Changes between 2013 and 2015

The 2015 Financial Secrecy Index ranking is based on measures which in some cases differ slightly from the measures used in the 2013 index. Essentially, the methodology has been slightly tightened so that – all other things being equal and unchanged – countries' scores would automatically worsen slightly from 2013 to 2015. So while average secrecy scores have improved from 66 in 2013 to 60 in 2015, the actual improvement has been slightly better than that.

In addition, the 2013 index covered 82 countries while the 2015 index covers 92: this expansion has also affected many countries' positions on the index.

Further details are available on request. After publication on November 2, the full methodology will be available on the FSI website.