## STOXX® USA 900 ESG-X AX LOW RISK INDEX

#### **Index description**

STOXX uses Axioma's risk model and optimizer to construct the factor indices. The STOXX ESG-X single and multi-factor indices are based on the respective STOXX ESG-X country or regional benchmark indices.

#### **Key facts**

»Invest responsibly in targeted factor exposures with managed liquidity and risk profiles across various regions

»Universe is based on the STOXX ESG-X benchmark family with standardized ESG exclusion screens

»Use of Axioma's factor risk models and portfolio construction expertise to define the factors based on extensive validation from research and having a clear economic rationale

»Factor family consists of 5 single factor indices (Value, Momentum, Quality, Low Risk, and Size) and one multi-factor index

»Same index construction rules applied across the factor family

»Single factor indices maximize the target factor while constraining the exposure to other factors

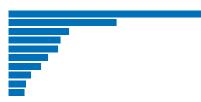
»Multi-factor index employs a bottom-up approach by maximizing the exposure to an equally weighted aggregated multi-factor score

»Ensures tradability by managing turnover and exposure to illiquid positions

#### **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 USA 900 ESG-X Ax Low Risk Index	N/A	102.2	1.1	0.7	7.5	0.0	7.3	0.0	49.8
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Index	35,597.3	34,012.0	42.2	13.1	2,660.8	2.8	7.8	0.0	8.0

#### Supersector weighting (top 10)



#### Country weighting

30.1% Technology
16.6% Industrial Goods & Services
9.2% Health Care
8.0% Travel & Leisure
7.6% Financial Services
6.1% Food, Beverage & Tobacco
5.0% Consumer Products & Services
3.4% Real Estate
2.6% Telecommunications

100.0% United States

#### 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	3Y	5Y
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Ax Low Risk Index	3.7	9.4	10.7	42.2	75.1	N/A	N/A	10.7	12.5	11.9
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Index	4.6	15.2	15.6	51.6	91.0	N/A	N/A	15.7	15.0	14.0
Index volatility and risk	Annualized volatility (%) Annualized Sharpe						pe ratio <sup>2</sup>			
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Ax Low Risk Index	9.2	14.2	17.7	16.1	19.6	N/A	N/A	0.4	0.7	0.5
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Index	10.4	15.8	19.7	19.1	22.7	N/A	N/A	0.6	0.8	0.6
Index to benchmark		Correlation Tracking e						error (%)		
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Ax Low Risk Index	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	4.0	4.5	4.8	6.0	7.1
Index to benchmark					Beta			Annualiz	zed informa	ation ratio
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Ax Low Risk Index	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	-2.6	-2.8	-1.2	-0.6	-0.5

<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 Jun. 30, 2023



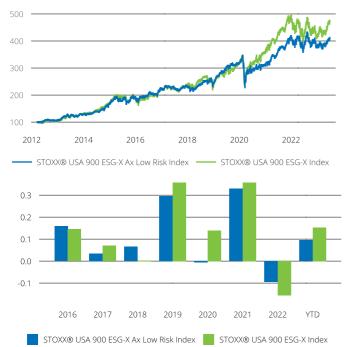
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on EURIBOR1M

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#### Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

Index	Price/earnings incl. negative		Price/earnings excl. negative		Price/ book	Dividend yield (%) <sup>3</sup>	Price/ sales	Price/ cash flow
	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Ax Low Risk Index	25.7	20.1	25.7	20.1	4.5	2.1	3.4	7.5
STOXX USA 900 ESG-X Index	33.4	21.7	24.5	21.1	4.5	1.8	2.5	15.5

#### Performance and annual returns4



#### Methodology

Bringing together the powerful indexing and analytics capabilities of Qontigo, the STOXX Factor Index suite delivers more clarity to the market for factor investors by relying on the institutionally tested analytics of Axioma Factor Risk Models and advanced portfolio construction techniques. The use of Axioma's risk models ensures strong exposure to the respective target factor (Value, Momentum, Quality, Low Risk, Size, Multi-Factor) while allowing for ease of control over unintended exposures. The ESG-X screens are based on responsible policies of leading asset owners and aim to reduce reputational and idiosyncratic risks. The inclusion of constraints targets benchmark tracking with industry and country controls, and ensures tradability by limiting exposure to less liquid names and turnover while controlling for effective number of names and weights.

#### **Versions and symbols**

Index		ISIN	Symbol	Bloomberg	Reuters
Gross Return	EUR	CH0524923965	SA9UELRG		.SA9UELRG
Net Return	EUR	CH0524923932	SA9UELRR		.SA9UELRR
Price	EUR	CH0524923908	SA9UELRP		.SA9UELRP
Gross Return	USD	CH0524923858	SA9UELRZ	SA9UELRZ INDEX	.SA9UELRZ
Net Return	USD	CH0524923718	SA9UELRV		.SA9UELRV
Price	USD	CH0524924013	SA9UELRL		.SA9UELRL

#### **Quick facts**

Optimization
4.5% / min (20x parent index weight, 8%) / 35%
Variable
Quarterly
dayend
22:15:00 22:15:00
100 as of Mar. 19, 2012
Mar. 19, 2012
Mar. 26, 2020

To learn more about the inception date, the currency, the calculation hours and historical values, please

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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> STO<u>XX data from Mar. 19, 2012 to Jun. 30, 2023</u>

(EUR, gross return), all data as of Jun. 30, 2023

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

Company	Supersector	Country	Weight (%)	
Apple Inc.	Technology	United States	7.29	
Microsoft Corp.	Technology	United States	6.85	
McDonald's Corp.	Travel & Leisure	United States	5.30	
VISA Inc. CI A	Industrial Goods & Services	United States	4.76	
INTERCONTINENTALEXCHANGE INC	Financial Services	United States	3.42	
Coca-Cola Co.	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	United States	3.30	
Activision Blizzard Inc.	Consumer Products & Services	United States	3.27	
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care	United States	3.24	
3M Co.	Industrial Goods & Services	United States	2.66	
Verizon Communications Inc.	Telecommunications	United States	2.53	

<sup>5</sup> Based on the composition as of Jun. 30, 2023