## **MINIMUM VARIANCE**

# STOXX® EUROPE 600 MINIMUM VARIANCE UNCONSTRAINED INDEX

## Index description

The STOXX® Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index weights the components of the underlying STOXX® Europe 600 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	Components (EUR bn.)			Component weight (%)		Turnover (%)		
	Full	Free-float	Mean	Median	Largest	Smallest	Largest	Smallest	Last 12 months
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	N/A	100.9	0.9	0.3	8.0	0.0	7.9	0.0	60.2
STOXX Europe 600 Index	12,633.1	9,875.0	16.5	5.7	294.3	1.3	3.0	0.0	3.4

#### Supersector weighting (top 10)

26.5% Food, Beverage & Tobacco 19.5% Telecommunications 16.2% Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores 8.3% Health Care 5.4% Consumer Products & Services 4.9% Utilities 3.0% Industrial Goods & Services 2.5% Energy 2.4% Insurance 2.3% Banks		20.8% Switzerland 17.1% Germany 13.7% France 11.4% Netherlands 8.7% Spain 7.6% Great Britain 5.6% Italy 5.5% Denmark 2.9% Belgium 2.8% Finland
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Country weighting

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

Index returns				R	eturn (%)			An	nualized ret	urn (%)
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	1.1	10.4	6.4	25.7	32.5	N/A	N/A	6.4	8.0	5.9
STOXX Europe 600 Index	2.4	11.4	17.2	40.3	41.6	N/A	N/A	17.3	12.1	7.3
Index volatility and risk			A	nnualized vo	latility (%)			Annu	alized Shar	pe ratio²
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	7.1	8.4	9.7	11.2	13.5	N/A	N/A	0.4	0.7	0.4
STOXX Europe 600 Index	10.3	12.4	14.5	15.7	17.9	N/A	N/A	0.9	0.7	0.4
Index to benchmark		Correlation				Tracking	error (%)			
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	6.4	8.2	8.7	8.2	8.2
Index to benchmark					Beta			Annuali	zed informa	tion ratio
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	-2.5	-0.3	-1.2	-0.6	-0.3

<sup>1</sup> For information on data calculation, please refer to STOXX <u>calculation reference guide</u>.
<sup>2</sup> Based on EURIBOR1M

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

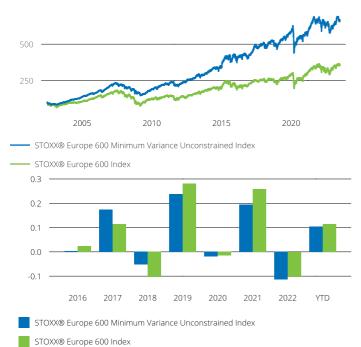
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## Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

Index		Price/earnings incl. negative		Price/earnings excl. negative		Dividend yield (%) <sup>3</sup>	Price/ sales	Price/ cash flow	
	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	16.3	16.0	15.6	16.0	1.8	3.5	1.1	3.9	
STOXX Europe 600 Index	15.7	13.2	13.8	12.9	1.9	3.8	1.2	7.1	

## Performance and annual returns<sup>4</sup>



## Methodology

On the basis of the underlying index, a covariance matrix is set up by determining the correlation between each component 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	EUR	CH0180139302	SAXPUNGR	SAXPUNGR INDEX	.SAXPUNGR
Net Return	EUR	CH0180139146	SAXPUNR	SAXPUNR INDEX	.SAXPUNR
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Price	EUR	CH0180138981	SAXPUNP	SAXPUNP INDEX	.SAXPUNP
Price	EUR	CH0180138981	SAXPUNP	SAXPUNP INDEX	.SAXPUNP
Gross Return	USD	CH0180139781	SAXPUNGV	SAXPUNGV INDEX	.SAXPUNGV
Net Return	USD	CH0180139625	SAXPUNV	SAXPUNV INDEX	.SAXPUNV
Net Return	USD	CH0180139625	SAXPUNV	SAXPUNV INDEX	.SAXPUNV
Price	USD	CH0180139468	SAXPUNL	SAXPUNL INDEX	.SAXPUNL
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#### **Quick facts**

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Weighting	Optimization
Cap factor	4.5% / 8% / 35%
No. of components	Variable
Review frequency	Monthly
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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 a wide range of customization, 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 Jul. 01, 2002 to Jun. 30, 2023

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

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

Company	Supersector	Country	Weight (%)
BEIERSDORF	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	Germany	7.95
KPN	Telecommunications	Netherlands	4.94
ORANGE	Telecommunications	France	4.74
LINDT & SPRUENGLI P	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Switzerland	4.66
SWISSCOM	Telecommunications	Switzerland	4.62
HENKEL PREF	Consumer Products & Services	Germany	3.87
AHOLD DELHAIZE	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	Netherlands	3.75
CARLSBERG B	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Denmark	2.87
DAVIDE CAMPARI	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Italy	2.27
HEINEKEN	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Netherlands	2.05

 $^{\rm 5}$  Based on the composition as of Jun. 30, 2023