

MARKET CONSULTATION- SEVERAL SOLACTIVE INDICES

17 August 2023



Content of the Market Consultation

Solactive AG has decided to conduct a Market Consultation with regard to changing the Index Methodology of the following indices (the 'indices'):

NAME	RIC	ISIN
Solactive AgTech and Food Innovation Index	.SOLKROP	DE000SLODNX3
Solactive Autonomous & Electric Vehicles Index	.SOLDRIV	DE000SLA5MZ4
Solactive Blockchain Index	.SOLBKCH	DE000SLODNR5
Solactive Data Center REITs & Digital Infrastructure Index	.SOLVPN	DE000SLOBVK7
Solactive Disruptive Materials Index	.SOLDMAT	DE000SLOEWY0
Solactive E-commerce Index	.SOLEBIZ	DE000SLA63W6
Solactive Genomics Index	.SOLGNOM	DE000SLA7166
Solactive Global Clean Water Industry Index NTR	.SOLAQWA	DE000SLOCZH2
Solactive Global Copper Miners Total Return Index	.SOLGLOCO	DE000A1DKEA1
Solactive Global Hydrogen Index	.SOLGHYD	DE000SLODNU9
Solactive Global Lithium Index	.SOLLIT	DE000A1EY8J4
Solactive Global Silver Miners Total Return Index	.SOLGLOSI	DE000A1DKEB9
Solactive Global SuperDividend Index	.SOLSDIV	DE000SLA0SD9
Solactive Global Uranium & Nuclear Components Total Return Index	.SOLURANT	DE000SLA4825
Solactive Solar Index	.SOLRAYS	DE000SLOEBF3
Solactive Video Games & Esports Index	.SOLHERO	DE000SLA9Q30
Solactive Wind Energy Index	.SOLWNDY	DE000SLOEBJ5
Solactive China Biotech Innovation Index NTR	.SOLCHB	DE000SLOBGQ5
Solactive Global Gold Explorers & Developers Total Return Index	.SOLGOEX	DE000SLA2PP5



Solactive Green Building Index CNTR	.SOLGRNR	DE000SLOFAU1
Solactive Social Media Total Return Index	.SOCL	DE000SLA1SM8
Solactive Telemedicine & Digital Health Index	.SOLEDOC	DE000SLOA121
Cannabis Index	.POTX	DE000SLA9PD6
Solactive Guru Index	.GURU	DE000SLA0HF7
Solactive AgTech and Food Innovation v2 Index	.SOLKROP2	DE000SLOD1Y8
Solactive Autonomous & Electric Vehicles v2 Index	.SOLDRIV2	DE000SLOC7Z3
Solactive Blockchain v2 Index	.SOLBKCH2	DE000SLOD1V4
Solactive Data Center REITs & Digital Infrastructure v2 Index	.SOLVPN2	DE000SLOC6H3
Solactive Disruptive Materials v2 Index	.SOLDMAT2	DE000SLOEW69
Solactive E-commerce v2 Index	.SOLEBIZ2	DE000SLOC6J9
Solactive Genomics v2 Index	.SOLGNOM2	DE000SLOC6K7
Solactive Global Clean Water Industry v2 Index NTR	.SOAQWA2	DE000SLOCZS9
Solactive Global Copper Miners Total Return v2 Index	.SOLGLOCM	DE000SLOD125
Solactive Global Hydrogen v2 Index	.SOLGHYD2	DE000SLOD1P6
Solactive Global Lithium v2 Index	.SOLLIT2	DE000SLOC7T7
Solactive Global Silver Miners Total Return v2 Index	.SOLGLOSM	DE000SLOEWD4
Solactive Global SuperDividend v2 Index	.SOLSDIV2	DE000SLOD117
Solactive Global Uranium & Nuclear Components Total Return v2 Index	.SOLURAN2	DE000SLOEWE2
Solactive Solar v2 Index	.SOLRAYS2	DE000SLOD1S0
Solactive Video Games & Esports v2 Index	.SOLHERO2	DE000SLOBWE8
Solactive Wind Energy v2 Index	.SOLWNDY2	DE000SLOD1L5



Rationale for the Market Consultation

Solactive believes that an adjustment of the withholding tax rates of US-incorporated companies from 30% to 0% for V1 indices and 15% for V2 indices in above table mitigates systematic sources of tracking error.

The objective here is to apply a regional taxation regime more suited to the funds that use financial products based on the indices in this market consultation.

Proposed Change to the Index Guideline

The following Methodology change is proposed in the following point of the Index Guidelines:

For the v1 indices defined in the above overview we are proposing to add the below sentence right below the index overview table in the section 1.2. IDENTIFIERS AND PUBLICATION in the respective guideline of each index:

*For NTR INDICES withholding tax rates applied for US-incorporated companies will be reduced from Solactive Standard rate (listed on the SOLACTIVE website <https://www.solactive.com>) to 0%.

For the v2 indices defined in the above overview we are proposing to add the below sentence right below the index overview table in the section 1.2. IDENTIFIERS AND PUBLICATION in the respective guideline of each index:

*For NTR INDICES withholding tax rates applied for US Incorporated companies will be reduced from Solactive Standard rate (listed on the SOLACTIVE website <https://www.solactive.com>) to 15%.

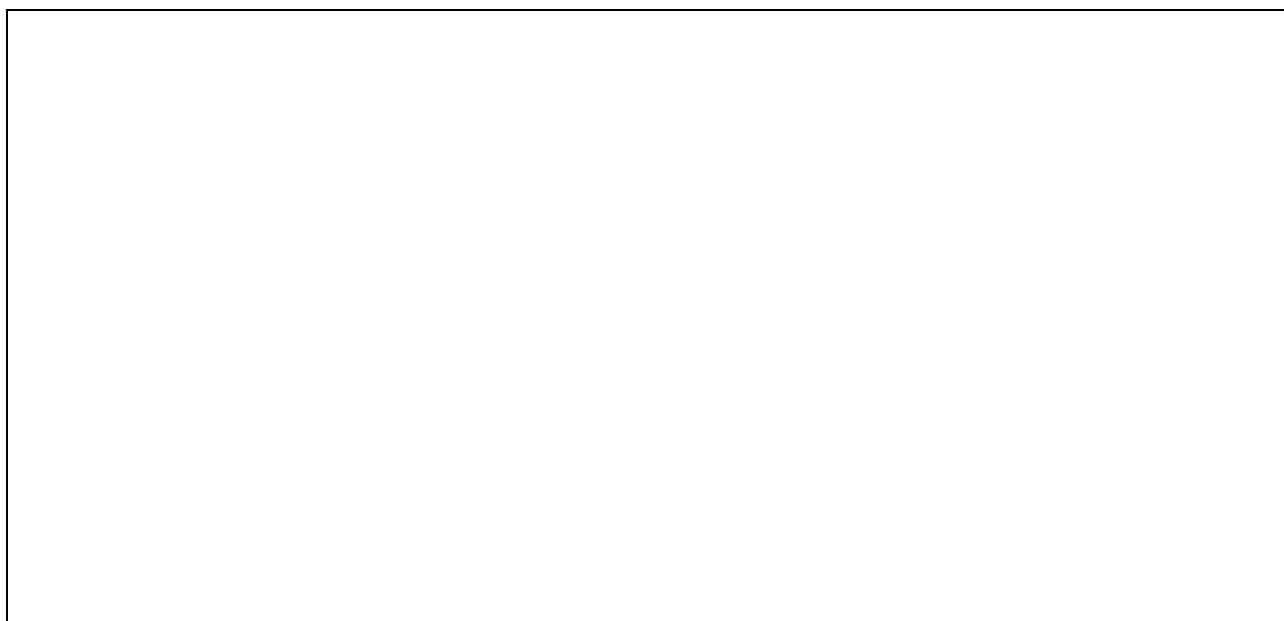
Feedback on the proposed changes

If you would like to share your thoughts with Solactive, please use this consultation form and provide us with your personal details and those of your organization.

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Solactive is inviting all stakeholders and interested third parties to evaluate the proposed changes to the Methodology for Several Solactive Indices and welcomes any feedback on how this may affect and/or improve their use of Solactive indices.



Consultation Procedure

Stakeholders and third parties who are interested in participating in this Market Consultation, are invited to respond until September 1, 2023.

[Subject to feedback received on this Market Consultation, the changes mentioned above are intended to become effective on September 15, 2023.]

Please send your feedback via email to marketconsultation@solactive.com, specifying "Market Consultation- Several Solactive Indices" as the subject of the email, or

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Should you have any additional questions regarding the consultative question in particular, please do not hesitate to contact us via above email address.

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