds.

For more information about the individual fund's investment strategy, return and risk profile, please refer to the overviews in the annual report for 2025 and DNB Asset Management's [website dnbam.com](https://www.dnbam.com).

Responsible investments and corporate governance

DNB Asset Management actively works to ensure responsible management of the securities fund investments and has guidelines for this. The guidelines seek to ensure that DNB Asset Management, on behalf of the funds, does not invest in companies that contribute to gross violations of human and labor rights, serious environmental damage, unacceptable greenhouse gas emissions, corruption or other actions that are or can be perceived as unethical or irresponsible. The guidelines are based on recognized international standards, principles and conventions, such as the UN Global Compact, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. Furthermore, assessments of environmental, social and corporate governance risks must be integrated into the management. Information about our work can be found in our [annual report on responsible investments](#).

According to DNB's instructions for responsible investments, investments are not made in companies that themselves, or through entities they control, produce tobacco, cannabis or pornography. Investments are also not made in companies that are involved in the production of weapons that, when used normally, violate fundamental humanitarian principles, such as anti-personnel mines and cluster munitions, as described in the Convention on the Prohibition of Anti-Personnel Mines and the Convention on Cluster Munitions, or in companies that develop and produce key components for weapons of mass destruction. The instructions also have specific criteria for investments in oil sands and thermal coal, as well as a list of norm-based exclusion criteria. See the complete [instructions on the company's website](#).

In addition to the exclusion criteria in DNB's group instructions, DNB Asset Management offers funds with extended exclusion criteria such as extended product criteria or requirements for companies' exposure to fossil fuels and greenhouse gas emissions.

Investing responsibly means safeguarding the environment, social conditions and corporate governance. DNB Asset Management, on behalf of the funds, seeks to be an active owner in the companies in which the funds are invested. The main objectives of the work are to

- Contribute to sustainable development
- Avoid investments causing significant damage
- Contribute to good returns with an acceptable level of risk, so that companies can deliver long-term value creation

Important tools in the work are the integration of environmental, social and corporate governance issues into investment processes, standard setting, exclusions and active exercise of ownership through dialogue and voting.

As an active owner on behalf of the funds, DNB Asset Management engages through dialogue directly with the companies, through our partner for company dialogue and through investor cooperation. The influence work is closely linked to our long-term and thematic focus areas and DNB Asset Management's expectation documents. The expectation documents describe what DNB Asset Management considers to be best practice within a number of topics related to our work with responsible investments. In 2025, we published a new [expectation document for the topic of Human Capital](#), in which we clarify that opportunities are as important as managing sustainability risk.

In 2021, DNB published an updated sustainability strategy with a goal of DNB having net zero emissions from its financing and investment activities by 2050. In 2023, the associated transition plan was launched, and both the sustainability strategy and the transition plan include important milestones for DNB Asset Management. Climate has been one of DNB Asset Management's focus areas for a long time, and together with Human Rights, Biodiversity and Water, it constituted our long-term focus areas in 2025. The thematic focus area in 2025 was Human Capital & Artificial Intelligence. We actively work with companies to influence them to identify, manage, report and reduce their risk within the defined focus areas and areas defined as material. In 2025, DNB Asset Management developed its own methodology for identifying companies that are in environmental transition. This responds, among other things, to the guidelines published by the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) on the use of ESG and sustainability-related terms in fund names that came into effect for all of our funds.

The board, with shareholder representatives, receives a regular overview of how voting rights are exercised on behalf of the funds. Voting guidelines and information on the funds' [voting at general meetings are published on the DNB Asset Management website](#). In 2025, the company voted at 1,434 general meetings, which is a slight increase from last year. The company voted on 1,040 shareholder proposals submitted, of which approximately one third were directed at environmental and social issues, while the rest were directed at corporate governance. The company voted on 19,272 proposals submitted by the management of the company in question, of which the majority of the proposals were directed at corporate governance and topics such as board composition, board and executive remuneration and shareholder rights. The company's recommendation was voted against in 9% of cases, as the recommendations were not in line with our voting guidelines. DNB Asset Management has ongoing dialogue with the companies' boards, management and nomination committees to help ensure that the matters presented at the general meetings are in accordance with good corporate governance.

The Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR) requires financial market participants to provide clear and comparable information on how sustainability is integrated into the investment process. The purpose of the regulation is to increase transparency, strengthen investor protection and reduce greenwashing. The funds' periodic SFDR reports are included as an annex to this report.

Large redemptions

The company has good procedures that ensure equal treatment of shareholders when subscribing and redeeming units. There have been no extraordinarily large redemptions in any of our securities funds in 2025.

Allocation of the year's profit and continued operations

The board of directors confirms that the going concern assumption has been used in the preparation of the funds' annual accounts. This assumption has also been used in the preparation of the management company's accounts. The management company's annual accounts show a satisfactory financial position.

The board proposes the allocation of the funds' annual results as shown in each individual fund's financial statements, shown in the table below. The board believes that the profit and loss accounts, balance sheets and

portfolio reports with accompanying notes provide satisfactory information about the year's activities and the position of the securities funds at year-end.

The funds' accounts are based on fair values and, in the opinion of the board, provide a basis for continued operation.

Translations for the fund key figures table

Translation of fund key figure table headings from Norwegian:

- «Resultat verdipapirfondene 2025» = «Securities funds results 2025»
- «Verdipapirfond» = «Securities fund»
- «Årets resultat» = «Results for the year»
- «Netto utbetalt til andelseierne gjennom året» = «Net paid to shareholders throughout the year»
- «Avsatt til utdeling til andelseierne 31.12» = «Allocated for distribution to shareholders on 31.12»
- «Overført til/fra opptjent egenkapital» = «Transferred to/from retained earnings»

INCOME STATEMENT			2025	2024	NOTE 1: TURNOVER RATIO AND TRANSACTION COSTS		2025
Portfolio revenue and costs					Turnover rate (%)		108.21%
Interest income and costs		2 176 271	0	Custody fees			228 666
Dividends		9 321 323	0	Brokerage fees			984 064
Realised capital gain/loss		86 434 876	0	Extraordinary fees			0
Net change unrealised gain/loss		-38 980 010	0				
Other portfolio revenue/costs		310 261	0				
Portfolio result		59 262 722	0	NOTE 2: CHANGE IN EQUITY CAPITAL			
Management revenue and costs					Equity capital at the beginning of the year		0
Commission income		0	0	Subscription of fund shares			3 674 558 289
Management fee		-12 866 866	0	Redemption of fund shares			-1 397 984 912
Other costs/revenue		-228 655	0	Profit from merger with other securities fund(s)			0
Asset management result		-13 095 521	0	Transferred to/from retained equity capital			45 738 399
				Equity capital at year end			2 322 311 163
Result before tax		46 167 201	0	NOTE 3: TAX			
Tax cost		-428 802	0	Calculation of tax base			
Annual net income		45 738 399	0	Profit before tax expense			46 167 201
Allocation of net income					Unrealized capital gain/loss		38 980 010
Net paid to shareholders during the year		0	0	Gain/loss on realisation			-85 511 385
Provisions to shareholders		0	0	Other permanent differences			428 830
Transferred to/from retained earnings		45 738 399	0	Dividend			-6 672 144
Total		45 738 399	0	Withholding tax outside the EU/EEA			-474
BALANCE SHEET					Preliminary tax base		-6 607 962
Assets					Loss carry forward		0
Securities at cost price		2 283 698 723	0	Final tax base			-6 607 962
Unrealised capital gain/loss		0	0	Tax payable			
Other receivables		10 864 650	0	Tax before withholding tax			0
Cash at banks		49 443 481	0	Used withholding tax			0
Total assets		2 344 006 854	0	Used credit deduction			0
Equity capital					Total tax payable		0
Share capital at par value		1 656 765 154	0	Tax expense in the income statement			
Premium		619 807 610	0	Tax payable			0
Retained earnings		45 738 399	0	Corrected tax from previous years			0
Total equity capital		2 322 311 163	0	Change in deferred tax			0
Debt					Withholding tax		428 802
Debt		21 695 690	0	Total tax expense			428 802
Total debt		21 695 690	0				

NOTE 8: MANAGEMENT FEES	Type	Currency	Minimum subscription	Fixed fee	Variable fee	Subscription fee	Redemption fee	Swing pricing	Currency hedging	Dividend distribution
DNB European Defence A	Clean class	NOK	100	0.85%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence A EUR	Clean class	EUR	100	0.85%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence A USD	Clean class	USD	100	0.85%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence B	Clean class	NOK	10 000 000	0.80%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence D	Institutional	NOK	10 000 000	0.85%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence D EUR	Institutional	EUR	1 000 000	0.85%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence D USD	Institutional	USD	1 000 000	0.85%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence E	Institutional	NOK	50 000 000	0.80%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence S EUR	Retail clients	EUR	100	1.70%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence S SEK	Retail clients	SEK	100	1.70%		None	None	Yes	No	No
DNB European Defence S USD	Retail clients	USD	100	1.70%		None	None	Yes	No	No

NOTE 9: SHARE PRICE AND VALUE	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
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Price per share

DNB European Defence A	117
DNB European Defence A EUR	1 097
DNB European Defence A USD	946
DNB European Defence B	117
DNB European Defence D	11 675
DNB European Defence D EUR	109 696
DNB European Defence D USD	94 623
DNB European Defence E	11 679
DNB European Defence S EUR	1 376
DNB European Defence S SEK	126
DNB European Defence S USD	945

Number of shares

DNB European Defence A	13 572 332
DNB European Defence A EUR	41 891
DNB European Defence A USD	100
DNB European Defence B	771 856
DNB European Defence D	10
DNB European Defence D EUR	884
DNB European Defence D USD	1
DNB European Defence E	4 544
DNB European Defence S EUR	195 855
DNB European Defence S SEK	1 441 599
DNB European Defence S USD	100

Value per share

DNB European Defence A	1 584 580 822
DNB European Defence A EUR	45 952 272
DNB European Defence A USD	94 623
DNB European Defence B	90 143 929
DNB European Defence D	116 751
DNB European Defence D EUR	97 025 862
DNB European Defence D USD	94 623
DNB European Defence E	53 065 155
DNB European Defence S EUR	269 522 761
DNB European Defence S SEK	181 619 884
DNB European Defence S USD	94 484

NOTE 11: FUND PORTFOLIO	Currency	Stock exchange/market	Cost price	Quantity	Market value	Ownership share (%)	Gain/Loss	Portfolio share (%)
Equity								
Materials								
thyssenkrupp AG	EUR	Frankfurt	39 113 716	421 964	46 358 842	0.07%	7 245 126	2.00%
Victrix Plc	GBP	London	72 817 514	691 946	61 490 424	0.79%	-11 327 089	2.65%
Total Materials			111 931 230		107 849 267		-4 081 962	4.64%
Industrials								
Avio SpA	EUR	Milano	11 198 801	33 792	11 749 302	0.07%	550 500	0.51%
Chemring Group Plc	GBP	London	60 210 800	913 249	58 544 352	0.34%	-1 666 447	2.52%
Cohort Plc	GBP	London	46 603 977	243 207	29 927 976	0.52%	-16 676 000	1.29%
Dassault Aviation SA	EUR	Paris	48 580 015	14 495	47 015 575	0.02%	-1 564 439	2.02%
Exail Technologies SA	EUR	Paris	8 870 363	9 039	8 727 062	0.05%	-143 300	0.38%
Exosens SAS	EUR	Paris	126 561 720	264 419	151 766 715	0.52%	25 204 994	6.54%
Fincantieri SpA	EUR	Milano	6 697 040	34 253	6 776 495	0.01%	79 455	0.29%
Frequentis AG	EUR	Wien	3 213 902	5 893	5 068 309	0.04%	1 854 407	0.22%
Hensoldt AG	EUR	Frankfurt	62 827 077	66 477	57 803 956	0.06%	-5 023 120	2.49%
Invisio AB	SEK	Stockholm	167 583 837	501 947	144 442 428	1.09%	-23 141 408	6.22%
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	NOK	Oslo	136 344 786	418 629	108 257 459	0.05%	-28 087 326	4.66%
LISI SA	EUR	Paris	7 671 268	12 640	7 951 181	0.03%	279 913	0.34%
Melrose Industries Plc	GBP	London	118 613 865	1 643 308	131 185 436	0.13%	12 571 571	5.65%
Mildef Group AB	SEK	Stockholm	17 474 080	80 197	10 512 260	0.17%	-6 961 820	0.45%
Montana Aerospace AG	CHF	Zürich	7 813 062	22 659	8 164 328	0.04%	351 266	0.35%
MTU Aero Engines AG	EUR	Frankfurt	91 419 305	22 294	93 836 823	0.04%	2 417 518	4.04%
QinetiQ Group Plc	GBP	London	41 428 705	596 517	35 739 286	0.11%	-5 689 419	1.54%
RENK Group AG	EUR	Frankfurt	75 351 684	101 577	64 522 663	0.10%	-10 829 021	2.78%
Rheinmetall AG	EUR	Frankfurt	176 309 894	8 703	160 939 253	0.02%	-15 370 641	6.93%
Rolls-Royce Holdings Plc	GBP	London	107 710 704	919 904	143 527 241	0.01%	35 816 537	6.18%
Saab AB	SEK	Stockholm	86 071 031	173 592	102 110 437	0.03%	16 039 406	4.40%
Serco Group Plc	GBP	London	2 465 000	73 811	2 795 957	0.01%	330 956	0.12%
Thales SA	EUR	Paris	175 497 923	59 619	162 302 349	0.03%	-13 195 574	6.99%
Tkms AG& Co KGaA	EUR	Frankfurt	8 658 816	14 619	11 447 462	0.02%	2 788 646	0.49%
Total Industrials			1 595 177 666		1 565 114 318		-30 063 347	67.39%
Finance								
Adyen NV	EUR	Amsterdam	112 177 814	6 531	106 383 059	0.02%	-5 794 754	4.58%
Total Finance			112 177 814		106 383 059		-5 794 754	4.58%
Information Technology								
Alten SA	EUR	Paris	18 584 124	21 673	18 601 480	0.06%	17 355	0.80%
Dassault Systemes SE	EUR	Paris	89 569 188	248 067	70 059 226	0.02%	-19 509 961	3.02%
Hanza AB	SEK	Stockholm	10 004 439	76 839	10 694 241	0.17%	689 801	0.46%
Hexagon AB	SEK	Stockholm	9 926 504	97 599	11 693 396	0.00%	1 766 891	0.50%
Indra Sistemas SA	EUR	Madrid	72 741 637	184 344	106 003 175	0.10%	33 261 537	4.56%
Infineon Technologies AG	EUR	Frankfurt	10 386 856	26 362	11 782 983	0.00%	1 396 126	0.51%
Kitron ASA	NOK	Oslo	22 976 807	409 776	29 790 715	0.19%	6 813 907	1.28%
Nokia Oyj	EUR	Helsinki	66 523 162	1 043 739	68 895 858	0.02%	2 372 695	2.97%
Norbit ASA	NOK	Oslo	57 757 412	316 317	59 214 542	0.49%	1 457 129	2.55%
SAP SE	EUR	Frankfurt	13 885 515	4 598	11 348 868	0.00%	-2 536 646	0.49%
Teledyne Technologies Inc	USD	New York	67 707 736	12 998	66 961 236	0.03%	-746 499	2.88%
Yubico AB	SEK	Stockholm	63 291 319	470 083	39 306 353	0.54%	-23 984 966	1.69%
Total Information Technology			503 354 706		504 352 076		997 370	21.72%
Total Equities			2 322 641 417		2 283 698 723		-38 942 694	98.34%
Sum Aksjer			2 322 641 417		2 283 698 723		-38 942 694	98.34%
Total Fund portfolio			2 322 641 417		2 283 698 723		-38 942 694	98.34%

NOTE 5: ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting Act and Regulations on accounts for mutual funds.

Accounting treatment of financial instruments: Realized and unrealized gains and losses on securities are calculated on the basis of average acquisition cost.

Determination of fair value: The securities portfolios are assessed at fair value. The fair value of the listed securities is based on observable market values and is assessed at the market price on the last trading day in 2025. Securities listed on foreign exchanges are converted to Norwegian kroner according to exchange rates per December 31. Fair value for Norwegian certificates and bonds is based on prices from Nordic bonds pricing AS as of 30 December. Foreign certificates and bonds are based on Bloomberg Valuation prices as of 31 December. Accrued interest on all certificates and bonds is calculated as of 31 December on the basis of the securities' master data.

Transaction costs: Transaction costs, with the exception of brokerage costs, are expensed as they are incurred. Brokerage costs are capitalized as part of the shares' cost price, and expensed when the shares are sold.

Extraordinary costs: Certain funds are charged for extraordinary costs. There are costs associated with the recovery of class action income and withholding tax. Extraordinary costs are classified under other costs.

Processing of distributions to the unit owners: In the interest funds, the tax profit is settled and allocated to the individual unit owners on an annual basis, and is reported annually in the same way as ordinary interest income. At the end of the year, unit owners are awarded new units for an amount that corresponds to the tax profit accrued by the individual unit owner. No dividend has been paid for the equity funds.

Financial market risk: There has been no extraordinary financial risk associated with the securities funds' operations in 2024. Securities funds are affected by the general price risk in the securities market and the risk that results from the market changing its view of a security's liquidity. When investing in foreign securities, mutual funds will also be exposed to currency fluctuations in the currency of the securities. Some of the funds have invested in less liquid securities. The underlying exchange rate is "WMFX" rates which are WMCany's closing rates.

Financial derivatives: As a general rule, no derivatives are used in the management of the funds. However, derivatives, futures and FRA contracts have been used to a limited extent for some funds. Financial derivatives are assessed at market value.

Lending of securities: Lending of financial securities means that securities are transferred to a counterparty in the agreement. The borrower compensates the funds for various events associated with the securities, such as dividends, coupon interest and more. Upon termination of the loan, identical securities must be returned. Loaned securities are not taken out of the fund's securities portfolio since the funds retain most of the risk and return associated with ownership.

The securities portfolio's turnover rate and transaction costs: The turnover rate in the funds is defined as the sum of the fund's purchase and sale of assets divided by two, which is again divided by the average assets under management. The

custodian charges the securities fund with transaction costs per trade. The cost varies in relation to whether there are Norwegian or foreign trades.

Custody costs for foreign trades vary with the country in which the trade is carried out. Custody costs are included in the result item "other costs".

Other portfolio income, other income and other costs: "Other portfolio income" consists of agio/disagio that arises when converting from foreign currency to Norwegian

kroner in the bank accounts for the foreign funds. "Other costs" consist of bank charges and settlement fees.

Tax: Capital gains/losses on the realization of shares are not taxable/deductible in accordance with the exemption model and special rules for mutual funds. Tax is therefore not calculated on capital gains from the sale of shares. However, 3% of dividends from companies within the EU/EEA are taxable. Dividends received from companies outside the EU/EEA are taxable.

Special rules with regard to tax exemption for realized capital gains do not apply correspondingly to the realization of interest-bearing instruments. However, the fixed-income funds have a right of deduction for distribution to unit owners. The tax result is distributed to the unit owners. Deferred tax has been calculated for those funds that have net unrealized gains on taxable financial instruments. The funds have not entered a deferred tax asset in the balance sheet as it cannot be sufficiently likely that the fund will be able to make use of it in the future.

NOTE 6: REMUNERATION

DNB Asset Management AS's remuneration scheme is described and is available on DNB's website:

<https://www.dnb.no/portalfont/nedlast/no/privat/sparing/Godtgjorelsesordninger-DNB-Asset-Management-AS.pdf>

For 2025, remuneration has been paid to the following categories of employees.

Employees and shop stewards with equivalent remuneration as senior employees/risk takers:

- Number: 16 employees
- Total remuneration in 2025 equal to NOK 48,406,393.
- Distributed over NOK 30,382,536 in fixed remuneration and NOK 18,023,857 in variable remuneration.

Employees and shop stewards with tasks of significant importance for the risk exposure of the fund or company (risk takers):

- Number: 67 employees
- Total remuneration in 2025 equal to NOK 181,012,225.
- Distributed over NOK 88,954,936 in fixed remuneration and NOK 92,057,288 in variable remuneration.

Employees with sales duties:

- Number: 14 employees
- Total remuneration in 2025 equal to NOK 22,789,268.
- Distributed over NOK 17,835,041 in fixed remuneration and NOK 4,954,227 in variable remuneration.

NOTE 7: SECURITY LENDING

Overview of lent equity holdings and collateral by fund. All income from security lending is accrued to the fund.

Fund	NOK lent 31.12.2025	% lent 31.12.202	Income in 2025	Collateral
DNB AM Globale Aksjer	144,683,662	1.4 %	88,818	151,917,845
DNB AM Norske Aksjer	1,552,887,516	6.7 %	1,754,305	1,630,531,892
DNB Barnefond	164,009,672	6.3 %	279,812	172,210,156
DNB Bioteknologi	113,634,266	29.3 %	35,813	115,500,000
DNB Europa Indeks	437,763,867	6.3 %	485,407	459,652,061
DNB Finans	95,907,789	1.0 %	201,159	100,703,178
DNB Global	133,145,446	0.3 %	827,149	139,802,718
DNB Global Core	523,380,586	3.9 %	299,844	549,549,615
DNB Global Emerging Markets	40,612,229	0.3 %	24,301	42,642,840
DNB Global Emerging Markets Indeks	36,016,465	0.4 %	62,050	37,817,288
DNB Global Enhanced Index	175,574,213	2.2 %	604,854	184,352,923
DNB Global Indeks	5,038,031,719	3.6 %	3,653,876	5,289,933,305
DNB Global Industrisektor Indeks	39,017,733	3.2 %	34,770	40,968,620
DNB Global Klima Faktor	37,792,222	1.9 %	24,446	39,681,833
DNB Global Materialsektor Indeks	10,137,186	4.0 %	8,751	10,644,046
DNB Grønt Norden	117,125,723	3.6 %	402,099	122,982,009
DNB Grønt Shifte Norge	2,038,483	1.4 %	17,198	2,140,407
DNB Health Care	289,132,773	5.1 %	203,596	303,589,411
DNB Kjernekraft	118,443,687	5.5 %	27,249	124,365,872
DNB Klima Indeks	148,716,148	2.9 %	169,550	156,151,955
DNB Miljøinvest	676,855,353	16.9 %	840,536	703,000,000
DNB Norden	242,682,150	4.6 %	550,288	254,816,257
DNB Norden Indeks	1,697,949,645	13.4 %	1,794,571	1,721,000,000
DNB Norge	298,598,150	1.7 %	709,690	313,528,058
DNB Norge Indeks	464,497,339	2.2 %	2,442,896	487,722,206
DNB Norge Selektiv	168,858,192	2.4 %	398,192	177,301,101
DNB OBX	467,698	0.0 %	75,335	491,083

DNB Quant Allocation AC	182,621,539	2.9 %	87,508	191,752,616
DNB Quant Allocation DM	304,513,443	3.7 %	114,972	319,739,115
DNB SMB	78,139,390	2.0 %	1,217,052	82,046,359
DNB Teknologi	620,744,816	0.6 %	730,955	651,782,057
DNB Telecom	38,395,513	6.1 %	45,395	40,315,289
DNB USA Indeks	186,844,716	3.6 %	93,404	196,186,952
Total	14,262,851,571	2.8 %	18,305,841	14,814,819,070

ANNEX IV

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: DNB European Defence

Legal entity identifier: 9845004F7GT36C8CSA86

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 lay down 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

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 made sustainable investments with a social objective: %

NO

It promoted environmental/social (E/S) characteristics and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of 37.8% 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 promotes 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 fund promoted environmental and social characteristics by investing in line with the DNB Group Instruction for Responsible Investments, while ensuring that the fund was not invested in companies in breach with the fund exclusion criteria.

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

How did the sustainability indicators perform?

Please note that at this time, we only report on companies that have their science-based targets approved by the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi).

Please note that the fund may have changed its sustainability indicators compared with previous reference periods due to regulatory developments and/or to better reflect the fund's investment strategy.

Period	Fund	Data source
31.12.2025	DNB European Defence	
Percentage of companies with science-based emission reduction targets	36 %	MSCI ESG Research
Companies that derive 30 percent or more of their income from oil sands or thermal coal, and with no indication of transition	0 %	MSCI ESG Research
Companies in breach of UN's Global Compact and the OECD's guidelines for multinational companies	0 %	Sustainalytics and internal assessment
Companies that produce cannabis for recreational use, tobacco or pornography	0 %	MSCI ESG Research
Percentage of portfolio with exposure to controversial weapons	0 %	MSCI ESG Research

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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 fund did not commit to making sustainable investments in 2025, but has made sustainable investments during the reference period. Positive contribution to social or environmental objectives was measured by companies with revenues aligned with one or more UN SDGs, revenues aligned with the EU Taxonomy, have credible science-based emission reduction targets, and by companies that demonstrate potential avoided emissions.

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

The fund has assessed significant harm on environmental or social sustainable investment objectives through several tools. The fund uses both the principal adverse impact indicators as well as alignment with international standards and norms to assess significant harm, as further described below.

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

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, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

The fund considered mandatory indicators for adverse impacts (PAIs) on sustainability factors. The indicators were applied to all underlying securities based on the data availability, coverage and quality. This approach facilitated the establishment of measurable or quantifiable thresholds and allowed qualitative assessments of adverse impacts where sufficient information was present. Companies identified as outliers for one or more PAIs were placed on a watchlist. This proactive measure promoted engagements with the respective companies to gather additional information and encourage them to address the PAIs. Companies with the biggest potential for impact have been prioritised in these assessments. In instances where data coverage and quality were limited, the portfolio managers, in collaboration with the Responsible Investment team, undertook a best-effort assessment of the significant harm caused by the investment. While efforts were made to quantify this impact to the highest extent possible, reasonable quantitative assessments were employed in cases where data was unavailable. Companies in breach with our PAI thresholds were not considered a sustainable investment.

The following PAIs were considered for all sustainable investments:

Green House Gas emissions: GHG emissions (PAI 1), Carbon footprint (PAI 2), GHG intensity of investee companies (PAI 3), Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector (PAI 4), Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production (PAI 5), Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector (PAI 6)

Biodiversity: Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas (PAI 7)

Water: Emissions to water (PAI 8)

Waste: Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio (PAI 9)


Social and employee matters: Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (PAI 10), Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (PAI 11), Unadjusted gender pay gap (PAI 12), Board gender diversity (PAI 13)

Controversial weapons: Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons) (PAI 14)

Note that the quality and coverage of principal adverse impact indicators in the market vary across regions, indicators, and other relevant factors. We expect the quality and coverage to improve over time, and we aim for continuous improvement by assessing our data providers as well as engaging with companies to encourage them to improve their reporting in this area.

Please refer to the table below for details about how the relevant indicators were considered

during the reference period.

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

Alignment with the OECD guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights has been tested and assured as part of the process to identify sustainable investments.

We have screened companies prior to inclusion into our investment universe, quarterly for benchmark rebalancing, and on a weekly and daily basis for alerts on potential and/or realised breaches in international norms and standards. The purpose has been to uncover potential breaches of international norms and standards. The screen is based on data from external data providers.

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 EU 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.



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

The fund follows the DNB Group Instruction for Responsible Investments. Thus, the fund has considered the principal adverse impact indicators described below for all investments.

Note that the data coverage is low on some indicators. The value is therefore not necessarily representative of the entire portfolio.

PAIs	Value	Coverage	Consideration
1. GHG emissions	174 791	97%	Carbon footprint was monitored and considered in investment analysis and investment decision-making processes, as well as net zero commitments. Active ownership activities, such as engagements, have been utilised to influence companies to reduce their scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions and set net zero targets through engagements.
2. Carbon footprint	922	97%	
3. GHG Intensity of Investee Companies	1 593	97%	
4. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	0.00%	93%	The fund has applied exclusion criteria based on DNB's Group Instruction for Responsible Investments and did not invest in any companies in breach of these criteria. Oil sands extraction, mining companies and power produces from thermal coal were excluded in cases where the company derives 30% or more of their income from these activities unless there is a clear path to transition based on our forward-looking assessment. In addition, companies which either extract more than 20 million tonnes of thermal coal or with power generating capacity of more than 10 000 MW from the combustion of thermal coal, was excluded from the investment universe or placed under observation.
10. Violations of UN Global Compact principles and organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.00%	98%	The portfolio and the investment universe have been regularly screened to make sure no companies were in violation of international norms and standards. Violations, or indication of possible violation, based on controversy assessments from external service providers or other publicly available information, lead to further investigation by the responsible investments team to determine whether this issue contributes to the conclusion of a breach of DNB's Group Instruction for responsible investments. The fund was not invested in companies that were considered to be non-compliant with UN Global Compact by the end of 2025, according to our internal assessment. DNB AM have not been invested in companies that are subject to sanctions (from the UN, EU, USA (OFAC), and other local sanctions if relevant) that are pertinent to DNB's financial investments.
11. Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	0.00%	96%	Companies' processes and compliance mechanisms have been analysed based on company reports from external service providers and other publicly available information, as well as data from our own engagement processes. We have published a series of expectation documents, including climate change, human rights, diversity and inclusion, and anti-corruption, and actively engage with companies on these subjects, both in terms of their direct operations and across their value chain. In general, this topic has been addressed in company engagements where company research has indicated that the topic is material and should be addressed. Engagement has been conducted directly, through service providers, and/or through collaborative engagement

13. Board gender diversity (ratio)	40.60%	<p>97% Board gender diversity is assessed for all companies and documented. When below the level defined as best practice, as described in our expectation document on diversity and inclusion, we have occasionally engaged with the company with specific milestones to improve the board diversity. This has also been expressed through voting.</p> <p>We have prioritized companies where DNB AM has a high ownership stake, where DNB AM may have a high ownership stake in the future, or where the company constitutes a large portion of an actively managed fund.</p> <p>DNB AM have published an expectation document on diversity and inclusion where we present our expectations to companies. This document is also used in active ownership activities.</p>
14. Exposure to controversial weapons (anti-personnel mines, cluster munitions, chemical weapons and biological weapons)	0.00%	<p>97% Companies were excluded from the investment universe if they themselves or through the entities they control produce weapons which through normal use violate basic humanitarian principles.</p> <p>The fund did not invest in companies that are involved in anti-personnel mines and cluster munitions, as described in the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention and the Convention on Cluster Munitions, or in companies that develop and produce key components for weapons of mass destruction. Weapons of mass destruction are defined as NBC weapons (nuclear or atomic, biological and chemical weapons). The same applies to non-detectable fragments, incendiary weapons, and blinding laser weapons. Note that the list above is not exhaustive.</p>

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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: 31.12.2025.

Largest investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
Thales SA	Industrial	7,0 %	France
Rheinmetall AG	Industrial	6,9 %	Germany
Exosens SAS	Industrial	6,5 %	France
INVISIO AB	Industrial	6,2 %	Sweden
Rolls-Royce Holdings Plc	Industrial	6,2 %	United Kingdom
Melrose Industries Plc	Industrial	5,6 %	United Kingdom
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	Industrial	4,7 %	Norway
Adyen NV	Financial	4,6 %	Netherlands
Indra Sistemas SA	Information Technology	4,6 %	Spain
Saab AB	Industrial	4,4 %	Sweden
MTU Aero Engines AG	Industrial	4,0 %	Germany
Dassault Systemes SE	Information Technology	3,0 %	France
Nokia Oyj	Information Technology	3,0 %	Finland
Teledyne Technologies Inc	Information Technology	2,9 %	United States

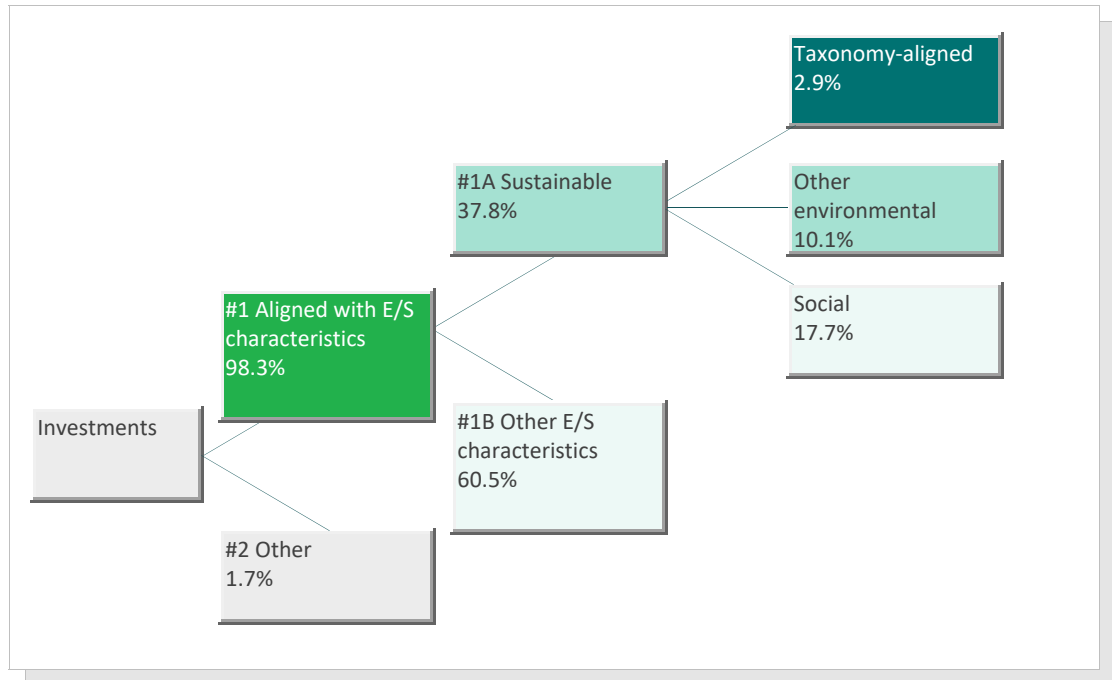


What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

By 31.12.2025, the fund had a proportion of 98.3% investments aligned with E/S characteristics. Out of the overall investments, 37.8% were sustainable investments (#1A Sustainable). 20.1% were considered environmentally sustainable and 17.7% were considered socially sustainable. Note that for investments that were considered both environmentally and socially sustainable, the contribution of the investment has been split into half to avoid double-counting. The rest of the fund, 1.7%, was invested in cash (#2 Other).

What was the asset allocation?

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.



Taxonomy-aligned investments are reported as a weighted average of the portfolio, as set out by the EU Taxonomy Regulation. The other percentages are reported based on a pass/fail approach. Thus, the different sub-categories might not sum up to #1A Sustainable investments.

#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. #2 Other 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?

Sector	Percent of holdings
Industrials	67,8 %
Information Technology	21,9 %
Materials	4,7 %
Financials	4,6 %



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

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

The proportion of sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 2.9%, of which 2.1% contributed to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and 0.0% contributed to climate change adaptation. 0.0% contributed to the Sustainable Use and Protection of Water and Marine Resources, 0.9% contributed to the Transition to a Circular Economy, 0.0% contributed to Pollution Prevention and Control, and 0.0% contributed to the Protection and Restoration of Biodiversity and Ecosystems.

The source of data on taxonomy alignment is an external data provider. Currently, a third-party check is not in place.

Note that we use both reported and estimated taxonomy alignment data from Bloomberg. Discrepancies between total taxonomy alignment and the breakdown on the different taxonomy objectives may be due to lack of reported data from companies.

Did the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities complying with the EU Taxonomy [1]?

- Yes
- In fossil gas
- In nuclear energy
- No

[1] 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.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

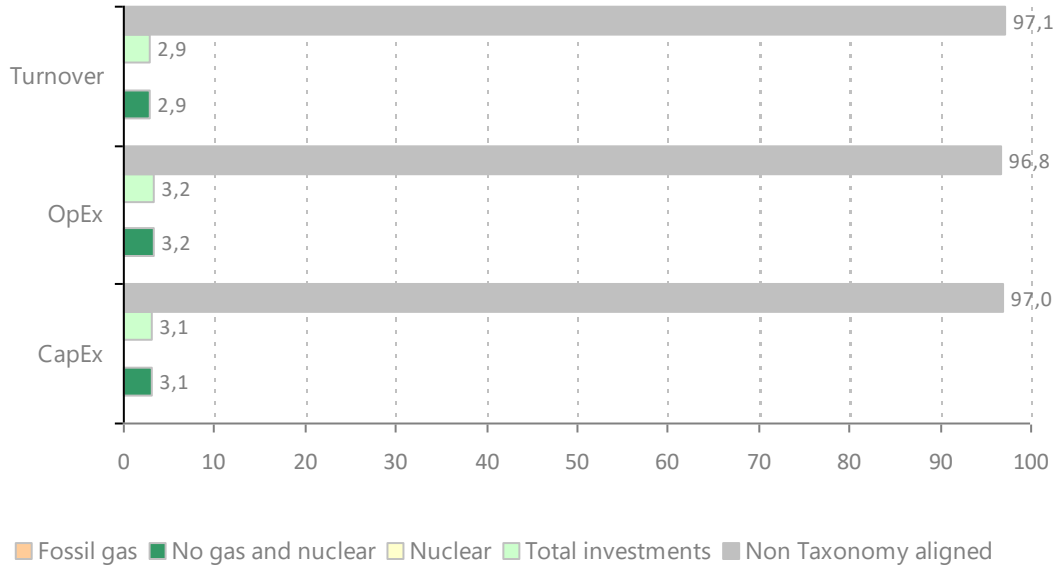
- turnover reflects the "greenness" of investee companies today.

- capital expenditure (CapEx) shows the green investments made by investee companies, relevant for a transition to a green economy.

- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflects the green operational activities of investee companies.

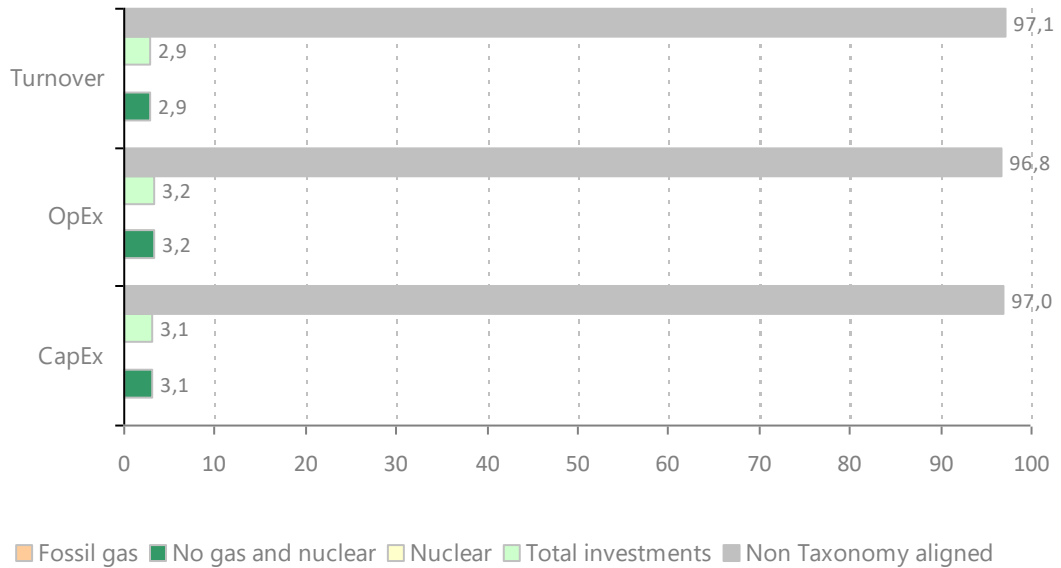
The graphs below show in green the percentage of investments that were aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product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

Taxonomy-alignment of investments - including sovereign bonds



Turnover	No gas and nuclear	2,94 %
OpEx	No gas and nuclear	3,23 %
CapEx	No gas and nuclear	3,05 %

Taxonomy-alignment of investments - excluding sovereign bonds



Turnover	No gas and nuclear	2,94 %
OpEx	No gas and nuclear	3,23 %
CapEx	No gas and nuclear	3,05 %

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



are 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 investments made in transitional and enabling activities?

Investments made in transitional activities were 0.7%, while investments made in enabling activities were 1.5%.



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

The share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective not aligned with the EU Taxonomy was 10.1 %. These investments had a contribution to an environmental objective by showing alignment with one or more environmental UN SDGs, by demonstrating potential avoided emissions, and/or by having a credible science based emission reduction target.



What was the share of socially sustainable investments?

The share of socially sustainable investments was 17.7%.



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

The category #2 Other includes cash. Cash has been included for liquidity purposes. Minimum environmental or social safeguards were not applicable.



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

The Responsible Investment team had 7 engagements with the portfolio throughout the year regarding environmental, social and governance aspects. Most engagements have been on environmental topics, such as Biodiversity and Climate change trying to influence the companies in a more sustainable direction.

In addition, the portfolio managers had 9 investor dialogues with both portfolio companies and other relevant companies during the reference period. The focus has been specifically on governance topics such as corruption. The portfolio managers have, among other things, engaged in dialogue with Exosens and Invisio, where the main focus has been on board composition and the role that larger shareholders play in the board. In dialogue with Rheinmetall, discussions have focused on the role of renewable energy, such as biofuels, in the defence industry and how this can contribute to decarbonisation and security of supply.

Note that some of the dialogues the portfolio managers had could have been in collaboration with the Responsible Investments team and/or portfolio managers in other internal DNB funds.



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

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

The fund did not use a benchmark that is aligned with the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the fund.



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To the Board of Directors of DNB Asset Management AS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the following funds managed by DNB Asset Management AS which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2025, the income statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion

- the financial statements of the securities funds comply with applicable statutory requirements, and
- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the funds' financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of their financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and accounting standards and practices generally accepted in Norway.

DNB AM Norske aksjer	DNB Norden	DNB Private Banking Premium 80
DNB Grønt Skifte Norge	DNB Norden Indeks	DNB Spare 30
DNB Norge	DNB PB Discretionary Equity Strategies	DNB Spare 50
DNB Norge Indeks	DNB Private Banking Premium 100	DNB Spare 80
DNB Norge Pensjon	DNB Quant Allocation AC	DNB Aktiv Rente
DNB Norge Selektiv	DNB Quant Allocation DM	DNB Aktiv Rente (II)
DNB OBX	DNB Spare 100	DNB AM Kort Obligasjon
DNB SMB	DNB Teknologi	DNB AM Kort Obligasjon 2
DNB Aktiv 100	DNB Telecom	DNB AM Lang Obligasjon
DNB AM Globale Aksjer	DNB USA Indeks	DNB European Covered Bonds
DNB Barnefond	DNB Aktiv 10	DNB FRN
DNB Bioteknologi	DNB Aktiv 30	DNB Global Credit
DNB Europa Indeks	DNB Aktiv 50	DNB Global High Grade
DNB European Defence	DNB Aktiv 80	DNB Global Treasury
DNB Finans	DNB Grønt Skifte 30	DNB High Yield
DNB Global	DNB Grønt Skifte 50	DNB Kredittobligasjon
DNB Global Core	DNB Grønt Skifte 80	DNB Low Carbon Credit
DNB Global Emerging Markets	DNB Lev Mer	DNB Nordic Investment Grade
DNB Global Emerging Markets Indeks	DNB Lev Mer - 2025	DNB Obligasjon
DNB Global Enhanced Index	DNB Lev Mer - 2030	DNB Obligasjon 20
DNB Global Enhanced Small Cap	DNB Lev Mer - 2035	DNB Obligasjon Norden
DNB Global Indeks	DNB Lev Mer - 2040	DNB OMF
DNB Global Industrisektor Indeks	DNB Lev Mer - 2045	DNB PB Discretionary Credit
DNB Global Klima Faktor	DNB Lev Mer - 2050	DNB PB Discretionary Rates
DNB Global Marked Valutasikret	DNB Lev Mer - 2055	DNB Likviditet
DNB Global Materalsektor Indeks	DNB Lev Mer - 2060	DNB Likviditet Kort
DNB Grønt Skifte 100	DNB Lev Mer - 2065	DNB Likviditet Institusjon
DNB Grønt Skifte Norden	DNB Lev Mer - 2070	DNB Nordisk Utbytte
DNB Health Care	DNB Lev Mer - 2075	DNB Global Enhanced Plus
DNB Kjernekraft	DNB PB Discretionary Multi Strategies	DNB Global Enhanced Small Cap
DNB Klima Indeks	DNB Private Banking Premium 30	DNB Sport & Entertainment
DNB Miljøinvest	DNB Private Banking Premium 50	DNB Stabil Likviditet



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Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the requirements of the relevant laws and regulations in Norway and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards)* (the IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

The Board of Directors and the Managing director (management) are responsible for the information in the Board of Directors' report and the other information presented with the financial statements. The other information comprises the information included in the funds' annual report, other than the annual financial statements and the related auditor's report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the information in the Board of Directors' report and the other information presented with the financial statements.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the information in the Board of Directors' report and for the other information presented with the financial statements. The purpose is to consider if there is material inconsistency between the information in the Board of Directors' report and the other information presented with the financial statements and the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise the information in the Board of Directors' report and for the other information presented with the financial statements otherwise appears to be materially misstated. We are required to report if there is a material misstatement in the Board of Directors' report and the other information presented with the financial statements. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Based on our knowledge obtained in the audit, it is our opinion that the Board of Directors' report

- is consistent with the financial statements and
- contains the information required by applicable statutory requirements.

Responsibilities of management for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Norwegian Accounting Act and accounting standards and practices generally accepted in Norway, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the funds ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the funds or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.



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Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the funds internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the funds ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the funds to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Board of Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Oslo, 27. April 2026
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