


## FTSE QUALITY OF MARKETS CRITERIA (AMERICAS) as at March 2011

CRITERIA	COUNTRY NAMES											
	DEV	Canada	USA	ADV EMG	Brazil	Mexico	EMG	Chile	Colombia	Peru	FRONT	Argentina
<b>World Bank GNI Per Capita Rating, 2009</b>		High	High		Upper Middle	Upper Middle		Upper Middle	Upper Middle	Upper Middle		Upper Middle
<b>Market and Regulatory Environment</b>												
Formal stock market regulatory authorities actively monitor market (e.g., SEC, FSA, SFC)	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	Pass	X	Pass
Fair and non-prejudicial treatment of minority shareholders	X	Pass	Pass	X	Restricted	Pass		Pass	Pass	Not Met		Pass
Non or selective incidence of foreign ownership restrictions	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Restricted		Pass	Pass	Pass		Pass
No objection to or significant restrictions or penalties applied on the repatriation of capital and income	X	Pass	Pass	X	Restricted	Pass	X	Restricted	Pass	Pass	X	Restricted
Free and well-developed equity market	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass		Restricted	Pass	Not Met		Not Met
Free and well-developed foreign exchange market	X	Pass	Pass	X	Restricted	Pass		Pass	Pass	Pass		Not Met
Non or simple registration process for foreign investors	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass	Pass		Pass
<b>Custody and Settlement</b>												
Settlement - Rare incidence of failed trades	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	Pass	X	Pass
Custody-Sufficient competition to ensure high quality custodian services	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	Not Met		Pass
Clearing & settlement - T + 3 , T + 7 for Frontier	X	T+3	T+3	X	T+3	T+3	X	T+2	T+3	T+3	X	T+3
Stock Lending is permitted	X	Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass		Pass	Restricted	Pass		Not Met
Settlement - Free delivery available	X	Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass		Restricted	Not Met	Pass		Not Met
Custody - Omnibus account facilities available to international investors	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass		Not Met	Pass	Pass		Not Met
<b>Dealing Landscape</b>												
Brokerage - Sufficient competition to ensure high quality broker services	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	Pass		Pass
Liquidity - Sufficient broad market liquidity to support sizeable global investment	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Restricted	Not Met		Not Met
Transaction costs - implicit and explicit costs to be reasonable and competitive	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	Pass		Pass
Short sales permitted	X	Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass		Restricted	Restricted	Pass		Pass
Off-exchange transactions permitted	X	Pass	Pass		Not Met	Pass		Not Met	Pass	Pass		Pass
Efficient trading mechanism	X	Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass	Pass		Pass
Transparency - market depth information / visibility and timely trade reporting process	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	X	Pass	Pass	Not Met	X	Pass
<b>Derivatives</b>												
Developed Derivatives Market	X	Pass	Pass		Pass	Pass		Not Met	Not Met	Not Met		Not Met
<b>Size of Market</b>												
Market Capitalisation \$mn (as at 31st Dec 2010)		2,170,433	17,283,452		1,545,566	454,345		341,799	208,802	103,347		63,910
Total Number of Listed Companies (as at 31st Dec 2010)		3654	4279		373	130		227	84	199		101

\*USA Size of Market data based on combined figures from NYSE & Nasdaq

 Shading indicates a change from September 2010