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## MSCI to Consult on Potential Product Enhancements and Changes to Rebalancing Dates of MSCI Thematic & Strategy Indices

**Geneva - April 15, 2009** - MSCI Inc (NYSE: MXB), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, including indices and portfolio risk and performance analytics, announced today that it will begin consultations with the investment community on enhancements to the way it distributes MSCI Thematic & Strategy Indices and MSCI Custom Indices. MSCI will simultaneously consult on changes to the rebalancing and announcement dates of certain MSCI Thematic & Strategy Indices that may result from these enhancements.

MSCI intends to distribute MSCI Thematic & Strategy Indices and MSCI Custom Indices through a new, standardized file format. In addition, MSCI intends to introduce advance notification capability for all MSCI Thematic & Strategy Indices. As a result of these potential changes, the rebalancing and announcement dates of certain MSCI Thematic & Strategy Indices may be impacted.

The consultation document is available on the MSCI Barra web site at [www.msclubarra.com](http://www.msclubarra.com).

Please note that this consultation may or may not lead to any changes to the MSCI Equity Indices.

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### About MSCI Inc

MSCI Inc. is a leading provider of investment decision support tools to investment institutions worldwide. MSCI Inc. products include indices and portfolio risk and performance analytics for use in managing equity, fixed income and multi-asset class portfolios.

The company's flagship products are the MSCI International Equity Indices, which include over 120,000 indices calculated daily across more than 70 countries, and the Barra risk models and portfolio analytics, which cover 56 equity and 46 fixed income markets. MSCI Inc. is headquartered in New York, with research and commercial offices around the world. Morgan Stanley, a global financial services firm, is the controlling shareholder of MSCI Inc.

In 2008 MSCI was named Index Provider of the Year at the European Pensions Awards and Best Provider of Benchmark Indices in Asia Pacific at the AsianInvestor Service Provider Awards.

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