

# **Press Release**

# Solactive wins "Most Innovative ESG Index Provider" at ESG Investing Awards 27 February 2023

FRANKFURT AM MAIN – Solactive is proud to announce that it has won the award of "Most Innovative ESG Index Provider" at the ESG Investing Awards. The award ceremony also saw Solactive secure second place in the "Best ESG Index Provider" category. The ESG Investing Awards recognize and celebrate the best initiatives and companies in Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) funds, research, and products.

<u>Steffen Scheuble, Chief Executive Officer of Solactive, comments</u>: "We are delighted to be recognized for our commitment and hard work in developing innovative ESG indices that meet the evolving needs of investors. At Solactive, we understand that ESG-focused investing is not a one-size-fits-all approach, and we strongly believe in putting each client's unique requirements and preferences at the core of our products through our open architecture approach to ESG data. We are thankful for everyone that played a role in this achievement, which energizes us to continue our efforts in the ESG space and do our part to help create a more sustainable world."

In addition to Solactive's recognition, the company's partner Han ETF won the award for "Most Innovative ESG ETF" with the **Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure ETF**, which tracks the **Solactive Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Index**. The index is composed of a representation of securities active in the field of battery charging equipment and EV charging stations. The components are selected based on their sector classification in the respective fields. Besides, a negative screening based on the UN Global Compact principles and other ESG criteria, such as the exclusion of companies involved in the production, development, or maintenance of controversial weapons, is applied to the portfolio.

Solactive offers both standardized and customized climate index solutions for equity as well as fixed income and has established experience and innovation strength with more than 1,000 ESG indices. As a leading provider of indexing and benchmarking solutions for the global investment community, Solactive's open architecture approach – working with many different providers of ESG data – and its long-standing focus on tailoring indices to clients' needs are key differentiators in the indexing industry and sit at the core of its many innovative launches in the ESG space.

In June of 2022, the German Index Provider was awarded as Climate Index Provider of the Year at the Environmental Finance Sustainable Investment Awards 2022.

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## About Solactive

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 20,000 indices calculated daily, we offer a full suite of solutions, including market-leading ESG and thematic indices.

As at January 2022, Solactive served approximately 500 clients across the world, with approximately US\$250 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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