



CoinDesk Indices Announces Results of its Single Digital Asset Price Indices Consultation

September 12, 2024 – CoinDesk Indices’ internal governance committee has completed its review of stakeholder feedback to its [public consultation](#) held between July 25, 2024 and August 15, 2024. Please see Appendix 1 for a list of impacted indices.

Consultation Results:

Here is a summary of the results of the consultation with additional details below.

Proposal Topic	Consultation Results	Timing
Expand Contributing Exchanges	The minimum volume requirement for inclusion will be reduced and the maximum number of contributing exchanges will increase from 5 to 8.	Oct 1, 2024
Remove Exchange Watchlist	The requirement for an exchange to be on the watchlist from the prior quarter will be removed.	Oct 1, 2024
Update Quarterly Review Schedule	The review schedule will transition to the Sunday following the 3rd Friday of Mar, Jun, Sep and Dec	Dec 1, 2024

Proposal 1 – Expand Contributing Exchanges: The consultation proposed to reduce the minimum percentage of total 90-day USD volume from 4% to 2% for contributing exchanges and from 5% to 3% for non-contributing exchanges as well as increase the number of maximum contributing exchanges from 5 to 8. These changes are designed to increase the number of contributing exchanges to help achieve the index objective of providing a representative spot price for each digital asset.

There was no feedback opposed to this modification; however, certain clients raised questions on how the Index Committee monitors declining volumes on the contributing exchanges. There are several mechanisms built into the [Index Methodology](#) to deal with this. Specifically:

1. The volume data for eligible exchanges is reviewed on a quarterly basis and contributing exchanges are removed if they fail the eligibility and selection criteria.
2. The volume lookback period during the review is 90 days which captures an extended period of trading activity.
3. The algorithm used to calculate the indices initially weights each contributing exchange by its 24-hour volume ensuring exchanges with declining volumes relative to other contributing exchanges will be assigned a lower starting weight.



4. The algorithm dynamically adjusts the contributing exchange weights determined in step 3 based on inactivity and/or price variance.

Summary of Proposal 1: CoinDesk Indices will implement the proposed changes (see Proposal 2 for timing).

Proposal 2 – Remove Exchange Watchlist Requirement: The consultation proposed eliminating the watchlist requirement for a non-contributing exchange to be eligible for inclusion.

There was no feedback opposed to this proposal.

Summary of Proposal 2: CoinDesk Indices will implement the proposed changes.

Timing of Changes: For Proposals 1 and 2, the modification to the methodology will be implemented with the next scheduled quarterly review in October 2024. The results will be announced on October 11, 2024, and implemented on October 27, 2024. An updated CoinDesk Single Digital Asset Price Indices Methodology reflecting these changes will be published on the CoinDesk Governance [webpage](#) by September 13, 2024.

Proposal 3 – Update Quarterly Review Schedule: The consultation proposed to update the quarterly review schedule to be implemented in March, June, September and December with key dates provided in the table below:

Activity Description	Timing	Example Reconstitution Timing
Reference Date for Input Data	Last Friday of Feb, May, Aug, Nov	11/29/2024
Announcement Date	First Friday of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec	12/6/2024
Implementation Begins	Saturday at 4PM Eastern Time following third Friday of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec	12/21/2024
Implementation Complete	Sunday at 4PM Eastern Time following third Friday of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec	12/22/2024



There was no feedback opposed to this proposal.

Summary of Proposal 3: CoinDesk Indices will implement the proposed changes.

Timing of Change: For Proposal 3, the modification to the methodology will be implemented after the scheduled quarterly review in October 2024. An updated CoinDesk Single Digital Asset Price Indices Methodology reflecting this change will be published on the CoinDesk Governance [webpage](#) on November 1, 2024.

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Note: CoinDesk Indices is currently performing its semi-annual review of Eligible Exchanges as described in its [Policy Methodology](#). The results of this review will be published in October 2024.

For questions on this announcement, please email indexservices@coindesk-indices.com.

We appreciate your feedback to the consultation.

Regards,

CoinDesk Indices



Appendix 1

The table below provides a list of the impacted Single Digital Asset Price Indices.

Index Ticker	Index Name
XBX	CoinDesk Bitcoin Price Index
ETX	CoinDesk Ether Price Index
BTX	CoinDesk Basic Attention Token Price Index
BCX	CoinDesk Bitcoin Cash Price Index
ADX	CoinDesk Cardano Price Index
LNK	CoinDesk Chainlink Price Index
EOSX	CoinDesk EOS Price Index
ECX	CoinDesk Ether Classic Price Index
LTX	CoinDesk Litecoin Price Index
XLMX	CoinDesk Lumens Price Index
SLX	CoinDesk Solana Price Index
XTX	CoinDesk Tezos Price Index
UNX	CoinDesk Uniswap Price Index
XRX	CoinDesk XRP Price Index
ZCX	CoinDesk Zcash Price Index

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