

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 US Treasury Bond Index Family (the "INDEX"). Any amendments to the rules made to the GUIDELINE are approved by the OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE as specified in the Bond Index Methodology. The INDEX is owned, calculated, administered and published by Solactive AG ("SOLACTIVE") assuming the role as administrator (the "INDEX ADMINISTRATOR") under the Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 (the "BENCHMARK REGULATION" or "BMR"). The name "Solactive" is trademarked.

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1. INDEX SPECIFICATIONS

1.1. SCOPE OF THE INDEX

Solactive US Treasury Bond Index Family is a rules-based, market value weighted INDEX designed to track the performance of USD-denominated bonds issued by the US Treasury.

The series is rebalanced monthly and any income is re-invested daily.

1.2. IDENTIFIERS AND PUBLICATION

The INDEX is published under the following identifiers:

Name	ISIN	Currency	Type	Calculation Formula	RIC	BBG ticker
Solactive US Treasury Bond Index	DE000SLA4CA1	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT	SOLUTC
Solactive US 1-3 Year Treasury Bond Index	DE000SLA4B65	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT13	



Solactive US 3-7 Year Treasury Bond Index	DE000SLOCM22	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT37	
Solactive US 3-10 Year Treasury Bond Index	DE000SLA4B73	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT310	
Solactive US 10-20 Year Treasury Bond Index	DE000SLA4B81	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT120	
Solactive US 20+ Year Treasury Bond Index	DE000SLA4B99	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT20	
Solactive US 20+ Year Treasury Bond CAD Index	DE000SLODSR4	USD	TR	DR	.SOLUT20C	

*TR means that the INDEX is calculated as TOTAL RETURN INDEX as described in the Bond Index Methodology, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <https://www.solactive.com/documents/bond-index-methodology/>

*DR means that the INDEX is calculated as DIRECT REINVESTMENT FORMULA as described in the Bond Index Methodology, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <https://www.solactive.com/documents/bond-index-methodology/>

The INDEX is published on the website of the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR (www.solactive.com) and is, in addition, available via the price marketing services of Boerse Stuttgart AG 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: <https://www.solactive.com/news/announcements/>.

1.3. INITIAL LEVEL OF THE INDEX

The initial level of the INDEX on the 29th December 2006 is 1000. Historical values from the 11th October 2017 will be recorded in accordance with Article 8 of the BMR. Levels of the INDEX published for a period prior to the LIVE DATE have been back-tested.

1.4. PRICES AND CALCULATION FREQUENCY

The INDEX is calculated and distributed once every BUSINESS DAY based on LAST EVALUATED BID PRICE of the INDEX COMPONENTS. Bonds added in a rebalancing (see Section 3) are included in the INDEX at LAST EVALUATED ASK PRICE on the relevant REBALANCE DAY. Bonds which are excluded from the INDEX in a rebalance are reflected in the calculation of the level of the INDEX for the REBALANCE DAY at the LAST EVALUATED BID PRICE on the relevant REBALANCE DAY. INDEX analytical values are calculated each BUSINESS DAY using the LAST EVALUATED BID PRICE based on FIXING TIME. Prices of INDEX COMPONENTS not listed in the INDEX CURRENCY are converted using the WM 4 PM London Fixing quoted by Reuters.



2. INDEX SELECTION

On each SELECTION DAY, all bonds which meet the INDEX COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS are eligible for inclusion in the INDEX and will be added as INDEX COMPONENT on the REBALANCE DAY. Additionally, on each SELECTION DAY, it will be evaluated whether all current INDEX COMPONENTS still meet the INDEX COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS. Each INDEX COMPONENT that does not meet the INDEX COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS will be removed from the INDEX on the next REBALANCE DAY.

2.1. SELECTION OF THE INDEX COMPONENTS

The initial composition of each INDEX, as well as any selection for a rebalance (as specified in Section 3) is determined using the following rules:

1. US Government Treasury Notes and Bonds
2. Denominated in USD
3. Current SOMA adjusted amount outstanding of at least USD 250 million
4. Inflation linked bonds, callable bonds, floating rate, fungible strips, principal only strips, interest only strips and local government bonds are specifically excluded from the available universe
5. The following maturity ranges apply to the sub-indices:
 - a. Solactive US Treasury Bond Index: All eligible securities must have at least 1 year until maturity from the selection date.
 - b. Solactive US Treasury 1-3 Year Bond Index: All eligible securities must have at least 1 year until maturity but less than 3 years from the selection date.
 - c. Solactive US Treasury 3-10 Year Bond Index: All eligible securities must have at least 3 years until maturity but less than 10 years from the selection date.
 - d. Solactive US Treasury 10-20 Year Bond Index: All eligible securities must have at least 10 years until maturity but less than 20 years from the selection date.
 - e. Solactive US Treasury 20+Year Bond Index: All eligible securities must have at least 20 years until maturity from the selection date.

For the avoidance of doubt, besides the Selection Pool criteria and reweighting mentioned above, the types of changes which are implemented on a monthly basis on the respective Adjustment Day will include:

- Adjustments to amount outstanding due to re-opening, repurchases, stripping increases etc.
- Removal of Bonds that no longer meet the amount outstanding requirements due to partial or early redemptions.



(the "INDEX COMPONENT REQUIREMENTS")]

The determination of the INDEX COMPONENTS is fully rule-based and the INDEX ADMINISTRATOR has no discretion.

2.2. WEIGHTING OF THE INDEX COMPONENTS

On each REBALANCE DAY each INDEX COMPONENT is weighted using the market value based on the LAST EVALUATED BID PRICE and accrued interest as on the REBALANCE DAY in order to achieve the aim of the INDEX.

3. ORDINARY REBALANCE

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

For more information on the rebalance procedure please refer to the Bond INDEX Methodology, which is incorporated by reference and available on the SOLACTIVE website: <https://www.solactive.com/documents/bond-INDEX-methodology/>.

SOLACTIVE will publish any changes made to the INDEX COMPONENTS with sufficient notice before the REBALANCE DAY on the SOLACTIVE webpage.

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. Adjustments to the INDEX to account for corporate actions will be made in compliance with the Bond INDEX Methodology.

5. DEFINITIONS

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

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

"BUSINESS DAY" is with respect to the INDEX each day Monday to Friday except the following sets of days: Holidays according to US SIFMA and NYSE recommendations.



"CLOSE OF BUSINESS" is a time stamp when an INDEX is calculated.

"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 CALCULATOR" is SOLACTIVE or any other appropriately appointed successor in this function.

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

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

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

"ISSUER" is the issuing entity of the respective bond.

"LIVE DATE" is 11th October 2017.

"OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE" shall have the meaning as defined in the Bond Index Methodology.

"PRICING PROVIDER" is available under <https://www.solactive.com/documents/bond-pricing-provider/>

"REBALANCE DAY" is the last BUSINESS DAY of the month.

"SELECTION DAY" is 7 BUSINESS DAYS before the scheduled REBALANCE DAY, disregarding any potential change of the REBALANCE DAY.

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

"START DATE" is 29th December 2006.

Please note that the definitions included in the Bond Index Methodology apply to this guideline. In case of a discrepancy, the definition presented in the guidelines should prevail.



6. HISTORY OF INDEX CHANGES

Version	Date	Description
1.0	<i>13th October 2017</i>	INDEX Guideline creation (<i>initial version</i>)
1.1	<i>9th March 2018</i>	Legacy guideline update
1.2	<i>28th September 2018</i>	Legacy guideline update
1.3	<i>1st December 2023</i>	Update to new guideline template and added .SOLUT20C (CAD currency version of .SOLUT20)

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