CONSULTATION ON POTENTIAL CHANGES TO MSCI ESG INDEXES METHODOLOGIES

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SUMMARY

- Following proposed changes to MSCI ESG Impact Monitor, MSCI is proposing to adapt the following MSCI ESG Indexes methodologies to ensure that the index methodology remains consistent with the current index objectives
 - MSCI Global Sustainability Indexes
 - MSCI Global Socially Responsible Indexes (MSCI SRI Indexes)
 - MSCI KLD 400 Social Index
 - MSCI USA Catholic Values Index
 - MSCI USA ESG Select Index
 - MSCI ACWI Sustainable Impact Index
- Highlights of proposed changes

Proposed Impact Monitor Change	Proposed Index Methodology Change				
Change in scoring model and introduction of Orange flag	Adjust Impact Monitor Threshold used for index eligibility				
Removal of Business Involvement Screening from Impact Monitor	Introduce Business Involvement Screening in index methodology				

- MSCI is proposing to implement these changes at the May 2016 Index Review, subject to the implementation timeline of the proposed Impact Monitor changes
- Additionally, MSCI is also soliciting feedback on the construction methodology for the country and regional MSCI Global Sustainability Indexes and MSCI Global Socially Responsible Indexes





Changes to Impact Monitor

Proposed index methodology changes following Impact Monitor changes

Alternate approaches to MSCI ESG/SRI index construction



CHANGES TO IMPACT MONITOR

A summary of changes to Impact Monitor Methodology



SUMMARY OF CHANGES

- Changes in scoring model
 - Case level scoring introduced
 - 1 point deducted for a pattern of controversies in the same KPI
 - Introduction of Orange Flag (Impact Monitor (IM) Score = 1)
 - Red Flag (Previously IM Score = 0/1, Proposed IM Score = 0) reserved for only worst of the worst controversies
- Separation of Business Involvement Screening from Impact Monitor
 - Companies which derive significant proportion of their revenues from activities with negative social/environmental impact had a ceiling on their IM Score
 - The proposed change removes the impact of Controversial Business Involvement (CBI) on the IM Score, so that the IM Score reflects only eventsbased controversies

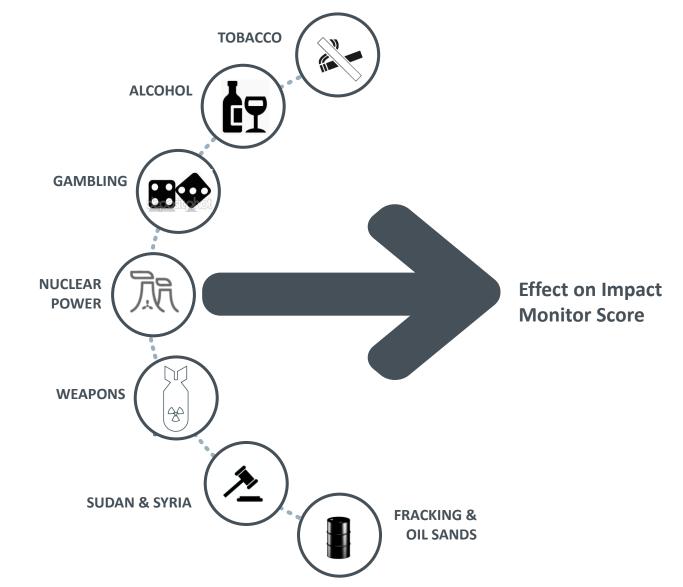


PROPOSED SCORE RANGE OVERVIEW

CURRENT SCORES	CURRENT FLAGS	PROPOSED SCORES	PROPOSED FLAGS	
0	RED	0	RED	
1	RED	1	ORANGE	
2	YELLOW	2	YELLOW	
3	YELLOW	3	YELLOW	
4	YELLOW	4	YELLOW	
5	GREEN	5	GREEN	
6	N/A	6	GREEN	
7	GREEN	7	GREEN	
8	GREEN	8	GREEN	
9	N/A	9	GREEN	
10	GREEN	10	GREEN	



WHICH CBIS ARE CURRENTLY INCORPORATED IN IMPACT MONITOR, AND HOW?



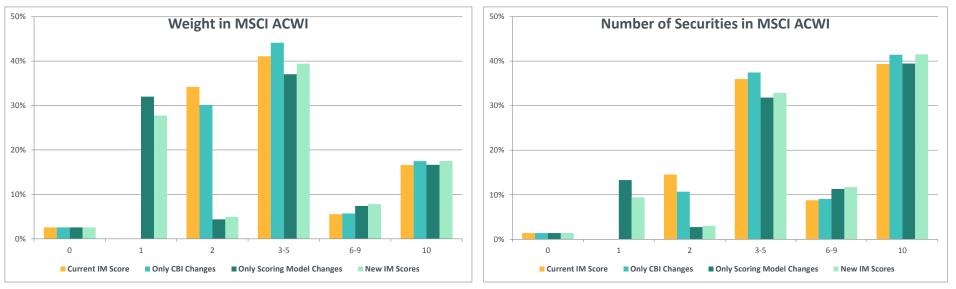


CONTROVERSIAL BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT SUMMARY

Activity	CBI Screen
Alcohol	Producer + (Alcohol Revenue > 1 billion USD OR Alcohol Revenue % > 50%)
Торассо	Producer
Gambling	Gambling Operations/ Gambling Support AND (Gambling Revenue > 1 billion USD or Gambling Revenue % > 50%)
Nuclear Power	Installed Capacity > 3000 MW OR Percent Capacity Nuclear > 50% OR Nuclear Fuel Enrichment OR Nuclear Uranium Mining OR Nuclear Reactor Design
Syria/Sudan	Involvement in Syria/Sudan
Weapons	Producer + (Revenue > 1 billion USD OR Revenue % > 50%)
Controversial Weapons	Landmine/ Cluster Bomb/ Depleted Uranium/ Nuclear Weapon Systems or Components/ Bio- Chemical Weapons Systems or Components
Oil Sands	Energy Intensity of Oil Sands Processing



ANTICIPATED IM SCORE DISTRIBUTION – MSCI ACWI INDEX



Data as of January 18, 2016

- Post the removal of CBI, 93 securities with a total weight weight of 3.7% in MSCI ACWI Index will move from Impact Monitor Score of 2 to higher
- Post the scoring model changes, **708** securities with a total weight of **48.8%** in MSCI ACWI Index will have an IM Score change, with 422 securities having 1 point downgrade
- 234 securities with a total weight of 27.7% in MSCI ACWI will have Impact Monitor Score of 1 (Orange Flag)



ESTIMATED IM SCORE TRANSITION

	IM Score Transition - Weight in MSCI ACWI Index											
						New	IM Scores					
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	0	2.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
6	2	0.0%	27.7%	2.8%	0.5%	1.0%	1.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%
Scores	3	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sco	4	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5.4%	15.8%	4.7%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Σ	5	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	9.7%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
pio	6	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Ŭ	7	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	1.2%	0.1%	0.0%
	8	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	1.7%	0.0%
	9	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	10	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	16.6%
		Total Weight	t (Upgrades)			14%						
		Total Weight	t (Downgrades	s)		35%						
		Total Weight	t (No Change)			51%						

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IM Score Transition - Number of Securities in MSCI ACWI Index

						New	/ IM Scores					
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	0	234	37	6	13	27	3	0	2	2	38
Scores	3	0	0	39	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SC	4	0	0	0	50	267	108	6	1	1	1	13
Σ	5	0	0	0	0	1	330	59	1	0	0	2
pio	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ŭ	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	43	5	1
	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	81	76	1
	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	979
		Number of S	ecurities (Upg	rades)		409						
		Number of S	ecurities (Dow	ngrades)		324						
		Number of S	ecurities (No C	Change)		1,756						



LARGEST SECURITIES WITH LIKELY IM CHANGE

Security Name	Weight in MSCI ACWI Index	Current IM Score	New IM Score
APPLE	1.71%	2	1
EXXON MOBIL CORP	1.00%	2	1
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO	0.83%	2	1
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	0.83%	2	1
WELLS FARGO & CO	0.73%	2	1
AMAZON.COM	0.70%	3	2
NESTLE	0.68%	2	1
ALPHABET C	0.66%	2	1
JPMORGAN CHASE & CO	0.65%	2	1
ALPHABET A	0.63%	2	1
FACEBOOK A	0.63%	4	3
PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	0.63%	4	3
PFIZER	0.59%	2	1
NOVARTIS	0.56%	2	1
ROCHE HOLDING GENUSS	0.55%	2	1
COCA COLA (THE)	0.53%	4	3
TOYOTA MOTOR CORP	0.48%	2	1
HOME DEPOT	0.47%	2	1
BANK OF AMERICA CORP	0.47%	2	1
DISNEY (WALT)	0.46%	4	5
MERCK & CO	0.44%	2	1
HSBC HOLDINGS (GB)	0.41%	2	1
COMCAST CORP A (NEW)	0.41%	4	3
PHILIP MORRIS INTL	0.41%	2	1
CITIGROUP	0.39%	2	1



Data as of January 18, 2016

LARGEST SECURITIES WITH IM SCORE = 2 BECAUSE OF CBI

Security Name	Weight in MSCI ACWI Index	Current IM Score	New IM Score	СВІ
ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV	0.29%	2	4	Alcohol
BOEING CO	0.25%	2	3	Weapons
SCHLUMBERGER	0.25%	2	5	Oil Sands & Fracking
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	0.22%	2	4	Weapons
DIAGEO	0.20%	2	2	Alcohol
SABMILLER	0.18%	2	5	Alcohol
NEXTERA ENERGY	0.15%	2	5	Nuclear Power
LVMH MOET HENNESSY	0.13%	2	5	Alcohol
RAYTHEON	0.11%	2	5	Weapons
AIRBUS GROUP	0.11%	2	4	Weapons
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP	0.11%	2	6	Weapons
NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP	0.10%	2	5	Weapons
FIN RICHEMONT NAMEN A	0.10%	2	10	Weapons
PRECISION CASTPARTS CORP	0.10%	2	6	Weapons
SUNCOR ENERGY	0.09%	2	4	Oil Sands & Fracking
HALLIBURTON CO	0.08%	2	2	Oil Sands & Fracking
HITACHI	0.08%	2	3	Nuclear Power
CONSTELLATION BRANDS A	0.08%	2	10	Alcohol
EXELON CORP	0.07%	2	4	Nuclear Power
BAE SYSTEMS	0.07%	2	3	Weapons
EATON CORP PLC	0.07%	2	5	Weapons
PERNOD RICARD	0.07%	2	10	Alcohol
AMBEV ON (NEW)	0.06%	2	5	Alcohol
HEINEKEN NV	0.06%	2	4	Alcohol
E. ON	0.06%	2	5	Nuclear Power



PROPOSED CHANGES TO METHODOLOGY

MSCI Global Sustainability Indexes



PROPOSED INDEX METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Parameters	Current Index Methodology	Proposed Index Methodology						
Index Objective	 Designed to provide exposure to companies with high Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance Avoiding exposure to companies involved in serious controversies pertaining to ESG impact of their operations, services or products Avoiding exposure to companies which have significant involvement in activities which have negative social or environmental impact. E.g. Gambling, Tobacco, Alcohol, Nuclear Power 							
Parent Index	MSCI Regional indexes making up MSCI World Index and M	ISCI Emerging Markets Index						
ESG Rating Eligibility	• Non-Constituents: ESG Rating > B • Constituents: ESG Rating > CCC							
IM Score Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 1 (Red Flag = IM Score 0/1 under the current ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 0 (Red Flag = IM Score 0 under the proposed ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 						
Business Screening	• None	 Controversial Business Involvement criteria that are currently incorporated in the MSCI ESG Impact Monitor Score 						
Inclusion Criteria	 Include highest-rated companies making up 50% of the fr of the underlying regional parent index, subject to ESG Ra 							
Index Reviews	Annual: May Quarterly: August, November and February							



Simulation #	IM Score	Explicit CBI Screening	Deletion criteria for existing constituents	Rationale
1 (Base Case – Current)	Old IM	No	(0,1)	Base case to compare against
2 (New IM Score)	New IM	lew IM No (0,1)		No change in index methodology
3 (New IM Score + Explicit CBI)	New IM	Exclude Companies with CBI	(0,1)	New IM Score & screening of companies with CBI
4 (Proposed – (New IM Score + CBI + New Deletion Criteria to account for Orange Flag)	New IM	Exclude Companies with CBI	0	Only Red Flagged securities and companies with controversial businesses ineligible



Simulation	Number of Constituents	Eligible Securities	Deletions from Current Index	Additions to Current Index	In Base Case but not in Simulation	Not in Base Case but in Simulation	Turnover from Current Index	Active Share from Base Case	Weighted Average IVA Score
Current Index	1190								6.11
Case 1 (Base Case)	1209	1780	49	68			6.0%		6.28
Case 2	1330	1747	102	242	94	215	21.5%	17.5%	6.19
Case 3	1325	1678	104	239	88	204	21.6%	16.3%	6.10
Case 4 (Proposed)	1216	1758	56	82	14	21	7.1%	1.4%	6.27

Annual Index Reconstitution

Data as of January 18, 2016

Average annual turnover over past 3 annual index reviews: 6.8%

- If there is no change to the index methodology to account for the Impact Monitor Changes (Case 2 and 3), there will be a significant change in index constitution
- Case 4 (proposed methodology) results in similar results as the existing methodology



LARGEST CHANGES FOR EXISTING CONSTITUENTS USING PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

Security	Current Weight	ESG Rating	Current IM Score	New IM Score	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	1.7%	BBB	2	1	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%
ALPHABET C	1.3%	BBB	2	1	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%
ALPHABET A	1.3%	BBB	2	1	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%
NOVARTIS	1.1%	BBB	2	1	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%
ROCHE HOLDING GENUSS	1.1%	А	2	1	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.1%
MERCK & CO	0.9%	А	2	1	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%
HSBC HOLDINGS (GB)	0.8%	В	2	1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
MCDONALD'S CORP	0.7%	BB	2	1	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO	0.6%	BBB	2	1	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%
GLAXOSMITHKLINE	0.6%	BBB	2	1	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUS	0.6%	А	2	1	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%
MASTERCARD A	0.5%	BBB	4	4	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0%
VODAFONE GROUP	0.5%	AAA	2	1	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%
NIKE B	0.5%	AA	2	1	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%
QUALCOMM	0.4%	В	4	3	0.0%	0.5%	0.5%	0.0%
WESTPAC BANKING	0.4%	AA	2	1	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
ROYAL BANK OF CANADA	0.4%	А	2	1	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
UNILEVER NV (NL) CERT	0.4%	А	2	1	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
CHINA MOBILE	0.4%	BB	2	1	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
TORONTO-DOMINION BANK	0.4%	AA	2	1	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
BASF	0.4%	AA	2	1	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
DANAHER CORP	0.3%	BB	10	10	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%
UNILEVER PLC (GB)	0.3%	А	2	1	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%
DUKE ENERGY CORP	0.3%	BB	2	1	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
ANZ BANKING GROUP	0.3%	AA	2	1	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%

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LARGEST CHANGES FOR NON-CURRENT CONSTITUENTS

Security	ACWI Weight	ESG Rating	Current IM Score	New IM Score	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4
ABBVIE	0.3%	BB	4	3	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0%
ANHEUSER-BUSCH INBEV	0.3%	AA	2	4	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%
BOEING CO	0.3%	А	2	3	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%
SCHLUMBERGER	0.2%	BBB	2	5	0.0%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	0.2%	А	2	4	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%
SABMILLER	0.2%	AAA	2	5	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
EXPRESS SCRIPTS	0.2%	BB	4	5	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%
TELEFONICA	0.1%	А	4	4	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%
DOMINION RESOURCES	0.1%	BBB	4	4	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%
MCKESSON CORP	0.1%	BB	4	5	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%
RAYTHEON	0.1%	А	2	5	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
SHIRE	0.1%	BBB	5	5	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
ABB LTD	0.1%	А	4	4	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
FIN RICHEMONT NAMEN A	0.1%	А	2	10	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
21ST CENTURY FOX A	0.1%	BB	4	4	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
HITACHI	0.1%	А	2	3	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
MANULIFE FINANCIAL CORP	0.1%	BBB	10	10	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
MITSUBISHI ESTATE CO	0.1%	BBB	10	10	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
BROOKFIELD ASSET MAN A	0.1%	А	5	5	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%
EXELON CORP	0.1%	AA	2	4	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
TOKIO MARINE HOLDINGS	0.1%	А	8	9	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%

Data as of January 18, 2016



PROPOSED CHANGES TO METHODOLOGY

MSCI Global Socially Responsible Indexes



PROPOSED INDEX METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Parameters	Current Index Methodology	Proposed Index Methodology				
Index Objective	 Designed to provide exposure to companies which meet stringent best-in-class criteria for managing their ESG risks and opportunities Avoiding exposure to companies involved in serious controversies pertaining to ESG impact of their operations, services or products Values driven investing therefore lower tolerance to companies that sell product which have high negative social impact, ignore human rights standards in their product supply chain 					
Parent Index	MSCI Regional indexes making up MSCI World Index and MS	SCI Emerging Markets Index				
ESG Rating Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: ESG Rating > BBB Constituents: ESG Rating > B 					
IM Score Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 3 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 1 (Red Flag = IM Score 0/1 under the current ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 3 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 0 (Red Flag = IM Score 0 under the proposed ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 				
Business Screening	Values Based Exclusion Criteria	 Values Bases Exclusion Criteria Controversial Business Involvement criteria that are currently incorporated in the MSCI ESG Impact Monitor Score 				
Inclusion Criteria	 Include highest-rated companies making up 25% of the free float adjusted market capitalization in each GICS sector of the underlying regional parent index, subject to ESG Rating and Impact Monitor and Value Based Exclusion eligibility criteria 					
Index Reviews	Annual: May Quarterly: August, November and February					



SIMULATION ANALYSIS BASED ON DIFFERENT APPROACHES

Simulation #	IM Score	Explicit CBI Screening	Deletion criteria for existing constituents	Rationale
1 (Base Case – Current)	Old IM	No	(0,1)	Base case to compare against
2 (New IM Score)	New IM	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology
3 (New IM Score + Explicit CBI)	New IM	Exclude Companies with CBI	(0,1)	New IM Score & screening of companies with CBI
4 (Proposed – (New IM Score + CBI + New Deletion Criteria to account for Orange Flag)	New IM	Exclude Companies with CBI	0	Only Red Flagged securities and companies with controversial businesses ineligible



SIMULATION RESULTS

Simulation	Number of Constituents	Eligible Securities	Deletions from Current Index	Additions to Current Index	In Base Case but not in Simulation	Not in Base Case but in Simulation	Turnover from Current Index	Active Share from Base Case	Weighted Average IVA Score
Current Index	589								7.17
Case 1 (Base Case)	580	843	32	23			4.7%		7.26
Case 2	594	806	54	59	30	44	15.7%	8.3%	7.28
Case 3	594	806	54	59	30	44	15.7%	8.3%	7.28
Case 4 (Proposed)	580	837	32	23	0	0	4.7%	0.0%	7.26

Annual Index Reconstitution

Data as of January 18, 2016

Average turnover over past 2 Annual Index Reviews – 9.9%

- If there is no change to the index methodology to account for the Impact Monitor Changes (Case 2 and 3), there will be a significant change in index constitution
- Case 4 (proposed methodology) results in same results as the existing methodology



CURRENT AND PROPOSED BUSINESS SCREENING

Activity	SRI Values Based Exclusion Screen	CBI Screen	Proposed Screen
Alcohol	Producer + (Alcohol Revenue > 500 million USD OR Alcohol Revenue % > 5%)	Producer + (Alcohol Revenue > 1 billion USD OR Alcohol Revenue % > 50%)	Producer + (Alcohol Revenue > 500 million USD OR Alcohol Revenue % > 5%)
Tobacco	Producer OR ((Distributor OR Retailer OR Supplier) AND Tobacco Revenue % > 15%))	Producer	Producer OR ((Distributor OR Retailer OR Supplier) AND Tobacco Revenue % > 15%))
Gambling	Gambling Operations/ Gambling Support AND (Gambling Revenue > 500 million USD or Gambling Revenue % > 5%)	Gambling Operations/ Gambling Support AND (Gambling Revenue > 1 billion USD or Gambling Revenue % > 50%)	Gambling Operations/ Gambling Support AND (Gambling Revenue > 500 million USD or Gambling Revenue % > 5%)
Nuclear Power	Nuclear Utility/ Nuclear Fuel Enrichment/ Nuclear Reactor Design/ Nuclear Uranium Mine/ (Nuclear Supplier AND Nuclear Revenue % > 15%)	Installed Capacity > 3000 MW OR Percent Capacity Nuclear > 50% OR Nuclear Fuel Enrichment OR Nuclear Uranium Mining OR Nuclear Reactor Design	Nuclear Utility/ Nuclear Fuel Enrichment/ Nuclear Reactor Design/ Nuclear Uranium Mine/ (Nuclear Supplier AND Nuclear Revenue % > 15%)
Adult Entertainment (AE)	Producer + (AE Revenue > 500 million USD OR AE Revenue % > 5%)	None	Producer + (AE Revenue > 500 million USD OR AE Revenue % > 5%)
GMO	Involvement in GMO and earning any revenue from it	None	Involvement in GMO and earning any revenue from it
Syria/Sudan	None	Involvement in Syria/Sudan	Involvement in Syria/Sudan
Weapons	Weapons Revenue % > 5% OR Weapons Revenue > 500 million USD	Producer + (Revenue > 1 billion USD OR Revenue % > 50%)	Weapons Revenue % > 5% OR Weapons Revenue > 500 million USD
Controversial Weapons	Landmine/ Cluster Bomb/ Depleted Uranium/ Nuclear Weapon Systems or Components/ Bio-Chemical Weapons Systems or Components	Landmine/ Cluster Bomb/ Depleted Uranium/ Nuclear Weapon Systems or Components/ Bio-Chemical Weapons Systems or Components	Landmine/ Cluster Bomb/ Depleted Uranium/ Nuclear Weapon Systems or Components/ Bio-Chemical Weapons Systems or Components
Oil Sands	None	Energy Intensity of Oil Sands Processing	Energy Intensity of Oil Sands Processing

• 2 new screens to be added to MSCI SRI Indexes. For other activities, SRI Index screens are more restrictive than CBI Screen



PROPOSED CHANGES TO METHODOLOGY

MSCI KLD 400 Social Index



PROPOSED INDEX METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Parameters	Current Index Methodology	Proposed Index Methodology				
Index Objective	 Designed to provide exposure to 400 U.S. companies that have positive Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) characteristics Avoiding exposure to companies involved in serious controversies pertaining to ESG impact of their operations, services or products Avoiding exposure to companies which have significant involvement in activities which have negative social or environmental impact. E.g. Gambling, Tobacco, Alcohol, Nuclear Power 					
Parent Index	• MSCI USA IMI Index					
ESG Rating Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: ESG Rating > BB Constituents: ESG Rating > B 					
IM Score Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 1 (Red Flag = IM Score 0/1 under the current ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 0 (Red Flag = IM Score 0 under the proposed ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 				
Business Screening	Values Based Exclusion Criteria	 Values Based Exclusion Criteria Controversial Business Involvement criteria that are currently incorporated in the MSCI ESG Impact Monitor Score 				
Inclusion Criteria	 Target relative sector weights of +/- 25% with respect to MSCI USA to align sector weights, subject to ESG Rating, Impact Monitor and business activity screening 					
Index Reviews	Quarterly: May, August, November and February					



IMPACT ANALYSIS

Case #	Explicit CBI Screening	Deletion criteria for existing constituents	Rationale	# of newly eligible securities	# of deletions (weight)
1. (Base Case) – Current	No	(0,1)	Base case to compare against	0	0
2. (New IM Score – Only model change)	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology	0	14 (13.3%)
3. (New IM Score – Only VBE change)	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology	2	0
4. (Proposed) – New IM Score + CBI + New Deletion Criteria to account for Orange Flag	Exclude Companies with CBI	0	Only Red Flagged securities and companies with controversial businesses ineligible	0	0



CHANGES TO THE ELIGIBLE UNIVERSE

Security				
Potential Deletions	Weight in KLD 400 Social*	ESG Rating	IM Score**	New IM Score (case 2)*
ALPHABET A	2.8%	BBB	2	1
ALPHABET C	2.9%	BBB	2	1
BANK NEW YORK MELLON	0.5%	А	2	1
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB CO	1.4%	BBB	2	1
GAP	0.1%	А	2	1
KELLOGG CO	0.3%	AAA	2	1
MCDONALD'S CORP	1.4%	BB	2	1
MERCK & CO	1.8%	А	2	1
NIKE B	1.0%	AA	2	1
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO	0.3%	А	2	1
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO	0.0%	BB	2	1
STATE STREET CORP	0.3%	AA	2	1
SYMANTEC CORP	0.2%	А	2	1
SYSCO CORP	0.3%	BB	2	1
Newly Eligibles	Weight in USA IMI*	ESG Rating	IM Score**	New IM Score (case 3)*
EATON CORP PLC	0.1%	BBB	2	5
GENESIS HEALTHCARE A	0.0%	А	2	3

* as of March 01, 2016

** as of February 2016



PROPOSED CHANGES TO METHODOLOGY

MSCI USA Catholic Values Index



PROPOSED INDEX METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Parameters	Current Index Methodology	Proposed Index Methodology				
Index Objective	 Designed to be used as a U.S. equity benchmark for Catholic investors who seek equity ownership in alignment with the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church Avoiding exposure to companies involved in serious controversies pertaining to ESG impact of their operations, services or products Avoiding exposure to companies which have significant involvement in activities which have negative social or environmental impact. E.g. Gambling, Tobacco, Alcohol, Nuclear Power 					
Parent Index	• MSCI USA IMI Index					
ESG Rating Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: ESG Rating > BB Constituents: ESG Rating > B 					
IM Score Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 1 (Red Flag = IM Score 0/1 under the current ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 0 (Red Flag = IM Score 0 under the proposed ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 				
Business Screening	 Values Based Exclusion Criteria Catholic Value Screens 	 Values Based Exclusion Criteria Catholic Value Screens Controversial Business Involvement criteria that are currently incorporated in the MSCI ESG Impact Monitor Score 				
Inclusion Criteria	 Target relative sector weights of +/- 25% with respect to MSCI USA to align sector weights, subject to ESG Rating, Impact Monitor and business activity screening 					
Index Reviews	Quarterly: May, August, November and February					



IMPACT ANALYSIS

Case #	Explicit CBI Screening	Deletion criteria for existing constituents	Rationale	# of newly eligible securities	# of deletions (weight)
1. (Base Case) – Current	No	(0,1)	Base case to compare against	0	0
2. (New IM Score – Only model change)	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology	0	13 (10.6%)
3. (New IM Score – Only VBE change)	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology	2	0
4. (Proposed) – New IM Score + CBI + New Deletion Criteria to account for Orange Flag	Exclude Companies with CBI	0	Only Red Flagged securities and companies with controversial businesses ineligible	0	0



CHANGES TO THE ELIGIBLE UNIVERSE

Security				
Potential Deletions	Weight in USA Catholic Values*	ESG Rating	IM Score**	New IM Score (case 2)*
ALPHABET A	2.9%	BBB	2	1
ALPHABET C	3.0%	BBB	2	1
BANK NEW YORK MELLON	0.5%	А	2	1
CONAGRA FOODS	0.2%	BBB	2	1
GAP	0.1%	А	2	1
KELLOGG CO	0.3%	AAA	2	1
MCDONALD'S CORP	1.5%	BB	2	1
NIKE B	1.1%	AA	2	1
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CO	0.3%	А	2	1
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO	0.0%	BB	2	1
STATE STREET CORP	0.3%	AA	2	1
SYMANTEC CORP	0.2%	А	2	1
SYSCO CORP	0.3%	BB	2	1
Newly Eligibles	Weight in USA IMI	ESG Rating	IM Score**	New IM Score (case 2)*
EATON CORP PLC	0.1%	BBB	2	5
GENESIS HEALTHCARE A	0.0%	А	2	3

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** as of February 2016



PROPOSED CHANGES TO METHODOLOGY

MSCI USA ESG Select Index



PROPOSED INDEX METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Parameters	Current Index Methodology	Proposed Index Methodology				
Index Objective	 Designed to maximize exposure to positive ESG factors while exhibiting risk and return characteristics similar to those of the MSCI USA Index Avoiding exposure to companies involved in serious controversies pertaining to ESG impact of their operations, services or products Avoiding exposure to companies which have significant Tobacco involvement 					
Parent Index	• MSCI USA Index					
IM Score Eligibility	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 1 (Red Flag = IM Score 0/1 under the current ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 	 Non-Constituents: Impact Monitor Score > 2 Constituents: Impact Monitor > 0 (Red Flag = IM Score 0 under the proposed ESG Impact Monitor Methodology) 				
Business Screening	• Tobacco involvement	 Tobacco involvement Controversial Business Involvement criteria that are currently incorporated in the MSCI ESG Impact Monitor Score 				
Inclusion Criteria	• Securities are selected during the Optimization process from the set of eligible securities given various constraints such as security weights, sectors, tracking error etc.					
Index Reviews	Quarterly: May, August, November and February					



IMPACT ANALYSIS

Case #	Explicit CBI Screening	Deletion criteria for existing constituents	Rationale	# of newly eligible securities	# of deletions (weight)
1. (Base Case) – Current	No	(0,1)	Base case to compare against	0	0
2. (New IM Score – Only model change)	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology	0	9 (15.3%)
3. (New IM Score – Only VBE change)	No	(0,1)	No change in index methodology	18	0
4. (Proposed) – New IM Score + CBI + New Deletion Criteria to account for Orange Flag	Exclude Companies with CBI	0	Only Red Flagged securities and companies with controversial businesses ineligible	0	0



CHANGES TO THE ELIGIBLE UNIVERSE

Security				
Potential Deletions	Weight in USA ESG Select*	ESG Rating	IM Score**	New IM Score (case 2)*
ALPHABET A	2.2%	BBB	2	1
APPLE	3.4%	А	2	1
GAP	0.1%	А	2	1
KELLOGG CO	1.6%	AAA	2	1
MERCK & CO	1.6%	А	2	1
NEXTERA ENERGY	3.2%	AAA	2	1
NIKE B	1.9%	AA	2	1
STATE STREET CORP	0.8%	AA	2	1
SYMANTEC CORP	0.4%	А	2	1
Newly Eligibles	Weight in USA IMI*	ESG Rating	IM Score**	New IM Score (case 2)*
ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORP	0.1%	CCC	2	3
BOEING CO	0.4%	А	2	4
BROWN-FORMAN CORP B	0.1%	В	2	10
CONSTELLATION BRANDS A	0.1%	BB	2	10
EATON CORP PLC	0.1%	BBB	2	5
EXELON CORP	0.1%	AA	2	4
FLUOR CORP	0.0%	А	2	8
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP	0.2%	BB	2	5
HALLIBURTON CO	0.1%	BB	2	3
HARRIS CORP	0.0%	BB	2	5
JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP	0.0%	А	2	5
LAS VEGAS SANDS CORP	0.1%	BB	2	3
MOLSON COORS BREWING B	0.1%	BBB	2	10
NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP	0.2%	BBB	2	5
RAYTHEON	0.2%	А	2	5
TEXTRON	0.0%	BB	2	5
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	0.4%	А	2	4
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* as of March 01, 2016



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PROPOSED CHANGES TO METHODOLOGY

MSCI ACWI Sustainable Impact Index



PROPOSED INDEX METHODOLOGY CHANGES

Parameters	Current Index Methodology	Proposed Index Methodology						
Index Objective	 Select companies that follow minimum ESG standards and derive significant proportion of revenues from social and environmental themes 							
Parent Index	• MSCI ACWI Index							
ESG Rating Eligibility	• ESG Rating > B							
IM Score Eligibility	• Impact Monitor Score > 2	• Impact Monitor Score > 2						
Business Screening	 Alcohol and Tobacco Screening Predatory Lending Screening 	 Alcohol and Tobacco Screening Predatory Lending Screening Controversial Business Involvement criteria that are currently incorporated in the MSCI ESG Impact Monitor Score 						
Inclusion Criteria	• Pure play in social and environmental themes (>=50% rev	venues)						
Index Reviews	Annual: May Quarterly: August, November and February							



MSCI GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY AND GLOBAL SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INDEXES

Index Construction Universe



SUMMARY

• Currently, MSCI ESG Indexes are constructed on a regional level from the following seven regions*

Category	Building Block Regions
Developed Markets	MSCI USA, MSCI Canada, MSCI Europe and Middle East, MSCI Pacific
Emerging Markets	MSCI EM Asia, MSCI EM Europe, Middle East and Africa, MSCI EM Latin America

- All other ESG Indexes are constructed by taking the relevant securities from the Regional ESG Indexes, or aggregating the specific regions
 - MSCI World ESG Index is constructed by aggregating MSCI USA ESG, MSCI Canada ESG, MSCI Europe and Middle East ESG and MSCI Pacific ESG Indexes
 - MSCI Japan ESG Index is constructed by taking Japanese securities from MSCI Pacific ESG Index
 - MSCI EMU ESG Index is constructed by taking EMU securities from MSCI Europe and Middle East ESG Index
 - MSCI EAFE ESG Index is constructed by taking EAFE securities from MSCI ACWI ESG Index
- MSCI is soliciting feedback on alternate approaches to construct the country/regional indexes where the ESG indexes are constructed from either the country or Parent Index rather than the above regional indexes

* The same discussion applies to SRI Indexes



PROPOSED INDEX CONSTRUCTION OPTIONS

	Current Methodology	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Methodology	Apply index methodology on the seven regional indexes mentioned in last slide and aggregate them to form broader regions. If a region/country is a subset of the broader regions, carve out that subset from the regional ESG Index	Current methodology for Regional Indexes but to create single country ESG Indexes, apply index methodology on the MSCI Country Index	Apply index methodology on country level to create Single Country ESG Indexes and aggregate country ESG Indexes to create broader regional ESG Indexes	Apply index methodology on the Parent Index to create ESG Index
Building Block of the methodology	Specified regional ESG Indexes	Specified regional ESG Indexes, and individual countries for country ESG Indexes	Country ESG Indexes	None
Country ESG Indexes	Carved out of regional ESG Index	Created from Country Index	Created from Country Index	Created from Country Index
Seven Regional ESG Indexes	Created from respective regional Parent Index	Created from respective regional Parent Index	Aggregated from corresponding country ESG Indexes	Created from respective regional Parent Index
Other regional ESG Indexes	Carved out of ACWI ESG Index	Carved out of ACWI ESG Index	Aggregated from corresponding country ESG Indexes	Created from respective Parent Index



PROPOSED OPTIONS - EXAMPLES

	Base Case	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Parent Index	Apply index methodology on the seven regional indexes mentioned in last slide and aggregate them to form broader regions. If a region/country is a subset of the broader regions, carve out that subset from the regional ESG Index	Current Methodology for Regional Indexes but to create single country ESG Indexes, apply index methodology on the MSCI Country Index	Apply index methodology on country level to create Single Country ESG Indexes and aggregate country ESG Indexes to create broader regional ESG Indexes	Apply index methodology on the Parent Index to create ESG Index
MSCI EAFE ESG	Apply index methodology on MSCI Pacific and MSCI Europe & Middle East to create MSCI Pacific ESG and MSCI Europe & Middle East ESG and aggregate them	Apply index methodology on MSCI Pacific and MSCI Europe & Middle East to create MSCI Pacific ESG and MSCI Europe & Middle East ESG and aggregate them	Apply index methodology on individual countries in EAFE to create country ESG Indexes and aggregate them to create MSCI EAFE ESG Index	Apply index methodology on MSCI EAFE Index
MSCI Japan ESG Index	Apply index methodology on MSCI Pacific to create MSCI Pacific ESG. Select Japan securities from MSCI Pacific ESG to create MSCI Japan ESG	Apply index methodology on MSCI Japan Index to create MSCI Japan ESG Index	Apply index methodology on MSCI Japan Index to create MSCI Japan ESG Index	Apply index methodology on MSCI Japan Index to create MSCI Japan ESG Index
MSCI EMU ESG Index	Apply index methodology on MSCI Europe & Middle East to create MSCI Europe & Middle East ESG. Select EMU securities from the MSCI Europe & Middle East ESG	Apply index methodology on MSCI Europe & Middle East to create MSCI Europe & Middle East ESG. Select EMU securities from the MSCI Europe & Middle East ESG	Apply index methodology from individual countries in EMU to create country ESG Indexes and combine them to create MSCI EMU ESG	Apply index methodology on MSCI EMU Index to create MSCI EMU ESG



COMPARISON OF PROPOSALS

	Base Case	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Target Coverage	May deviate from 50% for individual countries/ non building blocks regions	May deviate from 50% at a non building block regional level	May deviate from 50% at a regional level	Expected to be closest to 50%
ESG Performance	Base Case	Expected to decrease for individual country if existing coverage < 50%	Expected to decrease if existing coverage < 50%	Expected to be high if existing coverage > 50%
Active Country Weights	Potentially high	Potentially high for non building block regions	Expected to be lowest	Potentially high
Active Sector Weights	Potentially high for individual countries and non building block regions	Potentially high for non building block regions	Potentially high for regional indexes	Expected to be lowest
Turnover from Current Index	NA	No turnover for regional indexes, expected to have high turnover for country indexes	Expected to be highest	Generally lower



SIMULATION RESULTS – MAJOR REGIONS

		ACWI			EAFE			WORLD	
Methodology	Base Case & Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Base Case & Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Base Case & Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Number of Securities	1209	1241	1186	420	486	427	812	878	838
Additions from Current	68	181	79	11	107	28	39	135	68
Deletions from Current	49	130	83	16	46	26	42	72	45
Turnover from Current	6.0%	11.4%	7.4%	4.3%	15.4%	6.0%	6.2%	11.4%	7.8%
Coverage	50.4%	51.7%	50.2%	49.4%	53.1%	49.8%	50.3%	51.7%	50.5%
EM Underweight	0.1%	0.0%	-1.3%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Active Share between Base and new Index	NA	7.1%	5.8%	NA	17.0%	4.1%	NA	6.6%	5.1%
Weighted Average IVA Score	6.28	6.19	6.42	7.39	7.09	7.43	6.38	6.29	6.50
Sector Weighted Average Absolute Deviation	2.2%	3.8%	1.1%	3.6%	7.6%	2.4%	2.3%	3.9%	1.5%
Country Weighted Average Absolute Deviation	4.5%	3.6%	5.7%	8.0%	7.2%	9.0%	3.6%	3.3%	4.9%

Annual Index Reconstitution

Data as of January 18, 2016

- Sector Weighted Average Deviation Sum(Weight of Sector in Parent * Absolute Deviation from Target Coverage of 50%)
- Country Weighted Average Deviation Sum(Weight of Country in Parent * Absolute Deviation from Target Coverage of 50%)



SIMULATION RESULTS – MAJOR REGIONS (CONTD..)

	EMERGING MARKETS			EMU			
Methodology	Base Case & Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Base Case & Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	
Number of Securities	397	363	379	105	132	116	
Additions from Current	29	46	25	1	33	15	
Deletions from Current	7	58	21	8	13	11	
Turnover from Current	3.7%	11.9%	3.4%	3.6%	19.3%	8.9%	
Coverage	50.8%	51.6%	50.8%	45.7%	53.9%	46.9%	
Active Share between Base and new Index	NA	11.9%	3.2%	NA	20.2%	8.9%	
Weighted Average IVA Score	5.29	5.18	5.31	8.11	7.73	8.07	
Sector Weighted Average Absolute Deviation	3.2%	6.1%	3.0%	12.6%	12.6%	5.7%	
Country Weighted Average Absolute Deviation	13.5%	6.5%	11.9%	11.7%	9.4%	12.6%	
Annual Index Reconstitution							

Annual Index Reconstitution

Data as of January 18, 2016

- Sector Weighted Average Deviation Sum(Weight of Sector in Parent * Absolute Deviation from Target Coverage of 50%)
- Country Weighted Average Deviation Sum(Weight of Country in Parent * Absolute Deviation from Target Coverage of 50%)



SIMULATION RESULTS – SAMPLE COUNTRIES

	JAPAN		CH	CHINA		UNITED KINGDOM	
Methodology	Base Case	Option 1, 2 & 3	Base Case	Option 1, 2 & 3	Base Case	Option 1, 2 & 3	
Number of Securities	142	153	42	45	63	65	
Additions from Current	2	18	0	2	0	8	
Deletions from Current	5	10	2	1	1	7	
Turnover from Current	2.6%	10.6%	8.1%	11.1%	12.1%	9.1%	
Coverage	50.3%	54.7%	38.1%	46.5%	45.4%	50.6%	
Active Share between current and new Index	NA	9.5%	NA	18.3%	NA	19.5%	
Weighted Average IVA Score	6.28	6.24	3.48	3.51	7.99	7.06	
Sector Weighted Average Absolute Deviation	1.9%	0.9%	8.2%	3.0%	3.3%	4.4%	
Country Weighted Average Absolute Deviation	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

Annual Index Reconstitution Data as of January 18, 2016

- Sector Weighted Average Deviation Sum(Weight of Sector in Parent * Absolute Deviation from Target Coverage of 50%)
- Country Weighted Average Deviation Sum(Weight of Country in Parent * Absolute Deviation from Target Coverage of 50%)



APPENDIX



IMPACT MONITOR CHANGE SUMMARY

Introduce Case-level Scores

- Enable custom modeling and filtering
- Transparent rules for score roll-ups

Rework Scoring Logic

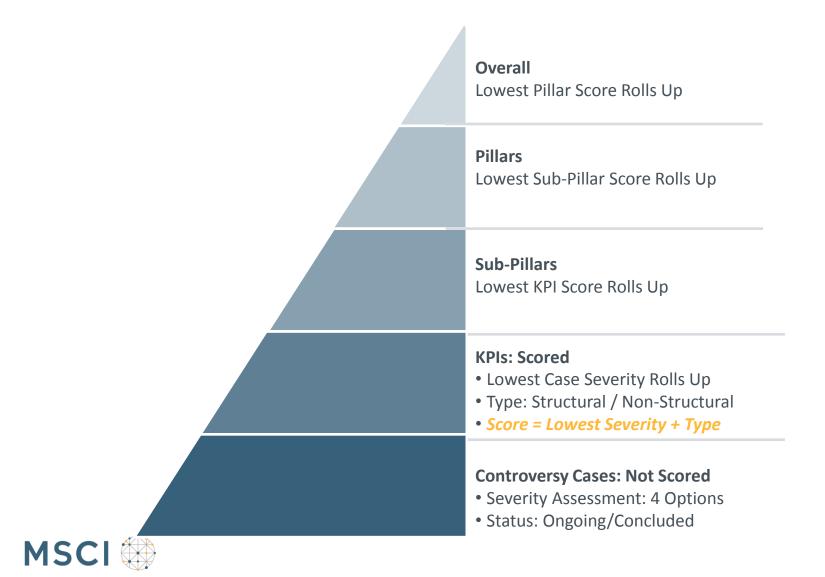
- Add nuance by considering case status along with severity and type (structural/non-structural)
- Use full 0-10 range
- Penalize outliers with pattern of controversy involvement
- Continue to roll up lowest score

Introduce Orange Flag

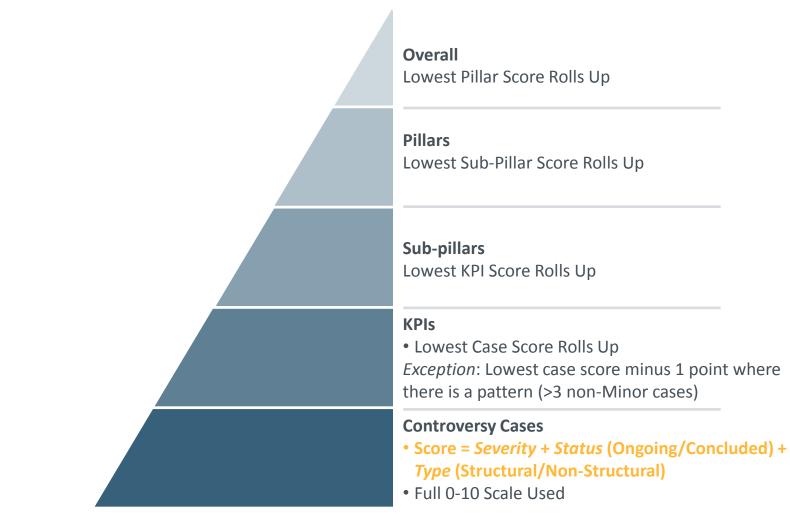
- Readily identify companies with borderline-Red controversies
- Align with Global Norms screening signals (Orange = Watch List)
- Preserve Red flag for extreme outliers with worst-of-the-worst violations
- Enable easier, more intuitive screening thresholds



CURRENT SCORING MODEL

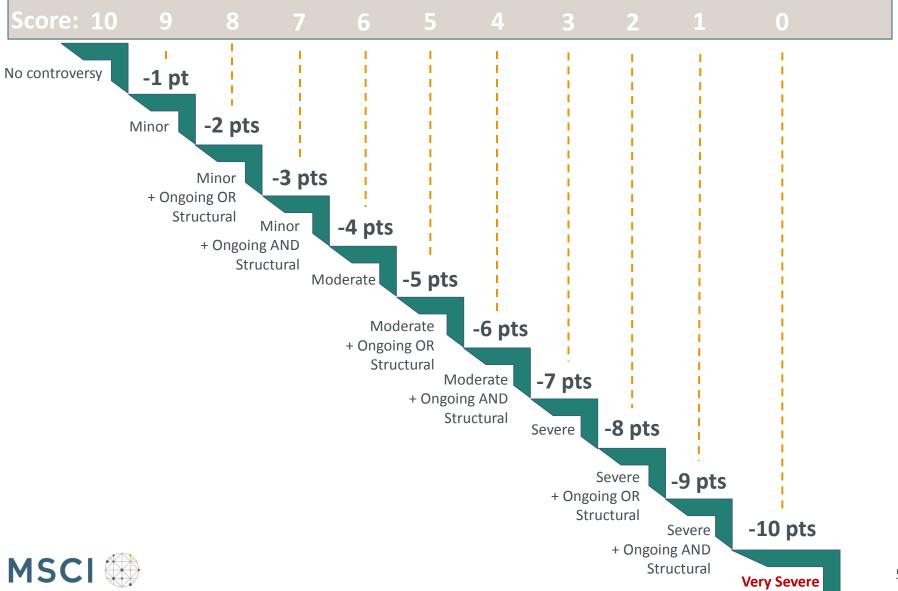


PROPOSED MODEL SCORE ROLL-UPS





PROPOSED CASE SCORING LOGIC



PROPOSED CASE - LEVEL SCORING CRITERIA

SCORE	SEVERITY	STATUS	ТҮРЕ
10	None	NA	NA
	Minor	Concluded	Non-Structural
8	Minor Minor	Concluded Ongoing	Structural Non-Structural
7	Minor	Ongoing	Structural
6	Moderate	Concluded	Non-Structural
5	Moderate Moderate	Concluded Ongoing	Structural Non-Structural
4	Moderate	Ongoing	Structural
3	Severe	Concluded	Non-Structural
2	Severe Severe	Concluded Ongoing	Structural Non-Structural
1	Severe	Ongoing	Structural
0	Very Severe Very Severe Very Severe Very Severe	Concluded Ongoing Concluded Ongoing	Non-Structural Non-Structural Structural Structural

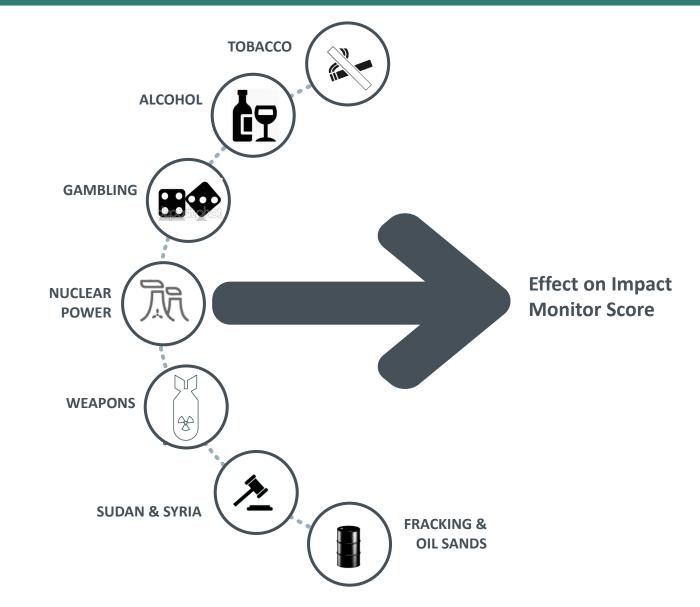


PROPOSED SCORE RANGE OVERVIEW

CURRENT SCORES	CURRENT FLAGS	PROPOSED SCORES	PROPOSED FLAGS	
0	RED	0	RED	
1	RED	1	ORANGE	
2	YELLOW	2	YELLOW	
3	YELLOW	3	YELLOW	
4	YELLOW	4	YELLOW	
5	GREEN	5	GREEN	
6	N/A	6	GREEN	
7	GREEN	7	GREEN	
8	GREEN	8	GREEN	
9	N/A	9	GREEN	
10	GREEN	10	GREEN	



WHICH CBIS ARE CURRENTLY INCORPORATED IN IMPACT MONITOR, AND HOW?





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