

INDEX GUIDELINE

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INTRODUCTION

This document (the "**GUIDELINE**") is to be used as a guideline with regard to the composition, calculation and maintenance of the Solactive Omaha Alpha Index (the "**INDEX**"). Any amendments to the rules made to the GUIDELINE are approved by the OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE specified in Section 5.5. The INDEX is owned, calculated, administered and published by Solactive AG ("**SOLACTIVE**") assuming the role as administrator (the "**INDEX**"). The name "Solactive" is trademarked.

The text uses defined terms which are formatted with "SMALL CAPS". Such Terms shall have the meaning assigned to them as specified in Section 6 (Definitions).

The GUIDELINE and the policies and methodology documents referenced herein contain the underlying principles and rules regarding the structure and operation of the INDEX. SOLACTIVE does not offer any explicit or tacit guarantee or assurance, neither pertaining to the results from the use of the INDEX nor the level of the INDEX at any certain point in time nor in any other respect. SOLACTIVE strives to the best of its ability to ensure the correctness of the calculation. There is no obligation for SOLACTIVE – irrespective of possible obligations to issuers – to advise third parties, including investors and/or financial intermediaries, of any errors in the INDEX. The publication of the INDEX by SOLACTIVE does not constitute a recommendation for capital investment and does not contain any assurance or opinion of SOLACTIVE regarding a possible investment in a financial instrument based on this INDEX.

1. INDEX SPECIFICATIONS

1.1. SCOPE OF THE INDEX

Category	Description
Asset Class	Equity
Strategy	Representation of the Top 20 securities from the 13F-HR filing of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., selected based on financial performance, brand ranking and drive for innovation.
Regional Allocation	Developed Markets
Rebalancing Fee	-
Rebalancing Frequency	Quarterly

1.2. IDENTIFIERS AND PUBLICATION

The INDEX is published under the following identifiers:

Name	ISIN	Currency	Туре	RIC	BBG ticker
Solactive Omaha Alpha Index PR	DE000SL0BF06	USD	PR*	.SOOMAHAP	-
Solactive Omaha Alpha Index NTR	DE000SL0BF14	USD	NTR*	.SOOMAHAN	-
Solactive Omaha Alpha Index TR	DE000SL0BF22	USD	GTR*	.SOOMAHAT	-

* PR, NTR, GTR means that the Index is calculated as price return, net total return, gross total return Index as described in the Equity Index Methodology, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/equity-index-methodology/</u>

The INDEX is published on the website of the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR (<u>www.solactive.com</u>) and is, in addition, available via the price marketing services of Boerse Stuttgart GmbH and may be distributed to all of its affiliated vendors. Each vendor decides on an individual basis as to whether it will distribute or display the INDEX via its information systems.

Any publication in relation to the INDEX (e.g. notices, amendments to the GUIDELINE) will be available at the website of the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR: <u>https://www.solactive.com/news/announcements/</u>.

1.3. INITIAL LEVEL OF THE INDEX

The initial level of the INDEX on the 24/08/2020, the START DATE, is 100. Historical values from the 24/08/2020, the LIVE DATE, will be recorded in accordance with Article 8 of the BMR.

1.4. PRICES AND CALCULATION FREQUENCY

The level of the INDEX is calculated on each CALCULATION DAY from 9:00 a.m. to 10:50 p.m. CET based on the TRADING PRICES on the EXCHANGES on which the INDEX COMPONENTS are listed. TRADING PRICES of INDEX COMPONENTS not listed in the INDEX CURRENCY are converted using the current Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) spot foreign exchange rate. Should there be no current TRADING PRICE for an INDEX COMPONENT, the later of: (i) the most recent CLOSING PRICE; or (ii) the last available TRADING PRICE for the preceding TRADING DAY is used in the calculation.

In addition to the intraday calculation a closing level of the INDEX for each CALCULATION DAY is also calculated. This closing level is based on the CLOSING PRICES for the INDEX COMPONENTS on the respective EXCHANGES on which the INDEX COMPONENTS are listed. The CLOSING PRICES of INDEX COMPONENTS not listed in the INDEX CURRENCY are converted using the 04:00 p.m. London time WM Fixing quoted by Reuters. If there is no 04:00 p.m. London time WM Fixing for the relevant CALCULATION DAY, the last available 04:00 p.m. London time WM Fixing will be used for the closing level calculation.

1.5. LICENSING

Licenses to use the INDEX as the underlying value for financial instruments, investment funds and financial contracts may be issued to stock exchanges, banks, financial services providers and investment houses by SOLACTIVE.

2. INDEX SELECTION

On each SELECTION DAY, the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR will revise the composition of the INDEX.

In a first step, the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR determines the INDEX UNIVERSE in accordance with Section 2.1. The INDEX UNIVERSE comprises all those financial instruments which fulfill the INDEX UNIVERSE REQUIREMENTS (as specified in Section 2.1) and will constitute a starting pool from which the components of the INDEX will be selected. Based on this INDEX UNIVERSE, the new composition of the INDEX will be determined by applying the rules outlined in Section 2.2.

Each new INDEX COMPONENT will be assigned a weight as described in Section 2.3.

2.1. INDEX UNIVERSE REQUIREMENTS

The INDEX UNIVERSE is comprised of all financial instruments which fulfill the below requirements

(the "Index Universe Requirements"):

- Listed on an EXCHANGE in one of the following countries: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Netherlands, Norway, New Zealand, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States.
- Securities must be included in the most recent 13F-HR filing of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, on the SELECTION DAY.
- > A minimum Share Class Market Capitalization of at least USD 500 million.
- > A minimum AVERAGE DAILY VALUE TRADED of at least USD 2 million over six months prior to and including the SELECTION DAY.

The determination of the INDEX UNIVERSE is fully rule-based and the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR cannot make any discretionary decisions.

2.2. SELECTION OF THE INDEX COMPONENTS

Based on the INDEX UNIVERSE, the initial composition of the INDEX as well as any selection for an ordinary rebalance is determined on the SELECTION DAY in accordance with the following rules

(the "INDEX COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS"):

> First, a score is computed for each constituent in the INDEX UNIVERSE. The score captures the financial performance, brand recognition and patent/innovation leadership of a company.

• Financial Score

Constituents which are classified by FactSet Industry as "Finance" are grouped into category Financial Companies. All remaining constituents are allocated into the category Non-Financial Companies.

Based on the categories (Financial Companies and Non-Financial Companies) a constituent has been assigned to, the financial score is comprised of a set of financial key figures as depicted in the corresponding tables below.

Category Financial Key Figures	Financial Companies	Non-Financial Companies
Gross Profit Margin (GPM)	· · · ·	\checkmark
Return on Assets (ROA)	\checkmark	\checkmark
Capex Margin (CM)	\checkmark	\checkmark
Net Accounts Receivable Margin (NARM)		\checkmark
D&A Margin (D&AM)		\checkmark
Number of years with positive Free Cashflow Growth Rate (Y-FFCF)	\checkmark	\checkmark

Each financial key figure is assigned a score according to the following scoring tables. All financial key figures are from the last fully reported period on an annual basis.

I. Gross Profit Margin (GPM)

Gross Profit Margin is computed as: GPM = Gross Profit / Sales

GPM	≤10%	≤20%	≤ 30%	≤40%	≤ 50%	≤60%	≤70%	≤80%	≤90%	≤100%
Score	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

II. Return on Assets (ROA)

Return on Assets is computed as: ROA = Net Income / Total Assets

ROA	≤1%	≤5%	≤10%	≤15%	≤20%	≤25%	≤ 30%	≤40%	≤ 50%	> 50%
Score	10	25	50	75	100	125	150	200	250	300

III. Capex Margin (CM)

Capex Margin is computed as: CM = Capex / Net Income

СМ	≤5%	≤ 10 %	≤ 20 %	≤ 30 %	≤ 40 %	≤ 50%	≤60%	≤ 70 %	≤ 80 %	≤ 90 %
Score	100	90	80	70	50	40	30	20	10	5

IV. Net Accounts Receivable Margin (NARM)

Net Accounts Receivable Margin is computed as: NARM = (Accounts Receivable – Accounts Payable) / Sales

NARM	≤5%	≤10%	≤20%	≤ 30%	≤40%	≤ 50%	≤60%	≤70%	≤80%	≤90%
Score	100	90	80	70	50	40	30	20	10	5

V. D&A Margin (DAM)

D&A margin is computed as: D&AM = D&A / Gross Profit

D&AM	≤5%	≤10%	≤20%	≤ 30%	≤40%	≤ 50%	≤60%	≤70%	≤80%	≤90%
Score	100	90	80	70	50	40	30	20	10	5

VI. Number of years with positive Free Cashflow Growth Rate (Y-FFCF)

Number of years with positive Free Cashflow Growth Rate is computed as the number of years where the FFCF (YoY) has been positive over the last 10 years.

Y-FFCF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Score	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

If a company has not experienced a positive growth of the FCFF (YoY) over the last 10 years, it receives a score of 0.

The final financial score is calculated as the average of all individual scores of the relevant financial key figures. Additionally, the financial score of Financial Companies is multiplied by 2.

• Brand Score

The brand score is based on the brand ranking provided by the DATA PROVIDER who uses, for its assessment, the annual report, containing the Brand Finance Global 500 list¹, which is published by Brand Finance and available on their website. The score is assigned in reversed order of the brand ranking. For example, a company which is ranked number 1,

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receives a score of 500. If a company is not ranked under the Top 500, it is assigned a score of 0.

Brand Ranking	1	2	3	 10	 250	 499	500
Score	500	499	498	 491	 251	 2	1

Furthermore, for the purpose of normalization, the brand score is divided by 5.

• Patent Score

The patent score is computed based on the number of patents a company owns, according to the DATA PROVIDER. Only patents which are congruent with the US classification are used.

Number of Patents	≤ 50	≤100	≤200	≤ 300	≤400	≤ 500	≤600	≤700	≤800	≤900	≤1000	≤ 1500	> 1500
Score	5	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	150	200

If a company has 0 patents, it receives a patent score of 0.

The final score is calculated as the sum of the financial score, brand score and patent score.

> Ranking of Financial Companies and Non-Financial Companies.

- Financial Companies and Non-Financial Companies are ranked separately, according to their score. For example, the company which is ranked highest in its category has the highest score within its category.
- If two or more companies exhibit the same ranking, the companies will be ranked in descending order by their SHARE CLASS MARKET CAPITALIZATION. That is, the company with the highest SHARE CLASS MARKET CAPITALIZATION will be ranked number 1.

> Selection of the Top 20 companies

• Selection of the Top Financial Companies

Based on the INDEX UNIVERSE, the ratio of Financial Companies is determined by putting the number of Financial companies in relation to the number of all companies in the INDEX UNIVERSE. The ratio of Financial Companies is multiplied by 20 to determine the absolute number of Financial Companies, to be included in the Top 20. According to their ranking Financial Companies are selected into the Top 20.

• Selection of the Top Non-Financial Companies

The remaining companies are selected from the category of Non-Financial Companies, according to their ranking, until the final universe comprises 20 companies.

The selection of the INDEX COMPONENTS is fully rule-based and the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR cannot make any discretionary decision.

2.3. WEIGHTING OF THE INDEX COMPONENTS

On each SELECTION DAY each INDEX COMPONENT is assigned an equal weight.

At the LIVE DATE of the Index on 24/08/2020, the composition of the Solactive Omaha Alpha Index is as follows:

Name	ISIN	BBG Ticker	Currency	Exchange	Weight
Amazon.com, Inc.	US0231351067	AMZN UW Equity	USD	NASDAQ	5%
American Express Company	US0258161092	AXP UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Apple Inc.	US0378331005	AAPL UW Equity	USD	NASDAQ	5%
Bank of America Corp	US0605051046	BAC UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Biogen Inc.	US09062X1037	BIIB UW Equity	USD	NASDAQ	5%
Coca-Cola Company	US1912161007	KO UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
General Motors Company	US37045V1008	GM UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	US46625H1005	JPM UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Johnson & Johnson	US4781601046	JNJ UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Kroger Co.	US5010441013	KR UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Mastercard Incorporated Class A	US57636Q1040	MA UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Moody's Corporation	US6153691059	MCO UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	US6934751057	PNC UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Procter & Gamble Company	US7427181091	PG UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Sirius XM Holdings, Inc.	US82968B1035	SIRI UW Equity	USD	NASDAQ	5%
Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Limited Sponsored ADR	US8816242098	TEVA UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
United Parcel Service, Inc. Class B	US9113121068	UPS UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
VeriSign, Inc.	US92343E1029	VRSN UW Equity	USD	NASDAQ	5%
Visa Inc. Class A	US92826C8394	V UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%
Wells Fargo & Company	US9497461015	WFC UN Equity	USD	NYSE	5%

3. REBALANCE

3.1. ORDINARY REBALANCE

In order to reflect the new selection of the INDEX COMPONENTS determined on the SELECTION DAY (in accordance with Section 2.1 and 2.2) the INDEX is adjusted on the REBALANCE DAY after CLOSE OF BUSINESS.

This is carried out by implementing the weights as determined on the SELECTION DAY.

For more information on the rebalance procedure please refer to the Equity Index Methodology, which is incorporated by reference and available on the Solactive website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/equity-index-methodology/</u>]

SOLACTIVE will publish any changes made to the INDEX COMPONENTS with sufficient notice before the REBALANCE DAY on the SOLACTIVE webpage under the section "Announcement", which is available at https://www.solactive.com/news/announcements/

3.2. EXTRAORDINARY REBALANCE

The INDEX is not rebalanced extraordinarily.

4. CALCULATION OF THE INDEX

4.1. INDEX FORMULA

The INDEX is calculated as a price return, net total return and gross total return Index.

The calculation is performed according to the Equity Index Methodology, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/equity-index-methodology/</u>. The standard index formula stipulates that the level of the INDEX changes based on the change of the prices of its INDEX COMPONENTS taking into account their weight in the INDEX and any currency conversion in case the price of an INDEX COMPONENT is quoted in a currency other than the INDEX CURRENCY.

Any dividends or other distributions are reinvested back into the INDEX COMPONENT paying the dividend or other distribution at the opening of the effective date (the so called ex-date) of the payment of such dividend or other distribution.

A more detailed description of the mechanics of the index calculation formula can be found in the Equity Index Methodology under Section 1.2.

4.2. ACCURACY

The level of the INDEX will be rounded to two decimal places. TRADING PRICES and foreign exchange rates will be rounded to six decimal places.

4.3. ADJUSTMENTS

Under certain circumstances, an adjustment of the INDEX may be necessary between two regular REBALANCE DAYS. Such adjustment has to be made if a corporate action (as specified in Section 4.4 below) in relation of an INDEX COMPONENT occurs. Such adjustment may have to be done in relation to an INDEX COMPONENT and/or may also affect the number of INDEX COMPONENTS and/or the weighting of certain INDEX COMPONENTS and will be made in compliance with the Solactive Equity Index Methodology, which is incorporated by reference and available on the SOLACTIVE website: https://www.solactive.com/documents/equity-index-methodology/.

SOLACTIVE will announce the INDEX adjustment giving a notice period of at least two TRADING DAYS (with respect to the affected INDEX COMPONENT) on the SOLACTIVE website under the Section "Announcements", which is available at https://www.solactive.com/news/announcements/. The INDEX adjustments will be implemented on the effective day specified in the respective notice.



4.4. CORPORATE ACTIONS

As part of the INDEX maintenance SOLACTIVE will consider various events – also referred to as corporate actions – which result in an adjustment to the INDEX between two regular REBALANCE DAYS. Such events have a material impact on the price, weighting or overall integrity of INDEX COMPONENTS. Therefore, they need to be accounted for in the calculation of the INDEX. Corporate actions will be implemented from the cum-day to the ex-day of the corporate action, so that the adjustment to the INDEX coincides with the occurrence of the price effect of the respective corporate action.

Adjustments to the INDEX to account for corporate actions will be made in compliance with the Equity Index Methodology, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/equity-index-methodology/</u>. This document contains for each corporate action a brief definition and specifies the relevant adjustment to the INDEX variables.

While SOLACTIVE aims at creating and maintaining its methodology for treatment of corporate actions as generic and transparent as possible and in line with regulatory requirements, it retains the right in accordance with the Equity Index Methodology to deviate from these standard procedures in case of any unusual or complex corporate action or if such a deviation is made to preserve the comparability and representativeness of the INDEX over time.

SOLACTIVE considers following, but not conclusive, list of corporate actions as relevant for INDEX maintenance:

- > Cash Distributions (e.g. payment of a dividend)
- > Stock distributions (e.g. payment of a dividend in form of additional shares)
- > Stock distributions of another company (e.g. payment of a dividend in form of additional shares of another company (e.g. of a subsidiary))
- > Share splits (company's present shares are divided and therefore multiplied by a given factor)
- > Reverse splits (company's present shares are effectively merged)
- > Capital increases (such as issuing additional shares)
- > Share repurchases (a company offer its shareholders the option to sell their shares to a fixed price)
- > Spin-offs (the company splits its business activities into two or more entities and distributes new equity shares in the created entities to the shareholders of the former entity)
- Mergers & Acquisitions (transaction in which the ownership of a company (or other business organizations) are transferred or consolidated with other entities, e.g. fusion of two or more separate companies into one entity)
- > Delistings (company's shares are no longer publicly traded at a stock exchange)
- > Nationalization of a company (effective control of a legal entity is taken over by a state)
- > Insolvency



4.5. RECALCULATION

SOLACTIVE makes the greatest possible efforts to accurately calculate and maintain its indices. However, errors in the determination process may occur from time to time for variety reasons (internal or external) and therefore, cannot be completely ruled out. SOLACTIVE endeavors to correct all errors that have been identified within a reasonable period of time. The understanding of "a reasonable period of time" as well as the general measures to be taken are generally depending on the underlying and is specified in the Solactive Correction Policy, which is incorporated by reference and available on the SOLACTIVE website: https://www.solactive.com/documents/correction-policy/.

4.6. MARKET DISRUPTION

In periods of market stress SOLACTIVE calculates its indices following predefined and exhaustive arrangements as described in the Solactive Disruption Policy, which is incorporated by reference and available on the SOLACTIVE website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/disruption-policy/</u>. Such market stress can arise due to a variety of reasons, but generally results in inaccurate or delayed prices for one or more INDEX COMPONENTS. The determination of the INDEX may be limited or impaired at times of illiquid or fragmented market stress.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

5.1. DISCRETION

Any discretion which may need to be exercised in relation to the determination of the INDEX (for example the determination of the INDEX UNIVERSE (if applicable), the selection of the INDEX COMPONENTS (if applicable) or any other relevant decisions in relation to the INDEX) shall be made in accordance with strict rules regarding the exercise of discretion or expert judgement.

5.2. METHODOLOGY REVIEW

The methodology of the INDEX is subject to regular review, at least annually. In case a need of a change of the methodology has been identified within such review (e.g. if the underlying market or economic reality has changed since the launch of the INDEX, i.e. if the present methodology is based on obsolete assumptions and factors and no longer reflects the reality as accurately, reliably and appropriately as before), such change will be made in accordance with the Solactive Methodology Policy_which is incorporated by reference and available on the SOLACTIVE website: https://www.solactive.com/documents/methodology-policy/.

Such change in the methodology will be announced on the SOLACTIVE website under the Section "<u>Announcement</u>", which is available at https://www.solactive.com/news/announcements/. The date of the last amendment of this INDEX is contained in this GUIDELINE.

5.3. CHANGES IN CALCULATION METHOD

The application by the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR of the method described in this document is final and binding. The INDEX ADMINISTRATOR shall apply the method described above for the composition and calculation of the INDEX. However, it cannot be excluded that the market environment, supervisory, legal and financial or tax reasons may require changes to be made to this method. The INDEX ADMINISTRATOR may also make changes to the terms and conditions of the INDEX and the method applied to calculate the INDEX that it deems to be necessary and desirable in order to prevent obvious or demonstrable error or to remedy, correct or supplement incorrect terms and conditions. The INDEX ADMINISTRATOR is not obliged to provide information on any such modifications or changes. Despite the modifications and changes, the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR will take the appropriate steps to ensure a calculation method is applied that is consistent with the method described above.



5.4. TERMINATION

SOLACTIVE makes the greatest possible efforts to ensure the resilience and continued integrity of its indices over time. Where necessary, SOLACTIVE follows a clearly defined and transparent procedure to adapt Index methodologies to changing underlying markets (see Section 5.2 "Methodology Review") in order to maintain continued reliability and comparability of the indices. Nevertheless, if no other options are available the orderly cessation of the INDEX may be indicated. This is usually the case when the underlying market or economic reality, which an index is set to measure or to reflect, changes substantially and in a way not foreseeable at the time of inception of the index, the index rules, and particularly the selection criteria, can no longer be applied coherently or the index is no longer used as the underlying value for financial instruments, investment funds and financial contracts.

SOLACTIVE has established and maintains clear guidelines on how to identify situations in which the cessation of an index is unavoidable, how stakeholders are to be informed and consulted and the procedures to be followed for a termination or the transition to an alternative index. Details are specified in the Solactive Termination Policy, which is incorporated by reference and available on the SOLACTIVE website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/termination-policy/.</u>

5.5. OVERSIGHT

An oversight committee composed of staff from SOLACTIVE and its subsidiaries (the "**OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**") is responsible for decisions regarding any amendments to the rules of the INDEX. Any such amendment, which may result in an amendment of the GUIDELINE, must be submitted to the OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE for prior approval and will be made in compliance with the Methodology Policy, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <u>https://www.solactive.com/documents/methodology-policy/</u>.

6. DEFINITIONS

"AVERAGE DAILY VALUE TRADED" means, in respect of an INDEX COMPONENT, the sum of DAILY VALUE TRADED over the specified period divided by the number of TRADING DAYS that fall in the specified period.

"BENCHMARK REGULATION" shall have the meaning as defined in Section "Introduction".

"BMR" shall have the meaning as defined in Section "Introduction".

"CALCULATION DAY" is every weekday from Monday to Friday.

"CLOSE OF BUSINESS" is the calculation time of the closing level of the INDEX as outlined in Section 1.4.

The **"CLOSING PRICE"** in respect of an INDEX COMPONENT and a TRADING DAY is a security's final regular-hours TRADING PRICE published by the EXCHANGE and determined in accordance with the EXCHANGE regulations. If the EXCHANGE has no or has not published a CLOSING PRICE in accordance with the EXCHANGE rules for an INDEX COMPONENT, the last TRADING PRICE will be used.

"DAILY VALUE TRADED" means, in respect of an INDEX COMPONENT and a TRADING DAY, the product of (i) the CLOSING PRICE of such INDEX COMPONENT and (ii) the volume traded (measured as a number of shares) of such INDEX COMPONENT on the EXCHANGE during such TRADING DAY.

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"EXCHANGE" is with respect to the INDEX and every INDEX COMPONENT, the respective exchange where the INDEX COMPONENT has its listing as determined in accordance with the rules in Section 2.

"GUIDELINE" shall have the meaning as defined in Section "Introduction".

"INDEX" shall have the meaning as defined in Section "Introduction".

"INDEX ADMINISTRATOR" shall have the meaning as defined in Section "Introduction".

"INDEX COMPONENT" is each security reflected in the INDEX.

"INDEX COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS" shall have the meaning as defined in Section 2.2.

"INDEX CURRENCY" is the currency specified in the column "Currency" in the table in Section 1.2.

"INDEX UNIVERSE REQUIREMENTS" shall have the meaning as defined in Section 2.1.

"INDEX UNIVERSE" is the sum of all financial instruments which fulfill the INDEX UNIVERSE REQUIREMENTS.

"LIVE DATE" shall have the meaning as defined in Section 1.3.

"OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE" shall have the meaning as defined in Section 5.5.

"**REBALANCE DAY**" is the last CALCULATION DAY in February, May, August, and November. If that day is not a TRADING DAY, the REBALANCE DAY will be the immediately following TRADING DAY.

"SELECTION DAY is 10 CALCULATION DAYS before the REBALANCE DAY, disregarding any potential change of the REBALANCE DAY.

"SHARE CLASS MARKET CAPITALIZATION" is with regard to each of the securities in the INDEX on a SELECTION DAY the share class-specific market capitalization for any security in the INDEX UNIVERSE. It is calculated as the multiplication of the shares outstanding with the CLOSING PRICE of the share class as of the respective SELECTION DAY.

"SOLACTIVE" shall have the meaning as defined in Section "Introduction".

"START DATE" shall have the meaning as defined in Section 1.3.

"TRADING DAY" is with respect to an INDEX COMPONENT included in the INDEX at the REBALANCE DAY and every INDEX COMPONENT included in the INDEX at the CALCULATION DAY immediately following the REBALANCE DAY (for clarification: this provision is intended to capture the TRADING DAYS for the securities to be included in the INDEX as new INDEX COMPONENTS with close of trading on the relevant EXCHANGE on the REBALANCE DAY) a day on which the relevant EXCHANGE is open for trading (or a day that would have been such a day if a market disruption had not occurred), excluding days on which trading may be ceased prior to the scheduled EXCHANGE closing time and days on which the EXCHANGE is open for a scheduled shortened period. The INDEX ADMINISTRATOR is ultimately responsible as to whether a certain day is a TRADING DAY.

The **"TRADING PRICE"** in respect of an INDEX COMPONENT and a TRADING DAY is the most recent published price at which the INDEX COMPONENT was traded on the respective EXCHANGE.



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