

Announcement

Methodology change of the Indxx US Industrial Real Estate & Logistics Index

New York – April 8, 2022 - Effective April 8, 2022 the following are the changes in the methodology of the Indxx US Industrial Real Estate & Logistics Index:

- Security Selection Process (Section 1.3)

Below is the amended methodology which will be effective from April 8, 2022.

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INDXX US INDUSTRIAL REAL ESTATE & LOGISTICS INDEX METHODOLOGY

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1. INDXX US INDUSTRIAL REAL ESTATE & LOGISTICS INDEX

1.1 INDEX DESCRIPTION

The Indxx US Industrial Real Estate & Logistics Index aims to reflect the performance of US listed Industrial REITs, Self-Storage REITs and Logistics companies providing warehousing and last mile delivery services for e-commerce products.

The index has a base date of April 30, 2014 with an initial value of 1,000.

The index will be available in the following versions:

- Net Total Return (Bloomberg Ticker: IUIRELI)
- Price Return (Bloomberg Ticker: IUIRELIP)
- Total Return (Bloomberg Ticker: IUIRELIT)

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 in the US.
- A minimum total market capitalization of \$500 million.
- A 6-month average daily turnover greater than or equal to \$2 million.
- The security must have 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 shall remain in the initial universe irrespective of their stock price.

1.2.4 Security Type

The following security types are eligible for inclusion:

- Common Stock
- ADR
- GDR

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
- The most liquid share class/listing is considered for inclusion.

1.3 SECURITY SELECTION PROCESS

Based on extensive research, Indxx has defined industrial real estate & logistics as being comprised of the following sub-themes:

Industrial REITs	Industrial REITs are real estate investment trusts that are primarily involved in the acquisition, development, ownership, management and leasing of industrial properties such as factories, distribution centres and warehouses.
Self – Storage REITs	Self-storage REITs own and manage storage facilities and collect rent from customers. Self-storage REITs rent space to both individuals and businesses.
Logistics	Companies providing warehousing services and/or covering the last mile of the delivery process for e-commerce products. i.e., from the warehouse/supplier to the final customer.
E-fulfilment Services	Companies that operate in the E-fulfilment space. E-fulfilment covers the set of arrangements including receiving the product, shipping, packaging, labelling and final delivery that are necessary to be carried out for businesses to sell their products/services on the internet.

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

Air Freight/Couriers	Discount Stores	Electronics Distributors
Finance/Rental/Leasing	Internet Retail	Other Transportation
Real Estate Investment Trusts	Trucking	Wholesale Distributors
Specialty Stores		

The industries and sub-themes identified through this research-based approach are subject to change at every annual reconstitution.

Companies are classified into one of the following three types based on revenue:

- **Pure Play:**
Companies from the Master List that cumulatively derive revenue greater than or equal to 50% from the above sub-themes are considered as 'Pure-Play' companies. These companies are included in the 'Selection List' for the index.
- **Quasi Play:**
Companies with diversified revenue streams that cumulatively generate at least 20% (but less than 50%) of their revenue from the above sub-themes are considered as 'Quasi-Play' companies. These companies are also included in the 'Selection List' for the index.

- **Marginal:**
Companies with diversified revenue streams that generate less than 20% of their revenue from the above-mentioned sub-themes or that are relevant to the above-mentioned sub-themes are considered as 'marginal' companies. These companies are also included in the 'Selection List' for the index.

1.4 FINAL COMPOSITION

From the Selection List:

- All the 'Pure-Play', 'Quasi-Play' and 'Marginal' companies will form the final index.

1.5 WEIGHTING

The index is weighted as follows:

- Components are weighted based on their free-float security-level market capitalization.
- Pure Play companies are assigned an aggregate weight of 70% and the Quasi Play and Marginal companies are jointly assigned an aggregate weight of 30%.
- A single security cap of 8% is applied.

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 investible universe.

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 investible universe.

1.7 INDEX CALCULATOR

The calculator of this index is STOXX.

1.8 INDEX PUBLISHER

The index is published by Indxx.

1.9 INDEX EDITOR

The index is edited by Indxx.

1.10 RECONSTITUTION AND REBALANCING RULES

- The index follows an annual reconstitution and rebalancing schedule. The new portfolio becomes effective at the close of last trading day of April each year. This day is called the 'Effective Day.'
- The security selection and portfolio creation process start on the close of the nearest Friday falling at least one month before the 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 Effective Day. Index Shares are frozen using weights as of this day.

1.11 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 July 2020 are as follows:

Section	Previous Value	New Value	Effective Date (close)
1.8		The 'Index Publisher' section has been added to the methodology.	July 10, 2020
1.9		The 'Index Editor' section has been added to the methodology.	July 10, 2020
1.3		New industry added- 'Specialty Stores'	April 08, 2022

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