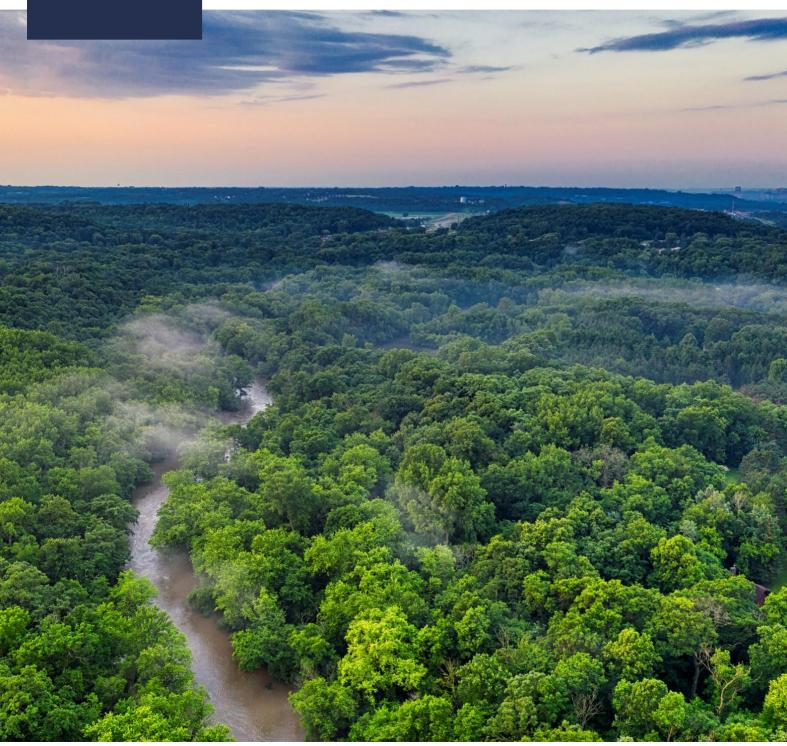


# REPORT ON THE ENERGY AND CLIMATE LAW (ART. 29)

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## 01.

# GENERAL APPROACH OF THE ENTITY ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE QUALITY CRITERIA

#### **Introduction to Lauxera**

Lauxera Capital **Partners** an independent, founder-owned investment management company focused on growth and growth-buyout investing in healthtech. Founded in 2019, Lauxera has been built with the ambition and goal to be a natural bridge between innovative European health technology and the US market, which represents both the largest revenue opportunity and deepest capital pools for most healthtech end markets. This transatlantic ambition is supported by Lauxera investment teams based in our two offices: Paris (European HQ) and San Francisco (US HQ).

Lauxera's senior team is a unique mix of operators and investors. with experience scaling companies from the early commercial stage all the way to global leadership with hundreds of millions in revenue. We take active roles as both minority and majority investors driving growth within investments, both organically through R&D and global commercial investments, as well as inorganically through bolt-on M&A.

Lauxera's invests with a social objective: to enable a more sustainable healthcare system. Healthtech companies at our target stage are naturally aligned with this objective as they must deliver innovation at a sustainable price. We define and measure our companies' contributions to this objective through a purpose-built framework. Through the integration of ESG-linked factors into the investment process, alongside our framework, we believe our strategy can build strong companies with meaningful positive impact.



## 01.

#### **Background**

At Lauxera Capital Partners, the Team believes that a principles-based approach to evaluating Environmental, Social, and Governance ("ESG") factors for 100% of investments enhances investment selection, portfolio risk management, and, ultimately, returns for Lauxera's Limited Partners.

As healthcare investors, Lauxera seeks to do well while doing good. As a rule (and not an exception), the Fund's healthtech portfolio companies will focus on improving the quality and quantity of patients' lives.

The Team believes strongly that the success of all growth- and growth-buyout stage healthtech companies — Lauxera's sole stage and sector of focus — is directly linked to their performance on ESG metrics, particularly Social practices around equal opportunity hiring, employee empowerment, product quality and safety, and data protection as well as Governance practices around management incentives, business ethics, and legal and regulatory risks.

They seek to scale medical innovations with the potential to improve healthcare outcomes globally. Lauxera's capital and leadership enable the commercial success of these better and safer healthcare products, often in domains without acceptable alternatives.

#### Principles-Based Approach

ESG issues require careful evaluation on a company-level. Lauxera eschews broad-brush policies in favor of a case-by-case, principles-based approach to evaluating ESG factors for 100% of the investments that the Lauxera assesses.

The Team's key principles are:

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#### **Environmental:**

A company's business practices, supply chain, and go-to market structure should seek to minimize its carbon footprint and other ecological impacts

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#### Social:

A company's success depends on its ability to attract and retain top talent, which is only possible if the company maintains best-in-class labor practices and a positive public and industry reputation

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#### **Governance:**

A company's management team and its investors should have aligned financial incentives

Lauxera will not compromise these principles in our investments, but the Team will be flexible in evaluating ESG issues in light of their materiality and the specific facts.

For example, Lauxera may invest in a device which dramatically reduces overall harm to patients but may introduce a small risk of a major side effect. The Team will consider the specific facts as well as the company's ability to preserve the reputation of the therapy even in the case of a public disclosure of one of these major side effects. Lauxera's core principle holds that no company will be able to sustainably attract and retain talent if it is not a net contributor to population health with a compelling clinical value proposition.

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#### **SUMMARY OF THE PROCESS**

## Integration into the Investment Process

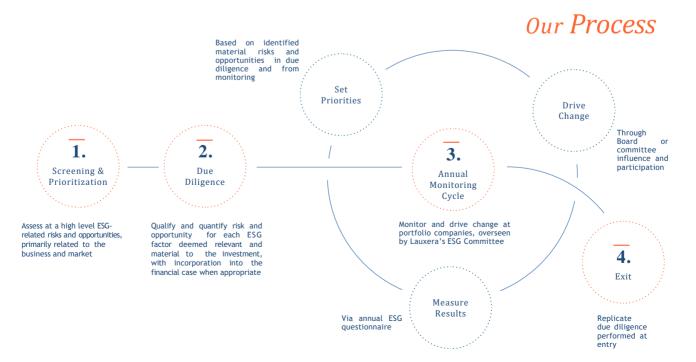
Lauxera's Investment Team performs specific ESG due diligence at entry on every investment at the binding offer stage. The Team engages with portfolio companies continuously during the life of every investment, with priorities set by our regular ESG committees and our annual ESG questionnaire. At exit, the Team replicates the diligence performed ensure that entry to the attractiveness of each exit option integrates ESG-related risks and opportunities.

Lauxera focuses on ESG-related risks and ESG-related opportunities investment process. Regarding opportunities, the Team often identifies investments where an ESG contributes to a company's sustainable competitive growth or moat example a compelling

investment theme or management team that is sustainably able to attract top talent). Regarding risks, the Team ensures that the projected return of each investment properly reflects all business risks, including risks related to ESG factors.

Analysis of ESG factors influences the attractiveness of an investment, both in the assessment of a company's financial projections and in the hurdle rate and terms that are acceptable to the Team. The Team believes that this integration of ESG analysis into the projected value of each portfolio opportunity is a simple and effective way to incorporate these issues into the Lauxera investment process.

ESG-related clauses are included into company documents (e.g., side letters or shareholder's agreements) whenever possible. committing portfolio to disclose companies metrics and best-efforts deliver **ESG** on improvement.



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#### **SUMMARY OF THE PROCESS**

#### **Levels of Implementation**

The Lauxera Team integrates, tracks, and reports on ESG-related topics at three levels: Management Company, Fund, and portfolio company.

- At the Management Company level, Lauxera implements initiatives to adhere to its ESG Policy. These initiatives include best practices related Social to topics conducting annual 360-degree reviews and providing significant training resources for junior Team members. Lauxera tracks its carbon footprint semi-annually implements initiatives to minimize key drivers identified. Additionally, Team has committed contribute 1% of its carried interest healthtech-related charities (Carried for Interest), starting with Lauxera Growth II
- At the Fund level, Lauxera surveys its companies with an annual questionnaire, which is rolled up into an objective scoring system that captures the Fund's progress on ESGrelated factors and helps the Team priorities for its hands-on initiatives. As detailed in our ESG and Impact Policy (see inset), Lauxera integrates ESG-related factors into the Fund's investment process. Starting with Lauxera Growth II, we also evaluate and monitor principle adverse impacts and good governance practices

- At the portfolio company level, Lauxera engages with management teams as active investors to help these teams manage ESG-related risks and capitalize on ESG-related opportunities. Lauxera's Committee, meeting quarterly, defines priorities for engagements and tracks progress. Additionally, the Team tracks each company's contributions towards achieving Lauxera's social investment objective (enabling а more sustainable healthcare system) via custom-defined metrics - reported quarterly. These metrics capture the impact of each company on improving patient outcomes, enhancing the productivity of providers and innovators, and lowering overall costs to healthcare systems

#### More information

For additional detail please consult our ESG and Impact Policy, available at www.lauxera.com/esg

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#### **SUMMARY OF THE PROCESS**

#### **Governance, Resources, Practices, and Tools**

LAUXERA ESG AND IMPACT EFFORTS AT A GLANCE:				
Governance	<ul> <li>Lauxera's ESG and Impact activities are governed by the ESG and Impact Committee, chaired by the two Co-Heads of ESG and Impact, including Alex Slack who is also a Co-Founding Partner of the firm</li> <li>Each Deal team captain is responsible for managing portfolio company-specific ESG-and Impact-linked duties</li> </ul>			
Activities:	<ul> <li>Weekly meetings between ESG and Impact Co-Heads</li> <li>Ad hoc ESG engagement by Deal teams in portfolio companies</li> <li>Quarterly ESG Committees attended by all Deal teams and members of the Investment team (also by interested Limited Partners twice annually)</li> <li>Twice-annual full investment team training on ESG topics</li> <li>ESG Review delivered at each Annual General Meeting</li> <li>ESG Review of antiportfolio delivered annually to Lauxera's LPAC</li> <li>Ad hoc participation in ESG-related industry events</li> </ul>			
Tools:	<ul> <li>Internal</li> <li>Lauxera's internal ESG questionnaire (for entry/exit evaluation and annual portfolio company evaluation)</li> <li>Internal Investment Committee ESG and Impact evaluation templates</li> <li>Quarterly ESG Committee pre-read templates, including quarterly Deal team updates</li> <li>Custom-defined Impact templates for each portfolio company</li> <li>External</li> <li>SASB Materiality Finder</li> </ul>			
Service Providers:	<ul> <li>Carbometrix (bi-annual Manco and PortCo Scope 1-3 carbon footprint assessment)</li> <li>Ad hoc due diligence providers on specific ESG and ESG-linked business topics</li> </ul>			
Personnel:	<ul> <li>Each Deal team (composed of two senior and two junior investment staff) is responsible for ESG DD, monitoring, and exit process/procedures</li> <li>Lauxera's ESG and Impact Committee (chaired by Alex Slack and including all members of the investment team) meets quarterly to provide overall governance, monitor changes in ESG-linked risks and opportunities, coordinate reporting, and plan ecosystem engagement</li> <li>Every Lauxera investment team member receives mandatory, dedicated ESG trainings twice a year which cover general ESG concepts, Lauxera's process to integrate ESG into the investment process, and Lauxera's reporting obligations. These trainings complement discussions at Lauxera's ESG Committee</li> <li>Alex Slack and Alix de Benedetti (Co-Heads of ESG and Impact), assisted by Lauxera's CFO and a compliance intern, jointly prepare all presentations and reporting activities</li> <li>Lauxera's RCCI (Pierre Moustial, Co-Founding Partner of Lauxera) and CFO meet weekly in an Operational Committee which manages overall firm compliance and risk control, including any issues related to ESG and Impact (e.g., new reporting or compliance requirements)</li> </ul>			

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## 01b

CONTENT, FREQUENCY AND MEANS USED TO INFORM SUBSCRIBERS, AFFILIATES, CONTRIBUTORS, BENEFICIARIES OR CUSTOMERS ABOUT THE CRITERIA RELATING TO THE ESG OBJECTIVES TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN THE INVESTMENT POLICY AND STRATEGY

#### **Oversight and Reporting**

Lauxera provides full transparency to Limited Partners on ESG-related issues, including a comprehensive ESG and Impact policy, a detailed Annual ESG report, and specialized reporting when requested.

Publicly, Lauxera maintains an updated,

dedicated section of our website (<a href="www.lauxera.com/esg">www.lauxera.com/esg</a>) containing our ESG and Impact Policy and SFDR disclosures. As UNPRI signatories, Transparency Reports are also available at the link in the table below.

#### REPORTING SUMMARY:

#### Internal

- Quarterly Impact measurement updates
- Annual ESG Report
- LPAC ESG Antiportfolio analysis (twiceannually)
- LP attendance to Lauxera's ESG Committee (twice-annually)
- Limited Partner-specific reporting (e.g., Reporting21)

#### **External**

- Annual UNPRI Transparency Reporting (available at unpri.org)
- Annual LEC Article 29 Report (available on Lauxera's website)
- Annual updates to SFDR Article 10 disclosures (available on Lauxera's website)
- Other ad hoc updates to the ESG section of Lauxera's website, including our comprehensive ESG and Impact Policy (www.lauxera.com/esg)

#### Sample ESG KPIs Our Portfolio 2021 2022 2022 High Low **Environmental Management** Environment Carbon Footprint Measurement and Leadership Workforce Relationship Health and Safety Social Training and Career Development Diversity and Opportunity Product Quality, Safety, and Privacy 1 - 4 Needs improvement CSR Policy and Strategy Governance Risk Management 7-10 Exemplary Governance Structure Management and Employee Alignment 374 246 Cumulative Jobs Created **Employment** France 54 86 112 Jobs Growth (% yoy) 57% 9% 8%

## 01c

ADHERENCE OF THE ENTITY,
OR OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL
PRODUCTS, TO A CHARTER,
A CODE, AN INITIATIVE OR
ANY LABELS ON THE
CONSIDERATION OF ESG
CRITERIA

#### **ESG** Ecosystem

The Team continues to support the ESG ecosystem that has increasingly pushed investors and companies to focus on these critical issues. To that end, Lauxera is a signatory of the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment ("UNPRI"), with first reporting year in 2023. Lauxera is also a signatory of the Initiative Climat International, and has made the France Invest Gender Equality Pledge.

The Team has partnered with Carbometrix, a leading carbon measurement firm, to measure the carbon footprint of the management company and of each portfolio company on a biannual basis.

Last, Lauxera has contributed to an effort led by the GIIN — a global impact investing group — to set standards for healthcare impact reporting.

Lauxera expects to continually evaluate new ways to further support the ESG ecosystem.

### Our **Charters**



Our **Partners** 

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## 02.

LIST OF FINANCIAL
PRODUCTS MENTIONED
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 8
AND 9 OF REGULATION (EU)
2019/2088 OF THE
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
AND OF THE COUNCIL OF 27
NOVEMBER 2019 ON
SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING
IN THE FINANCIAL SERVICES
SECTOR (SFDR)

#### **List of Financial Products**

Financial Product Name	SFDR Classification	AuM (m€)	Share Taking Into Account ESG Criteria
Lauxera Growth I SLP	Article 8	€262 million	100%