

Periodic SFDR disclosure

Product name: QUEST FOR GROWTH

Legal entity identifier: 549300RFN1RGQGRC9B35

Environmental and/or social characteristics

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 ____% 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 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 environmental and social characteristics are promoted by the following:

- investing in growth companies addressing future oriented themes that have a positive contribution to people and planet. Investment areas include clean energy and resource efficiency, water treatment, waste management, pollution control and advanced materials, healthcare, healthy living, human development, smart industries and digitalisation.
- the screening of all investment opportunities against an exclusion policy;

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.



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

- an annual ESG review for all investments made by the Fund, which constitutes a section of the annual report;
- the assessment of potential adverse ESG impacts on the investments made by the Fund;
- actively voting in portfolio companies considering ESG related matters, in accordance with our Voting Policy.

● **How did the sustainability indicators perform?**

As stated in our annual report, sustainability indicators for unlisted companies are currently monitored mainly in qualitative terms, because in most cases we do not have sufficient data, such as CO2 reduction. The progress in business technology development coupled with the progress in potentially achieving a significant potential positive impact on one of the ESG criteria remains decisive in the ongoing assessment of portfolio companies. For non-significant ESG criteria data may be available but it is less relevant to draw conclusions from this.

For quoted companies, we identified as sustainability indicator the engagement of the portfolio company in at least one UN SDG. As stated in our annual report, all quoted companies are compliant with this indicator.

Concerning the sustainability indicator 'fulfilment of exclusion criteria', we can conclude that to our knowledge not one investment has been made or is held in violation with our exclusion policy.



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

Quest for Growth did not consider principal adverse impacts within the meaning of the SFDR. Nevertheless, for venture & growth companies, potential negative impacts are being selected and monitored on an ongoing basis. Extreme negative outliers are analyzed more into detail and respective actions are taken on a case by case basis (e.g. engagement with the respective companies or even exclusion of the respective asset) with the general goal to reduce negative impacts.

The list includes the investments constituting **the greatest proportion of investments** of the financial product on 31 December 2022.



What were the top investments of this financial product?

Largest investments	Sector	% Assets	Country
CAPRICORN SUSTAINABLE CHEMISTRY FUND	Sustainable chemistry	8.4%	Belgium

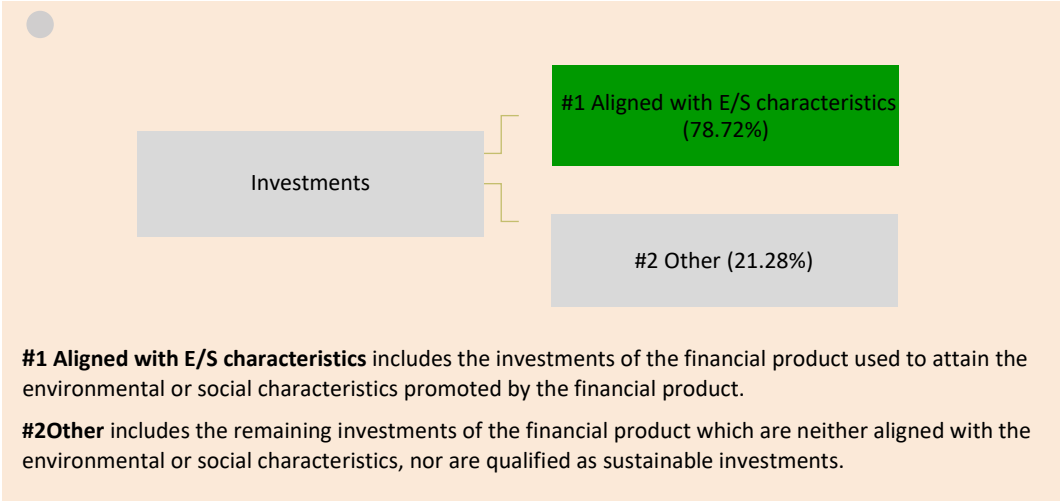
CAPRICORN HEALTH- TECH FUND	Health-tech	7.7%	Belgium
CAPRICORN DIGITAL GROWTH FUND	Digital	4.8%	Belgium
CEWE	Photo and online printing services	4.0%	Germany
NEDAP	Automatic Identification Solutions	3.6%	The Netherlands
EQUASENS	Software & Pharmacies	3.5%	France
CAPRICORN ICT ARKIV	Digital	3.5%	Belgium
TKH GROUP	Telecom, Building and Industrial Solutions	3.4%	The Netherlands
WOLTERS KLUWER	Software & Services for clinicians, lawyers and accountants	3.4%	The Netherlands
ROCHE	Pharma & Biotech	3.4%	Switzerland
FINANCIERE DE TUBIZE	Pharma & Biotech	3.2%	Belgium
ABO WIND	Onshore Wind Project Developer	3.1%	Germany
MELEXIS	Sensors and Microchips for Automobil	2.9%	Belgium
JENSEN	Heavy Duty Laundry Systems	2.8%	Belgium
KERRY GROUP	Taste and Nutrition Innovation	2.4%	Ireland

What was the proportion of sustainability-related investments?

Asset allocation
describes the
share of
investments in
specific assets.

Quest for Growth aims at investing at least 51% of its NAV in E/S aligned investments. Currently 78.72% are aligned with our environmental and social characteristics.

● **What was the asset allocation?**



In which economic sectors were the investments made?

- 1) Cleantech (32%)**
- 2) Digital (40%)**
- 3) Health (26%)**
- 4) Other (2%)**



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

- 1) CARLYLE EUROPE TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS II (CETP) (0.06%), LIFE SCIENCES PARTNERS III (LSP III) (0.10%) AND LIFE SCIENCES PARTNERS IV (LSP IV) (0.43%)

These are three vintage funds. Due to a lack of data, we cannot assure that these funds are fully aligned with Quest for Growth’s E/S characteristics. However, Quest for Growth has co-invested in many of CETP's portfolio companies in the past. This implies that CETP share (at least) similar minimum environmental or social safeguards. Also, an investment in CETP or LSP that does not have such safeguards would be in violation with Capricorn’s ESG Policy at that time.

- 2) FINQUEST (1.30%)

Finquest is a portfolio company that does not actively promote any environmental or social characteristics. However, thanks to Capricorn's involvement in the company, an ESG committee has been established in November 2022. For instance, as this company needs a lot of data storage, it is currently looking at options to relocate data servers to countries that have more clean energy. Also, minimum social and environmental safeguards are guaranteed for this investment, as Quest for Growth is bound by Capricorn's ESG policy.

3) CAPRICORN CLEANTECH FUND (0.61%), CAPRICORN HEALTH-TECH FUND (7.65%) and CAPRICORN ICT ARKIV (3.49%)

These three funds are fully-invested vintage funds that (for that reason) do not market themselves as an article 8 fund. Due to a lack of data, we cannot assure that these funds are fully aligned with Quest for Growth's E/S characteristics. Nevertheless, we estimate that most investments made by these funds would align with these characteristics. Also, minimum social and environmental safeguards are respected, as all investments were made in accordance with Capricorn's ESG policy at that time.

4) CAPRICORN FUSION CHINA FUND (1.81%)

Capricorn Fusion China Fund is a fund that qualifies as an article 6 fund. For that reason, it is not aligned with Quest for Growth's E/S characteristics. Nevertheless, the fund made some investments that are aligned with those characteristics (eg. Fruitcore Robotics). Also, minimum social and environmental safeguards are guaranteed for all investments, as the fund is bound by Capricorn's ESG policy.

5) CASH AND OTHER NET ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (5,38%)

This proportion relates mainly to cash held as ancillary liquidity.



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

The actions that Quest for Growth has undertaken to meet the environmental and social characteristics were actively voting on those topics and not investing if good governance or other relevant environmental and social characteristics did not pass the due diligence criteria.

During the course of 2022, Quest for Growth has actively voted in 23 shareholder meetings of quoted companies and 28 shareholder meetings of unquoted companies. At one portfolio company, we voted against a resolution on a

proposed new director because that proposal did not contribute to the company's diversity.