MSCI ESG Governance Metrics provides institutional investors with corporate governance research and data on over 7,000 public companies worldwide.

**KEY FEATURES AND BENEFITS**

**Comprehensive Methodology**
The MSCI ESG Governance Metrics assessment model is based on 96 unique metrics organized into four individual scoring pillars, designed to provide consistency, transparency and structural integrity.

**Unique Insights**
MSCI’s governance analysis looks beyond governance structures to evaluate regional context, interaction between metrics, and patterns of corporate behavior, emphasizing behavior over policy.

**Broad Coverage**
Corporate governance scores (1-10) and percentile rankings cover over 7,000 global companies. Additional bespoke coverage beyond the standard coverage universe is available upon request.

**Accounting Risk Metrics**
The accounting pillar evaluates corporate transparency and the reliability of reported financials as an aspect of corporate governance, based on quantitative analysis of approximately 60 underlying forensic accounting ratios.

**Support Engagement Activities**
Leverage in-depth company profile reports, rankings and underlying governance and accounting metrics to identify governance weaknesses, understand company dynamics and to support an engagement strategy.

**Create Watchlists and Alert Flags**
Portfolio risk assessment tools enable clients to create weighted watchlists to monitor portfolios and receive alerts with rankings changes, news and updates.

**Historical U.S. Governance Analysis**
Historical U.S. governance data, including management and shareholder proposals and annual meeting results dating back 14 years, are available for in-depth trend analysis.

**NEW FEATURES**

- **Redesigned Report** makes it easier to see the issues most relevant to each company, including how they change over time.
- **More Graphics** to make it easier to spot important information at a glance.
- **Adaptable Format** to highlight regional differences in countries like France, Germany and Japan.
THE MSCI ESG GOVERNANCE METRICS MODEL IS ORGANIZED INTO FOUR SCORING PILLARS:

- **Board**
  - Is there misalignment between managers and shareholders?

- **Pay**
  - Are the right compensation incentives in place for executives?

- **Ownership and Control**
  - Is there a controlling shareholder or unusual voting rights?

- **Accounting**
  - Do the company’s financial statements properly reflect the state of the business?

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The MSCI ESG Governance Metrics model emphasizes behavior over policy in evaluating key material governance issues at global public companies.

1. Gather key governance data and company events
2. Continuously monitor events and controversies throughout the year
3. Evaluate performance against 96 key governance and accounting metrics
4. Translate metrics into pillar scores and assessments
5. Calculate overall rank and score and provide in-depth supporting analysis

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