

MSCI ESG Universal Select Business Screens Indices: Identification & Treatment of Investment Trusts

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MSCI ESG Universal Select Business Screens Indices Methodology Component

As of the August 2021 index rebalance, MSCI will prohibit inclusion into any of the MSCI ESG Universal Select Business Screens Indices family (as listed below), any security that is identified by Invesco as being an investment trust.

The rationale for screening such securities from these indices is to remove the potential inclusion of securities which may provide material indirect exposure to companies that would otherwise be excluded from the indices (as a result of ESG exclusions defined in the MSCI ESG Universal Select Business Screens Indices methodology).

Identification of securities investment trust by Invesco:

Invesco takes a formulaic approach to identification of securities as investment trusts. Invesco will screen all securities in the eligible universe of the below listed indices to identify any company whose business activity is classified as managing and investing a company-owned portfolio for its own direct gain, or holding securities of other companies for investment purposes. Shares of these companies will be identified for exclusion.

Frequency of investment trust security list review:

The list of excluded investment trusts will be reviewed by Invesco ahead of the May & November MSCI Semi Annual Index Reviews ("SAIR") and revised as necessary based on the above approach to identification of such securities. The list of securities will be notified to MSCI by Invesco for exclusion at each SAIR.

The current list of indices impacted is as follows and may be subject to change in the future if further indices are launched or existing indices closed by MSCI:

- MSCI World ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI USA ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI Europe ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI EM ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI Pacific ex Japan ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI Europe ex UK ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI EMU ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index
- MSCI Japan ESG Universal Select Business Screens Index

The current list of securities identified as investment trusts and hence to be excluded from any of the above-mentioned indices:

Name	ISIN
Sofina SA	BE0003717312
Groupe Bruxelles Lambert SA	BE0003797140
Itausa SA	BRITSAACNPR7
SDIC Capital Co Ltd	CNE000000Q11
Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana SA	COT13PA00086
Wendel SE	FR0000121204
Reinet Investments SCA	LU0383812293
EXOR NV	NL0012059018
Industrivarden AB	SE0000107203
Investor AB	SE0000107419
L E Lundbergforetagen AB	SE0000108847
Industrivarden AB	SE0000190126
Kinnevik AB	SE0014684528
Bangkok Commercial Asset Management PCL	TH9479010000
Rand Merchant Investment Holdings Ltd	ZAE000210688

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Data at 30 June 2021, unless otherwise stated.

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