

The Barclays Zorya Index

The Barclays Zorya Index (“the Index”) aims to maximize returns of its constituents for a 5% risk budget using techniques of Modern Portfolio Theory.

Here are the building blocks that make up the Index:



Portfolio Construction based on Modern Portfolio Theory

Modern Portfolio Theory is Harry Markowitz’s investment theory which outlines two key themes:

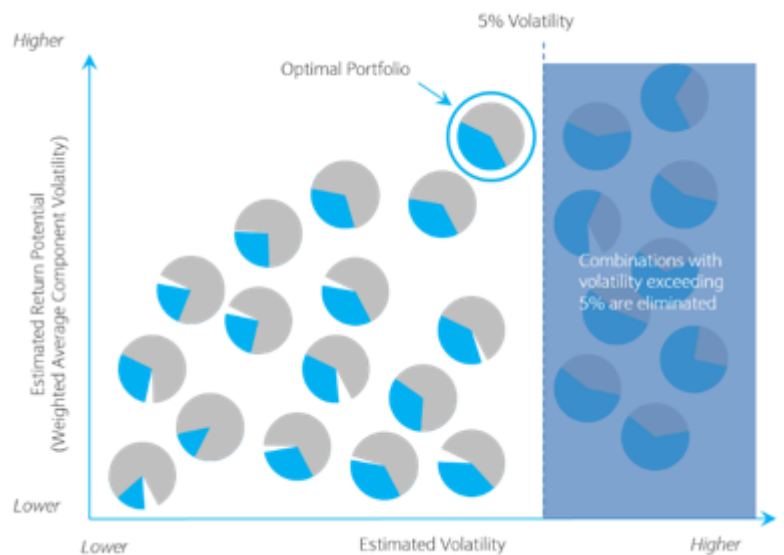
- 1) **Risk** is a driver of return – the higher the risk the higher the return potential
- 2) Investors can potentially maximize their returns while minimizing the risk they take through **diversification**

Every month, the index will seek an optimal combination between US Equities and Fixed Income, incorporating historical volatilities and correlations of the index components.

The process is known as “mean variance optimization” and is based on the principles of Modern Portfolio Theory.

All combinations with an estimated volatility¹ greater than 5% are eliminated and the optimal portfolio will select the combination with the highest estimated return potential by assuming a direct relationship between risk and return.

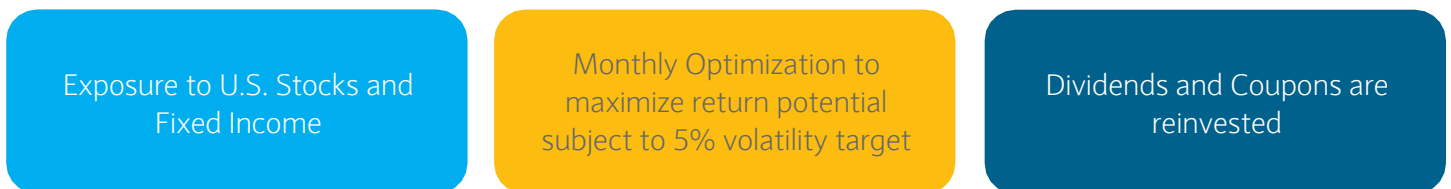
Illustration of the mean-variance optimization process



For illustration purposes; may not reflect actual weights or allocations.

Volatility Control Overlay

While the optimization is done monthly, every day, the index may increase or decrease its exposure to the optimal portfolio between zero and 150% in order to try and maintain volatility at a constant 5% annualized level.



The complex block contains three rounded rectangular boxes. The first is blue and contains the text "Exposure to U.S. Stocks and Fixed Income". The second is yellow and contains the text "Monthly Optimization to maximize return potential subject to 5% volatility target". The third is dark blue and contains the text "Dividends and Coupons are reinvested".

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¹ Volatility is a measure of the degree to which the price of an asset fluctuates. It is widely used as an indicator of investment risk.

Risk factors

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- The strategy reflected in the Index may be unsuccessful. The index methodology of the Index may not be successful and the Equity Component may underperform broad equity market benchmarks. In addition, the allocation between Equity and Fixed Income in the Index at any time may not be optimized and may underperform a different allocation between the two asset classes.
- The Index includes deductions for a fee of 0.5% per year, plus an additional cost equal to the 3-month US dollar LIBOR rate for the Equity Component and Fixed Income Component which may be increased or decreased in the aggregate by the mean variance optimization process and the volatility control mechanism. These deductions will reduce Index performance, and the Index will underperform similar portfolios from which these fees and costs are not deducted.
- The volatility control mechanism included in the Index may not achieve its intended goal, and the Index may not be successful in maintaining its volatility at or below 5%.
- The mean-variance optimization process and the volatility control mechanism will determine the Index's exposure to the Equity Component and Fixed Income Component. If the Index's total exposure to the Equity Component and Fixed Income Component is less than 100%, the difference will be un-invested and will earn no return. In addition, when the Index's exposure to its portfolio is greater than 100%, any negative performance of the portfolio will be magnified and the level of the index may decrease significantly.
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