

AMF Selects MSCI ESG Indexes for Global Equity Portfolio Benchmark

London – December 15, 2014 – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today that AMF, one of Sweden's leading pension funds, has selected the MSCI Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Indexes as benchmarks for its global equity portfolios.

AMF, with USD 65 billion in assets managed for approximately 3.8 million customers, will benchmark performance for its USD 15 billion in equity assets against the MSCI ACWI ESG and the MSCI Emerging Markets ESG Indexes. AMF also selected MSCI for ESG research, ratings and screening tools to support its asset allocation decision-making processes.

Remy Briand, Managing Director and Head of Equity Research, said, "We are pleased to work with AMF, an investor which believes in the importance of integrating ESG factors in the investment decision-making process. We are proud to bring our clients benchmark indexes that combine the depth and rigor of our in-house ESG dedicated research and analysis with our market leading index capabilities."

"We are now focusing our investments in companies with a better understanding and implementation of ESG in their operations," said Peder Hasslev, CIO of AMF. "This is consistent with our belief that companies with this focus have a better ability to provide us with competitive returns in the long term. It's also our strong belief that that working towards ESG implementation and sustainability can contribute positively to the long term prospects for the economy, society as a whole and for the benefit of our customers. And providing our investment managers with access to ESG data through MSCI ESG Research products will help us continue to strive to integrate ESG factors together with financial factors into our daily investment decisions."

MSCI ESG Indexes are designed as benchmarks for institutional investors adhering to the most prevalent ESG investment strategies. With a dedicated in-house ESG research team, MSCI can control, monitor and manage data quality while aligning index methodology coherently with the research for its 130+ equity sustainability indexes. MSCI ESG Research tools and services support the integration of ESG factors into investment processes across asset classes and facilitate the implementation of the six Principles for Responsible Investment.

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The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indexes with over USD 9.5 trillion estimated to be benchmarked to them on a worldwide basis¹; Barra multi-asset class factor models, portfolio risk and performance analytics; RiskMetrics multi-asset class market and credit risk analytics; IPD real estate information, indexes and analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis and ratings; and FEA valuation models and risk management software for the energy and commodities markets. MSCI is headquartered in New York, with research and commercial offices around the world.



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