

Press Release

Solactive provides two new Social and Governance Indices for BBVA's Sustainable 'Quantitative Investment Strategies'

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FRANKFURT AM MAIN – Solactive is pleased to strengthen its ties with BBVA once more in the course of the Spanish bank's recent completion of its 'Quantitative Investment Strategies' (QIS). The two new indices rounding out BBVA's sustainable-centered QIS are the **Solactive BBVA ixS Global Inclusive Growth Index** and the **Solactive BBVA ixG Global Governance & Board Diversity Index**. The indices offer investors an opportunity to invest in high-growth global companies that comply with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and are leading global companies in corporate governance, respectively.

"The latest release marks the completion of a very meaningful index range that gives investors the full spectrum of ESG investing," comments Timo Pfeiffer, Chief Markets Officer at Solactive. "Solactive accompanied the creation of BBVA's Quantitative Investment Strategies' since its initial stages, and despite a challenging year 2020, we are happy that we've been BBVA's well-trusted partner in this project."

The **Solactive BBVA ixS Global Inclusive Growth Index** incorporates leading growing companies that are in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development serves as a fundamental concept for a peaceful and prosperous society and contains, at its core, 17 Sustainable Development Goals, including, for example, Zero Hunger, Quality Education, and Gender Equality.

The **Solactive BBVA ixG Global Governance & Board Diversity Index** focuses on companies' corporate governance, the G part of ESG. The index ranks companies by their overall Corporate Governance Score, bestowing companies with a better score for diversity on their board with greater weight in the final index.

In 2020, BBVA established its Quantitative Investment Strategies business offering investors broad access to ESG investing solutions. In total, Solactive delivered five indices for BBVA, tracking, besides the two new governance-tilted indices, **global ESG leaders**, and companies at the forefront of a green and sustainable global economy aligned with the **EU's Paris Aligned and Climate Transition Benchmark requirements**.

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Solactive is a leading provider of indexing, benchmarking, and calculation solutions for the global investment and trading community. Headquartered in Frankfurt, and with offices in Hong Kong, Toronto, Berlin, and Dresden, we innovate and disrupt the status quo as the partner of choice for our clients.

The unique blend of our 250 staff's expertise in data, data science, financial markets, and technology enables our clients' continued success through the delivery of a superior experience, unique customization capabilities, and the best value for money available in the industry. With more than 14,000 indices calculated daily, we offer a full suite of solutions, including market-leading ESG and thematic indices.

As at April 2020, Solactive served approximately 450 clients across the world, with approximately US\$200 billion invested in products linked to our indices. Solactive is registered with ESMA as a benchmark administrator and is supervised by the BaFin.

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