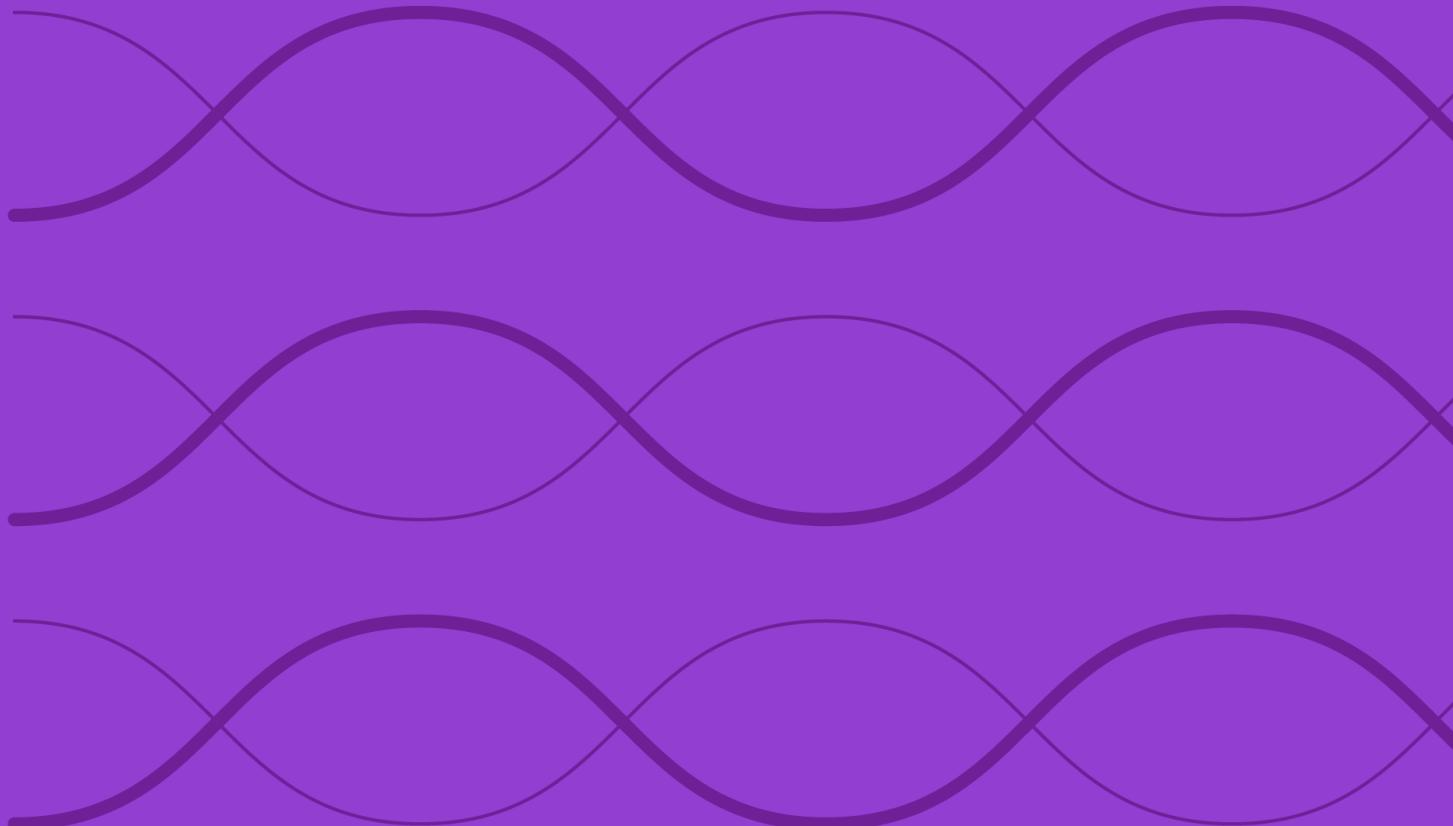




# Construction Rules for the Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index



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## Overview

The Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index aims to invest in the top 50 securities by free float market capitalization in developed Eurozone regions. The index aims to minimize exposure to ESG Risk through the use of several ESG screens such as product involvement, ESG Risk Rating and Controversy filters. This index is also available in decrement formats.

## Index Inception and Performance Start Date

The index inception date is July 29, 2025, and the performance start date, when the first back-tested index value was calculated, is December 15, 2017.

## Index Construction

### Methodology Summary

Starting Universe      >      Eligibility      >      Portfolio Construction

- Constituents from Morningstar Developed Markets Eurozone Large-Mid Cap Index are selected.
  - Only one (primary share class) per company is selected.

- Securities with 6M-ADTV less than €10,000,000 are excluded.
- Securities non-compliant with United Nations Global Compact are excluded.
- Securities with Controversy rating greater than 3 are excluded.
- Securities with involvement in Oil & Gas, Oil Sands, Shale Energy, Tobacco, Thermal Coal or Controversial Weapons are excluded.

- Securities with the 50 lowest ESG Risk Score from the Eligible Universe are selected.
- Weighing is done by Free-Float Market Capitalization, applying a cap of:
  - 10% at security level
  - 35% at sector level

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### Starting Universe

At each reconstitution, constituents of the Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index are derived from the Morningstar® Developed Markets Eurozone Large-Mid Cap Index (benchmark). For more details on benchmark construction, refer to the construction rules for the [Morningstar® Developed Markets Eurozone Large-Mid Cap Index](#).

### Eligibility

To be eligible for index inclusion, all constituents must meet the following criteria:

- The index applies a simple average daily trading value (ADTV) screen of €10,000,000. ADTV is calculated as the mean product of the daily trading volume and daily closing price measured in EUR over the trailing 6 months through the reconstitution reference date.

The following are the grounds for exclusion:

- Non primary share class
- Noncompliance with U.N. Global Compact
- Controversy score of 4 or 5
- Involvement with the following types of products:
  - Shale Energy
  - Thermal coal - Extraction, Power Generation or Product & Services
  - Oil sands

- o Tobacco – Production, Services or Retail
- o Controversial Weapons- Essential or Non-Essential
- o Oil & Gas - Production, Power Generation or Product & Services

## Portfolio Construction

- From the Eligible Universe, the securities with the 50 lowest ESG Risk Scores are selected, using Free-Float Market Capitalisation as a tie breaker preferring higher market capitalization over lower.
- Weighing is done by Free-Float Market Capitalisation, applying a cap of:
  - o 10% at the security level.
  - o 35% at the sector level.

### *Number of Stocks*

The indexes target a fixed number of stocks based on a transparent ranking system subject to the application of eligibility criteria at reconstitution. However, if fewer than the targeted number of securities from the starting universe meet eligibility criteria, or if securities are added or deleted as a result of corporate actions after reconstitution, the constituent count may deviate from the targeted number. During reconstitution, if the number of eligible securities is less than the targeted constituent count, all eligible securities are selected. The reconstitution schedule is provided in the "Index Maintenance and Calculation" section. The target count for the index is 50.

### *Index Weighting*

The index is float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted. For more details, refer to the [Morningstar Indexes Calculation Methodology rulebook](#).

A 10% cap is applied to individual security weights, followed by a 35% cap to the sector weights. In the event of a breach of this cap, securities above the cap are assigned a weight equal to the cap. The excess weight from these capped stocks is redistributed to the remaining constituents in proportion to their existing weights.

This process is repeated iteratively until both constraints are satisfied.

## Index Maintenance and Calculation

### Reconstitution and Rebalancing

The index is reconstituted, where the membership is reset, semi-annually on the third Friday of June and December. Adjustments are implemented after Friday's market close and reflected the following Monday. If Monday is an index holiday, reconstitution is reflected the next business day. The market data used for reconstitution is as of the last trading day of April and October.

The index is rebalanced, where parent membership of security is checked and members are reweighted, quarterly on the third Friday of March, June, September, and December. Adjustments are implemented after Friday's market close and reflected the following Monday. If Monday is an index holiday, the rebalance is reflected the next business day. The market data used for rebalancing is as of the last trading day of February, May, August, and November.

Index files are published according to the Global calendar schedule. For more information, please refer to the [Morningstar Indexes Holiday Calendar](#).

### Corporate Actions

The treatment of corporate actions will be as per the float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted indexes corporate action methodology. For more details, please refer to the [Morningstar Indexes Corporate Actions Methodology rulebook](#).

### Index Calculation and Price Data

Details about index calculations and price data can be found in their respective rulebooks: [Morningstar Indexes Calculation Methodology](#) and [Equity Closing Prices Used for Index Calculation](#).

## **Methodology Review and Index Decommissioning Policy**

The index methodology is continually reviewed to ensure it achieves all stated objectives. These reviews consider corporate action treatment, eligibility requirements, and maintenance procedures. Subscribers to the index will be notified before any methodology changes are made. For more details, refer to the [Morningstar Index Methodology Change Policy](#).

Morningstar Indexes notifies all subscribers and stakeholders of the index that circumstances might arise that require a material change to, or a possible cessation of, the index. These circumstances are generally not within Morningstar's control and may include significant changes to the underlying market structure, inadequate access to necessary data, geo-political events, and regulatory changes. In addition, factors such as low usage or methodology convergence may result in the cessation of an index.

Because the decommissioning of the index or benchmark index could disrupt subscriber products that reference this index, all subscribers are encouraged to have robust fallback procedures in the event an index is decommissioned. For more details, refer to the [Morningstar Index Decommissioning Policy](#).

## **Data Correction and Precision**

### **Intraday Index Data Corrections**

Commercially reasonable efforts are made to ensure the accuracy of data used in real-time index calculations. If incorrect price or corporate action data affects index calculations, corrections are applied prospectively.

### **Index-Related Data and Divisor Corrections**

Incorrect pricing and corporate action data for individual issues in the database will generally be corrected upon detection. In addition, an incorrect divisor of an index, if discovered within two days of its occurrence, will be fixed retroactively on the day it is discovered to prevent an error from being carried forward. Commercially reasonable efforts are made to correct an older error subject to its significance and feasibility.

For more details, refer to the [Recalculation Guidelines](#).

### **Exceptions**

While Morningstar will seek to apply the method described above, the market environment, supervisory, legal, financial, or tax reasons may require an alternative approach to be adopted. A decision to take an alternative approach will be made by the relevant Morningstar Index Methodology Committee, and in all instances, the application of a nonstandard process will be reported to the Morningstar Index Oversight Committee.

## Appendices

### Appendix 1: Glossary

Term	Description
Reconstitution	During each reconstitution, the steps mentioned in the index construction process are performed, resulting in membership reset.
Rebalance	During each rebalance, the weights are adjusted for updated free-float and shares outstanding data.

### Appendix 2: ESG Screens

Category	Name	Backfill Date <sup>1</sup>	Missing data Treatment <sup>2</sup>	Reason for Exclusion
	Highest Controversy Level	NA	Exclude	Rating of 4 or 5
	UN GCC Score	23-Dec-19		Non-Complaint
Thermal Coal	Thermal Coal Extraction	23-Dec-19		>0
	Thermal Coal Products and Services	31-Mar-22		>0
	Thermal Coal Power Generation	23-Dec-19		>0
Tobacco	Tobacco Products Production	23-Dec-19		>0
	Tobacco Products Related Products/Services	23-Dec-19		>0
	Tobacco Products Retail	23-Dec-19		>0
Controversial Weapons	Controversial Weapons Non-tailor-made or non-essential	23-Dec-19	Include < Backfill Date Exclude >= Backfill Date	>0
	Controversial Weapons Tailor-made and essential	23-Dec-19		>0
Oil Sands	Oil Sands Extraction	23-Dec-19		>0
Shale Energy	Shale Extraction	23-Dec-19		>0
Oil & Gas	Oil & Gas Production	23-Dec-19		>0
	Oil & Gas Products & Services	23-Dec-19		>0
	Oil & Gas Generation	23-Dec-19		>0

<sup>1</sup> The missing data prior to the backfill date have been backfilled based on the earliest data available.

<sup>2</sup> Missing data treatment is applied after the data backfill process is completed.

### Appendix 3: Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index Decrement Indexes

Index Name	Underlying Index	Base value	Base Date	Performance Inception Date	Inception Date
Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index Decrement 50 Point GR	Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index GR	900	Aug. 20, 2025	Dec. 15, 2017	Jul. 29, 2025
Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index Decrement 5% NR	Morningstar® Eurozone ESG Focus Select 50 Index NR	1000	Dec. 15, 2017	Dec. 15, 2017	Jul. 29, 2025

### Appendix 4: Decrement Levels

The index levels are adjusted by deducting a predetermined value of index points from the gross return, or GR, or fixed percentage point from the net return, or NR, levels of the base index. These constant markdowns are applied to the base index daily.

Return Variant of the Base Index	Base Currency	Decrement Type	Decrement Frequency	Decrement Application	Decrement Value	Day Count Convention
Net Total Return	EUR	Fixed Percentage Decrement or Fixed Point Decrement based on the index version.	Daily	Geometric application for both decrement types.	5% decrement based on the Net Total Return	50-point decrement based on Gross Total Return

\*ACT is the number of calendar days between two calculation days.

#### Formula for Fixed Point Decrement

##### Geometric Decrement Calculation

$$IV_t = (IV_{t-1} \times (U_t \div U_{t-1})) - (D \times (Act(t-1,t) \div DayCount))$$

Where:

$IV_t$  = The value of the Fixed Point Decrement Index for calculation day  $t$

$IV_{t-1}$  = The value of the Fixed Point Decrement Index for day  $t-1$

$U_t$  = The value of the base Index for calculation day  $t$

$U_{t-1}$  = The value of the base Index for calculation day  $t-1$

$Act(t-1,t)$  = Number of calendar days between calculation day  $t-1$  and calculation day  $t$

$D$  = The Decrement value expressed in Index points

$DayCount$  = Set to 365

#### Formula for Fixed Percentage Decrement

##### Geometric Decrement Calculation

$$IV_t = IV_{t-1} \times ((U_t \div U_{t-1}) - (c \times (Act(t-1,t) \div DayCount)))$$

Where:

$IV_t$  = The value of the Fixed Percentage Decrement Index for calculation day  $t$

$IV_{t-1}$  = The value of the Fixed Percentage Decrement Index for day  $t-1$

$U_t$  = The value of the base Index for calculation day  $t$

$U_{t-1}$  = The value of the base Index for calculation day  $t-1$

$Act(t-1, t)$  = Number of calendar days between calculation day  $t-1$  and calculation day  $t$

$c$  = The Decrement value expressed in Fixed Percentage

DayCount = Set to 365

## About Morningstar Indexes

Morningstar Indexes was built to keep up with the evolving needs of investors—and to be a leading-edge advocate for them. Our rich heritage as a transparent, investor-focused leader in data and research uniquely equips us to support individuals, institutions, wealth managers, and advisors in navigating investment opportunities across major asset classes, styles, and strategies. From traditional benchmarks and unique IP-driven indexes to index design, calculation, and distribution services, our solutions span an investment landscape as diverse as investors themselves.

## Morningstar Index Methodology Committee

The Morningstar Index Methodology Committee oversees all new index development, index methodology changes, and cessation of indexes for any indexes where Morningstar owns the intellectual property. This committee is also charged with ensuring that indexes align with Morningstar Research principles and values. The group comprises members of the index team with index research, product development, product management, client service, index implementation, and operation expertise who provide the first layer of governance over index design and methodology.

## Morningstar Index Operations Committee

The Morningstar Index Operations Committee governs the processes, systems, and exception handling of the day-to-day management of all live indexes, including index rebalancing and reconstitution, restatements, market classification, and contingency management. The committee oversees the annual review of index methodology (as required by U.K. and EU benchmark regulations, or BMR), ensuring that methodologies remain fit for purpose and continue to achieve their stated investment objectives. The group comprises members of the index team with data, operations, corporate actions, product development, index launch, client service, and index management experience who provide the first layer of governance over index operations.

## Morningstar Index Oversight Committee

The Morningstar Index Oversight Committee is responsible for the index oversight function as per the requirements of the U.K. and European BMR, providing independent oversight of all aspects of the governance of benchmark administration as required by the relevant BMR. Its remit extends to all calculation and administration-related business activities of Morningstar Indexes, including administration of Morningstar-owned benchmarks as well as client-owned benchmarks and index calculation. The oversight function is part of the organizational structure of Morningstar but is separate and independent from the index business, index management, and the other index committees.

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