

# EXPLANATION OF HOW KEY ELEMENTS OF THE BENCHMARK METHODOLOGY REFLECT ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE (ESG) FACTORS

EQM Global Online Retail Growth Index PR



This document provides an explanation of how the key elements of the benchmark methodology reflect ESG factors. It is compiled in accordance with the requirements of point (d) of Article 13 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 (the "Benchmarks Regulation") and of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1817.

## General Information

<b>Name of the benchmark administrator</b>	Solactive AG
<b>Type of benchmark or family of benchmarks</b>	Equity
<b>Name of the benchmark or family of benchmarks</b>	EQM Global Online Retail Growth Index PR
<b>Does the benchmark methodology for the benchmark or family of benchmarks take into account ESG factors?</b>	Yes

## ESG Factors Applied in the Benchmark Methodology

<b>List of environmental factors considered</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Exclusion of companies with verified ongoing failure to respect established international norms. The core normative framework consists of the Principles of the UN Global Compact and the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises.</li><li>&gt; Fossil fuels: ■ Companies deriving more than 10% revenue from the exploration, mining or refining of fossil fuels; companies that produce more than 20 million tons of thermal coal annually and are actively expanding exploration, mining or refining operations. ■ Companies that own coal-fired electricity generation capacity more than 10 gigawatts and are actively expanding coal-fired electricity production capacity. ■ Majority-owned subsidiaries of such companies are excluded</li><li>&gt; Controversial weapons: ■ Company involved in development, production, maintenance, and trade of controversial weapons. ■ Company holds a stake of 20% or more in, or are currently 50% or more owned by, a company that is involved in the development, production, maintenance and trade of controversial weapons.</li></ul>
<b>List of social factors considered</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Exclusion of companies with verified ongoing failure to respect established international norms. The core normative framework consists of the Principles of the UN Global Compact, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights.</li><li>&gt; Exclusion of companies with verified ongoing involvement in the area of controversial weapons (including chemical, biological and nuclear weapons (both under and outside the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons), depleted uranium munitions, cluster munitions, and anti-personnel mines).</li></ul>
<b>List of governance factors considered</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Not applicable.</li></ul>

## Data and Standards used



<b>Data Input</b>	The data used to construct the index is sourced externally from Minerva Analytics Ltd.
<b>Verification and quality of data</b>	The provider of ESG-related data input is selected by the Administrator based on an assessment of its existing processes in order to ensure the reliability and representativeness of the ESG-related data. The data provider has established processes in accordance with accepted and established market standards that ensure the permanent quality and reliability of the ESG-data provided.
<b>Reference standards</b>	International standards referenced by the index methodology are listed in the respective section above.
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