

S&P DOW JONES INDICES AND MSCI ANNOUNCE GLOBAL INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION STANDARD (GICS®) ADVISORY PANEL IN 2020

NEW YORK, OCTOBER 30, 2019 - S&P Dow Jones Indices, a leading provider of financial market indices, and MSCI Inc., a leading provider of critical decision support tools and services for the global investment community, announced today that they will be hosting a GICS Advisory Panel in the first quarter of 2020 to discuss potential consultation topics affecting the GICS structure.

In advance of the panel, a survey is being launched to solicit client feedback on potential GICS consultation topics such as the classification of companies operating in the Renewable Energy, Cannabis and Retailing industries. To participate in the survey, please click [here](#). The survey will be open until January 17th, 2020.

For more information regarding GICS, please visit S&P Dow Jones Indices' web site at www.spdji.com and MSCI's web site at www.msci.com.

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