

MSCI Inc. Quarterly Update

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MSCI is strategically positioned to provide essential tools, solutions and content that enable investors to construct more effective portfolios. In the fourth quarter of 2024, we undertook several initiatives to enhance our product capabilities and meet the evolving needs of our clients within the investment ecosystem.

Addressing the Needs of Clients and Client Segments

- Helping Hedge Funds, Banks and Traders with MSCI Real-Time Factor Returns: We recently introduced the MSCI Real-Time Factor Returns product, designed to deliver intraday updates of factor portfolios, providing risk managers, traders and portfolio managers with real-time information to attribute their P&L more accurately throughout the trading day. Intraday updates are delivered every 15 seconds via a dedicated API, enabling proactive risk management and trading decisions. Leveraging Barra factor definitions, the product enables clients to gain deeper insights into intraday factor volatility for P&L attribution, risk analysis and portfolio rebalancing.
- Helping Asset Owners Evaluate and Optimize their Real Asset Allocations: We recently introduced the MSCI Real Asset Allocation Insights tool, designed to help Asset Owners assess the performance of their real estate allocations through high-level attribution analysis and real-time scenario testing. MSCI Real Asset Allocation Insights features user-friendly dashboards, helping our clients streamline investor presentations, and enhance communication & decision-making.
- During the quarter, we closed several large strategic deals with clients across regions covering diverse mission-critical use cases, including asset allocation, risk management, performance measurement, sustainability integration and portfolio construction:
 - In ESG & Climate, a large commercial bank in Europe selected MSCI to use our data to support their wealth, portfolio management, regulatory and ESG research use cases
 - In Real Assets, we closed a large deal with a hedge fund in the Americas that is licensing our Real Capital Analytics and Index Intel products, in order to provide them with a comprehensive view of the commercial real estate market, while leveraging Snowflake for data delivery
 - In Index, we have seen growth in custom index package sales to our broker dealer and market maker clients, providing more liquidity in the market and enhancing the MSCI indexed-linked product ecosystem
 - In Analytics, we landed several large fixed income deals during the quarter. For example, an asset manager in the Americas selected MSCI for our fixed income portfolio attribution and factor risk management offerings

Launching and Enhancing Innovative Solutions and Products

- Helping Investors Understand Risk and Return Drivers of China A-Shares with New MSCI China Local Equity Factor Model: Recently introduced to help investors better understand the risk and return drivers of China A-shares. The model also has methodology updates to improve risk forecasts during periods of market volatility shifts and the inclusion of machine learning and crowding factors enabling investors to capture unique security characteristics.
- Launch of the MSCI Global 500 North America Selection Index: We recently launched the MSCI Global 500 North America Selection Index, which is designed to track the performance of U.S. and Canadian mid- and large-cap companies that are part of the MSCI ACWI Select Climate 500 Index. This index focuses on companies that meet specific environmental and climate criteria, such as reducing carbon and greenhouse gas emissions. This index is currently used as the underlying benchmark for the Invesco MSCI North America Climate ETF (ticker: KLMN) launched in December 2024 with a record-breaking \$2.4 billion investment from Finnish pension insurer Varma.

Enhancing Our Data and Technology Capabilities through Partnerships and Acquisitions

- Partnership with WWF Enhances MSCI's Biodiversity and Nature Offering: In November 2024, MSCI announced a partnership with the World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF) to equip financial institutions with nature-related metrics and risk management tools. This collaboration will enable our clients to effectively manage, disclose and identify risks and opportunities related to nature. By integrating MSCI's GeoSpatial Asset Intelligence with WWF's Biodiversity Risk Filter, the partnership offers a powerful solution with distinct advantages. MSCI's Geospatial Insights covers over 100,000 public and private companies and their asset locations, to provide an in-depth understanding of local biodiversity and its implications for investment and financial risk. This partnership unlocks WWF's extensive nature data, enabling MSCI to deliver a broader set of metrics aligned with key mandatory and voluntary disclosure frameworks, such as TNFD, CSRD/ESRS, and SFDR, further supporting clients in achieving their sustainability goals.
- MSCI, MarketAxess and ICE Partner on Launch of Credit Futures: In December, our exchange partner Intercontinental Exchange, Inc. (ICE) launched four new credit futures contracts designed to help institutional investors integrate corporate bond hedges into their investment process. These contracts are based on indexes developed by MSCI and MarketAxess, including the MSCI MarketAxess USD IG Tradable Corporate Bond Index, MSCI MarketAxess USD HY Tradable Corporate Bond Index, MSCI MarketAxess EUR IG Tradable Corporate Bond Index and MSCI MarketAxess EUR HY Tradable Corporate Bond Index.

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