

Annex of pre-contractual information for the financial products referred to in Article 8, paragraphs 1, 2 and 2 bis, of Regulation (EU) 2019/2088 and Article 6, first paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2020/852

Product name: Ofi Invest ESG Euro Equity Smart Beta

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Environmental and/or social characteristics

Sustainable investment means an investment in an economic activity that contributes to an environmental or social objective, provided that the investment does not significantly harm any environmental or social objective and that the investee companies follow good governance practices.

The **EU Taxonomy** is a classification system laid down in Regulation (EU) 2020/852, establishing a list of **environmentally sustainable economic activities**. That Regulation does not include a list of socially sustainable economic activities. Sustainable investments with an environmental objective might be aligned with the Taxonomy or not.

Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?

☒ ☒ ☐ Yes

☐ It will make a minimum of **sustainable investments with an environmental objective**: ____ %

☐ in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy

☐ in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy

☐ It will make a minimum of **sustainable investments with a social objective**: ____ %

☒ ☐ ☒ No

☒ It **promotes Environmental/Social (E/S) characteristics** and while it does not have sustainable investment as its objective, it will have a minimum share of 20% of sustainable investments

☐ with an environmental objective in economic activities that qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy

☒ with an environmental objective in economic activities that do not qualify as environmentally sustainable under the EU Taxonomy

☒ with a social objective

☐ It promotes E/S characteristics, but **will not make any sustainable investments**



What environmental and/or social characteristics are promoted by this financial product?

The Ofi Invest ESG Euro Equity Smart Beta Sub-Fund (hereinafter the "Sub-Fund") promotes environmental and social characteristics. The Management Company relies on the internal ESG rating methodology in order to assess the environmental, social and governance practices of the issuers.

The themes taken into account in reviewing good ESG practices are:

- Environmental: Climate change – Natural resources – Project financing – Toxic waste – Green products.
- Social: Human capital – Societal – Products and services – Communities and human rights
- Governance: Governance structure – Market behaviour.

The comparison SRI universe is consistent with the Fund's reference benchmark.

Sustainability indicators measure how the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product are attained.

● ***What sustainability indicators are used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?***

The sustainability indicators used to measure the attainment of each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund are:

- **The Sub-Fund's average ESG score:** for the method used to calculate this score, please refer to the section *"What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?"*.
- **The average ESG score of the Sub-Fund's SRI universe:** to verify that the average ESG score of the Sub-Fund outperforms the average ESG score of the SRI universe;
- **The percentage of sustainable investment of the Fund.**

● ***What are the objectives of the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make and how does the sustainable investment contribute to such objectives?***

The Fund invests at least 20% of its net assets in securities that meet the Ofi Invest AM definition of sustainable investment.

To qualify as a sustainable investment, it must meet the following criteria:

- Make a positive contribution to or benefit the environment and/or society;
- Does not cause significant harm;
- Possesses good governance.

Our definition of sustainable investment is defined in detail in our responsible investment policy, available on our website at the following address: <https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/pdf/principes-et-politiques/responsible-investment-policy.pdf>

● ***How do the sustainable investments that the financial product partially intends to make, not cause significant harm to any environmental or social sustainable investment objective?***

In order to ensure that the issuers being reviewed do no significant harm (DNSH) with regard to sustainability, Ofi Invest AM analyses the issuers in terms of:

- indicators of adverse sustainability impacts within the meaning of the SFDR (Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation) known as "Principal Adverse Impacts" or PAIs;
- activities that are controversial or deemed sensitive in terms of sustainability;
- the presence of controversies deemed to be of very great severity.

● ***How were the indicators for adverse impacts on sustainability factors taken into account?***

Issuers exposed to the following adverse impact indicators are considered to be non-sustainable investments:

- exposure to fossil fuels (PAI indicator 4);
- exposure to activities related to types of controversial weapons, such as cluster bombs or anti-personnel mines, biological weapons, chemical weapons, etc. (PAI indicator 14);
- violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (PAI indicator 10).

Moreover, controversial activities or activities deemed to be sensitive in terms of sustainability are considered as unsustainable. Adverse impacts are analysed via Ofi Invest AM's sector-based (tobacco, oil and gas, coal, palm oil, biocides and hazardous chemicals) and norms-based policies (Global Compact and ILO fundamental conventions, controversial weapons), published on our website. Companies that do not pass these exclusion filters are therefore not investable.

Controversies deemed to be of very great severity ("level 4" environmental and societal controversies as well as "level 3" social and governance controversies) cannot be considered sustainable according to our definition.

- **How are the sustainable investments aligned with the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights?**

The exposure of issuers to controversies related to violations of fundamental human rights, as described in the UN Global Compact and the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (PAI indicator 10), is a reason for exclusion (see above).

Issuers exposed to such controversies, the severity level of which is deemed to be great or very great, on any social, societal and environmental issues cannot be considered sustainable according to our definition.

More specifically, issuers exposed to “level 4” (very great) environmental and societal controversies as well as “level 3” (great) social and governance controversies, (i.e. the highest on our proprietary rating scale) are not investable.

These ESG issues tally with all the themes covered by the OECD guidelines and the Global Compact.

These exclusions apply to issuers considered as “sustainable” according to our definition, in addition to the norms-based exclusion policy on Non-Compliance with the Global Compact Principles and ILO fundamental conventions.

The EU Taxonomy sets out a “do no significant harm” principle by which Taxonomy-aligned investments should not significantly harm EU Taxonomy objectives and is accompanied by specific EU criteria.

The “do no significant harm” principle applies only to those investments underlying the financial product that take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities. The investments underlying the remaining portion of this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

Any other sustainable investments must also not significantly harm any environmental or social objectives.



Does this financial product consider principal adverse impacts on sustainability factors?

Principal adverse impacts are the most significant negative impacts of investment decisions on sustainability factors relating to environmental, social and employee matters, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters.

☒ Yes

☐ No

The methods of assessment by the Management Company of investee companies, for each of the principal adverse impacts linked to sustainability factors, are as follows:

Adverse impact indicator		Metric
Climate and other environment-related indicators		
Greenhouse gas emissions	1. GHG emissions	Scope 1 GHG emissions
		Scope 2 GHG emissions
		Scope 3 GHG emissions
		Total GHG emissions
	2 Carbon footprint	Carbon footprint (Scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG / EVIC emissions)

	3. GHG intensity of investee companies	GHG intensity of investee companies (Scope 1, 2 and 3 GHG / CA emissions)
	4. Exposure to companies active in the fossil fuel sector	Share of investments in companies active in the fossil fuel sector
	5. Share of non-renewable energy consumption and production	Share of non-renewable energy consumption and non-renewable energy production of investee companies from non-renewable energy sources compared to renewable energy sources, expressed as a percentage of total energy sources
	6. Energy consumption intensity per high impact climate sector	Energy consumption in GWh per million EUR of revenue of investee companies, per high impact climate sector
Biodiversity	7. Activities negatively affecting biodiversity-sensitive areas	Share of investments in investee companies with sites/operations located in or near to biodiversity-sensitive areas where activities of those investee companies negatively affect those areas
Water	8. Emissions to water	Tonnes of emissions to water generated by investee companies per million EUR invested, expressed as a weighted average
Waste	9. Hazardous waste and radioactive waste ratio	Tonnes of hazardous waste and radioactive waste generated by investee companies per million EUR invested, expressed as a weighted average
Indicators for social and employee, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters		
Social and employee matters	10. Violations of UN Global Compact principles and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies that have been involved in violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
	11. Lack of processes and compliance mechanisms to monitor compliance with UN Global Compact principles and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises	Share of investments in investee companies without policies to monitor compliance with the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises or grievance/complaints handling mechanisms to address violations of the UNGC principles or OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises
	12. Unadjusted gender pay gap	Average unadjusted gender pay gap of investee companies
	13. Board gender diversity	Average ratio of female to male board members in investee companies, expressed as a percentage of all board members
	14. Exposure to controversial weapons	Share of investments in investee companies involved in the manufacture or selling of controversial weapons
Climate and other environment-related indicators		
Water, waste and material emissions	9. Investments in companies producing chemicals	Share of investments in investee companies the activities of which fall under Division 20.2 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006
Additional indicators for social and employee, respect for human rights, anti-corruption and anti-bribery matters		

Anti-corruption and anti-bribery	16. Cases of insufficient action taken to address breaches of standards of anti-corruption and anti-bribery	Share of investments in investee companies with identified insufficiencies in actions taken to address breaches in procedures and standards of anti-corruption and anti-bribery
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For more information, please refer to the “*Statement on the Principal Adverse Impacts of Investment Decisions on Sustainability Factors*”, which can be found on the Management Company’s website [in French]: <https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/finance-durable>



What investment strategy does this financial product follow?

The investment strategy of this Sub-Fund consists of investing in shares issued by companies in the eurozone that take into account environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues.

For more information on the investment strategy, please refer to the section on investment strategy in the prospectus.

The investment strategy guides investment decisions based on factors such as investment objectives and risk tolerance.

● What are the binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by this financial product?

The binding elements of the investment strategy used to select the investments to attain each of the environmental and social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund are as follows:

As a result, management adopts an ESG “rating improvement” approach, which consists of obtaining an average ESG score for the Sub-Fund which is higher than the average ESG score of the comparison SRI universe, made up of those securities comprising the Euro Stoxx Total Market Index (BKXE), after eliminating 20% of the lowest-rated stocks.

The proportion of ESG-analysed stocks in the portfolio must be higher than 90% of the Sub-Fund’s net assets (excluding cash, UCIs and derivatives).

In assessing issuers’ ESG practices, the Sub-Fund considers the following pillars and themes:

- Environmental: climate change, natural resources, project financing, toxic waste, green products;
- Social: employees, customers, suppliers and civil society, with reference to universal values (in particular: human rights, international labour standards, environmental impact, prevention of corruption, etc.), human capital, supply chain, products and services;
- Governance: governance structure, market behaviour.

The ESG analysis team defines a sector-based reference for key issues (ESG issues listed above), by selecting the most important issues for each sector of activity. Based on this benchmark, an ESG score is calculated out of 10 for each issuer, which includes, first, the E and S key issue scores and, second, scores for G key issues, as well as potential bonuses/penalties.

Among the indicators used to produce this ESG score, the following can be mentioned:

- scope 1 carbon emissions in tonnes of CO₂, water consumption in cubic metres, and nitrogen oxide emissions in tonnes for the environmental pillar;
- the information security policies in place and the frequency of system audits, the number of fatal accidents, and the percentage of the total workforce covered by collective agreements for the social pillar;
- the total number of directors, the percentage of independent members on the board of directors, and the total remuneration in % of the fixed salary for the governance pillar.

Companies’ ESG scores are used to establish an SRI score that can be used track an issuer’s position within the ranking for its ICB sector (level 2). The SRI score is established on a scale of 0.5 to 5, with 5 being the best ESG score in the sector.

For each sector of the investment universe, the 20% of issuers lagging the furthest behind in managing ESG issues are excluded from the SRI universe.

Issuers' ESG ratings are calculated quarterly, while underlying data are updated at least every 18 months. Ratings can also be adjusted by analysis of controversies or as a result of engagement initiatives. It is carried out using a dedicated proprietary tool for automating the quantitative processing of ESG data (mainly provided by ESG rating agencies but also by specialised agencies), combined with an analysis by the ESG analysis team.

The weighting of ESG pillars for each sector, as well as the justification in case of weighting below 20%, are detailed in the document available at the following address: <https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/en/policies-and-documents>

However, we could face certain methodological limitations such as:

- a problem associated with non-disclosure or incomplete disclosure by certain companies of information that is used as input for the rating model;
- a problem associated with the quantity and quality of ESG data to be processed.

Details of the issuers' ESG rating methodology are provided in the document entitled Responsible Investment Policy. This document is available at: <https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/pdf/principes-et-politiques/politique-investissement-responsable.pdf>

Ofi Invest Asset Management has also identified risk areas for its investments in relation to certain business sectors and international benchmarks. Therefore, the Management Company has introduced exclusionary policies to minimise these risks and manage its reputational risk.

Therefore, the Sub-Fund applies the exclusion policies summarised in the document entitled "Investment Policy - Sectoral and Normative Exclusions". In accordance with the implementation of the ESMA Guidelines, the Fund applies the PAB exclusions summarised in our "Investment Policy - Sectoral and Normative Exclusions". This document is available at the following address: https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/pdf/principes-et-politiques/politique-exclusions-sectorielles-et-normatives_ofi-invest-AM.pdf.

The exclusion policies are available in full at: <https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/en>

● *What is the committed minimum rate to reduce the scope of the investments considered prior to the application of that investment strategy?*

The Sub-Fund does not commit to reducing the investment universe prior to the application of the investment strategy

● *What is the policy to assess good governance practices of the investee companies?*

A number of methods are used in order to assess good governance practices of the investee companies:

1. Analysis of governance practices within the ESG analysis (pillar G). For each Issuer, the ESG analysis incorporates an analysis of corporate governance, with the following themes and issues:
 - Its governance structure: Respect for minority shareholder rights - The composition and operation of boards or committees, Remuneration of executives, Accounts, audits and taxation;
 - And its market behaviour: Business practices.
2. Weekly monitoring of ESG controversies: the ESG analysis also takes into account the presence of controversies on the above-mentioned themes and their management by issuers.
3. The Management Company's exclusion policy related to the UN Global Compact, including its Principle 10: "Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery".¹ Companies which are dealing with serious and/or systemic controversies on this principle on a recurrent or frequent basis, and which have not implemented appropriate remedial measures, are excluded from the investment universe.
4. The voting and shareholder² engagement policy: This policy is based on the most rigorous governance standards (such as G20/OECD Principles of Corporate Governance and AFEP-MEDEF Code). Firstly, in connection with the voting policy, the Management Company may have recourse to several actions in the context of general meetings (dialogue, written questions, filing of resolutions, protest votes, etc.). In addition, the engagement policy is reflected in dialogue with some companies, not only in order to have additional information on their CSR strategy, but also to encourage them to improve their practices, particularly in terms of governance.

Good governance practices include sound management structures, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance.

¹ <https://pactemondial.org/decouvrir/dix-principes-pacte-mondial-nations-unies/#lutte-contre-la-corruption>

² This policy applies according to the asset class of the UCIs and therefore, mainly to UCIs exposed to equities



What is the asset allocation planned for this financial product?

At least 80% of the net assets of the Sub-Fund are made up of investments contributing to the promotion of environmental and social characteristics (#1 Aligned with E/S characteristics).

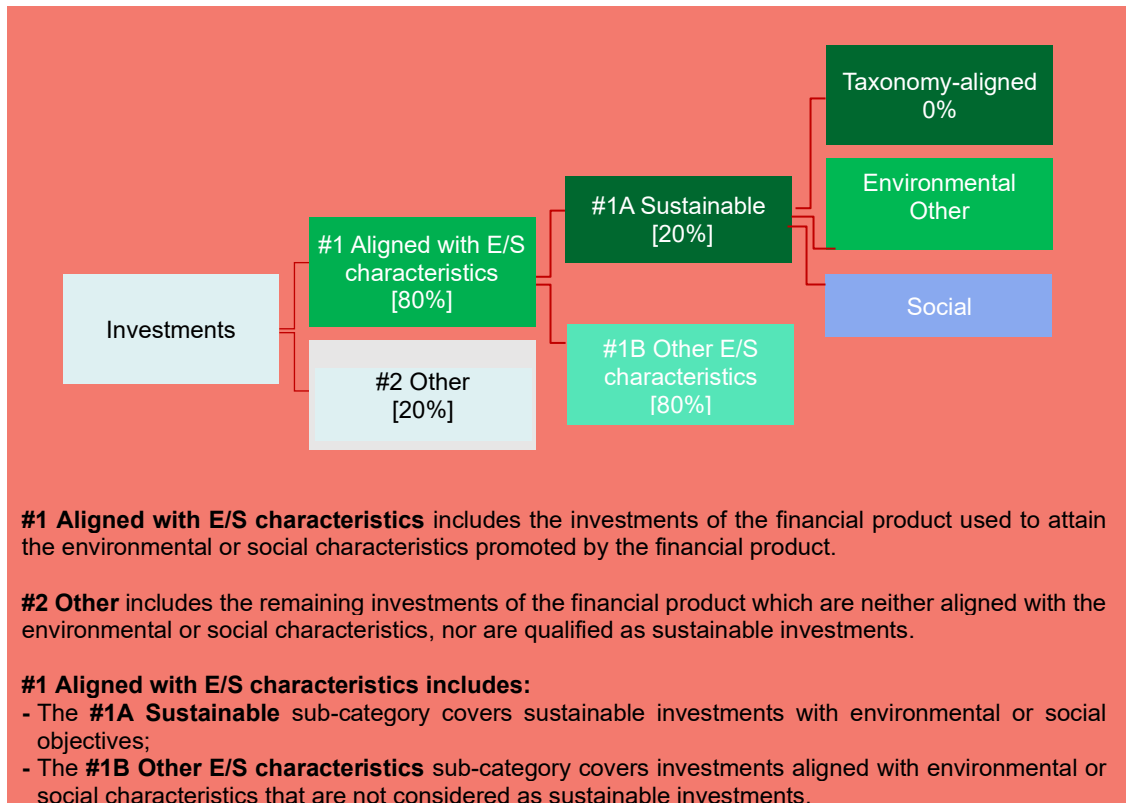
Within the #2 Other component:

- The proportion of all securities that do not have an ESG score may not exceed 10% of the Sub-Fund's assets.
- A maximum of 10% of the Sub-Fund's investments will consist of cash and derivatives.

Asset allocation describes the share of investments in specific assets.

Taxonomy-aligned activities are expressed as a share of:

- turnover reflecting the share of revenue from green activities of investee companies
- capital expenditure (CapEx) showing the green investments made by investee companies, e.g. for a transition to a green economy.
- operational expenditure (OpEx) reflecting green operational activities of investee companies.



How does the use of derivatives attain the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?

The use of derivatives will not aim to attain E/S characteristics. However, their use will not result in the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund being significantly or permanently distorted.

To comply with the EU Taxonomy, the criteria applicable to **fossil gas** include emission limitations and switching to renewable electricity or low-carbon fuels by the end of 2035. As far as **nuclear energy** is concerned, the criteria include comprehensive rules on nuclear safety and waste management.

Enabling activities directly enable other activities to make a substantial contribution to an environmental objective.

Transitional activities are activities for which low-carbon alternatives are not yet available and among others have greenhouse gas emission levels corresponding to the best performance.



To what minimum extent are sustainable investments with an environmental objective aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

The Sub-Fund does not currently make any minimum commitments to align its activities with the Taxonomy Regulation. Accordingly, the minimum investment percentage aligned with the EU Taxonomy to which the Sub-Fund commits is 0%.

Does the financial product invest in fossil gas and/or nuclear energy related activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy³?

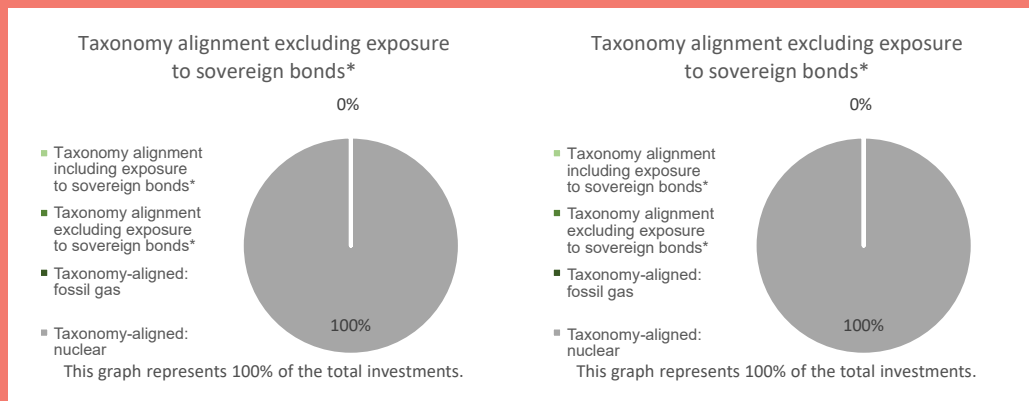
☐ Yes

☐ In fossil gas

☐ In nuclear energy

☒ No

The two graphs below show in green the minimum percentage of investments that are aligned with the EU Taxonomy. As there is no appropriate methodology to determine the taxonomy-alignment of sovereign bonds*, the first graph shows the Taxonomy alignment in relation to all the investments of the financial product including sovereign bonds, while the second graph shows the Taxonomy alignment not only in relation to the investments of the financial product other than sovereign bonds.



* For the purpose of these graphs, 'sovereign bonds' consist of all sovereign exposures.

What is the minimum share of investments in transitional and enabling activities?

Not applicable.



What is the minimum share of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy?

As disclosed under the heading "Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?", this product aims to invest at least 20% of its net assets in sustainable investments. However, the product makes no commitment on the weighting of sustainable investments with an environmental objective that are not aligned with the EU Taxonomy.

³ Fossil gas and/or nuclear related activities will only comply with the EU Taxonomy where they contribute to limiting climate change ("climate change mitigation") and do not significantly harm any EU Taxonomy objective - see explanatory note in the left hand margin. The full criteria for fossil gas and nuclear energy economic activities that comply with the EU Taxonomy are laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/1214.



What is the minimum share of socially sustainable investments?

As disclosed under the heading “Does this financial product have a sustainable investment objective?”, this product aims to invest at least 20% of its net assets in sustainable investments. However, the product makes no commitment on the weighting of social sustainable investments.



What investments are included under “#2 Other”, what is their purpose and are there any minimum environmental or social safeguards?

These investments, which are made only in specific situations and represent a maximum of 20% of the Sub-Fund's investments, will consist of:

- Cash and derivatives which are limited to specific situations in order to allow occasional hedging against or exposure to market risks within a total limit of 10%,
- All securities that do not have an ESG score up to a limit of 10%.

Although this category does not have an ESG rating and no environmental and social guarantees have been implemented, its use will not have the effect of significantly or permanently distorting the environmental and/or social characteristics promoted by the Sub-Fund.



Is a specific index designated as a reference benchmark to determine whether this financial product is aligned with the environmental and/or social characteristics that it promotes?

Reference benchmarks are indexes to measure whether the financial product attains the environmental or social characteristics that they promote.

The comparative SRI universe, composed of the Euro Stoxx Total Market Index (BKXE), is consistent with the Fund's benchmark.

- **How is the reference benchmark continuously aligned with each of the environmental or social characteristics promoted by the financial product?**
Not applicable.
- **How is the alignment of the investment strategy with the methodology of the index ensured on a continuous basis?**
Not applicable.
- **How does the designated index differ from a relevant broad market index?**
Not applicable.
- **Where can the methodology used for the calculation of the designated index be found?**
Not applicable.



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<https://www.ofi-invest-am.com/en/produits>