

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

Solactive Climate and Energy Transition Index



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	Solactive Climate and Energy Transition Index
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">> Exclusion of companies without carbon intensity data available within the last 24 months> Exclusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >10% from thermal coal production, thermal coal supporting product, oil sands, deep-water drilling, or arctic offshore drilling> Exclusion of companies from the industries 'precious metal' and 'coal'> The Climate Score of a company is used in the selection of index components. The Climate Score is an overall Score based on the following six climate criteria: (i) carbon intensity, (ii) carbon intensity variation, (iii) R&D intensity, (iv) commitment score, (v) production score, (vi) product score
List of social factors considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none">> Exclusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >0% from the production of tobacco (includes significant ownership in another company that produces tobacco), from related products or services (includes significant ownership in another company that produces tobacco), > 10% from retail distribution of tobacco (includes significant ownership in another company that engages in retail distribution of tobacco)> Exclusion of companies with any involvement in the production of controversial weapons or with any significant ownership in companies involved in the production of controversial weapons
List of governance factors considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none">> Not applicable

Data and Standards used

Data Input	The data used to construct the index is sourced externally from Sustainalytics
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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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