

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

Solactive Transatlantic ESG Risk Improvers Index PR



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 Transatlantic ESG Risk Improvers Index PR (DE000SL0L441)
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 that do not comply of the company's operations with the Ten UN Global Compact Principles and other related international norms and standards in respect of ESG criteria.
	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) > 0% for mining; and >10% for power generation.
	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >10% for oil and gas exploration, production, refining, transporta- tion and/or storage.
	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >0% for oil sands extraction.
	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >0% for production and/or distribution of palm oil.
List of social factors considered	Exclusion of companies that do not comply of the company's operations with the Ten UN Global Compact Principles and other related international norms and standards in respect of ESG criteria.
	> Exclusion of companies having above 0% involvement in core weapon sys- tems, or in the components/services of core weapon systems that are con- sidered tailor-made and essential for the lethal use of the weapon.
	<ul> <li>Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) &gt;5% for production of adult entertainment and/or ownership/operati of adult entertainment establishments; and</li> </ul>
	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >5% for production of adult entertainment and/or owns/operates adult entertainment establishments.
	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >5% for operation and/or ownership of a gambling establish- ment.

	Exlusion of companies generating revenues (in proportion to their total revenues) >0% for production/cultivation; or >10% for distribution in the sector of Tobacco.
List of governance factors considered	> Exclusion of companies that do not comply of the company's operations with the Ten UN Global Compact Principles and other related international norms and standards in respect of ESG criteria.

## Data and Standards used

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