## MEETING CONCLUSIONS CEEplus Index Oversight Committee

Date and venue: 20 May 2021, 11:00

Members present: Darja Jermanis – Lublana Gordana Miskulin - Zagreb Remus Danila – Bukarest Jiri Opletal – Prague Attila Varga-Balazs – Budapest Krzysztof Sosnowski – Warsaw Adam Błasiak – GPW Benchmark

Observer present: Robert Priecel - Bratislava

Invited: Małgorzata Odolińska Zbigniew Minda

## Agenda

- 1) Free float: results of questionnaire, outcome of the discussion during the Steering Committee
- 2) Question of ESG indexes
- 3) AOB

## **Conclusions**

Ad.1. GPWB representatives presented the responses to the questionnaire on the definition of the free float for the CEEplus index. Results of written answers unfortunately were inconclusive. Talks in the Steering Committee might have suggested there is room for a compromise approach.

After discussion, the Oversight Committee has concluded that the definition should not be based on any local-view, and rather reflect international best practice. Committee Chairperson has asked the Administrator to conduct more analytic work, including:

- a) A study on international examples (comparison across major index providers)
- b) Receiving a standpoint from PZU as the current major stakeholder of the Index
- c) Simulations where feasible.

Ad.2. All Members agree that all data used for the calculation od ESG index need to be of high quality (not only the basis input data) which currently is disputable. Some Members indicated that in the CEE region, one can't reasonably expect in the foreseeable future that the most "investable" bluechips

become "green"; also, some companies still do not report on ESG which makes the ESG CEEplus a highly challenging project.

Ad.3. Oversight Committee has asked the Administrator to present a potential blue-chip version of the Index.

Next meeting scheduled for mid-September.