

Press Release

Solactive partners with CoinMarketCap to create Cryptocurrency Benchmark Indices available on Bloomberg, setting the Direction for Tailormade Crypto Index Solutions 20 March 2019

Solactive is pleased to announce that internationally renowned cryptocurrency information and data provider CoinMarketCap (CMC) joined forces with the German index provider to create new Cryptocurrency Benchmark Indices, labeled: CMC Crypto 200 Index – powered by Solactive. Initially, two indices are at the starting line covering 200 crypto currencies, with one index including the top cryptocurrencies by market capitalization and one subversion excluding the most prominent cryptocurrency Bitcoin (BTC).

The development of the indices was made possible due to a joint collaboration, with Solactive providing index calculation CoinMarketCap using CMC's data, which incorporates pricing from more than 200 crypto exchanges. The direct access to CMC's crypto market data allows Solactive to provide tailormade index solutions for its clients going forward.

The first version of the **CoinMarketCap Index – powered by Solactive** is a market capitalization-weighted index consisting of the top 200 cryptocurrencies, which make up for more than 90% of global crypto market capitalization, a market currently worth over USD 120 bn. The rationale behind the ex-BTC version of the index is to display the general market conditions in the crypto-currency space while at the same time avoiding market bias through the market's focus currency Bitcoin, which to date contributes to nearly 51% of all global trading volume.

"The ability to access CoinMarketCap data gives us the opportunity to develop custom indices for new clients. Conversations already started. We are looking forward to developing more crypto indices in the future, which, at the second step, optimistically speaking result in investable indices and might lead to further products." expresses Fabian Colin, Head of Sales at Solactive. "We are very proud to be chosen as CMC's index provider of choice in this exciting journey."

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"We are excited to launch and share these indices with the market," says Brandon Chez, CEO of CoinMarketCap, "These indices will promote greater accessibility to cryptocurrency data in an easier-to-digest format. In partnership with Solactive, our chosen index administrator, we hope these professionally-calculated indices will serve to expand the reach of cryptocurrencies into the larger financial markets."

Both the **CMC Crypto 200 Index – powered by Solactive** as well as its ex-BTC version went live on March 4^{th} and are featured in NASDAQ's distribution feed called GIDS from March 20^{th} henceforward. Additionally, the indices will be available on Bloomberg (CMC200 Index, CMC200EX Index) and on Refinitiv/TR Eikon (RIC: .CMC200 and .CMC200EX). The indices are weighted according to market capitalization and are rebalanced quarterly.

For further information, please visit: www.solactive.com

Note to editors

About Solactive

Solactive AG is an innovative index provider that focuses on the development, calculation and distribution of tailor-made indices across all asset classes. As at January 2019, Solactive AG served approximately 400 clients in Europe, America and Asia, with approximately USD 200 billion invested in products linked to indices calculated by the company globally, primarily via 380 exchange-traded funds from a number of well-known providers. Solactive AG was established in 2007 and is headquartered in Frankfurt.

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