

# MSCI Successfully Completes Independent Assurance Review for IOSCO Principles for Financial Benchmarks

**New York – July 16, 2014** – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, including indexes, portfolio risk and performance analytics and ESG data and research, announced today that it has successfully completed an assurance review of its implementation of the IOSCO Principles for Financial Benchmarks. MSCI engaged PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC) to perform the review.

“MSCI has a long history of defining and adopting best practice with respect to its methodologies, policies and procedures for both equity and real estate indexes. As such, we support the aims of the IOSCO Principles for Financial Benchmarks and are pleased to be able to publish our reports detailing our observance of the principles. Engaging PwC to do an assurance review further shows our commitment to these aims,” said Baer Pettit, Managing Director and Global Head of MSCI’s index business.

The full report, including the PwC assurance review, is available at [www.msci.com/products/indexes/regulation.html](http://www.msci.com/products/indexes/regulation.html) for MSCI equity indexes and will be available at [www.ipd.com/about/ipd-guides-and-standards/index-regulation.html](http://www.ipd.com/about/ipd-guides-and-standards/index-regulation.html) for select IPD real estate indexes and benchmarks.

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<sup>1</sup>As of March 31, 2014, as reported on June 25, 2014, by eVestment, Lipper and Bloomberg

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