

## Sector Asset Management becomes a UN PRI signatory

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"By signing the internationally recognised principles, we are formally confirming our commitment to responsible investment", says Knut N. Kjær, Chairman of Sector Asset Management AS.

The PRI is the world's leading proponent of responsible investment. It works to understand the investment implications of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors and to support its international network of investor signatories in incorporating these factors into their investment and ownership decisions.

The Principles were developed by investors, for investors. Knut N. Kjær took part in the working group that, upon invitation by former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, drafted the UN PRI in 2005-2006. "Since then investors' awareness of ESG have increased rapidly, as have their expectations to investment managers. In the years to come I believe it will be increasingly important to understand how climate change, including politics and technology, can affect financial risk and return", he says.

## The six aspirational principles are:

- 1 We will incorporate ESG issues into investment analysis and decision-making processes.
- 2 We will be active owners and incorporate ESG issues into our ownership policies and practices.
- 3 We will seek appropriate disclosure on ESG issues by the entities in which we invest.
- 4 We will promote acceptance and implementation of the Principles within the investment industry.
- 5 We will work together to enhance our effectiveness in implementing the Principles.
- 6 We will each report on our activities and progress towards implementing the Principles.



Sector Asset Management joins a network of over 2,000 signatories who have agreed to put the six principles into practice. The signatories collectively report over \$80 trillion in assets under management.

For more information on Sector Asset Management, please see www.sector.no/en/about-us.

You can view our ESG policy here.