Socially Responsible Investing (SRI) and Environment Social & Governance (ESG)

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Outline

• SRI
  – Define
  – Examples
• Impact Investing
• ESG
  – Environment
  – Social
  – Governance
SRI Defined

• Socially responsible investing (SRI), also known as sustainable, socially conscious, "green" or ethical investing, is any investment strategy which seeks to consider both financial return and social good to bring about a social change.

• SRI portfolio managers do analysis and screening not only for financial health but also for environmental, social, and governance factors.
Social Impact / Impact Investing

• Provide access to capital in economically disadvantaged areas to help people secure affordable housing or start a small business. (Microfinance)

• Create jobs and finance small business development.

• Support microfinance organizations operating in developing countries, providing very small loans that generate transformative, beneficial changes in the lives of the poor.

• Support fair trade and sustainable farming and forestry practices.

  – Private vs. Public
Examples

• Publicly Traded (Liquid)
  – Northern Global Sustainability Index
  – Calvert Funds
  – Green Century
  – Parnassus
  – Pax
  – Index vs. Active Management
Northern Global Sustainability Index

• **Fund Info**

• MSCI World ESG Index
  – A passive index
  – global benchmark constructed using environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors.
  – **Methodology**

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Calvert Short Duration Income and Calvert Ultra Short Income

- **Fund Info**

- **Calvert Principles for Responsible Investment**
  - Calvert seeks to invest in issuers that balance the needs of financial and nonfinancial stakeholders and demonstrate a commitment to the global commons, as well as to the rights of individuals and communities.
  - Environment, Society and Human Rights, Governance and Transparency

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Considerations

• You need to define your goals and objectives.
  – SRI screens can be endless
  – Jana Partners and AAPL

• Off-the-shelf solutions or customized solutions
  – Active management is more expensive
  – But can better meet your needs

• Time Horizon, Liquidity Needs, Risk and Return Requirements
  – Public (liquid) vs. Private (illiquid)
Custom Solutions

• Appropriate for Thematic Investing
• Separately Managed Account