## STOXX® CHINA A 900 MINIMUM VARIANCE INDEX

#### **Index description**

The STOXX® China A 900 Minimum Variance Index weights the components of the underlying STOXX® China A 900 Index so that portfolio variance is minimized. STOXX uses Axioma's factor model for the optimization process. The Unconstrained version applies loosely stated constraints to seek an improved risk profile. It targets investors seeking a more optimal portfolio in terms of replicated volatility.

#### **Key facts**

»Minimized volatility is suitable for risk-averse investors. At the same time, the return of the index is higher than the benchmark.

»Suitable as a liquid underlying for ETFs and structured products. It is easy to replicate as it has fewer components than the underlying index. It also has predictable rebalancing dates and is optimized to allow tracking (low turnover, transaction costs analysis, etc.).

»Capping constraints are applied in accordance with the Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS) directive to ensure that funds can easily track the index.

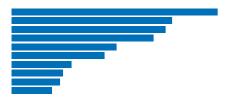
»Two versions - Constrained and Unconstrained - cater to different investor needs.

»The Unconstrained version offers a first-of-its-kind index for a true minimum variance mandate.

#### **Descriptive statistics**

| Index                                    | Market cap (EUR bn.) |            | Components (EUR bn.) |        |         | Component weight (%) |         | Turnover (%) |                |
|--|----------------------|------------|----------------------|--------|---------|----------------------|---------|--------------|----------------|
|  | Full                 | Free-float | Mean                 | Median | Largest | Smallest             | Largest | Smallest     | Last 12 months |
| STOXX China A 900 Minimum Variance Index | N/A                  | 98.6       | 0.4                  | 0.3    | 2.0     | 0.1                  | 2.0     | 0.1          | 22.2           |
| STOXX China A 900 Index                  | 6,413.0              | 3,058.1    | 3.4                  | 1.7    | 137.7   | 0.7                  | 4.5     | 0.0          | 8.0            |

#### Supersector weighting (top 10)



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16.9% Banks 13.2% Food, Beverage & Tobacco 12.7% Industrial Goods & Services

11.6% Health Care 8.6% Utilities

7.6% Energy 4.9% Technology 4.2% Basic Resources

4.0% Telecommunications

3.3% Chemicals

#### **Country weighting**

100.0% China

#### Risk and return figures<sup>1</sup>

| Index returns                            |   |                             |       | R    | eturn (%) |            |            | Anı       | nualized re | turn (%) |
|--|---|-----------------------------|-------|------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
|  | Last month                                  | YTD                         | 1Y    | 3Y   | 5Y        | Last month | YTD        | 1Y        | зү          | 5Y       |
| STOXX China A 900 Minimum Variance Index | 4.2   | 3.1                         | -7.3  | 8.7  | 44.2      | N/A        | N/A        | -7.4      | 2.9         | 7.7      |
| STOXX China A 900 Index                  | 5.3   | -0.6                        | -14.5 | -1.0 | 28.9      | N/A        | N/A        | -14.6     | -0.3        | 5.3      |
| Index volatility and risk                | Annualized volatility (%) Annualized Sharpe |                             |       |      |           |            | pe ratio²  |           |             |          |
| STOXX China A 900 Minimum Variance Index | 15.3  | 14.2                        | 16.4  | 17.6 | 19.7      | N/A        | N/A        | -0.7      | 0.2         | 0.4      |
| STOXX China A 900 Index                  | 18.5  | 15.6                        | 18.4  | 19.4 | 21.8      | N/A        | N/A        | -1.0      | -0.0        | 0.2      |
| Index to benchmark                       |   | Correlation Trackin         |       |      |           |            | Tracking   | error (%) |             |          |
| STOXX China A 900 Minimum Variance Index | 1.0   | 1.0                         | 1.0   | 1.0  | 1.0       | 4.3        | 4.8        | 4.7       | 5.2         | 5.1      |
| Index to benchmark                       |   | Beta Annualized information |       |      |           |            | tion ratio |           |             |          |
| STOXX China A 900 Minimum Variance Index | 0.8   | 0.9                         | 0.9   | 0.9  | 0.9       | -3.1       | 1.3        | 1.6       | 0.5         | 0.3      |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For information on data calculation, please refer to STOXX <u>calculation reference guide</u>

(EUR, gross return), all data as of Jul. 31, 2023



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on EURIBOR1M

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#### Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

| Index                                    | Price/ear<br>incl. neg |           | Price/earnings<br>excl. negative |           | Price/ Divide<br>book yield (% |          | Price/<br>sales | Price/<br>cash flow |
|--|------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------------------|
|  | Trailing               | Projected | Trailing                         | Projected | Trailing                       | Trailing | Trailing        | Trailing            |
| STOXX China A 900 Minimum Variance Index | 14.5                   | 11.3      | 12.7                             | 11.3      | 1.3                            | 2.6      | 1.0             | 44.9                |
| STOXX China A 900 Index                  | 16.2                   | 12.6      | 13.8                             | 12.4      | 1.5                            | 2.1      | 1.1             | 62.3                |

#### Performance and annual returns4



#### Methodology

On the basis of the underlying index, a covariance matrix is set up by determining the correlations between each components and specific factors. Using Axioma's factor model, the variance-covariance structure of the components is determined, which is then minimized with respect to applicable constraints. The constraints applied cover individual capping, effective number of assets, rebalancing and turnover. The full list of factors including the requirements to be met can be accessed in our Index rulebook: http://www.stoxx.com/indices/rulebooks.html

#### **Versions and symbols**

| Index        |     | ISIN         | Symbol   | Bloomberg | Reuters   |
|--------------|-----|--------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Gross Return | CNY | CH0340519740 | SA9CMVGC |           | .SA9CMVGC |
| Net Return   | CNY | CH0340519757 | SA9CMVC  |           | .SA9CMVC  |
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| Net Return   | CNY | CH0340519757 | SA9CMVC  |           | .SA9CMVC  |
| Price        | CNY | CH0340519765 | SA9CMVN  |           | .SA9CMVN  |
| Price        | CNY | CH0340519765 | SA9CMVN  |           | .SA9CMVN  |
| Gross Return | EUR | CH0340519682 | SA9CMVGR |           | .SA9CMVGR |
| Net Return   | EUR | CH0340519690 | SA9CMVR  |           | .SA9CMVR  |
| Net Return   | EUR | CH0340519690 | SA9CMVR  |           | .SA9CMVR  |
| Price        | EUR | CH0340519708 | SA9CMVP  |           | .SA9CMVP  |

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 $Complete\ list\ available\ here: www.stoxx.com/data/vendor\_codes.html$ 

#### **Quick facts**

YTD

| Optimization    |
|-----------------|
| 4.5% / 8% / 35% |
| Variable        |
| Quarterly       |
| Oct. 21, 2016   |
|                 |

To learn more about the inception date, the currency, the calculation hours and historical values, please see our data vendor code sheet.

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#### **BACKTESTED PERFORMANCE**

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#### CUSTOMIZATION

The index can be used as a basis for the definition of STOXX® Customized Indices, which can be tailored to specific client or mandate needs. STOXX offers customization in almost unlimited forms for example in terms of component selection, weighting schemes and personalized calculation methodologies.

<sup>3</sup> gr. div. yield is calculated as gr. return index return minus price index return

<sup>4</sup> STOXX data from Dec. 21, 2007 to Jul. 31, 2023

(EUR, gross return), all data as of Jul. 31, 2023

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### Top 10 Components<sup>5</sup>

| Company                        | Supersector                 | Country | Weight (%) |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|------------|--|
| PETROCHINA 'A'                 | Energy                      | China   | 1.99       |  |
| AGRICULTURAL BANK OF CHINA 'A' | Banks                       | China   | 1.94       |  |
| BANK OF CHINA 'A'              | Banks                       | China   | 1.87       |  |
| BANK OF COMMS.'A'              | Banks                       | China   | 1.84       |  |
| CHINA PTL.& CHM.'A'            | Energy                      | China   | 1.80       |  |
| Moutai 'A'                     | Food, Beverage & Tobacco    | China   | 1.79       |  |
| CHINA YANGTZE PWR. 'A'         | Utilities                   | China   | 1.76       |  |
| INDSTRL & COML.BK.OF CHINA 'A' | Banks                       | China   | 1.72       |  |
| Daqin Railway 'A'              | Industrial Goods & Services | China   | 1.64       |  |
| FOXCONN INDUST. INTERNET 'A'   | Telecommunications          | China   | 1.63       |  |

<sup>5</sup> Based on the composition as of Jul. 31, 2023