# Euro Universal Corporate ex Financials Hybrid Capital Securities 8% Capped Index

The Bloomberg Barclays Euro Universal Corporate ex Financials Hybrid Capital Securities 8% Capped Bond Index is a fixed-rate, investment-grade and high yield credit bond benchmark that follows the rules of the Bloomberg Barclays Euro Universal Index and additionally selects only fixed-to-float Capital Securities from Industrial and Utilities sectors, with a minimum amount outstanding of €500 million. The index applies an 8% issuer cap. The index was created in July 2020, with history backfilled to January 1, 2013.



#### **Rules for Inclusion**

Sector	Corporate (Industrial and Utilities) and Government Related securities only; Financial Institutions securities are excluded, except ones classified as REITs or Other Financials, as per the Bloomberg Barclays classification schema. Tier 1 and Tier 2 financial securities that are state-backed are also excluded.
Eligible Currencies	Principal and interest must be denominated in EUR.
Quality	The index includes both securities that are rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or above) and high yield (Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below). Bonds are rated using the middle rating of Moody's, S&P and Fitch, respectively. In cases where explicit bond level ratings may not be available, other sources may be used to classify securities by credit quality:
	• Expected ratings at issuance may be used to ensure timely index inclusion or to properly classify split-rated issuers.
	• Unrated securities may use an issuer rating for index classification purposes if available. Unrated subordinate securities are included if a subordinated issuer rating is available.
Amount Outstanding	EUR500mn minimum par amount outstanding.
Coupon	Fixed-rate coupon.



<ul> <li>Original zero coupon issues are included.</li> <li>Callable fixed-to-floating rate bonds are eligible during their fixed-rate term only.</li> <li>Step-up coupons and those that change according to a predetermined schedule are also eligible</li> </ul>						
Original Maturity	Must have maturity greater than one and a half years at time of issue.					
Maturity	Fixed-to-Float bonds will exit the index one year prio	r to the conversion to floating-rate.				
Seniority of Debt	Only subordinated hybrid issues are included. These are securities classified as Capital Credit, Subordinated, Subordinated Debentures, Junior Debentures, or Junior Subordinated Debentures within the Bloomberg Barcla classification schema with a fixed to floating coupon structure.					
Market of Issue	Fully taxable, publicly issued in the global and regional markets.					
Security Types	Included	Excluded				
	<ul> <li>Fixed-to-floating or fixed-to-variable securities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Treasury and securitized bonds</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Financial institutions, except for REITs or Other Financials</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Floating-rate bonds, inflation-linked bonds</li> </ul>				
		• Private placements and retail bonds				
		• Fixed Rate Bullet bonds, Sinkers				
		<ul> <li>Contingent Capital securities, including traditional Coco's and contingent write-down securities, with explicit capital ratio or solvency/balance sheet-based triagence</li> </ul>				

# **Rebalancing Rules**

Issuer Capping Methodology	Issuers that exceed 8% of the market value of the uncapped Euro Universal Corporate ex Financials Hybrid Capital Securities Index are limited to 8%. The excess market value over the 8% cap is redistributed on a pro rata basis to all other issuers' bonds in the index that are under the 8% cap. The process is repeated until no issuer exceeds the 8% limit. For example, an issuer that represents 9% of the uncapped index will have 1% of the index's market value redistributed to each bond from all issuers under the 8% cap on a pro rata basis. The 8% issuer cap is applied each month as the index is rebalanced.
Frequency	For each index, Bloomberg maintains two universes of securities: the Returns (Backward) and the Projected (Forward) Universes. The composition of the Returns Universe is rebalanced at each month-end and represents the fixed set of bonds on which index returns are calculated for the next month. The Projected Universe is a forward-looking projection that changes daily to reflect issues dropping out of and entering the index but is not used for return calculations. On the last business day of the month (the rebalancing date), the composition of the latest Projected Universe becomes the Returns Universe for the following month.
Index Changes	During the month, indicative changes to securities (credit rating change, sector reclassification, amount outstanding changes, corporate actions, ticker changes, etc.) are reflected daily in both the Projected and Returns Universes of the index. These changes may cause bonds to enter or fall out of the Projected Universe of the index on a daily basis, but will affect the composition of the Returns Universe at month-end only, when the index is next rebalanced.
Reinvestment of Cash Flows	Intra-month cash flows from interest and principal payments contribute to monthly index returns but are not reinvested at a short-term reinvestment rate between rebalance dates. At each rebalancing, cash is effectively reinvested into the Returns Universe for the following month so that index results over two or more months reflect monthly compounding.
New Issues	Qualifying securities issued/announced, but not necessarily settled, on or before the month-end rebalancing date, qualify for inclusion in the following month's index if required security reference information and pricing are readily available.

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## **Pricing and Related Issues**

Sources & Frequency	All index-eligible bonds are priced on a daily basis by Bloomberg's evaluated pricing service, BVAL.
Pricing Quotes	Bonds are quoted as a percentage of par.
Timing	• 4:15pm (London time).
	• On early market closes, prices are taken as of 12:00pm (London time), unless otherwise noted.
	• If the last business day of the month is a UK holiday, prices from the previous business day are used.
Bid or Offer Side	Bonds in the index are priced on the bid side. The initial price for new issues entering the index is the offer side subsequently, the bid price is used.
Settlement Assumptions	• T+1 calendar day settlement basis.
	• At month-end, settlement is assumed to be the first calendar day of the following month, even if the last business day is not the last day of the month, to allow for one full month of accrued interest to be calculated
Verification	Daily price moves for each security are analyzed by the index pricing team. Index users may also challenge pric levels, which are then reviewed and updated as needed using input from various sources.
Calendar	The Euro Universal Corporate ex Financials Hybrid Capital Securities 8% capped Index follows the UK bond market holiday schedule.

# Monthly Returns in EUR Unhedged, 2013-2020 (%)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2013	-0.23	0.84	0.82	2.41	0.49	-1.77	1.06	0.03	0.17	1.92	1.06	0.85	7.86
2014	-0.33	1.98	-0.06	1.53	0.73	0.66	0.32	1.27	-0.46	0.96	0.56	0.23	7.63
2015	2.47	1.72	-0.69	-0.21	-0.52	-3.16	2.09	-1.38	-5.00	3.83	0.80	-1.71	-2.06
2016	-2.58	-0.38	5.00	2.32	-0.24	1.06	2.60	2.33	-0.89	0.62	-1.73	1.65	9.94
2017	0.79	1.60	0.25	1.54	0.71	0.73	0.50	0.43	0.98	2.11	-0.33	0.45	10.18
2018	0.64	-0.96	-0.45	0.76	-1.40	-1.19	2.01	-0.89	0.54	-0.69	-2.09	0.12	-3.62
2019	2.44	1.50	1.11	1.38	-1.09	3.30	0.87	1.20	-0.02	0.10	0.10	0.92	12.40
2020	0.16	-1.31	-9.09	4.46	1.92	0.38	-	_	-	-	-	-	-3.96

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