

# STOXX® GLOBAL ESG LEADERS DIVERSIFICATION SELECT 50 USD INDEX

## Stated objective

The STOXX Diversification Select family of indices captures the performance of stocks with low correlation, low volatility and high dividends, derived from established STOXX benchmark indices. The component selection process first excludes all stocks with the highest 12-months average correlation with all other stocks of the benchmark, then excludes stocks whose previous 3- and 12-month historical volatilities are the highest. Among the remaining stocks, the stocks with the highest 12-month historical dividend yields are selected to be included in the index. The percentage of exclusion/inclusion at each step is the same.

Those constituents are weighted according to the inverse of their volatility, with a cap at 10%. The indices are reviewed quarterly

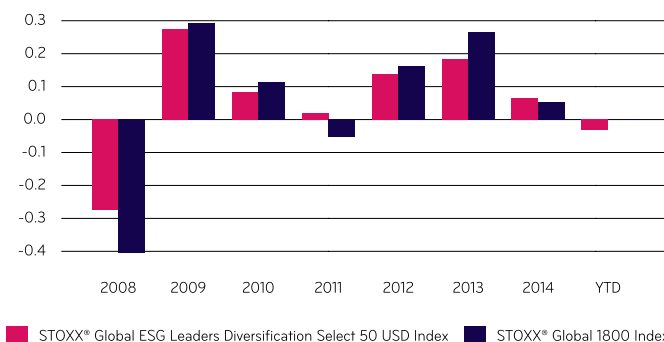
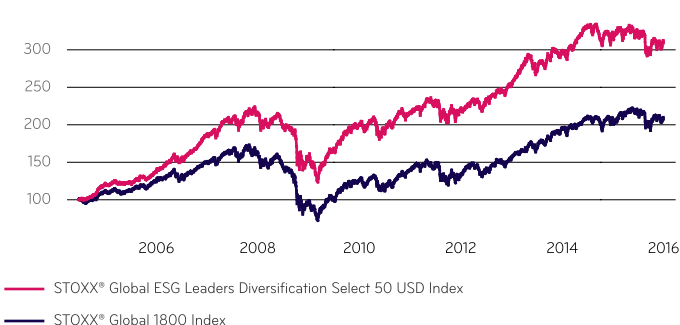
## Key facts

- » Diversification brought by excluding highly correlated stocks
- » Balanced approach between the different screenings
- » Lower volatility stocks get the biggest weight
- » Liquid benchmark

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

Index returns	Return (%)					Annualized return (%)				
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Global ESG Leaders Diversification Select 50 USD Index	0.2	-3.2	-3.2	22.7	42.7	2.8	-3.1	-3.1	6.9	7.2
STOXX Global 1800 Index	-1.6	0.1	0.1	34.4	48.3	-16.6	0.1	0.1	10.1	8.0
Index volatility and risk	Annualized volatility (%)					Annualized Sharpe ratio <sup>2</sup>				
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Global ESG Leaders Diversification Select 50 USD Index	12.6	11.4	11.4	9.6	11.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.7	0.6
STOXX Global 1800 Index	13.3	12.8	12.8	10.7	13.7	-1.6	-0.0	-0.0	0.9	0.5
Index to benchmark	Correlation					Tracking error (%)				
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Global ESG Leaders Diversification Select 50 USD Index	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	4.4	6.6	6.6	5.6	6.4
Index to benchmark	Beta					Annualized information ratio				
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y
STOXX Global ESG Leaders Diversification Select 50 USD Index	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	4.3	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2

## Performance and annual returns<sup>3</sup>



<sup>1</sup> For information on data calculation, please refer to STOXX [calculation reference guide](#).

<sup>2</sup> Based on Euribor1m

<sup>3</sup> STOXX data from Jun. 21, 2004 to Dec. 31, 2015

(USD, gross return), all data as of Dec. 31, 2015

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### Methodology

All stocks in the relevant base universe are screened for 12-month historical daily pricing data and 12-month historical dividend yield. If one or both values are not available for a stock, the company is removed from the base universe.

For all remaining stocks, a correlation number is calculated as the average of the 12-month correlation of daily logarithmic returns in the currency of the Diversification Select index with all other stocks in the base universe. Those stocks are then ranked according to this number in ascending order and the bottom 1-x% is excluded (x% being calculated as the cubic root of the number of stocks in the base universe divided by the target number of stocks in the Diversification Select index).

All remaining stocks are then ranked in ascending order in terms of volatility (maximum between the 3-months and 12-months historical volatility calculated in the currency of the Diversification Select index) and all stocks which do not belong to the top x% are excluded.

All remaining stocks are then ranked in descending order in terms of 12-month historical dividend yield and the top x% are selected to be included in the Diversification Select index. Those constituents are weighted according to the inverse of their volatility, with a cap at 10%.

### Quick facts

Weighting	Volatility weighted
Cap factor	10%
No. of components	Variable
Review frequency	Quarterly
Calculation/distribution	Price: real-time (every 15 seconds). Net and gross return: end-of-day
Calculation hours	Please see data vendor codes sheet on <a href="http://www.stoxx.com/data-vendor-codes">www.stoxx.com/data-vendor-codes</a>
Base value/base date	100 as of Jun. 21, 2004
History	Available from Jun. 21, 2004
Inception date	Oct. 14, 2015

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

### Versions and symbols

Index	ISIN	Symbol	Bloomberg	Reuters
Gross Return USD	CH0298437119	SGESGDSH		.SGESGDSH
Net Return USD	CH0298437101	SGESGDSV		.SGESGDSV
Price USD	CH0298437093	SGESGDSL		.SGESGDSL

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Top 10 Components<sup>4</sup>

Company	Supersector	Country	Weight (%)
MAN	Industrial Goods & Services	DE	3.21
PepsiCo Inc.	Food & Beverage	US	2.82
Procter & Gamble Co.	Personal & Household Goods	US	2.78
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	Personal & Household Goods	US	2.61
Johnson & Johnson	Health Care	US	2.58
Sysco Corp.	Retail	US	2.44
BCE Inc.	Telecommunications	CA	2.38
Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	Utilities	US	2.34
Sempra Energy	Utilities	US	2.28
MTR Corp. Ltd.	Travel & Leisure	HK	2.28

<sup>4</sup> Based on the composition as of Dec. 31, 2015