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# FTSE Classification of Fixed Income Markets – FTSE Fixed Income Country Classification March 2026 Results Announcement

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The inclusion of nominal and inflation-linked local currency government bond markets in global FTSE fixed income indices is governed by the [FTSE Fixed Income Country Classification Framework](#).

A core feature of this framework is the assignment of Market Accessibility Levels, which are reviewed on a semi-annual basis. The transparent nature of the Market Accessibility Levels allows FTSE Russell to seek feedback from international investors on their practical investment experiences and to engage with relevant authorities in markets which are under review for potential reclassification. Index inclusion changes due to market size and credit rating are also assessed as part of the FTSE Fixed Income Country Classification process.

FTSE Russell also considers changes to the methodology for the FTSE global fixed income indices that include the markets for these bonds as part of its semi-annual external advisory committee meetings.



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