

Axel Springer SE (Germany): Tender Offer

Informative Notice - Update

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Further to the FTSE Russell notice released on 08 August 2019 regarding the voluntary public tender offer by KKR (non-constituent) to shareholders of Axel Springer SE (Germany, 4647317, GEIS Mid Cap), the final results of voluntary public tender offer have been published.

The results from the additional acceptance period have confirmed that 42.5% of outstanding shares have been tendered, inclusive of the shares tendered during the initial acceptance period.

The tender offer is now closed. However settlement is conditional on regulatory approvals with completion expected in the coming months (prior to completion, the tendered shares will continue to trade via a tendered shares security).

FTSE Russell will issue a further notice to confirm index treatment once the transaction is wholly unconditional and settlement is confirmed (i.e. there will be no index changes at this time).

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