



Training series 101

# FTSE Russell ESG Scores

# าทาใจ Methodology การประเมิน

้<mark>วันอังคาร ที่ 27 สิงหาคม 2567 ∣ เวลา 13.00 - 17.00 น</mark>.

ณ หอประชุมศาสตราจารย์สังเวียน อินทรวิชัย ชั้น 7 อาคารตลาดหลักทรัพย์แห่งประทศไทย









# Roadmap & Timeline

FAQs การยกระดับการประเมิน SET ESG Ratings สู่มาตรฐานสากล

**Current Support from SET** 

What's Next

# 1 เปรียบเทียบ SET ESG Ratings และ FTSE Russell ESG Scores









	SET ESG Ratings	FTSE Russell ESG Scores
การเข้าร่วมประเมิน	บริษัทจดทะเบียนเข้าร่วมโดยสมัครใจ ตั้งแต่ปี 2558	<ul> <li>บริษัทจดทะเบียนที่อยู่ใน SET ESG Ratings และ ดัชนี SET100 Index</li> <li>เปิดให้บริษัทจดทะเบียนสมัครเข้าร่วมเพิ่มเติมได้ (ปี 2568 เป็นตันไป)</li> </ul>
วิธีการประเมินและ แหล่งข้อมูลที่ใช้	ตอบแบบประเมิน โดยใช้ • ข้อมูลที่เปิดเผยสู่สาธารณะ • ข้อมูลเชิงลึกของบริษัท (Self-declared information)	ไม่ต้องตอบแบบประเมิน โดยใช้ข้อมูลที่เปิดเผยสู่สาธารณะเท่านั้น
มุมมองการประเมิน	ประเมินจากนโยบาย กลยุทธ์ กระบวนการ และการติดตามวัดผล โดยเน้นที่กระบวนการ	ประเมินจากนโยบาย กลยุทธ ์ กระบวนการ และการติดตามวัดผล โดยเน <sup>้</sup> นที่ผลการดำเนินงาน เมื่อเทียบกับเป้าหมาย
จำนวนตัวชี้วัดที่ใช้ประเมิน	140-150+ ตัวชี้วัด • คำถามทั่วไป: 90% • คำถามตามลักษณะการประกอบธุรกิจ: 10%	125-300+ ตัวชี้วัด • คำถามทั่วไป: 56% • คำถามตามหมวดธุรถิจย <sup>่</sup> อยและประเทศที่ตั้ง: 44%
การรีวิวผลประเมิน	บร <del>ิษั</del> ทไม่มีสิทธิ์รีวิว <b>ผ</b> ลประเมิน	บริษัทมีสิทธิ์รีวิวผลประเมินและให้ข้อมูลเพิ่มเติมได้
ผลคะแนน	BBB-AAA (ประกาศผลเฉพาะบริษัทที่ผ่านเกณฑ์)	0.0-5.0 (ประกาศผลของทุกบริษัทที่ได้รับการประเมิน)



# 1 Roadmap & timeline



2570 เป็นต้นไป 2568 2569 2566 2567 **SET ESG** Ratings

FTSE ESG Scores

#### 2-year transition – SET ไม่ประกาศผลคะแนน



Coverage	227	
1. SET ESG Ratings '66	192	
2. SET100 Index	35	



#### **Coverage: 300+ (F)**

- 1. SET ESG Ratings '66 67
- 2. SET100 Index
- 3. บจ. สมัครใจ



#### 🍊 Implementation – SET ประกาศผลคะแนน



#### **Coverage: 350+ (F)**

- 1. SET ESG Ratings '66-68
- 2. SET100 Index
- 3. บจ. สมัครใจ



#### **Coverage: 400+ (F)**

- 1. FTSE assessment '69
- 2. SET100 Index
- 3. บจ. สมัครใจ

# 2 FAQs - การยกระดับการประเมิน SET ESG Ratings สู่มาตรฐานสากล



# การประเมินโดย FTSE Russell จะเริ่มเมื่อใด SET ESG Ratings จะยังมีอยู่ไหม



- ในปี 2567-2568 SET จะดำเนินโครงการประเมินนำร่องโดย FTSE Russell และจะยังมีการประเมิน SET ESG Ratings ควบคู่ไปด้วย เพื่อให้ทุกฝ่ายมีเวลา ในการปรับตัวและเตรียมความพร้อม
- ในช่วงโครงการนำร่อง SET จะ<u>ไม่</u>ประกาศ FTSE Russell ESG Scores สู่สาธารณะ แต่ บจ. ที่ได้รับการประเมินจะได้รับทราบผลคะแนนของตัวเอง ผ่าน Online portal ของ FTSE Russell
- ในปี 2569 SET จะเริ่มประกาศผลประเมินสู่สาธารณะ และยกเลิกการประเมิน SET ESG Ratings

#### บริษัทจดทะเบียนต้องมีค่าใช้จ่ายในการประเมินโดย FTSE Russell หรือไม่



ไม่มีค่าใช้จ่าย

#### ก้าบริษัทได้รับการประเมินจาก FTSE Russell อยู่แล้ว ต้องมีการประเมินเพิ่มเติมจากเดิมหรือไม่



การประเมิน FTSE Russell ESG Scores โดยความร่วมมือระหว่าง SET และ FTSE Russell นี้ คือการประเมินเดียวกันกับที่ FTSE Russell ใช้จัดทำ FTSE4Good Index

หาก บจ. อยู่ในรายชื่อ FTSE4Good Index อยู่แล้ว หมายความว่าบริษัทได้รับการประเมิน FTSE Russell ESG Scores อยู่แล้ว เป็นการประเมินเดียวกัน ไม่มีการประเมินแยกเพิ่มเติม



# 2 FAQs - การคัดเลือก บจ. เข้าร่วมการประเมินโดย FTSE Russell



#### การประเมิน ESG Rating จะเป็นการประเมินแบบภาคบังคับหรือไม่



SET ไม่ได้กำหนดให้การประเมิน ESG เป็นภาคบังคับสำหรับ**ทุก บจ**.
อย่างไรก็ดี บริษัทที่มีความพร้อมทั้งในแง่การดำเนินงานด้าน ESG และใน Market Cap.
ควรเข้ารับการประเมินตามมาตรฐานสากล จึงกำหนดให้ บจ. ที่อยู่ในหุ้นยั่งยืน
SET ESG Ratings และ บจ. ที่อยู่ใน SET100 Index อยู่ใน Coverage การประเมินโดย
FTSE Russell (ไม่สามารถเลือกที่จะไม่ถูกประเมินได้)

บริษัทที่เพิ่งเข้าประเมิน SET ESG Ratings ในปีนี้ (2567) จะอยู่ใน Coverage ของการประเมิน FTSE Russell ESG Scores ของปีนี้ หรือปีหน้า



บจ. ที่สมัครเข้าร่วมการประเมิน SET ESG Ratings ประจำปี 2567 จะต้องผ่านเกณฑ์และ ได้รับคัดเลือกให้อยู่ในหุ้นยั่งยืน SET ESG Ratings ประจำปี 2567 ก่อน (ประกาศผลใน เดือน ธ.ค. 2567) จึงจะได้อยู่ใน Coverage การประเมินโดย FTSE Russell ในปี 2568



# 2 FAQs - กระบวนการประเมินโดย FTSE Russell



การเปิดเผยข้อมูลต้องเป็นภาษาอังกฤษทั้งหมดเพื่อรองรับการประเมิน จาก FTSE Russell หรือไม่



SET แนะนำให้ บจ. เปิดเผยข้อมูลเป็นภาษาอังกฤษ เนื่องจาก FTSE Russell จะประเมินข้อมูลจากภาษาอังกฤษเป็นหลัก

#### Public Data ที่ FTSE Russell จะเข้าไปประเมินอยู่บนแพลตฟอร์มเดียว หรือหลายแพลตฟอร์ม



FTSE Russell จะประเมินข้อมูลที่ บจ. เปิดเผยสู่สาธารณะ ทั้งจากรายงานประจำปี รายงานความยั่งยืน และข้อมูลบนเว็บไซต์ของบริษัท เป็นต้น

#### ในช่วงที่ FTSE Russell เปิดให้บริษัทรีวิวผลประเมิน บจ. สามารถให้ข้อมูลเพิ่มเติมเป็น Internal Documents ได้หรือไม่



ในการประเมินโดย FTSE Russell บจ. จะมีช่วงเวลาสำหรับการรีวิวผลประเมินของ ตนเองประมาณ 4 สัปดาห์

ในกรณีที่ บจ. ไม่เห็นด้วยกับผลประเมิน หรือเห็นว่าข้อมูลที่ใช้ในการประเมินไม่ครบถ้วน บจ. สามารถให้ข้อมูลเพิ่มเติมได้ แต่ต้องเป็นข้อมูลที่ บจ. เปิดเผยสู่สาธารณะอยู่แล้ว (Public Disclosures) เท่านั้น เนื่องจาก FTSE Russell ไม่รับพิจารณาเอกสารภายใน



# 2 FAQs - การประกาศผลประเมิน



ในปี 2567-2568 จะมีการเปิดเผยคะแนน FTSE Russell ESG Scores (0-5) ควบคู่ไปกับการให้ SET ESG Ratings (BBB-AAA) หรือไม่



ผลประเมิน FTSE Russell ESG Scores จะประกาศสู่สาธารณะในปี 2569 เป็นต้นไป สำหรับรายชื่อหุ้นยั่งยืน SET ESG Ratings SET จะยังคงมีการประกาศผลเช่นเดิม ในปี 2567-2568

#### พลประเมินโดย FTSE Russell จะแตกต่างจากผลประเมิน SET ESG Ratings มากน้อยแค่ไหน



เนื่องจาก Methodology ในการประเมินของทุก Rater ย่อมมีความแตกต่างกัน จึงไม่สามารถนำผลประเมินมาเปรียบเทียบกันได้ตรง ๆ

จากการศึกษาเบื้องต้น โดยวิเคราะห์ผลคะแนนของ บจ. ที่ได้รับการประเมินโดย FTSE Russell อยู่เดิมพบว่า บริษัทเหล่านี้ได้รับ FTSE Russell ESG Scores สอดคล้องกับ SET ESG Ratings เกือบทั้งหมด

ดังนั้น หาก บจ. มีการดำเนินงานและเปิดเผยข้อมูล ESG ที่เป็น Material Issues ของ ตนเองได้อย่างเหมาะสมครบถ้วน ก็มีแนวโน้มที่จะได้ผลคะแนนที่สะท้อนการดำเนินงาน

#### บริษัทไม่ยินยอมให้เผยแพร่ผลประเมิน FTSE Russell ESG Scores ได้หรือไม่



หาก บจ. อยู่ใน Coverage การประเมินโดย FTSE Russell แล้ว **ไม่**สามารถเลือกที่จะ ไม่เผยแพร่ FTSE Russell ESG Scores ของบริษัทได้

อย่างไรก็ดี ในปี 2567-2568 SET จะดำเนินโครงการประเมินนำร่อง โดยยังไม่เปิดเผย ผลคะแนนของบริษัทสู่สาธารณะ แต่ บจ. ที่ได้รับการประเมินจะได้รับทราบผลคะแนนของ ตัวเอง เพื่อให้มีเวลาปรับตัวและเตรียมความพร้อมเพื่อพัฒนาการดำเนินงานต่อไป

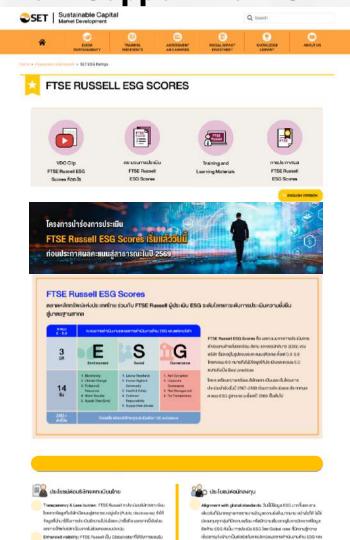
## จะมั่นใจได้อย่างไรว่าบริษัทที่มี ESG Ratings ดี จะมีการคำเนินงานที่มีการกำกับดูแลกิจการที่ดี โปร่งใส ตรวจสอบได้



ESG Ratings หรือ Scores เป็นเพียงเครื่องมือหนึ่งที่เข้ามาเป็นตัวช่วยในการพิจารณา ตัดสินใจลงทุน ผู้ลงทุนควรพิจารณาข้อมูลอื่น ๆ ประกอบกัน เช่น ข้อมูลทางการเงิน และ ข้อมูลข่าวสารที่สะท้อนความน่าเชื่อถือ ความโปร่งใส และการบริหารจัดการของบริษัท

# **3** Current Support from SET





จากนักลงกามสภาพันท์อใสก กวามช่อมน้อกับ FTISE Pussell จะต่อยกใน

ศายภาพPeanmulne ทำโห้รู้นักแต่ความน่าสนใจในสายหาติกิจสุดที่สิน

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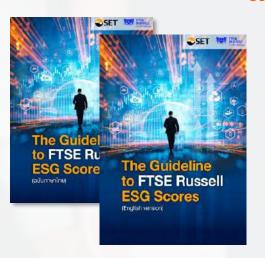
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#### **Guideline and Methodology**





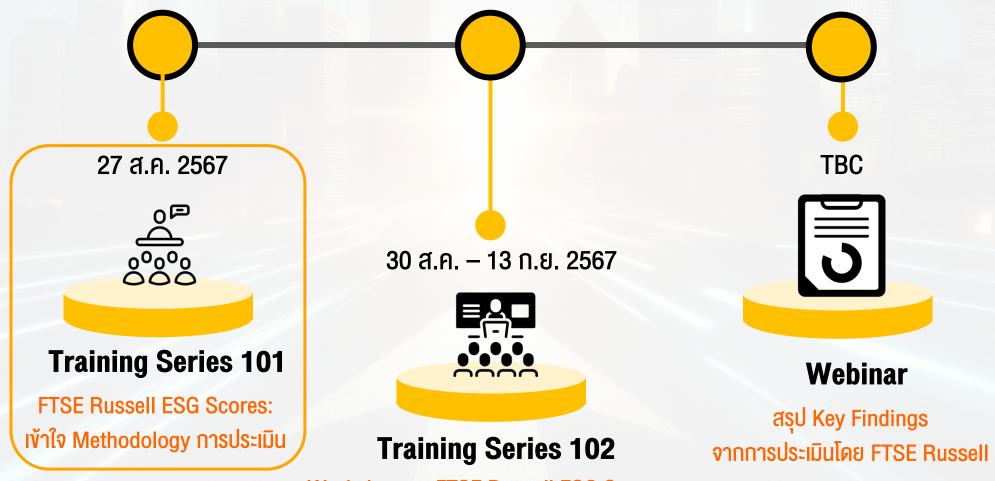
#### **Learning Materials**





# 4 What's Next – Upcoming Events





Workshop on FTSE Russell ESG Scores: เจาะลึกหัวข้อการประเมิน

# 4 What's Next – Training Series 102





#### Training series 102: Workshop on FTSE Russell ESG Scores - เจาะลึกหัวข้อการประเมิน

**วัตกุประสงค์** ทำความเข้าใจเกี่ยวกับหัวข้อการประเมินในแต่ละมิติ ตามหมวดธุรกิจย่อย (Subsectors)

ตามเกณฑ์การประเมินของ FTSE Russell

**aงทะเบียนเข้าร่วม Onsite** ณ อาคารตลาดหลักทรัพย์ฯ (ไม่เกิน 3 ท่าน / บริษัท)

**กิจกรรม** ภายในวันที่ 29 ส.ค. 2567

#### Workshop 1 วัน 8 รุ่น (30 ส.ค. – 13 ก.ย. 2567)

เวลา	หัวข้อ
9.00-9.10 u.	กล่าวเปิด
9.10-10.00 u.	FTSE Russell ESG Scores Methodology
10.00-10.15 u.	Coffee Break
10.15-12.00 u.	เจาะลึกหัวข้อการประเมินใน Environmental Pillar
13.00-14.50 u.	เจาะลึกหัวข้อการประเมินใน Social Pillar
14.50-15.00 u.	Coffee Break
15.00-15.45 u.	เจาะลึกหัวข้อการประเมินใน Governance Pillar
15.45-16.30 u.	Sharing
16.30-17.00 u.	Q&A

# 4 What's Next - Training Series 102



# กลุ่ม 1

#### **Subsectors**

**Food Products** 

Farming & Fishing

**Soft Drinks** 

**Broadline Retailers** 

**Diversified Retailers** 

จำนวนบริษัท

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**Date** 

30 ส.ค. 2567

กลุ่ม 2

#### **Subsectors**

Real Estate Holding & Development

**Heavy Construction** 

**Building Materials & Fixtures** 

**Building Materials: Other** 

จำนวนบริษัท

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**Date** 

2 ก.ย. 2567

กลุ่ม 3

#### **Subsectors**

Oil Refining and Marketing

Coal

**Conventional Electricity** 

**Alternative Electricity** 

**Exploration & Production** 

Water

Integrated Oil & Gas

จำนวนบริษัท

**Date** 

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# 4 What's Next - Training Series 102



# กลุ่ม 4

#### **Subsectors**

**Asset Managers** 

**Consumer Finance** 

**Specialty Finance** 

Life Insurance

Reinsurance

**Property and Casualty Insurance** 

**Investment Services** 

**Banks** 

**Diversified Financial Services** 

จำนวนบริษัท

**Date** 

30

9 ກ.ຍ. 2567

# กลุ่ม 5

#### **Subsectors**

**Computer Hardware** 

Semiconductors

**Telecommunications Equipment** 

**Computer services** 

Mobile telecom

**Cable Television Services** 

Health care providers

Medical supplies

Media Agencies

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27 4 ก.ย. 2567

# กลุ่ม 6

#### **Subsectors**

**Commodity Chemicals** 

**Specialty Chemicals** 

Iron & Steel

**Nonferrous Metals** 

**Textile Products** 

จำนวนบริษัท

**Date** 

17

6 ก.ย. 2567

# 4 What's Next - Training Series 102



# กลุ่ม 7

#### **Subsectors**

Airlines

**Transportation Services** 

**Recreational Services** 

Travel & Tourism

**Education Services** 

**Broadcasting & Entertainment** 

Marine transportation

**Restaurants and Bars** 

Hotels

จำนวนบริษัท

**Date** 

34

10 ก.ย. 2567

# กลุ่ม 8

#### **Subsectors**

Tires

**Auto Parts** 

**Industrial Suppliers** 

Containers & Packaging

**Business Support Services (Industrial group)** 

**Electrical Components & Equipment** 

Clothing & Accessories

Cosmetics

**Personal Products** 

จำนวนบริษัท

**Date** 

31 13 ກ.ຍ. 2567







เกี่ยวกับการยกระดับ SET ESG Ratings สู่ FTSE Russell ESG Scores

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เกี่ยวกับ FTSE Russell ESG Data Model และ SID Platform

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# SET – FTSE Russell Capacity Building Seminar

An introduction to FTSE Russell ESG Scores



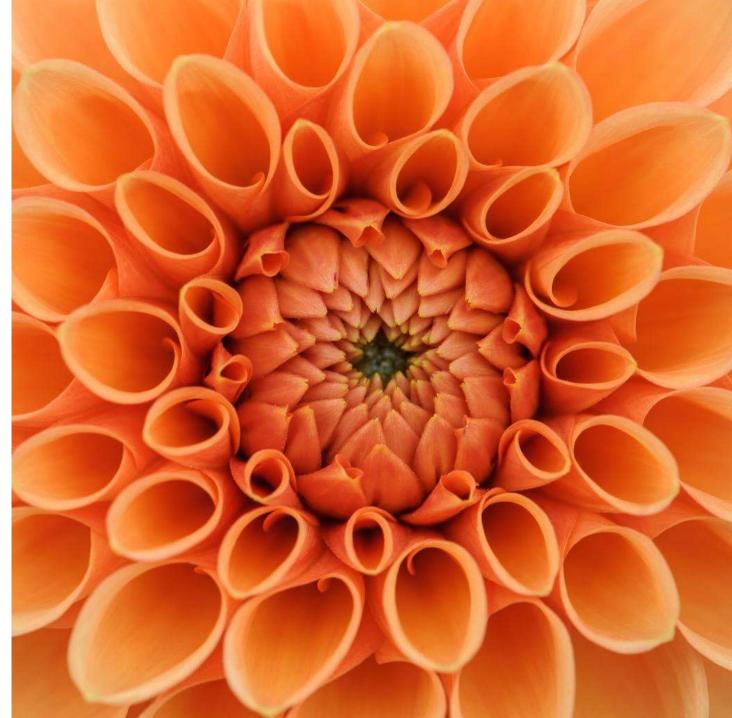
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Sustainable Finance & Investment Lead,
APAC

Bangkok, Thailand August 2024







# Today's agenda

Who are we?



Global trends in ESG investing



FTSE Russell ESG Data Model



ESG Themes and indicators



Calculating ESG Scores







Wrap-up

time

Industry Classification Benchmark



Resources







# Who are we?

LSEG and FTSE Russell







LSEG is a leading global financial markets infrastructure and data provider. We play a vital social and economic role in the world's financial system.

With our trusted expertise, global scale, and foundational financial and transaction services — data, analytics, risk, collateral and processing solutions, capital formation and trade execution — we enable the sustainable growth and stability of our customers and their communities.















## Three strategic pillars of our sustainability approach:







Decarbonising the whole global economy is critical to minimise the worst consequences of climate change. We are leveraging LSEG's unique market position, capabilities, products, and services to support a global reallocation of capital which shares the costs and benefits of reaching net zero fairly between and within countries.

# **Enable growth of the green economy**

To deliver sustainable economic growth, more economic activity must focus on creating, scaling, and delivering solutions to the world's environmental and social challenges. LSEG has a pivotal role in helping those solutions to thrive by enabling more capital to flow towards sustainable economic activity.



# Create inclusive economic opportunity

Inclusive economies enable more people to participate in, and benefit from, economic growth, regardless of their gender, ethnicity, social background, political or religious beliefs. We aim to empower economies, communities and individuals by championing inclusion and opening up economic opportunity.



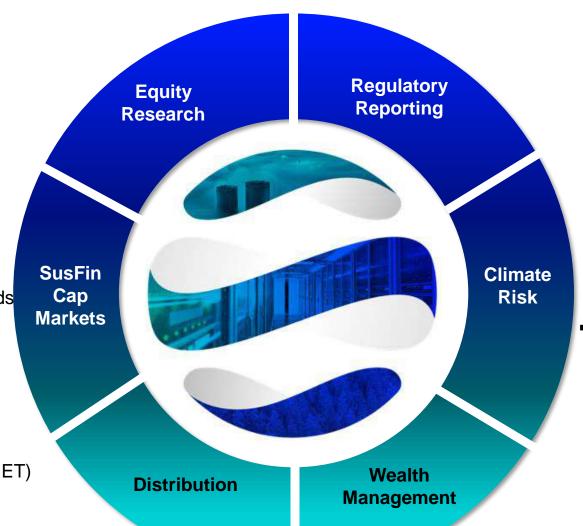


# Sustainable growth: Key Workflows on Sell-side & Buyside

- Auditable ESG Data
- Workspace New SFI Dashboard
- Climate Data Package

- DSS, IFR & LPC Loan Connector
- Green & Sustainability Linked Bonds
- Infra360 for Project Finance

- Lipper European ESG Template (EET)
- ESG Data & Product Involvement
- Green Revenues & Controversies



- SFDR Advanced & Professional
  - EU Taxonomy
- European ESG Template (EET)

- ESG data for 85% of market cap
  - Climate Data Package
- Green Revenues & EU Taxonomy

- Lipper ESG & Responsible Investments
- EET Data for Sustainability Preferences





# **FTSE** Russell sustainability framework

#### How a company operates

#### What a company manufactures

 Data Type
 ESG
 CO2e
 Fossil Fuels
 Green Revenues
 Exclusion

 Data Model
 ESG Scores
 Controversy Monitor
 Emissions
 Reserves
 Green Revenues
 Business Involvement

#### **ESG data model**

- Easy identification of companies with strong/weak ESG practices
- Search, screen and analyse the ESG scores of over 7,200 companies
- Portfolio and index foot printing for ESG scores
- Rapid design and upload of ESG portfolios or baskets
- Input ESG portfolios into the client platform

#### **Green Revenues data model**

- Easy identification of companies with green revenues
- Detailed 10-year green revenues history of c20,000 large, mid and small cap companies
- Portfolio and index foot printing for green revenue exposure
- Rapid design and upload of green portfolios or baskets
- Understand Green Revenues 'hotspots' with attribution analysis compared with an index or another uploaded portfolio
- Maintain representative Green Revenues portfolios in the client web platform (SID), updated on a daily basis





# LSEG partnerships and engagements with the industry

#### Critical enabler for key finance sector initiatives



Group CEO is a GFANZ CEO Principal and co-Chairs Corporate transition strategy workstream with NatWest and AXA.

Founding member of PRI and a longstanding member of major country/regional sustainable investment forums (SIFs)

Founder of FoSDA - Future of Sustainable Data Alliance, a partnership with peers in data & analytics, Also an active member of OS-Climate.

#### Fertile collaboration with academia



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Stock Exchanges

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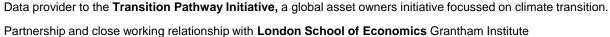




FUTURE OF SUSTAINABLE DATA ALLIANCE







Centre for Greening Finance & Investment - Advisory Board Member

FTSE Russell World Investment Forum annual high impact event w/ top academics and asset owners - SI integrated through agenda. Academic partnership with **Cambridge University**.







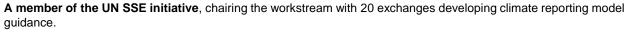
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Joint ESG indexes and local market engagement of issuers and investors w/ JSE, Bursa Malaysia and TWSE to support local SI mandate adoption

Broad collaboration w/JPX across sustainable finance.

Member of **WFE** sustainability working group.

Trusted sounding board for **Regulators & Policymakers** 









One of the 20 members of the EU High Level Group on Sustainable Finance and the 30 member EU Technical Expert Group.

Participation in the FCA/PRA Climate Financial Risk Forum to influence regulatory focus on sustainable finance.

Work closely with the China Green Finance Committee and the Monetary Authority of Singapore and are represented on their Green Finance Industry Taskforce (GFIT). They co-funded our Singapore SFI Innovation Lab.





# Global trends in ESG investing





# **Sustainable investment data – required information for investors**

SI is being implemented across asset classes, whilst many asset owners are incorporating sustainability within strategic asset allocation models or frameworks

Asset classes for which SI considerations have been implemented or are being considered

86%

of asset owners globally are implementing SI in their investment strategies

44%

are currently considering how to incorporate climate or sustainability within strategic asset allocation, 24% already do

Derived through a series of more specific questions: 1) AD1. Is your organization (or office) currently implementing any form of sustainability considerations in your investment strategy (i.e., exclusions, climate risk, fossil fuel/ high carbon divestment, green investment, thematic ESG investing, impact investing, social factors, ESG integration etc.)?; 2) AD2. Is your organization (or office) currently evaluating or has it previously evaluated implementation of sustainability considerations in your investment strategy?

AP7. Are you incorporating sustainability or climate considerations into your strategic asset allocation (SAA) framework, including around long-term market returns forecasting and investment risk? Total Respondents (Total n=184: Asset Owners only)





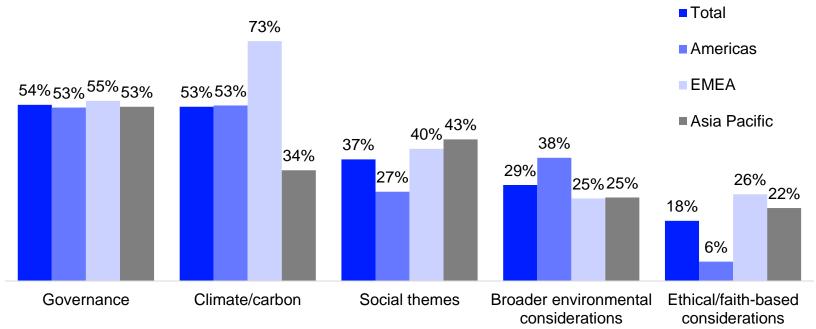
# **Sustainability as a priority focus for Asset Owners**

- Sustainability remains a priority focus for asset owners across various regions.
- Governance is a priority that has significantly risen across all regions, the first year
  we have seen complete regional alignment on the top priority. The priority level of
  governance increased notably to 54% globally.
- Climate/carbon is an enduring priority that is reflected in a large spike this year with 73% of asset owners in EMEA citing this focus area, compared with just 36% in 2022.



Source: Sustainable investment asset owner survey 2023 | LSEG

#### Percentage of Asset Owners for which sustainability issues are a priority focus





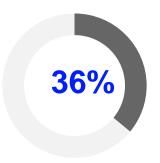


### **Greenwashing: Asset owners raise concerns**

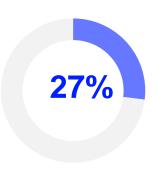
- Greenwashing is the concept of making false environmental claims (intentionally or unintentionally) to mislead customers.
- Asset owners flag that reputational risk of greenwashing may negatively impact their sustainable investment strategies.



Source: Sustainable investment asset owner survey 2023 | LSEG



of those who have not yet implemented sustainable investments say they are concerned about potential reputational risk of greenwashing linked to sustainable investments



of those who have implemented some sustainable investment considerations agree that it's a barrier to further adoption





# Investors' expectations on ESG performance and reporting

# Investors want businesses that:

Engage in **active discussion** around human rights and community issues;

Demonstrate operational robustness and reputational resilience by addressing their impact on the communities in which they operate;

Have strong and positive relationships with communities

#### **Example of FTSE indicator**

Stakeholder engagement to verify human rights risks and impacts:

- a. Evidence of consultation taking place
- b. Documented meetings OR reports of how results have been used

# Key sources of investment risks and opportunities:

**Regulatory**: costs associated with regulatory compliance;

Market: increased exposure to human rights risks in supply chain;

**Reputation**: risks caused by community relations and human rights issues;

**Operations**: increased chance of operational shut-downs or revocation of licenses, if the local community resists the presence of the business

#### **Example of FTSE indicator**

Total amount of corporate or group donations/community investments made to registered not-for-profit organisations

Source: LSEG Guide to ESG reporting



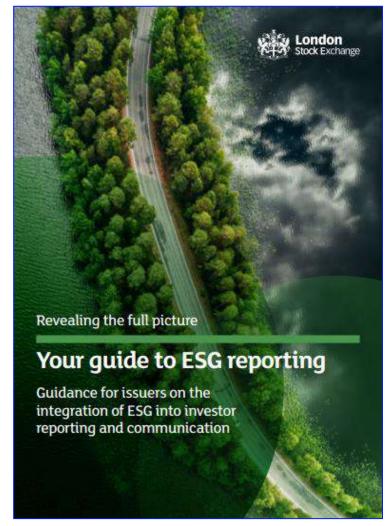


## How to get started on ESG disclosures?

- To understand a company's long-term prospects, investors will focus
  on those issues that they believe to be most relevant or 'material'
   to any particular business.
- Companies should explain which ESG issues they see as most relevant or material to their business by showing how these ESG issues may affect their business, e.g. through legislation, reputational damage, employee turnover, licence to operate, legal action or stakeholder relationships.

#### What can companies expect to disclose?

 FTSE Russell's ESG model covers 14 themes adapted to reflect their materiality to each company. As an illustration, we look at the Climate Change theme that is material for most companies.



Source: LSEG Guide to ESG reporting





# Summary of SEC Thailand Guidelines for asset managers

- In line with the IOSCO Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Ratings and Data Products Providers Final Report, the SEC has launched its "Guidelines for assessing qualifications and selecting performance evaluators in sustainability according to international standards for asset management companies"
- Aims to assist asset management companies in Thailand in selecting assessors who provide ESG rankings/scoring and ESG information product services

#### Elements in the checklist for asset managers

- 1. Qualifications of the evaluator:
  - Credibility
  - · Independence and Impartiality
  - Transparency
- 2. Examination of objectives, methods and data quality used by the evaluator in ESG rankings/ratings or ESG products
  - Objective verification
  - Verification of methodologies
  - Data quality
- 3. Consideration of scope and coverage of the information provided by the evaluator used in ESG rankings/ratings or providing ESG information products
  - Coverage of ESG issues in many dimensions
  - Coverage in terms of countries and/or sectors (sectoral coverage)





## **Summary of SEC Guidelines**

#### Elements in the checklist for asset managers

#### 4. Examination of the ESG assessment process ("ESG assessment process")

Reliability of the ESG assessment process used by the assessor

#### 5. Assessment of materiality ("materiality")

- Understanding how evaluators consider ESG materiality
- ESG materiality of the appraiser In line with the view of the mutual fund company or not

#### 6. Examination of assessment results and reporting

- Inspection of evaluation results and raying/rating report, ESG score or data product, checking the format for clarity and frequency of the above reports as well as readiness for use
- Evaluation of response
- Ranking/Rating results
- ESG or ESG data products





# **IOSCO** Recommendations and ICMA Code of Conduct for ESG Ratings and data product providers

- To promote consistency further, an ESG Data and Ratings Working Group, initiated by the UK FCA and led by ICMA, developed an international Code of Conduct that is entirely aligned with IOSCO's recommendations.
- LSEG co-chaired the development of the ICMA Code of Conduct, hosted its launch in January 2024, and supports its adoption across global markets.

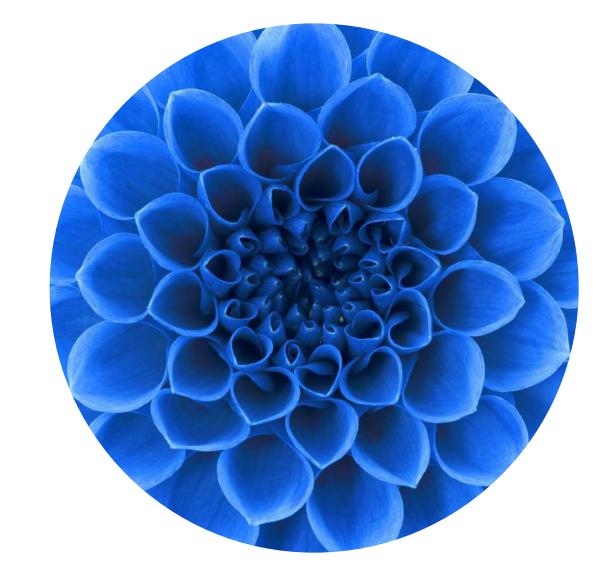
#### The Code is structured around four key outcomes:

Good Governance	ESG ratings and data products providers are expected to ensure appropriate governance arrangements are in place that enable them to promote and uphold the Principles and overall objectives of the Code.
Systems and Controls	ESG ratings and data products providers are expected to adopt and implement written policies and procedures designed to help ensure the issuance of high quality ESG ratings and data products.
Management of Conflicts of Interest	ESG ratings and data products providers are expected to identify, avoid or appropriately manage, mitigate and disclose actual or potential conflicts of interest that may compromise the independence and objectivity of ESG ratings and data products providers' operations.
Transparency	ESG ratings and data products providers are expected to make adequate levels of public disclosure and transparency a priority for their ESG ratings and data products.  This includes their methodologies and processes to enable users to understand the product and any associated potential conflicts of interest, while maintaining a balance with respect to proprietary or confidential information, data and methodologies.





# FTSE Russell ESG Data Model





## Key pillars of our approach to ESG data



#### Quantitative

Trust indices built with credible ESG and climate data, quantitative methodologies, tested frameworks and next-generation forward-looking metrics

- Based on FTSE Russell and LSEG's long history in producing market leading ESG & climate data series
- Relying on quantitative methodologies and tested ESG & climate frameworks
- Forward-looking metrics and datasets



#### Material

Measure and quantify the materiality of ESG and climate issues based on deep knowledge of the sustainability challenges

- Based on deep knowledge of the sustainability challenges
- Accelerating the integration of Environment, Social and Governance criteria and climate in the risk assessment and investment strategy of investors
- Solutions for determining ESG integration & climate transition activities and managing risk and opportunity is central to our approach on sustainability
- Actionable insights to measure and quantify the financial materiality of ESG and climate factors



#### **Objective**

Rules-based methodology allows for transparency and objectivity and adherence to market regulation or policy guidance

- Innovative, multi-asset class approach to meeting regulatory objectives
- Powering index, data, analytics and thematic solutions for investors who want to build a selective portfolio
- Aligned with emerging climate and sustainability standards and regulatory requirements (TCFD, SFDR, EU Taxonomy)





## Overview of the ESG Data Model

FTSE Russell's ESG Scores and data model allows investors to understand a company's exposure to, and management of, ESG issues in multiple dimensions. An ESG score is made of three pillars, Environmental, Social and Governance.

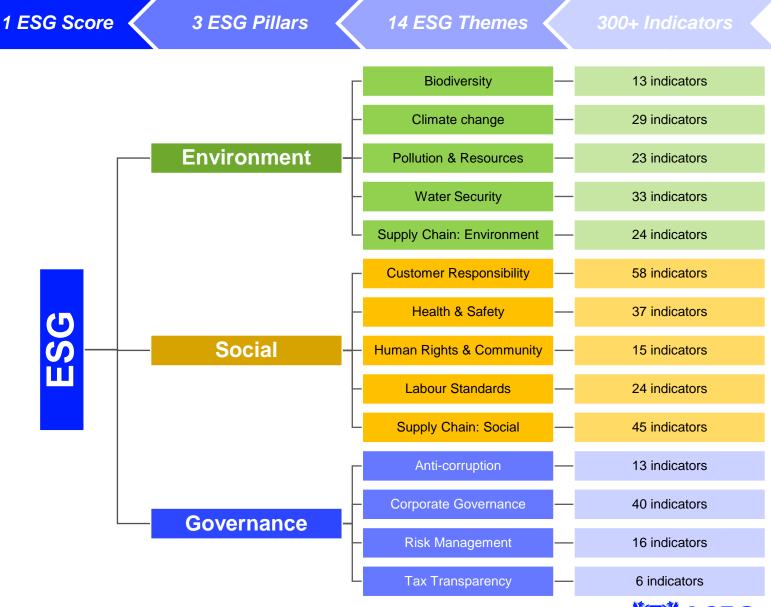






#### **Data Structure Overview**

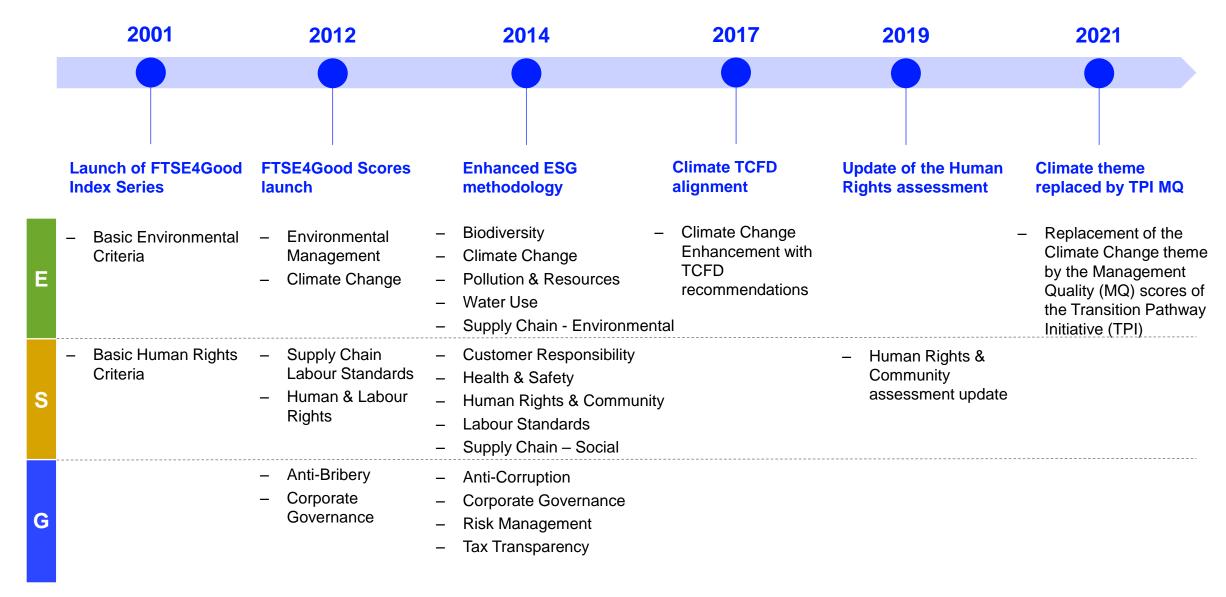
- The ESG Scores are comprised of an overall Score that breaks down into Pillars and Theme Exposures and Scores.
- The Pillars and Themes are built on over 300 individual indicators that are applied to each company's unique circumstances.
- An average of 125 indicators are applied per company.







## Continuously evolving assessment criteria

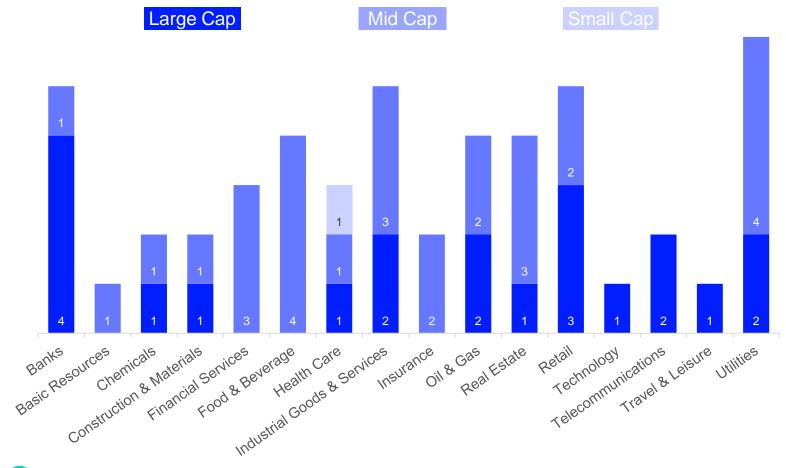




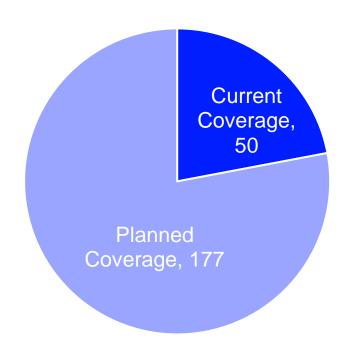


## Coverage of Thai companies by FTSE Russell's ESG data set

Market size of the Thai companies within industries of the current coverage



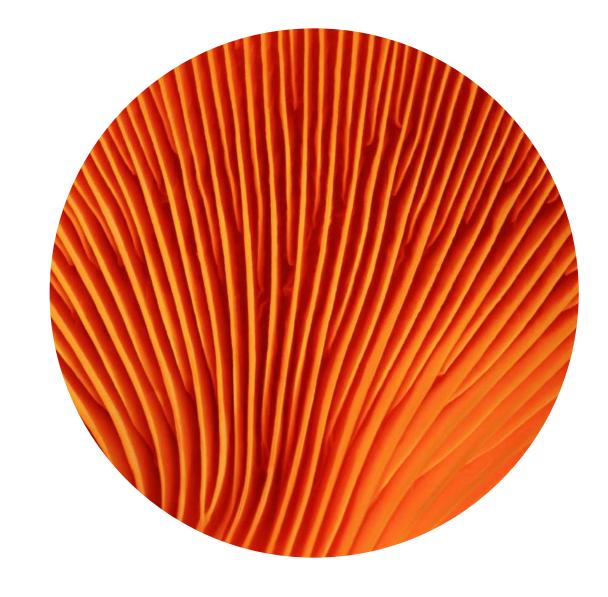
Current & planned coverage of Thai companies in the ESG data model







# ESG Themes and Indicators





## **Environmental Pillar**



## Climate Change

Focuses on how companies manage and disclose their climate-related risks and opportunities.















## Water Use

Evaluates companies based on their water management practices, including how efficiently they use water, their efforts to reduce water consumption, and their strategies for managing water-related risks.

#### Relevant frameworks:











## **Biodiversity**

Focuses on how companies manage their impact on biodiversity. It assesses efforts to protect and restore natural habitats, reduce biodiversity loss, and integrate biodiversity considerations into business strategies.

#### Relevant frameworks:











# Pollution & Resources

Evaluates companies on their management of pollution and resource use. It looks at how companies minimize their environmental impact through efficient resource use, waste management, and pollution control.

#### Relevant frameworks:











# Environmental Supply Chain

Evaluates how companies manage environmental risks and impacts within their supply chains and ensure suppliers adhere to environmental standards.

#### Relevant frameworks:











#### **Social Pillar**



## Health & Safety

Evaluates companies on their health and safety practices, focusing on how well they manage and mitigate risks to ensure the well-being of their employees and other stakeholders.

#### Relevant frameworks:















#### Labour Standards

Evaluates companies on their labour practices and policies, focusing on how well they adhere to international labour standards and promote fair working conditions.

#### Relevant frameworks:











# Human Rights & Community

Evaluates companies on their practices and policies related to human rights and community engagement.

#### Relevant frameworks:







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## Customer Responsibility

Evaluates companies on their practices related to product responsibility, product safety and quality, customer satisfaction and marketing practices.

#### Relevant frameworks:

















# Social Supply Chain

Evaluates companies on their social practices within their supply chains, focusing on how they manage and mitigate social risks and promote positive social outcomes.

#### Relevant frameworks:



















## **Governance Pillar**



## **Anti-Corruption**

Evaluates companies on their practices and policies related to preventing and addressing corruption. Key aspects include risk assessment and due diligence, training and awareness, incident reporting and response.

#### Relevant frameworks:







## Tax Transparency

Focuses on companies' tax transparency and oversight as the first step towards tax responsibility.

#### Relevant frameworks:









## Risk Management

This theme is designed to identify companies that demonstrate robust risk management practices, which can help mitigate potential losses and improve long-term stability and performance.

#### Relevant frameworks:







#### Corporate Governance

Evaluates companies on their governance practices to ensure they are managed ethically, transparently, and responsibly. Key aspects include board structure, executive compensation and shareholder rights.

#### Relevant frameworks:



















## **Different types of FTSE ESG Indicators**

#### **General indicators**

Core indicators that assess companies in material subsectors for each specific Theme.

# Industry-specific indicators

Additional indicators that require data **tailored to specific sub-sectors** (e.g., fleet CO2 emissions for automotive companies).

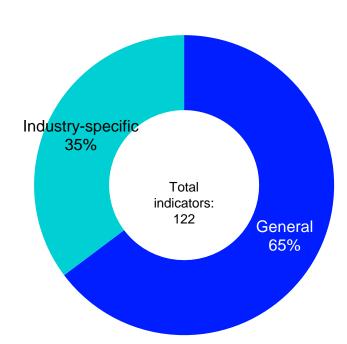
# **Geography-specific** indicators

Additional indicators required for companies that operate in **countries** with specific requirements or characteristics (e.g., B-BBEE implementation in South Africa).

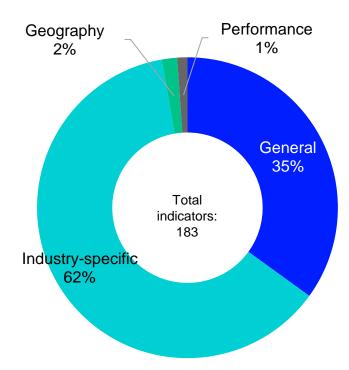
# Performance indicators

Using quantitative data to assess the performance of companies compared to its peers in the same industry and geography groups.

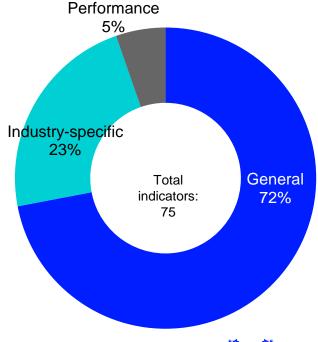
#### **Environmental**



#### Social



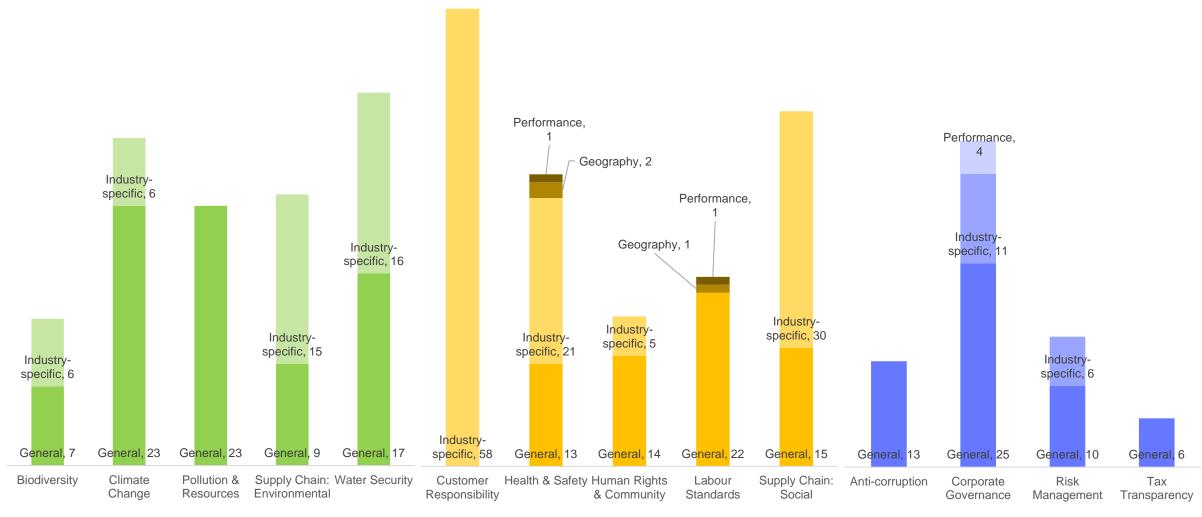
#### Governance







## **Number of indicators per type and ESG Theme**



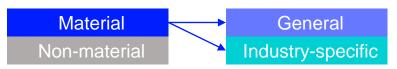
Environmental Social Governance



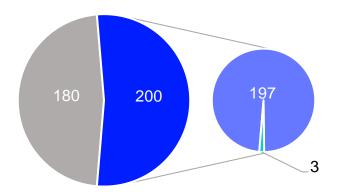


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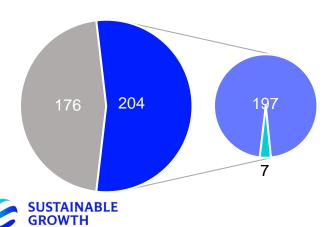
#### Types of indicators



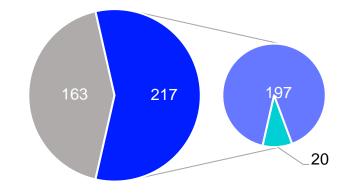
#### **Automobiles & Parts**



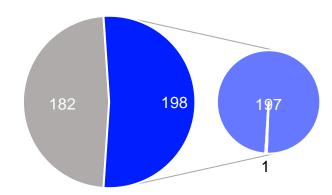
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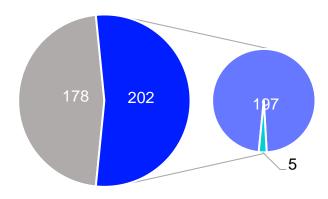
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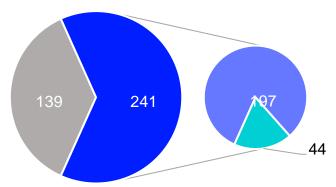
**Chemicals** 



**Construction & Materials** 



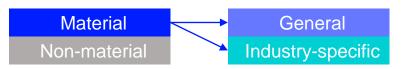
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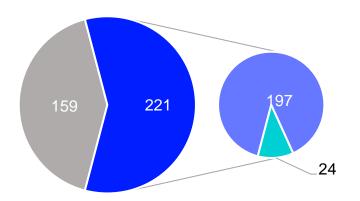


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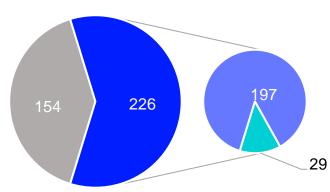
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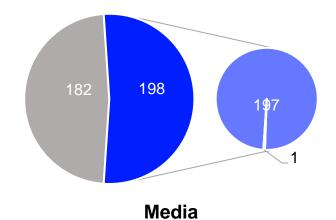
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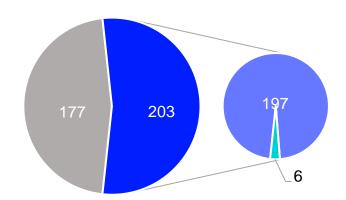


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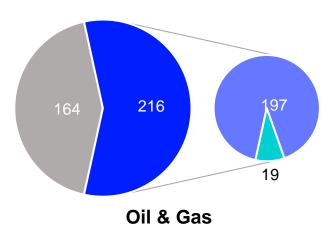


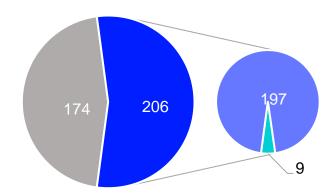
**Industrial Goods & Services** 





Insurance



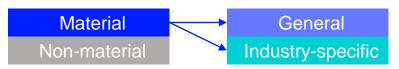


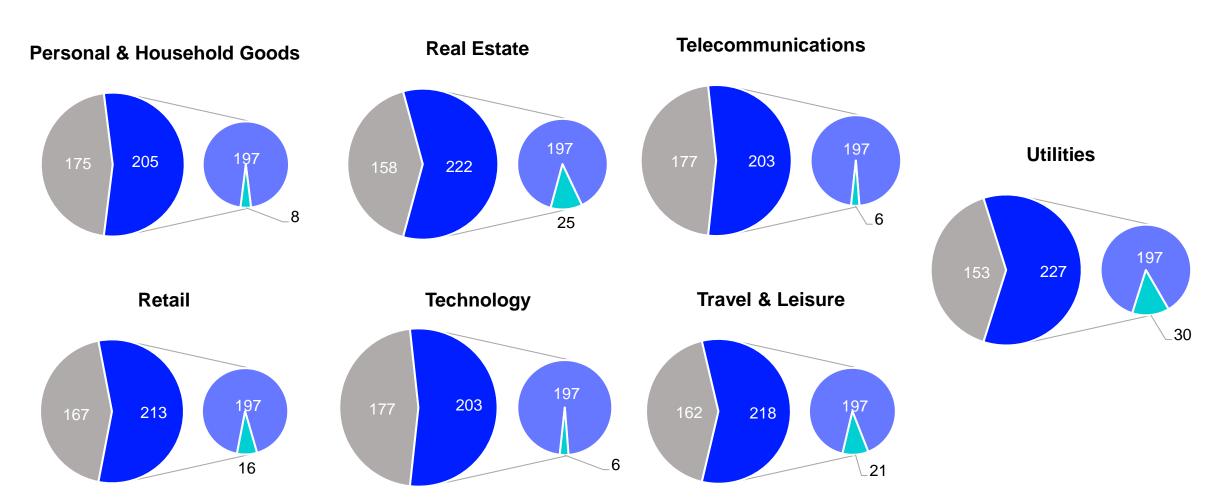




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#### Types of indicators









## **Number of Quantitative VS Qualitative indicators**

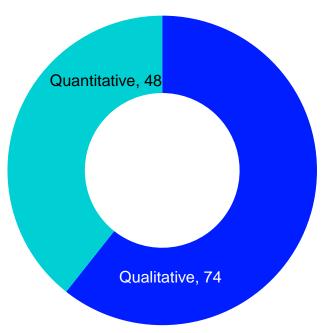
#### **Qualitative indicators**

Assessing the quality of management and approach

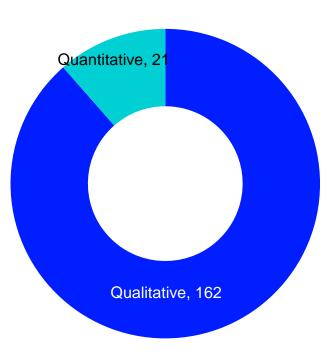
#### **Quantitative indicators**

Measuring corporate data disclosure

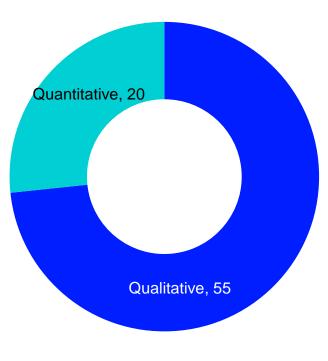
## Environmental



#### Social



#### Governance







# Calculating ESG scores

The process, from A to Z





## **FTSE ESG** scoring process

Applying materiality assessment based on business characteristics

Collecting, assessing, checking and reviewing indicator data

**Calculating scores** 

Determining ESG assessment scope

Determining ESG exposure scale

Collect data from corporate disclosures

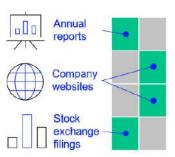
Assessing disclosures at indicator level

Internal quality checks and company review

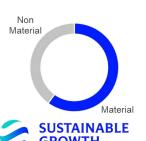
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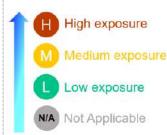
## Companies' business data







#### **Exposure scale**

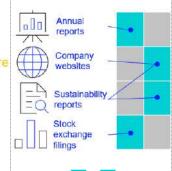








## Companies' ESG data





700+

Analysts collect data from publicly available sources

## Types of data points





#### **Indicator assessment**

No Match	Partial Match	Full Match
No	Yes	Yes
No	No	Yes

## Internal quality checks





Algorithmbased data validation

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## Company feedback



Companies review their assessment through our online portal during a 4week review window

## Theme calculation table

		Theme Exposure				
		Low	Medium	High		
	5	51-100%	61-100%	71-100%		
ore	4	31-50%	41-60%	51-70%		
Score	3	11-30%	21-40%	31-50%		
Theme	2	6-10%	6-20%	11-30%		
Ě	1	0-5%	1-5%	1-10%		
	0	N/A	0%	0%		

## calculation



**ESG Pillar score** 

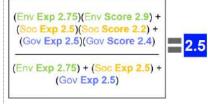


## Theme score assessment

Thome	Exposur e	% of Indicators scored	(0 to 5)
Biodiversity	N/A	N/A	N/A
Climate Change	H	33%	- 3
Pollution & Resources	н	37%	3
Supply Chain: Env	н	28%	- 1
Water Security	- 10	56%	4
Customer Responsibility	NVA	N/A	N/A
Health & Safety	.M.	7%	1
Human Rights		23%	3
Labour Standards	H	10%	- 1
Supply Chain; Social	H	33%	- 3
Anti-corruption	н	13%	- 2
Corporate Governance	N/	89%	- 5
Risk Management	Н	30%	- 2
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## Overall ESG sco

## Overall ESG score calculation





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## **Determining ESG assessment scope**

Determining ESG assessment scope

Determining ESG exposure scale

Collect data from corporate disclosures

Assessing disclosures at indicator level

Internal quality checks and company review

Calculating
Theme Scores

Calculating Pillar and ESG scores

## **Assessing business characteristics**



#### Industry

Identifying company's revenue share based on FTSE Russell's Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB) and classifying the company as per its main business activity.



## Geography

Identifying the countries in which the company operates. Companies that have over 30% of their revenues derived from outside their domestic region are classified as Multinational.

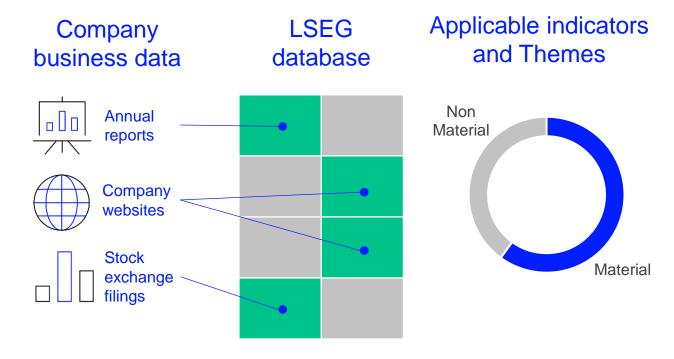


#### Market

Classifying the company as per its market of operations: developing, emerging and developed.

Our team of analysts dissects companies' business model based on publicly available resources such as annual reports, financial filings, audit reports, legal statuses etc. We compile business data into our data base to classify and standardise business information that is usually sitting in various disclosure documents.

## **Determining assessment scope**



This company-specific selection of business characteristics will **determine the number of ESG Themes and indicators** that are triggered for assessment based on our proprietary materiality matrix.





## Overview of FTSE Russell's Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB)

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  integration of the Russell Global Sectors (RGS) classification scheme. ICB is a globally utilised standard for the
  categorisation and comparison of companies by industry and sector.
- Allocation of companies to the ICB Subsector that closely matches the nature of its business and from which the company derives most of its revenues. Multiple Subsectors will be identified if the company has a significant operations in more than one i.e. Diversified companies



#### Investor-focused

A market-engaged governance process and a proactive, thorough maintenance schedule ensure the ICB framework remains relevant, and companies are classified accurately

#### Comprehensive

Approximately 85,000 equity securities from over 80 countries and 150 exchanges globally

#### Source: Industry Classification Benchmark | ICB | FTSE Russell



#### **Transparent**

Rules based, transparent classification methodology that utilises revenue source data and other publicly available information





## **Determining ESG assessment scope: in practice**

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Determining ESG exposure scale

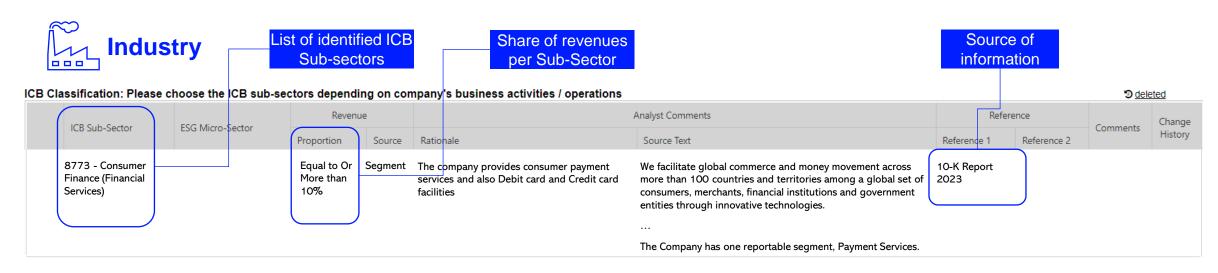
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Country Rationale	Rationale			Source Text	Reference 1	Reference 2	Comments	History
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Armenia	The company has presence in	n this country.		SUBSIDIARIES OF THE REGISTRANT As of July 29, 2023	10-K 2023 240		ip	<b>ව</b>
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#### **Exposure factors**



#### Industry

Companies will have different ESG risk exposure per Theme depending on their industry. We determine the exposure scale at ICB Sub-Sector level, and apply the scale related to the company's main Sub-Sector.



## Geography

Companies will also have different ESG risk exposure per Theme depending on their country of operations. We only classify countries that present the highest risk for each Theme.

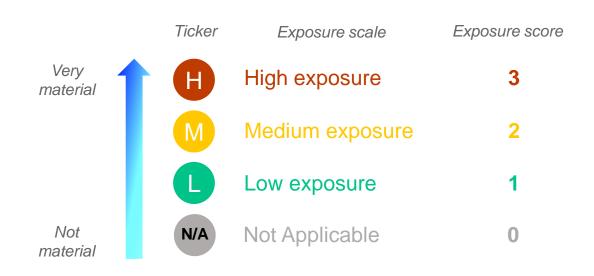


#### **Market**

Companies will sometimes have different ESG risk exposure per Theme depending on their market, as investor's expectation will vary depending on the level of economic development of a market companies operate in.

- The factors that determine exposure **mirror the business characteristics** that are assessed as part of the previous step.
- Based on a materiality matrix, this categorisation considers business involvement across different ICB Subsectors and countries, and in some Themes, the market size.

## **Exposure scale**



- Exposure' categorises the materiality level of the 14 Themes for a particular company as High, Medium, Low or Not Applicable.
- Company assessment will add additional weight to indicators that have higher exposure levels by using exposure scores through a weighted calculation method.





## **Materiality matrix summary: Industry**



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171 countries are defined in our methodology as having high exposure to certain Themes. This list is frequently updated based on the sources of references for each theme.

Number of countries with High exposure relative to each Theme







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## In the methodology document

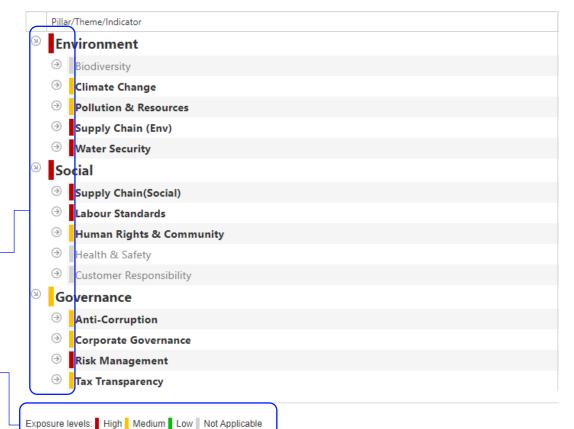
Indicator legend	Indicator type	Indicator description	Applicability/ Subsectors	Exposure:
SHS01	Qualitative	Health and safety policy or commitment statement which:  a. Identifies the issue as relevant and important  b. Applies to contractors or other external stakeholders		00
SHS39	Qualitative	Policy or commitment statement on reducing health and safety impact through:  a. Commitment to continuous improvement  b. Time-specific, quantitative targets to reduce incidents		<b>B</b> Ø

The H/M/L tags relate to a specific list of indicators listed for each Theme under "Primary / Secondary / Tertiary Impact Subsectors" respectively

	Primary Impact Subsector Category		Secondary Impact Subsector Category	Tertiary Impact Subsector Category
533	Exploration & Production	5553	Broadcasting & Entertainment	All Other Subsectors *
537	Integrated Oil & Gas	5555	Media Agencies	
1733	Forestry	5557	Publishing	
1753	Aluminium	9533	Computer Services	
1755	Nonferrous Metals	9535	Internet	
1757	Iron & Steel	9537	Software	

Exposure scale tagged for each indicator.

#### On the SID Platform



Exposure scale legend

Exposure scale

for Pillars and

Themes tagged

by colour





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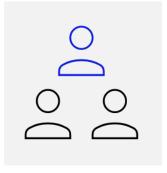
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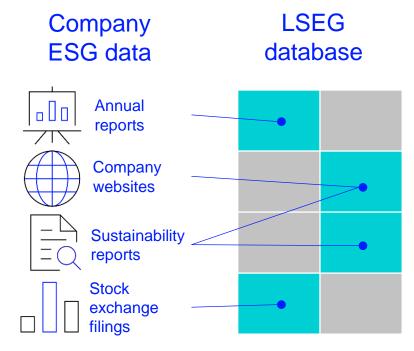
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Research analysts collect data from publicly available corporate disclosures

- LSEG has one of the largest ESG Operations team in the industry and the most scalable model.
- The data collection process is manually conducted by a global team of data analysts around the world, who are trained to collect data to FTSE Russell's specifications.
- Data is collected from the company's previous financial year disclosures so that analysts do not start from scratch each time (expect for companies newly added to the research universe in the research cycle)
- Information is processed manually into verified and standardised data points.
- Through the online portal, companies can see the indicators against which they are assessed and the sources of the data collected.



Analysts filter through relevant data for the assessment, sourced from a company's publicly available documents\*



<sup>\*</sup>Non-exhaustive list of sources





## Collect data from corporate disclosures: in practice

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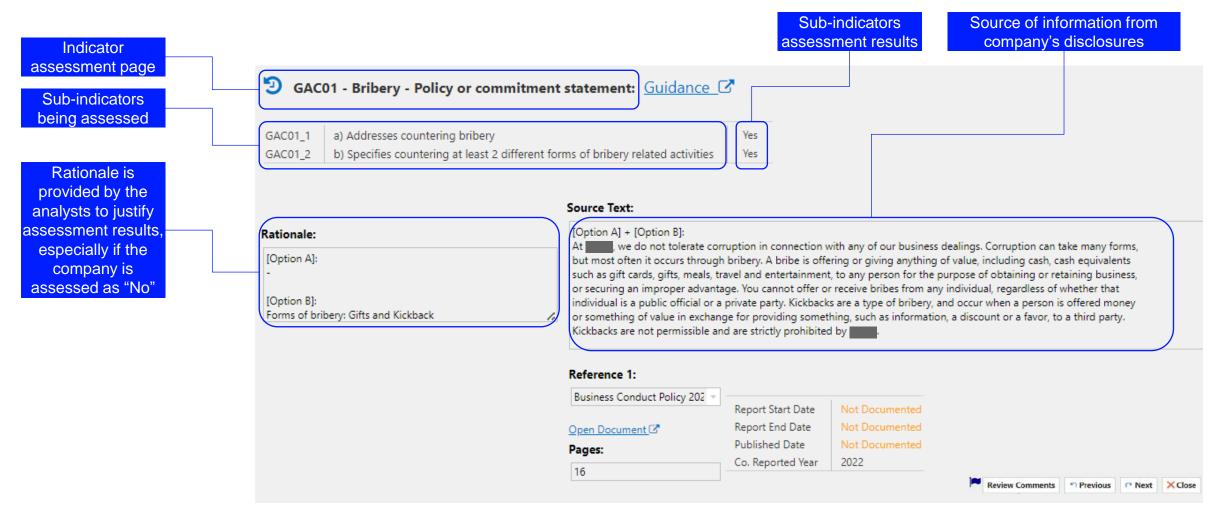
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## Assessing disclosures at indicator level

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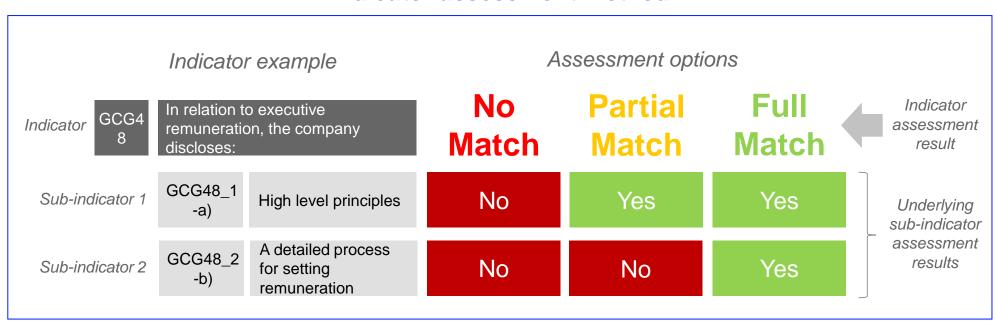
#### Types of data points





Indicators are assessed based on the types underlying data points, either qualitative or quantitative. Qualitative data points are assessed with either "Yes" or "No" depending on whether the company meets the requirements, whereas qualitative data points are positively assessed as "Disclosed" as long as analyst find the information.

#### Indicator assessment method



Indicators are composed of underlying sub-indicators and are assessed as "No Match", "Partial Match" and "Full Match" depending on the combination of positive sub-indicator assessment results ("Yes" or "Disclosed" vs "No" or "Not Disclosed").





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Indicator scoreassessed as "No Match", "Partial Match" o "Full Match"		Theme score, ca from indicat assessmen	or	Sub-indicator assessment, depending on whether the company meets the requiremen
illar/Theme/Indicator		Score/Response	Reference	
Environment			3.3	
Biodiversity			3	
Climate Change			3	
Solution of the Company of the Co	tement to:	Fully Met	Annual Reg	port 2022 <u>, pg 44</u>
a) Address the issue		Yes		
b) Reduce or avoid the impact or improve efficiency		Yes		
Recognition of climate change:		Fully Met	Annual Reg	port 2022, pg 117
a) As a relevant risk and/or opportunity to the business		Yes		
b) Discloses time horizon (short/medium/long term) of risk and/or opportunity		Yes		
② Does the company have a commitment to align disclosures to the to the recomme Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)?	endations of the Financial Stability Board's	Fully Met		oort 2022, <u>pg 16,216</u> ity Report 2022 <u>, pg 16</u>
The company commits to or currently aligns its disclosures to the TCFD recommen	ndations	Yes		
The company is a listed TCFD Supporter		Yes		
The company explicitly sign-posts TCFD-aligned disclosures in its annual reporting	g OR publishes them in a TCFD report.	Yes		
Energy use - Policy or commitment statement to:		Fully Met	Sustainabil	<u>ity Report 2022, pg 23</u>
a) Address the issue		Yes		
b) Reduce or avoid the impact or improve efficiency		Yes		





## **Internal quality checks**

Internal quality checks and company review



## **Quality checks**

are manually conducted on the completed company assessment





#### **Data validation**

using proprietary automated algorithms





**Assessment** ready for company review

#### Manual check by analysts:

- Multiple layers of quality check analysis are conducted to ensure data accuracy and consistency as much as possible.
- These checks are applied at the company level and at the overall dataset level.

#### Algorithm-based final check:

Algorithm guarantees:

- Consistency across years
- Logical connections between answers
- Homogeneity
- Accuracy
- Completeness

#### Request for company feedback:

 Once the assessment has passed the data validation process, FTSE will send a request to the company seeking feedback on the completed assessment





## Company review of indicator data

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#### **Engagement with companies**

Company review and provide feedback on ESG assessment

Analysts assess companies based on publicly available data

FTSE Russell
asks
companies to
provide
feedback on
their initial
assessment

Companies review their assessment through our online portal during a 4week review window

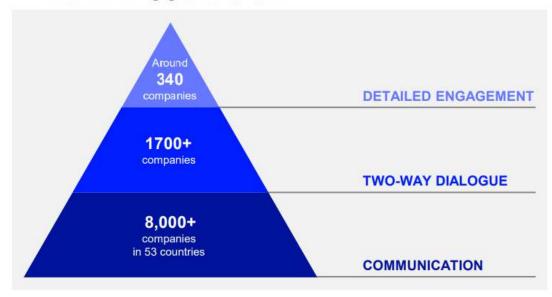
Analysts incorporate companies' feedback and finalise the

final
assessment,
ESG score is
calculated and
published at
the index
review (June
and
December)

Based on the

- FTSE Russell follows a structured engagement process
  when communicating with companies to ensure there is
  transparency of both the related sustainable investment
  data methodology and collected sustainability data.
- This is carried out as part of the standard operations of FTSE Russell to ensure ESG scores take into account relevant information.
- Companies have a 4-week period to review the assessment. An email will be sent by FTSE to companies containing login credentials, link to the online platform and instructions on how to initiate the review process
- Companies are given the opportunity to comment on the accuracy and completeness of the company's data within the review period.

#### FTSE Russell ESG engagement statistics







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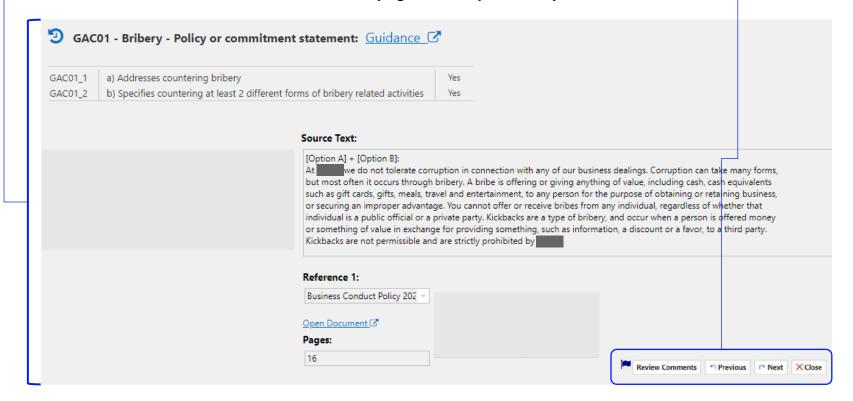
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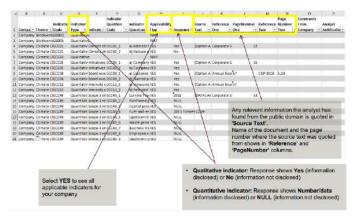
The page accessible by companies for reviewing their data is the same screen page that the analysts use when inputting the data.

Companies have additional "Review" functionalities to allow them to conveniently browse through their indicator-level assessment and provide feedback.

#### Illustration of the review page for companies to provide feedback



## Companies can export their indicator data in Excel format for visualization purposes







## **Aggregating Indicator assessment**

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ESG score ESG Pillars ESG Themes

Indicators

#### Rules for aggregating Indicator assessment

#### **Indicator Points**

 Points are awarded for each Indicator met in a particular Theme.

#### **Indicator Weights**

Each Indicator
has a weight
with some, such
as sector
specific and
performance
Indicators, given
additional
weight.

## % of Total Indicator Points

 The total number of Points awarded is divided by the maximum possible number of Points to give a percentage. This is done for all Themes.

## Example of a company's aggregated Indicator assessment

Theme	Exposure	% of Indicators scored
Biodiversity	N/A	N/A
Climate Change	Н	33%
Pollution & Resources	Н	37%
Supply Chain: Env	Н	28%
Water Security	М	56%
Customer Responsibility	N/A	N/A
Health & Safety	M	7%
Human Rights	M	23%
Labour Standards	Н	10%
Supply Chain: Social	Н	33%
Anti-corruption	Н	13%
Corporate Governance	M	89%
Risk Management	Н	30%
Tax Transparency	M	7%





## **Calculating ESG Theme Exposure**

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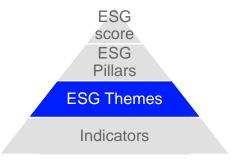
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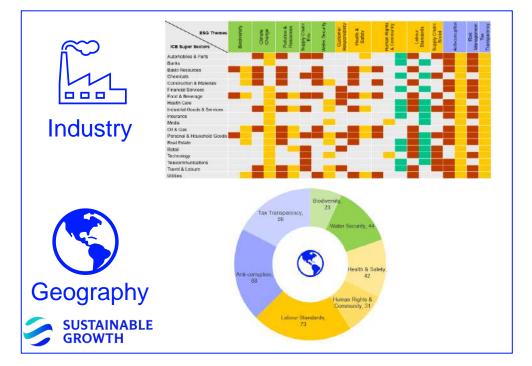
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## Applying materiality matrix to each company's specific case based on collected business characteristics





#### Example of a company's Theme exposure

Theme	Exposure	Rationale
Biodiversity	N/A	The company does not operate in any Subsector that is applicable to this Theme.
Climate Change	Н	
Pollution & Resources	Н	Sub-Sector in which company operate is categorised as Primary Impact.
Supply Chain: Env	Н	categoriosa as i fililary impaot.
Water Security	М	Sub-Sector in which company operate is categorised as Secondary Impact, and company operates in Primary Impact countries such as India.
Customer Responsibility	N/A	The company does not operate in any Subsector that is applicable to this Theme.
Health & Safety	M	Sub-Sector in which company operate is
Human Rights	М	categorised as Secondary Impact sector, and the company operates in Primary Impact Countries such as China.
Labour Standards	Н	Sub-Sector in which company operate is
Supply Chain: Social	Н	categorised as Primary Impact and the Subsector Filter confirms it sources
Anti-corruption	Н	physical inputs from third parties that form part of a final product
Corporate Governance	M	
Risk Management	Н	
Tax Transparency	М	

## **Calculating ESG Theme scores**

Calculating Theme Scores



## Theme calculation table based **Indicator Points scored**

		sure		
		Low	Medium	High
	5	51-100%	61-100%	71-100%
re	4	31-50%	41-60%	51-70%
<b>Theme Score</b>	3	11-30%	21-40%	31-50%
Lhem	2	6-10%	6-20%	11-30%
	1	0-5%	1-5%	1-10%
	0	N/A	0%	0%

# on Theme Exposure and % of

#### Example of a company's aggregated Indicator assessment

Theme	Exposur e	% of Indicators scored	Theme score (0 to 5)
Biodiversity	N/A	N/A	N/A
Climate Change	Н	33%	3
Pollution & Resources	Н	37%	3
Supply Chain: Env	Н	28%	2
Water Security	M	56%	4
Customer Responsibility	N/A	N/A	N/A
Health & Safety	M	7%	2
Human Rights	M	23%	3
Labour Standards	Н	10%	1
Supply Chain: Social	Н	33%	3
Anti-corruption	Н	13%	2
Corporate Governance	M	89%	5
Risk Management	Н	30%	2
Tax Transparency	M	7%	1

- Theme Exposure and % of Indicator Points scored in that Theme is required to determine Theme score.
- For relevant Themes, the number of Indicator "Points" a company meets is calculated as a percentage of total applicable Points and a Theme Score is given based on threshold bands. The threshold bands are higher for companies with a High Exposure than the bands for a company with Low Exposure.
- The percentage of Points awarded is applied to the framework below to assign a Theme Score from 0-5, with 5 being the highest. This is repeated for all applicable Themes.





## **Calculating ESG Pillar Exposure**

**Calculating Pillar** and ESG scores

ESG score ESG **Pillars ESG Themes** Indicators



Pillar Exposure is calculated as a weighted average of the applicable Theme Exposures, divided by the number of applicable Themes. Themes that are "High Exposure" have a weight of 3, "Medium Exposure" have a weight of 2, and "Low Exposure" have a weight of 1.

#### Company Example

**Pillar Exposure** 

Environmental Pillar Exposure

(Number of applicable Environmental Themes 4)



Social Pillar Exposure

(Number of applicable Social Themes 4)



Governance Pillar Exposure

$$(GAC Exp 3) + (GCG Exp 2) + (GRM Exp 3) + (GTX Exp 2)$$

(Number of applicable Governance Themes 4)









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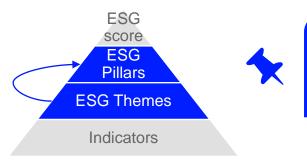
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Pillar Scores are calculated as Exposure weighted averages of the Theme Scores such that the most applicable Themes to a particular company have a greater weight. This results in Pillar Scores of 0-5 to one decimal place.

#### **Company Example**

Pillar Score

Environmental Pillar Exposure

(ECC Score 3)(ECC Exp 3) + (EWT Score 4)(EWT Exp 2) + (EBD Score 0)(EBD Exp 0) + (EPR Score 3)(EPR Exp 3) + (ESC Score 2)(ESC Exp 3)

(ECC Exp 3) + (EWT Exp 2) + (EBD Exp 0) + (EPR Exp 3) + (ESCExp 3)

2.9

Social Pillar Exposure

(SHS Score 2)(SHS Exp 2) + (SLS Score 1)(SLS Exp 3) + (SHR Score 2)(SHR Exp 3) + (SCR Score 0)(SCR Exp 0) + (SSC Score 3)(SSC Exp 3)

(SHS Exp 2) + (SLS Exp 3) + (SHR Exp 2) + (SCR Exp 0) + (SSCExp 3)

2.2

Governance Pillar Exposure (GAC Score 2)(GAC Exp 3) + (GCG Score 5)(GCG Exp 2) + (GRM Score 2)(GRM Exp 3) + (GTX Score 1)(GTX Exp 2)

(GAC Exp 3) + (GCG Exp 2) + (GRM Exp 3) + (GTX Exp 2)









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ESG Scores are calculated as an Exposure-weighted average of the three Pillar Scores

Indicators

### **Company Example**

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Pillar Exposure x Pillar Score
Total Pillar Exposure

For all three pillars

Pillar	Exposure (0–3)	Score (0–5)
Environmental	2.0	1.2
Social	2.3	2.3
Governance	2.0	5.0
ESG		2.5

#### **Company Example**

(Env Exp 2.75)(Env Score 2.9) + (Soc Exp 2.5)(Soc Score 2.2) + (Gov Exp 2.5)(Gov Score 2.4)

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**ESG Score** 









# Industry Classification Benchmark

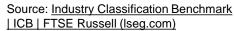




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# **ICB** management structure

FTSE Russell is responsible for maintaining ICB, and for the classification of all companies within ICB.

# FTSE Russell Industry Classification Advisory Committee

### **FTSE Russell Policy Advisory Board**

#### What it is

- The Committee consists of senior market practitioners who are representative of the appropriate sectors of the investment community.
- The Policy Advisory Board has been established to provide strategic guidance to FTSE Russell on the construction, maintenance, and strategy for meeting current and future market requirements for relevant FTSE Russell indices and classification schemes.

#### **Purpose**

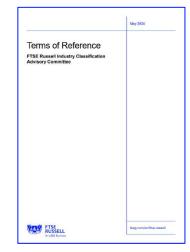
- Provides a forum to interact with index users and other stakeholders with a view to enhancing the underlying methodologies for final approval by the FTSE Russell Product Governance Board.
- Provides a forum to interact with senior market practitioners and to act as a sounding board for index initiatives that are subject to final approval by the FTSE Russell Index Governance Board.

#### Responsibilities

- Advise and comment on any proposed changes to the Ground Rules for ICB and if appropriate, recommend any proposed changes for further. review and consideration.
- Review the adequacy and appropriateness of ICB structure, and, if appropriate, recommend any proposed changes for further discussion.
- Advise and comment on challenges to classifications when requested by FTSE Russell.

- Discuss substantive changes to FTSE Russell index methodologies and classification schemes.
- Opine on the application of guidelines such as the Statement of Principles.
- Discuss the recommendations for changes to country classification made by the FTSE Equity Country Classification Advisory Committee and the regional advisory committees.

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### Data sources of ICB classifications

Companies are allocated to subsectors based on a transparent research process to determine the nature of its business, which includes assessment of revenue source data and other publicly available information.

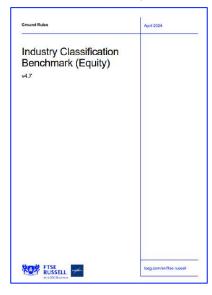
#### When revenue data is available:

- A company will be allocated to that subsector of ICB whose definition most closely coincides with the **source of the company's revenue** or the source of the majority of its revenue.
- The principal source of information used for the classification of a company shall be its audited accounts and directors' report.
- Where a company carries out two or more lines of business that differ substantially from each other, FTSE Russell will base its decision on the **accounting segmentation** published in the audited accounts and directors' report.

# Where revenue data is unavailable or company is new or in the course of changing its business line:

- The company will be allocated to that subsector whose definition most closely coincides with the **description of the company's business** as stated in:
  - The company's annual report,
  - If the annual report is not available, the company's listing prospectus or regulatory filings,
  - If none of these is available, the company's website.

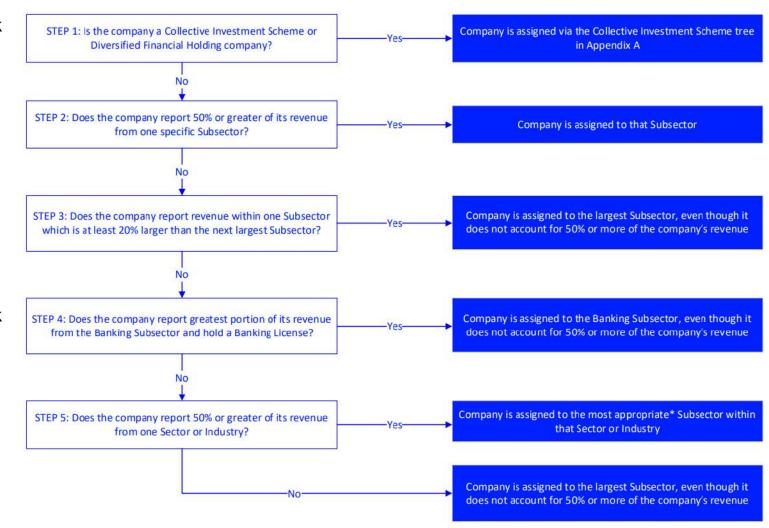
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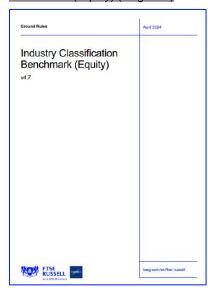


# Method to assign classification

- → Exception check (financial holding)
- → Allocation by absolute revenue share Subsector
- → Allocation by relative revenue share Subsector
- → Exception check (banks)
- → Allocation by absolute revenue share Sector or Industry



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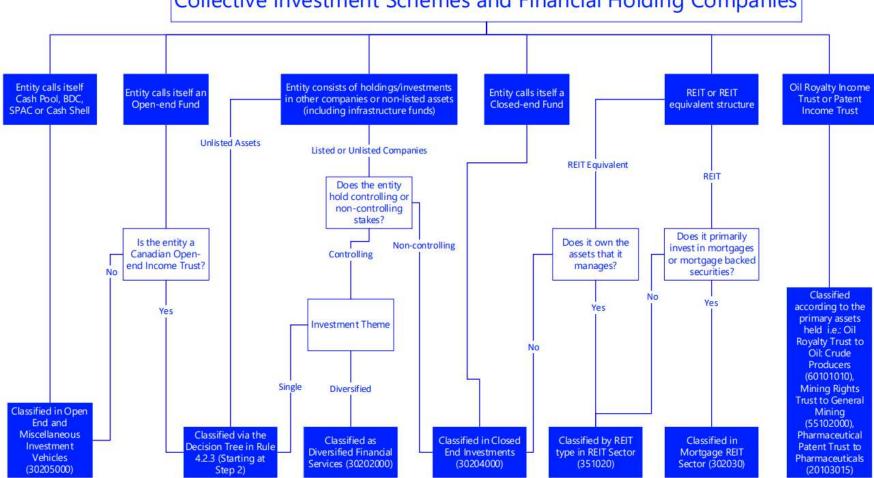




# Case studies: Collective Investment Scheme or Financial Holdings

Step 1: Collective Investment Scheme or **Financial Holdings** 

# Collective Investment Schemes and Financial Holding Companies



A holding greater than 50% is defined as 'controlling'. When assessing a portfolio of investments, the number of investments in which the company holds >50% must equate to 50% or more of the entire portfolio (i.e. half or more of the portfolio is made up of controlling stakes).

As part of the assessment, the investment objective of the company may also be referenced. If the objective is to exert influence, have board representation or be involved in management responsibilities of minority holdings then those holdings will be categorised as controlling interests.



## Case studies: 50% or more revenues from one Subsector

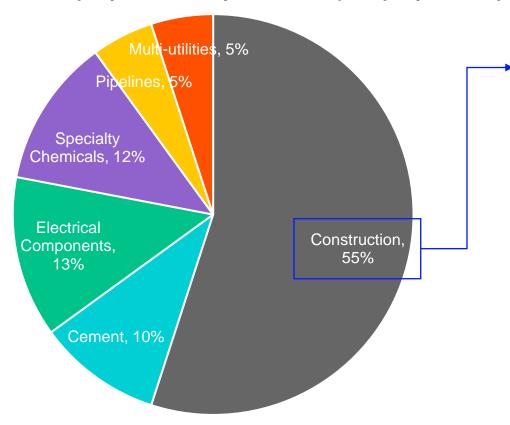
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Step 3: One Subsector revenues at least 20% larger than next Subsector

Step 4: Largest revenue from Banking Subsector

Step 5: 50% or more revenues from one Sector or Industry

#### **Share of company revenues by Subsector (Company A example)**



As the company generates **50% or more revenues from one Subsector**, the company is assigned to that Subsector – **Construction**.





## Case studies: One Subsector revenues at least 20% larger than next Subsector

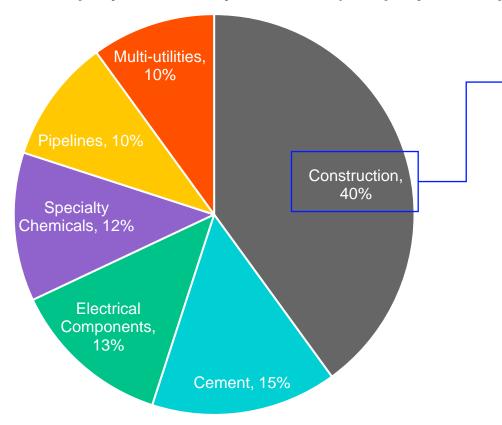
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Step 5: 50% or more revenues from one Sector or Industry

#### **Share of company revenues by Subsector (Company A example)**



As the company generates **over 20% more** of its revenue from one Subsector to the next highest, the company is assigned to that Subsector – **Construction**.

The company does not generate 50% or more revenues from one Subsector, therefore Step 2 is not applicable.





# Case studies: Largest revenue from Banking Subsector

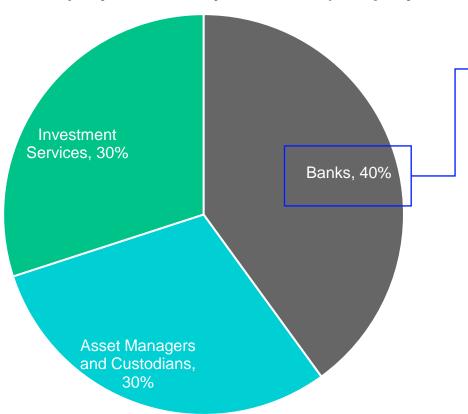
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Step 4: Largest revenue from Banking Subsector

Step 5: 50% or more revenues from one Sector or Industry

#### **Share of company revenues by Subsector (Company B example)**



As the company holds a banking license AND the Banks Subsector generates the greatest portion of revenue, the company is assigned to the Banks Subsector.

If the company did not hold a Banking License it would instead have been assigned a Diversified Financial Services classification as no one Subsector is 20% or greater than the next highest.

Note: The company holds a Banking License





## Case studies: 50% or more revenues from one Sector or Industry

Step 1: Collective nvestment Scheme o Financial Holdings Step 2: 50% or more revenues from one Subsector

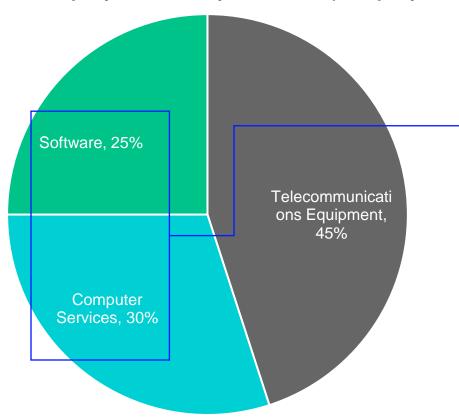
Step 3: One Subsector revenues at least 20% larger than next Subsector

Step 4: Largest revenue from Banking Subsector

revenue - Computer Services.

Step 5: 50% or more revenues from one Sector or Industry

#### **Share of company revenues by Subsector (Company C example)**



As the company derives more than 50% of its combined revenues from the Technology Industry, and there are no diversified Sector or Industry classifications within Technology, the company is assigned to the Subsector within the Technology Industry which provides the greatest portion of its

The company does not generate 50% or more revenues from one Subsector, therefore Step 2 is not applicable. It does not generate over 20% more of its revenue from one Subsector to the next highest, therefore Step 3 is also not applicable.

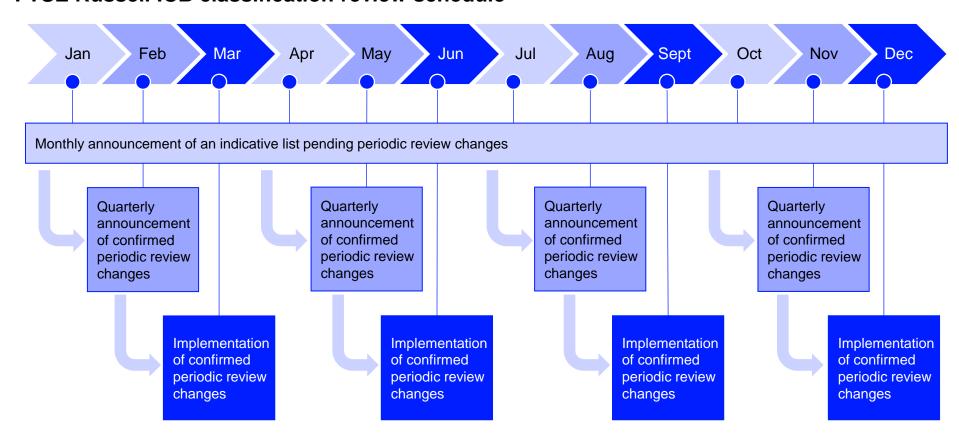




## Periodic reviews of ICB classification

The classification of all companies in the ICB global universe are reviewed following receipt of their annual report. The industry classification of each company are determined by analysing the financial reports based on the rules under Section 4 of FTSE Russell's classification guidelines.

#### FTSE Russell ICB classification review schedule



Source: <u>Industry Classification</u> Benchmark (Equity) (Iseg.com)







## ICB classification data form

This form can be completed to query or challenge an assigned ICB classification where the enquirer proposes that an alternative classification is more appropriate. Companies should include any documentary evidence in support of their claim. Where relevant they also should include their IPO prospectus.

Details of person submitting data form
Name:
Title:
Company:
Are you querying the ICB classification as a constituent or prospective constituent company or professional advisor acting on behalf of a company? Y/N
Details of the company being queried
Company name:
SEDOL code:
Current assigned ICB classification:
Proposed ICB classification by person submitting data form:
Submission to include the following:
Justification for review of classification:
Revenue per business unit or division:
Details of peer or competitor companies:
Source of information (please note that information stated must be in the public domain):

Source: <u>Industry Classification Benchmark</u> (ICB) Classification Data Form (Iseg.com)

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# Resources





## **Resources: FTSE ESG**

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ESG Scores

Measuring Environmental, Social, and Governance risk and performance on 8,000 securities across 47 Developed and Emerging markets.

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Key features Data collection and corporate engagement Research and Insights

Source: ESG Solution Overview



#### Source: ESG Data Model Methodology

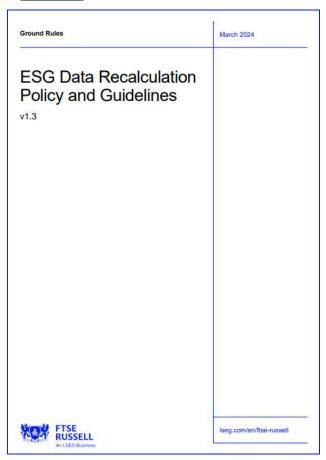
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## **Resources: FTSE ESG**

Source: ESG <u>Data Recalculation Policy and Guidelines</u>



Source: Corporate engagement within sustainable investment



Source: LSEG Guide to ESG reporting







## **Resources: FTSE ICB**

Source: Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB) | LSEG



Source: ICB Solution Overview

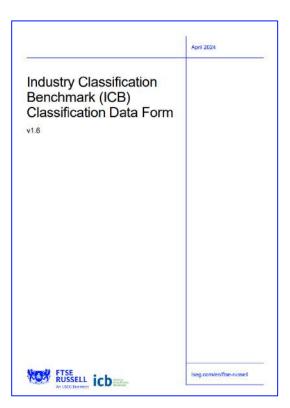




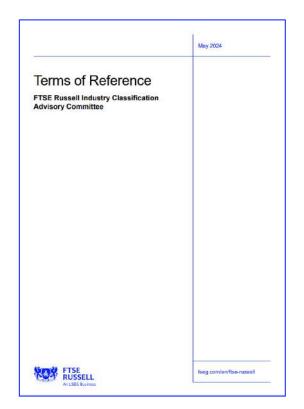
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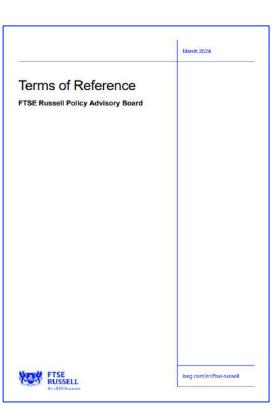
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Source: <u>Terms of Reference - FTSE</u> <u>Russell Industry Classification Advisory</u> Committee



Source: <u>Terms of Reference - FTSE Russell</u> Policy Advisory Board

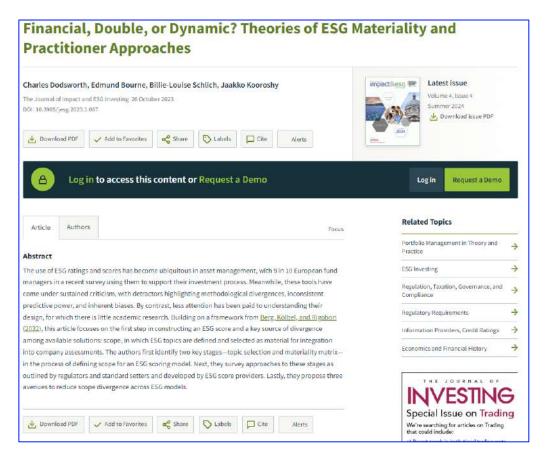




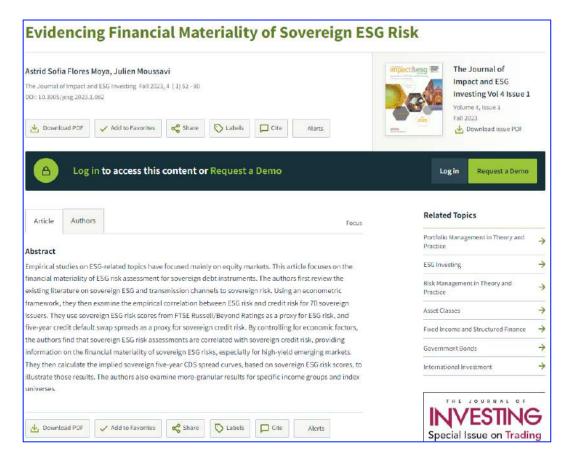


## **Resources: Thought Leadership**

Source: <u>Financial</u>, <u>Double</u>, <u>or Dynamic? Theories of ESG Materiality and Practitioner Approaches | Portfolio Management Research (pm-research.com)</u>



Source: Evidencing Financial Materiality of Sovereign ESG Risk | Portfolio Management Research (pm-research.com)

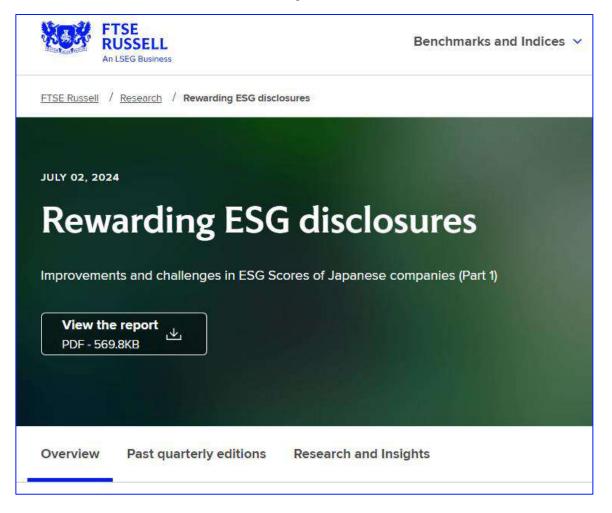






# **Resources: Thought Leadership**

Source: Rewarding ESG disclosures



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