

ESG index adoption continues to grow as MSCI license two flagship ESG indexes to asset manager

New York – January 12, 2018 – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of research-based indexes and analytics, announced today two of their environmental, social and governance (ESG) indexes will be licensed to UBS Asset Management.

The indexes are the [MSCI ACWI ESG Universal Index](#) and [MSCI ACWI SRI 5% Issuer Capped Index](#).

The MSCI ACWI ESG Universal Index, which launched in February 2017, is designed to enhance exposure to ESG while maintaining a broad and diversified opportunity set. The index aims to target companies in the parent index which demonstrate a robust MSCI ESG Rating and a positive ESG Trend, while maintaining a broad universe of securities.

The MSCI ACWI SRI 5% Issuer Capped Index aims to represent the performance of an investment strategy that excludes companies that are inconsistent with specific values and targets companies with high MSCI ESG Ratings relative to their sector peers. The index aims to avoid concentration by capping issuers within the index to a maximum of 5%.

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