

MSCI Launches Fixed Income ESG and Factor Indexes

NEW YORK, January 7, 2020 - MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of critical decision support tools and services for the global investment community, today broadens its range of innovative fixed income tools and solutions for institutional investors with the launch of the MSCI Fixed Income ESG Indexes and the MSCI Fixed Income Factor Indexes.

MSCI brings to market 15 Fixed Income Indexes to meet investor demand for innovative indexes to support their ESG and Factor based fixed income investment strategies.

Jana Haines, Head of Index Products, Americas, at MSCI comments, “We are pleased to bring next generation fixed income indexes to market. Investors are increasingly demanding ESG integration across all asset classes and looking to Factors – such as Carry, Quality, Value, Size and Risk – to more precisely define how they can better identify, measure and manage risk and return in their portfolios.”

The MSCI Fixed Income ESG Indexes and Factor Indexes include:

Issuance Weighted

- MSCI USD Investment Grade Corporate Bond Index

ESG

- MSCI USD IG ESG Universal Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG ESG Leaders Corporate Bond Index

Factors

- MSCI USD IG Carry High Exposure Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Low Risk High Exposure Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Quality High Exposure Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Value High Exposure Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Size High Exposure Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Multi-Factor High Exposure Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Carry Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Low Risk Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Quality Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Value Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Size Corporate Bond Index
- MSCI USD IG Multi-Factor Corporate Bond Index

The full range of MSCI’s fixed income solutions capture MSCI’s market leading capabilities in Analytics, Portfolio Construction, Measurement, Attribution, Reporting and now Indexes, to help institutional investors navigate market risk and return, as well as deliver operational efficiency and transparency.

Peter Zangari, Global Head of Research and Product Development at MSCI, adds, “Investors are facing market conditions driven by macroeconomic and geopolitical events, industry dynamics and the increased role of data and technology. Our fixed income solutions help investors assess and manage

opportunity and risk, while responding to demand for improved transparency and operational efficiency. Building on our four decades of experience, this next generation of indexes brings increased clarity to the traditionally opaque fixed income asset class to support ESG and Factor based fixed income strategies.”

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