



# EASTSPRING INVESTMENTS (SINGAPORE) EXCLUSIONS POLICY

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## 1. BACKGROUND

As long-term stewards of our customers' assets, we believe that we will make the best possible investment decisions on behalf of our clients by incorporating material environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into our investment processes.

We acknowledge that certain businesses and their activities are of detriment to the communities and wider society that they operate in. We deem investments into these companies as unsustainable and incompatible with our Responsible Investment standards and policies. As such, we seek to exclude investments into companies that we deem to be of detriment from our portfolios.

By taking these ESG issues into account, we can meet our clients' financial expectations, serve their other long-term interests, and meet the expectations of society.

## 2. SCOPE AND APPLICATION OF EXCLUSIONS

This policy will apply to comingled investment vehicles under the direct control of Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Ltd, including Singapore unit trusts and SICAVs.

This policy does not cover the following:

- ▶ Funds delegated to third party managers or investing into third party managed vehicles;
- ▶ Locally domiciled funds managed outside of Singapore by Eastspring Investments Local Business Units (LBUs);
- ▶ Indirect market exposures from ETFs, where Eastspring Investments does not have direct control.

## 3. EXCLUSIONS

The following exclusions will be applied to all funds as defined in Section 2.

### Controversial Weapons

At Eastspring Investments, we deem companies with a verified involvement to cluster munitions, anti-personnel mines, biological weapons, chemical weapons, and nuclear weapons outside of the UN Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons as companies to be excluded for controversial weapons.

We will identify and exclude these companies in accordance with definitions set by international conventions and treaties. To ensure this alignment, we utilise third-party vendor data for identifying companies for exclusion.

The following details our exclusions and its alignment to international standards and polices:

Category	Conventions / Treaties
<b>Cluster Munitions Overall Flag</b>	The Convention on Cluster Munitions (Oslo Convention)
<b>AP Mines Overall Flag</b>	UN Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction 2997 (Ottawa Treaty)
<b>Biological Weapons Overall Flag</b>	UN Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction
<b>Chemical Weapons Overall Flag</b>	UN Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction
<b>Nuclear Weapons Non-NPT Overall Flag</b>	UN Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)

### Tobacco

At Eastspring Investments, we acknowledge the primary detrimental effects tobacco has on health and the secondary environmental impact the inefficient disposal of tobacco products has on growing waste.

We will identify and exclude companies that are classified as Tobacco Sub-Industry by Global Industry Classification Methodology (GICS). This includes manufacturers of cigarettes and other tobacco products. We utilise third-party vendor data in combination with GICS classifications for identifying companies for exclusions.

## 4. POLICY GOVERNANCE AND REVISIONS

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Eastspring Investments acknowledge that we will need to adapt as industry practices change over time. We will review our exclusions on an annual basis, at a minimum, to ensure that our policies are updated.

We are committed to an ongoing and long-term process of improving our approach to integrating ESG issues into our investment processes. As our internal strategies, standards, and policies evolve or where we notice shifts in external expectations, in line with industry practices, we expect that our policies will evolve over time to reflect changes in business practices, structures, technology, and the law.

All changes will be approved by the **Eastspring Investments Sustainability Steering Committee**, chaired by the Chief Executive Officer, and in consult with senior management.