

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

Product name: AMUNDI S&P SMALLCAP 600 ESG UCITS ETF

Legal entity identifier: 2138009DAYRD3V7BEV42

## Environmental and/or social characteristics

### Did this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?



Yes



No



It made **sustainable investments with an environmental objective:**

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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 a **sustainable investments with a social objective:** \_\_\_\_\_



It **promoted Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics** and while it did not have as its objective a sustainable investment, it had a proportion of **30.15%** 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**

**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.



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

The environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by this financial product are met through the tracking of the S&P SmallCap 600 ESG+ Index (USD) NTR. The investment objective of the Product is to track an Index, which is based on a Parent Index. At each of the Index rebalancing date, at least 20% of the Parent Index constituents were removed based on sustainability criteria, among others, an environmental, social and governance ("ESG") rating.

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

As of 31/07/2023 (the last rebalancing date) the S&P DJI ESG Scores of the index is 27.55

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

- **... and compared to previous periods?**

Data for the S&P DJI ESG Scores of the index is not available for the previous period

- **What were the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how did the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?**

The objectives of the sustainable investments are to invest in investee companies that seek to meet two criteria:

1. follow best environmental and social practices; and
2. avoid making products or providing services that harm the environment and society.

In order for the investee company to be deemed to contribute to the above objective it must be a "best performer" within its sector of activity on at least one of its material environmental or social factors.

The definition of "best performer" relies on Amundi's proprietary ESG methodology which aims to measure the ESG performance of an investee company. In order to be considered a "best performer", an investee company must perform with the best top three rating (A, B or C, out of a rating scale going from A to G) within its sector on at least one material environmental or social factor. Material environmental and social factors are identified at a sector level. The identification of material factors is based on Amundi ESG analysis framework which combines extra-financial data and qualitative analysis of associated sector and sustainability themes. Factors identified as material result in a contribution of more than 10% to the overall ESG score. For energy sector for example, material factors are: emissions and energy, biodiversity and pollution, health and security, local communities and human rights. For a more complete overview of sectors and factors, please refer to the Amundi ESG Regulatory Statement available at [www.amundi.lu](http://www.amundi.lu)

To contribute to the above objectives, the investee company should not have significant exposure to activities (e.g.tobacco, weapons, gambling, coal, aviation, meat production, fertilizer and pesticide manufacturing, single-use plastic production) not compatible with such criteria.

The sustainable nature of an investment is assessed at investee company level.

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

To ensure sustainable investments do no significant harm ('DNSH'), Amundi utilises two filters:

The first DNSH filter relies on monitoring the mandatory Principal Adverse Impacts indicators in Annex 1, Table 1 of the RTS where robust data is available (e.g.GHG intensity of investee companies) via a combination of indicators (e.g.carbon intensity) and specific thresholds or rules (e.g. that the investee company's carbon intensity does not belong to the last decile of the sector).

Amundi already considers specific Principle Adverse Impacts within its exclusion policy as part of Amundi's Responsible Investment Policy. These exclusions, which apply on the top of the tests detailed above, cover the following topics: exclusions on controversial weapons, violations of UN Global Compact principles, coal and tobacco.

Beyond the specific sustainability factors covered in the first filter, Amundi has defined a second filter, which does not take the mandatory Principal Adverse Impact indicators above into account, in order to verify that the company does not badly perform from an overall environmental or social standpoint compared to other companies within its sector which corresponds to an environmental or social score superior or equal to E using Amundi's ESG rating.

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

The indicators for adverse impacts have been taken into account as detailed in the first do not significant harm (DNSH) filter above.

**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 first DNSH filter relies on monitoring of mandatory Principal Adverse Impacts indicators in Annex 1, Table 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 where robust data is available via the combination of following indicators and specific thresholds or rules:

- Have a CO2 intensity which does not belong to the last decile compared to other companies within its sector (only applies to high intensity sectors), and
- Have a Board of Directors' diversity which does not belong to the last decile compared to other companies within its sector, and
- Be cleared of any controversy in relation to work conditions and human rights.
- Be cleared of any controversy in relation to biodiversity and pollution

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

Yes, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights are integrated into our ESG scoring methodology. Our proprietary ESG rating tool assesses issuers using available data from our data providers. For example the model has a dedicated criteria called "Community Involvement & Human Rights" which is applied to all sectors in addition to other human rights linked criteria including socially responsible supply chains, working conditions, and labour relations. Furthermore, we conduct controversy monitoring on a, at minimum, quarterly basis which includes companies identified for human rights violations. When controversies arise, analysts evaluate the situation and apply a score to the controversy (using our proprietary scoring methodology) and determine the best course of action. Controversy scores are updated quarterly to track the trend and remediation efforts.

*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 product considers all the mandatory Principal Adverse Impacts as per Annex 1, Table 1 of the Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1288 applying to the product's strategy and relies on a combination of exclusion policies (normative and sectorial), engagement and voting approaches:

- **Exclusion** : Amundi has defined normative, activity-based and sector-based exclusion rules covering some of the key adverse sustainability indicators listed by the Disclosure Regulation.
- **Engagement** : Engagement is a continuous and purpose driven process aimed at influencing the activities or behaviour of investee companies. The aim of engagement activities can fall into two categories: to engage an issuer to improve the way it integrates the environmental and social dimension, to engage an issuer to improve its impact on environmental, social, and human rights-related or other sustainability matters that are material to society and the global economy.
- **Vote** : Amundi's voting policy responds to a holistic analysis of all the long-term issues that may influence value creation, including material ESG issues. For more information, please refer to Amundi's Voting Policy .
- **Controversies monitoring** : Amundi has developed a controversy tracking system that relies on three external data providers to systematically track controversies and their level of severity. This quantitative approach is then enriched with an in-depth assessment of each severe controversy, led by ESG analysts and the periodic review of its evolution. This approach applies to all of Amundi's funds.



### 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: **From 01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023**

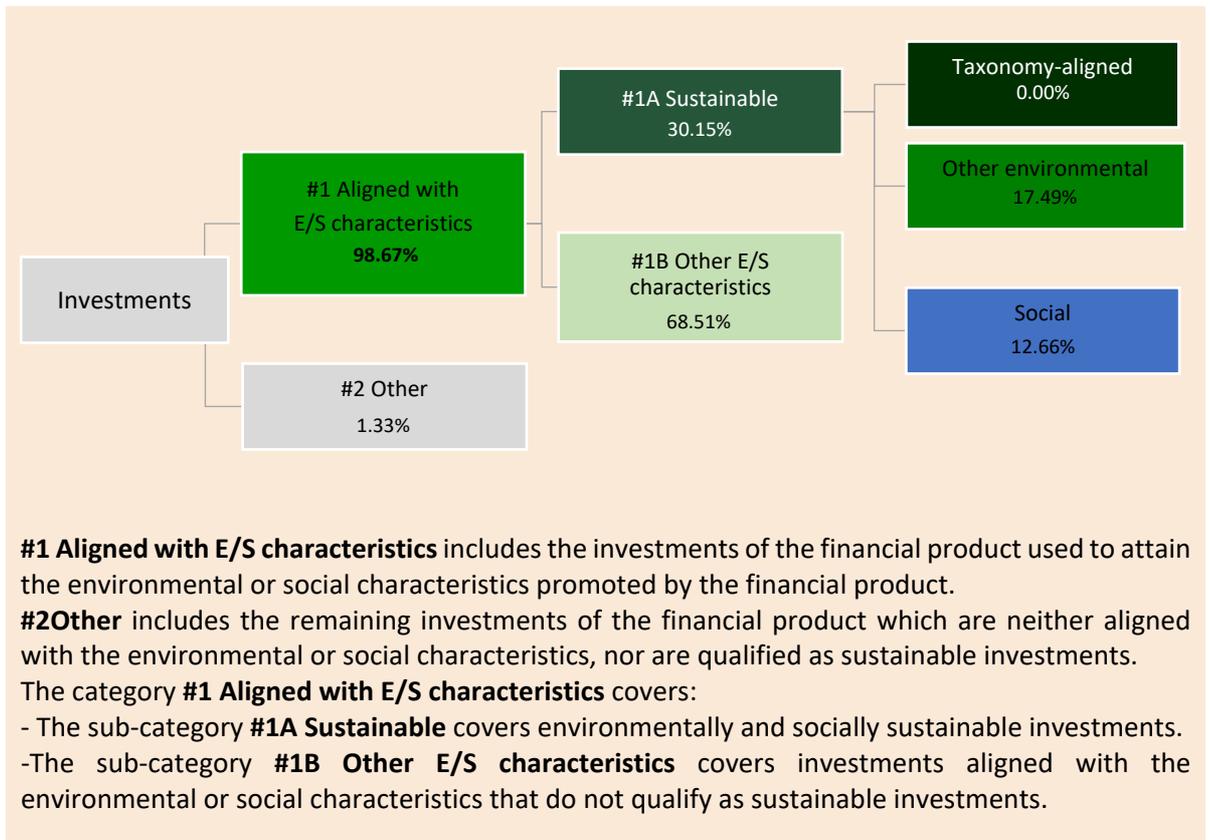
<b>Largest Investments</b>	<b>Sector</b>	<b>Sub-Sector</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>% Assets</b>
CYTOKINETICS INC	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals Biotech & Life Sciences	United States	1.20%
ELF BEAUTY INC	Consumer Staples	Household & Personal Products	United States	1.15%
SPS COMMERCE INC	Information Technology	Software & Services	United States	1.03%
FABRINET	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	Cayman Islands	1.00%
APPLIED INDUSTRIAL TECH INC	Industrials	Capital goods	United States	0.97%
MERITAGE HOMES C	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	United States	0.93%
ENSIGN GROUP INC	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	United States	0.92%
MUELLER INDUSTRIES INC	Industrials	Capital goods	United States	0.78%
BOISE CASCADE LLC	Industrials	Capital goods	United States	0.75%
AAON INC	Industrials	Capital goods	United States	0.72%
INSIGHT ENTERPRISES INC	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	United States	0.71%
BALCHEM CORP	Materials	Chemicals	United States	0.71%
SIGNET JEWELERS (USA)	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Discretionary	Bermuda	0.69%

		Distribution & Retail		
FEDERAL SIGNAL CORP	Industrials	Capital goods	United States	0.68%
SPX TECHNOLOGIES INC	Industrials	Capital goods	United States	0.67%



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

### What was the asset allocation?



**Asset allocation** describes the share of investments in specific assets.

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

Sector	Sub-Sector	% Assets
Industrials	Capital goods	12.79%
Financials	Banks	11.11%

<i>Real Estate</i>	<i>REITs</i>	<i>7.06%</i>
<i>Information Technology</i>	<i>Technology Hardware &amp; Equipment</i>	<i>6.44%</i>
<i>Health Care</i>	<i>Health Care Equipment &amp; Services</i>	<i>6.09%</i>
<i>Financials</i>	<i>Financial Services</i>	<i>5.25%</i>
<i>Consumer Discretionary</i>	<i>Consumer Discretionary Distribution &amp; Retail</i>	<i>5.08%</i>
<i>Consumer Discretionary</i>	<i>Consumer Durables &amp; Apparel</i>	<i>5.04%</i>
<i>Health Care</i>	<i>Pharmaceuticals Biotech &amp; Life Sciences</i>	<i>4.07%</i>
<i>Materials</i>	<i>Chemicals</i>	<i>3.58%</i>
<i>Industrials</i>	<i>Commercial &amp; Professional Services</i>	<i>3.56%</i>
<i>Consumer Discretionary</i>	<i>Consumer Services</i>	<i>3.55%</i>
<i>Information Technology</i>	<i>Software &amp; Services</i>	<i>3.31%</i>
<i>Information Technology</i>	<i>Semiconductors &amp; Semiconductor Equipment</i>	<i>2.76%</i>
<i>Financials</i>	<i>Insurance</i>	<i>2.66%</i>
<i>Industrials</i>	<i>Transportation</i>	<i>2.19%</i>
<i>Consumer Staples</i>	<i>Food, Beverage &amp; Tobacco</i>	<i>2.12%</i>
<i>Consumer Discretionary</i>	<i>Automobiles &amp; Components</i>	<i>1.61%</i>

<i>Utilities</i>	<i>Water Utilities</i>	<i>1.53%</i>
<i>Consumer Staples</i>	<i>Household &amp; Personal Products</i>	<i>1.41%</i>
<i>Communication Services</i>	<i>Media &amp; Entertainment</i>	<i>1.38%</i>
<i>Energy</i>	<i>Energy Equipment &amp; Services</i>	<i>1.12%</i>
<i>Materials</i>	<i>Metals &amp; Mining</i>	<i>1.10%</i>
<i>Energy</i>	<i>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels</i>	<i>0.91%</i>
<i>Real Estate</i>	<i>Real Estate Management &amp; Development</i>	<i>0.90%</i>
<i>Consumer Staples</i>	<i>Consumer Staples Distribution &amp; Retail</i>	<i>0.79%</i>
<i>Materials</i>	<i>Containers &amp; Packaging</i>	<i>0.40%</i>
<i>Communication Services</i>	<i>Telecommunication</i>	<i>0.30%</i>
<i>Utilities</i>	<i>Gas Utilities</i>	<i>0.27%</i>
<i>Utilities</i>	<i>Multi-Utilities</i>	<i>0.18%</i>
<i>Materials</i>	<i>Paper &amp; Forest Products</i>	<i>0.12%</i>
<i>Others</i>	<i>Others</i>	<i>0.00%</i>
<i>Cash</i>	<i>Cash</i>	<i>1.33%</i>

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of: **-turnover**



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

The fund promotes both environmental and social characteristics. While the fund did not commit to making investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy, during the reporting period the fund invested 0.00% in sustainable investments aligned with the EU Taxonomy.



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

 are sustainable investments with an environmental objective that **do not take into account the criteria** for environmentally sustainable economic activities under the EU Taxonomy.

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

In the previous period Taxonomy alignment was not reported, because at the time reliable reported data was not yet available.



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

The share of sustainable investments with environmental objective not aligned to taxonomy was **17.49%** at the end of the period.

This is due to the fact that some issuers are considered sustainable investments under the SFDR Regulation but do have a portion of activities that are not aligned with EU taxonomy standards, or for which data is not yet available to perform an EU taxonomy assessment.



- **What was the share of socially sustainable investments ?**

The share of socially sustainable investments at the end of the period was 12.66%.



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

“#2 Other” includes cash and other instruments held for the purpose of liquidity and portfolio risk management. For unrated bonds and shares, minimum environmental and social safeguards are in place via controversy screening against the UN Global Compact Principles.



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

This product is passively managed. Its investment strategy is to replicate the Index while minimizing the related tracking error. Binding elements in the Index methodology ensure environmental and/or social characteristics are met at each rebalancing date. The Product strategy is also relying on systematic exclusions policies (normative and sectorial) as further described in Amundi Responsible Investment policy .



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

This product is passively managed. Its investment strategy is to replicate the Index while minimizing the related tracking error.

- **How does the reference benchmark differ from a broad market index ?**

The Index is a broad-based, market-cap-weighted index that measures the performance of securities meeting sustainability criteria, while maintaining similar overall industry group weight as the S&P SmallCap 600 Index (the "Parent Index"). The Parent Index is an equity index representative of the small capitalization securities traded in the USA.

**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 with regard to the sustainability indicators to determine the alignment of the reference benchmark with the environmental or social characteristics promoted?***

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- ***How did this financial product perform compared with the reference benchmark ?***

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- ***How did this financial product perform compared with the broad market index ?***

This product is passively managed. Its investment strategy is to replicate the Index while minimizing the related tracking error. A comparison of the Index replicated by the Sub Fund vs its Parent index has already been detailed on section How did the sustainability indicators perform ?