# ISS STOXX WORLD AC BIODIVERSITY LEADERS

## **Index description**

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#### **Key facts**

- »Comprehensive framework designed to take into account the biodiversity tonic
- »Screens to exclude companies causing harm to biodiversity.
- »Biodiversity metric (Potentially Disappeared Fraction of species) to select companies making efforts to reduce their biodiversity footprint.
- $\ensuremath{\mbox{{\sc w}Exposure}}$  to companies with high percentage of revenues in biodiversity solutions.
- »Carbon intensities reduction by more than 30%.
- »SFDR Article 9 compliant.

#### **Descriptive statistics**

Index	Market cap (USD bn.)			Components (USD bn.)		(USD bn.)	Component weight (%)		Turnover (%)
	Full	Free-float	Mean	Median	Largest	Smallest	Largest	Smallest	Last 12 months
ISS STOXX World AC Biodiversity Leaders	N/A	1,109.1	9.2	4.6	54.9	0.2	4.9	0.0	115.6
STOXX World AC	76,698.3	64,695.2	17.9	3.5	2,811.7	0.0	4.3	0.0	4.8

34.7% Technology 26.9% Industrial Goods and Services

6.4% Real Estate 6.0% Automobiles and Parts 5.9% Utilities

5.7% Energy 4.4% Basic Resources 4.2% Health Care

1.7% Telecommunications 1.3% Consumer Products and Services

#### Supersector weighting (top 10)



#### Country weighting



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

Index returns		Return (%) Annualized re						turn (%)		
	Last month	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	Last month	YTD	1Y	ЗҮ	5Y
ISS STOXX World AC Biodiversity Leaders	-5.2	19.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
STOXX World AC	-2.7	23.4	14.3	23.7	45.6	N/A	N/A	14.3	7.3	7.8
Index volatility and risk		Annualized volatility (%) Annualized Shar						rpe ratio		
ISS STOXX World AC Biodiversity Leaders	N/A	N/A	21.2	21.2	21.2	N/A	N/A	0.5	0.5	0.5
STOXX World AC	N/A	N/A	14.5	14.8	17.4	N/A	N/A	0.7	0.4	0.4
Index to benchmark		Correlation							Tracking	error (%)
ISS STOXX World AC Biodiversity Leaders	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	6.3	9.1	10.4	10.4	10.4
Index to benchmark					Beta			Annualiz	zed informa	ation ratio
ISS STOXX World AC Biodiversity Leaders	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	0.9	-4.5	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mathrm{1}}$  For information on data calculation, please refer to STOXX <u>calculation reference guide</u>

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

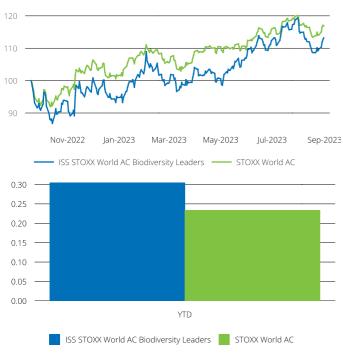


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## Fundamentals (for last 12 months)

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
ISS STOXX World AC Biodiversity Leaders	128.7	46.7	21.3	23.5	2.5	N/A	2.3	3.8
STOXX World AC	20.2	17.3	18.0	16.8	0.1	2.5	1.6	8.5

## Performance and annual returns4



## Methodology

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#### **Versions and symbols**

Index		ISIN	Symbol	Bloomberg	Reuters
Price	EUR	CH1213353779	SWBIOLP		.SWBIOLP
Gross Return	EUR	CH1213353795	SWBIOLGR		.SWBIOLGR
Net Return	EUR	CH1213353787	SWBIOLR		.SWBIOLR
Price	USD	CH1213353746	SWBIOLL		.SWBIOLL
Gross Return	USD	CH1213353761	SWBIOLGV	SWBIOLGV INDEX	.SWBIOLGV
Net Return	USD	CH1213353753	SWBIOLV		.SWBIOLV

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

#### **Quick facts**

Price weighted
4%
Variable
Quarterly
Realtime 15 sec
00:00:00 22:15:00
100 as of September. 19, 2022
Available from Sep. 19, 2022
April. 25,2023

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

This document contains 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.

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

4 STOXX data from Sep. 19, 2022 to Aug. 31, 2023

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

# THEME INDICES ISS STOXX WORLD AC BIODIVERSITY LEADERS

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

Company	Supersector	Country	Weight (%) 4.95	
ADOBE	Technology	USA		
SALESFORCE INC.	Technology	USA	4.11	
Canadian Pacific Kansas City	Industrial Goods and Services	Canada	3.95	
WORKDAY CLASS	Technology	USA	3.93	
Canadian National Railway Co.	Industrial Goods and Services	Canada	3.80	
TSMC	Technology	Taiwan	3.69	
Norfolk Southern Corp.	Industrial Goods and Services	USA	3.66	
CSX Corp.	Industrial Goods and Services	USA	3.60	
ATLASSIAN 'A'	Technology	USA	2.44	
VEEVA SYSTEMS CL.A	Health Care	USA	2.39	

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