

Dow Jones U.S. Thematic Neutral Indices Consultation Results – Sector Classification System Update

NEW YORK, SEPTEMBER 28, 2018: S&P Dow Jones Indices (“S&P DJI”) has conducted a consultation with members of the investment community on potential changes to the Dow Jones U.S. Thematic Neutral Indices.

As previously announced on July 6, 2018, S&P DJI will change the sector classification system in order to differentiate real estate from financials with respect to sector neutrality and potentially reduce annual turnover. The table below summarizes the change.

Change	Methodology	
	Previous	Updated
Sector Classification System	The indices use the proprietary Dow Jones Classification System (DJICS) for sector classification purposes.	The indices use the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS®) for sector classification purposes.

The sector classification system change will become effective prior to the market open on Monday, December 3, 2018, in conjunction with the next index rebalancing. For further information on GICS, please refer to the GICS methodology available [here](#).

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