The MSCI Provisional Europe Climate Change EU Climate Transition Index is an index constructed from the MSCI Europe Climate Change Index and includes large and mid-cap securities across 15 Developed Markets (DM) countries** in Europe. The index aims to represent the performance of an investment strategy that re-weights securities based upon the opportunities and risks associated with the transition to a lower carbon economy, while seeking to minimize exclusions from the parent index. It takes into account the minimum requirements for EU Climate Transition benchmarks contained in the EU Commission’s Technical Expert Group on Sustainable Finance’s Final Report on Climate Benchmarks and Benchmarks’ ESG Disclosures.

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*based on the requirements in the TEG Final Report
INDEX METHODOLOGY

The European Commission’s Technical Expert Group on Sustainable Finance’s Final Report on Climate Benchmarks and Benchmarks’ ESG Disclosures (the “TEG Final Report”) recommends a list of minimum technical requirements for the methodologies of ‘EU Climate Transition Benchmarks’ (CTB) and ‘EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks’ (PAB).

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Note, the Provisional Indexes are based on the TEG Final Report. The Provisional Indexes are not based on the final delegated acts and requirements for the CTB and PAB because the final delegated acts and requirements for the CTB and PAB are not yet available as of the date of this methodology (November 2019).

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