

Methodology change of the Indxx USD Disruptive Technologies Index.

Effective January 08, 2021, the following are the changes in the methodology of the Indxx USD Disruptive Technologies Index:

- **Security Selection Process (Section 1.3)**

Below is the amended methodology which will be effective from January 08, 2021.

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INDXX USD DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES INDEX METHODOLOGY

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1. INDXX USD DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES INDEX

1.1 INDEX DESCRIPTION

The Indxx USD Disruptive Technologies Index is designed to track the performance of companies that enter traditional markets with new digital forms of production and distribution, are likely to disrupt an existing market and value network, displace established market leading firms, products and alliances and increasingly gain market share.

This index is derived from the 'Indxx Disruptive Technologies Index'.

The index has a base date of September 20, 2013 with an initial value of 1,000.

The index is currently available in the following version:

- Net Total Return (Bloomberg Ticker: IDTECUS)

1.2 CREATION OF MASTER LIST

1.2.1 Initial Universe

To be eligible for inclusion in the Initial Universe, securities must have:

- Their listing on US Stock Exchanges.
- A minimum total market capitalization of \$500 million.
- A 6-month average daily turnover greater than or equal to \$2 million.
- Traded on 90% of the eligible trading days in the last 6 months. In case a security does not have a trading history of 6 months (only IPOs), such a security must have started trading at least 3 months before the start of the Reconstitution/Rebalancing Process and should have traded on 90% of the eligible trading days for the past 3 months

1.2.2 Free Float

All securities must have a minimum free float equivalent to 10% of shares outstanding.

1.2.3 Maximum Price

Securities trading at a price of \$10,000 or above are ineligible for inclusion in the index. This rule is not applicable for existing constituents. Existing constituents would remain in the initial universe irrespective of the stock price.

1.2.4 Security Type

The following security types are eligible for inclusion:

- Common Stock
- ADR

1.2.5 Share Classes

- The existing share class /listing in the portfolio is retained if it satisfies all the eligibility criteria of the index
- If an ADR of the company exists, it is given preference over all other share classes.
- The most liquid share class/ listing is considered for inclusion.

1.3 SECURITY SELECTION PROCESS

Based on extensive research, Indxx has defined disruptive technologies as being comprised of the following themes:

3D Printing	Companies that are primarily engaged in 3D printing hardware, CAD and 3D printing software, 3D printing materials and centers, 3D scanning and measurements
Clean Energy and Smart Grid	Companies that are either Clean (carbon free – solar, wind, hydro, geothermal and waste to energy) Energy producers, clean energy equipment providers (e.g. solar panels components, wind turbines and related components), electric grid, electric meters and devices (electric infrastructure), networks, energy or other grid-related activities. It may also include companies that make smart vehicles, electric vehicles, etc.
Cloud Computing	Companies that are either Cloud service providers (SaaS, PaaS, IaaS, XaaS) or provide products and services that uses cloud computing technology
Cybersecurity	Companies primarily involved in the development and administration of security protocols applied to private - public networks, computers, and mobile devices for protection of the data integration and network operations
Data and Analytics	Companies that generate their revenue from analytical tools and services, decision making software, market intelligence services using Artificial Intelligence or Otherwise are considered for inclusion.
FinTech	Companies that utilize transformational and innovative software solutions within the financial services industry that focus on at least one of the following business areas: Enterprise Solutions, P2P and Marketplace Lending, Crowd-Funding, Personal Finance Software, Automated Wealth Management and Trading, Blockchain and Alternative Currencies
Healthcare Innovation	Companies that are primarily engaged in Robotic Assistance, 3D solutions, Digital Healthcare, Artificial intelligence and Telemedicine related to healthcare are included.
Internet of Things	Companies that have business segments as Semiconductors and Sensors, Networking Infrastructure/Software, Equipment, Vehicle and Infrastructure/Building Technology or Consumer IoT Technology are found to be the most relevant to the Internet of Things theme
Mobile Payments	Companies that are providers of payments solutions, payment processing services, credit card network or payment industry infrastructure and software services
Robotics & Artificial Intelligence	Companies that are primarily engaged in Industrial Robotics and Automation, Unmanned Vehicles and Drones, Non-Industrial Robotics and Artificial Intelligence

These themes are comprised of companies in the following FactSet Industries:

Packaged Software	Miscellaneous Manufacturing	Insurance Brokers/Services
Electronic Equipment/Instruments	Chemicals: Major Diversified	Publishing: Books/Magazines
Industrial Machinery	Aluminum	Other Consumer Specialties

Medical Specialties	Telecommunications Equipment	Financial Conglomerates
Biotechnology	Steel	Regional Banks
Industrial Conglomerates	Metal Fabrication	Other Consumer Services
Air Freight/Couriers	Finance/Rental/Leasing	Marine Shipping
Chemicals: Specialty	Electronic Production Equipment	Aerospace & Defense
Computer Processing Hardware	Investment Trusts/Mutual Funds	Computer Communications
Information Technology Services	Electrical Products	Data Processing Services
Textiles	Electric Utilities	Services to the Health Industry
Alternative Power Generation	Internet Software/Services	Trucks/Construction/Farm Machinery
Environmental Services	Internet Retail	Investment Managers
Electronic Components	Cable/Satellite TV	Hospital/Nursing Management
Industrial Specialties	Recreational Products	Auto Parts: OEM
Semiconductors	Real Estate Investment Trusts	Financial Publishing/Services
Miscellaneous Commercial Services	Computer Peripherals	Advertising/Marketing Services
Electronics/Appliances	Investment Banks/Brokers	Wholesale Distributors
Engineering & Construction	Motor Vehicles	

Companies from the Master List that derive revenue greater than or equal to 50% from the above themes are considered as 'pure-play' companies. These companies are included in the 'Selection List' for the index.

1.4 FINAL COMPOSITION

- The securities from each theme with their listings on the US Stock Exchanges from the final composition of the Indxx Disruptive Technologies Index will form the final index.

1.5 WEIGHTING

The index is weighted as follows:

- Components within each theme are equally weighted with a theme cap of 10%.
- The theme cap is decided based on number of themes considered in the index.

1.6 BUFFER RULES

Buffer Rules are employed to reduce Portfolio Turnover. The following buffer rules apply:

1.6.1 Market Capitalization

A constituent shall continue to be included in the Initial Universe if its market capitalization is greater than or equal to 80% of the previously defined market capitalization limit. To illustrate, if an existing index member qualifies all other selection criteria but doesn't qualify the market capitalization criteria to the extent of 20% deviation then it will be retained in the new index member list.

1.6.2 Liquidity

A constituent shall continue to be included in the Initial Universe if its 6-month ADTV is greater than or equal to 70% of the previously defined liquidity limit. To illustrate, if an existing index member

qualifies all other selection criteria but doesn't qualify liquidity criteria to the extent of 30% deviation then it will be retained in the new index member list.

1.7 RECONSTITUTION AND REBALANCING RULES

- The index follows an annual reconstitution and quarterly rebalancing schedule. The reconstituted portfolio becomes effective at the close of third Friday of September each year. This day is called the 'Reconstitution Effective Day'. The rebalanced portfolio becomes effective at the close of third Friday of March, June and December each year, called the 'Rebalance Effective Day'.
- The security selection and portfolio creation process start on the close of the nearest Friday falling at least one month before the Reconstitution Effective Day, called the 'Selection Day.' The selection list is created based on the data as of the Selection Day.
- Weights are calculated at the close of the seventh trading day prior (six trading days prior) to the Reconstitution Effective Day (or the Rebalance Effective Day). Index Shares are frozen using weights as of this day.

1.8 ANNUAL THEME REVIEW

- To keep the identified Disruptive Themes relevant and to capture new disruptions, the list of themes is reviewed and updated on an annual basis, while performing the annual index reconstitution.
- As a result, the list of themes is subject to change each year. However, any theme identified as a disruptive theme shall continue to remain in the index for a minimum duration of 3 years.

1.9 CORPORATE ACTIONS

The corporate action guidebook is present in the Announcements section of our website, under 'Index Documents'.

2. APPENDIX

2.1 METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Methodology changes since January 2021 are as follows:

Section	Previous Value	New Value	Effective Date (close)
1.3	Clean Energy and Smart Grid - Companies that are either Clean (carbon free – solar, wind, hydro, geo-thermal and waste to energy) Energy producers, clean energy equipment providers (e.g. solar panels components, wind turbines and related components), electric grid, electric meters and devices (electric infrastructure), networks, energy or other grid-related activities.	Clean Energy and Smart Grid - Companies that are either Clean (carbon free – solar, wind, hydro, geo-thermal and waste to energy) Energy producers, clean energy equipment providers (e.g. solar panels components, wind turbines and related components), electric grid, electric meters and devices (electric infrastructure), networks, energy or other grid-related activities. It may also include companies that make smart vehicles, electric vehicles, etc.	January 08, 2021
1.3	Data and Analytics - Companies that generate their revenues by providing data analytics tools and services, decision making software and market intelligence services to third parties	Data and Analytics - Companies that generate their revenue from analytical tools and services, decision making software, market intelligence services using Artificial Intelligence or Otherwise are considered for inclusion.	January 08, 2021
1.3	Healthcare Innovation - Companies that are primarily engaged in Robotic Assistance, 3D solutions, Digital Healthcare, Artificial intelligence related to healthcare are included	Healthcare Innovation - Companies that are primarily engaged in Robotic Assistance, 3D solutions, Digital Healthcare, Artificial intelligence and Telemedicine related to healthcare are included	January 08, 2021
1.3		An industry 'Motor Vehicles' has been added to the list of FactSet industries	January 08, 2021

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