# Siguler Guff & Company, LP Environmental, Social, and Governance Policy

# I. Overview and Purpose

Siguler Guff & Company, LP and its affiliates ("Siguler Guff" or the "Firm") believes that responsible investment practices incorporating an assessment of environmental, social, and governance ("ESG") factors is fundamental to a portfolio company or fund's well-being and mitigates risk, which may have a direct impact on a portfolio company or fund's business, financial performance, and market position. As a demonstration of the Firm's commitment to the integration of ESG factors in its investment process, Siguler Guff has been a proud signatory to the United Nations-supported Principles for Responsible Investment since March 2013.

The purpose of this ESG Policy ("Policy") is to define Siguler Guff's approach to integrating the consideration of ESG factors into its investment analysis and decision-making processes.

# II. Scope and Application

This Policy applies to all new investments considered by Siguler Guff's investment team, to the extent reasonably practical and relevant under the circumstances, subject to the provisions of each account's limited partnership agreements, private placement memorandums, side letter provisions, and other relevant governing documents (collectively "Governing Documents"), as applicable. In certain cases where Siguler Guff determines it may have limited ability to conduct diligence or screening, or to incorporate the integration of ESG considerations in an investment, Siguler Guff will incorporate the relevant elements of this policy to apply to that particular investment.

# III. Environmental, Social, and Governance Guidelines

Implementation of this Policy is aimed at understanding ESG risks and opportunities that are material to a given investment, with factors varying by company and sector, including whether ESG issues might add risk to an investment, whether ESG issues might pose significant reputational risks to the Firm or its clients, and whether an investment may contribute to sustainability outcomes. Siguler Guff seeks to assess human rights, ethical, and environmental risks associated with investments, and to verify that policies and procedures are in place to prevent or mitigate these risks. Typical ESG factors that may be reviewed and analyzed for particular investment opportunities include, but are not limited to, the following:

Environmental issues	Social issues	Governance issues
Air and water pollution	Data protection and privacy	Accounting standards
Biodiversity	Diversity and equal opportunities	Anti-competitive behavior
Climate change	Employee attraction and retention	Audit committee structure
Deforestation	Employee health and safety	Board composition

Destruction / defragmentation of natural	Government and community relations	Bribery and corruption
habitats	Human capital management	Business ethics
Ecosystems services	Human rights	Compliance
Energy efficiency	Indigenous rights	ESG governance standards
Hazardous materials	Labor standards	Executive remuneration
Land degradation	Labor-management relations, including unfair	Greenwashing
Resource depletion	labor practices or union busting	Lobbying
Waste management	Marketing communications	Political contributions
Water scarcity	Modern slavery	Risk management
	Product mis-selling	Separation of chairman and CEO
	Product safety and liability	Stakeholder dialogue
	Quality of jobs	Succession planning
	Underserved communities	Whistleblower schemes

# **IV. ESG Integration Process**

# ESG Scoring

As part of Siguler Guff's ESG review process, Siguler Guff's ESG Compliance Officer or designated individuals assign a prospective investment a score that serves as a blunt tool to identify prospective investments whose fundamentals, reputation and/or access to the capital markets are, or might in the future be, at risk of negative impact due to identifiable or potential ESG factors. Siguler Guff has developed a proprietary ESG scoring system, which assigns weighed scores of between 1 (Low Risk) to 4 (High Risk) to qualitative, and when applicable, quantitative environmental, social and governance characteristics of a prospective investment. All investments with a cumulative score above 3, or an individual characteristic score of 4, would require review by Siguler Guff's ESG Committee.

# Application of ESG Issues to Fund Investments

### A. Selection and Investment

In contrast to Direct Investments, where the focus is on the portfolio companies, evaluation of Fund investments focuses on internal Fund processes and the GP's commitment to implementing sound ESG practices. In connection with the selection of Fund investments, where appropriate and practicable, Siguler Guff seeks to:

- 1. assess if a general partner structurally integrates ESG factors in its investment decisions to identify ESG risks and has an ESG management system in place;
- 2. assess a general partner's engagement with portfolio companies and processes to address identified ESG shortcomings;
- 3. assess the general partner's level of expertise and training in ESG matters;
- 4. have the general partner agree to include our exclusion list in its ESG management system, or to limit the percentage of the portfolio invested in exclusion list companies. This may not be practicable if the general partner has its own exclusion list;
- 5. have the general partner incorporate its ESG policies in its agreements with third parties, where practical and appropriate; and

6. assess a general partner's periodic and incident reporting on ESG issues to LPs or LPACs.

An ESG-related due diligence questionnaire is to be used by the Firm's investment team(s) in connection with the ESG-related due diligence of a general partner. Responses to the questionnaire shall be ultimately reviewed and assessed by the Firm's ESG Compliance Officer, or another designated member of the legal and compliance team.

### B. Monitoring

In monitoring Fund investments, where appropriate and practicable, Siguler Guff seeks to:

- 1. monitor investee Funds and periodically meet with the management of these Funds;
- 2. if Siguler Guff has an LPAC seat, use that opportunity to encourage the relevant general partner to report and seek input at LPAC meetings on its ESG procedures and any ESG-related risks and incidents within portfolio companies, as well as the remediating actions that the general partners have taken in this respect; and
- 3. pursue informal discussions with general partners on ESG matters and incidents.

### C. Funds Governance

Siguler Guff seeks to review the alignment of interest between LPs and the relevant general partner, the governance model and management framework of the relevant general partner and the transparency of the applicable Fund and general partner.

### Application of ESG Issues to Private Direct Investments/Co-Investments

# A. Selection and Investment

In connection with the selection of private direct investments and co-investments, where appropriate and practicable, Siguler Guff seeks to (whether directly or through consultation with the relevant general partner):

- 1. assess if a general partner structurally integrates ESG factors into its investment decisions to identify ESG risks and has an ESG management system in place;
- 2. assess a company's existing ESG policies, management system and reporting in relation to the level of ESG risk the company faces;
- 3. screen the investment against the exclusion list; and
- 4. where shortcomings have been identified, agree on an ESG action plan with targets and timelines with the co-investing general partner and the company.

An ESG-related due diligence questionnaire is to be used by the Firm's investment team(s) in connection with a proposed private direct investment or co-investment. Responses to the questionnaire shall be ultimately reviewed and assessed by the Firm's ESG Compliance Officer, or another designated member of the legal and compliance team.

### B. Monitoring

In monitoring private direct investments and co-investments, Siguler Guff seeks to:

- 1. monitor the companies Siguler Guff invests in and periodically seek to discuss with the management of these companies or the co-investing general partner their ESG performance; and
- 2. if Siguler Guff has appointed a board member, use that opportunity to encourage disclosure, as part of periodic review meetings, on any ESG-related risks/incidents and remediating actions.

In certain cases where Siguler Guff has very limited governance powers/rights, direct contact with management will not be possible and monitoring will consist of reviews of reports and filings. In the case of private companies where Siguler Guff has limited governance rights (particularly debt investments), Siguler Guff may seek an arrangement with the equity sponsor to provide regular reports.

# Application of ESG Issues to Structured Credit Investments

### A. Selection and Investment

In connection with the selection of structured credit investments, where appropriate and practicable, Siguler Guff seeks to:

- 1. leverage public information, news, regulatory filings, and third-party information to identify material ESG risks and opportunities associated with the investment;
- 2. screen the investment against the exclusion list;
- 3. where practical and applicable, evaluate the ESG policy and practices of the general partner; and
- 4. where shortcomings have been identified, use best efforts to assess related risks and mitigating factors prior to investment approval.

If applicable and appropriate, an ESG-related due diligence questionnaire is to be used by the Firm's investment team(s) in connection with the ESG-related due diligence of a general partner. Responses to the questionnaire shall be ultimately reviewed and assessed by the Firm's ESG Compliance Officer, or another designated member of the Legal and Compliance team.

# B. Monitoring

In monitoring structured credit investments, Siguler Guff seeks to monitor the companies Siguler Guff invests in and, where practical and appropriate, periodically seek to discuss with the management of these companies or the general partner regarding their ESG performance

### Application of ESG Issues to Publicly Traded Instruments

### A. Selection and Investment

In connection with the selection of publicly traded investments (e.g., bonds, loans, equities), where appropriate and practicable, Siguler Guff seeks to:

- 1. leverage public information, news, regulatory filings, and third-party information, where available, to identify material ESG risks and opportunities associated with the issuer;
- 2. screen the issuer against the exclusion list; and
- 3. where shortcomings have been identified, use best efforts to assess related ethical or reputational risks and mitigating factors prior to investment approval.

# **Monitoring**

In monitoring publicly traded investments, Siguler Guff seeks to monitor the issuer on an ongoing basis and assess material ESG issues in its consideration of whether to add, retain, or exit its position(s). Where Siguler Guff has a significant position, where practical and appropriate, the Firm may seek to discuss with the management of the issuer regarding their ESG performance.

### V. Existence of ESG Issues

Except in the case where an investment would trigger Siguler Guff's exclusion list, poor ESG scores and diligence results indicating ESG risks generally do not preclude the Firm from making an investment, but rather are used as one set of inputs among many within the investment decision making process. The Firm seeks to investigate material ESG issues, if any, thoroughly and to appropriately document the level of risk and mitigation efforts, and to ensure that the investment committee is alerted where significant ESG issues may exist so that they are properly factored into the overall investment decision making process. Engagement with portfolio companies and deal partners is prioritized as necessary to address material ESG issues associated with a particular investment. In the case of a portfolio company that refuses to take action to address material ESG issues, the ESG Committee should be consulted.

# VI. Engagement with Industry-Wide ESG Initiatives

Siguler Guff is a member of certain industry organizations to collaborate with industry peers on the topics of responsible investment, ESG, and other related issues in private markets. On an ongoing basis, the Firm seeks to evaluate membership in new and existing ESG-focused industry organizations to identify opportunities that align with Siguler Guff's goals of collaboration with industry peers, enhancing its understanding of emerging practices, and better aligning with its clients' priorities.

# VII. Diversity

Siguler Guff believes that diversity is an ESG factor that should be considered, among others, in the business analysis and decision-making process. Siguler Guff believes that cultivating a diverse and inclusive workplace that incorporates and considers merit and qualifications can help bring strength and effectiveness to the operations of general partners, sponsors, and investee

portfolio companies. Siguler Guff's ESG team will seek to incorporate elements of diversity into its investment review of Funds and portfolio companies by assessing the following factors:

- ➤ Whether the nature of business of the portfolio company or underlying Fund investment negatively impacts the physical or social environment of underserved populations;
- ➤ Whether the Fund or portfolio company considers diversity and expansion of its talent pool in its hiring practices;
- ➤ Whether the general partner considers diversity in its investment review process and to what extent;
- ➤ Whether the general partner or the portfolio company has policies, committees, or programs in place to encourage diversity and opportunity for all in the workplace and throughout its business operations; and
- Whether the general partner or the portfolio company provides training to its employees.

# VIII. Climate Change

Siguler Guff seeks to promote greater transparency on climate-related risks and opportunities in the financial markets to develop a meaningful understanding of how the effects of climate change may materially impact its operations and investments, and to identify opportunities to strengthen portfolio resiliency on behalf of its clients.

The Firm's approach to climate change is embedded within its overall approach to ESG and risk management practices. As part of its ESG review process, where deemed material to a given investment, Siguler Guff seeks to understand, review, and assess relevant climate-related risks, such as physical risks and transition risks, and opportunities, such as those created by the transition to a low carbon economy. The tools and processes applied for identification and management of climate-related risks vary across investments based on the level and quality of information available, and on Siguler Guff's degree of influence.

As climate change risk analysis is a nascent discipline in private markets, Siguler Guff recognizes the importance of engaging with others in the industry to develop and share best practices. Siguler Guff is a public supporter of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures ("TCFD") and encourages its deal partners, borrowers, and portfolio companies to consider climate-related risks and opportunities. The Firm continues to assess relevant industry groups to engage with on climate policy and identify best practices for carbon measurement and management. While the Firm itself has no climate targets, where appropriate and practicable, Siguler Guff may help interested clients with their own carbon and climate goals.

### IX. Governance

Siguler Guff's ESG Committee is composed of senior professionals across the business who are committed to fostering ESG best practices in the Firm's operations, investments, and portfolio oversight activities. The ESG Committee, alongside senior members of Siguler Guff's investment and compliance teams, will seek to:

- A. Distribute this Policy and related ESG information to all applicable Siguler Guff employees.
- B. Instruct Siguler Guff investment professionals in the identification and management of ESG risks and provide them with appropriate support and assistance.
- C. Regard implementation of this Policy as an ongoing project. The ESG Committee and the Firm's Legal and Compliance team will review the Policy's effectiveness and implementation on a regular basis.
- D. Encourage dialogue on how the Firm can accommodate ESG issues in a way that is consistent with the Firm's limited partners' and other stakeholders' initiatives in these areas.

It is noted that certain investments, as determined by the ESG Committee, such as certain trade finance transactions, may be subject to separate ESG procedures given the nature of the transaction (i.e., timing, liquidity, limited ability of Siguler Guff to influence ESG factors, investment duration).

This Policy document will be reviewed and amended from time to time, as appropriate.