

# RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT REPORT

July 2021 – September 2021

DATA CLASSIFICATION: PUBLIC

# **VOTING ACTIVITIES**

WillisTowersWatson III'I'III



### VOTING ACTIVITIES FOR Q3 2021 - SUMMARY

- Our Stock Pickers exercise the voting rights in respect of the stocks in which they have invested for the Company.
- Between 1 July 2021 and 30 September 2021, the Stock Pickers cast 261 votes at 27 company meetings.
- Our Stock Pickers voted on all of the proposals that could be voted on in the quarter.
- The Company's Stock Pickers voted against management on 35 proposals and abstained on 16.
- Of the votes exercised against management, the key topics voted on were remuneration and director relation resolutions.
- In addition to providing this quarterly update on voting activities by its Stock Pickers, the Company reports on its responsible investment strategy to its shareholders in its Annual and Interim Reports. This reporting includes details of how the Company has engaged with its investee companies as well as how its Stock Pickers have exercised its voting rights.

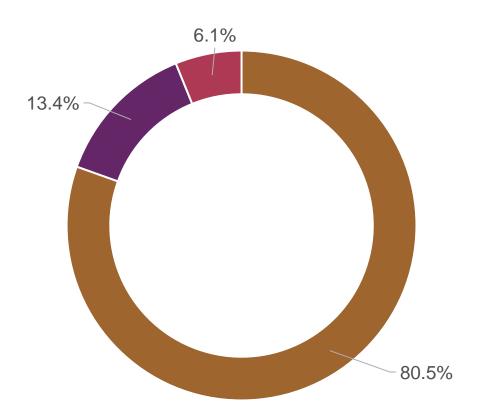
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Source: WTW, EOS at Federated Hermes



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**Voting Summary** 



Number of votes with management

Number of votes against management

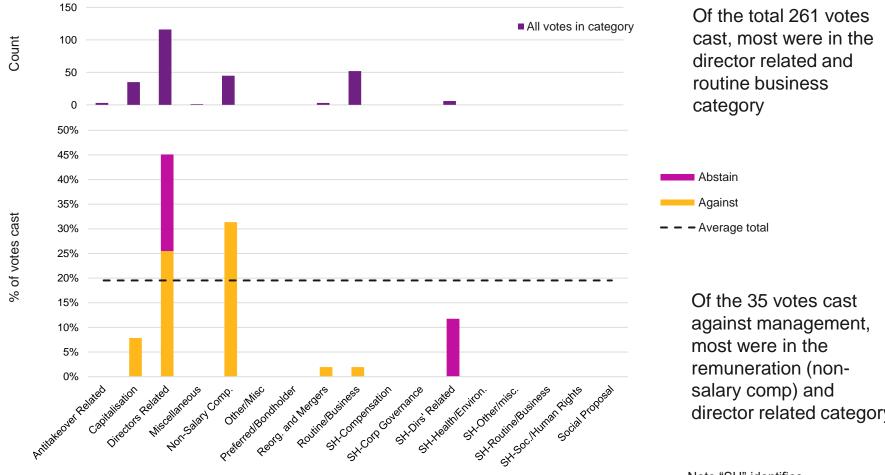
Number of votes abstained

Source: WTW, EOS at Federated Hermes. Data as of 30 September 2021





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#### Votes against Management

Source: ISS, EOS at Federated Hermes, Willis Towers Watson, data as of 30 September 2021

director related category

Note "SH" identifies shareholder resolutions

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# ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

WillisTowersWatson III'I'III



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- EOS at Federated Hermes provides voting recommendations to our Stock Pickers. It also engages with companies that the Company holds and on public policy.
- Details of the engagement activities undertaken with companies held within the portfolio are shown on the following pages.

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 The full detailed report by EOS at Federated Hermes which provides a summary of their engagement activity over the year can be found on the website: <u>https://www.hermes-investment.com/eos-insight/eos/public-engagement-report-q3-2021/</u>

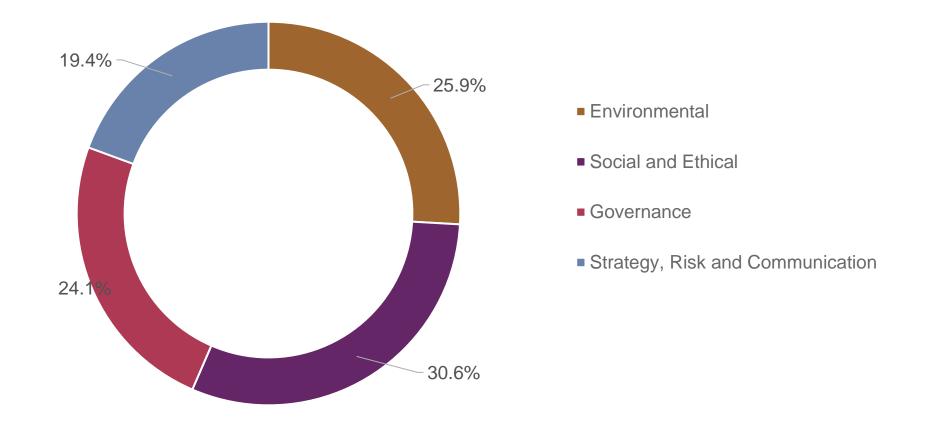
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### ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR Q3 2021

Over Q2 EOS at Federated Hermes engaged with 35 companies within the Company's portfolio on a range of 108 issues and objectives



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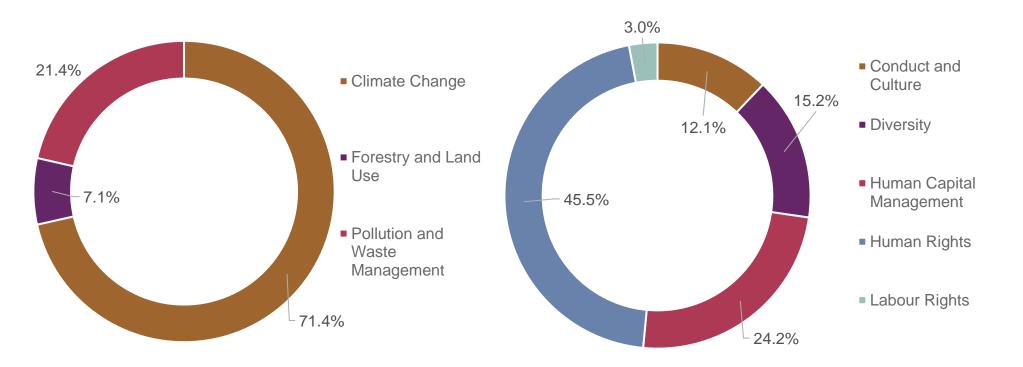




## ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR Q3 2021

#### ENVIRONMENTAL

#### SOCIAL AND ETHICAL



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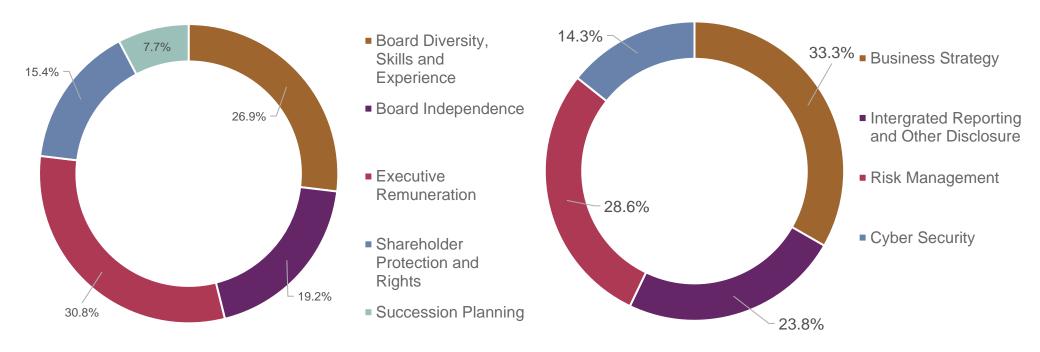
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## ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES FOR Q3 2021

#### GOVERNANCE

#### STRATEGY, RISK AND COMMUNICATION



Source: WTW, EOS at Federated Hermes. Data as of 30 September 2021





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