# EQUITY INDEX DAX<sup>®</sup> ESG TARGET INDEX



## SCOPE AND OBJECTIVE

The objective of the DAX ESG Target Index is to reflect the DAX Index while maximizing its ESG score and at the same time reducing its carbon intensity by at least 30%. The predicted tracking error is constrained with respect to the parent index. The index uses Sustainalytics' Global Standards Screening as well as ESG exclusion filters for Severe Controversies, Weapons (Controversial Weapons, Military Contracting, Small Arms), Tobacco, Thermal Coal, Nuclear Power and Oil Sands.

## **KEY FACTS**

- The index consists of 40 large ESG screened German securities listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (FSE).
- The screens applied are based on responsible policies and aim to reduce reputational and idiosyncratic risks
- Screening is provided by award winning ESG data provider Sustainalytics
- The component weights are derived through an optimization process with the goal of maximizing the portfolio ESG score and reducing carbon intensity relative to the DAX Index by at least 30%
- The Index is aligned with the SFDR<sup>1</sup> Article 8 and is considered as an ESG-Product (3) under the German associations concept<sup>2</sup>
- The index is suitable as underlying for ETFs, mandates, passive funds, structured products, and listed derivatives

## INDEX METHODOLOGY

The universe for the DAX ESG Target is defined by all stocks included in the HDAX $^{\otimes}$  Index, which comprises the joint set of companies included in DAX, MDAX $^{\otimes}$  and TecDAX $^{\otimes}$ 

Companies identified as non-compliant based on Sustainalytics' Global Standards Screening assessment, or which are involved in Weapons (Controversial Weapons, Military Contracting, Small Arms), Tobacco, Thermal Coal, Nuclear Power and Oil Sands are not eligible for selection.

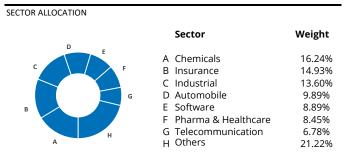
The selection is a two-step approach: First, companies from the DAX Index that pass ESG screens are selected. Secondly, to reach the same number of constituents as in DAX Index, the largest companies from the HDAX with suitable ESG scores are selected. The weights are derived through an optimization process with the goal of maximizing the portfolio ESG Score. Securities are capped at 10% on a component level.

### VERSIONS AND SYMBOLS

DAX ESG TARGET	ISIN	Symbol	Bloomberg	Reuters
EUR Gross Return	DE000A3CLUH8	DAXESGT	DAXESGT INDEX	.DAXESGT
EUR Net Return	DE000A3CLUJ4	DAXESGTN	DAXESGTN INDEX	.DAXESGTN
EUR Price	DE000A3CLUK2	DAXESGTK	DAXESGTK INDEX	.DAXESGTK
USD Gross Return	DE000A3CLUL0	DAXESGTU		.DAXESGTU
USD Net Return	DE000A3CLUM8	DAXESGTV		.DAXESGTV
USD Price	DE000A3CLUN6	DAXESGTL		.DAXESGTL

<sup>1</sup> based on SFDR principal-based Level 1 requirements as of 10 March 2021 <sup>2</sup> Pre-final, as of Q4 2021

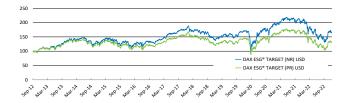
## COMPOSITION



Largest components	Index weight	MCAP <sup>1</sup> [USD bn]	Currency	
LINDE PLC EO 0,001	9.9%	10.3	USD	
SAP SE O.N.	9.1%	9.5	USD	
SIEMENS AG NA O.N.	8.9%	9.3	USD	
ALLIANZ SE NA O.N.	8.0%	8.3	USD	
DT.TELEKOM AG NA	6.8%	7.1	USD	
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## INDEX PERFORMANCE



## QUICK FACTS

Weighting scheme	Price weighted, according to optimization	
Recomposition	Semi-annually	
Rebalancing	Quarterly	
Components	40	
Component capping	10%	
Corporate action and dividends	According to the Guide to the DAX Equity	
	Indices	
Currencies	EUR, USD	
Calculation hours & frequencies	9:00 – 17:55 CET (realtime, 1 sec)	
Launch date	Mar. 31, 2021	
Base value	1,000 as of Sep. 24, 2012	
History	Available since Sep. 24, 2012	



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### ANNUAL RETURNS



## **KEY FIGURES**

Name	DAX ESG®TARGET (NR) USD	DAX ESG®TARGET (PR) USD	
Performance YTD	-19.8%	-21.9%	
Performance 1 Y	-20.0%	-22.1%	
Performance 3 Y (annualized)	-0.8%	-3.1%	
Performance 5 Y (annualized)	-1.1%	-3.5%	
Volatility 30 D (annualized)	21.7%	21.6%	
Volatility 1 Y (annualized)	30.1%	30.2%	
Sharpe ratio 1 Y	-0.65	-0.73	
Market capitalization (EUR bn) <sup>1</sup>	97.6	97.6	
Market capitalization (USD bn) <sup>1</sup>	104.1	104.1	
ADTV (3 months, EUR mn)	105	105	
P/E (trailing)	12.6	12.6	
P/E (projected)	10.9	10.9	
Dividend yield 1 Y	2.1%	-	
Price/Book	1.4	1.4	
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