EUROPE TOTAL MARKET EQUITY MODEL FOR LONG TERM INVESTORS (EULTS) FOR MSCI INDEXES

March 2019

This consultation may or may not lead to the implementation of any or all of the proposed changes in MSCI's indexes. Consultation feedback will remain confidential. MSCI may publicly disclose feedback if specifically requested by specific market participants. In that case, the relevant feedback would be published together with the final results of the consultation.



SUMMARY

- The MSCI Barra Factor Indexes (Long-Short, Market Neutral and Long-Only) are currently constructed using the Barra Europe Equity Base Model – Short Term Variant (EUE3S BAS)
- A new version of that model, the Barra Europe Total Market Equity Model for Long Term Investors
 Responsive Variant (EULTS), was launched in December 2017.
- Enhancements include:
 - Introduction of new Style factors based on Systematic Equity Strategies
 - Enhanced industry and country exposures that capture the varying sensitivities of firms to the country and industry factors resulting in more precise attribution of stock returns
 - Point-in-Time fundamental data to a help address potential look-ahead bias
 - Broad coverage of stocks, cross-listed securities, and depository receipts.
- MSCI proposes to transition the index construction of the MSCI Barra Factor Indexes to use the latest EULTS Model, using corresponding model factor definitions, so as to better capture the targeted risk premia
- MSCI welcomes feedback from the investment community on the proposal on or before April 5, 2019. MSCI will announce the results of the consultation on or before April 19, 2019.



MSCI INDEXES IN SCOPE FOR PROPOSED USE OF BARRA EULTS MODEL IN INDEX COSNTRUCTION

MSCI Long-Short Barra Factor Index	Target Factor	Target Factor Exposure⁵	Leverage	
MSCI Europe Barra Momentum Index	Momentum	1	130/30	
MSCI Europe Barra Value Index	Value	1	130/30	
MSCI Europe Barra Low Volatility Index	Volatility	-1	150/50	
MSCI Europe Barra Low Leverage Index	Leverage	-1	130/30	
MSCI Europe Barra Earnings Yield Index	Earnings Yield	1	130/30	

MSCI Market Neutral Barra Factor Index	Target Factor	Target Factor Exposure
MSCI Europe Market Neutral Barra Momentum Index (EUR)	Momentum	1
MSCI Europe Market Neutral Barra Momentum Index (USD)	Momentum	1
MSCI Europe Market Neutral Barra Volatility Index (EUR)	Volatility	1
MSCI Europe Market Neutral Barra Volatility Index (USD)	Volatility	1

MSCI Long-Only Barra Factor Index	Target Factor	Target Factor Exposure	Leverage
MSCI Europe Momentum Tilt Index	Momentum	Positive	Long-only
MSCI Europe Value Tilt Index	Value	Positive	Long-only



OVERVIEW OF THE EULTS MODEL



STYLE FACTOR	EUE3 Model	EULT Model
Asset Coverage	9400	16400+
Style Factors	9	18
Industry Allocation Scheme	Single-industry allocation	Multiple-industry allocation
Book-to-Price (Value in EUE3)	 Indicates how "inexpensively" a company is currently traded by using its book value and past revenues as yardsticks. Book-to-Price Ratio • Sales-to-Price Ratio 	Explains the return component attributable to a stock's book-to-price ratio and can be an indicator of value Book-to-Price
Earnings Yield	 Relates the current market valuation of a company to its ability to generate positive earnings and cash flows. Cash Earnings-to-Price Ratio • Trailing Annual Earnings-to-Price Ratio • Predicted Earnings- to-Price-Ratio • Return on Equity 	 Describes stock return differences due to various ratios of the company's earnings relative to its price. Cash Earnings-to-Price • Earnings-to-Price • Analyst-Predicted Earnings-to-Price • Enterprise Multiple (EBIT to EV)
Momentum	 Describes risk associated with the trending behavior of stock returns over a horizon of about a year. 12-Month Relative Strength, lagged by 1 month • 6-Month Relative Strength, lagged by 1 month • Historical Weekly Alpha 	 Explains the return differences of stocks based on their relative performance over the trailing 6-12 months. Relative Strength 12-Month • Historical Alpha
Beta (Volatility in EUE3)	Captures return and risk differences between high-beta and low- beta stocks. Complements the regional market factor, which represents the volatility of a broadly diversified market portfolio with $\beta = 1$.	Captures the market risk that cannot be explained by the Market Equity factor • Historical Beta
Residual Volatility (Volatility in EUE3)	 Historical Weekly Beta • Cumulative Range • Daily Asset Volatility 	 Explains returns associated with high-volatility stocks that are not captured by the Beta factor. Historical Sigma • Daily Standard Deviation • Cumulative Range
Leverage	Captures the relationship between a firm's stock returns and its level of indebtedness. • Market Leverage • Book Leverage	Captures the return differences between high-leverage and low-leverage stocks. • Debt-to-Assets Ratio • Book Leverage • Market Leverage 5

MSCI LONG SHORT BARRA FACTOR INDEXES



EXISTING V/S PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

Parameter	MSCI Long-Short Barra Factor Indexes (Existing)	MSCI Long-Short Barra Factor Indexes (Proposed)			
Parent Index (Stock Selection Universe)	MSCI Europe IMI	MSCI Europe IMI			
Benchmark/ Reference Index	MSCI Europe	MSCI Europe			
Barra Model	EUE3SBAS	EULTS			
Index Type	Long-Short 130/30 (150/50 for Low Volatility)	Long-Short 130/30 (150/50 for Low Volatility)			
Optimization Objective	Designed to achieve a high level of exposure to the Target Factor while controlling exposu factors and minimizing the ex-ante tracking error relative to the Benchmark Index (MSCI				
Gross Leverage	1.6 (2.0 for Low Volatility)	1.6 (2.0 for Low Volatility)			
Target factor exposure	1 or -1 standard deviation*	1 or -1 standard deviation*			
Non-target style factor exposure	+/- 0.1	+/- 0.1			
Industry factor exposure	+/- 0.50%	+/- 0.50%			
Country factor exposure	+/- 0.50%	+/- 0.50%			
Max number of stocks	400	400			
Maximum constituent weight	+/- 2%	+/- 2%			
One-way monthly turnover	8% (one-way)	8% (one-way)			
1-month ADV Trade Limit	10%	10%			
Shorting Cost threshold	250bps (buffer-50bps)	250bps (buffer-50bps)			

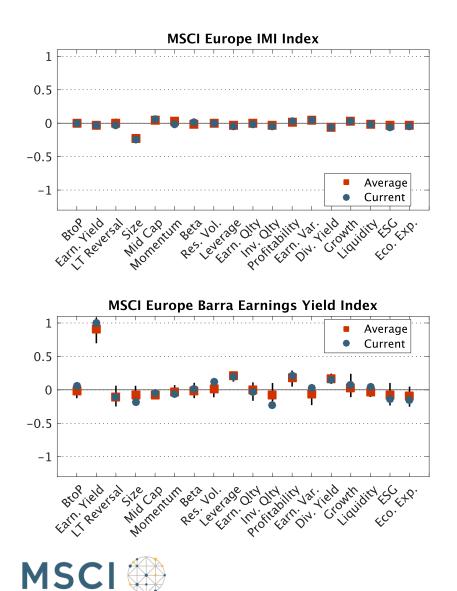
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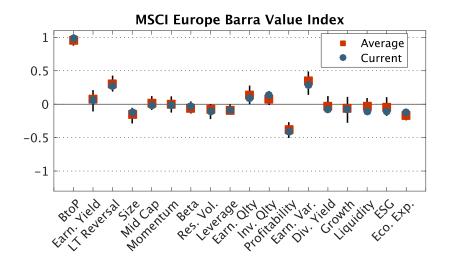
* Target Factor Exposures	(Existing)	(Proposed)
MSCI Long-Short Barra Value Index	+1 standard deviation of EUE3SBAS Value	+1 standard deviation of EULTS Book To Price
MSCI Long-Short Barra Earnings Yield Index	+1 standard deviation of EUE3SBAS Earnings Yield	+1 standard deviation of EULTS Earnings Yield
MSCI Long-Short Barra Momentum Index	+1 standard deviation of EUE3SBAS Momentum	+1 standard deviation of EULTS Momentum
MSCI Long-Short Barra Low Leverage Index	-1 standard deviation of EUE3SBAS Leverage	-1 standard deviation of EULTS Leverage
MSCI Long-Short Barra Low Volatility Index	-1 standard deviation of FLIF3SBAS Volatility	-1 standard deviation of EULTS Beta and EULTS Residual Volatility capped between [-1,0]

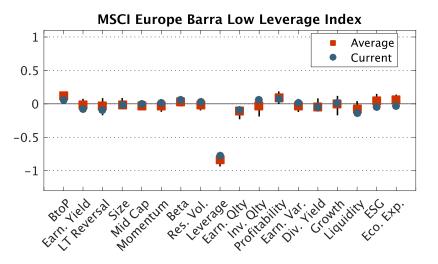


- At each monthly index rebalancing, the Index will have short positions only in securities whose Shorting Cost is below the Shorting Cost Cutoff
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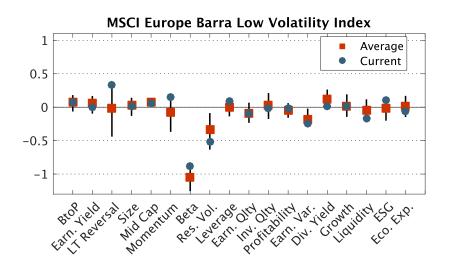
ACTIVE EULTS FACTOR EXPOSURES

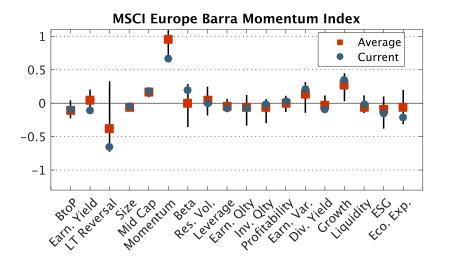






ACTIVE EULTS FACTOR EXPOSURES (CONT...)







CHARACTERISTICS OF SIMULATED INDEXES USING EXISTING AND PROPOSED METHODOLOGIES



KEY METRICS

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	MSCI Europe Index	Europe Barra Value EUE3SBAS	Europe Barra Value EULTS	Europe Barra Earnings Yield EUE3SBAS	Europe Barra Earnings Yield EULTS		Europe Barra Low Leverage EULTS	Europe Barra Low Volatility EUE3SBAS	Europe Barra Low Volatility EULTS	Europe Barra Momentum EUE3SBAS	Europe Barra Momentum EULTS
Total Return* (%)	6.1	5.5	6.7	6.8	6.8	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.3	11.1	10.7
Total Risk (%)	16.7	17.4	16.9	17.0	16.9	16.8	16.7	13.4	13.6	16.6	16.5
Return/Risk	0.36	0.32	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.34	0.35	0.42	0.39	0.67	0.65
Sharpe Ratio	0.33	0.29	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.31	0.31	0.38	0.35	0.64	0.62
Active Return (%)	0.0	-0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	5.1	4.7
Tracking Error (%)	0.0	2.7	1.9	2.5	2.0	1.4	1.2	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.4
Information Ratio	NaN	-0.20	0.35	0.29	0.37	-0.23	-0.25	-0.10	-0.15	1.08	1.06
Historical Beta	1.00	1.03	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.00	1.00	0.78	0.80	0.95	0.95
No of Stocks***	448	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
Turnover** (%)	2.5	97.0	96.2	96.7	96.4	93.7	80.2	120.9	120.0	96.7	100.1
Price To Book***	1.7	0.9	1.0	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.9	1.9
Price to Earnings***	16.0	15.9	15.1	8.5	8.6	15.8	16.5	15.2	14.8	12.7	13.8
Dividend Yield*** (%)	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.8	3.5	3.4	3.7	3.8	3.4	3.4
Period: 29-May-2009 to 31-De	c-2018										

* Gross returns annualized in USD

** Annualized one-way index turnover over index reviews

*** Monthly averages

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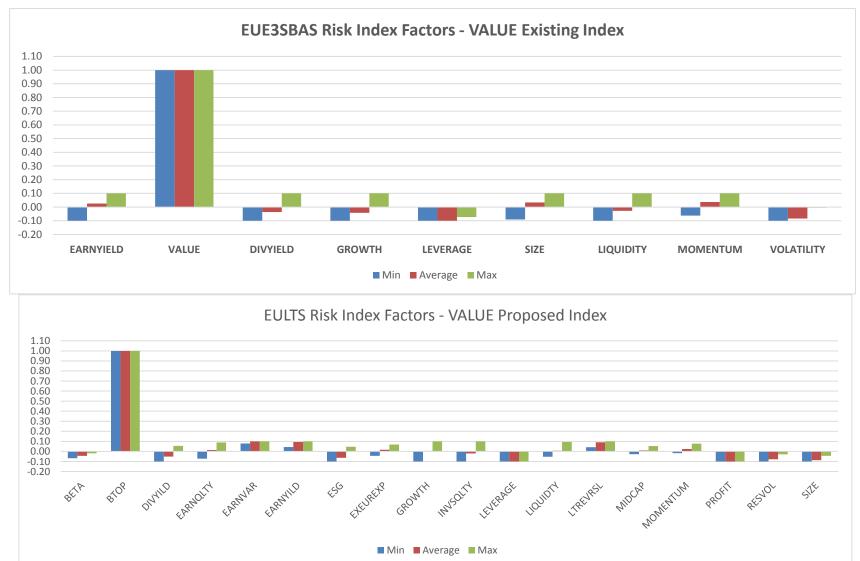
Perforn	nance (%)										
	MSCI Europe	Europe Barra	Europe Barra	Europe Barra		Europe Barra			Europe Barra	Europe Barra	Europe Barra
	Index	Value EUE3SBAS	Value FULTS	EUE3SBAS	Earnings Yield EULTS	EUE3SBAS	Low Leverage EULTS	EUE3SBAS	Low Volatility EULTS	Momentum EUE3SBAS	Momentum EULTS
YTD	-14.3	-15.7	-13.3	-15.3	-14.3	-14.1	-15.6	-9.9	-9.0	-14.9	-14.0
1 Yr	-14.3	-15.6	-13.3	-15.3	-14.2	-14.0	-15.5	-9.9	-9.0	-14.8	-13.9
3 Yr	2.7	3.1	4.2	2.7	2.2	3.2	2.4	2.3	3.3	3.4	3.5
5 Yr	0.0	-0.2	1.1	0.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	1.0	1.2	3.9	3.5
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Gross returns in USD for the period ending 31-Dec-2018

Returns are annualized for periods longer than one year

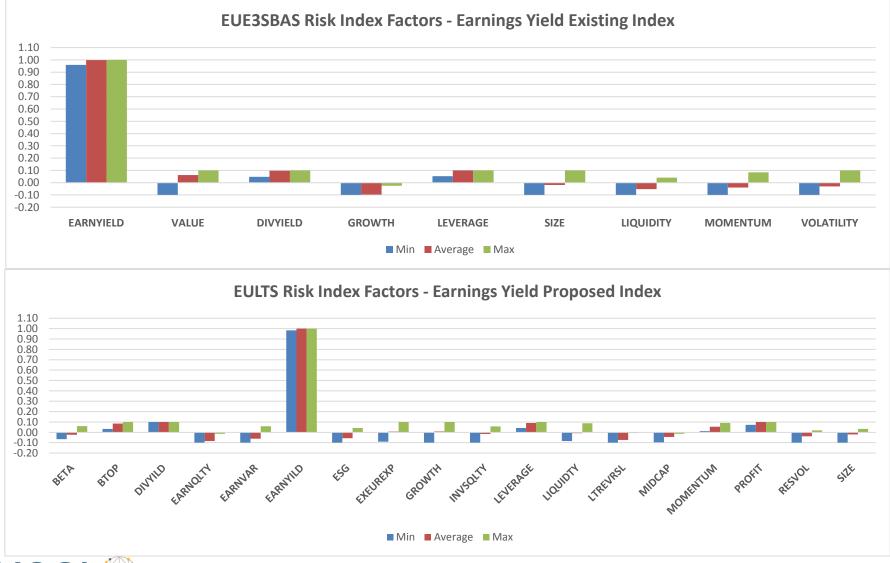


ACTIVE FACTOR EXPOSURES: VALUE EXISTING V/S PROPOSED



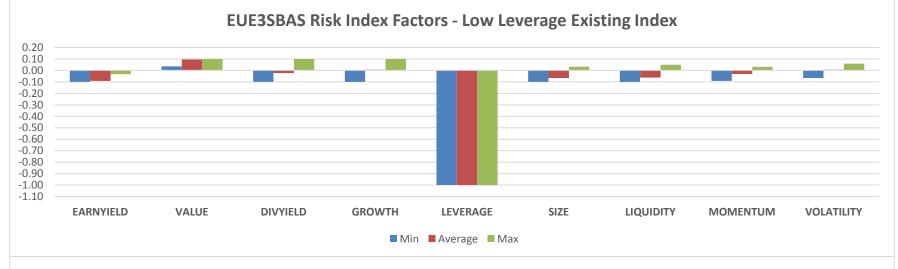


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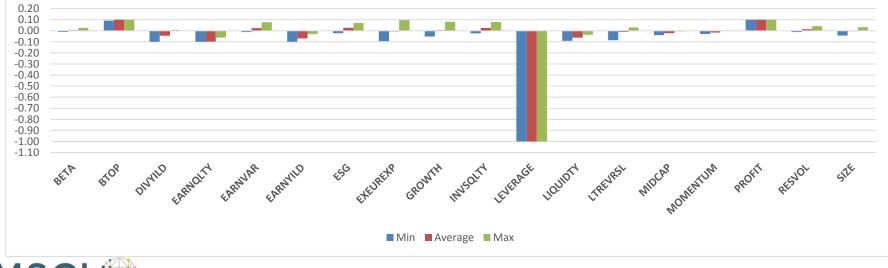




ACTIVE FACTOR EXPOSURES: LOW LEVERAGE - EXISTING V/S PROPOSED

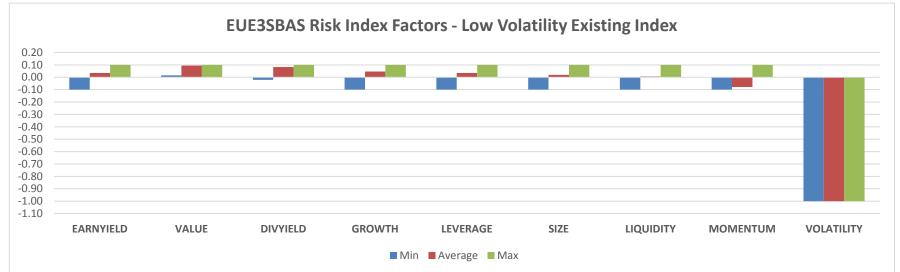


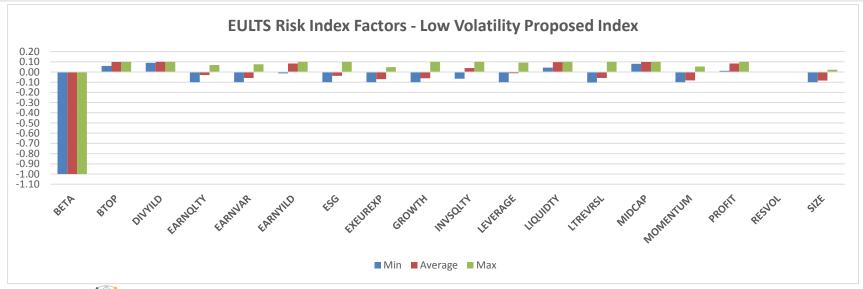
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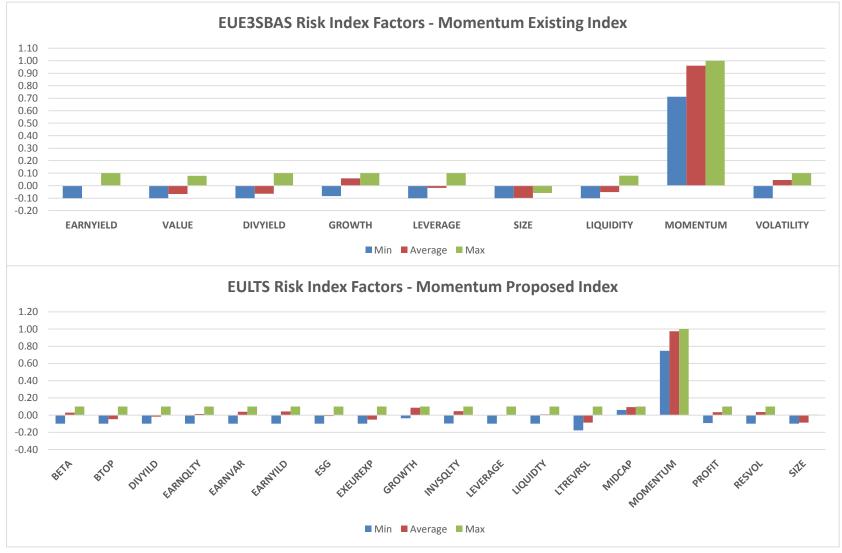
ACTIVE FACTOR EXPOSURES: LOW VOLATILITY - EXISTING V/S PROPOSED







ACTIVE FACTOR EXPOSURES: MOMENTUM - EXISTING V/S PROPOSED





MSCI MARKET-NEUTRAL BARRA FACTOR INDEXES



EXISTING V/S PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

Parameter	MSCI Market Neutral Barra Factor Indexes (Existing)	MSCI Market Neutral Barra Factor Indexes (Proposed)			
Parent Index (Stock Selection Universe)	MSCI Europe	MSCI Europe			
Benchmark/ Reference Index	MSCI Europe	MSCI Europe			
Barra Pure Factor portfolio	Volatility from the EUE3SBAS ModelMomentum from the EUE3SBAS Model	Beta from the EULTS ModelMomentum from the EULTS Model			
Barra Model	EUE3SBAS	EULTS			
Index Type	Market Neutral Barra Factor	Market Neutral Barra Factor			
Optimization Objective	Designed to achieve a high level of exposure to the Target Factor while controlling exposure other factors and minimizing the ex-ante tracking error relative to the corresponding Barra P Factor portfolio.				
Gross Leverage	2 (100% Long and 100% Short)	2 (100% Long and 100% Short)			
Target factor exposure	1 or -1 standard deviation*	1 or -1 standard deviation*			
Non-target style factor exposure	+/- 0.1	+/- 0.1			
Industry factor exposure	+/- 3%	+/- 3%			
Country factor exposure	+/- 3%	+/- 3%			
Max number of stocks	300	300			
Maximum constituent weight	+/- 3%	+/- 3%			
One-way monthly turnover	10% (one-way)	10% (one-way)			
1-month ADV Trade Limit	10%	10%			
Shorting Cost threshold	250bps (buffer-50bps)	250bps (buffer-50bps)			

Proposal – Transition the EUE3-based Market Neutral factor indexes to the EULT model using corresponding model factor definitions

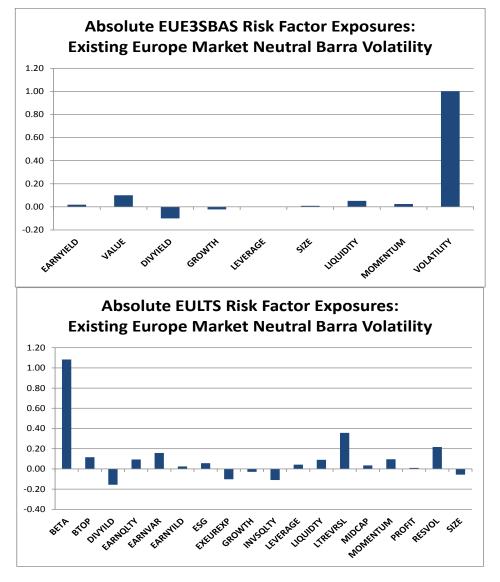
* Target Factor Exposures	(Existing)	(Proposed)		
MSCI Market Neutral Barra Momentum Index	+1 standard deviation of EUE3SBAS Momentum	+1 standard deviation of EULTS Momentum		
MSCI Market Neutral Barra Volatility Index	+1 standard deviation of FLIF3SBAS Volatility	+1 standard deviation of EULTS Beta and EULTS Residual Volatility capped between [0, +1]		

• At each monthly index rebalancing, the Index will have short positions only in securities whose Shorting Cost is below the Shorting Cost Cutoff



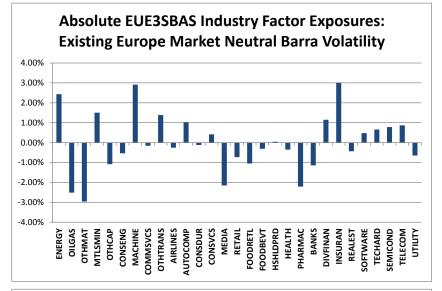
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STYLE FACTOR EXPOSURES OF EXISTING MARKET NEUTRAL INDEX

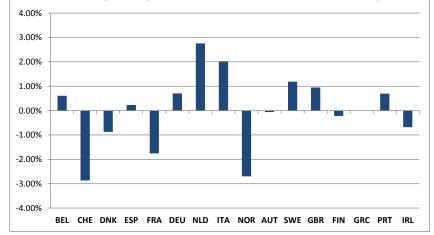




INDUSTRY/COUNTRY FACTOR EXPOSURE OF EXISTING MARKET NEUTRAL INDEX

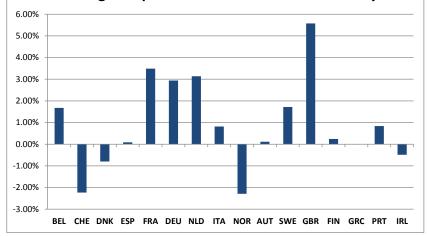


Absolute EUE3SBAS Country Factor Exposures: Existing Europe Market Neutral Barra Volatility



Absolute EULTS Industry Factor Exposures: Existing Europe Market Neutral Barra Volatility 6.00% 5.00% 4.00% 3.00% 2.00% 1.00% 0.00% -1.00% -2.00% -3.00% -4.00% BANKS METALS OILGAS SEMICOND HARDWARE HEALTH INSURAN MACHIN MEDIA AIRLINES AUTOCOMP COMIMISVCS CONSTR CONSDUR FOODPRD CONSVCS HSHLDPRD SOFTWARE CAPGOODS PHARMAC REALEST RETAIL DIVFINAN ENERGY FOODRETI OTHERMAT TELECOM TRANSPRI UTILITY

Absolute EULTS Country Factor Exposures: Existing Europe Market Neutral Barra Volatility



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CHARACTERISTICS OF SIMULATED INDEXES USING EXISTING AND PROPOSED METHODOLOGIES



SIMULATED MARKET NEUTRAL MOMENTUM INDEXES : EXISTING V/S PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

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Key Metrics		(Long)	(Short)	(Long)	(Short)	(Net Long-Short)	(Net Long-Short)	
	MSCI Europe Index	Europe EUE3SBAS MN Momentum Long	Europe EUE3SBAS MN Momentum Short	Europe EULTS MN	Europe EULTS MN Momentum Short	•	Europe EULTS MN Momentum	
Total Return* (%)	4.3	7.7	3.3	7.6	2.9	4.0	4.3	
Total Risk (%)	13.0	13.5	14.2	13.1	14.3	5.4	4.5	
Return/Risk	0.33	0.57	0.23	0.58	0.20	0.73	0.94	
Active Return (%)	0.0	3.3	-1.0	3.3	-1.4	-0.3	-0.04	
Tracking Error (%)	0.0	3.9	3.2	3.1	2.9	14.9	15.0	
Information Ratio	NaN	0.85	-0.32	1.08	-0.49	-0.02	-0.003	
Historical Beta	1.00	1.00	1.07	0.98	1.09	0.02	-0.01	
No of Stocks***	441	137	148	150	148	286	298	
Turnover** (%)	2.4	60.5	67.4	61.2	67.7	122.9	125.3	

Period: 30-Nov-2012 to 31-Dec-2018

* Gross returns annualized in USD

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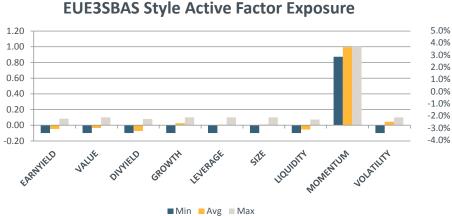
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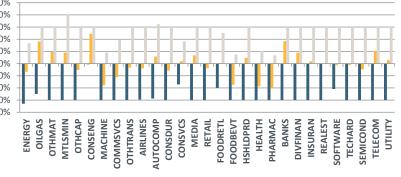
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- The (Short) Index is represented by the absolute security weight of the short positions in the (Net Long-Short) Indexes



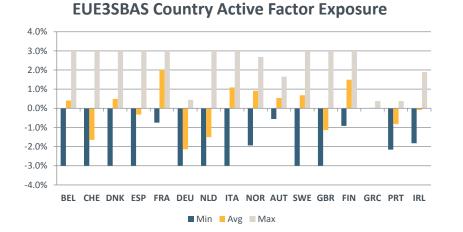
SIMULATED EUROPE MARKET NEUTRAL BARRA **MOMENTUM** INDEX – **EXISTING METHODOLOGY**



EUE3SBAS Industry Active Factor Exposure

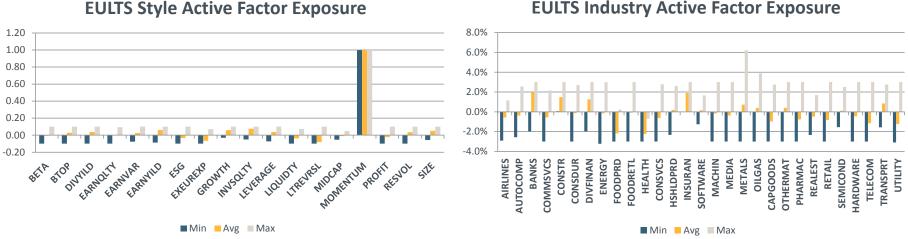


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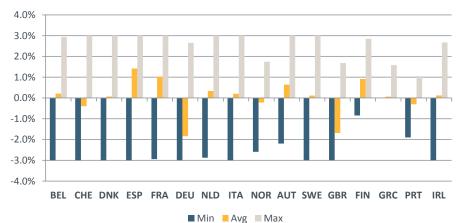




SIMULATED EUROPE MARKET NEUTRAL BARRA **MOMENTUM** INDEX – PROPOSED METHODOLOGY



EULTS Industry Active Factor Exposure



EULTS Country Active Factor Exposure



SIMULATED MARKET NEUTRAL VOLATILITY INDEXES : EXISTING V/S PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

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Key Metrics		(Long)	(Short)	(Long)	(Short)	(Net Long-Short)	(Net Long-Short)
	MSCI Europe Index	Europe EUE3SBAS MN Vol Long	Europe EUE3SBAS MN Vol Short		Europe EULTS MN Vol Short	Europe EUE3SBAS MN Volatility	Europe EULTS MN Volatility
Total Return* (%)	4.3	6.8	6.8	5.4	5.3	0.3	0.3
Total Risk (%)	13.0	14.8	12.3	14.5	12.6	4.2	3.6
Return/Risk	0.33	0.46	0.55	0.38	0.42	0.06	0.08
Active Return (%)	0.0	2.5	2.5	1.1	1.0	-4.1	-4.0
Tracking Error (%)	0.0	3.7	2.3	2.9	2.1	11.3	11.6
Information Ratio	NaN	0.68	1.06	0.38	0.50	-0.36	-0.35
Historical Beta	1.00	1.11	0.94	1.09	0.96	0.21	0.18
No of Stocks***	441	155	144	149	150	299	299
Turnover** (%)	2.4	62.4	65.5	60.7	69.4	124.2	128.2

Period: 30-Nov-2012 to 31-Dec-2018

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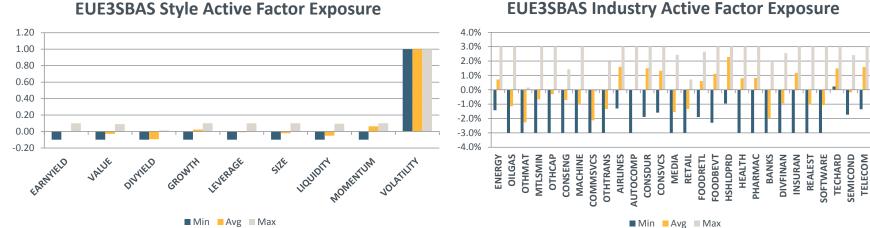
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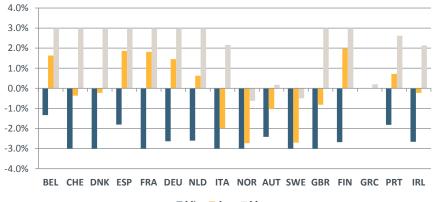
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SIMULATED EUROPE MARKET NEUTRAL BARRA VOLATILITY INDEX – EXISTING METHODOLOGY



EUE3SBAS Industry Active Factor Exposure



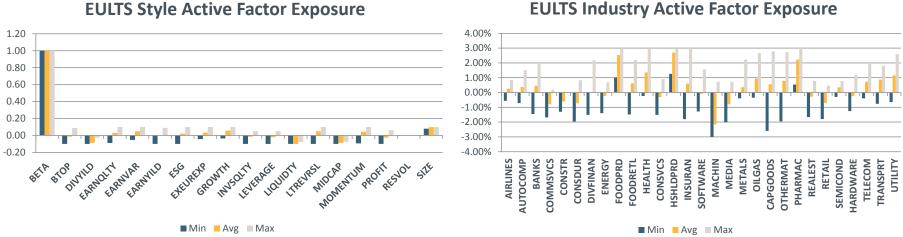
EUE3SBAS Country Active Factor Exposure

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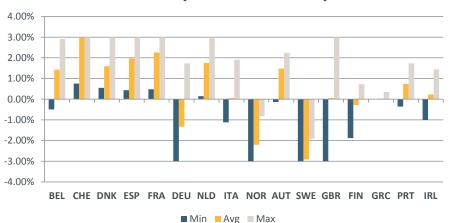


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SIMULATED EUROPE MARKET NEUTRAL BARRA VOLATILITY INDEX -PROPOSED METHODOLOGY



EULTS Style Active Factor Exposure



EULTS Country Active Factor Exposure



(Period: 30-Nov-2012 to 31-Dec-2018)

MSCI LONG-ONLY BARRA FACTOR INDEXES



EXISTING V/S PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

Parameter	MSCI Long-only Barra Factor Indexes (Existing)	MSCI Long-only Barra Factor Indexes (Proposed)	
Parent Index (Stock Selection Universe)	MSCI Europe	MSCI Europe	
Benchmark/ Reference Index	MSCI Europe	MSCI Europe	
Barra Model	EUE3SBAS	EULTS	
Index Type	Long-Only	Long-Only	
Optimization Objective	Designed to maximize exposure to the Target Factor while controlling exposure to other factors and minimizing the ex-ante tracking error relative to the Benchmark Index (MSCI Europe).		
Gross Leverage	Long-Only	Long-Only	
Target factor exposure	Unconstrained*	Unconstrained*	
Non-target style factor exposure	+/- 0.25	+/- 0.25	
Industry factor exposure	+/- 5%	+/- 5%	
Country factor exposure	+/- 5%	+/- 5%	
Max number of stocks	200	200	
Maximum constituent weight	+/- 2%	+/- 2%	
One-way monthly turnover	5% (one-way)	5% (one-way)	
1-month ADV Trade Limit	10%	10%	

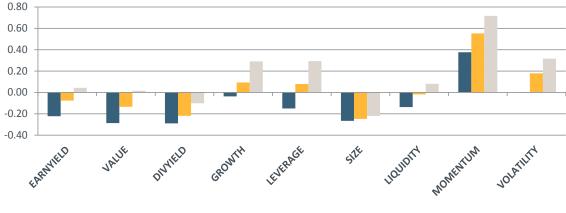
Proposal – Transition the EUE3-based Long-only factor indexes to the EULT model using corresponding model factor definitions

* Target Factor Exposures	(Existing)	(Proposed)
MSCI Europe Value Tilt Index	High exposure to the EUE3SBAS Value factor	High exposure to the EULTS Book To Price factor
MSCI Europe Momentum Tilt Index	High exposure to the EUE3SBAS Momentum factor	High exposure to the EULTS Momentum factor



 At each monthly rebalancing, the weight of each Index constituent will not change more than a predefined Trade Limit linked to the stock's Average Daily Traded Value

MSCI EUROPE BARRA MOMENTUM TILT INDEX



EUE3SBAS Style Active Factor Exposure

Min Avg Max

EULTS Style Active Factor Exposure

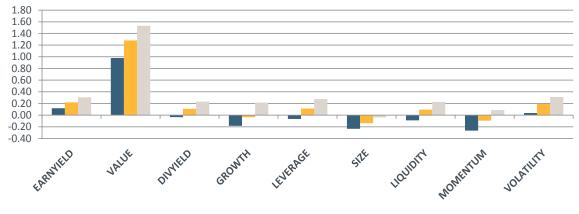


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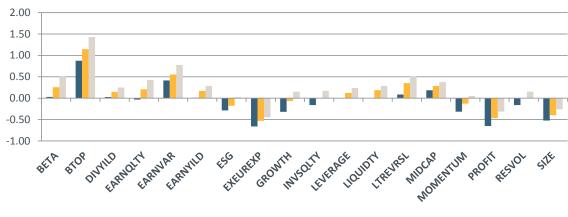
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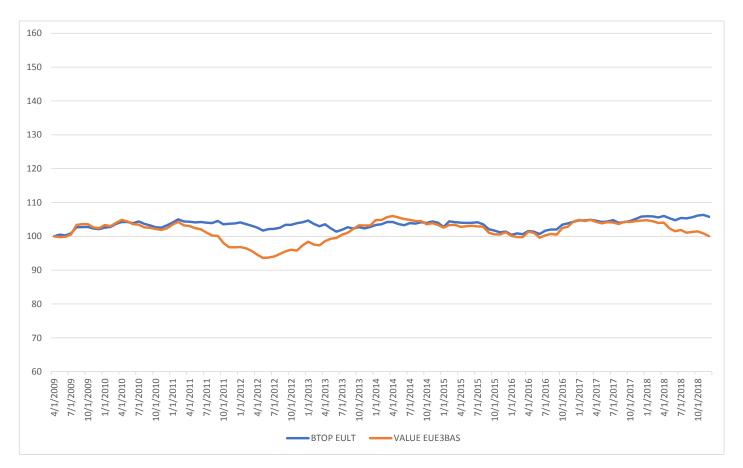
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 - MSCI Long-Short Barra Factor Indexes
 - MSCI Market Neutral Barra Factor Indexes
 - MSCI Long-only Barra Factor Indexes
- Do you agree with the mapping of target factors in the proposal for the:
 - MSCI Long-Short Barra Factor Indexes
 - MSCI Market Neutral Barra Factor Indexes
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- Do you agree with the mapping of constraints for the:
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- Do you agree that the turnover allowed by the optimisation at transition should be as proposed?



APPENDIX 1: LEVELS BASED ON MODEL FACTOR RETURNS



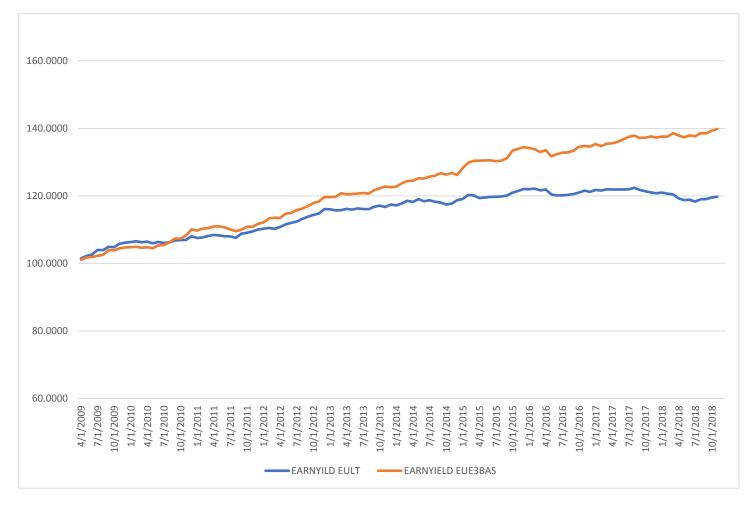
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VALUE	0.72441961	1



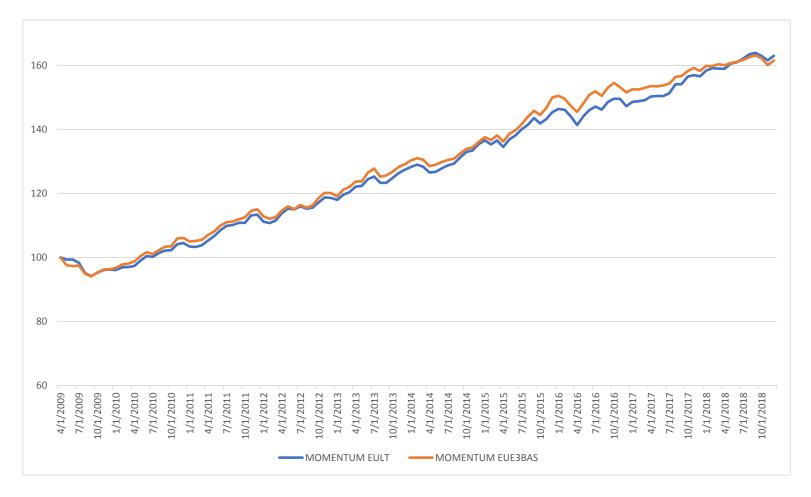
LEVELS: EARNINGS YIELD





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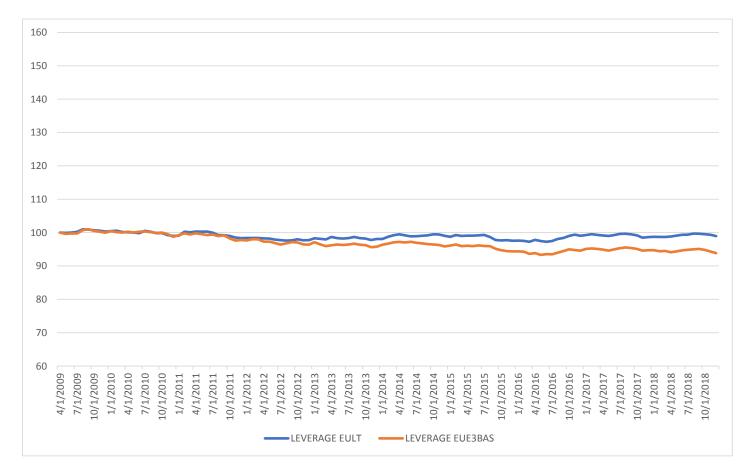
LEVELS: MOMENTUM



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MOMENTUM EUE3BAS	0.932489859	1



LEVELS: LEVERAGE



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LEVERAGE EUE3BAS	0.650557949	1



LEVELS: VOLATILITY



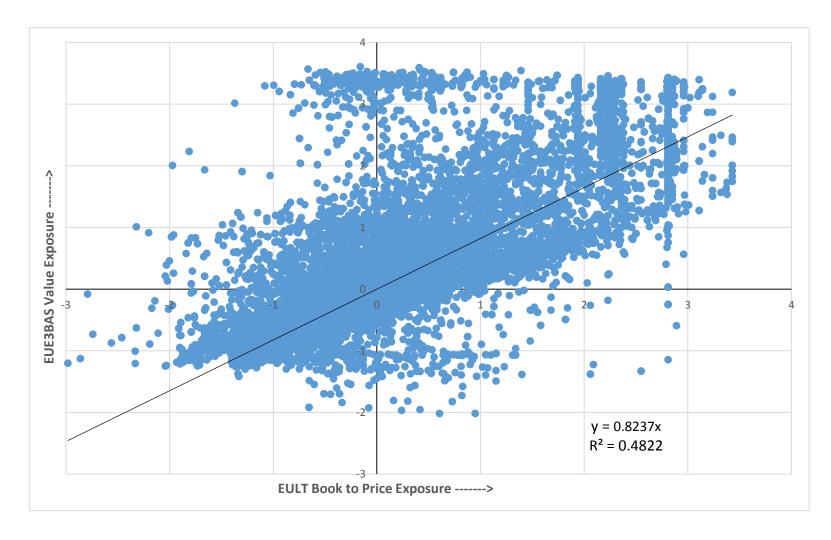
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BETA EULT	0.912648913	1	
RESVOL EULT	0.55181514	0.363109229	1



APPENDIX 2: FACTOR EXPOSURE CORRELATION (AS OF MAY 2018)



VALUE FACTOR EXPOSURE



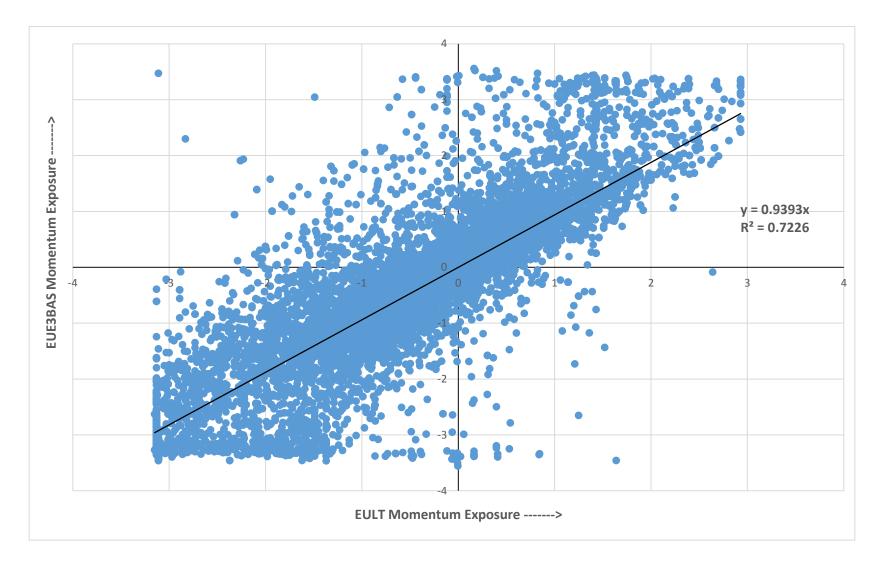


EARNINGS YIELD FACTOR EXPOSURE



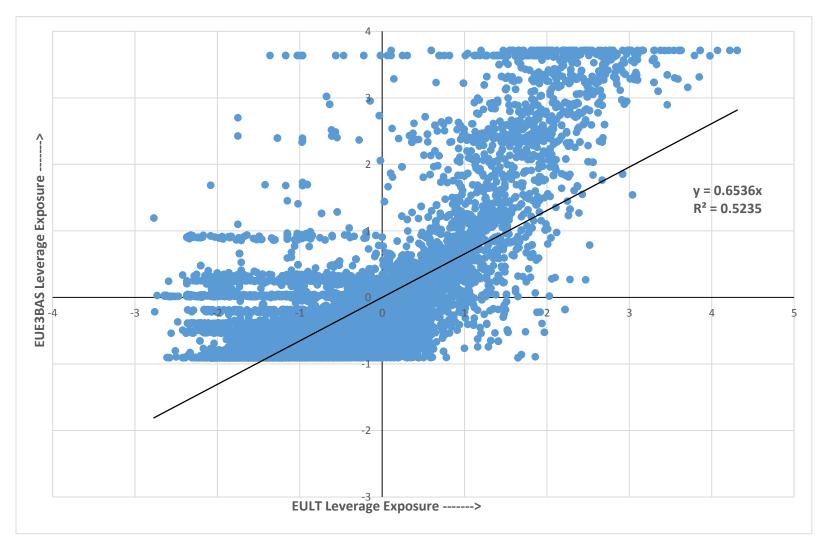


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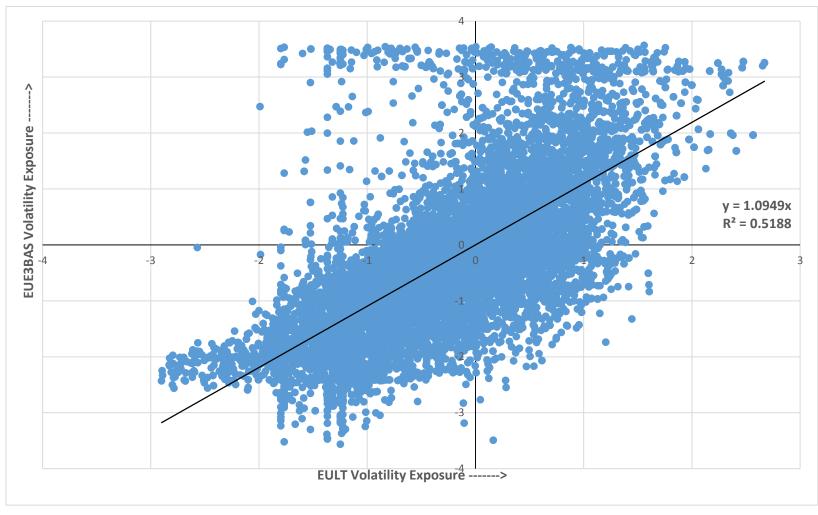


LEVERAGE FACTOR EXPOSURE





VOLATILITY FACTOR EXPOSURE



• EULT Volatility represented as 0.5* EULT BETA + 0.5* EULT Residual Volatility



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