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Our new standard.

Sustainable investing at BlackRock.

“ Climate change has become a defining factor in companies’ long-term prospects... I believe we are on the edge of a fundamental reshaping of finance.”

Larry Fink’s Annual Letter to CEOs, 2020

BlackRock’s Purpose is to help more and more people experience financial well-being.

In pursuit of our purpose, a focus on long-term sustainability is embedded across our business.

Sustainability, and climate change in particular, are poised to transform investing.

Sustainability will drive the way we manage risk, construct portfolios, design products, and engage with companies.

Investment processes

Integrate ESG considerations across investment research, risk management, portfolio construction, and stewardship processes.

Sustainable solutions

Platform of dedicated sustainable investment solutions that provides choices to investors via ESG, thematic, and impact approaches.

Investment stewardship

Engage companies on sustainability-related issues that impact long-term performance.

2,050 engagements with 1,458 companies based in 42 markets between 2018-2019.¹

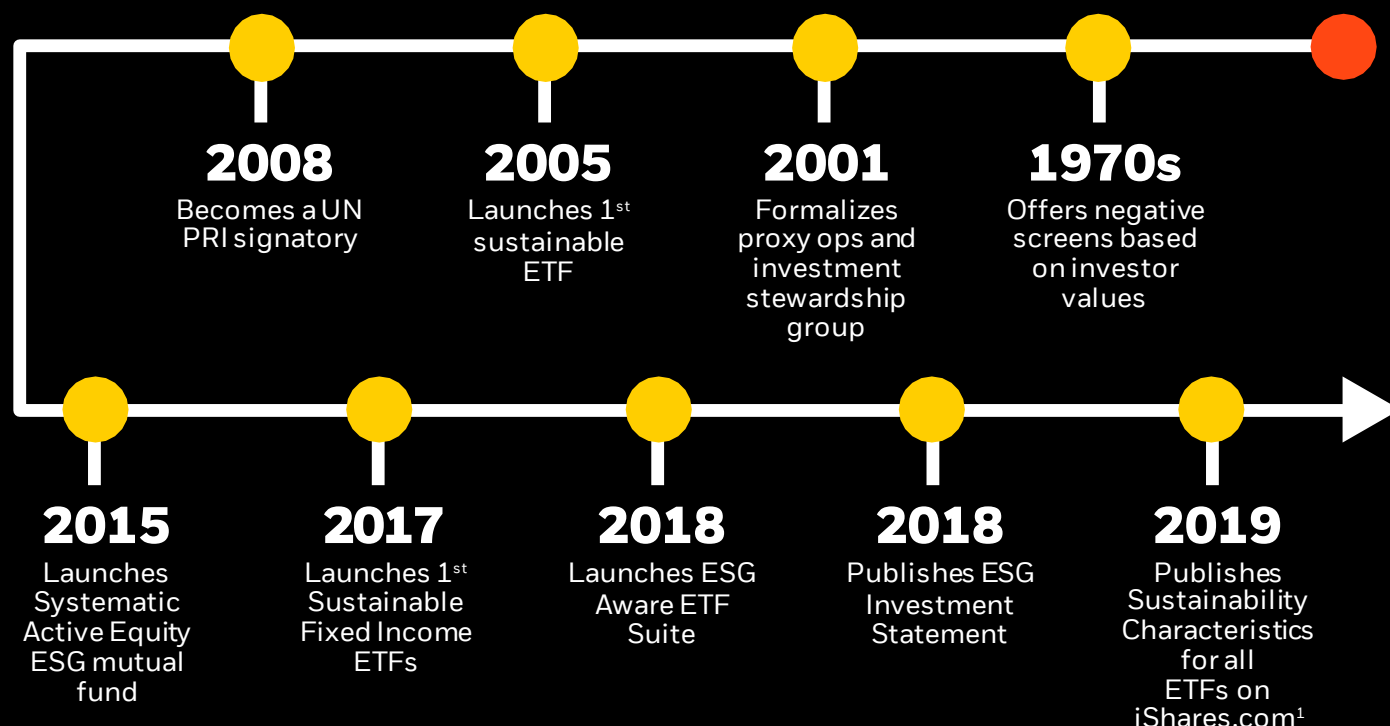
Corporate sustainability

Ensure our firm’s long-term sustainability to deliver the best outcomes for clients and shareholders.

1. Source: BlackRock’s 2019 Investment Stewardship Annual Report <https://www.blackrock.com/corporate/literature/publication/blk-annual-stewardship-report-2019.pdf>

BlackRock's commitment to sustainable investing

Legacy of sustainable investment leadership and solutions



Industry engagement to promote a sustainable financial system

Over 90 memberships and affiliations² including:

- Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI)
- Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB)
- Task Force on Climate Related Financial Disclosure (TCFD)

1. Sustainability Characteristics displayed for all ETFs with coverage from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings. 2. As of December 31, 2019. 3. The PRI Reporting Framework is a key step in building an industry standard for reporting responsible investment (RI) activities. The module scale of evaluation goes from E to A+. 4. IRR Survey 2019 is a 360° evaluation of the economics and dynamics in the SRI and corporate governance value chain. Findings are based on the analysis of 30,281 data points collected from 954 respondents in 44 different countries. 5. The ICSA Awards recognize and celebrate excellence in governance and annual reporting, rewarding the work and achievements of companies, teams and individuals across the governance profession.

Awards and recognitions

Rated A+ for Strategy and Governance in the Principles for Responsible Investment ("PRI") Assessment Report in 2019.³

#1 Asset Manager contributing to sustainable and responsible investing in the SRI Connect Independent Research in Responsible Investment (IRRI) Survey in 2019.⁴

Award for **Best Investor Engagement** Institute of Corporate Secretaries and Administrators (ICSA) in 2019.⁵

For a full list, visit: [blackrock.com/corporate/literature/publication/blk-awards-and-recognition-web.pdf](https://www.blackrock.com/corporate/literature/publication/blk-awards-and-recognition-web.pdf)

BlackRock's sustainable investing platform

BlackRock provides a range of investment solutions that help investors seek sustainable outcomes while pursuing their financial goals.

● ETF ● Mutual Fund ● Model Portfolio

	Broad ESG Invest in securities based on overall ESG performance	Thematic ESG Pursuit of specific E, S, G, or SDG issues	Impact Intent to contribute to measurable positive E, S, G, or SDG outcomes alongside financial returns	
Equity	ESG Aware US ESGU 0.15% US Small Cap ESML 0.17% Int'l Developed ESGD 0.20% Emerging Markets ESGE 0.25%	US BIRIX 0.55% ² US SUSL 0.10% Emerging Markets LDEM 0.16% US DSI 0.25% US SUSA 0.25%	Global Low Carbon CRBN 0.20% Global Clean Energy ICLN 0.47% Global Sustainable Impact SDG 0.49%	
Fixed Income	US 1-5 Yr. Corporate SUSB 0.12% US Corporate SUSC 0.18% US Aggregate EAGG 0.10% ¹		Global Green Bonds BGRN 0.20% ³	
BlackRock Target Allocation ESG Models	40/60	60/40	80/20	100/0

Expense ratios are shown below the ticker symbols.

1. Net expense ratio shown for EAGG reflects contractual fee waiver in place until 6/30/2024. Gross expense ratio is 0.11%. 2. Net expense ratio shown for BIRIX reflects contractual waiver on this share class with an end date of 09/30/2020 terminable upon 90 days' notice. Gross expense ratio is 0.95%. 3. Net expense ratio shown for BGRN reflects contractual fee waiver in place until 3/1/2021. Gross expense ratio is 0.25%.

Fund names: ESGU is iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF. ESML is iShares ESG MSCI USA Small-Cap ETF. ESGD is iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF. ESGE is iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF. SUSB is iShares ESG 1-5 Year USD Corporate Bond ETF. SUSC is iShares ESG USD Corporate Bond ETF. EAGG is iShares ESG U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF. SUSA is iShares MSCI USA ESG Select ETF. DSI is iShares MSCI KLD 400 Social ETF. SUSL is iShares ESG MSCI USA Leaders ETF. BIRIX is BlackRock Advantage ESG U.S. Equity Fund. CRBN is iShares MSCI ACWI Low Carbon Target ETF. ICLN is iShares Global Clean Energy ETF. SDG is iShares MSCI Global Impact ETF. BGRN is iShares Global Green Bond ETF.

Corporate Sustainability by the numbers

#1

in the Capital Markets industry in America's Most JUST Companies for 2020, according to Forbes and JUST Capital.¹

7

consecutive years of perfect scores awarded by Human Rights Campaign's Corporate Equality Index from 2012-2018.³

47%

female new hires in 2018.⁵

\$50m

commitment to help millions of people living on low- to moderate incomes build emergency savings.⁶

#1

in the Investment Banking & Investment Services industry in Refinitiv's Top 25 Most Diverse & Inclusive Index in 2019.²

40%

reduction in paper consumption globally.⁴

100%

of travel-related emissions offset for 2017 and 2018.⁷

100%

renewable energy target in 2020.

1. The 2020 list of America's Most JUST Companies celebrates U.S. corporations that outperform their peers in the Russell 1000 on the priorities of the American people, including issues like fair pay, ethical leadership, good benefits, among others. 2. The D&I Index, launched in 2016, ranks the top 100 publicly traded companies globally with the most diverse and inclusive workplaces, as measured by 24 metrics across four key categories: Diversity, Inclusion, People Development and News Controversies. 3. Source: <https://www.hrc.org/resources/corporate-equality-index-archives>. 4. As of November 2019, using an October 2017 baseline. 5. Representation as of January 1, 2019. 6. Source: <https://www.blackrock.com/corporate/about-us/social-impact>. 7. BlackRock's support for this initiative is made via grants recommended to and paid by the BlackRock Charitable Trust, a donor-advised fund.

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