

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Statement for Nomura Credit, Equity and Multi-**Asset Indices**

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Nomura International plc – Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Statement explanation of how ESG factors are reflected in the key elements of the benchmark methodology for Multi-Asset Indices (which are comprised of Credit Indices and/or Equity Indices), Credit Indices and Equity Indices.

1. Introduction

In order to ensure compliance with the requirements of UK BMR¹, Nomura International plc ("**Nomura**") has published this ESG Statement in respect of:

- a) The proprietary indices which Nomura administers and considers to be a "Benchmark" (those indices that are defined as a "benchmark" in the UK BMR); and
- b) Any other proprietary indices which are administered by Nomura pursuant to the UK BMR but do not fall within the definition of "benchmark" in the UK BMR, which Nomura has nevertheless decided shall be administered in accordance with the provisions thereof.

In respect of proprietary indices referred to in (b) above, to the extent these fall outside the remit of the UK BMR, whilst Nomura may treat such indices as benchmarks for the purposes of the UK BMR, it shall not be obliged to do so.

In respect of proprietary indices referred to in (a) and (b) above, this ESG Statement shall apply where such proprietary indices are Credit Indices, Equity Indices or Multi-Asset Indices (which are comprised of Credit Indices and/or Equity Indices).

A list of the indices within each benchmark family is available via Nomura's website: <u>https://www.nomuranow.com/portal/site/nnextranet/en/global-markets/structured-derivatives/quant-investment-strategies.shtml</u>.

¹ UK BMR means the United Kingdom Benchmark Regulation which comprises Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 ("**EBR**") as amended by Regulation (EU) 2019/2089 as regards EU Climate Transition Benchmarks, EU Paris-aligned Benchmarks and sustainability-related disclosures for benchmarks insofar as they are applicable in the United Kingdom by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and other United Kingdom legislation which implements and amends retained European Union law in the United Kingdom including, but without limitation, the Benchmarks (Amendment and Transitional Provision) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019, SI 2019/657.

2. Nomura Multi-Asset Indices (which are comprised of Credit Indices and/or Equity Indices)

EXPLANATION OF HOW ESG FACTORS ARE REFLECTED IN THE KEY ELEMENTS OF THE BENCHMARK METHODOLOGY	
Item 1. Name of the benchmark administrator	Nomura International plc
Item 2. Type of benchmark or family of benchmarks	The benchmark family which is comprised of Nomura's multi-asset indices, which provide exposure to interest rates, equities, foreign exchange, commodities and credit markets worldwide by taking positions in global interest rate, equities foreign exchange, commodities and credit instruments.
Item 3. Name of the benchmark or family of benchmarks	Nomura's Multi-Asset Indices
Item 4. Does the methodology for the benchmark or family of benchmarks take into account ESG factors?	□ Yes ⊠ No
Item 5. Where the response to Item 4 is positive, please list below, for each family of benchmarks, those ESG factors that are taken into account in the benchmark methodology, taking into account the ESG factors listed in Annex II of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 ² depending on the relevant underlying asset concerned.	
Please explain how those ESG factors are used for the	e selection, weighting or exclusion of underlying assets.
The ESG factors shall be disclosed at an aggregated weighted average value at the level of the family of benchmarks.	
a) List of environmental factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
b) List of social factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
c) List of governance factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
	e list below, for each benchmark, those ESG factors that taking into account the ESG factors listed in Annex II of epending on the relevant underlying asset concerned.

² As supplementing EBR

³ As supplementing EBR

Please explain how those ESG factors are used for the selection, weighting or exclusion of underlying assets.

The ESG factors shall not be disclosed for each constituent of the benchmark, but shall be disclosed at an aggregated weighted average value of the benchmark.

Alternatively, all of this information may be provided in the form of a hyperlink to a website of the benchmark administrator included in this explanation. The information on the website shall be easily available and accessible. Benchmark administrators shall ensure that information published on their website remains available for five years.

a) List of environmental factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
b) List of social factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
c) List of governance factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
Item 7. Data and standards used	
a) Data input	
b) Verification of data and guaranteeing the quality of those data.	
c). Reference standards	
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3. Nomura Equity Indices

EXPLANATION OF HOW ESG FACTORS ARE REFLECTED IN THE KEY ELEMENTS OF THE BENCHMARK METHODOLOGY		
Item 1. Name of the benchmark administrator	Nomura International plc	
Item 2. Type of benchmark or family of benchmarks	The benchmark family which is comprised of Nomura's equity indices, which provide exposure to equities markets worldwide by taking positions in global equities instruments.	
Item 3. Name of the benchmark or family of benchmarks	Nomura's Equity Indices	
Item 4. Does the methodology for the benchmark or family of benchmarks take into account ESG factors?	□ Yes ⊠ No	
Item 5. Where the response to Item 4 is positive, please list below, for each family of benchmarks, those ESG factors that are taken into account in the benchmark methodology, taking into account the ESG factors listed in Annex II of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 ⁴ depending on the relevant underlying asset concerned.		
Please explain how those ESG factors are used for the	selection, weighting or exclusion of underlying assets.	
The ESG factors shall be disclosed at an aggregated weighted average value at the level of the family of benchmarks.		
a) List of environmental factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:	
b) List of social factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:	
c) List of governance factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:	
Item 6. Where the response to Item 4 is positive, please list below, for each benchmark, those ESG factors that are taken into account in the benchmark methodology, taking into account the ESG factors listed in Annex II of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 ⁵ depending on the relevant underlying asset concerned.		
Please explain how those ESG factors are used for the selection, weighting or exclusion of underlying assets.		
The ESG factors shall not be disclosed for each constituent of the benchmark, but shall be disclosed at an		

⁴ As supplementing EBR

⁵ As supplementing EBR

aggregated weighted average value of the benchmark.

Alternatively, all of this information may be provided in the form of a hyperlink to a website of the benchmark administrator included in this explanation. The information on the website shall be easily available and accessible. Benchmark administrators shall ensure that information published on their website remains available for five years.

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a) List of environmental factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
b) List of social factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
c) List of governance factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
Item 7. Data and standards used	
a) Data input	
 b) Verification of data and guaranteeing the quality of those data. 	
c). Reference standards	
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4. Nomura Credit Indices

EXPLANATION OF HOW ESG FACTORS ARE REFLECTED IN THE KEY ELEMENTS OF THE BENCHMARK METHODOLOGY		
Item 1. Name of the benchmark administrator	Nomura International plc	
Item 2. Type of benchmark or family of benchmarks	For credit indices: The benchmark family which is comprised of Nomura's credit indices, which provide exposure to credit markets worldwide by taking positions in credit instruments.	
Item 3. Name of the benchmark or family of benchmarks	Nomura's Credit Indices	
Item 4. Does the methodology for the benchmark or family of benchmarks take into account ESG factors?	🗆 Yes 🗵 No	
Item 5. Where the response to Item 4 is positive, please list below, for each family of benchmarks, those ESG factors that are taken into account in the benchmark methodology, taking into account the ESG factors listed in Annex II of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 ⁶ depending on the relevant underlying asset concerned.		
Please explain how those ESG factors are used for the selection, weighting or exclusion of underlying assets.		
The ESG factors shall be disclosed at an aggregated weighted average value at the level of the family of benchmarks.		
a) List of environmental factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:	
b) List of social factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:	
c) List of governance factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:	
Item 6. Where the response to Item 4 is positive, please list below, for each benchmark, those ESG factors that are taken into account in the benchmark methodology, taking into account the ESG factors listed in Annex II of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/1816 ⁷ depending on the relevant underlying asset concerned.		

⁶ As supplementing EBR

⁷ As supplementing EBR

Please explain how those ESG factors are used for the selection, weighting or exclusion of underlying assets.

The ESG factors shall not be disclosed for each constituent of the benchmark, but shall be disclosed at an aggregated weighted average value of the benchmark.

Alternatively, all of this information may be provided in the form of a hyperlink to a website of the benchmark administrator included in this explanation. The information on the website shall be easily available and accessible. Benchmark administrators shall ensure that information published on their website remains available for five years.

a) List of environmental factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
b) List of social factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
c) List of governance factors considered:	Selection, weighting or exclusion:
Item 7. Data and standards used	
a) Data input	
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