

This notice is further to the notification published on 11 March 2019 on the "Timing of Implementation of Saudi Arabia into FTSE Global Equity Index Series" (https://www.ftse.com/products/index-notices/home/getnotice/?id=2592212).

Saudi Arabia – Timing of Tranche 2 Implementation

29 March 2019

Following the implementation of Tranche 1 of Saudi Arabia's inclusion in the FTSE Global Equity Index Series (GEIS), FTSE Russell has consulted its independent advisory committees and other market participants, including local brokers and custodians, on the appropriate timing of Tranche 2. The feedback received on the implementation of Tranche 1 has been overwhelmingly positive. FTSE Russell commends the Saudi Arabia Capital Market Authority and the Tadawul on the effectiveness of the market reforms introduced ahead of the decision to include Saudi Arabian securities in GEIS.

Accordingly, FTSE Russell confirms that Tranche 2 will proceed as set out in the notice "Timing of Implementation of Saudi Arabia into FTSE Global Equity Index Series" published on 11 March 2019. Tranche 2 will be implemented effective from the open of Wednesday 1 May 2019 using official closing prices as of Tuesday 30 April 2019.

Indicative review files reflecting the Tranche 2 investability weighting changes for Saudi Arabia will be available from Friday 5 April 2019.

Please note that the effective dates for Tranche 3 (from the open of Monday 24 June 2019), Tranche 4 (from the open of Monday 23 September 2019) and Tranche 5 (from the open of Monday 23 March 2020) remain unchanged.

An updated Saudi Arabia Reclassification FAQ (Version 2.3) is available on the FTSE Russell website: https://www.ftse.com/products/downloads/FTSE_FAQ_Document_Saudi_Arabia.pdf

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