

## FTSE Equity Country Classification – Timing of September 2021 Annual Announcement

26 August 2021

FTSE Russell announces that the FTSE Equity Country Classification September 2021 Annual Announcement will be published on **Thursday 30 September 2021 after U.S. market close**.

The classification of markets within the FTSE global equity indices is assessed on an on-going basis. To ensure transparency, markets being considered for reclassification between Developed, Advanced Emerging, Secondary Emerging and Frontier market status are placed on the FTSE Watch List.

The following markets were designated as Watch List markets as of September 2020:

- Russia - possible reclassification from Secondary Emerging to Advanced Emerging market status.
- Vietnam - possible reclassification from Frontier to Secondary Emerging market status.

Ahead of the publication of the Annual Announcement, FTSE Russell consults with members of the Country Classification Advisory Committee, the Regional Equity Advisory Committees, the Policy Advisory Board and other stakeholders. Feedback received is considered, and the Annual Announcement approved, at a meeting of the FTSE Russell Product Governance Board.

The key dates leading to the September 2021 Annual Announcement are as follows:

Thursday 9 September	FTSE Country Classification Advisory Committee
Weeks commencing 6, 13 and 20 September	FTSE Russell Regional Equity Advisory Committees
Thursday 23 September	FTSE Russell Policy Advisory Board
Wednesday 29 September	FTSE Russell Product Governance Board
Thursday 30 September	Release of the September 2021 FTSE Equity Country Classification Annual Announcement (after U.S. market close).

The Annual Announcement will be sent to clients via a client notice and published on the FTSE Russell website at: <https://www.ftserussell.com/equity-country-classification>

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