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Results of Market Consultation on proposed changes to the STOXX Regional Blue-Chip Indices

Dear Sir and Madam,

STOXX Ltd., the operator of ISS STOXX index business and a global provider of innovative and tradable index concepts, announces the results of the market consultation on proposed changes to the STOXX Regional Blue-Chip Indices.

Results

Overall, the feedback showed strong agreement with the proposed changes across the segments. STOXX has decided to perform a phased implementation of the proposed changes.

Affected Indices

The changes may affect the Regional Blue-Chip Indices and all indices referenced to those as a parent universe. Below is a subset of indices that may be indirectly impacted by the proposed rule, provided as an illustrative subset rather than a complete list.

iSTOXX Europe 50 ex Financials ex Basic Materials ex Energy
STOXX Asia/Pacific 50
STOXX Europe 50
STOXX Europe 50 ESG-X
STOXX Europe 50 ex Banks
STOXX Europe 50 ex Financials
STOXX Europe 50 Monthly Hedged
STOXX Global 150
STOXX Nordic 30
STOXX Nordic 30 ESG-X
STOXX North America 50

Decision

STOXX decides to implement the following changes to methodology of the STOXX Regional Blue-Chip Indices:

New Rule	Implementation Timing
A. Removal of the Supersector Capping rule	
STOXX Europe 50 Index (40 – 60 buffer rule)	Effective with the index review in September 2029.
1. All stocks from the STOXX Europe 600 index are added to the selection list in descending order of free-float market capitalization. All current STOXX Europe 50 Index components are added to the selection list.	
2. All the stocks on the selection list are then ranked in terms of free-float market capitalization to produce the final index selection list.	
3. The largest 40 stocks on the selection list are selected; the remaining 10 stocks are selected from the largest remaining current stocks ranked between 41 and 60; if the number of stocks selected is still below 50, then the largest remaining stocks are selected until there are 50 stocks.	
STOXX Nordic 30 Index (20 – 40 buffer rule)	
1. All stocks from the STOXX Nordic Total Market Index (excluding secondary share lines) are added to the selection list in descending order of free-float market capitalization. All current STOXX Nordic 30 Index components are added to the selection list.	
2. All the stocks on the selection list are then ranked in terms of free-float market capitalization to produce the final index selection list.	
3. The largest 20 stocks on the selection list are selected; the remaining 10 stocks are selected from the largest remaining current stocks ranked between 21 and 40; if the number of stocks selected is still below 30, then the largest remaining stocks are selected until there are 30 stocks.	
STOXX Asia/Pacific 50 Index (40 – 60 buffer rule)	
1. All stocks from the STOXX Asia/Pacific 600 index are added to the selection list in descending order of free-float market capitalization. All current STOXX Asia/Pacific 50 Index components are added to the selection list.	
2. All the stocks on the selection list are then ranked in terms of free-float market capitalization to produce the final index selection list.	
3. The largest 40 stocks on the selection list are selected; the remaining 10 stocks are selected from the largest remaining current stocks ranked between 41 and 60; if the number of stocks selected is still below 50, then the largest remaining stocks are selected until there are 50 stocks.	
STOXX North America 50 Index (40 – 60 buffer rule)	
1. Similarly, all stocks from the STOXX North America 600 index are added to the selection list in descending order of free-float market capitalization. All current STOXX North America 50 Index components are added to the selection list.	
2. All the stocks on the selection list are then ranked in terms of free-float market capitalization to produce the final index selection list.	
3. The largest 40 stocks on the selection list are selected; the remaining 10 stocks are selected from the largest remaining current stocks ranked between 41 and 60; if the number of stocks selected is still below 50, then the largest remaining stocks are selected until there are 50 stocks.	

B. A semi-annual index review in March and September

Review Frequency: The index is reviewed **semi-annually in March and September**.
The review cut-off date is the last trading day **of February and August**.

Effective with the index review in September 2028, where the first semi-annual review takes place in the index review of March 2029.

C. Aligned Fast Exits with the regular review and rebalance timing

Fast exit: The components of the STOXX Europe 50, STOXX Nordic 30, STOXX Asia/Pacific 50 and STOXX North America 50 are monitored for any changes based on the monthly selection list ranking, i.e. on an ongoing monthly basis.

A component is deleted if:

- » it ranks 75 (50 for STOXX Nordic 30) or below on the monthly selection list; and
- » it ranked 75 (50 for STOXX Nordic 30) or below on the selection list of the previous month.

The announcement will be on the first trading day of the month after the close of markets.

The addition will be announced based on the monthly selection list, i.e. the highest-ranked non-component will be selected. Changes will be implemented on the close of the fifth trading day and are effective the next trading day.

Fast Exit changes occurring in March, June, September or December are implemented on the close of the third Friday of March, June, September or December and are effective on the next trading day.

Effective with the index review in September 2027.