

SOLACTIVE AG | VIGEO EIRIS BELGIUM SA ETHICAL EUROPE EQUITY INDEX CERTIFICATION STATEMENT 3rd QUARTER 2021

To the Index users, To the Index provider Solactive AG,



Forum ETHIBEL asblⁱ is appointed by **Solactive AG** to execute independent monitoring and certification of the **Ethical Europe Equity Index** (SOLEEE Index) concerning its conformity with the non-financial aspects of the rulebook and the due diligence of the Index composition process.

Index set-up

Selection universe of constituents. The **Solactive Europe Corporate Social Responsibility Index** is composed of shares of companies derived from the ESG research universe of **Vigeo Eiris**".

ESG criteria. The constituents benefit from a global ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) score of (i) equal or higher than 40/100 and (ii) higher than the sector average, at the date of publication.

Ethical criteria. The constituents: (i) have no significant involvement in activities related to armament, gambling, tobacco and to nuclear activities and (ii) are not involved in violations of environmental, labour or human rights standards.

Operational modalities. Solactive and Vigeo Eiris have agreed a script with monthly deliveries of the eligible universe and quarterly updates of the Index composition. At that occasion a review of the possible involvement of the concerned companies in disputable activities or in violations related to the ethical criteria is done. Constituents that do no longer comply with the criteria are excluded from the Index. Solactive publishes all Index updates, after audit and certification by Forum ETHIBEL.

Certification liabilities

Role of Forum ETHIBEL. Forum ETHIBEL solely acts by its role as auditor and certification institute. The Ethibel label is not involved in any way in the assignment.

Meaning and scope. A certificate or a 'declaration of certification' is a written testimony of conformity of a product with its self-imposed rules and regulations and/or quality requirements.

Dedication. A **Forum ETHIBEL** certificate provides evidence that a financial product or instrument is in line with its non-financial criteria and processes as defined by its prospectus, rulebook, and regulations or otherwise stated specifications.

Verification and quarterly revision

Forum ETHIBEL has executed the audit in full accordance with the contractual obligations and determinations.

This certification declaration is based on the Index composition at the Adjustment date of June 29th 2021 and conformity has been verified against the stated principles and the involved procedures. The reader is referred to the detailed description of the level of involvement and the exclusion thresholds in annex.

All evidence provided by **Vigeo Eiris** on the involved screening and monitoring processes and the related internal management systems regarding thoughtfulness and quality have been checked. While processing the audit, our additional inquiries were answered by **Vigeo Eiris**.



Company Name	Country Ticker	Rating Sector	ISIN
ALLIANZ SE	DE	Insurance	DE0008404005
ASR NEDERLAND NV	NL	Insurance	NL0011872643
ASSICURAZIONI GENERALIS	ΙΤ	Insurance	IT0000062072
MICHELIN	FR	Automobiles	FR0000121261
DANONE SA	FR	Food	FR0000120644
EON SE	DE	Electric & Gas Utilities	DE000ENAG999
EVONIK INDUSTRIES AG	DE	Chemicals	DE000EVNK013
FORTUM OYJ	FI	Electric & Gas Utilities	FI0009007132
GECINA SA	FR	Financial Services - Real Estate	FR0010040865
GLAXOSMITHKLINE PLC	GB	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology	GB0009252882
HANNOVER RUCK SE	DE	Insurance	DE0008402215
INTESA SANPAOLO SPA	ΙΤ	Diversified Banks	IT0000072618
MEDIOBANCA SPA	ΙΤ	Retail & Specialised Banks	IT0000062957
MUNICH REINSURANCE	DE	Insurance	DE0008430026
NN GROUP NV	NL	Insurance	NL0010773842
NOVARTIS AG	CH	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology	CH0012005267
ORANGE SA	FR	Telecommunications	FR0000133308
RANDSTAD NV	NL	Business Support Services	NL0000379121
RED ELECTRICA CORP SA	ES	Electric & Gas Utilities	ES0173093024
ROYAL AHOLD DELHAIZE NV	NL	Supermarkets	NL0011794037
SANOFI SA	FR	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology	FR0000120578
SNAM SPA	ΙΤ	Electric & Gas Utilities	IT0003153415
SOLVAY SA	BE	Chemicals	BE0003470755
SUEZ	FR	Waste & Water Utilities	FR0010613471
SWISS RE AG	CH	Insurance	CH0126881561
SWISSCOM AG	CH	Telecommunications	CH0008742519
TELENOR ASA	NO	Telecommunications	NO0010063308
TELIA CO AB	SE	Telecommunications	SE0000667925
TERNA SPA	ΙΤ	Electric & Gas Utilities	IT0003242622
ZURICH INSURANCE GROUP	CH	Insurance	CH0011075394

Conclusion

With reference to the Adjustment date of June 29th, 2021 and based on the above listed audit services, we declare that the **Ethical Europe Equity Index** has been revised in full compliance with stipulations of the ESG and ethical criteria and the operational modalities, set out in the Index rulebook

Brussels, June 29th 2021 Forum ETHIBEL asbl,

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¹ Forum ETHIBEL is a Belgian independent association, created in 1992 and recognized as an expert in rating, independent audits and certification of products and services that meet ESG and ethical standards (www.forumethibel.org)

ⁱⁱ Vigeo Eiris is a leading European expert in assessing responsible performance. Founded in 2002, Vigeo Eiris measures the performance and risks regarding to six domains of corporate social responsibility: environment, human rights, human resources, community impact, market behaviour and corporate governance (www.vigeo-eiris.com)