

Nearshoring Index Methodology

- VettaFi North American Nearshoring Index NSHRNA
- VettaFi European Nearshoring Index NSHREU

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Introduction

Index Objective

The Nearshoring Index Family provides exposure to companies from industries expected to benefit from the move to bring supply chains closer to home:

VettaFi North American Nearshoring Index – Targets exposure to Canadian, US, and Mexican companies that trade on recognized exchanges in those countries, from industries expected to benefit from the move to bring supply chains closer to North American destinations.

VettaFi European Nearshoring Index - Targets exposure to European, Egyptian, and Moroccan companies that trade on recognized exchanges in those countries, from industries expected to benefit from the move to bring supply chains closer to European destinations.

Highlights

The indexes are float market cap weighted and target industries involved in transportation of goods and industries involved in the buildout of the nearshoring production base.

Dates

Reference Dates: Close of the last trade date of the month preceding the reconstitution month.

Weight Date: Close of trading on the trade date preceding the second Friday of the rebalance month.

Reconstitution Dates: Indexes are reconstituted on calendar quarters on the open of trading following the third Friday of the month.

Rebalance Dates: Indexes are rebalanced on calendar quarters on the open of trading following the third Friday of the month.

Supporting Documents

This methodology is meant to be read in conjunction with supporting documents providing greater detail with respect to the policies, procedures and calculations described herein.

The list of the main supplemental documents for this methodology can be found in the Methodologies and Governance tabs on the <u>Index Resources</u> page as follows:

| Supporting Documents |
|--------------------------------------|
| Index Maintenance Policy |
| Index Governance |
| Index Policies |
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| Index Change and Consultation Policy |

Eligibility Criteria and Index Construction

Universe

Transportation related industries within countries involved in nearshoring and industries in countries benefitting from nearshoring buildout are included as follows:

VettaFi North American Nearshoring Index -

Companies from the respective sub-industries and countries in the table below will be considered for index inclusion:

| Ice Sub-Industry | Countries |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Air Freight | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Airport & Terminal Services | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Freight Logistics | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Industrial REITs | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Maritime Freight | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Rail Freight | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Road & Railway Construction & Ops | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Truck Freight | Canada, Mexico, United States |
| Aluminum | Mexico |
| Cement & Aggregates | Mexico |
| Construction | Mexico |
| Construction Engineering & Services | Mexico |
| Construction Supplies | Mexico |
| Industrial Metal Products | Mexico |
| Other Construction Materials | Mexico |
| Steel | Mexico |

VettaFi European Nearshoring -

Companies from the respective sub-industries and countries in the table below will be considered for index inclusion:

| Ice Sub-Industry | Countries/Regions |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Air Freight | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Airport & Terminal Services | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Freight Logistics | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Industrial REITs | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Maritime Freight | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Rail Freight | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Road & Railway Construction & Operation | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Truck Freight | Europe, *Benefitting Countries |
| Aluminum | *Benefitting Countries |
| Cement & Aggregates | *Benefitting Countries |
| Construction | *Benefitting Countries |

| Construction Engineering & Services | *Benefitting Countries |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Construction Supplies | *Benefitting Countries |
| Industrial Metal Products | *Benefitting Countries |
| Other Construction Materials | *Benefitting Countries |
| Steel | *Benefitting Countries |

*Benefitting Countries includes the following: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, Morocco, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey

Index Construction

Constituent Selection

Index constituents are selected from their universe that meet the following criteria:

Minimum Market Cap: 500 million USD

Minimum Float Market Cap: 100 million USD

Minimum Float: 20%

Minimum 3 Month Average Daily Trading Volume: 1 million USD

Constituent Weightings & Constraints

Index constituents are float-market cap weighted with the following constituent weight caps:

VettaFi North American Nearshoring Index – 5%

VettaFi European Nearshoring Index – 4%

Excess weight is distributed proportionately to the uncapped constituents.

Index Maintenance

Rebalancing and Reconstitution

The Indexes are rebalanced on the "Rebalance Date" and additionally reconstituted on the "Reconstitution Date". Pricing used in share weights used for reconstitutions are as of the "Weight Date". Share weights for the rebalanced Indexes are computed as of the "Weight Date". Changes to the Indexes related to the rebalances are as of the "Rebalance Date". Additions are only made on reconstitution dates.

Corporate Actions

Please refer to the Index Maintenance Policy document for information on Corporate Action processing.

Index Information

Index history availability, base dates and base values are shown in the table below.

| Index | Price Index | | Base | Total Return | | Base |
|---|-------------|------------|-------|--------------|------------|-------|
| | | | Value | Index | | Value |
| VettaFi North American Nearshoring Index | NSHRNA | 12/21/2018 | 1000 | NSHRNAT | 12/21/2018 | 1000 |
| VettaFi European Nearshoring Index | NSHREU | 12/21/2018 | 1000 | NSHREUT | 12/21/2018 | 1000 |

Methodology Updates and Changes

| Date | Version | Previous | New |
|------|---------|----------|-----|
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Index Calculation

Please refer to the Index Maintenance Policy document for information on index calculations.

Index Governance

The index is governed and managed by a VettaFi Index Committee for the purpose of meeting the goals of the index. For more information, please refer to the Index Governance document.

Index Policies

Please refer to the Index Policies document for information regarding Announcements, Holiday Schedules, Unexpected Exchange Closures, and Recalculation Policy.

Contact Information

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