

Market Consultation: RAFI Fundamental High Liquidity Index Series: Emerging Markets Country Eligibility Rule

For the purpose of calculating the RAFI Fundamental High Liquidity Index Series, RAFI Indices classifies the following countries as Emerging Markets:

Emerging Markets Country Classification		
Brazil	India	Saudi Arabia
Chile	Indonesia	South Africa
China	Kuwait	Taiwan
Colombia	Malaysia	Thailand
Czech Republic	Mexico	Turkey
Egypt	Peru	UAE
Greece	Philippines	
Hungary	Qatar	

RAFI Indices is proposing a rule whereas a country classified by RAFI Indices as emerging markets would be eligible for the Index if the free-float adjusted fundamental country weight in a fundamentally weighted Emerging Markets large company portfolio as described in Section 2.3 of the RAFI Fundamental High Liquidity Index Series rulebook is equal to or greater than 0.50%. Countries that were eligible in the previous year and have a free-float adjusted fundamental country weight above 0.10% in the current year are still considered eligible. The emerging market country eligibility would be determined annually.

Affected Indices:

The change would be effective as of the 2/14/2025 selection date. The following indices will be affected by this change:

Index Name	Total Return	Price Return	Net Return
RAFI Fundamental High Liquidity Emerging Markets Index	RAHLEMLT	RAHLEMLP	RAHLEMLN

We would like to solicit the feedback of RAFI Indices users on the effect of this classification change. If you would like to participate in this consultation, please fill out the below questions and return to indexsupport@rafi.com by **2/5/2025**. All responses will be kept confidential. RAFI Indices will provide a public announcement regarding the results of this market consultation once it has been completed. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Name	
Title	
Organization	
Email	

1. What is your view on implementing the described country eligibility rule?

2. What is your view on the timeline for implementation (2/14/2025 selection date)?

3. Is there any other feedback you would like to provide?

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