Infrastructure can be a valuable part of any portfolio looking to add long-lived assets that can potentially provide predictable, inflation-linked revenue streams. Around the world, there are two major trends in infrastructure. In developed market economies, infrastructure is in critical need of upgrades and modernization after decades of under-investment, while in emerging economies, there is high demand for new infrastructure to meet the needs of a rapidly growing middle class. Taken together, according to the Boston Consulting Group, these two forces could combine for a global infrastructure buildout of over $40 trillion by 2030.

FlexShares STOXX Global Broad Infrastructure Index Fund is a global equity portfolio that’s designed to offer the inflation hedging, income, and total return potential of infrastructure ownership. STOXX took a three-step approach. First, define the universe of infrastructure investments, focusing on long-lived assets in industries with very high barriers to entry. STOXX targets investments that generate at least 50% of their revenue from key sectors with 3 month average daily trending volume of at least $1 million. These sectors include transportation, energy, utilities, communications, and government outsourcing and social infrastructure.

Next, the portfolio is weighted based on a free-float market cap with certain constraints to limit exposure in any one security, supersector, or country. Finally, the fund is rebalanced annually to confirm its falling within those set constraints. Infrastructure will potentially play an important role in the global economy's future. And with FlexShares STOXX Global Broad Infrastructure Index Fund, it can play an important part of your portfolio's future too. To learn more, visit us at FlexShares.com.
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