

Press Release

Solactive Wins ETF Stream Award as Index Provider of the Year for the Second Time in a Row

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FRANKFURT AM MAIN – Solactive is pleased to announce that it was voted the Index Provider of the Year in the second edition of the ETF Stream Awards. The award was created last year by the ETF leading publication ETF Stream, when Solactive also received the prize. The event aims at bringing together the ETF ecosystem and acting as a barometer of success in the industry. Solactive's submission revolved around its multi-asset offering, thematic Indices, and ESG solutions.

Solactive has shown its multi-asset approach throughout the year 2022 within the indexing industry. This strategy is reflected in the company's consistent aspiration to deliver superior indexing quality and innovative index concepts, which are also cost-effective. Solactive's staff is dedicated to developing cutting-edge quantitative and thematic index strategies, as well as delivering added value for issuers of structured products.

In the thematic space, **HANetf** was able to expand their line-up issuing the EV Charging Infrastructure ETF, which tracks the **Solactive Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Index**. It was the first ETF globally to provide pure exposure to the EV charging infrastructure sector.

Still within the thematic space, **HANetf** and **ETC Group** launched the first metaverse thematic ETF in Europe, the **ETC Group Global Metaverse Equity UCITS**, tracking Solactive **ETC Group Global Metaverse Index**, envisaging the metaverse potential market size of \$12 trillion globally – according to banks Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs.

Recently, Solactive has confirmed its expertise in the fixed income space, with the launch of the **Solactive World All Bond IG Index (WABIG)**. It is a benchmark that aims to measure the performance of a global investment grade bond universe that includes bonds issued by central governments, government-related issuers, and corporates, as well as securitized debt instruments.

Furthermore, Solactive highlights its involvement in ESG, which leverages on longstanding business with asset managers actively asking for ESG compliant benchmarks or indices. Solactive's offering made it possible for **Xtrackers** by **DWS** to offer a whole series of five ETFs tracking the **Solactive ISS ESG Net Zero Pathway Index**

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Series, which focuses on large and medium-sized companies in multiple segments of the global stock market complying with the regulations of the EU Paris-Aligned Benchmarks as regards the minimum standards for EU Climate Transition Benchmarks and EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks. The indices provide a 50% reduction in carbon intensity versus an equivalent non-ESG market benchmark, and a 7% year-on-year ongoing decarbonization pathway.

Steffen Scheuble, Chief Executive Officer of Solactive, comments: *"It is an honor to be awarded by such a leading publication in the ETF world. Winning the ETF Stream Awards as Index Provider for the second year consecutively corroborates our perseverance to remain at the very front of innovative index development and bring the best solutions to our clients every day. I would like to recognize the entire Solactive team for this achievement and share this special moment with them and with our clients, to whom we are also thankful. This award gives us more certainty that we are on the right path and more energy to continue pursuing our objectives."*

For more information, please visit:

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Note to editors

About Solactive

Solactive is a leading provider of indexing, benchmarking, and calculation solutions for the global investment and trading community. Headquartered in Frankfurt and with offices in Hong Kong, Toronto, Berlin, and Dresden, we innovate and disrupt the status quo as the partner of choice for our clients.

The unique blend of our 250 staff's expertise in data, data science, financial markets, and technology enables our clients' continued success through the delivery of a superior experience, unique customization capabilities, and the best value for money available in the industry. With more than 20,000 indices calculated daily, we offer a full suite of solutions, including market-leading ESG and thematic indices.

As at January 2022, Solactive served approximately 500 clients across the world, with approximately US\$250 billion invested in products linked to our indices. Solactive is registered with ESMA as a benchmark administrator and is supervised by the BaFin.

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