Securities Lending Returns in MSCI AC Asia Pacific Ex Japan

The MSCI AC Asia Pacific Ex Japan Index measures the performance of the large and mid cap segments across 4 of the 5 developed markets countries (Ex Japan) and 9 emerging markets countries in Asia Pacific. The index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization of each country. IHS Markit provides the securities lending return made from securities in the index since 2015 and further provides a break down by fee categories, top sectors & countries as well as the level of short interest in the index constituents.

There are currently 590 securities on loan out of the 1,527 securities in the index.

SL Returns to Lendable (bps) : Quarterly Comparison

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Indexed Short Interest Levels:
- 2016: 142.0
- 2017: 142.5
- 2018: 142.1
- 2019: 89.5
- 2020: 78.1

YOY change: 5.3% (2019: 0.4%)

Index base date: 1st Jan 2015

Top Sectors & Countries by SL Revenue and SL Return to Lendable for Sep 2020

**Top Sectors & Specials**

- **SL Return to Lendable**
- **SL Revenue Contribution**
- **Country Classification**
- **Fee Classification**

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### Markit provides the securities lending return from securities lending relative to lendable value from only those lender funds with the highest loan value that represent 80% of the cumulative loan value in respective market areas that are part of the index. Funds are classified on a daily basis for individual market areas within the index.

### Indexed Short Interest

- **Period**: Oct 19 to Sep 20
- **SL Return to Lendable**
  - **Low (bps)**
  - **Mid (bps)**
  - **High (bps)**

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**Notes**

- **SL Return to Lendable_Low**: Returns from securities lending relative to lendable value from the fee lowest lending value from only those lender funds with active loans in respective market areas that are part of the index. Funds are classified as active on a daily basis for individual market areas. This metric is used in the report unless stated otherwise.
- **SL Return to Lendable_Mid**: Returns from securities lending relative to lendable value from only those lender funds with the highest loan value that represent 80% of the cumulative loan value in respective market areas that are part of the index. Funds are classified on a daily basis for individual market areas within the index.
- **SL Return to Lendable_High**: Returns from securities lending relative to lendable value from only those lender funds with the highest loan value that represent 80% of the cumulative loan value in respective market areas that are part of the index. Funds are classified on a daily basis for individual market areas within the index.
- **Indexed Short Interest**: Tracks the daily change in short interest relative to market capitalization calculated for the MSCI index with an index base date of 1st Jan 2015 where the index is set to a base value of 100.
- **Country Classification**: For common equity securities done by IHS Markit Securities Finance is based on the country in which the security is traded with the exception of depository receipts which are based upon the country of domicile.
- **Fee Classification**: Securities with value weighted average securities lending fee of <= 35 bps are classified as GC, > 35 bps & <= 150 bps are classified as Warm and > 150 bps are classified as Special. This fee classification is done on a daily basis.