

## NYSE Euronext and Vigeo launch ESG indices

NYSE Euronext (NYSE), the world's largest exchange group and Vigeo, the leading European group specialising in responsible performance, have joined together to publish a range of indices designed according to the three pillars of responsible investment: the environment, social issues and governance (ESG).

The new range of indices, to be updated biannually, are designated as Euronext Vigeo World 120, Euronext Vigeo Europe 120, Euronext Vigeo France 20 and Euronext Vigeo United Kingdom 20. Together they cover global companies from Europe, the Asia-Pacific region and North America. The indices build upon Vigeo ratings and will be added to with an additional two indices in the coming year.

According to their joint press release, "Euronext Vigeo index component stocks are the companies rated highest for control of corporate responsibility risk and contribution to sustainable development. Performance is measured by the Equitics® method pioneered by Vigeo. Ratings are based on 38 criteria including respect for the environment; human rights and recognition of companies' human capital; relations with stakeholders (clients, suppliers, employees, shareholders, etc.); corporate governance and business ethics; integrity in influencing policy and efforts to fight corruption; and the prevention of social and environmental dumping in the supply and subcontracting chain. Vigeo draws on its existing database to analyse nearly 330 indicators for each company."

For more details, please click here

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