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 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 (USD bn.)			Components (USD 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	102.6	0.9	0.4	8.0	0.0	7.8	0.0	60.4	
STOXX Europe 600 Index	13,145.3	10,320.3	17.2	6.0	324.6	0.4	3.1	0.0	3.4	

Supersector weighting (top 10)

25.0% Food, Beverage & Tobacco 21.5% Telecommunications 16.4% Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores 7.8% Health Care 5.4% Consumer Products & Services 4.4% Utilities 3.7% Insurance 3.0% Industrial Goods & Services 3.0% Banks 2.6% Energy	22.4% Switzerland 17.9% Germany 13.8% France 11.3% Netherlands 9.2% Spain 5.9% Great Britain 5.4% Denmark 3.8% Italy 3.1% Finland 2.9% Belgium
2.0% Ellergy	

Country weighting

Risk and return figures¹

Index returns				R	eturn (%)			An	nualized ret	turn (%)
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	-7.1	9.1	1.0	21.3	19.4	N/A	N/A	1.0	6.7	3.6
STOXX Europe 600 Index	-5.7	8.7	4.8	35.4	25.5	N/A	N/A	4.8	10.7	4.7
Index volatility and risk	Annualized volatility (%) Annualized Sharpe					pe ratio ²				
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	10.8	12.8	16.0	15.1	16.0	N/A	N/A	-0.1	0.4	0.2
STOXX Europe 600 Index	13.5	17.3	21.6	19.9	20.5	N/A	N/A	0.1	0.5	0.2
Index to benchmark		Correlation					Tracking	error (%)		
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	7.2	8.5	9.1	8.4	8.2
Index to benchmark	Beta Annualized inform					zed informa	tion ratio			
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	-2.4	-0.0	-0.6	-0.6	-0.3

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

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(USD, gross return), all data as of May 31, 2023

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Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

Index		5		Price/earnings Price/ excl. negative book		Dividend yield (%) ³	Price/ sales	Price/ cash flow	
	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Projected	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	Trailing	
STOXX Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index	15.8	15.3	15.2	15.3	1.7	3.4	1.1	0.3	
STOXX Europe 600 Index	15.2	12.7	13.4	12.5	1.8	3.3	1.2	1.7	

Methodology

Performance and annual returns⁴



0.2 0.1 0.0 -0.1 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 YTD STOXX® Europe 600 Minimum Variance Unconstrained Index

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Versions and symbols

Index		ISIN	Symbol	Bloomberg	Reuters
Gross Return	EUR	CH0180139302	SAXPUNGR	SAXPUNGR INDEX	.SAXPUNGR
Net Return	EUR	CH0180139146	SAXPUNR	SAXPUNR INDEX	.SAXPUNR
Net Return	EUR	CH0180139146	SAXPUNR	SAXPUNR INDEX	.SAXPUNR
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
Price	USD	CH0180139468	SAXPUNL	SAXPUNL INDEX	.SAXPUNL

Ouick facts

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Weighting	Optimization			
Cap factor	4.5% / 8% / 35%			
No. of components	Variable			
Review frequency	Monthly			
To learn more about the inception date, the currency, the calculation hours and historical values, please				

see our data vendor code sheet

On the basis of the underlying index, a covariance matrix is set up by

rulebook: http://www.stoxx.com/indices/rulebooks.html

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

Complete list available here: www.stoxx.com/data/vendor_codes.html

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BACKTESTED PERFORMANCE

index performance data based on backtesting, i.e. calculations of how the index might have performed prior to launch if it had existed using the same index methodology and based on historical constituents. Backtested performance information is purely hypothetical and is provided in this document solely for information purposes. Backtested performance does not represent actual performance and should not be interpreted as an indication of actual performance.

CUSTOMIZATION

Through STOXX Ltd., Qontigo offers customized indices, which are tailored to specific client or mandate needs. Qontigo offers a wide range of customization, in terms of component selection, weighting schemes and personalized calculation methodologies.

³ gr. div. yield is calculated as gr. return index return minus price index return ⁴ STOXX data from Jul. 01, 2002 to May 31, 2023

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Top 10 Components⁵

Company	Supersector	Country	Weight (%)	
BEIERSDORF	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	Germany	7.83	
ORANGE	Telecommunications	France	4.97	
KPN	Telecommunications	Netherlands	4.89	
SWISSCOM	Telecommunications	Switzerland	4.81	
LINDT & SPRUENGLI P	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Switzerland	4.55	
HENKEL PREF	Consumer Products & Services	Germany	3.96	
AHOLD DELHAIZE	Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores	Netherlands	3.58	
DEUTSCHE TELEKOM	Telecommunications	Germany	3.04	
CARLSBERG B	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Denmark	2.78	
HEINEKEN	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	Netherlands	2.07	

 $^{\rm 5}$ Based on the composition as of May 31, 2023