Index Methodology



# MSCI CHINA ALL SHARES IMI SELECT BATTERIES INDEX

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## 1 Introduction

The MSCI China All Shares IMI Select Batteries Index ('the Index') aims to represent the performance of Shanghai, Shenzhen and Hong Kong listed Chinese stocks, which are associated with the development of new products and services focused on the battery value chain.



## 2 Constructing the Index

The Index is constructed by selecting stocks from MSCI China All Shares IMI J-Series Ex Foreign Listings Index<sup>1</sup> (the 'Parent Index') based on rules explained in the following sections.

The Index selects companies which are assessed to have high exposure to the following technology related business activities –

- Electro-chemical energy storage technologies
- Mining companies that produce metals used to manufacture batteries

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#### 2.1 Eligible Universe

All stocks in the Parent Index (as described in section 2) with Relevance Score<sup>2</sup> of 25% or more are included in the Eligible Universe. Further filtering is applied as detailed below.

#### 2.1.1 Liquidity Screening

Securities in the bottom quintile of the Parent Index by 3-month average daily trading value (3M ADTV) are excluded from the Eligible Universe. For the calculation of ADTV, please refer to Appendix 2.

#### 2.1.2 GICS®<sup>3</sup> sector and sub-industry filtering

Stocks mapped to the following GICS sub industries are excluded from the Eligible Universe.

<sup>3</sup> GICS, the Global Industry Classification Standard jointly developed by MSCI and S&P Global.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please refer to Appendix 1 for details on Parent Index construction

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For details of calculation of Relevance Scores, please refer to the MSCI Thematic Relevance Score Methodology document (available on <u>https://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u>). The business activities in scope of the theme are as defined above in section 2.



No.	GICS Sector	GICS Sub-Industries
1	Energy	Oil & Gas Equipment & Services
		Oil & Gas Refining & Marketing
2	Industrials	Marine
		Marine Ports & Services
		Heavy Electrical Equipment
3	Information Technology	Application Software
		Semiconductor Equipment
		Semiconductors
		Electronic Components
		Communications Equipment
4	Communication	Advertising
	Services	Broadcasting
		Cable & Satellite
		Publishing
		Movies & Entertainment
		Interactive Home Entertainment
		Interactive Media & Services
5	Utilities	Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders
6	Consumer Discretionary	Motorcycle Manufacturers
7	Materials	Paper Packaging

## 2.2 Weighting scheme

Stocks in the Eligible Universe are weighted by the product of Relevance Score and their free float adjusted market capitalization. The weights are then normalized to sum to 100%.



## 2.3 Selected Universe

The top 20 issuers ranked by their weight (as described in Section 2.8) are selected for inclusion in the final index. All eligible securities in the Parent Index from the 20 selected issuers are included in the final index.

If the number of issuers in the Eligible Universe is below 20, all the securities in the universe are selected for inclusion in the Index.

### 2.4 Capping

Constituent weights are capped at the issuer level to mitigate concentration risk in the Index. The issuer weight in the Index is capped at 20% at each Semi-Annual Index Review

Additionally, the Index constituents are also capped on an "as needed" basis to ensure that there are no concentrated positions between Semi-Annual Index Reviews. The Index constituents are capped to 25% at an issuer level at the end of any day on which the issuer capping constraint of 30% (without any buffers) is breached. The reweighting will take place as of the close of the day when the Index breaches the capping constraints, so that the Index will always be within the constraints before the opening of the following trading day.



## 3 Maintaining the Index

## 3.1 Semi-Annual Index Review

The Index is reviewed on a semi-annual basis in May and November to coincide with the May and November Semi-Annual Index Reviews of the Parent Index, and the changes are implemented at the end of May and November. In general, the pro forma index is announced nine business days before the effective date.

During the Semi-Annual Index Review, the Eligible Universe, and Selected Universe are updated.

In general, MSCI uses Relevance Score data as of two business days prior to the rebalancing date for the Semi-Annual Index Review.

## 3.2 Ongoing event-related maintenance

The general treatment of corporate events in the Index aims to minimize turnover outside of Index Reviews. The methodology aims to appropriately represent an investor's participation in an event based on relevant deal terms and pre-event weighting of the index constituents that are involved. Further, changes in index market capitalization that occur as a result of corporate event implementation will be offset by a corresponding change in the Variable Weighting Factor (VWF) of the constituent.

The following section briefly describes the treatment of common corporate events within the index.

No new securities will be added (except where noted below) to the Index between Index Reviews. Parent Index deletions will be reflected simultaneously.



EVENT TYPE	EVENT DETAILS
New additions to the Parent Index	A new security added to the Parent Index (such as IPO and other early inclusions) will not be added to the index.
Spin-Offs	All securities created as a result of the spin-off of an existing Index constituent will be added to the Index at the time of event implementation if the spin-off security is also added to the Parent Index. Reevaluation for continued inclusion in the Index will occur at the subsequent Index Review.
Merger/Acquisition	For Mergers and Acquisitions, the acquirer's post event weight will account for the proportionate amount of shares involved in deal consideration, while cash proceeds will be invested across the Index.
	If an existing Index constituent is acquired by a non-Index constituent, the existing constituent will be deleted from the Index and the acquiring non- constituent will not be added to the Index.
Changes in Security Characteristics	A security will continue to be an Index constituent if there are changes in characteristics (country, sector, size segment, etc.) Reevaluation for continued inclusion in the Index will occur at the subsequent Index Review.

Further detail and illustration regarding specific treatment of corporate events relevant to this Index can be found in the MSCI Corporate Events Methodology.

The MSCI Corporate Events methodology book is available at: <u>https://www.msci.com/index-methodology.</u>



## **Appendix 1: Parent Index Construction**

The Parent Index MSCI China All Shares IMI J-Series ex Foreign Listings Index captures Large-, Mid- and Small-cap representation across China A- shares, B-shares, H-shares, Red-chips, and P-chips. The index aims to reflect the opportunity set of China share classes listed in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Shenzhen.

## Appendix 2: Calculation of 3-Month Average Daily Traded Value (ADTV)

 $ADTV = \frac{ATV}{252}$ 

Where:

- ADTV = 3-month Average Daily Traded Value
- ATV = 3-month Annualized Traded Value

For details on the calculation of ATV, please refer to the MSCI Global Investable Market Indexes Methodology (<u>https://www.msci.com/index-methodology</u>).



#### The following sections have been updated as of effective December 1, 2022:

Section 2

- Updated to reference the MSCI Thematic Relevance Score Methodology
- Updated to exclude four additional GICS Subindustries

Section 3

• Updated to reflect the data cutoff date for Relevance Scores

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