

FTSE Blossom Japan Index

Proposed Update to the Index Methodology

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FTSE Russell is seeking index users' feedback on its proposal to remove the Breast Milk Substitute (BMS) related rule from the FTSE Blossom Japan Index.

The proposal is to make the following change to rule 4.3 of the index Ground Rules:

4.3 Nuclear power generation and manufacturers of infant formula and breast milk substitutes 4.3.1 In addition to the inclusion criteria set out above, companies involved in offering products/services in more controversial business areas need to meet a higher requirement for inclusion:

- Companies involved in nuclear power generation must meet all except one of the applicable sector specific indicators in the Health and Safety Theme.

- Companies involved in manufacturing and marketing of infant formula and breast milk substitutes must meet all except one of the sector specific indicators in the Customer Responsibility Theme.

FTSE Russell proposes to implement this change at the December 2024 index review, effective from Monday 23rd December 2024.

FTSE Russell welcomes any feedback on this proposal by Friday 14th June. Feedback and questions should be sent to info@ftserussell.com.

Final approval of any changes will be made by the FTSE Russell Index Governance Board, with index users and other stakeholders informed of approved changes via public notification. Such notifications are published on the FTSE Russell website at Index Announcements.

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