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In this Responsible Investment Policy, references to "RenaissanceRe," "we," or "our" refer to RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (the parent company) and its subsidiaries and affiliates, including our joint ventures and managed funds.



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Foreword



At RenaissanceRe, our commitment to Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") factors has always been a central part of our corporate strategy, and this commitment remains firmly embedded in our values today. RenaissanceRe's purpose is to protect communities and enable prosperity. Our vision is to be the best underwriter. Our mission is to match desirable, well-structed risks with efficient sources of capital. Together, our purpose, mission and vision define the value proposition that we believe will enable us to deliver superior returns to our shareholders. Our purpose also drives our ESG strategy, which focuses on three areas where our risk acumen intersects with our ability to make a meaningful impact on society: Promoting Climate Resilience, Closing the Protection Gap and Inducing Positive Societal Change.

This Responsible Investment Policy sets out how we intend to integrate our ESG strategy into the construction of our investment portfolio to support the achievement of our overall objectives while managing ESG risks and enabling positive change. It applies to the assets that we manage directly, as well as to those that are managed externally by our third-party investment managers. We believe that incorporating ESG into our investment process makes us better positioned to identify attractive and sustainable investment opportunities.

As we progress our ESG strategy, we will look for opportunities to use the insights we develop to engage with others to share our knowledge on these topics. We look forward to working collaboratively with our key stakeholders in this endeavor to enable positive change and make a meaningful impact.

Sean Brosnan, SVP, Chief Investment Officer



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SECTION I - Our Approach to Responsible Investing



We recognize that being a responsible investor can be an extension of our corporate values and purpose, and we believe we have the opportunity, through our investment activities, to help address societal challenges, particularly those that are relevant to our mission and vision. To further the sustainability of RenaissanceRe's investment portfolio, certain ESG factors are considered within our investment strategy. We believe that incorporating ESG into our investment process makes us better positioned to identify attractive and sustainable investment opportunities.

We structure RenaissanceRe's investment portfolio to emphasize the preservation of capital and the availability of liquidity to meet our claims obligations, to be well diversified across market sectors and to generate relatively attractive returns on a risk-adjusted basis over time. The majority of our investments are highly rated fixed income securities. We also hold a significant amount of short-term investments. In addition, we hold other investments, including direct private equity investments, catastrophe bonds, fund investments and term loans.

This Responsible Investment Policy sets out how we intend to integrate our ESG strategy and the construction of our investment portfolio to support the achievement of our overall objectives. It applies to the assets that we manage internally, as well as to those that are managed externally by our third party investment managers.

Our investment activities, like RenaissanceRe's other business activities, across underwriting and third-party capital management for example, are informed by the industry-leading expertise of our team of scientists, meteorologists, and engineers at RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences Inc. ("RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences"), which monitors, quantifies and forecasts global geophysical risks across our business. The expertise of RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences, coupled with the insights of our risk function, can help support and inform our view of investment risk.

We consider the social and economic consequences of our investment decisions to help support a transition to a climate positive economy. As such, RenaissanceRe seeks to develop its engagement and role in influencing positive behaviours and apply rules-based exclusions where it believes that, on balance, specific investments present an elevated level of risk of causing significant socio-economic or environmental harm.

We are a signatory of the UN Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) in partnership with the UNEP Finance Initiative and the UN Global Compact. We are proud to be part of this global community to build a more sustainable financial system.





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SECTION II - Our Responsible Investment Policy: ESG Integration

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Introduction

We integrate ESG factors into our investment process using different approaches, including:

- Leveraging MSCI's ESG data to consider the potential environmental, social and governance impact of our current investments and potential future investments;
- Educating our investments team on the impact of changing ESG conditions (including regulatory trends) on our investments through internal and external ESG insights; and
- Developing our internal approach to ESG reporting and analyses

ESG Risk Integration in Investment Decision Making

As noted above, we believe that it is important that we seek to understand and consider material ESG risks when making investment decisions. Our Investment Allocation Committee oversees both our strategic asset allocation and the positioning of our investment portfolio. Among other things, they and the investments team receive regular reports setting out some key metrics which are indicative of the ESG risk exposure in our investment portfolio. These metrics include, where available from MSCI:

- A breakdown of our investment portfolio holdings by the overall MSCI ESG rating;
- An ESG rating comparison to benchmark data;
- Absolute and relative exposure to:
 - Sectors which are considered to be of higher ESG risk (including coal, oil & gas, and tobacco);
 - Sectors which are considered to be of lower ESG risk (including renewable and alternative energy);
 - ESG labelled investment products (including Green, Pandemic, Sustainability and Social Impact bonds); and
 - Carbon Intensity metrics on the portfolio.

These metrics are used to support our investment risk monitoring, including implementation of exclusion policies, identification of higher risk holdings and monitoring of the ESG risk and impact attributes of our investment portfolio. We intend to continue developing the ESG analytics we use to monitor ESG risks in our portfolio.

Exclusions

We apply rules-based exclusions to our investment portfolio where our analyses and judgment determine there are material downside risks related to ESG. As such, our investment guidelines currently provide for the elimination of direct investments in:

- companies that are classified as 'CCC' ESG
 Laggards under the MSCI methodology, since these
 are deemed to present additional risk of doing harm
 from an ESG perspective based on their relatively low
 independent ESG rating;
- companies that derive more than 10% of revenues from thermal coal; and
- corporates that have a relatively high carbon intensity as measured by MSCI, since these are considered to be high carbon emitters in terms of the extent of environmental harm caused by their activities.

We continue to assess and review our investment exclusions and we expect them to evolve over time.

Third-Party Manager Selection / Mandate Setting

We embed relevant ESG considerations into the processes through which we select and oversee third-party investment managers, giving consideration to the robustness of third-party managers' approaches to managing ESG risk in the broader context of their ability to deliver on RenaissanceRe's investment objectives. When we engage a third-party investment manager, we generally consider the following topics:

- ESG Strategy & Oversight (including membership of UN PRI):
- ESG Integration & Analysis;
- ESG Governance & Engagement;
- Climate Change Risk Oversight (including reporting against the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures, "TCFD"); and
- Commitment to Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.



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For public market third-party investment managers that we engage, we set mandates that we believe help achieve RenaissanceRe's desired strategic asset allocation. These managers have full discretion within the scope of the mandates that we set for them. meaning that we are not generally involved in dayto-day security selection decisions. The mandates include investment guidelines and allocations that incorporate the investment exclusions discussed above, and we ensure that the managers have access to MSCI data or can otherwise incorporate the exclusions. We also assess the performance of these public market third-party investment managers against benchmarks (and their adherence to our investment guidelines) to give us confidence that ESG factors are given due weight in the decisions our managers take on our behalf.

For private market third-party investment managers, who generally do not have the bespoke mandates that public market third-party investment managers have, we consider ESG factors and the types of assets that these managers may invest in during our due diligence process. We also monitor their ESG policies and review related reports (for example annual ESG reports and UN PRI reports). At December 31, 2021, all of our private market managers had implemented a firm-wide ESG policy.

In addition to integrating ESG considerations into the appointment of third-party investment managers, following their initial engagement, we continue to oversee and assess ESG factors. For example, we may review their methodologies for the identification and management of ESG risk and their policies and track records with regard to stewardship and engagement. We generally expect our third-party investment managers to complete a periodic questionnaire on ESG matters. We continue to develop our expectations on stewardship and engagement as part of our ESG framework for due diligence, appointment, and evaluation (including remuneration) of our third-party managers.

Training

We continue to further our employees' knowledge and understanding of ESG issues, and the relevance of such issues to our business and their individual roles. We provide relevant investments personnel with training, guidance and ESG-specialist resources to support them in developing their understanding of this Policy and the ESG issues which it seeks to address. We believe this will help build their confidence and knowledge to discuss these issues with internal stakeholders, third-party asset managers and broader market stakeholders, and identify opportunities to further integrate ESG considerations into our investment strategy and decision-making.



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SECTION III - Governance & Reporting



Oversight and Corporate Governance

We have an integrated approach to ESG governance, with cross-collaboration among the RenaissanceRe Board of Directors (the "Board"), its committees and management. Our Board and its committees are actively engaged in the oversight of environmental, social and governance initiatives and our management provides regular reports on progress and developments to ensure effective oversight. The Board maintains three principal standing committees: the Audit Committee, the Corporate Governance and Human Capital Management Committee, and the Investment and Risk Management Committee (the "IRMC"). Oversight of certain ESG matters is delegated to the standing committees pursuant to their charters, which are available on our website.

Internal Reporting

The IRMC assists the Board with oversight of RenaissanceRe's investment activities and financial risk management. This includes overseeing our investment strategies, performance and risk management. The IRMC is provided with a quarterly ESG dashboard, which includes information on various ESG metrics that help them understand the ESG risks and exposure of our investment portfolio.

The Investment Allocation Committee is comprised of senior members of our executive management team and senior investment team professionals. It is responsible for decisions relating to both investment allocation and third-party investment manager selection and monitoring, including the consideration of impact investing opportunities and regular reviews of data on ESG-related risks and opportunities.

External Reporting & ESG Policies

Additional information regarding RenaissanceRe's ESG risks, opportunities and governance are discussed in detail in our public filings, such as our Annual Report on Form 10-K and Proxy Statement, and on our dedicated ESG website. These disclosures include discussions of environmental and climate change matters, Board oversight of ESG, and the assessment of ESG factors as they relate to our executive compensation programs, among other things. RenaissanceRe's senior management also prioritize the communication of our climate change positioning in earnings calls and other key stakeholder meetings.

Through our ClimateWise membership, we also report annually on our actions in response to climate change in a dedicated report, which is aligned with the Task Force for Climate-related Financial Disclosures ("TCFD"). RenaissanceRe's annual TCFD reporting

under these principles provides a detailed, industry-specific insight into the management of climate change risks and opportunities. As a signatory to the UN PRI, we will also submit additional information relating to our responsible investment activities within our transparency report on an annual basis.

In addition, many of RenaissanceRe's policies (available on our dedicated ESG website) address key ESG-related topics. These include our:

- Code of Ethics & Conduct
- Corporate Governance Guidelines
- Code of Vendor Conduct
- Modern Slavery Statement
- Equal Opportunities Statement
- Environmental Policy
- Human & Labor Rights Policy

Independent Verification

As a global insurer, a number of rating agencies evaluate the effectiveness of our risk management and our governance practices, including our approach to environmental and social risks. The rating agencies that rate us on these matters include:

- AM Best;
- Standard & Poor's;
- Moody's Investors Service; and
- Fitch.

For example, the AM Best methodology states that "understanding and integrating ESG principles into strategy is becoming increasingly important for insurers... Insurers play a unique role within ESG as risk carriers, asset managers and institutional investors." AM Best's analysis includes identifying the impact of climate risk on insurers' credit ratings, through an in depth review of balance sheet strength (including potential liabilities and asset risk), operating performance, business profile and enterprise risk management. Fitch, as part of their credit ratings assessment, assign ESG scores that determine how relevant ESG issues are to the overall credit rating. Moody's Investors Service have published their ESG methodology which introduces ESG Issuer Profile (IPS) and Credit Impact Scores (CIS) for rated financial institutions like RenaissanceRe. The scores are part of Moody's commitment to demonstrate the systematic and transparent incorporation of material ESG issues into credit ratings. Finally, S&P's ratings framework includes "governance" as a key credit consideration within the broader ratings assessment.

¹ Best's Credit Rating Methodology, November 2020.



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SECTION IV - Positive Action

Sustainability and Impact

In parallel with the steps taken to further the sustainability of our investment portfolio, we are considering the role that investments with specific positive impact objectives may have in our portfolio by analyzing the performance, liquidity and real-world outcomes of existing and potential future investments in:

- sectors such as renewables, forestry and infrastructure which improves resilience to climate change;
- asset classes such as bonds labelled as impact, transition, green, sustainable or sustainability-linked and aligned to recognized standards (such as, but not limited to the Green Bond / Sustainability Bond principles as set out by the ICMA, ESMA and the Climate Bond Initiative); and
- other impact products (for example equity funds) which align to appropriate recognized standards such as the IFC Operating Principles for Impact Management.

Climate Change

We embed the first pillar of our ESG strategy, Promoting Climate Resilience, into our corporate strategy through the identification and management of climate-related issues and opportunities. The steps we have taken to proactively decarbonize our investment portfolio further this strategic ESG objective and are directly aligned with UN Sustainable Development Goal 13 to "take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts".²

They include:

- Reducing the carbon intensity of our corporate credit and equity portfolios by 70% from October 2020 to December 2021 (as measured by MSCI);
- Enhancing our investment guidelines to provide for the elimination of direct investments in the areas outlined in Section II;;
- Enhancing our reporting of climate risks and opportunities within investments in line with the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures as part of our annual ClimateWise submission; and
- Becoming a seed investor in BlackRock's US Carbon Transition Readiness ETF to steward companies to transition to a low carbon future.

RenaissanceRe considers climate change to be an important and growing influence in our investment process, and we believe that it will ultimately contribute to our assessment of value, sustainability and return. We recognize that the relevance and materiality of ESG-related factors such as climate change can vary across asset classes and sectors and are committed to further developing our understanding of the climate risk in our investment portfolio. Our investments team has access to unique insights of our RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences team, which could be used to inform our consideration of individual impact investing opportunities in the future. Members of both the RenaissanceRe Risk Sciences and investments teams also make up part of a diverse group of representatives in RenaissanceRe's internal, crossfunctional Climate Change Working Group, which is responsible for the consideration and co-ordination of climate change activities across the Company.



 ${}^2www.un.org/sustainable development/climate-change \\$



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SECTION V - Stakeholder Engagement



Whether advancing climate change research and risk mitigation efforts or giving back to our communities through our long-standing corporate social responsibility program, we have focused on ESG issues because they advance our business goals and are the right thing to do. As RenaissanceRe grows, so does our ability to be a positive force for change, and we believe that ESG's impact and opportunity should be recognized throughout the market and shared with our key stakeholders.

Investment Insights

As we continue to evolve our ESG strategy, we intend to continue (where practical) to:

- use the knowledge and insights we develop through our investment activities to engage in knowledgesharing regarding the relationship between ESG risks and financial attributes of investments;
- participate in industry and investor forums and contribute to best practice investment guidelines, principles, frameworks, and standards; and
- consider the most appropriate industry bodies and forums through which RenaissanceRe can best contribute as an asset owner.

Product Innovation and Public Sector Partnerships

Throughout our history, RenaissanceRe has been a re/insurance sector leader in helping design public/private partnerships to deliver proactive solutions that help close the protection gap for some of the world's largest risks, including climate change-driven natural catastrophes. We have worked with government programs protecting against wind, flood, earthquake and terrorism risk and expect to continue to collaborate with and contribute our expertise to these and other entities.

For example, RenaissanceRe plays an active role in the Insurance Development Forum (IDF), which applies insurance capabilities and resources to build resilience and protection for those communities, businesses and institutions most vulnerable to disaster and economic shock. RenaissanceRe's Chief Risk Officer chairs the IDF's Risk Modeling Steering Group, with the goal of increasing risk understanding among risk owners globally through the application of open risk modeling principles, technology and standards. We are involved in several projects with the IDF, including funding the development of the

first probabilistic Sri Lanka flood model in an open-source format to improve analysis of regional flood risks, supporting IDF disaster risk financing and community resilience projects, and lowering barriers to access high-quality hazard and risk information. RenaissanceRe's involvement in the development and execution of such projects aligns closely with two core pillars of our ESG strategy: Promoting Climate Resilience and Closing the Protection Gap. We expect to continue to develop public sector partners and dedicate time and resources to developing and supporting innovative products to help mitigate the impacts of climate change and other ESG related risks. In doing so, we will consider potential investments in positive impact investment products.

