

# DeA Capital Sustainability process

## Sustainability strategy & framework

**DeA Capital's establishment of an ESG framework was the formalisation of a sustainability process that has always been at the heart of the Group** (i.e. back in 2011, DeA Capital launched a fund focused on efficiency and sustainability issues).

In 2019 DeA Capital Alternative Funds and DeA Capital Real Estate became signatories of the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI), followed by Quaestio in 2020.

**The Group has progressively and significantly increased its ESG commitment, intending to target best practices**

**within the Asset Management Industry.** The Group has worked at various levels, starting with the SGR and then extending to each product the stewardship principles that many stakeholders and the PRI itself have progressively demanded.

DeA Capital Group decided to begin a common process in which the Platform itself would be the owner of a common path aimed at fully incorporating the main sustainability issues indicated by the PRI and shared by the majority of its stakeholders.

In addition, the decision to extend the ESG strategy to the entire DeA Capital Platform, through the integration of sustainability principles into the group's business model, is also linked to the desire to comply with industry best practices by anticipating the European taxonomy (Regulation

(EU) 2020/852 of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 18 June 2020 establishing a framework for sustainable investment) and to support DeA Capital Alternative Funds and DeA Capital Real Estate, as well as Quaestio, in achieving progressively higher standards.

In the environmental field, DeA Capital recognises the threat of climate change and the possible risks for its stakeholders and society.

Thus it has committed to have a lower impact in terms of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions through more efficient use of energy and through green procurement activities that would **help to promote principles and behaviour internally that are useful for achieving the group's shared sustainability objectives.**

