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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 United Kingdom Inflation-Linked Bond Index (the “**INDEX**”). Any amendments to the rules made to the **GUIDELINE** are approved by the **OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**. 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 **INDEX** aims to track the performance of inflation-linked government bonds issued by the United Kingdom denominated in GBP. The **INDEX** is calculated as a Total Return Index, published in GBP and rebalanced on a monthly basis.

1.2. IDENTIFIERS AND PUBLICATION

The **INDEX** is published under the following identifiers:

Name	ISIN	Currency	Type	Calculation Formula	RIC	BBG ticker
Solactive United Kingdom Inflation-Linked Bond Index	DE000SLOAZD5	GBP	TR	Direct	.SOLGBILB	-

*TR means that the **INDEX** is calculated as a total return index while Periodic means the Periodic 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 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.



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 2021-02-18 is 1000.00. Historical values from the 2021-02-17 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 the INDEX at the LAST EVALUATED ASK PRICES 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 PRICES 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:

- The bonds must be issued by the government of the United Kingdom
- The bonds must be denominated in GBP
- The bonds must have an issue date less than the SELECTION DAY
- Only government INFLATION LINKED BONDS are eligible independent of the indexation lag
- A price from the PRICING PROVIDER must be available for each INDEX COMPONENTS on each SELECTION DAY



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 PRICES 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 any day Monday to Friday except holidays as defined by the New York Stock Exchange and European Banking Holidays.

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

“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.

“**INFLATION-LINKED BONDS**” are bonds whose principal and coupon payments are indexed to inflation a defined inflation measure.

“**ISSUER**” is the issuing entity of the respective bond.

“**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 DAYS of the month.

“**SELECTION DAY**” is 6 BUSINESS DAYS before the scheduled REBALANCE DAYS.

“**SOLACTIVE**” shall have the meaning as defined in Section “Introduction”.

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 DOCUMENT CHANGES

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1.0	10 March 2021	Initial version
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