

## Nuclear Energy

### Introduction

Raiffeisen Bank International AG (RBI) is embedded in the Austrian Raiffeisen Banking Group. The basic principles governing our group are derived from the philosophy of Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen (1818-1888), who felt that all economic activities should be based on social solidarity, self-help and sustainability.

We are committed to sustainable corporate management and to the social and environmental responsibility that goes with it. Our commitment is based on good corporate governance and on global standards (including United Nations Global Compact) for responsible business practices, active management of our operations, careful risk management and due diligence.

It is our understanding that our business may have an important effect on each pillar of sustainability: in the economic sphere, in society and on the environment. We therefore strive to achieve long-term profitable business while avoiding, amongst others, social and environmental harm. Furthermore, we want to contribute to the improvement of environmental protection and social standards.

### Our concerns related to the nuclear energy

We recognise the serious risks associated with nuclear fuel mining and processing, the generation of nuclear energy and the nuclear waste management. Recent experiences show that incidents at nuclear power plants may have serious negative impacts on the life and health of human beings and the environment overall.

While we acknowledge the challenges of the transition to a net-zero carbon energy sector, the financing of or participation in any transactions or projects which put the environment at risk of lasting substantial detrimental effect (e.g. negative effect on human beings, pollution of land, air or water) are not in accordance with our business conduct.

### Our policy

We aim to avoid the mobilisation and promotion of nuclear energy business (as to financing, advisory or other banking services, participation, investment funds focusing on nuclear energy).

We implemented a restrictive approach regarding the following entities and activities:

- Construction and maintenance of the nuclear reactor of nuclear power plants,
- Companies mining, processing of and trading with nuclear fuel, or
- Nuclear waste management providers (including storage of spent fuel of nuclear power plants).

We understand that nuclear power plants are usually operated by electricity providers. We seek to continue the cooperation with these companies, however with a strict segregation between nuclear energy generation and other business activities.

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