

# **Remuneration Policy**

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# Preamble

Mirova's Remuneration Policy is established in accordance with the AIFM Directive 2011/61/EU, the UCITS Directive 5 2014/91/EU, the MiFID II Directive 2014/65/EU, the Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation (SFDR) 2019/2088/EU on the publication of sustainability-related information in the financial services sector, the AMF (French Financial Markets Authority) Position 2013-11 "Remuneration Policy for Alternative Investment Fund Managers," as well as the Reference Texts of the Monetary and Financial Code and the Financial Markets Authority.

# 1. General Principles

The remuneration policy is a strategic element of Mirova's policy. As a tool for mobilizing and engaging employees, it ensures to be competitive and attractive in the light of market practices and within the framework of strict compliance with major financial balances and regulations.

Mirova's remuneration policy, which applies to all employees, incorporates the alignment of the interests of employees with those of investors in its fundamental principles:

- It is consistent and promotes sound and effective risk management and does not encourage risk-taking that would be incompatible with risk profiles, regulations or documents constituting managed products.
- It is consistent with the business strategy, objectives, values and interests of the management company and the products it manages and those of investors and includes measures to avoid conflicts of interest.

The remuneration policy includes all components of remuneration encompassing fixed remuneration and, if applicable, variable remuneration.

Fixed remuneration rewards skills, work experience and level of responsibility, taking into account market conditions.

Variable remuneration is based on the assessment of collective performance measured at both at the level of the management company and managed products, and by reference to individual performance. It takes into account quantitative and qualitative elements, which can be established on an annual or multi-year basis.

The objective and transparent assessment of annual and multi-year performance based on pre-defined objectives is the prerequisite for the implementation of Mirova's remuneration policy. It ensures fair and individualized treatment of employees. This assessment is shared between the employee and his or her manager during the annual performance review.

The contribution and level of performance of each employee are assessed in terms of his or her duties, assignments and level of responsibility within the management company.

Finally, the specific minimum criteria incorporating sustainability risks, i.e. social, environmental and governance issues, must be defined for all employees of management teams.



For each category of staff, all quantitative and qualitative objectives are defined and communicated individually at the beginning of the year, in line with Mirova's strategic objectives.

# 2. Remuneration Components

The remuneration policy ensures that a balanced proportion between fixed and variable remuneration is maintained, and the human resources department is responsible for this. The reassessment of fixed remuneration and the allocation of variable remuneration are studied once a year as part of the career promotion campaign.

## a. Fixed Remuneration

Fixed remuneration rewards the skills and expertise expected in a function.

The positioning of fixed remuneration is studied periodically to ensure that it is in line with geographical and professional market practices.

Fixed remuneration level is reviewed once a year as part of the annual remuneration review. Outside of this period, increases are only awarded in the event of promotion, professional mobility or exceptional individual situation.

### b. Variable Remuneration

Variable remuneration packages are defined according to Mirova annual results, but also on the basis of qualitative factors, such as competing companies' practices, the general market conditions in which the results were obtained, and factors that may have temporarily affected the performance of the business line.

Variable remuneration can be awarded where appropriate, for annual, collective and/or individual performance.

Mirova collective variable remuneration consists of an incentive and profit-sharing schemes combined with a corporate savings plan ("PEE") and a collective retirement savings plan (PERCOL). Under these plans, employees can benefit from a matching contributions scheme. These collective variable remunerations have no incentive effect on the risk management of Mirova and/or managed products, and do not fall within the scope of the AIFM or UCITS V directives.

In accordance with the overall variable remuneration packages, individual variable remuneration is awarded as part of the annual remuneration review in an objective discretionary manner, in relation to the individual performance assessment and how such performance is achieved.

The identified staff is subject to the specific obligations in respect of risk and compliance rules. Failure to comply with these obligations may result in a partial or total reduction in the allocation of individual variable remuneration.

For the unregulated staff, the remuneration is paid entirely in cash, it is allocated on a discretionary basis, and varies from one year to another depending on the assessment of performance criteria. The variable remuneration allocated to employees is impacted by the taking of a non-compliant level of risk or failure to comply with internal procedures over the year under review.

In the event of a significant loss or decrease in its profits, Mirova may also decide to reduce or even fully cancel the envelope allocated to individual variable remuneration, as well as, if necessary, the maturities in the process of acquisition for variable remuneration already allocated and deferred.



Similarly, if a major sustainability risk is realized, i.e., the occurrence of an environmental, social or governance event or situation that would have a significant and lasting negative impact on the value of funds/managed products, the envelope allocated to individual variable remuneration, as well as, if necessary, the maturities in the process of acquisition for variable remuneration already allocated and deferred, may be reduced or cancelled.

There is no contractual guarantee for variable remuneration.

## c. Key Employee Retention Scheme

Mirova wishes to be able to guarantee its investors the stability of key employees through a retention system integrated into the remuneration policy, which makes it possible to allocate an additional amount of variable remuneration in the form of cash indexed to the performance of a set of products managed by Mirova and acquired in equal instalments over a period of at least three years. Thus, it allows to associate employees with the evolution of the results, subject to conditions of employees' attendance. The amounts are allocated in terms of performance evaluation and individual professional commitment over a given year. The envelope allocated to the retention scheme is contained in the overall budget allocated to variable remuneration.

## d. Carried Interest

The carried interest represents the loyalty and alignment of the interests of the investors and employees concerned through a deferred payment. It is achieved by acquiring shares of the fund in order to take a minimum personal financial risk in relation to the size of the fund for the employees concerned. The remuneration of the acquired shares is then conditional on the creation of capital gains and a minimum positive return on the ordinary shares of the fund's investors. It is reserved for the employees who make up the investment team of the infrastructure fund activities.

# 3. Evaluation of Collective and Individual Performance

The contribution and the performance level of employees are assessed in relation to their duties, missions and level of responsibility in the company. There are several different categories of staff distinguished as follows:

- The Executive Committee is evaluated on its contribution to the definition and implementation of the company's strategy, and on its ability to develop performance of product and service offerings and financial results. Performance is assessed annually.
- The support and business development functions are assessed on their ability to achieve qualitative and quantitative objectives for business development functions. These quantitative targets are defined and communicated at the beginning of each year.
- The control functions, whose evaluation is based on the assessment of qualitative criteria defined annually, so as not to compromise their independence or create conflicts of interest.
- The management functions are evaluated differently, depending on the type of portfolio managed. The applied quantitative criteria reflect the development of management performance sought by investors, but do not allow excessive risk-taking that may affect Mirova's profile of risk and/or managed products.



# 4. Adaptation of the System Applicable to the Regulated Staff

# a. <u>Identification of the Regulated Staff</u>

In accordance with regulatory provisions, at the beginning of the year, HRD and RCCI identify and formalize the list of the "regulated" staff corresponding to employees who, individually, may have a significant impact through their decisions on Mirova's risk profile and/or managed products. Members of the Executive Committee, the management functions of the support activities, the supervisory management functions (risks, compliance and control), the staff responsible for portfolio management, other risk takers, as well as employees who, in view of their overall remuneration, are in the same pay bracket as the general management and the risk takers, are systematically included in this staff.

The identification of the management and risk functions included in the scope of regulated functions is carried out annually by HRD and RCCI - responsible for compliance, internal control and risk on the basis of the mapping of management processes. Senior management validates the scope of the entire regulated staff.

## b. <u>Scheme Applicable to Variable Remuneration Allocated to</u> <u>the Regulated Staff</u>

Variable remuneration and, where appropriate, the loyalty scheme of the regulated staff are allocated globally, half in cash and the other half in the form of a financial instrument equivalent. For the lowest variable remuneration, below an annually defined threshold, the deferred proportion does not apply. The list of employees concerned is validated by the RCCI - Director of Compliance, Internal Control and Risk. For the highest Mirova salaries, the deferred proportion in the form of a financial instrument equivalent can reach 60%.

The proportion of variable remuneration, which is deferred over 3 years, increases with the amount of variable remuneration allocated, and can reach 60% for the highest remuneration at Mirova.

The thresholds for triggering deferred variable remuneration are likely to change according to regulations or modifications in internal policies. In this case, the new thresholds are subject to the approval by the Executive Committee of Mirova and the Compensation Committee of Natixis.

In addition, a minimum of 50% of the variable remuneration is paid in financial instruments in the form of cash indexed to the performance of a set of products managed by Mirova.

The acquisition of the deferred portion of the variable remuneration is subject to conditions of presence, financial performance of the management company, relative performance of managed products in relation to benchmark market indices and the absence of any unusual behavior that may have an impact on Mirova's level of risk and/or managed products.

This acquisition is also subject to obligations in terms of compliance with risk and compliance rules. Failure to comply with these obligations may result in a partial or total decrease in the acquisition. Finally, it can be returned in whole or in part, in order to ensure a subsequent adjustment of the risks.

Employees benefiting from deferred variable remuneration are prohibited from using individual hedging or insurance strategies over the entire acquisition period.

The terms and conditions for determining, valuing, awarding, acquiring and paying deferred variable remuneration in financial instrument equivalent are detailed in Mirova Long Term Incentive Plan (LTIP).



## c. Control System

At the end of each promotion campaign and before allocation of variable remuneration, the HRD formalizes a review of the adequacy and effectiveness of the remuneration policy for the regulated staff (the list of names, the amounts allocated, the distribution between immediate and deferred payments, and the cash and equivalent financial instrument). It is approved by the Executive Committee and Natixis Investment Managers.

The general and specific principles, application procedures and quantitative summary data for the remuneration policy including the regulated staff, as well as the annual remuneration envelope for directors, are provided to Mirova Board of Directors annually. As part of the promotion campaigns, individual proposals are validated by the human resources management and the Executive Management of Mirova, and then successively through the remuneration validation bodies of Natixis Investment Managers AM and Natixis. The CEO's remuneration is determined by the Executive Management of Natixis Investment Managers and Natixis and is presented to Natixis Appointments and Remuneration Committee.



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