

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 EUR Broad 1-3 Years Bond Index (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

The Solactive EUR Broad 1-3 Years Bond Index is a benchmark to measure the performance of a global EUR 1-3 years investment grade bond universe that includes bonds issued by central governments, government-related issuers, corporates as well as securitized debt instruments. The benchmark is designed to provide a broad coverage of local currency debt from developed and emerging markets according to Solactive's [Bond Market Classification](#).

1.2. IDENTIFIERS AND PUBLICATION

The INDEX is published under the following identifiers:

Name	ISIN	Currency	Type	Calculation Formula*	RIC	BBG ticker
Solactive EUR Broad 1-3 Years Bond Index	DE000SLOCNC9	EUR	TR	Periodic	.SOLBRE13	-

*The calculation formula refers to the index calculation's dependency on cash reinvestment, based on whether the cash reinvestment occurs on a daily/direct basis or periodically.



*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/>

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 GmbH 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 LIVE DATE is 1000. Levels of the INDEX published for a period prior to this date have been back-tested. Historical values from the LIVE DATE will be recorded in accordance with Article 8 of the BMR.

1.4. PRICES AND CALCULATION FREQUENCY

The INDEX is calculated and distributed once every BUSINESS DAY based on the LAST EVALUATED BID PRICES of the INDEX COMPONENTS. Bonds added in a rebalancing (see Section 3) are included in the INDEX at the LAST EVALUATED ASK PRICES on the relevant REBALANCE DAY (as specified in Section 6). 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 PRICES of on the relevant REBALANCE DAY. INDEX analytical values are calculated each BUSINESS DAY using the LAST EVALUATED BID PRICES based on FIXING TIME.

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

For Solactive EUR Broad 1-3 Years Bond Index:

- Bonds must be in Solactive World All Bond Index.



- Only bonds denominated in EUR are eligible.
- Only bonds with an EFFECTIVE TIME TO MATURITY of less than 3 years are eligible.

(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 SELECTION DAY each INDEX COMPONENT is weighted using the market value based on the LAST EVALUATED BID PRICE and accrued interest as on the SELECTION 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: the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and SIFMA.

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

"CLOSING PRICE" in respect of an INDEX COMPONENT and a TRADING DAY is a security's final regular-hours TRADING PRICE published by the EXCHANGE and determined in accordance with the EXCHANGE regulations. If the EXCHANGE has no or has not published a CLOSING PRICE in accordance with the EXCHANGE rules for an INDEX COMPONENT, the last TRADING PRICE will be used.

"EFFECTIVE TIME TO MATURITY" is the minimum between the fix to float date and the maturity date. For perpetual bonds, the minimum of the next call date and fix to float date is selected.

"FIXING TIME" is the time when the prices for the INDEX COMPONENTS are fixed for index calculation. [This is specified in the Bond Index Methodology, which is available on the SOLACTIVE website: <https://www.solactive.com/documents/bond-index-methodology/>].

"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.

"LIVE DATE" is 2022-08-23.

"LAST EVALUATED ASK PRICE" the last available evaluated ask price by the designated PRICING PROVIDER.

"LAST EVALUATED BID PRICE" the last available evaluated bid price by the designated PRICING PROVIDER.

"OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE" shall have the meaning as defined in Section 5.5.

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

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

"SELECTION DAY" is 8 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".

"TRADING PRICES" in respect of an INDEX COMPONENT and a TRADING DAY is the most recent published price at which the INDEX COMPONENT was traded on the respective EXCHANGE.

"UNDERLYING INDEX COMPONENTS" is each security reflected in the composition of the UNDERLYING INDEX.



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

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1.0	16/10/2024	Index Guideline creation (<i>initial version</i>)

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