



FTSE Equity Country Classification – Timing of March 2022 Interim Update Announcement

22 February 2022

FTSE Russell announces that the March 2022 FTSE Equity Country Classification Interim Update Announcement will be published on **Friday 01 April 2022 after U.S. market close**.

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

The following markets were designated as Watch List markets as of September 2021:

- Iceland - possible reclassification from Frontier to Secondary Emerging.
- Mongolia - possible reclassification from Unclassified to Frontier.
- 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 Announcement, FTSE Russell consults members of the Equity Country Classification Advisory Committee, the Regional Equity Advisory Committees, the Policy Advisory Board and other stakeholders. Feedback received is considered, and the Announcement approved, at a meeting of the FTSE Russell Index Governance Board.

The schedule leading to the March 2022 Interim Update Announcement is as follows:

Tuesday 01 March	Equity Country Classification Advisory Committee
Weeks commencing 07 and 21 March	Regional Equity Advisory Committees
Thursday 24 March	Policy Advisory Board
Wednesday 30 March	FTSE Russell Index Governance Board
Friday 01 April	Release of the March 2022 FTSE Equity Country Classification Interim Update Announcement (after U.S. market close).

The 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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