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 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 waters) are not in accordance with our business conduct.

We recognise the serious risks derived from nuclear fuel mining and processing, the nuclear power generation and the nuclear waste management. Recent experiences show that the risks, associated with nuclear power plants both to the environment and human beings are currently unforeseeable.

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

We implemented such restrictive approach especially regarding the following entities and their relevant suppliers (key technologies and components):
- Nuclear Power Plants (NPPs),
- Companies mining, processing of and trading with nuclear fuel, or
- Companies managing nuclear waste (storage of spent fuel deriving from NPPs)

We understand that nuclear power plants are usually operated by electricity companies or holdings. We seek to continue the cooperation with these electricity companies or holdings, however with strict segregation from nuclear power plants and connected activities.

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