

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

Munich Re ESG Optimized Global Developed Conservative Equities Index NTR



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

Name of the benchmark administrator	Solactive AG
Type of benchmark or family of benchmarks	Equity
Name of the benchmark or family of benchmarks	Munich Re ESG Optimized Global Developed Conservative Equities Index NTR
Does the benchmark methodology for the benchmark or family of benchmarks take into account ESG factors?	Yes

ESG Factors Applied in the Benchmark Methodology

List of environmental factors considered	Exclusion of companies with verified, imminent or alleged severe to very severe failure to respect established norms.
	Exclusion of companies generating more than 10% of their revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) from Coal & Oil Extraction.
	> Exclusion of companies generating revenues from activities in Oil Sands.
	> Exclusion of companies generating revenues from activities in Oil Shale.
	> Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro portion to their total revenues) from Hydraulic Fracturing.
	Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro portion to their total revenues) from Electric power generation from fossi fuel sources.
	Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro portion to their total revenues) from the Production of Nucelear Power.
	> Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro portion to their total revenues) from Uranium Mining.
	> Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro portion to their total revenues) from Services related to Nuclear Power.
	> Exclusion of companies that deviate more than 2 rating steps from the Prime Rating in the ISS ESG Corporate Rating. Companies are catego rized as "Prime" if they achieve or exceed the sector-specific performance requirements defined by ISS based on the ESG risk exposure and impac of their respective business model and value chain (absolute best-in-class approach). Prime companies rank among the sustainability leaders in their respective industry.
	> Exclusion of companies with any significant negative impact on the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

List of social factors considered	> Exclusion of companies with verified, imminent or alleged severe to very
	severe failure to respect established norms.
	> Exclusion of companies with verified involvement in controversial weapons.
	> Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro- portion to their total revenues) from Civilian Firearms Production.
	> Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro- portion to their total revenues) from Military Equipment Production.
	> Exclusion of companies generating more than 5% of their revenues (in pro- portion to their total revenues) from Tobacco Production.
	> Exclusion of companies that deviate more than 2 rating steps from the Prime Rating in the ISS ESG Corporate Rating. Companies are catego- rized as "Prime" if they achieve or exceed the sector-specific performance requirements defined by ISS based on the ESG risk exposure and impact of their respective business model and value chain (absolute best-in-class approach). Prime companies rank among the sustainability leaders in their respective industry.
	 Exclusion of companies with any significant negative impact on the UN Sustainable Development Goals.
List of governance factors considered	> Exclusion of companies with verified, imminent or alleged severe to very severe failure to respect established norms.
	> Exclusion of companies with involvement in credible controversies.
	> Exclusion of companies that deviate more than 2 rating steps from the Prime Rating in the ISS ESG Corporate Rating. Companies are catego- rized as "Prime" if they achieve or exceed the sector-specific performance requirements defined by ISS based on the ESG risk exposure and impact of their respective business model and value chain (absolute best-in-class approach). Prime companies rank among the sustainability leaders in their respective industry.
	> Exclusion of companies that have non-positive good governance.
	> Exclusion of companies with any significant negative impact on the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Data and Standards used

Data Input	ISS ESG
Verification and quality of data	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.
Reference standards	International standards referenced by the index methodology are listed in the respective section above.

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