The candidate should be able to:

* 8.1.1 explain the impact of ESG factors on strategic asset allocation
* 8.1.2 describe approaches for integrating ESG into the portfolio management process
* 8.1.3 explain approaches for how internal and external ESG research and analysis is used by portfolio managers to make investment decisions
* 8.1.4 explain the different approaches to screening and the benefits and limitations of the main approaches
* 8.1.5 explain the main indexes and benchmarking approaches applicable to sustainable and ESG investing, noting potential limitations
* 8.1.6 apply ESG screens to the main asset classes and their sub-sectors: fixed income; equities; and alternative investments
* 8.1.7 distinguish between ESG screening of individual companies and collective investment funds: on an absolute basis; relative to sector/peer group data
* 8.1.8 explain how ESG integration impacts the risk–return dynamic of portfolio optimization
* 8.1.9 evaluate the different types of ESG analysis/SRI investment in terms of key objectives, investment considerations, and risks: full ESG integration; exclusionary screening; positive alignment/best-in-class; active ownership; thematic investing; impact investing; other
* 8.1.10 describe approaches to managing passive ESG portfolios