



## Treating Clients Fairly Standard

### *Aim of this standard*

Robeco's clients justify its existence, which is why Robeco is so interested in their needs and interests. A long-lasting relationship is more important to Robeco than short-term profit. To achieve a long-lasting relationship Robeco treats its clients fairly. This standard establishes the main principles related to treating clients fairly.

### *Key principles:*

- Robeco is committed to develop and offer high quality products which are transparent and in accordance with compliance and integrity standards.
- Products and services marketed and sold are designed to meet the needs of the clients of Robeco.
- Advertising is fair, clear and not misleading.
- Robeco is transparent about its products and services.
- Robeco treats all portfolios in a fair and equal manner.
- Robeco takes all the needs and interests of an advisory client needed for providing a service into account.
- General principles for mutual funds are defined and the funds are managed accordingly.
- In the event of an operational error, Robeco will safeguard its clients' interests.
- Robeco handles all complaints properly and timely and considers complaints as important indications of the quality of the services and products provided by Robeco.
- The remuneration policy does not contain incentives which are in conflict with the fair treatment and interests of clients.

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*Requirements for Robeco Group including (minority) subsidiaries to comply with the standard:*

- Every Robeco subsidiary elaborates the principles into one or more concrete procedures and takes the local legislation into account.
- The procedures contain controls, continuous adequate monitoring and periodic revision at least once every two years.
- The employees are sufficiently aware of the relevant principles. For this reason these procedures should be subject of the awareness program.
- The procedures describe principles related to advertisement, customer complaints, due care, product approval and transparency.