





Locations: Germany (HQ), Minnesota Industries: Diversified Financials, Insurance



**High Risk** 

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

Allianz is High Risk. The company yields to political activism in shaping corporate governance, potentially alienating consumers, dividing employees, and harming shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. Allianz embraces corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues. This approach fails to safeguard free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

#### **Corporate Weaponization**

Has canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR High Risk corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries.

In 2015, Allianz began restrictions on the coal industry with plans to "phase out coal-based business models from its investment and property and casualty insurance businesses by 2040" (<u>1</u>). The CEO states, "Climate change generates enormous economic and social risks. It is already harming millions of people today...As a leading insurer and investor, we want to promote the transition to a climate-friendly economy" (<u>2</u>). Allianz is a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Investment, incorporating ESG issues into investment analysis, decision-making, and other business practices (<u>3</u>)(<u>4</u>).

## Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate Medium Risk against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

Allianz's charitable giving guidelines require that organizations abide by its nondiscrimination policy, including on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, thereby excluding some religious charities (1)(2).

## Employment policies fail to protect against viewpoint or other discrimination and/or are ideological in nature.

Allianz's HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company forces employees to attend multiple, controversial trainings on gender identity, sexual orientation, transgender issues, and divisive racial ideology. The company provides gender transition guidelines for its employees and a specific benefits guide with a comprehensive explanation of transgender services funded by the company (<u>1</u>)(<u>2</u>). Allianz provides unconscious bias training for all its employees (<u>3</u>). The company does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees (<u>4</u>).



### **Corporate Governance and Public Policy**

# Uses corporate reputation to support causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of High Risk expression.

Allianz's HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company agrees to allow a controversial stakeholder group focused on sexual identity issues to dictate marketing or advertising strategy (<u>1</u>)(<u>2</u>). By doing so, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Allianz is a signatory of the UN Free & Equal LGBTI Standards of Conduct (<u>3</u>). The company initiated the Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance, committing them to carbon neutrality by 2050 (<u>4</u>). According to its CFO, Allianz withdrew from the Net Zero Insurance Alliance in August 2023 due to concerns over legal risk (<u>5</u>)(<u>6</u>). Allianz CEO, Jasmine Jirele, signed the CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion pledge, which includes a commitment to promote DEI through bias education training in the workplace (<u>7</u>)(<u>8</u>).

## Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom High Risk of expression.

Allianz's HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company provides a benefits package for employees which covers transgender medical procedures for covered employees and dependents, including children. This includes paid short-term leave, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, chest surgeries, genital surgeries, medical visits and lab monitoring, travel and lodging. Additionally, the company has pledged philanthropic support of at least one organization or event that promotes sex and gender ideology (<u>1</u>)(<u>2</u>). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company increases health care costs and risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders.

### Uses corporate political actions and/or financial contributions for ideological, non-business High Risk purposes.

Allianz's HRC 2023-2024 CEI rating indicates the company publicly advocated for controversial sex and gender ideology through local, state or federal legislation or initiatives (<u>1</u>)(<u>2</u>). By allowing a political stakeholder group to dictate operations, the company risks dividing employees, alienating customers and harming shareholders. Allianz has not used its PAC donations or lobbying for ideological purposes (<u>3</u>)(<u>4</u>)(<u>5</u>).

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