The S&P PACT Indices offer an indexed-based solution to investors who are looking to mitigate the impacts of climate change by aligning with a 1.5°C scenario, incorporating the European Union’s requirements for Low Carbon Benchmarks and utilizing science-based assessments of companies’ climate risks and opportunities.
Key Characteristics

**Aligns with Paris Agreement**
Exceeds the requirements of the Paris Agreement and aligns with a 1.5°C trajectory enabling the achievement of net zero emissions by 2050.

**Aligns with EU Low Carbon Benchmarks**
In line with the European Union Low Carbon Benchmark requirements and the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures.

**Offers Broad Exposure**
Addresses numerous climate objectives efficiently, while staying as close to the benchmark index as possible with broad, diversified exposure.

What it Means to be Aligned with the EU Low Carbon Benchmarks

The EU Low Carbon Benchmark regulation covers two benchmarks—the Paris-Aligned Benchmark (PAB) and Climate Transition Benchmark (CTB), both of which offer absolute alignment with a 1.5°C trajectory. The S&P PACT Indices include both Paris-Aligned and Climate Transition indices that align with the EU’s minimum standards for both PABs and CTBs.

A Closer Look at the Data

As well as aligning to the EU minimum standards for both PABs and CTBs, our indices also allow us to better assess the climate risks and opportunities of companies. We have use of data from S&P Global Trucost, which enhances our S&P PACT Indices offering by:

- Utilizing forward-looking datasets to overweight companies on 1.5°C aligned pathways, allowing selection of companies that are decarbonizing, rather than selecting purely on backward-looking data.
- Reducing index exposure to the physical risks of climate change — ensuring holistic climate change risks are accounted for and allowing alignment with the TCFD.
- Accounting for Scope 3 emissions from the outset, ensuring a more accurate reflection of corporate emissions.
- Reducing exposure to fossil fuel reserves to lower stranded assets risk.
- For the Paris-Aligned indices, providing higher exposure to companies with higher green-to-brown revenue share.
- Overweighting companies with better S&P DJI ESG Scores that may be better positioned to transition to a 1.5°C scenario, as identified by S&P Global ESG Research.

Comparison of EU CTB and PAB Label Requirements

**CTB**
- 30% carbon intensity reduction
- 7% year-on-year decarbonization
- Baseline exclusions: Controversial weapons, societal norms violations
- Exposure constraints

**PAB**
- 50% carbon intensity reduction
- Activity exclusions: Coal, oil, natural gas, highly intensive energy production

**Only high-level requirements stated here. Please refer to the EU CTB and PAB Label Requirements for further details.**

Information correct as of May 31, 2023. Chart is provided for illustrative purposes.
A Holistic Approach to Climate Change

The S&P PACT Indices were designed to meet the requirements of the TEG final report on EU Climate Benchmarks and Benchmarks’ ESG Disclosures. The minimum requirements as described in this report are reflected in this diagram.

**Performance**

- S&P 500® (TR)
- S&P 500 Net Zero 2050 Climate Transition ESG Index
- S&P 500 Net Zero 2050 Paris-Aligned ESG Index
- S&P Europe LargeMidCap Net Zero 2050 Climate Transition ESG Index
- S&P Europe LargeMidCap Net Zero 2050 Paris-Aligned ESG Index
- S&P Europe LargeMidCap Net Zero 2050 Climate Transition ESG Index
- S&P Europe LargeMidCap Net Zero 2050 Paris-Aligned ESG Index
- S&P Eurozone LargeMidCap Net Zero 2050 Climate Transition ESG Index
- S&P Eurozone LargeMidCap Net Zero 2005 Paris-Aligned ESG Index

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