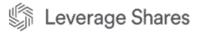
#### BASE PROSPECTUS

## LEVERAGE SHARES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

#### (a public company incorporated with limited liability in Ireland)



# COLLATERALISED EXCHANGE TRADED SECURITIES PROGRAMME

Under the Collateralised Exchange Traded Securities Programme described in this Base Prospectus (the "**Programme**"), Leverage Shares Public Limited Company (the "**Issuer**"), subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and directives, may from time to time issue collateralised exchange traded securities (the "**ETP Securities**") which provide exposure to a range of asset classes including equity securities, debt securities, fixed income securities, mutual funds, units in exchange traded funds, and futures contracts by either seeking to track an index ("**Index**") or by pursuing a stated investment strategy ("**Investment Strategy**"), on the terms set out herein, as completed by the final terms in respect of the relevant ETP Securities (the "**Final Terms**"). The aggregate number of ETP Securities issued under the Programme will not at any time exceed 5,000,000,000. Investors should note that the Issuer anticipates that the Base Prospectus and other Programme Documents (as defined herein) may be amended from time to time to permit the Issuer to issue series of ETP Securities backed by asset classes other than as described herein.

The ETP Securities may offer long or short exposure to the performance of the assets underlying such Indices or Investment Strategies.

ETP Securities will be issued in Series (as defined in the section entitled "Description of the Programme") and each Series will be secured in favour of the Trustee (as described in the section entitled "Security Arrangements"). Claims against the Issuer by holders of the ETP Securities of a particular Series or of any other party to a Programme Document (save as otherwise disclosed in the risk factor entitled "Limited recourse obligations, non-petition and related risks" on page 42) in respect of that Series, will be limited to the Secured Property applicable to that Series.

This Base Prospectus has been approved by the Financial Conduct Authority ("**FCA**") as competent authority under the UK Prospectus Regulation (as defined below). The FCA only approves this Base Prospectus as meeting the standards of completeness, comprehensibility and consistency imposed by the United Kingdom's version of Regulation (EU) No 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Directive 2003/71/EC, which is part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("**UK Prospectus Regulation**"). Such approval by the FCA should not be considered as an endorsement of the Issuer or the quality of the ETP Securities that are the subject of this Base Prospectus. Investors should make their own assessment as to the suitability of investing in the ETP Securities.

A base prospectus relating to the Programme has been approved by the Central Bank of Ireland (the "**CBI**") on 15 March 2024 (the "**CBI Base Prospectus**"). However, this Base Prospectus has not been submitted to the CBI for its approval. Therefore as at the date of this Base Prospectus, this Base Prospectus has not been approved by the CBI and EU investors should refer instead to the CBI Base Prospectus for relevant considerations relating to their jurisdictions.

If the net proceeds of the enforcement of the security over the Secured Property for a Series are not sufficient to make all payments then due in respect of the ETP Securities of that Series and, if applicable, the claims of any other Programme Parties (as defined herein and save as otherwise disclosed in the risk factor entitled "Limited recourse obligations, non-petition and related risks" on page 42), the obligations of the Issuer will be limited to such net proceeds and the other assets of the

Issuer will not be available to meet any shortfall. The Issuer will not be obliged to make any further payment in excess of such net proceeds and no debt shall be owed by the Issuer in respect of such shortfall. Furthermore, the ETP Securityholders, or any person on their behalf, will not be able to take any action against the Issuer (including instituting, or joining with any other person in bringing, instituting or joining, insolvency or examinership proceedings (whether court based or otherwise) in relation to the Issuer) to recover any such shortfall.

The ETP Securities will be obligations solely of the Issuer and will not be guaranteed by, or be the responsibility of, any other entity.

Application may be made to the FCA for the ETP Securities issued under this Programme to be admitted to the Official List of the FCA. Application may be made to the London Stock Exchange plc (the "London Stock Exchange") for the ETP Securities issued under this Programme to be admitted to trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange.

The ETP Securities may also be listed on additional stock exchanges and admitted to trading on additional markets as specified in the Final Terms.

References in this Base Prospectus to ETP Securities being "listed" (and all related references) shall mean that such ETP Securities have been admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange, which is a regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2014/65/EU as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2019.

ETP Securities are complex, structured products involving a significant degree of risk. In particular, an investment in ETP Securities giving short and/or leveraged exposure to the performance of the assets underlying the applicable Index or Investment Strategy is only appropriate for investors that understand the increased risk caused by such features. Prospective purchasers of ETP Securities should obtain their own independent accounting, tax and legal advice and should consult their own professional investment advisors in order to determine the merits and risks of an investment in the ETP Securities and the suitability to them of an investment to them in the light of their own circumstances and financial condition. The ETP Securities involve a high degree of risk and potential investors should be prepared to sustain a loss of all or part of their investment. See "Risk Factors" on pages 26 to 58.

This Base Prospectus does not describe all of the risks of an investment in the ETP Securities. This Base Prospectus is not intended to provide the basis of any credit or other evaluation and should not be considered as a recommendation by any of the Issuer, the Arranger, the Trustee, the Portfolio Administrator, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Margin Loan Provider or any other Programme Party that any recipient of this Base Prospectus should purchase the ETP Securities.

#### Arranger

#### Leverage Shares Management Company Limited

#### **Initial Authorised Participant**

BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C.

#### Second Authorised Participant

#### GWM Limited

#### Third Authorised Participant

Virtu Finacial Ireland Limited

The date of this Base Prospectus is 15 March 2024

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

The Issuer accepts responsibility for all information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuer, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and makes no omission likely to affect its import.

This Base Prospectus is valid from one year from the date hereof. The Issuer shall have no obligation to supplement this Base Prospectus in the event of any significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy when the Base Prospectus is no longer valid.

The language of this Base Prospectus is English. Certain legislative references and technical terms have been cited in their original language in order that the correct technical meaning may be ascribed to them under the applicable law.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "The "Indices" consists only of extracts from, or summaries of, publicly available information. Such publicly available information was not prepared in connection with the offering of the ETP Securities. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by the relevant Index Sponsor, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "Description of the Reference Assets" consists only of extracts from, or summaries of, publicly available information. Such publicly available information was not prepared in connection with the offering of the ETP Securities. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published in relation to the Relevant Assets, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Arranger" consists only of information provided to the Issuer by Leverage Shares Management Company Limited. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by Leverage Shares Management Company Limited, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the sub-section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Portfolio Administrator" consists only of information provided to the Issuer by the Portfolio Administrators listed therein. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by the Portfolio Administrators, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Margin Loan Providers" consists only of information provided to the Issuer by Interactive Brokers LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by Interactive Brokers LLC, and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Determination Agent" consists only of information provided to the Issuer by Calculation Agent Services LLC. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by Calculation Agent Services LLC, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Authorised Participants" consists only of information provided to the Issuer by the Initial Authorised Participant, the Second Authorised Participant and the Third Authorised Participant. The Issuer accepts responsibility for the accurate reproduction of such information. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by the Initial Authorised Participant the Second Authorised Participant and the Third Authorised Participant the Second Authorised Participant and the Third Authorised Participant, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "CME Group Inc." consists only of extracts from, or summaries of, publicly available information. Such publicly available information was not prepared in connection with the offering of the ETP Securities. The Issuer accepts responsibility for such information so far as the Issuer is aware and/or able to ascertain from information published by CME Group Inc. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published in relation to CME Group Inc, no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

The information in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "Intercontinental Exchange Inc." consists only of extracts from, or summaries of, publicly available information. Such publicly available information was not prepared in connection with the offering of the ETP Securities. The Issuer accepts responsibility for such information as far as the Issuer is aware and/or able to ascertain from information published by Intercontinental Exchange Inc. As far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from information published in relation to Intercontinental Exchange Inc., no facts have been omitted which would render such reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

#### <u>New information with respect to Authorised Participants unknown at the time of the approval of the</u> Base Prospectus will be published on the Issuer's website.

# CONSENTS

The Issuer has consented to the use of this Base Prospectus in the United Kingdom and has accepted responsibility for the content of this Base Prospectus, with respect to the subsequent resale or final placement by way of public offer of the ETP Securities in the United Kingdom by any Authorised Offeror (as defined below).

This Base Prospectus has been prepared on a basis that permits offers that are not made within an exemption from the requirement to publish a prospectus under Article 1(4) of the UK Prospectus Regulation ("Non-exempt Offers").

Any person making or intending to make a Non-exempt Offer of ETP Securities on the basis of this Base Prospectus must do so only with the Issuer's consent as described below.

Except in the circumstances described below, the Issuer has not authorised the making of any offer by any offeror and the Issuer has not consented to the use of this Base Prospectus by any other person in connection with any offer of the ETP Securities in any jurisdiction. Any offer made without the consent of the Issuer is unauthorised and neither the Issuer nor, for the avoidance of doubt, the Arranger accepts any responsibility or liability in relation to such offer or for the actions of the persons making any such unauthorised offer.

The Issuer has consented to the use of this Base Prospectus, and has accepted responsibility for the content of this Base Prospectus, with respect to any Non-exempt Offer of the ETP Securities in the United Kingdom by any Authorised Offeror.

If, in the context of a Non-exempt Offer, an Investor is offered ETP Securities by a person which is not an Authorised Offeror, the Investor should check with such person whether anyone is responsible for this Base Prospectus for the purpose of the relevant Non-exempt Offer and, if so, who that person is. If an Investor is in any doubt about whether it can rely on this Base Prospectus and/or who is responsible for its contents, the Investor should take legal advice.

The Authorised Offerors are:

- (A) the Initial Authorised Participant;
- (B) the Second Authorised Participant;
- (C) the Third Authorised Paticipant; and
- (D) each Authorised Participant which either:
  - (i) is expressly named as an Authorised Offeror in the Final Terms; or

 (ii) is expressly named as an Authorised Participant on the Issuer's website: <u>www.leverageshares.com</u> (in which case, its name and address will be published on the Issuer's website).

# Any Authorised Offeror using this Base Prospectus must state on its own website that it uses this Base Prospectus in accordance with the consent and conditions attached in this Base Prospectus.

The consent referred to above relates to Offer Periods occurring within 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus unless such consent is withdrawn prior to that date by notice published on the Issuer's website.

### Arrangements between an Investor and the Authorised Offeror who will distribute the ETP Securities

Neither the Issuer nor, for the avoidance of doubt, the Margin Loan Providers, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent and the Broker Dealer of Record have any responsibility for any of the actions of any Authorised Offeror, including compliance by an Authorised Offeror with applicable conduct of business rules or other local regulatory requirements or other securities law requirements in relation to such offer.

An Investor intending to acquire or acquiring any ETP Securities from an Authorised Offeror will do so, and offers and sales of the ETP Securities to such Investor by an Authorised Offeror will be made, in accordance with any terms and other arrangements in place between that Authorised Offeror and such Investor including as to price, allocations and settlement arrangements (the "Terms and Conditions of the Non-exempt Offer"). The Issuer will not be a party to any such arrangements with such Investor and, accordingly, this Base Prospectus does not contain such information. The Terms and Conditions of the Non-exempt Offer shall be provided to such Investor by that Authorised Offeror at the time the offer is made. None of the Issuer or, for the avoidance of doubt, the Margin Loan Providers or other Authorised Offerors has any responsibility or liability for such information.

**The** Authorised Participants, the Margin Loan Providers, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent and the Broker Dealer of Record have not separately verified the information contained herein. Accordingly, no representation, warranty or undertaking, express or implied, is made and no responsibility or liability is accepted by the Authorised Participants, the Margin Loan Providers, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent or the Broker Dealer of Record as to the accuracy or completeness of the financial information contained herein, or any other financial statements or any further information supplied in connection with the Programme or any of the ETP Securities or their distribution.

No person is or has been authorised to give any information or to make any representation not contained in or not consistent with this Base Prospectus or any other financial statements or further information supplied pursuant to the terms of the Programme or any of the ETP Securities and, if given or made, such information or representation must not be relied upon as having been authorised by any of the Issuer, any Authorised Participant, the Margin Loan Providers, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent or the Broker Dealer of Record.

Neither this Base Prospectus nor any further information supplied pursuant to the terms of the Programme or the ETP Securities are intended to provide the basis of any credit or other evaluation and should not be considered as a recommendation or constituting an invitation or offer by or on behalf of any of the Issuer or any Authorised Participant, the Margin Loan Providers, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent or the Broker Dealer of Record that any recipient of this Base Prospectus or any further information supplied pursuant to the terms of the Programme or any of the ETP Securities should subscribe for or purchase any of the ETP Securities. Each investor contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make its own independent investigation of the financial condition and affairs, and its own appraisal of the creditworthiness, of the Issuer.

The delivery of the Base Prospectus does not at any time imply that the information contained herein concerning the Issuer is correct at any time subsequent to the date hereof or that any other financial statements or any further information supplied pursuant to the terms of the Programme or any of the ETP Securities is correct as of any time subsequent to the date indicated in the document containing the same.

Each of the Authorised Participants, the Margin Loan Providers, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent or the Broker Dealer of Record expressly do not undertake to review the financial condition or affairs of the Issuer or the validity, effectiveness or adequacy of any security provided by the Issuer during the term of the Programme.

The Issuer is not and will not be regulated by the FCA as a result of issuing the ETP Securities.

The Issuer is not and will not be regulated by the CBI as a result of issuing the ETP Securities. Any investment in the ETP Securities does not have the status of a bank deposit and as such, will not be within the scope of any deposit scheme operated by the CBI and are not otherwise insured or guaranteed by any government, government agency or other body.

For a description of certain restrictions on offers and sales of ETP Securities and on the distribution of this Base Prospectus, see the section headed "Subscription and Sale". This Base Prospectus does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of any Authorised Participant, any Margin Loan Provider, the Paying Agents, the Transfer Agent, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, the Determination Agent or the Broker Dealer of Record to subscribe for, or purchase, any ETP Securities.

ETP Securities may be offered to retail clients, professional clients and other eligible counterparties. This Base Prospectus identifies in general terms certain information that a prospective investor should consider prior to making an investment in the ETP Securities. However, a prospective investor should, without any reliance on the Issuer, the Margin Loan Providers or any Authorised Participant or any of their respective Affiliates, conduct its own thorough analysis (including its own accounting, legal and tax analysis) prior to deciding whether to invest in any ETP Securities issued under the Programme. Any evaluation of the suitability for an investor of an investment in ETP Securities issued under the Programme depends upon a prospective investor's particular financial and other circumstances, as well as on specific terms of the relevant ETP Securities and, if it does not have experience in financial, business and investment matters sufficient to permit it to make such a determination, it should consult with its financial adviser prior to deciding whether or not to make an investment in the ETP Securities.

The ETP Securities may not be a suitable investment for all investors. Each potential investor in the ETP Securities must determine the suitability of that investment in light of its own circumstances and should consult with its legal, business, tax advisers and such other advisers as it deems appropriate to determine the consequences of an investment in the ETP Securities and to arrive at its own evaluations of the investment.

In particular, each potential investor should:

(a) be financially sophisticated in that it either (i) has the requisite knowledge and experience in financial, business and investment matters and of investing in investments offering a similar economic exposure to the ETP Securities, and access to, and knowledge of, appropriate resources, to evaluate the information contained in this document and the relevant Final Terms and the merits and risks of an investment in the ETP Securities in the context of such investors' financial position and circumstances; or (ii) if it does not have such knowledge, experience and access, have consulted with appropriate advisers who do have such knowledge, experience and access;

(b) have access to, and knowledge of, appropriate analytical tools to evaluate, in the context of its particular financial situation, an investment in the ETP Securities and the impact the ETP Securities will have on its overall investment portfolio;

(c) understand thoroughly the terms of the ETP Securities and be familiar with the behaviour of the market of the Reference Assets and the Index or Investment Strategy relating to a particular Series of ETP Securities and any relevant indices, investment strategies and financial markets; and

(d) have an asset base sufficiently substantial as to enable it to sustain any loss that they might suffer as a result of an investment in the ETP Securities and have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the ETP Securities including, without limitation, any currency exposure arising from the currency for payments being different to the prospective investor's currency.

If a prospective investor is in any doubt as to whether the ETP Securities are a suitable investment for it, it should consult with appropriate advisers prior to deciding whether or not to make an investment in the ETP Securities.

This Base Prospectus is not, and does not purport to be, investment advice, and none of the Issuer, the Arranger, the Authorised Participants or the Margin Loan Providers make any recommendation as to the suitability of the ETP Securities as an investment. The provision of this Base Prospectus to prospective investors is not based on any prospective investor's individual circumstances and should not be relied upon as an assessment of suitability for any prospective investor in the ETP Securities. Even if the Issuer, any of the Authorised Participants, the Margin Loan Providers or any of their respective Affiliates possess limited information as to the objectives of any prospective investor in relation to any transaction, series of transactions or trading strategy, this will not be deemed sufficient for any assessment of suitability for such person of the ETP Securities. Any trading or investment decisions a prospective investor takes are in reliance on its own analysis and judgment and/or that of its advisers and not in reliance on the Issuer, the Authorised Participants, the Margin Loan Providers or any of their respective investor takes are in reliance on its own analysis and judgment and/or that of its advisers and not in reliance on the Issuer, the Authorised Participants, the Margin Loan Providers or any of their respective Affiliates.

In particular, each prospective investor in the ETP Securities must determine, based on its own independent review and such professional advice as it deems appropriate under the circumstances, that its acquisition of the ETP Securities (i) is fully consistent with its (or, if it is acquiring the ETP Securities in a fiduciary capacity, the beneficiary's) financial needs, objectives and condition, (ii) complies and is fully consistent with all investment policies, guidelines and restrictions applicable to it (whether acquiring the ETP Securities as principal or in a fiduciary capacity) and (iii) is a fit, proper and suitable investment for it (or, if it is acquiring the ETP Securities in a fiduciary capacity, for the beneficiary), notwithstanding the clear and substantial risks inherent in investing in or holding the ETP Securities.

Each prospective investor in ETP Securities should have sufficient financial resources and liquidity to bear all of the risks of an investment in the relevant ETP Securities, including, without limitation, where the currency for payments is different from the potential investor's currency, the associated currency exposure. See "Exchange rate risks and exchange controls" below.

Investment activities of certain investors are subject to investment laws and regulations or review or regulation by certain authorities. Each prospective investor should therefore consult its legal advisers to determine whether and to what extent (i) the ETP Securities are legal investments for it, (ii) if relevant, the ETP Securities can be used as underlying securities for various types of borrowing and (iii) other restrictions apply to its purchase or, if relevant, pledge, of any ETP Securities. Financial institutions should consult their legal advisers or the appropriate regulators to determine the appropriate treatment of ETP Securities under any applicable risk-based capital or similar rules.

# Benchmark Regulation

Interest and/or other amounts payable under the ETP Securities may be calculated by reference to certain reference rates. Any such reference rate may constitute a benchmark for the purposes of Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 as it forms part of UK law by virtue of the European (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (the "**UK Benchmark Regulation**"). If any such reference rate does constitute such a benchmark, the Final Terms will indicate whether or not the benchmark is provided by an administrator included in the register of administrators and benchmarks established and maintained by the FCA. Transitional provisions in the UK Benchmark Regulation may have the result that the administrator of a particular benchmark is not required to appear in the register of administrator under the UK Benchmark Regulation is a matter of public record and, save where required by applicable law, the Issuer does not intend to update the Final Terms to reflect any change in the registration status of the administrator.

#### UK MiFIR Product Governance/Target Market

The Final Terms in respect of any ETP Securities may include a legend entitled "UK MiFIR Product Governance" which will outline the target market assessment in respect of any ETP Securities and which channels for distribution of the ETP Securities are appropriate. Any person subsequently offering, selling or recommending the ETP Securities (a "distributor") should take into consideration the target market assessment; however, a distributor subject to the FCA Handbook Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook (the "UK MiFIR Product Governance Rules") is responsible for undertaking its own

target market assessment in respect of the ETP Securities (by either adopting or refining the target market assessment) and determining appropriate distribution channels.

A determination may be made in relation to each issue about whether, for the purpose of the UK MiFIR Product Governance Rules, any dealer subscribing for any ETP Securities is a manufacturer in respect of such ETP Securities, but otherwise neither the Arranger nor the dealers nor any of their respective affiliates will be a manufacturer for the purpose of the UK MiFIR Product Governance Rules. Neither any Authorised Participant nor any of their affiliates will be a manufacturer for the purpose of the a manufacturer for the purpose of the UK MiFIR Product Governance Rules. Neither any Authorised Participant nor any of their affiliates will be a manufacturer for the purpose of the UK MiFIR Product Governance Rules.

All references in this document to "£", "pounds", "Pounds Sterling" and "Sterling" are to the lawful currency of the United Kingdom, all references to "\$", "US\$", "USD" and "US dollars" are to the lawful currency of the United States of America, references to "CHF" and "Swiss Francs" are references to the lawful currency of Switzerland, references to "HK\$", "HKD" and "Hong Kong dollars" are references to the lawful currency of the Hong Kong SAR, references to "JPY", "JP Yen", "¥", "JP¥" and "Japanese Yen" are references to the lawful currency of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty establishing the European Community as amended by the Treaty on European Union.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer's website and other websites referred to in this document and the contents thereof do not form part of this Base Prospectus unless explicitly specified.

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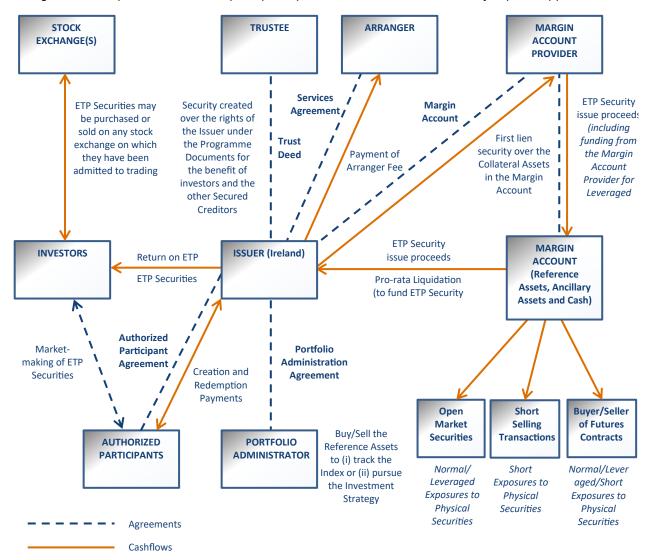
## **DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMME**

The following description of the Programme and the ETP Securities does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified by the detailed information contained elsewhere in this Base Prospectus and in the Final Terms in respect of each Series of ETP Securities. Words and expressions not defined in this description shall have the meanings given to them elsewhere in this Base Prospectus.

#### **Description of the Programme**

Collateralised Exchange Traded Securities Programme pursuant to which the Issuer may issue collateralised exchange traded securities ("**ETP Securities**") which are either linked to an index (an "**Index**") or pursue an investment strategy (the "**Investment Strategy**"). Series of ETP Securities can offer leveraged long exposure ("**Leveraged Exposures**"), short inversed leveraged exposures ("**Short Exposures**") and +1x exposure ("**Normal Exposures**") to the Reference Assets (as defined below). For Series of ETP Securities providing Leveraged Exposures and Short Exposures, the degree of leverage or inversed leverage will be either (i) embedded in the Index or the Investment Strategy; or (ii) a leverage or inversed leverage factor will be embedded directly in the ETP Securities (the "**Leverage Factor**").

A diagrammatic representation of the principal aspects of the structure as currently in place appears below:



Parties to the Programme	
lssuer	Leverage Shares Public Limited Company, a public limited company incorporated in Ireland with registered number 597399.
Arranger	Leverage Shares Management Company Limited, a private company limited by shares incorporated in Ireland with registered number 596207.
Margin Loan Provider	For each Series of ETP Securities, Interactive Brokers LLC and/or Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC. The Portfolio Administrator has the discretion to decide which Margin Loan Provider(s) shall apply with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.
Portfolio Administrator	GWM Limited.
Trustee	Apex Corporate Trustees (UK) Limited.
Issuing and Paying Agent	Elavon Financial Services DAC.
Paying Agents	The Issuer may appoint additional paying agents in relation to a Series of ETP Securities if required by the rules of any stock exchange on which ETP Securities are listed or admitted to trading.
Irish Listing Agent	Matheson.
Registrar	Elavon Financial Services DAC.
Determination Agent	Calculation Agent Services LLC.
Authorised Participant(s)	BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C., GWM Limited and any Eligible Authorised Participant that has entered into an Authorised Participant Agreement with the Issuer and has acceded to the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.
	Only an Authorised Participant may subscribe for or require the Issuer to repurchase the ETP Securities (except in limited circumstances).
	The ETP Securities are to be traded on one or more stock exchanges (see below " <i>Listing and admission to trading</i> "). The ETP Securities may be bought and sold on such exchanges without the involvement of an Authorised Participant.
	"Eligible Authorised Participant" means any entity that meets the requirements of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.
Broker Dealer of Record	GWM Limited.
Description of the Programme	If so specified in the Final Terms in respect of any Tranche of ETP Securities, the Issuer consents to the use of the Base Prospectus by any Authorised Participant (an " <b>Authorised Offeror</b> ") in connection with any offer of ETP Securities that is not within an exemption from the requirement to publish a

prospectus under the UK Prospectus Regulation during the offer period specified in the relevant Final Terms (the "**Offer Period** "), in the United Kingdom and subject to the applicable conditions, in each case specified in the relevant Final Terms.

The consent referred to above relates to Offer Periods occurring within 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus.

The ProgrammeOn 5 December 2017 the Issuer established a<br/>programme (the "Programme") for the issuance of<br/>collateralised exchange-traded securities ("ETP<br/>Securities"). The maximum number of ETP<br/>Securities that may be outstanding at any time under<br/>the Programme is 5,000,000,000,000.

The Issuer may issue Series of ETP Securities under the Programme (each a "**Series**"). With the exception of the Issuer's obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement, each Series of ETP Securities constitutes limited recourse obligations of the Issuer, secured on and payable solely from the assets constituting the Security in respect of such Series. Each Series of ETP Securities may comprise one or more tranches (each, a "**Tranche**").

> With the exception of the Issuer's obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement, if the net proceeds of the enforcement of the assets constituting the Security for a Series of ETP Securities are not sufficient to make all payments due in respect of such Series of ETP Securities (after payment of all obligations of the Issuer ranking senior thereto), no other assets of the Issuer (including the Security in respect of any other Series of ETP Securities) will be available to meet such shortfall and the claims of the creditors of the Issuer in respect of such Series and such shortfalls shall be extinguished.

> ETP Securities will be issued in Series. Each Series may comprise a number of different Tranches issued on identical terms other than the Issue Date and Issue Price and with the ETP Securities of each Tranche of a Series being interchangeable with all other ETP Securities of that Series.

In relation to any Subscription Order, in satisfaction of the relevant subscription amount, the Issuer may agree with the relevant Authorised Participant to accept the delivery to, or to the order of, the Issuer of Reference Assets which the Determination Agent determines have a value on the Subscription Settlement Date, after taking account of any costs of transfer or delivery which are to be discharged by the Issuer, which is equal to or greater than the subscription amount.

It is intended that the ETP Securities of each Series shall be subject to a continual issuance and redemption mechanism, under which additional ETP Securities of such Series may be issued as further

Issuance of Series of ETP Securities

Method of issuance

In Specie Subscription

Continual issuance and redemption

Tranches, and ETP Securities may be redeemed by ETP Securityholders who are Authorised Participants.

Pursuant to a services agreement between the Issuer and the Arranger and certain of the Programme Documents, the Arranger has agreed to pay all fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Issuer in relation to the Programme and the ETP Securities (including remuneration and other amounts payable to the Trustee and the Agents) other than:

- the Arranger Fee; (a)
- (b) all other fees and expenses applicable to the Series of ETP Securities including the fees and expenses set out in the sections of this Base Prospectus entitled "The Indices" and "The Investment Strategies" (the "Funding and Brokerage Fees");
- any taxes, fees and other amounts (c) payable to the Irish Revenue Commissioners:
- amounts payable to the Margin Loan (d) Provider and the Broker Dealer of Record: and
- the costs and expenses incurred in (e) connection with the liquidation of the Collateral Assets.

The ETP Securities may be issued in bearer form (including in new global note form and in classic global note form) and serially numbered, in registered form (including in registered form issued under the new safekeeping structure) or in bearer form exchangeable for Registered Securities, in each case in the amount and currency of denomination specified in the applicable Final Terms.

Terms and Conditions of the ETP Securities Each Series of ETP Securities will have the terms and conditions set out in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "Terms and Conditions of the ETP Securities" as completed by the Final Terms in respect of each Tranche of that Series.

> The ETP Securities of each Series are secured, limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer, at all times ranking pari passu and without any preference among themselves.

> Notwithstanding the above, there can be no assurance that the courts or regulatory authorities in any jurisdiction would not recharacterise the ETP Securities as units in a collective investment scheme. Any recharacterisation of the ETP Securities as units in a collective investment scheme may have adverse consequences for an investor (including, without

Issuer expenses

#### Principal features of the ETP Securities

Form of the ETP Securities

Status of ETP Securities

	limitation, adverse tax consequences and / or a mandatory redemption of the ETP Securities).
	Prospective investors should consult their professional advisers on the implications, and in particular the tax and accounting implications, of investment in the ETP Securities.
Issue Price	The Issue Price in respect of each Tranche of ETP Securities will be set out in the Final Terms with respect to such Tranche.
Principal Amount	The Principal Amount in respect of each Tranche of ETP Securities will be set out in the Final Terms with respect to such Tranche.
Principal Protection Amount	An amount per ETP Security, in respect of each Tranche of ETP Securities, corresponding to 2.00 per cent of the Principal Amount for the ETP Security of such Tranche.
Minimum Denomination	The Denomination of each ETP Security is equal to its Principal Amount.
Interest	The ETP Securities will not bear interest at a prescribed rate.
Redemption at maturity	Unless previously redeemed in whole or purchased and cancelled by the Issuer, the ETP Securities of each Series will become due and payable on their Final Redemption Settlement Date at their Final Redemption Amount.
Final Redemption Settlement Date	The Final Redemption Settlement Date in respect of a Series of ETP Securities will be the day that falls three Currency Business Days after the Final Redemption Date.
Final Redemption Date	The Final Redemption Date in respect of each Series of Notes will be set out in the Final Terms with respect to such Series.
Final Redemption Amount	An amount equal to the greater of:
	(1) the Principal Protection Amount of the ETP Security; and
	(2) the Pro-rata Liquidation.
Pro-rata Liquidation	The Pro-rata Liquidation means an amount equal to the liquidation of the relevant Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account for a Series of ETP Securities, <i>pro</i> <i>rata</i> to the amount of ETP Securities being redeemed divided by the total number of ETP Securities for such Series, after the <i>pro rata</i> deduction of all costs and expenses incurred by the Issuer in connection with the liquidation of such Collateral Assets, the pro rata deduction of the Arranger Fee and the Funding and Brokerage Fees.
Mandatory Redemption	The ETP Securities of a Series may fall for mandatory redemption prior to their Final Redemption Date at the

Mandatory Redemption Amount if a Mandatory Redemption Event occurs.

Mandatory Redemption Events

The ETP Securities of a Series may fall for mandatory redemption if any of the following events occur:

- the Issuer determines that it is not appropriate to make adjustments to the Conditions of the ETP Securities following the occurrence of an Adjustment Event (meaning an Index Cancellation, an Index Modification an Index Disruption; or an Investment Strategy Modification), thereby triggering a Disruption Redemption Event;
- (2) if on any Valuation Date falling on or after the 60th calendar day following a Threshold Event Date, the ETP Security Value is less than 2.00 per cent. of the Principal Amount of such ETP Securities,
- (3) any of the Determination Agent, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator and/or all of the Authorised Participants in relation to the ETP Securities resign their appointment or their appointment is terminated for any reason and no successor or replacement has been appointed at the time that such resignation or termination takes effect;
- (4) if the ETP Security Value in respect of the ETP Securities has not been published by or on behalf of the Issuer for 14 consecutive Non-Disrupted Valuation Dates (a "Publication Failure Event") and the Trustee is notified in writing of such Publication Failure Event and directed in writing by holders of at least a majority of the ETP Securities then outstanding to trigger a Mandatory Redemption Event;
- (5) (a) due to the adoption of or any change in any applicable law, regulation, rule, order, ruling or procedure or (b) due to the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation, the Issuer gives notice that the ETP Securities of a Series are to be redeemed, because:
  - the Issuer would (or would expect to) incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under such ETP Securities and/or the LS Margin Account Agreement; or
  - (ii) it would become illegal for the Issuer to (x) hold, acquire or dispose of all of the types of Collateral Asset, and/or (y) perform its obligations under the

ETP Securities and/or the LS Margin Account Agreement;

- (6) the LS Margin Account Agreement terminates prior to the redemption of all of the ETP Securities for any reason; or
- (7) the Issuer exercises its option to call all or some of the ETP Securities for early redemption.

An amount per ETP Security calculated by the Determination Agent equal to the greater of:

(A) the Principal Protection Amount of such ETP Security; and

(B) the Pro-rata Liquidation.

An ETP Securityholder which is also an Authorised Participant may on any Valuation Date require the Issuer to redeem all or part of its holding of ETP Securities of a Series at the Optional Redemption Amount on the relevant Optional Redemption Settlement Date by submitting to the Issuer a valid Redemption Order.

An ETP Securityholder which is not also an Authorised Participant may on any Valuation Date require the Issuer to redeem all or any part of its holding of such ETP Securities at the Optional Redemption Amount on the relevant Optional Redemption Settlement Date by submitting to the Issuer a valid Redemption Order only if the Issuer has notified the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 in respect of any Valuation Date that redemption requests from ETP Securityholders which are not Authorised Participants will be permitted and no later notice to the contrary has yet been delivered.

An amount per ETP Security calculated by the Determination Agent equal to the greater of: (a) the Principal Protection Amount of such ETP Security; and (b) the Pro-rata Liquidation.

The Issuer may in accordance with the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement agree with any ETP Securityholder which is also an Authorised Participant to satisfy any requests for the Optional Redemption of any ETP Securities by the transfer to, or to the order of, such ETP Securityholder on the Optional Redemption Settlement Date of Collateral Assets with a value determined by the Determination Agent to be equal to the Optional Redemption Amount.

The return on Index-linked Series of ETP Securities will be linked to the performance of the applicable Index, as the Final Redemption Amount, the Mandatory Redemption Amount or the Optional Redemption Amount will be derived from the liquidation of the Collateral Assets, which will be

#### Mandatory Redemption Amount

who are Authorised Participants

**Optional Redemption by ETP Securityholders** 

Optional Redemption by ETP Securityholders who are not Authorised Participants

**Optional Redemption Amount** 

In Specie Redemption

ETP Security holder's exposure to the performance of the applicable Index

selected in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series in accordance with the Leverage Factor of such Series of ETP Securities.

A Series of ETP Securities may be linked to an index specified in the relevant Final Terms (see the section of this Base Prospectus headed "*Description of the Indices*").

The Index may be a leveraged index. Leveraged indices provide a leveraged exposure to the Reference Assets with the effect that any negative or positive changes in the value of such Reference Assets will be multiplied by the applicable Leverage Factor.

The Index may provide a long or short exposure to the Reference Assets. Where the Index provides a long exposure, any increase in the value of the Reference Assets will cause the Index level to increase.

Where the Index provides a short exposure, any decrease in the value of the Reference Assets will cause the Index Level to increase.

The Index will provide exposure to the relevant Reference Assets specified in the relevant Final Terms (see below and the sections of this Base Prospectus headed "*The Reference Assets*" for further information on the Reference Assets)

A Series of ETP Securities may be linked to an investment strategy specified in the relevant Final Terms (see the section of this Base Prospectus headed "*Description of the Investment Strategies*").

The Investment Strategy will describe the manner in which the proceeds of the issuance of the ETP Securities are to be invested along with any leverage to be employed in respect of such Investment Strategy.

Where the Investment Strategy provides for a long exposure, any increase in the value of the Reference Assets will cause an increase in the ETP Security Value (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments).

Where the Investment Strategy provides for a short exposure, any decrease in the value of the Reference Assets will cause an increase in the ETP Security Value (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments).

The underlying asset(s) of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, as specified in the Final Terms and/or Investment Strategy, as applicable (the "**Reference Assets**").

Index

Investment Strategy

**Reference Assets** 

Series may be issued from time to time where the Reference Assets consist of the following categories of assets:

- equity securities, including American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) and American Depositary Shares (ADSs) that represent equity securities;
- (b) debt securities;
- (c) fixed income securities;
- (d) exchange traded funds;
- (e) mutual funds; and

(items (a) to (e), "**Physical Assets**")

(f) futures contracts

#### **Equity Securities**

The Reference Assets may be comprised of the list of listed equity securities or listed ADRs or ADSs that represent equity securities as set out in the section entitled "Description of Reference Assets".

#### **Debt Securities**

The Reference Assets may be comprised of the debt securities as set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Description of the Reference Assets".

#### **Fixed Income Securities**

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, there are no fixed income securities which may be designated as Reference Assets. However, the Issuer may prepare an updated Base Prospectus, or where permitted under the UK Prospectus Regulation, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus with details of fixed income securities that may be designated as Reference Assets.

#### Exchange Traded Funds

The Reference Assets may be comprised of the list of exchange traded fund as set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Description of the Reference Assets".

#### Mutual Funds

The Reference Assets may be comprised of the list of mutual funds as set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Description of the Reference Assets".

#### **Futures Contracts**

The Reference Assets may be comprised of the futures contracts as set out in the section of this Base

Prospectus entitled "Description of the Reference Assets

The assets of the Issuer in respect of each Series of ETP Securities, being:

in the case of Leveraged Exposures and Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets:

- the Reference Assets of the applicable Index or Investment Strategy for such Series of ETP Securities;
- (b) Ancillary Assets (as defined below); and
- (c) any cash;

in the case of Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets:

- (a) the mark to market value of the securities loans;
- (b) the Ancillary Assets; and
- (c) any cash;

in the case of ETP Securities where the Reference Assets are futures contracts:

- (a) the mark to market value of the futures contracts;
- (b) the Ancillary Assets; and
- (c) any cash,

in each case as held in the Margin Account, as described below (the "**Collateral Assets**").

Amounts standing to the credit of a Margin Account in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, to the extent not required for investment in the Reference Assets to replicate the performance of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy for that Series, may at the direction of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in sovereign debt in the currency of denomination of the ETP Securities with an original maturity of less than one month which is rated at least A-1 by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, and/or P-1 by Moody's Investors Service Ltd. and/or F1 by Fitch Ratings Limited ("Ancillary Assets").

Each Series of ETP Securities is assigned a Leverage Factor in the relevant Final Terms.

lf:

(1) the Issuer defaults in the payment of any sum due in respect of a Series of ETP Securities

**Collateral Assets** 

**Ancillary Assets** 

Leverage Factor

**Events of Default** 

or any of them for a period of 14 calendar days or more;

- (2) the Issuer does not perform or comply with any one or more of its obligations (other than a payment obligation) under the ETP Securities, the Trust Deed or any other Programme Document, which default is incapable of remedy or, if in the opinion of the Trustee capable of remedy, is not remedied within 30 calendar days (or such longer period as the Trustee may permit) after notice of such default shall have been given to the Issuer by the Trustee (and, for these purposes, a failure to perform or comply with an obligation shall be deemed to be remediable notwithstanding that the failure results from not doing an act or thing by a particular time);
- (3) any order shall be made by any competent court or any resolution passed for the winding-up or dissolution of the Issuer, save for the purposes of amalgamation, merger, consolidation, reorganisation or other similar arrangement on terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution;
- (4) an examiner is appointed in respect of the Issuer; or
- (5) a Margin Loan Provider Event of Default or Margin Loan Provider insolvency occurs

then the Trustee at its discretion may, or shall, if so directed in writing by the required proportion of the ETP Securityholders, provided that it has been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction, declare that the ETP Securities of such Series are immediately due and payable at their Final Redemption Amount.

In respect of the ETP Securities of any Series, with the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Programme Parties and the ETP Securityholders shall have recourse only to the Secured Property in respect of such ETP Securities, subject always to the Security, and not to any other assets of the Issuer. If, following realisation in full of the Secured Property (whether by way of liquidation or enforcement) and application of available cash sums as provided in the Conditions and the Trust Deed, any outstanding claim against the Issuer in respect of the Secured Obligations remains unpaid, then such outstanding claim shall be extinguished and no debt shall be owed by the Issuer in respect thereof. Following the extinguishment of any such claim, with the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, none of the Programme Parties, the ETP Securityholders of any relevant

Limited recourse

Series or any other person acting on behalf of any of them shall be entitled to take any further steps against the Issuer or any of its officers, shareholders, corporate service providers or directors to recover any further sum in respect of the extinguished claim and no debt, liability or obligation shall be owed to any such persons by the Issuer in respect of such further sum.

With the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect the LS Margin Account Agreement, none of the Programme Parties, the ETP Securityholders of any Series or any person acting on behalf of any of them may, at any time, bring, institute or join with any other person in bringing, instituting or joining insolvency, administration, bankruptcy, winding-up, examinership or any other similar proceedings (whether court-based or otherwise) in relation to the Issuer or any of its assets, and none of them shall have any claim arising with respect to the sums, assets and/or property attributable to any other securities issued by the Issuer (save for any further securities which form a single Series with the ETP Securities).

Each Series of ETP Securities, the Master Trust Deed and the Supplemental Trust Deed relating to a Series of ETP Securities will each be governed by Irish law.

Application may be made to the FCA for ETP Securities issued under this Programme to be admitted to the Official List of the FCA. Application may be made to the London Stock Exchange for ETP Securities issued under this Programme to be admitted to trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange.

There are restrictions in relation to the offering and sale of ETP Securities and the distribution of offering materials in certain jurisdictions. See the section of this Base Prospectus headed "*Subscription and Sale*".

Pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement, for each Series of ETP Securities to which the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is applicable:

(a) in relation to the Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of the issuance of such Series or Tranche of ETP Securities will be deposited with the Margin Loan Provider, and the Portfolio Administrator will procure that such net proceeds of issuance and the Leveraged Investment Amount (as defined below) shall be invested in the Reference Assets of the Index or Investment Strategy of such Series of ETP Securities, which shall be held by the

Governing law of ETP Securities

Listing and admission to trading

Selling and transfer restrictions

Portfolio Administration Agreement

Margin Loan Provider on behalf of the Issuer in the Margin Account;

- (b) in relation to Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will be invested in the Reference Assets of the Index or Investment Strategy of such Series which shall be held by the Margin Loan Provider on behalf of the Issuer in the Margin Account;
- (c) in relation to the Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the Portfolio Administrator, on behalf of the Issuer, will short sell Reference Assets which it will borrow from the Margin Loan Provider in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor; and
- (d) in relation to ETP Securities where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, the net proceeds of issuance of such Series of ETP Securities will be held in Margin Account to fund margin payments to maintain positions in the Reference Assets in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor.

The "Leveraged Investment Amount" will be the amount of margin that the Margin Loan Provider will extend by way of credit to the Issuer in the Relevant Currency equal to the product of (i) the difference between the Leverage Factor and one and (ii) the net proceeds of the issuance.

Margin AccountA securities account, cash account, margin account<br/>or collateral account established for a Series with the<br/>Margin Loan Provider for the purpose of holding the<br/>Collateral Assets, including where applicable the<br/>Reference Assets and all distributions received by or<br/>on behalf of the Issuer in respect of the Reference<br/>Assets and all proceeds of the Reference Assets.Investment ObjectiveThe investment objective of each Series of ETP<br/>Securities is to provide ETP Securityholders with a

The Issuer's obligations in respect of a Series of ETP Securities will be funded by the investment of the net

return that will seek to either track the performance of an Index or pursue an Investment Strategy in accordance with the Leverage Factor, as applicable,

of such Series of ETP Securities.

proceeds of the issuance of each Tranche of such Series of ETP Securities in the Reference Assets of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series.

The only funds available to the Issuer to pay the amount due in respect of the redemption of any ETP Security will be proceeds of the liquidation of the *pro rata* portion of the Collateral Assets (after deduction of all costs and expenses incurred by the Issuer in connection with the liquidation of such Collateral Assets, the Arranger Fee and the Funding and Brokerage Fees).

In respect of the ETP Securities of each Series, the Security shall be constituted by the Security Documents relating to such Series.

Pursuant to the applicable Security Documents, the Issuer will create security in respect of a Series of ETP Securities in favour of the Trustee (for the benefit of the relevant Secured Creditors) over (subject to the Margin Loan Provider's first ranking security interest as described below) (i) all of the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the Programme Documents to the extent that they relate to the ETP Securities; (ii) all sums held now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer (including, without limitation, by the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar to meet payments due in respect of the obligations and duties of the Issuer under the Security Documents and the ETP Securities, (iii) the Collateral Assets and any sums of money, securities, financial instruments or other property received or receivable now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer under the LS Margin Account Agreement and the Portfolio Administration Agreement and (iv) all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the relevant accounts of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider to the extent that they relate to the ETP Securities, in favour of the Trustee for its benefit and for the benefit of the Secured Creditors.

The Security created in favour of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Creditors will be subordinated to a first ranking security interest created by the Issuer in favour of the Margin Loan Provider as security for the Issuer's obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement.

A Series of ETP Securities may, subject to all applicable legal and regulatory requirements, be issued in Tranches or Series comprising either Bearer Securities, Registered Securities or definitive bearer securities.

See the section of this Base Prospectus headed "Settlement and Clearing of ETP Securities".

# Security for the ETP Securities

Settlement and clearing

# **RISK FACTORS**

The Issuer believes that the following factors may affect its ability to fulfil its obligations under the ETP Securities issued under the Programme. All of these factors are contingencies that may or may not occur.

Factors which the Issuer believes may be material for the purpose of assessing the market risks associated with ETP Securities issued under the Programme are also described below.

The Issuer believes that the factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in ETP Securities issued under the Programme, but the inability of the Issuer to pay any amounts on or in connection with any ETP Securities may occur for other reasons and the Issuer does not represent that the statements below regarding the risks of holding any ETP Securities are exhaustive. Before making an investment decision, prospective purchasers of ETP Securities should consider carefully, in the light of their own financial circumstances and investment objectives, all the detailed information set out elsewhere in this document and, in particular, the considerations set forth below in order to reach their own views prior to making any investment decision.

Words and expressions not defined in this Risk Factors section shall have the meanings given to them elsewhere in this Base Prospectus.

#### 1. <u>Risk factors relating to the ETP Securities</u>

#### 1.1 Market price of the ETP Securities

The ETP Securities may have a long term and the Final Redemption Date could be up to 50 years from the original Issue Date of the Series. The only means through which an investor will be able to realise value from an ETP Security prior to its Final Redemption Settlement Date will be to sell it at its then market price in a secondary market transaction.

General movements in local and international markets and factors that affect the investment climate and investor sentiment could all affect the level of trading and, therefore, the market price of the ETP Securities. Investors should note that general movements in markets and factors that affect the investor climate and investor sentiment may have different effects on each Series of ETP Securities. The ETP Security Value and/or market price of the ETP Securities may be volatile and may fall rapidly and an investor may not be able to sell its ETP Securities quickly and/or at a price such that the investor is able to prevent or minimise any loss of its investment.

The market price of the ETP Securities of a Series will be affected by a number of factors, including, but not limited to:

- (i) with respect to Index-linked Series, the value and volatility of the Index referenced by such Series of ETP Securities and the assets underlying that Index;
- (ii) with respect to Series which pursue an Investment Strategy, the value of the Reference Assets referenced by such Investment Strategy;
- (iii) the degree of leverage applicable to such Series of ETP Securities;
- (iv) market perception, interest rates, yields and foreign exchange rates;
- (v) whether or not any market disruption is subsisting;
- (vi) the nature and value of any Collateral Assets relating to such Series of ETP Securities;
- (vii) the creditworthiness of the Margin Loan Providers, Portfolio Administrator and the Authorised Participants;
- (viii) any fees or execution costs applicable to subscriptions for or redemptions of the ETP Securities; and
- (ix) the liquidity in the ETP Securities.

Prospective investors should be aware that the ETP Security Value and the secondary market price of the ETP Securities can go down as well as up throughout the term of the ETP Securities. Certain indices and investment strategies may be more volatile than other indices and investment strategies, and the secondary market price of the ETP Securities linked to such index or investment strategy may demonstrate similar volatility. Prospective investors should be aware that the ETP Security Value and market price of any ETP Securities on any Valuation Date may not reflect their prior or future performance. There can be no assurance as to the future value and market price of any ETP Securities.

# AN INVESTMENT IN ETP SECURITIES INVOLVES A SIGNIFICANT DEGREE OF RISK AND AN INVESTOR MAY LOSE THE VALUE OF ITS ENTIRE INVESTMENT OR PART OF IT.

# 1.2 Market-making by Authorised Participants

The price (if any) provided by an Authorised Participant for the purchase or sale of ETP Securities in the secondary market (whether in an on-exchange or off-exchange transaction), and the number of ETP Securities subject to any such offer, will be determined at the absolute discretion of that Authorised Participant by reference to such factors as it sees fit.

An Authorised Participant may maintain such bid/offer spread as it determines in its absolute discretion. The bid/offer spread is the difference between the bid price (i.e. the price at which a holder can sell ETP Securities to the Authorised Participant) and the offer price (i.e. the price at which a holder can buy ETP Securities from the Authorised Participant). Any price provided by an Authorised Participant or other secondary market price may take into account fees (including any dealing order fees charged by the Issuer to such Authorised Participant), charges, duties, taxes, commissions, liquidity, market spreads and/or other factors.

Investors should be aware that no Authorised Participant is obliged to make a market for any Series of ETP Securities (including any Series in respect of which it is appointed as an Authorised Participant) and in circumstances where an Authorised Participant acts as market maker with respect to any Series of ETP Securities, such Authorised Participant may discontinue making a market at any time. Where an Authorised Participant discontinues making a market and there is no other liquidity in the secondary market, investors would be not be able to realise their investment in the ETP Securities and may be required to hold their ETP Securities until the Final Redemption Date. In addition, investors should be aware that in the event that there is no market maker with respect to a Series of ETP Securities and there is no other liquidity in the secondary market, the secondary market, the Issuer may, but is not obliged to, redeem all the ETP Securities of the relevant Series in accordance with the Issuer Call Redemption provisions set out at Condition 8.6.

Prospective investors should note that:

- (i) not all market participants and Authorised Participants will determine the price of the ETP Securities of a Series in the same manner, and the variation between such valuations and prices quoted may be substantial;
- (ii) the number of ETP Securities of a Series subject to any offer made by an Authorised Participant or otherwise in the secondary market may be affected by market demand for the ETP Securities of that Series, the number of ETP Securities of that Series in issue, whether the relevant Margin Loan Provider has requisite capacity to enter into margin account agreements in respect of any new ETP Securities, whether subscriptions can be processed and prevailing market conditions;
- (iii) they may not be able to sell their ETP Securities quickly, easily or at prices that will provide them with a yield comparable to other similar investments;
- (iv) any price at which the ETP Securities of a Series may be sold prior to the Final Redemption Date may be at a discount, which could be substantial, to the price at which such ETP Securities were acquired by the relevant investor; and
- (v) illiquidity of the Reference Assets to which a Series of ETP Securities is exposed may have a severely adverse effect on the ETP Security Value. Furthermore, because a Series of ETP Securities may provide a leveraged or inversed leveraged exposure to a single Reference Asset or a limited number of Reference Assets, the impact of illiquidity of any such Reference Asset – particularly during an environment with significant price fluctuations – is intensified due to the concentrated nature of the exposure of the ETP Securities.

Prospective investors should be aware that ETP Securities requested for issue and subscribed for by an Authorised Participant may be held on an inventory basis by such Authorised Participant and offered for sale and/or sold over a period of time. Investors should not assume that ETP Securities will automatically be placed with investors by the relevant Authorised Participant(s) immediately upon issue. To the extent that the Authorised Participants hold ETP Securities at any time, they may exercise their rights under them in such manner as they see fit in their own interests and need not have regard to the interests of other holders of ETP Securities or any other person. In particular, an Authorised Participant that is a holder of ETP Securities may vote at any meeting of holders of such ETP Securities or approve any resolution of such holders as it sees fit (including with respect to any changes to the terms of the ETP Securities proposed by the Issuer).

# 1.3 Foreign exchange risk

Prospective investors should be aware that if a Reference Asset of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy for a Series of ETP Securities is denominated in a currency other than the currency in which the ETP Securities are listed, they will be exposed to the risk that the exchange rate between those currencies moves against them. If the currency of denomination of the Reference Asset depreciates against the listing currency in which prospective investors buy the ETP Securities, such movement may impact negatively the return that they will derive from an investment in such Series of ETP Securities.

# 1.4 Exchange rate risks and exchange controls

The Issuer will satisfy its payment obligations in respect of the ETP Securities in the currency of determination of the ETP Securities. This presents certain risks relating to currency conversions if an investor's financial activities are denominated principally in a currency or currency unit (the "**Investor's Currency**") other than the specified currency. These include the risk that exchange rates may significantly change (including changes due to devaluation of the specified currency or revaluation of the Investor's Currency) and the risk that authorities with jurisdiction over the Investor's Currency may impose or modify exchange controls. An appreciation in the value of the Investor's Currency relative to the specified currency would decrease (a) the Investor's Currency equivalent value of the payment payable on the ETP Securities and (b) the Investor's Currency equivalent market value of the ETP Securities.

Government and monetary authorities may impose (as some have done in the past) exchange controls that could adversely affect an applicable exchange rate. As a result, investors may receive less payment than expected and may receive no payment.

# 1.5 Issuer's right to vary fees

The fees that are taken into account in calculating the ETP Security Value in respect of a Series on any Valuation Date may be varied upon the Issuer giving notice to the ETP Securityholders. Potential investors should note that the Issuer is not required to consider the interests of the ETP Securityholders in making any such variation. Any increase in fees would negatively impact the return for ETP Securityholders.

# 1.6 Issuer's right to make funding adjustments in the relevant Series of ETP Securities

Series of ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposures and Short Exposures take into account specific funding and borrowing adjustments, which may be varied by agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Margin Loan Provider. Potential investors should note that the Issuer and the Margin Loan Provider are not required to consider the interests of the ETP Securityholders in making any such variation. Any increase in such funding and borrowing costs would negatively impact the return for ETP Securityholders.

# 1.7 Optional redemption

Only Authorised Participants may deal with the Issuer in subscribing for or requiring the Issuer to redeem outstanding ETP Securities, save in relation to Optional Redemptions at any time following notification by the Issuer that redemption requests from ETP Securityholders which are not Authorised Participants will be permitted.

Prospective purchasers should note that the calculation of the Optional Redemption Amount payable by the Issuer to an ETP Securityholder in respect of an ETP Security will take into account any amounts owing to the Margin Loan Provider as well as costs and expenses in relation to the liquidation of the relevant Collateral Assets and the pro rata deduction of the Arranger Fee and any other applicable Funding and Brokerage Fees. As such, the amount due to an ETP Securityholder in respect of each ETP Security held by it on the

Optional Redemption Settlement Date may be less than the ETP Security Value in respect of such ETP Securities.

The amount of any Optional Redemption is subject to the Maximum Daily Redemption Limit, being a maximum limit (if applicable) on the redemption number of ETP Securities of a Series on any Optional Redemption Pricing Date, as may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

Prospective investors should be aware that it is possible that the Maximum Daily Redemption Limit could cause the ETP Securities to trade at a higher premium or result in a discount to the ETP Security Value. An investor who buys ETP Securities in such circumstances may incur a significant loss should market demand change. Significant loss could occur even where the ETP Security has increased in price during the investor's holding period. The Maximum Daily Redemption Limit could also lead to higher trading spreads for the ETP Securities in the secondary market, which could increase the execution costs for an investor purchasing the ETP Securities in the secondary market.

In the event that an investor is not able to immediately redeem their ETP Securities due to a breach of the Maximum Daily Redemption Limit, such investor will be subject to market risk (i.e. that the value of the ETP Securities will decline prior to redemption and therefore reduce the redemption amount). As a result, it is possible that the redemption amount could be reduced due to an adverse change in the price of the Reference Assets (which would consequently impact the value of the ETP Securities).

In addition, prospective investors should be aware that if trading in the Reference Assets in respect of a Series of ETP Securities is suspended, any Optional Redemption would be delayed. As a result, any redemption request relating to the relevant ETP Securities placed on the day upon which the relevant Reference Assets are suspended from trading would be delayed and such suspension from trading of the relevant Reference Assets could ultimately lead to a Disruption Event Redemption. Investors would therefore be subject to market risk (i.e. that the value of the ETP Securities will decline prior to redemption and therefore reduce the redemption amount). As a result, it is possible that the redemption amount could be reduced due to an adverse change in the price of the Reference Assets (which would consequently impact the value of the ETP Securities).

# 1.8 Issuer call option

The Issuer may at any time, in its sole and absolute discretion, elect to redeem all or some only of the ETP Securities of a Series. In exercising such discretion, the Issuer will have no regard to the interests of the ETP Securityholders. In such circumstances it is possible that the ETP Securityholders may receive less, or substantially less, than their initial investment.

# 1.9 Mandatory Redemption Events and Events of Default

The ETP Securities of a Series may become due and payable prior to their Final Redemption Date, as further described in Conditions 8.8 and 12, in connection with the occurrence of an Event of Default (including an event of default with respect to the Issuer or the Margin Loan Provider under the LS Margin Account Agreement) or a Mandatory Redemption Event. In such circumstances it is possible that the ETP Securityholders may receive less, or substantially less than their initial investment.

It is possible that in circumstances where a Mandatory Redemption Event is specified to occur in accordance with the Conditions, the Issuer may, where it determines it is acting in the best interests of the ETP Securityholders, not designate a Mandatory Redemption Date for the ETP Securities and thereby not comply with or breach one or more of its obligations under the Conditions. The Issuer may instead convene a meeting of the ETP Securityholders to remedy the Mandatory Redemption Event and request that the ETP Securityholders waive the relevant non-compliance with or breach of the Conditions. ETP Securityholders should be aware that if the Issuer follows this approach, it is possible that the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities may subsequently fall below the level at which the ETP Securities may accordingly suffer a loss. An example where the Issuer has followed this approach is detailed in the paragraph below.

Since the Programme Effective Date, and as at the date of this Base Prospectus, the Issuer has not complied with Condition 8.5(A)(1) and/or Condition 8.7(B) with respect to 23 Series of ETP Securities (the "**Impacted Series**"). Due to volatility of the value of the relevant Reference Assets, the ETP Securities of the Impacted

Series have traded at an ETP Security Value below the Principal Protection Amount for a period of time ("**Trigger Events**").

Condition 8.5(A)(1) requires that if on any Valuation Date, the ETP Security Value falls to less than 2.00 per cent. of the Principal Amount of the ETP Securities (defined therein as the "Threshold Event Date"), the Issuer is required to give notice of the convening a meeting of ETP Securityholders on a date not more than 30 calendar days after Threshold Event Date, for the purposes of considering an Extraordinary Resolution which would have the effect of reducing the Principal Amount.

The Issuer has convened meetings of the ETP Securityholders of 21 of the Impacted Series after the Threshold Event Date but due to administrative delays, this did not occur within 30 days of the Threshold Redemption Date as required by Condition 8.5(A)(1) (the "**First Matter**").

Following the delays associated with convening the meetings of ETP Securityholders and in order to enable the meetings to proceed prior to a mandatory redemption being effected, the Issuer did not designate a Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to these 21 Impacted Series on the date falling 60 days following the Trigger Event in accordance with Condition 8.7(B) (the **"Second Matter**").

The First Matter and the Second Matter constituted breaches of Condition 8.5(A)(1) and Condition 8.7(B) respectively. The Issuer considered that the Impacted Series remained viable Series and it was in the best interests of the ETP Securityholders to convene meetings of the ETP Securityholders to consider the resolutions as detailed below before a mandatory redemption was effected.

Furthermore, with respect to the Trigger Events, the Issuer did not exercise its discretion to suspend redemptions in accordance with Condition 8.5(A)(2). The Issuer did not consider that exercising its discretion to suspend redemptions was in the best interests of the ETP Securityholders of the Impacted Series.

In accordance with Condition 14.1, the Issuer may convene meetings of the ETP Securityholders "to consider any matter affecting their interests, including modification by Extraordinary Resolution of the ETP Securities (including these Conditions or the provisions of the Trust Deed insofar as the same may apply to such ETP Securities)". Furthermore, Schedule 6 of the Master Trust Deed sets out the provisions for meetings of ETP Securityholders, including the powers of ETP Securityholder meetings, which include, inter alia, the power to "sanction any proposal by the Issuer…for any modification, abrogation, variation or compromise of, or arrangement in respect of, the rights of the ETP Securityholders against the Issuer".

As noted above, the Issuer has convened meetings of the ETP Securityholders of 21 of the Impacted Series (the "**Consolidation Meetings**"). At these Consolidation Meetings the Issuer proposed the following as Extraordinary Resolutions:

- (i) To consolidate the ETP Securities of each Impacted Series into ETP Securities with a proportionately higher ETP Security Value. Such consolidations had the effect of reducing the Principal Amount of the ETP Securities, as required by Condition 8.5(A)(1) (the "Consolidation Proposals"). The notices of the Consolidation Meetings (the "Meeting Notices") contained worked examples of how the consolidations had the effect of reducing the Principal Amount.
- (ii) To waive any breaches or defaults of the Conditions and/or the Programme Documents which occurred in relation to the First Matter and the Second Matter. The Meeting Notices explained in detail the background in relation to the First Matter and the Second Matter.

The Meeting Notices can be found on the Issuer's Website at:

https://leverageshares.com/en/documents-download/.

At the Consolidation Meetings, which were called in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed, the ETP Securityholders of the Impacted Series resolved to assent to the Consolidation Proposals and to waive any breach or default of the Conditions or any of the Programme Documents which arose as a consequence of the First Matter and/or the Second Matter. Each Consolidation Proposal was effected by the execution by the Issuer and the Trustee of a deed supplemental to the Trust Deed.

ETP Securityholder meetings with respect to the remaining 2 Impacted Series will be scheduled for a date after the date of this Base Prospectus. The list of all the Impacted Series along with all information in relation

to related corporate actions are available on the "Upcoming Corporate Actions" and "Past Corporate Actions" section of the Issuer's website at the following link: <u>https://leverageshares.com/en/documents-download/</u>

# 1.10 Disruption events/adjustment events/change in law impacting the ETP Securities

Any Valuation Date of a Series of ETP Securities may become subject to disruption due to occurrence of certain events including, without limitation:

- any applicable Exchange or Related Exchange failing to open for its regular trading session, or suspends or limits trading of any components of such Index or Investment Strategy, or an event occurs that impairs trading or valuation on the Exchange of, any components of such Index or Investment Strategy;
- (ii) the ETP Security Value falling by more than the applicable threshold;
- (iii) the Index Sponsor permanently cancelling the relevant Index;
- (iv) the Index Sponsor announcing that it will make a material change in the formula for, or the method of, calculating the relevant Index or in any other way materially modifying the Index;
- (v) the Index Sponsor failing to calculate and announce the level of the Index;
- (vi) the Portfolio Administrator making operational adjustments to the Investment Strategy to ensure that, so far as possible, the basic principles and economic effect of the Investment Strategy are maintained; and
- (vi) a change in any applicable law or regulation that causes it to become illegal for the Issuer to perform its duties under the LS Margin Account Agreement.

The consequences of such events may include disruptions or delays to pricing of ETP Securities, the postponement of subscriptions for, and redemptions of, ETP Securities, adjustments to the terms of the ETP Securities and the designation of a Successor Index or replacement Investment Strategy. Ultimately, the occurrence of any such event may trigger the mandatory redemption of the affected Series of ETP Securities. In this eventuality, the amount which an ETP Securityholder may receive in respect of each ETP Security subject to such redemption may be lower than the ETP Security Value.

# 2. <u>Risk factors relating to Reference Assets</u>

# 2.1 Risks related to futures contracts

Series of ETP Securities may be issued where the Reference Assets are comprised of futures contracts. Futures contracts are derivative contracts whereby the parties agree to exchange payments on a future date based on changes to the value of an underlying asset. Accordingly, the value of the ETP Securities of such Series will be subject to the risks which apply to investing in futures contracts generally and also to the relevant underlying asset.

If the Issuer takes a long position in the relevant futures contract by acting as the buyer, the value of the Issuer's position in the futures contract will increase if the price of the underlying asset increases. Conversely, the Issuer will be required to make payments to the seller of the futures contract to the extent that the price of the underlying asset decreases over the term of the futures contract. If the Issuer takes a short position in the relevant futures contract by acting as the seller, the value of the Issuer's position in the futures contract will increase if the price of the underlying asset increases. Conversely, the Issuer will be required to make payments to the seller of the seller of the Issuer's position in the futures contract will increase if the price of the underlying asset increases. Conversely, the Issuer will be required to make payments to the seller of the futures contract to the extent that the price of the underlying asset decreases over the term of the futures of the underlying asset decreases over the term of the futures contract.

By contrast with short positions which involve the potential of an unlimited loss, the potential loss of the Issuer in respect of any long position is limited to amount of the contract settlement price. See "*Leveraged or Inversed Leveraged Series*" below for more details.

Futures contracts involve, to varying degrees, elements of market risk and exposure to loss in excess of the amounts of any margin which is required to be delivered. Additional risks associated with the use of futures contracts are imperfect correlation between movements in the price of the futures contracts and the level of

the underlying reference asset and the possibility of an illiquid market for a futures contract. With futures contracts, there is minimal but some counterparty risk to the Issuer since futures contracts are exchange traded and the exchange's clearinghouse, as counterparty to all exchange-traded futures contracts, effectively guarantees futures contracts against default. Many futures exchanges and boards of trade limit the amount of fluctuation permitted in futures contract prices during a single trading day. Once the daily limit has been reached in a particular contract, no trades may be made that day at a price beyond that limit or trading may be suspended for specified times during the trading day. Futures contracts prices could move to the limit for several consecutive trading days with little or no trading, thereby preventing prompt liquidation of futures positions and potentially subjecting the holders of ETP Securities linked to such futures contracts to substantial losses. If trading is not possible or if the Issuer determines not to close a futures position in anticipation of adverse price movements, the Issuer may be required to make daily cash payments of additional margin.

Futures' prices can be highly volatile. Because of the low margin deposits normally required in futures trading, an extremely high degree of leverage is typical of a futures trading account. As a result, a relatively small price movement in a futures contract may result in substantial losses to the investor. Like other leveraged investments, a futures transaction may result in losses in excess of the amount invested.

### 2.2 Risks related to equities and debt securities

Investors in Series of ETP Securities where the Reference Assets are comprised of equities or debt securities should be familiar with investments in global capital markets and with equities and debt securities generally and should carefully consider, among other matters, the value and price volatility of equities or debt securities included in the Reference Assets and by reference to which amounts payable under the ETP Securities are calculated.

ETP Securities will give rise to obligations of the Issuer and will not give rise to any obligations of any company whose securities are included in the Reference Assets.

No issuer of any equities or debt securities included in the Reference Assets will have participated in the preparation of this Base Prospectus, the Final Terms or in establishing the terms of the ETP Securities and no Authorised Participant will make any investigation or enquiry in connection with such offering with respect to the information concerning any such issuer contained in this Base Prospectus, the Final Terms or in the documents from which such information was extracted. Consequently, there can be no assurance that all events occurring prior to the relevant issue date that would affect the trading price of the relevant equities or debt securities will have been publicly disclosed. Subsequent disclosure of any such events or the disclosure of or failure to disclose material future events concerning such an issuer could affect the trading price of the relevant equities or the relevant equities and therefore the trading price of the ETP Securities.

The risks of an ETP Security linked to equities or debt securities may include, but are not limited to, the possibility of significant changes in the price(s) of the relevant equities or debt securities. The value of the relevant equities or debt securities may go down as well as up and the value of any relevant equities or debt securities or debt securities on any date may not reflect their performance in any prior period. There can be no assurance as to the future value of any equity or debt security or of the continued existence of any equity, debt security or its related company. Accordingly, before making an investment decision with respect to ETP Securities, prospective investors should carefully consider whether an investment, the return on which will depend on the performance of equities or debt securities, is suitable for them.

Where a Series provides exposure to the performance of equities or debt securities, such Series will be subject to general and specific market movements and changes in the market rates or prices such as interest rates, credit spreads, foreign exchange rates, commodities and equity or debt security prices.

Prospective investors should also be aware that leveraged exposure to a single equity security or debt security has a high degree of idiosyncratic (i.e., company-specific) risk, relative to a more diversified investment. Examples of idiosyncratic risk include, but are not limited to: company management expertise, capital allocation, labour and/or supply chain disruptions, theft, lawsuits, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues and natural disasters.

In addition, where the Reference Assets consist of a single equity security, the potential impact of corporate actions is more significant than in a diversified investment. Potential investors should note that ETP Securityholders will not participate directly in any rights issue or stock split in relation to the relevant Reference Asset. In addition, certain corporate actions, such as a merger or acquisition could result in the eventual liquidation of an ETP Security. In the event of a de-listing of an equity security, including an ARD,

this would trigger a Mandatory Redemption Event in respect of the relevant Series of ETP Securities, with the ETP Securities of such Series becoming due and payable on the Mandatory Redemption Settlement Date at its Mandatory Redemption Amount.

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 2.2, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

# 2.3 Risks related to exchange traded funds

Series of ETP Securities may be issued where the Reference Assets are comprised of exchange traded funds ("**ETFs**"). ETFs are pooled investments in assets such as equities and debt securities that track a stated index or investment strategy. Accordingly, the value of the ETP Securities of such Series will be subject to the risks which apply to investing in the ETFs that are included in the Reference Assets and also to the underlying assets in which they invest.

While ETFs vary in product structure, many will share some of the basic features of the ETP Securities and their related risks. Investors should carefully consider, among other matters, the structure, investment policy, liquidity, tracking error, relevant parties and price volatility of the ETFs included in the Reference Assets.

If such ETFs invest in equity or debt securities, they may share some of the risks outlined under "*Risk factors relating to the Reference Assets – Risks related to equities and debt securities*" above and, consequently, investors are advised to read them carefully and to consider any other risks specific to the relevant ETF's underlying assets.

While the underlying assets of ETFs are typically diversified across the relevant asset class and strategy, they may be concentrated and, in that case, the "*Concentration Risk*" outlined below may be useful for the purposes of assessing some of the risks of such ETFs.

# 2.4 Risks related to mutual funds

Series of ETP Securities may be issued where the Reference Assets are comprised of mutual funds. Mutual funds are pooled investments in assets such as equities and debt securities. Accordingly, the value of the ETP Securities of such Series will be subject to the risks which apply to investing in the mutual funds that are included in the Reference Assets and also to the underlying assets in which they invest.

While mutual funds may vary in product structure, many will share some of the basic features of the ETP Securities and their related risks. Investors should carefully consider, among other matters, the structure, investment policy, liquidity, relevant parties and price volatility of the mutual funds included in the Reference Assets.

If such mutual funds invest in equity or debt securities, they may share some of the risks outlined under "*Risk factors relating to the Reference Assets – Risks related to equities and debt securities*" above and, consequently, investors are advised to read them carefully and to consider any other risks specific to the relevant mutual fund's underlying assets.

While the underlying assets of mutual funds are typically diversified across the relevant asset class and strategy, they may be concentrated and, in that case, the "*Concentration Risk*" outlined below may be useful for the purposes of assessing some of the risks of such mutual funds.

# 2.5 Concentration risk

Series of ETP Securities may provide leveraged or inversed leveraged exposure to the Reference Assets underlying the relevant Index for that Series or referenced by the Investment Strategy for such Series. Where there is a single Reference Asset or a limited number of Reference Assets, prospective investors should be aware that there are risks deriving from such concentration, the most significant of which is the impact on the liquidity and the volatility of the ETP Securities.

In respect of liquidity, a concentrated leveraged and inversed leveraged exposure to a single asset heightens the impact of the illiquidity of any such asset on the ETP Securities, particularly during an environment with significant price declines and inclines. Furthermore, the volatility of the ETP Securities is also intensified due to their concentrated leveraged or inversed leveraged exposure, as there is no other Reference Asset to counterbalance potential volatile movements on the Reference Asset of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy for a Series of ETP Securities.

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 2.4, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

### 2.6 Reliance on Third Party Information

The section of this Base Prospectus entited "Description of the Reference Assets" contains certain information in relation to the Reference Assets which has been sourced from publicly available information and has been accurately reproduced by the Issuer so far as the Issuer is aware and/or able to ascertain from information published by the relevant entities.

There is a risk that such information is not accurate or up to date and a situation could arise whereby an investor would not have otherwise invested in the relevant ETP Security if such information was accurate or up to date, as applicable. In addition, the Issuer relies on publicly available information to assess the suitability of each Reference Asset for inclusion in the Programme. The Issuer could sufer a loss if the value of the Reference Asset is negatively impacted as a result of the correction of such publicly available information (for example if a material error in the financial statements of the issuer of a Reference Asset was identified). Any such loss would negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

### 3. Risk factors relating to Indices

#### 3.1 Index-linked securities

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 3.1, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities

In the case of Index-linked Series, the purpose of the Index in respect of each Series of ETP Securities is to provide exposure (which may be long, short, leveraged or unleveraged) to the Reference Assets of such Index, which will be adjusted daily, weekly, monthly or such other period as set out in the Final Terms (the **"Rebalance Period**") in accordance with the performance of the Reference Assets.

Potential Investors should note that the amount payable on the redemption of the ETP Securities of any Series will be linked to the performance of the Index referenced by such Series, however, potential investors should note that they will have no entitlement to the relevant Index or the Reference Assets of such Index, but have entitlement solely to the Pro-Rata Liquidation (as defined herein).

The level of an Index can go down as well as up and accordingly may negatively impact the return for the ETP Securityholders. In addition, the past performance of an Index will not be indicative of its future performance. There can be no assurance as to the future performance of any Index to which the ETP Securities are linked. The ETP Securities may trade differently from the performance of the Index and changes in the level of the Index may not result in a comparable change in the market value of the ETP Securities or in the ETP Security Value.

Accordingly, before investing in any ETP Securities, prospective investors should carefully consider whether an investment based on the performance of the applicable Index is suitable for them and in all cases an investor in ETP Securities should carry out its own detailed review of the applicable Index and the rules relating thereto.

# 3.2 Factors affecting the performance of Indices may adversely affect the value of the ETP Securities

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 3.2, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities

The performance of an Index in respect of each Series of ETP Securities may adversely affect the value of the ETP Securities and therefore may negatively impact the return for ETP Securityholders. The performance of an Index is dependent upon the macroeconomic factors relating to the assets that comprise such Index, which may include, among others, interest rates and price levels on the capital markets, currency developments, political factors and in the case of equity securities and debt securities, company-specific factors such as earnings position, market position, risk situation, shareholder structure and distribution policy.

#### 3.3 Tracking error in relation to the Index

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 3.3, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities

At any given time, the price at which any Series of ETP Securities trade in the secondary market may be significantly different from the Index Level of the relevant Index of such Series. Additionally, the performance of any Series of ETP Securities may significantly differ from the performance of the relevant Index of such Series.

Accordingly, there is a risk that the return on any Series of ETP Securities may differ from the actual return that investors would obtain from the relevant Index tracked by such Series. Therefore, investors may receive a return under the ETP Securities that is significantly lower than the return that they would receive if it was possible for investors to invest in the relevant Index directly.

On 9 June 2023 the Issuer announced that due to technical errors with Interactive Brokers Ireland Limited (a previous margin loan provider appointed by the Issuer with respect to the Programme), the Portfolio Administrator would not be in a postion to completely rebalance the Margin Account with respect to the Leverage Shares 3x Tesla ETP Securities (the "**3x Tesla Series**" and the "**3x Tesla Tracking Error**").

Between 9 June 2023 and 16 June 2023 the Leverage Factor applicable to the 3x Tesla Series was between 2.8x and 2.85x (as disclosed in the Issuer's announements listed below), which deviated from its target Leverage Factor of 3x. The 3x Tesla Tracking Error ceased at open of trading on 19 June 2023 when the Leverage Factor returned to 3x.

All announcements made by the Issuer with respect to the 3x Tesla Tracking Error can be found at the links below:

https://www.londonstockexchange.com/news-article/market-news/leverage-shares-3x-tesla-etpsecurities/15991974

https://www.londonstockexchange.com/news-article/market-news/leverage-shares-3x-tesla-etpsecurities/15993841

https://www.londonstockexchange.com/news-article/market-news/leverage-shares-plc-3x-tesla-etpsecurities/15994533

https://www.londonstockexchange.com/news-article/market-news/leverage-shares-3x-tesla/16001681

In order to minimise the risk of a similar tracking error occurring in the future, the Issuer has migrated the Margin Accounts held with Interactive Brokers Ireland Limited to Interactive Brokers LLC to faciliate operational efficiencies and to access higher margin limits as well as fully onboarding Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC as an additional Margin Loan Provider.

# 3.4 The returns on the ETP Securities may not reflect a direct investment in the assets comprised in the applicable Index

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 3.4, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities

The return payable on ETP Securities which provide for a Normal Exposure or Leveraged Exposure to the related Reference Assets may not reflect the return generated from the relevant Index or the return an investor would realise if it actually owned the relevant Reference Assets underlying such Index and is not the same as being long or short, as applicable, in a comparable position in futures contracts related to such Index. For example, holders of the ETP Securities linked to an Index where the Reference Assets are equities will not receive any dividends paid on the Reference Assets of the relevant Index and will not participate in the return on those dividends other than through the effect that these dividends might have on the Redemption Amount of the ETP Securities, as any dividends held in the Margin Account in respect of a Series of ETP Securities will not have any voting rights in the Reference Assets of such Index. In addition, ETP Securityholders will not participate in any rights issue or stock split in relation to the relevant Reference Asset. Accordingly, investors in ETP Securities may receive a lower payment upon settlement or redemption of such ETP Securities than such investor would have received if it had invested directly in the Reference Assets of the Index to which such ETP Securities are linked.

# 3.5 The actions of the Index Sponsor, including any change in the composition or discontinuance of an Index, could adversely affect the market value of the ETP Securities referencing such Index.

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 3.5, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities

The sponsor of each Index is responsible for the calculation and maintenance of that Index. The sponsor of any Index can make methodological changes that could affect the composition, calculation and/or maintenance of such Index, which could affect the payments made by the Issuer to the investors in the ETP Securities referencing such Index. The sponsor of any Index may effect intraday, intra-week, intra-month or such other period, as applicable, rebalancing of the Index due to volatility of the relevant Reference Assets of such Index, which may make the applicable Index Level differ from the market price of the Reference Assets multiplied by the relevant levels of leverage embedded in the Index. The sponsor of an Index will have no involvement in the offer and sale of the ETP Securities and will have no obligation to any investor in such ETP Securities. The sponsor of an Index may take any actions in respect of such Index without regard to the interests of the investor in the ETP Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the ETP Securities.

The methodology of an Index referenced by a Series of ETP Securities may take into account specific funding adjustments. Depending on market conditions, the Index Sponsor for the relevant Index may vary its funding adjustments from time to time without regard to the interests of the ETP Securityholders. Potential investors should note that the Issuer shall have no obligation to adjust the ETP Security Value, the calculation or the methodology of the relevant Series of ETP Securities so as to eliminate or reduce the impact of the funding adjustments made in the underlying Index of such Series of ETP Securities.

The Issuer is not affiliated with the sponsor of any Index in any way (except for the agreements and licensing arrangements described in this Base Prospectus) and has no ability to control or predict their actions, including any errors in or discontinuation of disclosure regarding its methods or policies relating to the calculation of any Index or related Indices.

ETP Securityholders will have no recourse against the sponsor of any Index, or the underlying components of such Index.

# 3.6 Reliance on Third Party Information

The section of this Base Prospectus entited "Description of Indices" contains certain information in relation to the Indices which has been sourced from publicly available information and has been accurately reproduced by the Issuer so far as the Issuer is aware and/or able to ascertain from information published by the relevant entities.

There is a risk that such information is not accurate or up to date and a situation could arise whereby an investor would not have otherwise invested in the relevant ETP Security if such information was accurate or up to date, as applicable. In addition, the Issuer relies on publicly available information to assess the suitability and performance of each Index for inclusion in the Programme. The Issuer could sufer a loss if the performance of the Index is negatively impacted as a result of the corection such publicly available information. Any such loss would negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

# 4. <u>Risk factors relating to Investment Strategies</u>

# 4.1 Investment Strategy-linked securities

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.1, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

Prospective investors should note that in the case of Series which pursue an Investment Strategy, the amount payable on the redemption of the ETP Securities of such Series will be linked to the performance of the Investment Strategy referenced by that Series. Potential Investors should note that they will have no entitlement to the Reference Assets of such Investment Strategy but have entitlement solely to the Pro-Rata Liquidation (as defined herein), which, depending on the performance of the Investment Strategy, may be less, than their initial investment.

Accordingly, before investing in any ETP Securities, prospective investors should carefully consider whether an investment based on the performance of the applicable Investment Strategy is suitable for them and in all cases an investor in ETP Securities should carry out its own detailed review of the applicable Investment Strategy.

# 4.2 No Tracking error analysis for Series which pursue an Investment Strategy

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.2, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

There is a risk that the return on any Series of ETP Securities may differ from the actual return that investors would obtain from the relevant Index tracked or from the Investment Strategy pursued by such Series. With respect to Index-linked Series, the official Index Level is calculated and published by the Index Sponsor, which enables investors to analyse the success of the Series in tracking the relevant Index. Information equivalent to an Index Level will not be published with respect to Series which pursue an Investment Strategy and investors will therefore will not be is position to compare the success of the Series in pursuing the relevant Investment Strategy.

# 4.3 Factors affecting the performance of an Investment Strategy may adversely affect the value of the ETP Securities

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.3, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the **ETP** Securities.

The performance of an Investment Strategy in respect of each Series of ETP Securities is dependent upon the macroeconomic factors relating to the assets referenced by such Investment Strategy, which may include, among others, interest rates and price levels on the capital markets, currency developments, political factors and in the case of equity securities and debt securities, company-specific factors such as earnings position, market position, risk situation, shareholder structure and distribution policy. Such macroeconomic factors may negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

# 4.4 The returns on the ETP Securities may not reflect a direct investment in the Reference Assets comprised in the applicable Investment Strategy

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.4, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

The return payable on ETP Securities which provide for a Normal Exposure or Leveraged Exposure to the related Reference Assets may not reflect the return an investor would realise if it actually owned the relevant Reference Assets underlying such Investment Strategy. For example, holders of the ETP Securities linked to an Investment Strategy where the Reference Assets are equities will not receive any dividends paid on the Reference Assets of the relevant Investment Strategy and will not participate in the return on those dividends other than through the effect that these dividends might have on the Redemption Amount of the ETP Securities, as any dividends held in the Margin Account in respect of a Series of ETP Securities would increase the Collateral Assets in respect of such Series. Similarly, the holders of such ETP Securities will not have any voting rights in the Reference Assets of such Investment Strategy. Accordingly, investors in ETP Securities may receive a lower payment upon settlement or redemption of such ETP Securities than such investor would have received if it had invested directly in the Reference Assets of the Investment Strategy to which such ETP Securities are linked.

# 4.5 The actions of the Portfolio Administrator, including changing the composition of or discontinuing an Investment Strategy could adversely affect the market value of the ETP Securities referencing such Investment Strategy.

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.5, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

The Portfolio Administrator is responsible for the maintenance of the Investment Strategy. The Portfolio Administrator may make certain operational adjustments to the Investment Strategy to ensure that, so far as possible, the basic principles and economic effect of the Investment Strategy are maintained. The Portfolio Administrator may take any actions in respect of such Investment Strategy without regard to the interests of the investor in the ETP Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the ETP Securities.

# 4.6 Investing in ETP Securities is not the same as being long or short, as applicable, in the Reference Assets of the Investment Strategy and is different from a long or short futures position.

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.6, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

Investing in ETP Securities is not the same as making an investment in the Reference Assets of the relevant Investment Strategy. The return from holding ETP Securities is not the same as the return from buying the Reference Assets of the relevant Investment Strategy, and is not the same as being long or short, as applicable, in a comparable position in futures contracts related to such Reference Assets. Accordingly, investors in ETP Securities may receive a lower payment upon settlement or redemption of such ETP Securities than such investor would have received if it had invested directly in the Reference Assets of the relevant Investment Strategy.

# 4.7 Actively Managed Investment Strategies

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 4.7, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

ETP Securityholders have no right to participate in the management of the Collateral Assets of a Series of ETP Securities. All decisions with respect to the investment of the proceeds of issuance of the ETP Securities will be made by the Portfolio Administrator. Accordingly, the Portfolio Administrator alone is responsible for any consequences of the exercise of such discretions. No person should purchase any ETP Securities unless they are willing to entrust all aspects of management of the Collateral Assets to the Portfolio Administrator. Poor performance by the Portfolio Administrator in the management of the Collateral Assets may negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities which may result in the ETP Securityholders receiving less, or substantially less than their initial investment.

The performance of the ETP Securities will depend upon the manner by which the Portfolio Administrator exercises certain discretions specified in the relevant Investment Strategy with respect to the Collateral Assets, the limitations and restrictions on the scope of such discretion and the Portfolio Administrator's ability to comply with the restrictions to the exercise of such discretions. The Portfolio Administrator (and, accordingly, the ETP Securityholders) alone is responsible for any consequences of the exercise of such discretions. In addition, the performance of the Collateral Assets will be dependent upon the sales and purchases of the Collateral Assets pursuant to and in accordance with the relevant Investment Strategy, and in particular, but without limitation, the Portfolio Administrator alone is responsible for ensuring that the Collateral Assets comply with the relevant Investment Strategy. Neither the Arranger or any other Programme Party is responsible for monitoring the compliance of the Portfolio Administrator with the relevant Investment Strategy, including the Portfolio Administrator's compliance with applicable limitations and restrictions on the scope of its discretions under the relevant Investment Strategy.

In addition to reviewing the specific disclosures pertaining to the Collateral Assets, prospective ETP Securityholders should also review the disclosures on the Portfolio Administrator (including their investment approach, expertise and regulatory status) and the relevant Investment Strategy to evaluate how these could impact on the performance of the ETP Securities for their investment requirements. In addition, certain Portfolio Administrators may be regulated in jurisdictions outside of Europe or the United States of America and may be subject to a regulatory regime less stringent than that currently in existence in Europe or the United States of America. Prospective ETP Securityholders should review the regulatory status of the Portfolio Administrator to evaluate how this could impact on the performance of the ETP Securities for their investment requirements.

The Portfolio Administrator will rely on the services of certain key individuals. As a result, the performance of the Investment Strategy will depend largely upon the ability of the key individuals and should any of them terminate their relationship with the Portfolio Administrator, die or become otherwise incapacitated for any period of time, and should the replacement (if any) for any of them not equal his or her predecessor's performance, the profitability of the Collateral Assets of the relevant Series and the value of the ETP Securities may suffer. In addition, should the Portfolio Administrator terminate its relationship with the Issuer or vice versa, the profitability of the Collateral Assets of the relevant Series may suffer. There can be no assurance that the Portfolio Administrator will be successful in managing the Collateral Assets of the relevant Series.

Where a Series of ETP Securities employs an actively managed Investment Strategy, the Arranger Fee may include a fee charged at a specific daily rate and a performance based fee, as described in the relevant Investment Strategy. The payment of these fees could negatively impact the performance of the ETP Securities, especially where the underlying Collateral Assets have not been performing. Prospective ETP Securityholders should review the disclosures pertaining to the Arranger Fee in the relevant Investment Strategy to evaluate their potential impact on the performance of the ETP Securities, and thereby assess the appropriateness and suitability of the ETP Securities for their investment requirements.

### 5. <u>Risk factors relating to ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposures and Short Exposures</u>

For an explanation of the risks covered here and some simulated numerical examples, see the Section of this Base Prospectus titled "Economic Overview of the ETP Securities".

### 5.1 Leveraged or Inverse Leveraged Series

Investors should be aware that:

- (i) If they invest in ETP Securities linked to a Normal Exposure or a Leveraged Exposure, such ETP Securities have a long exposure to the Reference Assets such that price declines in the Reference Assets will generally result in a fall in the value of the ETP Securities (the effect of which will be multiplied in the case of Series providing a Leveraged Exposure).
- if they invest in ETP Securities linked to a Short Exposure, such ETP Securities have a short exposure (ii) to the Reference Assets such that price rises in the Reference Assets will generally result in a fall in value of the ETP Securities. Short sales will involve the Issuer selling Reference Assets which it has borrowed from the Margin Loan Provider. Making short sales of Reference Assets that it does not own exposes the Issuer to risks associated with those Reference Assets and involves speculative exposure risk. The Issuer will incur a loss as a result of a short sale if the price of the Reference Asset increases between the date of the short sale and the date on which the Issuer replaces the Reference Asset sold short. The Issuer will realise a gain if the Reference Asset declines in price between those dates. A short sale position is closed out by purchasing the Reference Asset and returning it to the Margin Loan Provider. There can be no assurance that the Issuer will be able to borrow the Reference Assets from the Margin Loan Provider to open a short sale position or close out a short sale position at any particular time or at an acceptable price. Although the Issuer's gain is limited to the amount at which it sells the Reference Asset, its potential loss is limited only by the maximum attainable price of the Reference Asset, less the price at which the Reference Asset was sold. Short sale transactions involve leverage because they can provide investment exposure in an amount exceeding the initial investment.

Government or regulatory intervention in the financial market could result in the Issuer being unable to enter into or maintain a short sale position. It is possible that due to a change in applicable law or regulation, it may become illegal for the Issuer to enter into or maintain a short position either on a temporary or permanent basis. Such scenarios may impact on the value of the ETP Securities, may impact on the Issuer's ability to meet any redemption requests with respect to the relevant ETP Securities in a timely manner or the relevant Series of ETP Securities may fall for compulsory early redemption. In such circumstances an ETP Securityholder may receive back less than their initial investment.

Where a Series of ETP Securities employs leverage, the effect which any negative or positive changes in the price of the Reference Assets will have on the ETP Security Value will be multiplied by the applicable Leverage Factor for the relevant Series of ETP Securities.

Series of ETP Securities which provide for a Leveraged Exposure to the related Reference Asset seek to achieve a return which is a multiple of the Rebalance Period return of the Reference Asset of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments). Conversely, Series of ETP Securities which provide for a Short Exposure to the related Reference Asset seeks to achieve a return which is a multiple of the Rebalance Period rate of decrease of the price of the Reference Asset (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments). Thus the ETP Securities will magnify losses in market environments adverse to their objective compared to similar exchange traded products that are not leveraged. In addition, losses will be magnified as the amount of leverage increases.

For Series which pursue Leveraged Exposures, the Leverage Factor may be between 2x and 5x. For Series which pursue Short Exposures, the Leverage Factor may be between -1x and -3x. Leverage Factors can be

The Leverage Factor applicable to a Series of ETP Securities will be set out in the Final Terms for such Series.

# 5.2 Risk of unscheduled rebalancing

As defined in the Index or Investment Strategy methodology in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, where relevant, there is a possibility of unscheduled rebalancing in the event of (i) a significant decline in the price of the relevant Reference Assets if such Series provides a Leveraged Exposure to such Reference Assets; and (ii) a significant increase in the price of the relevant Reference Assets if such Series provides a Short Exposure to such Reference Assets, in both cases before the beginning of the next Rebalance Period of the Series. On a day in which an Unscheduled Rebalance is triggered, the Rebalance Period return of the relevant Series of ETP Securities will not be equal to the Leverage Factor of such Series multiplied by the Rebalance Period price change of the respective Reference Assets. Such unscheduled adjustment seeks to protect the holder of ETP Securities providing Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure in the event of extreme market movements during Rebalance Periods by crystallising the losses incurred up to that point.

As a result of the unscheduled rebalancing, a Series of ETP Securities may not track what an investor might expect for such Rebalance Period. For example, in the case of a Series linked to an Index providing a Leveraged Exposure to the related Reference Assets, if the price of the relevant Reference Assets was to reverse its fall after the unscheduled rebalancing, then the holder of the relevant ETP Security will not benefit from the reversal of the price decline of the Reference Assets to the same extent that it might have if the unscheduled rebalancing had not occurred. However, if the price of the relevant Reference Assets continues to fall, then the holder of such ETP Security will not suffer a loss to the same extent as if the unscheduled rebalancing, then the holder of a Short Exposure to the related Reference Assets, if the price of the relevant Reference Assets, if the price of the relevant Reference Assets, if the price of the relevant Reference Assets was to fall after the unscheduled rebalancing, then the holder of the relevant ETP Security will not benefit from the reversal of the price of the relevant ETP Security will not benefit from the reversal of the price of the Reference Assets to the same extent that it might have if the unscheduled rebalancing had not occurred. However, if the price of the relevant ETP Security will not benefit from the reversal of the price of the Reference Assets to the same extent that it might have if the unscheduled rebalancing had not occurred. However, if the price of the relevant Reference Assets continues to increase, then the holder of such ETP Security will not suffer a loss to the same extent as if the unscheduled rebalancing had not occurred.

# 5.3 Risks of Holding the ETP Securities for longer than their Rebalance Period

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 5.3, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

Where applicable, the Rebalance Period applicable to a Series of ETP Securities will be set out in the Final Terms. Due to the Rebalance Period investment goal of ETP Securities, an ETP Security's return over holding periods longer than the Rebalance Period will likely differ from the return of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy (as adjusted to take account of the Leverage Factor), and this difference will become more significant as the holding period increases in length.

The return on ETP Securities over a period longer than the Rebalance Period will reflect the return for each Rebalance Period compounded over all Rebalance Periods in that holding period and the effects of the Rebalance Period rebalancing. As a consequence of the Rebalance Period and the leveraged exposure of ETP Securities, over periods longer than the Rebalance Period, the redemption entitlement of an ETP Security will fall if the Index's or Investment Strategy's performance is flat (i.e. has a zero or close to zero return). Similarly, if an investor holds ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure for longer than their Rebalance Period, the return of such ETP Securities over that holding period will likely differ from the return of the Reference Assets over such holding period multiplied by the Leverage Factor of the ETP Securities. This means that where an investor holds an ETP Security over a period longer than the Rebalance Period, the value of the ETP Security on redemption will (i) fall where the Index or Investment Strategy's performance is zero or close to zero and (ii) may not reflect the performance of the Reference Assets over that holding period multiplied by their Leverage Factor, and may have a negative impact on the value of the ETP Security the longer the holding period, the higher the Leverage Factor and the greater the volatility of the Reference Assets over the holding period.

# 5.4 Effective daily Leverage Factor where Rebalance Periods are longer than a day

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 5.4, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

At the end of each Rebalance Period, where relevant, the Portfolio Administrator will instruct the Margin Loan Provider to buy or sell Reference Assets in such amounts as may be required so that, at the beginning of the

immediately following Rebalancing Period, the ETP Securities offer their Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure to the Reference Assets determined by their stated Leverage Factor. If the Rebalance Period is longer than a day, the exposure of such ETP Securities to their Reference Assets will not be rebalanced daily to maintain such exposure constant by reference to the Leverage Factor. As such, the effective level of Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure offered by such ETP Securities, as the case may be, will vary on each day of the Rebalance Period as prices of the Reference Assets fluctuate and subscriptions and redemptions are fulfilled by the Issuer on a daily basis. What this means is that, for example, in the case of a Leveraged Exposure, where the value of the Reference Asset decreases during the Rebalance Period, the exposure of the ETP Securities of such Series to the Reference Assets will increase (i.e., the effective leverage exposure to the Reference Assets will be greater than the stated Leverage Factor of the ETP Securities), which may negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

# 5.5 *Factors affecting leverage risk*

As a consequence of the risks set out in this risk factor 5.5, the ETP Securityholders may lose some or all of their investment in the ETP Securities.

Higher leverage, higher volatility and longer holding periods will increase the risk from investing in ETP Securities and hence may adversely affect the value of the ETP Securities. For leveraged returns with holding periods longer than one day (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments):

(a) the return of such ETP Securities will likely differ from the product of the Reference Asset return and the Leverage Factor; and

(b) an ETP Security will lose value if the relevant Reference Asset's performance is flat (i.e. has a zero or close to zero return); and

(c) it is possible for an ETP Security with Leveraged Exposure to the relevant Reference Asset to lose value even if the relevant Reference Asset's return is positive. Similarly it is possible for an ETP Security with a Short Exposure to the relevant Reference Asset to lose value even if the relevant Reference Asset's return is negative; and

(d) the risks in (a) to (c) will be magnified for longer holding periods, higher Reference Asset volatility and higher leverage.

See section of the Base Prospectus entitled "Economic Overview of the ETP Securities" for simulated examples on how the above risks may occur.

### 6. <u>Regulation and Reform of benchmarks, including Fed Funds Effective, Euro Short Term Rate, SONIA</u> and other benchmarks

Internationally recognised benchmarks on overnight deposits are used as the basis for determining the Benchmark Rates (as defined in the section of the Base Prospectus entitled 'Economic Overview of the ETP Securities'.

The Fed Funds Effective (Overnight), Euro Short Term Rate (€STR), the Sterling Overnight Index Average (SONIA) and other interest rates or other types of rates and indices which are deemed to be "benchmarks" are the subject of ongoing national and international regulatory reform. Following any such reforms, benchmarks may perform differently than in the past or disappear entirely, or there could be other consequences which cannot be predicted.

Any such consequence could have a material adverse effect on any ETP Securities linked to such a benchmark.

Key regulatory proposals and initiatives in this area include (amongst others) IOSCO's Principles for Financial Market Benchmarks, published in July 2013 (the "**IOSCO Benchmark Principles**") and the EU Regulation on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the

performance of investment funds (the "**Benchmark Regulation**"). The Benchmark Regulation could have a material impact on ETP Securities linked to a benchmark rate or index. For example:

- a rate or index which is a benchmark could be prohibited from being used in the EU if (subject to applicational transitional provisions) its administrator is (i) based in the EU and does not obtain authorisations or registration, or (ii) based on a non-EU jurisdiction which does not satisfy the 'equivalence' conditions and is not 'recognised' pending an equivalence decision. In such event, depending on the particular benchmark and the applicable terms of the ETP Securities, the ETO Securities could be de-listed, adjusted, redeemed prior to maturity or otherwise impacted;
- the methodology or other terms of the benchmark could be changed in order to comply with the terms of the Benchmark Regulation, and such changes could reduce or increase the rate or level or affect the volatility of the published rate or level, and could lead to adjustments to the terms of the ETP Securities; and
- the withdrawal or suspension of the administrator's authorisation or registration, or the rejection of an application by the administrator for authorisation or registration, may result in the terms and conditions of the ETP Securities being adjusted or being redeemed prior to maturity or otherwise impacted.

Ongoing international and/or national reform initiatives and the increased regulatory scrutiny of benchmarks generally could increase the costs and risks of administering or otherwise participating in the setting of a benchmark and complying with any applicable regulations or requirements. Such factors may discourage market participants from continuing to administer or contribute to benchmarks, trigger changes in the rules or methodologies used in respect of benchmarks, and/or lead to the disappearance of benchmarks. This could result in (i) adjustments to the terms and conditions and/or early redemption provisions, (ii) delisting, and/or (iii) other consequences for ETP Securities linked to any such benchmarks. Any such consequence could have a material adverse effect on the value of and return on any such ETP Securities.

# 7. <u>Risk factors relating to the Security</u>

# 7.1 Limited recourse obligations, non-petition and related risks

In respect of the ETP Securities of any Series, the Secured Creditors (which includes the ETP Securityholders), with the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, will have recourse only to the Secured Property in respect of such ETP Securities, subject always to the Security, and not to any other assets of the Issuer. If, following realisation in full of the Secured Property (whether by way of liquidation or enforcement) and application of available cash in accordance with the applicable orders of priority and the Trust Deed, any outstanding claim against the Issuer in respect of the Secured Obligations remains unpaid, then such outstanding claim will be extinguished and no debt, liability or obligation will be owed by the Issuer in respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, none of the Programme Parties, the ETP Securityholders of any relevant Series or any other person acting on behalf of any of them will be entitled to take any further steps against the Issuer or any of its officers, shareholders, corporate service providers or directors to recover any further sum in respect of the extinguished claim and no debt, liability or obligation will be owed to any such persons by the Issuer in respect of such further sum.

With the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, none of the Programme Parties, the ETP Securityholders or any person acting on behalf of any of them may, at any time, bring, institute or join with any other person in bringing, instituting or joining insolvency, administration, bankruptcy, winding-up, examinership or any other similar proceedings (whether court-based or otherwise) in relation to the Issuer or any of its assets, and none of them will have any claim arising with respect to the sums, assets and/or property attributable to any other securities issued by the Issuer (save for any further securities which form a single Series with the ETP Securities).

There is also the risk that the Issuer may become subject to claims or other liabilities (whether or not in respect of the ETP Securities) which are not themselves subject to limited recourse or non-petition limitations. There is a risk that such claims or liabilities may negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities of a particular Series.

Investors should be aware that the LS Margin Account Agreement does not contain limited recourse provisions with respect to the obligations of the Issuer. There is a risk therefore that, in respect of a claim against the Issuer by the Margin Loan Provider in relation to the LS Margin Account Agreement, if following realisation in full of the Secured Property (whether by way of liquidation or enforcement) in respect of a Series of ETP Securities and application of available cash in accordance with the applicable orders of priority and the Trust Deed, a claim remains outstanding against the Issuer, such claim may be made against assets attributable to other outstanding Series of ETP Securities on a *pro rata* basis. The Broker Dealer of Record, however, has agreed to indemnify the Issuer against any loss, cost, claim, action, demand or expense which the Issuer may incur as a result of any such claims by the Margin Loan Provider. If for any reason the Broker Dealer of Record cannot or does not honour such indemnity, such claim would negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities of such outstanding Series of ETP Securities.

# 7.2 The claims of ETP Securityholders are subordinated upon enforcement of the Security

The obligations of the Issuer in respect of a Series of ETP Securities are secured by the Security Documents in respect of such Series of ETP Securities. Pursuant to such Security Documents, the Issuer will create security in respect of that Series in favour of the Trustee (for the benefit of the Secured Creditors) over (i) all of the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the Programme Documents to the extent that they relate to the ETP Securities; (ii) all sums held now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer (including, without limitation, by the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar) to meet payments due in respect of the obligations and duties of the Issuer under the Security Documents and the ETP Securities, (iii) the Collateral Assets and any sums of money, securities, financial instruments or other property received or receivable now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer and the Portfolio Administration Agreement and (iv) all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the relevant accounts of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider relating to the ETP Securities, in each case, to the extent that they relate to the ETP Securities.

Following the enforcement of the security, the Trustee will apply the proceeds derived from the realisation of the assets that are the subject of the security constituted by the Security Documents in the applicable order of priority under which amounts due to the ETP Securityholders will be subordinated to all costs, fees, expenses and all other amounts including (without limitation) the costs of enforcing and/or realising any security due to the Trustee itself and any receiver(s), and amounts due to the Arranger in respect of the Arranger Fee and arising to the Margin Loan Provider, in each case in relation to the ETP Securities. The impact of such subordination is that the ETP Securityholders may receive less, or substantially less than their initial investment.

# 7.3 Recognition of Security in other jurisdictions

The laws of certain jurisdictions may affect some or all of the assets comprising the Collateral Assets. In the event that the laws of a jurisdiction do not recognise the security granted by the Security Documents, such security may not be effective in relation to assets deemed located in that jurisdiction and/or such assets may be subject to claims which would otherwise rank after claims secured by the Security Documents. In the event that it becomes necessary to enforce the security granted by the Security Documents in a jurisdiction that does not recognise such security (or in which it has not been perfected) there may be delays in enforcing the security or it may not be possible to enforce such security which could result in losses to the ETP Securityholders.

# 8. Risk factors relating to the Issuer and its legal structure

# 8.1 The Issuer is a special purpose vehicle

The Issuer is a special purpose vehicle with the sole business of issuing ETP Securities. The contracts which may be entered into by the Issuer (such as the LS Margin Account Agreement entered into by the Issuer in relation to one or more Series of ETP Securities) and the payments of the Issuer and the parties thereunder

are structured to have the capacity to provide the Issuer with funds to service payments due and payable in respect of the ETP Securities and on any redemption by the Issuer of the ETP Securities.

The Issuer has, and will have, no assets other than (i) the small sums of money raised by issuing shares in relation to its incorporation, (ii) such fees (if any) as are payable to it in connection with the issue or redemption of any Series of ETP Securities from time to time and (iii) any rights, property, sums or other assets on which any Series of ETP Securities issued under the Programme are secured.

This means that if the assets on which a Series of ETP Securities are secured are not sufficient to meet sums payable by the Issuer in respect of that Series, there are no other assets that are available to the Issuer to make those payments. In such circumstances, the holders of the ETP Securities would not receive the amounts owing to them in full.

# 8.2 Regulation of the Issuer by any regulatory authority

The Issuer is not required to be licensed or authorised under any current securities, commodities or banking laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation and will operate without supervision by any authority in any jurisdiction. There is no assurance, however, that regulatory authorities in one or more jurisdictions would not take a contrary view regarding the applicability of any such laws to the Issuer. The taking of a contrary view by such regulatory authority could have an adverse impact on the Issuer or the holders of the ETP Securities. For instance, if it was determined by a regulatory authority that the Issuer was required to be authorised in a particular jurisdiction, it may not be possible for the Issuer could be required to effect a mandatory redemption of the ETP Securities which could result in a loss being incurred by holders of the ETP Securities.

# 8.3 Insolvency

The Issuer has agreed not to engage in activities other than the issue of ETP Securities and related and incidental matters. Any issue of ETP Securities must be on terms that provide for the claims of the ETP Securityholders and the Programme Parties (with the exception of the claims of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement), in respect of such ETP Securities to be limited to the proceeds of the assets on which such ETP Securities are secured (see "*Risk factors relating to the Security - Limited recourse obligations, non-petition and related risks*" above). In addition, with the exception of the Margin Loan Provider With respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, there are restrictions on the ETP Securityholders and Programme Parties bringing insolvency proceedings against the Issuer. If such provisions are upheld, it would be unlikely that the Issuer could become insolvent.

However, notwithstanding the restrictions described in Condition 7 and the limited recourse and non-petition provisions, should the Issuer have outstanding liabilities to third parties which it is unable to discharge or should the limited recourse or non-petition provisions be found to be non-enforceable in a particular jurisdiction and as a result the Issuer becomes or is declared insolvent according to the law of any country having jurisdiction over it or any of its assets, the insolvency laws of that country may determine the validity of the claims of ETP Securityholders and may prevent ETP Securityholders from enforcing their rights with respect to any ETP Securities held by it or delay such enforcement. If the ETP Securityholders are prevented from enforcing their rights with respect to the ETP Securities, this may result in the ETP Securityholders losing their investment in the ETP Security created in favour of the Trustee in respect of such Series of ETP Security be set aside or ranked behind certain other creditors and the assets subject to such Security may be transferred to another person free of such Security. The impact of the occurrence of such scenarios is that the ETP Securityholders may either lose all their investment in the ETP Securities or receive less, or substantially less than their initial investment.

In addition, certain jurisdictions have procedures designed to facilitate the survival of companies in financial difficulties. In such jurisdictions, the rights of the Trustee or of the Issuer to enforce the Security created pursuant to any Security Document may be limited or delayed by such procedures. Such a situation may adversely impact the value of the ETP Securities.

# 8.4 Preferred Creditors under Irish Law and Floating Charges

If the Issuer becomes subject to an insolvency proceeding and the Issuer has obligations to creditors that are treated under Irish law as creditors that are senior relative to its secured creditors including the ETP Securityholders, the ETP Securityholders (and other secured creditors) may suffer losses as a result of their

subordinated status during such insolvency proceedings. In particular, under Irish law, upon an insolvency of an Irish company, such as the Issuer, when applying the proceeds of assets subject to fixed security which may have been realised in the course of a liquidation or receivership, the claims of a limited category of preferential creditors will take priority over the claims of creditors holding the relevant fixed security. These preferred claims include the remuneration, costs and expenses properly incurred by any examiner of the company (which may include any borrowings made by an examiner to fund the company's requirements for the duration of his appointment) which have been approved by the relevant Irish courts (see "Examinership" below). Such preferred claims may negatively impact on the value of the ETP Securities.

The holder of a fixed security over the book debts of an Irish tax resident company (which would include the Issuer) may be required by the Irish Revenue Commissioners, by notice in writing from the Irish Revenue Commissioners, to pay to them sums equivalent to those which the holder received in payment of debts due to it by the company.

Where the holder of the security has given notice to the Irish Revenue Commissioners of the creation of the security within 21 days of its creation, the holder's liability is limited to the amount of certain outstanding Irish tax liabilities of the company (including liabilities in respect of VAT) arising after the issuance of the Irish Revenue Commissioners' notice to the holder of fixed security. If any such claim was made by the Irish Revenue Commissioners against the Trustee, this could negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

The Irish Revenue Commissioners may also attach any debt due to an Irish tax resident company by another person in order to discharge any liabilities of the company in respect of outstanding tax whether the liabilities are due on its own account or as an agent or trustee. The scope of this right of the Irish Revenue Commissioners has not yet been considered by the Irish courts and it may override the rights of holders of security (whether fixed or floating) over the debt in question. If any such action is made by the Irish Revenue Commissioners, this could negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

In relation to the disposal of assets of any Irish tax resident company (such as the Issuer) which are subject to security, a person entitled to the benefit of the security may be liable for tax in relation to any capital gains made by the company on a disposal of those assets on exercise of the security. The impact of such a scenario on the Issuer could negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities,

The essence of a fixed charge is that the person creating the charge does not have liberty to deal with the assets which are the subject matter of the security in the sense of disposing of such assets or expending or appropriating the moneys or claims constituting such assets and accordingly, if and to the extent that such liberty is given to the Issuer any charge constituted by the Security Documents may operate as a floating, rather than a fixed charge.

In particular, the Irish courts have held that in order to create a fixed charge on receivables it is necessary to oblige the chargor to pay the proceeds of collection of the receivables into a designated bank account and to prohibit the chargor from withdrawing or otherwise dealing with the moneys standing to the credit of such account without the consent of the chargee.

Depending upon the level of control actually exercised by the chargor, there is therefore a possibility that the fixed security over the relevant charged assets would be regarded by the Irish courts as a floating charge.

Floating charges have certain weaknesses, including the following:

- (a) they have weak priority against purchasers (who are not on notice of any negative pledge contained in the floating charge) and the chargees of the assets concerned and against lien holders, execution creditors and creditors with rights of set-off;
- (b) as discussed above, they rank after certain preferential creditors, such as claims of employees and certain taxes on winding-up;
- (c) they rank after certain insolvency remuneration expenses and liabilities;
- (d) the examiner of a company has certain rights to deal with the property covered by the floating charge; and
- (e) they rank after fixed charges.

If the fixed charges created pursuant to the Security Documents in favour of the Trustee for the benefit of the ETP Securityholders are regarded as floating charges instead fixed charges, this could negatively impact on the value of the ETP Securities.

# 8.5 Centre of Main Interests

The Issuer has its registered office in Ireland. As a result there is a rebuttable presumption that its centre of main interest ("COMI") in Ireland and consequently that any main insolvency proceedings applicable to it would be governed by Irish law. In the decision by the Court of Justice of the European Union ("CJEU") in relation to Eurofood IFSC Limited, the CJEU restated the presumption in Council Regulation (EC) No. 1346/2000 of 29 May 2000 on Insolvency Proceedings, that the place of a company's registered office is presumed to be the company's COMI and stated that the presumption can only be rebutted if "factors which are both objective and ascertainable by third parties enable it to be established that an actual situation exists which is different from that which locating it at the registered office is deemed to reflect". As the Issuer has its registered office in Ireland, has Irish directors, is registered for tax in Ireland and has an Irish corporate services provider, the Issuer does not believe that factors exist that would rebut this presumption, although this would ultimately be a matter for the relevant court to decide, based on the circumstances existing at the time when it was asked to make that decision. If the Issuer's COMI is not located in Ireland, and is held to be in a different jurisdiction within the European Union, main insolvency proceedings may not be opened in Ireland. The Issuer is structured to be bankruptcy remote and accordingly considers it unlikely that it will ever become insolvent. However, in the unlikely event of the Issuer becoming insolvent, if insolvency proceedings were commenced in a jurisdiction other than Ireland, ETP Securityholders may receive less than would have been the case had the proceedings commenced in Ireland.

# 8.6 Examinership

Examinership is a court procedure available under the Companies Act 2014 to facilitate the survival of Irish companies in financial difficulties. Where a company, which has its COMI in Ireland is, or is likely to be unable to pay its debts an examiner may be appointed on a petition to the relevant Irish court under Section 509 of the Companies Act 2014.

The Issuer, the directors of the Issuer, a contingent, prospective or actual creditor of the Issuer, or shareholders of the Issuer holding, at the date of presentation of the petition, not less than one-tenth of the voting share capital of the Issuer are each entitled to petition the court for the appointment of an examiner. The examiner, once appointed, has the power to set aside contracts and arrangements entered into by the company after this appointment and, in certain circumstances, can avoid a negative pledge given by the company prior to this appointment. Furthermore, the examiner may sell assets, the subject of a fixed charge. However, if such power is exercised the examiner must account to the holders of the fixed charge for the amount realised and discharge the amount due to the holders of the fixed charge out of the proceeds of the sale.

During the period of protection, the examiner will formulate proposals for a compromise or scheme of arrangement to assist the survival of the company or the whole or any part of its undertaking as a going concern. A scheme of arrangement may be approved by the relevant Irish court when at least one class of creditors has voted in favour of the proposals and the relevant Irish court is satisfied that such proposals are fair and equitable in relation to any class of members or creditors who have not accepted the proposals and whose interests would be impaired by implementation of the scheme of arrangement.

In considering proposals by the examiner, it is likely that secured and unsecured creditors would form separate classes of creditors. In the case of the Issuer, if the Trustee represented the majority in number and value of claims within the secured creditor class, the Trustee would be in a position to reject any proposal not in favour of the ETP Securityholders. The Trustee would also be entitled to argue at the relevant Irish court hearing at which the proposed scheme of arrangement is considered that the proposals are unfair and inequitable in relation to the ETP Securityholders, especially if such proposals included a writing down to the value of amounts due by the Issuer to the ETP Securityholders.

The fact that the Issuer is a special purpose vehicle and that, with the exception of the Issuer's obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement, all of its liabilities should be of a limited recourse nature means that it is unlikely that an examiner would be appointed to the Issuer.

However, if, for any reason, an examiner were appointed while any amounts due by the Issuer under the ETP Securities were unpaid, the primary risks to the ETP Securityholders are as follows:

- (a) the potential for a compromise or scheme of arrangement being approved involving the writing down or rescheduling of the debt due by the Issuer to the ETP Securityholders as secured by the Security Documents;
- (b) the Trustee, acting for and on behalf of the secured creditors, would not be able to enforce rights against the Issuer during the period of examinership;
- (c) the potential for the examiner to seek to set aside any negative pledge in the ETP Securities prohibiting the creation of security or the incurring of borrowings by the Issuer to enable the examiner to borrow to fund the Issuer during the protection period; and
- (d) in the event that a scheme of arrangement is not approved and the Issuer subsequently goes into liquidation, the examiner's remuneration and expenses (including certain borrowings incurred by the examiner on behalf of the Issuer and approved by the relevant Irish court) will take priority over the moneys and liabilities which from time to time are or may become due, owing or payable by the Issuer to each of the secured creditors under the ETP Securities or the Programme Documents.

The impact of such risks for ETP Securityholders is that the value of the ETP Securities may be negatively impacted or the ETP Securityholder may receive less, or substantially less than their initial investment.

### 9. Legal, Regulatory and Taxation matters impacting the Issuer

### 9.1 Anti-Tax Avoidance Directive

Irish tax law is subject to changes as a result of the implementation if the EU Anti-Tax Avoidance Directive (Council Directive (EU) 2016/1164, "**ATAD**") and the amending Directive (Council Directive (EU) 2017/952 "**ATAD II**").

ATAD provides for anti-tax avoidance rules in the following fields: deductibility of interest, exit taxation, general anti-abuse rule, controlled foreign company rules and hybrid mismatches. ATAD provides for an "interest limitation rule" following to the recommendation contained in BEPS Action 4 which restricts the deductible interest of an entity. Ireland has implemented the interest limitation rule to apply to companies with respect to their accounting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2022. The interest limitation rule provides that where an entity has exceeding borrowing costs of more than EUR 3,000,000 it may only deduct its exceeding borrowing costs up to an amount equal to 30 per cent. of its earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation in the year in which they are incurred but the balance would remain available for carry forward, subject to certain conditions. For these purposes, "exceeding borrowing costs" mean the amount by which an entity's borrowing costs exceed "interest revenues and other equivalent taxable revenues". If the Issuer does have exceeding borrowing costs in excess of EUR 3,000,000 in a tax year, the interest limitation rule may nonetheless permit the Issuer to deduct exceeding borrowing costs in an amount in excess of 30 per cent. (and potentially up to 100 per cent.) of its earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation, if certain conditions are satisfied. In particular, the Issuer should be able to deduct the full amount of its exceeding borrowing costs if it qualifies as a "single company worldwide group" (as defined in Section 835AY TCA) and does not owe any amount which gives rise to deductible interest equivalent to an "associated enterprise". One of the conditions required to qualify as a "single company worldwide group" is that the entity is not a member of a "worldwide group" (as defined in Section 835AY TCA) (eg, it is not included in consolidated financial statements prepared under generally accepted accounting practice or an alternative body of accounting standards). As a result, the Issuer will not qualify as a "single company worldwide group" if it is financially consolidated by an ETP Securityholder or any other person. If the Issuer is not a "single company worldwide group", the Issuer should be able to deduct the full amount of its exceeding borrowing costs if it is a member of a "worldwide group" and its ratio of equity to assets is greater than, equal to or within two percentage points of the same ratio of its "worldwide group". If the Issuer has exceeding borrowing costs in excess of EUR 3,000,000 in a tax year and its ability to deduct interest in that tax year is restricted by Ireland's interest limitation rule, the Issuer may have material tax liabilities in Ireland as a consequence of interest not being deductible in computing its profits for Irish corporation tax purposes.

ATAD II provides for hybrid mismatch rules that result in certain payments that result in so-called 'hybrid mismatch outcomes' potentially ceasing to be fully deductible for Irish tax purposes. These rules are designed to neutralise arrangements where amounts payable between 'associated entities' are deductible from the income of one entity but are not taxable for the other or the same amounts are deductible for two associated entities. Ireland has already implemented the anti-hybrid rules provided for in ATAD II. Under Ireland's legislation, associated for these purposes includes direct and indirect participation in terms of voting rights or capital ownership of 25 per cent. or more or an entitlement to receive 25 per cent. or more (50 per cent. in

certain circumstances) of the profits of that entity, as well as entities that are part of the same consolidated group for financial accounting purposes or enterprises that have a significant influence in the management of the taxpayer.

It is possible that the various aspects of ATAD and ATAD II could apply to the Issuer in certain circumstances. The application of such measures could potentially result in the non-deductibility of certain interest expenses by the Issuer, thereby resulting in increased taxes. A material increase in the overall level of taxes would adversely impact any amounts to be paid to investors.

# 9.2 Irish Taxation Position of the Issuer

The Issuer has been advised that it should fall within the Irish regime for the taxation of qualifying companies as set out in Section 110 of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 (as amended) of Ireland ("Section 110") ("TCA"), and as such should be taxed only on the amount of its retained profit after deducting all amounts of interest and other revenue expenses due to be paid by the Issuer. If, for any reason, the Issuer is not or ceases to be entitled to the benefits of Section 110, or Section 110 is amended in any respect, then profits or losses could arise in the Issuer which could have tax effects not contemplated in the cash flows for the transaction and as such adversely affect the tax treatment of the Issuer and consequently the payments on the ETP Securities.

Under the Finance Act 2019, the Irish Government introduced some measures which may qualify the extent to which interest payable in respect of results-dependent securities may be deducted for Irish tax purposes. The measures provide that persons which both hold 20% or more of results-dependent securities or interest payable in respect of them and exercise 'significant influence' over an Irish securitisation company (such as the Issuer) may be treated as 'controlling' that company for Irish tax purposes. Results-dependent interest paid to persons who control the Issuer may only be deducted for Irish tax purposes to the extent such interest is paid to a person that is resident in Ireland or otherwise within the charge to Irish corporation tax or the interest is subject to tax in a Member State of the European Union (other than Ireland) or a jurisdiction with which Ireland has a double tax treaty. The term 'significant influence' is defined as meaning an ability to participate in the financial and operating decisions of an Irish securitisation company.

# 9.3 Taxation and no gross-up

Each ETP Securityholder will assume and be solely responsible for any and all taxes of any jurisdiction or governmental or regulatory authority, including, without limitation, any state or local taxes or other like assessment or charges that may be applicable to any payment to it in respect of the ETP Securities. In the event that any withholding or deduction for or on account of tax is imposed on payments on the ETP Securityholders will be subject to such tax or deduction and will not be entitled to receive amounts to compensate for such withholding or deduction. No Event of Default will occur as a result of any such withholding or deduction.

The Issuer may become liable for tax charges whether by direct assessment or withholding. If any such event occurs as a result of a change in law or regulation that materially increases the cost to the Issuer of performing its obligations under the ETP Securities or the LS Margin Account Agreement or makes it illegal for the Issuer to do the same or to hold, acquire or dispose of the Collateral Assets, the ETP Securities may become subject to early redemption or a shortfall could arise in the amount available to meet the obligations of the Issuer under the ETP Securities, which in turn could negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

# 9.4 Change of law

The Conditions of the ETP Securities are governed by Irish law in effect as at the date of issue of the relevant ETP Securities. No assurance can be given as to the impact of any possible judicial decision or change to Irish law or administrative practice after the date of issue of the relevant ETP Securities. Any such change could have a significant adverse effect on the value and liquidity of the ETP Securities. For example, such changes in law may include changes in statutory, tax and regulatory regimes during the life of the ETP Securities, which could materially adversely impact the value of any Securities affected.

In addition, if any change in law or regulation materially increases the cost to the Issuer of performing its obligations under the ETP Securities and/or the Programme Documents or makes it illegal for the Issuer to do the same or to hold, acquire or dispose of the Reference Assets, or otherwise materially adversely impacts the Issuer, the Issuer may determine to exercise its right to redeem the ETP Securities. As a result of any such Mandatory Redemption Event, ETP Securityholders may receive less, or substantially less, than their initial investment

# 9.5 Legality of purchase

The purchase of the ETP Securities by any prospective investor may be subject to investment law, regulations and/or restrictions or review by certain authorities. The Issuer, the Arranger, the Trustee, the Margin Loan Providers, the Broker Dealer of Record, the Authorised Participants or any Affiliate of such persons are not responsible for compliance by a prospective investor of such ETP Securities (whether for its own account or for the account of any third party) with such investment laws, regulations and/or restrictions. There may be risks to such investors which acquire or hold ETP Securities in contravention of such laws, regulations and/or restrictions and breach of such laws, regulations and/or restrictions may have adverse consequences including, without limitation, adverse tax consequences for any investor, which ultimately may impact on the return an investor receives on the ETP Securities.

# 9.6 Recharacterisation risk

The ETP Securities are issued in the form of debt securities and are listed as non-equity securities on each relevant Exchange. The ETP Securities are not units in a collective investment scheme for the purposes of the Directive of 13 July 2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the coordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (No 2009/65/CE), as amended.

There can be no assurance that the courts or regulatory authorities in any jurisdiction would not apply a different interpretation, including recharacterising the ETP Securities as units in a collective investment schedule or a fund. Any such difference in interpretation may have adverse consequences (including, without limitation, adverse tax consequences) for an investor, which ultimately may impact the return an investor receives on the ETO Securities.

Prospective investors should consult their professional advisers on the implications, and in particular the tax and accounting implications, of investment in the ETP Securities and any risk of recharacterisation of the ETP Securities.

# 9.7 Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS)

Prospective investors comprising a scheme which is an undertaking for collective investment in transferable securities subject to Directive 2009/65/EC of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (the "UCITS Directive"), as amended, need to satisfy themselves that an investment in the ETP Securities would comply with any regulations and/or guidelines applicable to them pursuant to the UCITS Directive and any laws, regulations or guidelines of their jurisdiction of incorporation and would be in line with their individual investment objectives. Any such non-compliance may negatively impact the return such investor would receive on the ETP Securities.

# 9.8 Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive

EU Directive 2011/61/EU on Alternative Investment Fund Managers ("**AIFMD**") provides, among other things, that all alternative investment funds ("**AIFs**") must have a designated alternative investment fund manager ("**AIFM**") with responsibility for portfolio and risk management.

The requirements of AIFMD have, in general, taken effect from 22 July 2013. If, AIFMD were to apply to the Issuer, the Issuer would need to be appropriately regulated. AIFMD and any other changes to the regulation or regulatory treatment of the ETP Securities for some or all investors may negatively impact the regulatory position of individual investors and, in addition, have a negative impact on the price and liquidity of the ETP Securities affected by such rules in the secondary market.

# 9.9 Risk of Data Security Breach

There is a risk that a security breach impacting a Programme Party could lead to a loss or theft of the Issuer's or Programme Parties' confidential data. A major data security breach could lead to significant reputational damage for the Issuer and/or the relevant Programme Party and result in regulatory intervention and/or fines, which may, in turn, negatively impact the price of the ETP Securities.

# 9.10 *'Brexit'*

Series of ETP Securities may be admitted to listing on an exchange or trading facility in the United Kingdom and a Non-exempt Offer of the ETP Securities may be made in the United Kingdom. Pursuant to the European Referendum Act 2015, a referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the EU was held on 23 June 2016 with the majority voting to leave the EU.

On 29 March 2017, the UK Government exercised its right under Article 50 of the Treaty of the European Union to leave the EU which triggered the commencement of a negotiation process between the United Kingdom and the EU in respect of the arrangements for the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the EU. On 31 January 2020, the UK ceased to be a Member State of the EU.

Brexit has affected and may continue to affect economic or market conditions in the UK, the EU and worldwide, and could contribute to volatility in the value of the Euro as well as Sterling. Brexit could lead to potentially divergent national laws and regulations as the UK determines which EU laws and regulations to replace, which to retain and, in the case of the latter, what amendments to make to such laws. Any of these effects could adversely affect the Issuer's business and negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

### 9.11 Disruptions and volatility in the global financial markets may adversely impact the Issuer

The value of the Reference Assets may be impacted by numerous factors beyond the Issuer's control, including global, regional, political, economic or financial events and situations (including the Covid 19 pandemic and Russia's invasion of the Ukraine). These effects include spikes in volatility, lower or negative interest rates, widening of credit spreads and credit deterioration.

Disruptions and volatility in global financial markets may affect the value of the Reference Assets and/or the Portfolio Administrator's ability to track an Index or pursue an Investment Policy, which may ultimately impact the value of the ETP Securities.

### 10. Risk factors relating to the Programme Parties

### 10.1 Risks relating to the Margin Loan Provider

### (i) Creditworthiness of the Margin Loan Provider

In the case of Series of ETP Securities providing Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, under the terms of the LS Margin Account Agreement entered into by the Issuer in connection with a Series of ETP Securities, the Issuer will pay the entire proceeds from the issue of such Series of ETP Securities to the Margin Loan Provider upon receipt and the Margin Loan Provider will extend moneys by way of credit to the Issuer which will be invested, in accordance with the Portfolio Administration Agreement, in Reference Assets which will be held in the Margin Account in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return on the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series. At the end of each Rebalance Period the Margin Account will be reconstituted in order to track the performance of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, by the purchase of additional Reference Assets or the sale of existing Reference Assets held in the Margin Account. If additional Reference Assets are required to be purchased, the Margin Loan Provider will extend moneys by way of credit to the Issuer in order to fund such purchases. The Issuer's ability to issue new ETP Securities of a Series or the successful tracking of the Index or compliance with the Investment Strategy will therefore be dependent upon the Margin Loan Provider's ability to increase the amount of margin provided under the LS Margin Account Agreement.

In the case of Series of ETP Securities providing Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the Issuer's ability to issue new ETP Securities of a Series or the successful tracking of the Index or compliance with the Investment Strategy will be dependent on the Margin Loan Provider's ability to facilitate short sales of the Reference Assets by the Issuer and to maintain such short positions.

Collateral Assets in the form of cash or transferable securities will be held in an account of the Margin Loan Provider in the name of the Issuer. Where the Collateral Assets consist of assets other than

cash or transferable securities, it may be held in the name of the Issuer or under the control of the Margin Loan Provider.

The ability of the Issuer to meet its obligations with respect to the ETP Securities may be dependent upon receipt by the Issuer of payments from the Margin Loan Provider for the Series (if the Collateral Assets are so held). Consequently, the ETP Securityholders are relying not only on the creditworthiness of the Collateral Assets, but also on the creditworthiness of the Margin Loan Provider in respect of the performance of its obligations for such Series of ETP Securities.

### (ii) Change of Law

If, due to a change of applicable law or regulation, it becomes illegal for the Margin Loan Provider to perform its obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement, the LS Margin Account Agreement will terminate. There is therefore a risk that if the Issuer is unable to find a replacement Margin Loan Provider the ETP Securities of the relevant Series will fall for mandatory early redemption. In such a situation the relevant ETP Securities will be redeemed at the Mandatory Redemption Amount. It is possible that such amount may be less than an investor's initial investment.

### (iii) Provision of information

None of the Issuer, any Programme Party or any Affiliate of any such persons makes any representation as to the credit quality of the Margin Loan Provider or any Collateral Assets. Any of such persons may have acquired, or during the term of the ETP Securities may acquire, non-public information in relation to the Margin Loan Provider and/or the Collateral Assets which could have an adverse effect on the value of the ETP Securities. None of such persons are under any obligation to make such information directly available to ETP Securityholders. None of the Issuer, any Programme Party or any Affiliate of any such persons are under any obligation to make available any information relating to, or keep under review on the ETP Securityholders' behalf, the business, financial conditions, prospects, creditworthiness or state of affairs of the Margin Loan Provider or any issuer/obligor in relation to any Collateral Assets or conduct any investigation or due diligence thereon or to monitor such Margin Loan Provider.

### *(iv)* Business relationships and capacity of the Margin Loan Provider

The Margin Loan Provider and any of its Affiliates may have existing or future business relationships with any Authorised Participant (including, but not limited to, lending, depository, risk management, advisory and banking relationships) and will pursue actions and take steps that they deem or it deems necessary or appropriate to protect their or its interests arising therefrom without regard to the consequences for an ETP Securityholder. In addition, the Margin Loan Provider and any of its Affiliates may make a market or hold positions in respect of any of the ETP Securities. From time to time, the Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates may own significant amounts of ETP Securities issued under the Programme.

There are no restrictions on the future business operations or activities of the Margin Loan Provider, and, accordingly, the ability of the Margin Loan Provider to meet its obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement may be adversely affected depending on such future business operations or activities (the "**Business Changes**"). The Arranger will not be responsible for updating any Programme Party, including the Portfolio Administrator, of any Business Changes and shall not be responsible for any adverse effects of such Business Changes on the ETP Securities.

The Margin Loan Provider and/or any of its Affiliates may engage in trading for their proprietary accounts, for other accounts under their management or to facilitate transactions, including block transactions, on behalf of customers relating to one or more assets that underlie the Index or Investment Strategy to which a Series of ETP Securities is linked. Any of these activities in which the Margin Loan Provider and/or its Affiliates engage could have an adverse impact on the value of the ETP Securities by affecting the price of such constituent assets(s).

The Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates may actively trade futures contracts and options on assets that underlie the Index or Investment Strategy linked to Series of ETP Securities, over-the-counter contracts on those assets and other instruments and derivative products based on such assets. Any such trading by the Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates and unaffiliated third parties could adversely affect the value of the Reference Assets to which certain Series of ETP Securities.

The Margin Loan Provider and/or its Affiliates may also issue or underwrite other securities or financial or derivative instruments linked to the commodity indices or equity indices referenced by certain Series of ETP Securities, which might compete with the ETP Securities of such Series. By introducing competing products into the marketplace in this manner, the Margin Loan Provider and/or its Affiliates could adversely affect the market value of certain ETP Securities, and therefore the amount payable on such ETP Securities on the stated maturity date or any early redemption date, as applicable, and the value of such ETP Securities before that date. To the extent that the Margin Loan Provider and/or its Affiliates serve as issuer, agent or underwriter of, or as margin loan providers in relation to, those securities or other similar instruments, their interests with respect to those products may be adverse to the interests of an ETP Securityholder.

The Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates may in the future publish research reports with respect to some or all of the Indices linked to certain Series of ETP Securities or the assets underling such Indices. This research may be modified from time to time without notice and may express opinions or provide recommendations that are inconsistent with purchasing or holding the ETP Securities. The research should not be viewed as a recommendation or endorsement of the ETP Securities in any way and investors must make their own independent investigation of the merits of this investment. Any of these activities by the Margin Loan Provider or any of its Affiliates may affect the market price of the Indices to which certain Series of ETP Securities are linked or their components and the value of such commodity indices or such equity indices and, therefore, the market value of such ETP Securities.

The Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates may act in a number of capacities in respect of ETP Securities issued under the Programme including, without limitation, Portfolio Administrator. The Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates acting in such capacities in connection with such ETP Securities will have only the duties and responsibilities expressly agreed to by such entities in the relevant capacity and will not, by virtue of acting in any other capacity, be deemed to have other duties or responsibilities or be deemed to hold a standard of care other than as expressly provided with respect to each such capacity. The Margin Loan Provider and its Affiliates in their various capacities in connection with the ETP Securities may enter into business dealings, from which they may derive revenues and profits in addition to any fees, without any duty to account therefor.

### 10.2 Other business activities of Authorised Participants

The Authorised Participants and/or their respective Affiliates may be active traders in equities and/or commodities markets, including in the physical markets for commodities, in the futures markets and the overthe-counter markets. These trading activities may present a conflict between the interests of holders of the ETP Securities and the interests of the Authorised Participants and their respective Affiliates may have in their proprietary accounts, in facilitating transactions, including options and other derivatives transactions, for their customers and in accounts under their management. These trading activities, if they influence the value of an Index or Investment Strategy to which a Series of ETP Securities is linked, could be adverse to the interests of the ETP Securityholders. The Authorised Participants and their respective Affiliates may also issue or underwrite additional securities or trade other products the return on which is linked to the value of an Index or Investment Strategy linked to a Series of ETP Securities or other similar strategies. An increased level of investment in these products may negatively affect the level of an Index or Investment Strategy to which a Series of ETP Securities or Investment Strategy to which a Series of ETP Securities or the similar strategies. An increased level of investment in these products may negatively affect the level of an Index or Investment Strategy to which a Series of ETP Securities or Investment Strategy to which a Series of ETP Securities is linked and therefore the amount payable in respect of such Series of ETP Securities on their stated maturity date or any prior redemption date, as applicable, and the market value of such ETP Securities.

These activities could give rise to conflicts of interest which are adverse to the interests of the ETP Securityholders and could adversely affect the market value of such ETP Securities. With respect to any of the activities described above, none of the Authorised Participants or any of their respective Affiliates has any obligation to the Issuer to take the needs of any buyers, sellers or holders of the ETP Securities into consideration at any time.

# 10.3 GWM Limited

GWM Limited may act in a number of capacities in respect of ETP Securities issued under the Programme including, without limitation, Portfolio Administrator, Broker Dealer and Record and Authorised Participant. GWM Limited acting in such capacities in connection with the ETP Securities will have only the duties and responsibilities expressly agreed to by such entity in the relevant capacity and will not, by virtue of acting in any other capacity, be deemed to have other duties or responsibilities or be deemed to hold a standard of care other than as expressly provided with respect to each such capacity. GWM Limited in its various

capacities in connection with the ETP Securities may enter into business dealings, from which it may derive revenues and profits in addition to any fees, without any duty to account therefor.

# 10.4 Determination Agent

Calculation Agent Services LLC will act as Determination Agent. The Determination Agent will, pursuant to the provisions of the Determination Agency Agreement, the LS Operating Procedures Agreement and the Conditions, make various non-discretionary calculations, that affect the ETP Securities, including calculating, among other things, the ETP Security Value and the Final Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount or the Mandatory Redemption Amount. The value of the ETP Securities could be adversely affected by such calculations. In making such calculations the Determination Agent will depend upon timely and accurate provision of information and certain constituent values of the relevant formulae which are provided to the Determination Agent by various parties, including, but not limited to, the Margin Loan Provider, the relevant Index Sponsor and the Issuer. Any consequent variation in the value of the ETP Securities.

# 10.5 Trustee

In connection with the exercise of its functions, the Trustee will have regard to the interests of the ETP Securityholders as a class and will not have regard to the consequences of such exercise for individual ETP Securityholders and the Trustee will not be entitled to require, nor will any ETP Securityholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual ETP Securityholders.

Accordingly, a situation would potentially arise whereby the Trustee takes a certain action and in doing so will have regard to the interests of the ETP Securityholders as a class, however such action may not be in the best interests of a particular individual ETP Securityholder, for example such action may have an adverse tax consequence for such individual ETP Securityholder.

# 10.6 Common Ownership of Portfolio Administrator, Determination Agent, Broker Dealer of Record and Second Authorised Participant

Prospective investors should be aware that GWM Limited (which may act as the Broker Dealer of Record and/or Portfolio Administrator and/or Second Authorised Participant in respect of certain Series of ETP Securities) and the Determination Agent are under the common ownership of Jose Gonzalez who is also a director of the Arranger.

Where such entities are acting, they will have only the duties and responsibilities expressly agreed to by them in the relevant capacity and will not, by virtue of being related to an entity acting in any other capacity, be deemed to have other duties or responsibilities or be deemed to hold a standard of care other than as expressly provided with respect to each such capacity.

For example, GWM Limited will not be responsible for the liabilities of Calculation Agent Services LLC, despite the fact that both entities are under common ownership. Therefore if the Issuer has a claim against the Determination Agent and the Determination Agent cannot satisfy such claim in full, the Issuer shall have no recourse against GWM Limited in its capacity as Portfolio Administrator, Broker Dealer of Record or Second Authorised Participant in respect of such claim. The value of the ETP Securities may be negatively impacted in such circumstances.

# 10.7 Issuer's right to replace agents and providers

The Issuer reserves the right to replace the Margin Loan Provider, the Portfolio Administrator, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Determination Agent, the Broker Dealer of Record and any other agents or providers herein at its sole discretion, without the consent of the Trustee or the ETP Securityholders, in order to ensure the efficient operation of the Programme. Accordingly, a situation could arise whereby an agent or service provider is appointed by the Issuer, however such appointment would not otherwise have taken place if the consent of the Trustee or the ETP Securityholders would not have consented to such appointment).

For example, the Issuer may, without the consent of the Trustee or the ETP Securityholders, appoint a replacement margin loan provider (the "**Replacement Margin Loan Provider**"). The Replacement Margin Loan Provider may engage in trading for their proprietary accounts or for other accounts under their management in relation to one or more assets that underlie the Index or Investment Strategy to which a

Series of ETP Securities is linked. Any of these activities in which the Replacement Margin Loan Provider engages could have an adverse impact on the value of the ETP Securities by affecting the price of such constituent assets.

# 10.8 Reliance on Third Party Information

This Base Propsectus contains certain information in relation to the business of the Programme Parties which has been sourced from publicly available information and has been accurately reproduced by the Issuer so far as the Issuer is aware and/or able to ascertain from information published by the relevant entities.

There is a risk that such information is not accurate or up to date and a situation could arise whereby an investor would not have otherwise invested in the relevant ETP Security if such information was accurate or up to date, as applicable. In addition, if such information is not accurate or up to date, it could have an adverse impact on the Issuer's engagement with the relevant Programme Party, which could in certan circumstances negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

For example, the Issuer has relied on certain publicly available information in relation to its due diligence on the suitability of the Programme Parties to carry out their various functions with respect to the Programme. If such information is not accurate or up to date (for example if the Issuer is relying on a Programme Party to have a certain regulatory status, and such status has not been accurately reflected in public records), this could impact the Issuer's engagement with the Programme Party and could in certain circumstanes, also negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

# 11. <u>Risk factors relating to CME Group Inc. and Intercontinental Exchange Inc.</u>

All futures contracts to be acquired by the Issuer are not listed on a regulated exchange or an equivalent third country market for the purposes of the UK Prospectus Regulation. Since the Issuer's counterparty exposure with respect to the all futures contracts it acquires will be to either CME Group Inc. ("**CME**") or Intercontinental Exchange Inc. ("**ICE**"), the Issuer has provided extensive disclosure in the Base Prospectus on CME Group Inc, and ICE in accordance with the requirements of the UK Prospectus Regulation. Please refer to the section headed "Futures Contracts" on page 121 of this Base Prospectus for further disclosure on CME and ICE (the "**Counterparty Disclosure Section**"). The following risk factors are relevant with respect to CME and ICE:

# 11.1 Risk factors relevant to CME Group Inc.

The CME Annual Reports (as defined in the Counterparty Disclosure Section) which are incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus contain detailed risk factors which CME Group believes could materially impact its business (see pages 15-27 of the CME Annual Report) (the "**CME Risk Factors**"). A summary of the CME Risk Factors is set out below:

# Industry Risks

- CME Group's business is subject to the impact of global market, economic and political conditions that are beyond CME Group's control and that could significantly impact its business and make its financial results more volatile.
- CME Group operates in a heavily regulated environment that imposes significant costs and competitive burdens on its business, and its failure to maintain compliance with regulations, its status as a regulated entity, or BrokerTec Americas' status as a member in good standing at FICC, could result in the loss of customers, fines or other consequences to CME Group's regulated status.
- Some of CME Clearing's largest clearing firms have indicated their belief that clearing facilities should not be owned or controlled by exchanges and should be operated as utilities and not for profit. These clearing firms have sought, and may seek in the future, legislative or regulatory changes that would, if adopted, enable them to use alternative clearing services for positions established on CME's Group exchanges or to freely move open positions among clearing houses in order to take advantage of CME Group's liquidity. Even if they are not successful, these factors may cause them to limit the use of CME Group's markets.
- CME Group faces intense competition from other companies. If CME Group is not able to successfully compete, its business, financial condition and operating results will be materially

harmed.

- CME Group's trading volume, and consequently our revenues and profits, would be adversely affected if it is unable to retain its current customers at substantially similar trading levels or attract new customers.
- CME Group's role in the global marketplace places it at greater risk than other public companies for a cyber attack and other cyber-security risks. CME Group's technology, its customers and its people and those of its third-party service providers may be vulnerable to cyber-security threats, which could result in wrongful use of CME Group's data or its customers' data or cause interruptions in its operations that cause it to lose customers and trading volume and result in substantial liabilities. CME Group also could be required to incur significant expense to protect or remediate damage to its systems and/or investigate any alleged attack.
- As a financial services provider, CME Group is subject to significant litigation risk and regulatory liability and penalties.
- CME Group may be at greater risk from terrorism, which poses physical security risks and cybersecurity risks, than other companies.

Risks relating to CME Group's Business

- The COVID-19 pandemic has negatively affected the global economy, including the U.S. economy and the global financial markets, and has disrupted CME Group's business and its clients' businesses. The ultimate impact from COVID-19, including duration, is unknown and could have an adverse effect on CME Group's business, financial condition and results of operations.
- Damage to CME Group's reputation or brand could harm its business.
- The success of CME Group's markets depends on its ability to complete development of, successfully implement and maintain the electronic trading and clearing systems that have the functionality, performance, availability and resilience, capacity, security and speed required by its customers.
- If CME Group experience systems failures or capacity constraints, its ability to conduct its operations and execute its business strategy could be materially harmed, and CME Group could be subjected to significant costs and liabilities.
- CME Group, as well as many of its customers, depend on third-party suppliers and service providers for a number of services that are important. An interruption or cessation of an important supply or service by any third party could have a material adverse effect on CME Group's business, including revenues derived from its customers' trading activity.
- CME Group's business exposes it to substantial credit risk of its clearing firms and other counterparties and, consequently, a decrease in their financial resources could adversely affect CME Group.
- CME Group's market data revenues may be reduced by decreased demand, poor overall economic conditions, regulatory changes or a significant change in how market participants trade and use market data.
- CME Group may have difficulty executing its growth strategy and maintaining its growth effectively.
- CME Group intends to continue to explore acquisitions, other investments and strategic alliances. CME Group may not be successful in identifying opportunities or in integrating the acquired businesses. Any such transaction may not produce the results CME Group anticipate, which could adversely affect its business and its stock price.
- The expansion of CME Group's global operations is complex and subjects it to increased business and economic risks that could adversely affect its financial results.
- CME Group's risk management, compliance and monitoring programs might not be effective and may result in outcomes that could adversely affect its reputation, financial condition and operating

results.

- CME Group could be harmed by misconduct or errors that are difficult to detect and deter.
- Intellectual property rights licensed from third-party price reporting agencies form the basis for many of CME Group's products from which it derives a significant portion of its volume and revenue. Material changes in the intellectual property landscape or regulatory framework pertaining to such benchmarks could have a negative impact on CME Group's ability to offer such products.
- A failure to protect CME Group's intellectual property rights, or allegations that it has infringed the intellectual property rights of others, could adversely affect CME Group's business.

Risk relating to an investment in CME Group's Class A common stock

- CME Group's indebtedness could adversely affect its financial condition and operations and prevent it from fulfilling its debt service obligations. CME Group might still be able to incur more debt, intensifying these risks.
- Any reduction in CME Group's credit rating could increase the cost of our funding from the capital markets.
- CME Group's average rate per contract for its derivatives business is subject to fluctuation due to a number of factors. As a result, its average rate per contract in any particular period may not be a reliable indication of its future average rate per contract.
- Ten of CME Group's board members own trading rights, or are officers or directors of firms that own trading rights, on CME Group's derivatives exchanges. As members, these individuals may have interests that differ from or conflict with those of shareholders who are not also members. CME Group's dependence on the trading and clearing activities of its exchange members, combined with the CME Group's members' rights to elect six directors, may enable them to exert substantial influence over the operation of CME Group's business.
- CME Group's members have been granted special rights, which protect their trading privileges and require that CME Group maintain open outcry for options products still meeting certain volume thresholds and, in the case of CME Group's Class B shareholders, provide them with special board representation.

# 11.2 Risk factors relevant to Intercontinental Exchange Inc.

The ICE Annual Reports (as defined in the Counterparty Disclosure Section) contain detailed risk factors which ICE believes could materially impact its business (see pages 19-41 of the ICE annual report for the year ended December 31, 2022) (the "**ICE Risk Factors**").

A summary of the ICE Risk Factors is as follows:

# Business and Industry Risks

• Global economic, political and financial market events or conditions may negatively impact ICE's business.

• Owning clearing houses exposes ICE to risks, including risks related to defaults by clearing members, risks related to investing margin and guaranty funds and the cost of operating the clearing houses.

• A decline in the value of securities held as margin or guaranty fund contributions by ICE's clearing houses or default by a sovereign government issuer could pose additional risks of default by clearing members.

• Owning and operating cash equity and options exchanges exposes ICE to additional risks, including the regulatory responsibilities to which these businesses are subject.

• ICE's business is subject to the impact of interest rate levels, inflation and financial markets volatility, which may be caused by conditions that are beyond ICE's control.

• Systems failures in the derivatives and securities trading industry and mortgage technology industry could negatively impact ICE.

- ICE may be at greater risk from terrorism, including cyberterrorism, than other companies.
- Fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates could adversely affect ICE's financial results.
- ICE may have difficulty executing its growth strategy and maintaining its growth effectively.
- ICE may not be successful in offeng new products or technologies or in identifying opportunities.

• Climate change and the transition to renewable energy pose operational, commercial, regulatory and financial risks.

• ICE may be required to recognize impairments of its goodwill, other intangible assets or investments.

•ICE may not realize the expected benefits of its majority investment in Bakkt Holdings, LLC and the investment may introduce additional risks to ICE's business due to its evolving business model.

• Pandemics or other public health emergencies, including the emergence of new COVID-19 variants resulting in another pandemic, could adversely affect ICE's business, results of operations and financial condition.

### Legal and Regulatory Risks

• ICE's businesses and those of many of ICE's clients have been and continue to be subject to extensive legislation and regulatory scrutiny, and ICE face the risk of changes to its regulatory environment and business in the future.

• ICE's compliance and risk management methods, as well as its fulfillment of its regulatory obligations, might not be effective, which could lead to enforcement actions by its regulators.

• Regulatory developments or court rulings may have an adverse impact on ICE's ability to derive revenue from market data and connectivity fees.

• The uncertainty surrounding the U.K. and EU regulatory frameworks following the U.K.'s exit from the EU, commonly referred to as Brexit, could adversely impact ICE's business, results of operations and financial condition.

• Risks relating to the administration of benchmarks and indices, including LIBOR, and the potential for changes to, cessations of, and the replacement of, or transition from, benchmarks and indices, including LIBOR, may result in legal risks and could adversely affect ICE's business.

• ICE may face liability for content contained in its data products and services.

• ICE is subject to significant litigation and liability risks.

### Operational and Liquidity Risks

• ICE's systems and those of its third-party service providers are vulnerable to cyberattacks, hacking and other cybersecurity risks, which could result in wrongful manipulation, disclosure, destruction, or use of ICE's information or that of a third party, or which could make ICE's participants unable or reluctant to use ICE's electronic platforms.

• ICE's business has in the past been, and may in the future be, harmed by computer and communication systems failures and delays.

• An interruption or cessation of an important service, data or content supplied by any third party, or the loss of an exclusive license, could have a material adverse effect on ICE's business.

• ICE's success largely depends on key personnel, including its senior management, and having adequate succession plans in place. ICE may not be able to attract, retain and develop the highly skilled employees ICE need to support its business, which could harm its business

. • ICE currently have a substantial amount of outstanding indebtedness which could adversely affect its financial condition and operations and restrict its activities or its ability to satisfy its debt service obligations.

### Competition Risks

• ICE faces intense competition; failure to keep up with rapid changes in technology and client preferences could negatively impact its competitive position.

• Damage to ICE's reputation could damage it's business.

### Intellectual Property Risks

• ICE's use of "open source" software could negatively impact its ability to sell its products and services and subject ICE to litigation.

• A failure to protect ICE's intellectual property rights, or allegations that ICE have infringed the intellectual property rights of others, could adversely affect ICE's business.

### Common Stock

• ICE is a holding company and depends on its subsidiaries for dividends, distributions and other payments.

• ICE may fail to complete or realize the anticipated cost savings, growth opportunities and synergies and other benefits anticipated from its acquisitions or anticipated growth opportunities or expected benefits of its strategic investments, which could adversely affect the value of its common stock.

• Provisions of ICE's organizational documents and Delaware law may delay or deter a change of control of ICE.

### Black Knight Acquisition

• The pending merger with Black Knight will not be completed unless important conditions are satisfied or waived, including regulatory approvals.

• Regulatory approvals may not be received, may take longer than expected or may impose conditions that are not presently anticipated, that could have an adverse effect on ICE following the merger or that are otherwise unacceptable to ICE.

• ICE may be unable to successfully integrate Black Knight's business and realize the anticipated benefits of the merger, and we will incur significant costs in connection with the merger and the integration of Black Knight.

• As a result of the merger, ICE will be subject to risks relating to the business conducted by Black Knight.

• After the completion of the merger, ICE will be more leveraged than it currently is, and the financing arrangements that ICE will enter into will contain restrictions and limitations that could, under certain circumstances, have a material adverse effect on ICE's business and operations.

### 11.3 **Reliance on Third Party Information**

This Base Prospectus contains certain information in relation to the business of CME and ICE which has been sourced from publicly available information and the Issuer accepts responsibility for such information so far as the Issuer is aware and/or able to ascertain from information published by the relevant entities.

There is a risk that such information is not accurate or up to date and a situation could arise whereby an investor would not have otherwise invested in the relevant ETP Security if such information was accurate or up to date, as applicable. The Issuer has relied on such publicly available information to assess its counterparty exposure with respect to the futures contracts the Issuer enters into. If such information is inaccurate or out of the date (resulting in the Issuer's couterparty exposure to be higher than orignally assessed by the Issuer), the Issuer could suffer a loss if such counterparty defaults on a futures contract. Any such loss would negatively impact the value of the ETP Securities.

### ECONOMIC OVERVIEW OF THE ETP SECURITIES

### **Overview of the ETP Securities**

The Issuer may from time to time issue collateralised exchange traded securities under the Programme, that seek to either track an Index providing exposure to one or more Reference Assets or pursue an Investment Strategy which will reference one or more Reference Assets on the terms set out in this Base Prospectus in the section headed "*Terms and Conditions of the ETP Securities*", as completed in respect of each Series of ETP Securities by the Final Terms relating to such ETP Securities.

The Index-linked Series of ETP Securities will track the performance of the Index referenced by that Series, as the ETP Security Value will reflect the value of the Collateral Assets which will be selected in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series in accordance with the Leverage Factor of such Series of ETP Securities.

With respect to Series of ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy, the ETP Security Value will reflect the value of the Collateral Assets which will be selected in accordance with the Investment Strategy taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor (as defined below).

Post issuance information in relation to composition of the Collateral Assets of each Series of ETP Securities will be detailed daily on the Issuer's website <u>www.leverageshares.com.</u>

### Leveraged Exposures, Short Exposures and Normal Exposures

Series of ETP Securities can offer leveraged long exposure ("Leveraged Exposures"), short inverse exposure ("Short Exposures") or +1x exposure ("Normal Exposures") to the Reference Assets. For the Leveraged Exposures and the Short Exposures, the degree of leverage or inverse leverage will be either embedded (i) in the Index or the Investment Strategy; or (ii) directly in the ETP Securities. The degree of leverage provided by a Series of ETP Securities will be reflected in a leverage factor which shall be specified in the Final Terms (the "Leverage Factor").

Where the Series of ETP Securities provides a Leveraged Exposure or Normal Exposure, this means that the ETP Security Value will increase on any day on which the value of the Reference Assets increases, and will decrease if the value of the Reference Assets falls on such day (in each case excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments).

Where the Series of ETP Securities provides a Short Exposure, this means that the ETP Security Value will increase on any day on which the value of the Reference Assets decreases, and will decrease if the value of the Reference Assets increases on such day (in each case excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments).

### Exposure to the Reference Assets

For Index-linked Series of ETP Securities, the Issuer will seek to replicate the performance of the Index by generating an equivalent exposure to the Reference Assets while also taking into account the Leverage Factor. For Series of ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy, the net proceeds of issuance shall be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by such Investment Strategy taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor.

The following is a description of the manner in which the exposure to the relevant Reference Assets will be generated when the ETP Securities provide a Leveraged Exposure and Short Exposure to Physical Assets and futures contracts.

### Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets

For Series which offer leveraged exposures, the leverage is achieved by borrowing from the Margin Loan Provider.

The Portfolio Administrator will instruct the Margin Loan Provider, on behalf of the Issuer, to invest the net proceeds of issuance and the Leveraged Investment Amount in the Reference Asset of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the

Investment Strategy of such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.

### Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets

The Issuer will seek to replicate the performance of the Index or pursue the Investment Strategy by taking short positions through engaging in short selling transactions with respect to the Reference Assets. The Issuer will take short positions by borrowing the Reference Assets, at a cost, from the Margin Loan Provider and selling such Reference Assets at the current market price. The proceeds of the sale (the "**Sale Price**") will be deposited into the Margin Account.

The Issuer will profit from such short selling transaction if it can re-purchase the Reference Assets at a lower price in the future and return the borrowed Reference Asset to the Margin Loan Provider. The Issuer will suffer a loss if the re-purchase price costs more than the Sale Price.

The net proceeds of the issue of such Series will be held in the Margin Account to satisfy the initial margin requirements of the Margin Loan Provider.

The Issuer must maintain the initial margin and maintenance margin requirements of the Margin Loan Provider. The initial margin is the amount of money that needs to be held in the Margin Account at the time the short selling transaction is entered into, and the maintenance margin is the amount that must be in the account at any point after the initial transaction.

The net proceeds of the issue of the relevant Series will constitute the initial margin and the proceeds of the sale of the Reference Assets will also be held in the Margin Account to satisfy the maintenance margin requirements.

# Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Futures Contracts

The Issuer will seek to replicate the performance of the Index or pursue the Investment Strategy by taking long positions in the futures contract. The Issuer will take long positions by acting as the buyer of the futures contract.

By taking a long position, the value of the Issuer's position in the futures contract will increase if the price of the underlying asset increases. Conversely, the Issuer will be required to make payments to the extent that the price of underlying asset decreases over the term of the futures contract. The potential loss of the Issuer in respect of any long position is limited to the amount of the contract settlement price.

### Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Futures Contracts

The Issuer will seek to replicate the performance of the Index or pursue the Investment Strategy by taking short positions in the futures contracts. The Issuer will take short positions by acting as the seller of futures contracts.

By taking a short position, the value of the Issuer's position in the futures contract will increase if the price of the underlying asset decreases. Conversely, the Issuer will be required to make payments to the extent that the price of underlying asset increases over the term of the futures contract.

### Limiting Losses on Leveraged and Short Exposures

Any losses incurred on the Leveraged Exposures and Short Exposures will lead to a reduction in the amount of Collateral Assets. The Portfolio Administrator will be responsible for monitoring the potential losses on the Leveraged Exposures and Short Exposures to ensure that they do not exceed the amount of the Collateral Assets.

At the end of each Rebalance Period, each Margin Account will be reconstituted, in accordance with the Portfolio Administration Agreement, in order to track the performance of the relevant Index or to ensure leverage levels are in line with the relevant Investment Strategy. This will be achieved (i) where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, by the purchase of additional Reference Assets or the sale of the existing

Reference Assets of such Index or Investment Strategy; and (ii) where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, by rolling them forward before their expiry.

In addition, as defined in the Index or Investment Strategy methodology in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, there is a possibility of the occurrence of an Unscheduled Rebalance (as defined below). During a Rebalance Period in which an Unscheduled Rebalance is triggered, the Rebalance Period return of the relevant Series of ETP Securities will not be equal to the Leverage Factor of such Series multiplied by the Rebalance Period price change of the respective Reference Assets. Such unscheduled adjustment seeks to protect the holder of ETP Securities providing Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure in the event of extreme market movements during Rebalance Periods by crystallising the losses incurred up to that point.

"Unscheduled Rebalance" means an unscheduled rebalance occurring on a Valuation Date on which the rebalancing mechanism built in the relevant Index or Investment Strategy in respect of a Series of ETP Securities has been triggered by a change in the price of the corresponding Reference Asset of such Index or Investment Strategy by more than the relevant trigger level for the Index or Investment Strategy in accordance with its methodology.

### Rebalance Period return and simulated examples

Each ETP Security offering Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure has a Rebalance Period as set out in the Final Terms. At the end of such Rebalance Period, the Portfolio Administrator will instruct the Margin Loan Provider to buy or sell Reference Assets in such amounts as may be required so that, at the beginning of the immediately following Rebalancing Period, the ETP Securities offer their Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure to the Reference Assets determined by their stated Leverage Factor. If the Rebalance Period is longer than a day, the exposure of such ETP Securities to their Reference Assets will not be rebalanced daily to maintain such exposure constant by reference to the Leverage Factor. As such, the effective level of Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure offered by such ETP Securities, as the case may be, will vary on each day of the Rebalance Period as prices of the Reference Assets fluctuate and subscriptions and redemptions are fulfilled by the Issuer on a daily basis.

### Simulated Examples

# For the purposes of this sub-section and the simulated examples below, "ETP Security" will refer to ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure with a Rebalance Period of one day.

Each ETP Security is "daily leveraged" in that on any given day, the change in the ETP Security Value (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments) will reflect the performance of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy on that day. The ETP Securities seek to track the relevant Index's return or pursue the relevant Investment Strategy for a single Valuation Date only, as measured from the closing price on that Valuation Date to the closing price on the immediately following Valuation Date, and not for any other period. The return of ETP Securities for a period longer than one day is the result of its return for each day compounded over all days in that period.

The simulated returns included in the charts set out below are included merely as examples of possible eventualities in order to demonstrate the relationship between the price of ETP Securities (in each case excluding the effects of any applicable fees, adjustments and the principal protection component, and assuming that no Disruption Event or Adjustment Event occurs) and the performance of the relevant Reference Asset.

The charts below illustrate, for a simulated Series of ETP Securities with Leverage Factors of 3x and -1x, which reference hypothetical daily returns for the same Index or Investment Strategy; (i) how daily returns are calculated on each Valuation Date (Chart 1) and (ii) how the ETP Security Value can develop over periods of more than one Valuation Date (Chart 2). For comparison purposes, the simulated examples below exclude the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments.

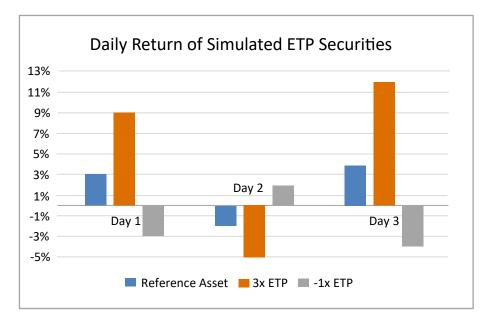
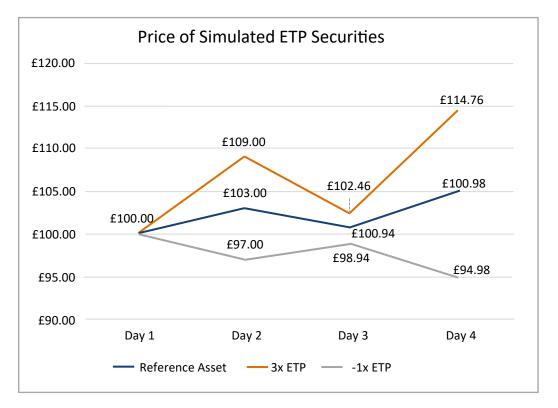


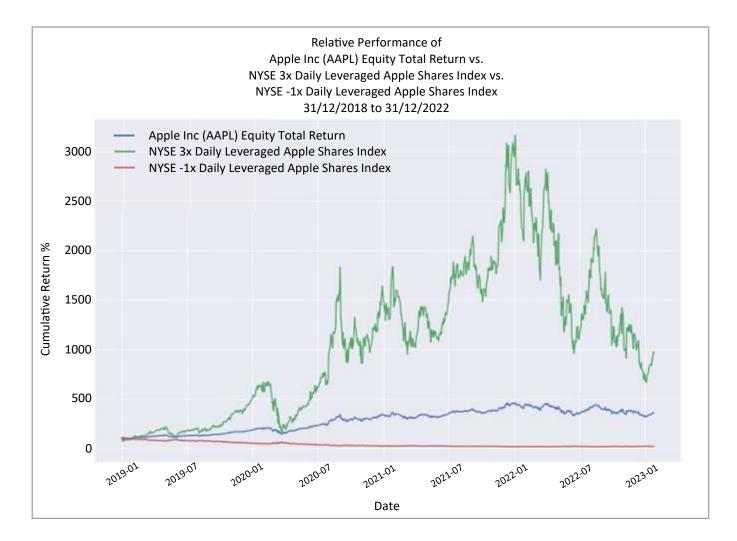
Chart 1 – Daily Return of Simulated ETP Securities

Chart 2 - Price of Simulated ETP Securities



# Chart 3

Chart 3 shows how the stock of Apple, Inc., performed between 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2022. It also shows the performance of a simulated NYSE 3X Daily Leveraged Apple Shares Index and NYSE -1X Daily Leveraged Apple Shares Index over the same period (which for comparison purposes excludes the effects of applicable fees and adjustments).



Charts 4.a and 4.b show the impact of an Unscheduled Rebalance of the ETP Securities in two hypothetical scenarios. The Unscheduled Rebalance is a mechanism which only occurs in the event of an extreme price movement in the Reference Asset, as defined in the Index or Investment Strategy methodology for the relevant Series of ETP Securities. In this scenario, the relevant Series of ETP Securities undergoes an Unscheduled Rebalance when the Reference Asset experiences a specified percentage decline in price on an intraday basis. This Unscheduled Rebalance follows the same mechanics as the standard end of day rebalance, effectively "resetting" the ETP Securities. In the event that an Unscheduled Rebalance is triggered, the return of the ETP Security on the day in which the Unscheduled Rebalance occurred is expected to differ from the daily performance of the Reference Asset multiplied by the Leverage Factor, more so than it would on a day in which no Unscheduled Rebalance occurred. This performance difference is illustrated in Charts 4.a and 4.b below.



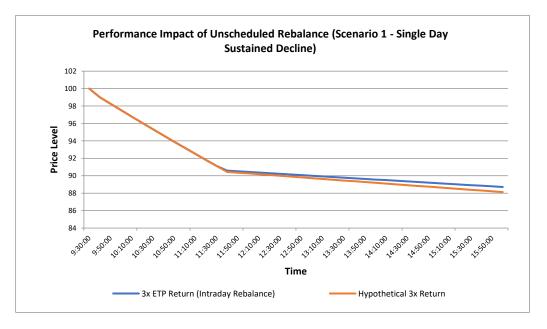
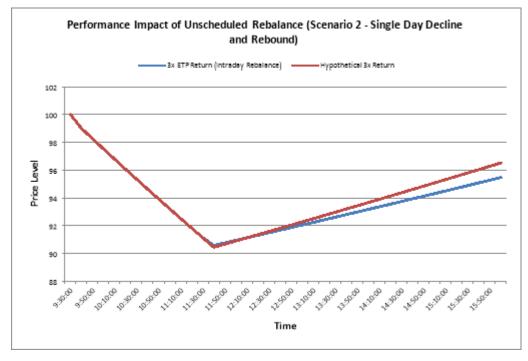


Chart 4.b



As a consequence of the leveraged returns over periods longer than one day (excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments):

(a) the return of such ETP Securities will likely differ from the product of the Reference Asset return and the Leverage Factor; and

(b) an ETP Security will lose value if the relevant Reference Asset's performance is flat (i.e. has a zero or close to zero return); and

(c) it is possible for an ETP Security with Leveraged Exposure to the relevant Reference Asset to lose value even if the relevant Reference Asset's return is positive. Similarly it is possible for an ETP Security with a Short Exposure to the relevant Reference Asset to lose value even if the relevant Reference Asset's return is negative; and

(d) the risks in (a) to (c) will be magnified for longer holding periods, higher Reference Asset volatility and higher leverage.

The examples below (which for comparison exclude the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments) illustrate how simulated ETP Securities, which track hypothetical daily returns of a Reference Asset, can behave over periods longer than one day. Each example shows simulated ETP Securities with Leverage Factors of 2x, 3x, and -1x tracking the same hypothetical Reference Asset. In each example, the return on the ETP Securities for each day is equal to the product of the return of the Reference Asset for that day and the relevant Leverage Factor.

# Examples of the return of such ETP Securities differing from the product of the Reference Asset's return and the Leverage Factor

Example (a.1) below shows a hypothetical scenario of a sideways trending market, which corresponds to a pattern in which the market moves in a relatively narrow range and where the initial level and final level of the market over the relevant period is similar. The bottom two rows in the table show (1) the cumulative return of the simulated ETP Securities and the hypothetical Reference Asset measured over a five-day period, and (2) the cumulative return of the Reference Asset over that five-day period multiplied by the Leverage Factor of each such ETP Securities (the "**Reference Asset Leveraged Return**").

Although the simulated daily return on the ETP Securities for each of the five days is equal to the product of the return of the Reference Asset for that day and the applicable Leverage Factor, over the entire five-day period the cumulative return of each simulated ETP Security is different to the Reference Asset Leveraged Return. Due to the nature of compounded daily leveraged returns over more than one day, this result is typical of a flat or sideways trending market.

Period	Leverage Factor	Reference Asset	E	TP Securit	у
		1x	2x	3x	-1x
	Beginning Value	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00
Day 1	Return	4.00%	8.00%	12.00%	-4.00%
Day I	Ending Value	£104.00	£108.00	£112.00	£96.00
	Return	-5.00%	-10.00%	-15.00%	5.00%
Day 2	Ending Value	£98.80	£97.20	£95.20	£100.80
	Return	3.00%	6.00%	9.00%	-3.00%
Day 3	Ending Value	£101.76	£103.03	£103.77	£97.78
	Return	5.00%	10.00%	15.00%	-5.00%
Day 4	Ending Value	£106.85	£113.34	£119.33	£92.89
	Return	-4.00%	-8.00%	-12.00%	4.00%
Day 5	Ending Value	£102.58	£104.27	£105.01	£96.60
Entire 5-day period	Cumulative Return	2.58%	4.27%	5.01%	-3.40%

Example (a.1)

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Example (a.2) below shows a hypothetical scenario in which the market is trending in one direction (in this case upwards). The five-day cumulative return of the simulated ETP Securities "outperforms" the five-day return of the Reference Asset Leveraged Return. This is seen where the simulated ETP Securities have higher (more positive) returns than the relevant Reference Asset Leveraged Return.

### Example (a.2)

Period	Leverage Factor	Reference Asset	ETP Security		
		1x	2x	3x	-1x
	Beginning Value	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00
Day 1	Return	5.00%	10.00%	15.00%	-5.00%
Day 1	Ending Value	£105.00	£110.00	£115.00	£95.00
	Return	6.00%	12.00%	18.00%	-6.00%
Day 2	Ending Value	£111.30	£123.20	£135.70	£89.30
	Return	-1.00%	-2.00%	-3.00%	1.00%
Day 3	Ending Value	£110.19	£120.74	£131.63	£90.19
	Return	5.00%	10.00%	15.00%	-5.00%
Day 4	Ending Value	£115.70	£132.81	£151.37	£85.68
	Return	7.00%	14.00%	21.00%	-7.00%
Day 5	Ending Value	£123.80	£151.40	£183.16	£79.69
	Cumulative Return	23.80%	51.40%	83.16%	-20.31%
Entire 5-day period	Theoretical Return = Cumulative Return of Reference Asset x Product Leverage Factor Difference Cumulative Return - Theoretical Return	23.80% 0.00%	47.59% 3.81%	71.39% 11.78%	-23.80% 3.48%

# Example of an ETP Security losing value if the relevant Reference Asset's performance is flat (i.e. has a zero or close to zero return)

Example (b) below demonstrates a hypothetical scenario in which the cumulative return of the Reference Asset over a period longer than one day is flat (i.e. zero or close to zero). The simulated ETP Securities all exhibit negative cumulative returns over the period.

Period	Leverage Factor	Reference Asset	ETP Security		
		1x	2x	3x	-1x
	Beginning Value	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00
Day 1	Return	-10.00%	-20.00%	-30.00%	10.00%
Day I	Ending Value	£90.00	£80.00	£70.00	£110.00
	Return	11.11%	22.22%	33.33%	-11.11%
Day 2	Ending Value	£100.00	£97.78	£93.33	£97.78
Entire 2- day period	Cumulative Return	0.00%	-2.22%	-6.67%	-2.22%

Example (b)

Example (c) below demonstrates a hypothetical scenario in which the cumulative return of the Reference Asset over a period longer than one day is positive, but the simulated ETP Securities exhibit a negative return.

Example (c)

Period		Reference Asset	ETP Security		
	Leverage Factor	1x	2x	3x	-1x
	Beginning Value	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00	£100.00
Day	Return	-10.00%	-20.00%	-30.00%	10.00%
1	Ending Value	£90.00	£80.00	£70.00	£110.00
Day	Return	12.00%	24.00%	36.00%	-12.00%
2	Ending Value	£100.80	£99.20	£95.20	£96.80
Entire 2- day period	Cumulative Return	0.80%	-0.80%	-4.80%	-3.20%

Examples of risks being magnified by longer holding periods, higher Index volatility and higher leverage

The effect of increasing volatility

The charts below show the performance of simulated ETP Securities with Leverage Factors of 3x (chart d.1) and -1x (chart d.2) over one year for a number of combinations of Reference Asset returns (vertical axis) and volatility (horizontal axis). The charts illustrate that for holding periods longer than one day (in this case one year), the return of ETP Securities decreases as the volatility of the Reference Asset increases (looking left to right), for a specified Reference Asset return. The shaded areas indicate combinations where ETP Securities can be expected to return less than the Reference Asset return over the one year holding period.

		Simulated 1 year returns of ETP with Leverage Factor 3x					
1 year return	Reference Asset Short return		1 year volatil	ity of the Refe	rence Asset		
of Reference Asset	(return of the Reference Asset multiplied by 3)	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	
50.0%	150%	227.5%	199.3%	157.6%	108.8%	59.4%	
40.0%	120%	166.3%	143.4%	109.5%	69.8%	29.6%	
30.0%	90%	113.2%	94.9%	67.7%	35.9%	3.8%	
20.0%	60%	67.7%	53.3%	31.9%	6.9%	-18.4%	
10.0%	30%	29.2%	18.0%	1.6%	-17.6%	-37.1%	
0%	0%	-3.0%	-11.3%	-23.7%	-38.1%	-52.8%	
-10.0%	-30%	-29.3%	-35.3%	-44.3%	-54.9%	-65.6%	
-20.0%	-60%	-50.3%	-54.6%	-60.9%	-68.3%	-75.8%	
-30.0%	-90%	-66.7%	-69.6%	-73.8%	-78.8%	-83.8%	
-40.0%	-120%	-79.0%	-80.8%	-83.5%	-86.6%	-89.8%	
-50.0%	-150%	-87.9%	-88.9%	-90.5%	-92.3%	-94.1%	

### Chart d.1

### Chart d.2

		Simulated 1 year returns of ETP with Leverage Factor -1x					
	Reference Asset Short			ity of the Refe	erence Asset		
1 year return of Reference Asset	return (return of the Reference Asset multiplied by -1)	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	
50.0%	-50%	-34.0%	-35.9%	-39.1%	-43.2%	-48.1%	
40.0%	-40%	-29.3%	-31.4%	-34.7%	-39.1%	-44.4%	

30.0%	-30%	-23.8%	-26.1%	-29.7%	-34.5%	-40.1%
20.0%	-20%	-17.5%	-19.9%	-23.8%	-29.0%	-35.1%
10.0%	-10%	-10.0%	-12.7%	-16.9%	-22.5%	-29.2%
0%	0%	-1.0%	-3.9%	-8.6%	-14.8%	-22.1%
-10.0%	10%	10.0%	6.8%	1.5%	-5.3%	-13.5%
-20.0%	20%	23.8%	20.1%	14.2%	6.5%	-2.6%
-30.0%	30%	41.4%	37.3%	30.6%	21.7%	11.3%
-40.0%	40%	65.0%	60.1%	52.3%	42.0%	29.8%
-50.0%	50%	98.0%	92.2%	82.8%	70.4%	55.8%

The simulation in the charts above assumes a randomly determined daily Reference Asset return ending with the specified cumulative Reference Asset return over one year. For ease of illustration, the returns of the simulated +3x and -1x ETP Securities are calculated excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments.

### The effect of longer holding periods

The chart below shows the performance of a simulated Reference Asset with an annualised volatility of 25% and simulated ETP Securities with Leverage Factors of 3x and -1x. For each holding period (horizontal axis) and each cumulative return of the Reference Asset over such holding period (vertical axis), the chart shows the cumulative return of a simulated ETP Security versus the Reference Asset Leveraged Return over that period. The charts below illustrates that, for the same Reference Asset return, the cumulative return of ETP Security decreases as the holding period increases (looking left to right). The shaded areas indicate combinations where the relevant simulated ETP Securities can be expected to return less than the Reference Asset Leveraged Return over the holding period.

### Chart d.3

	Reference Asset		P with «			
1 year return of	Leveraged Return (return of Reference	Le	ength of holding	period at 2	5% volatility	
Reference Asset	Asset multiplied by 3)	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years
50.0%	150.0%	222.0%	207.3%	179.8%	132.0%	92.3%
40.0%	120.0%	161.8%	149.8%	127.5%	88.6%	56.3%
30.0%	90.0%	109.6%	100.0%	82.1%	51.0%	25.2%
20.0%	60.0%	64.9%	57.3%	43.3%	18.8%	-1.5%
10.0%	30.0%	27.0%	21.2%	10.3%	-8.5%	-24.2%
0%	0.0%	-4.6%	-8.9%	-17.1%	-31.3%	-43.0%
-10.0%	-30.0%	-30.4%	-33.6%	-39.6%	-49.9%	-58.5%
-20.0%	-60.0%	-51.1%	-53.4%	-57.6%	-64.8%	-70.8%
-30.0%	-90.0%	-67.3%	-68.8%	-71.6%	-76.4%	-80.5%

-40.0%	-120.0%	-79.4%	-80.3%	-82.1%	-85.2%	-87.7%
-50.0%	-150.0%	-88.1%	-88.6%	-89.6%	-91.4%	-92.9%

Chart d.4

		Simulated returns of ETP with Leverage Factor -1x					
1 year return of	Reference Asset Leveraged Return	Le	ngth of holding	period at 2	5% volatility		
Reference	(return of Reference Asset multiplied by -1)	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	
50.0%	-50.0%	-34.4%	-35.4%	-37.4%	-41.2%	-44.7%	
40.0%	-40.0%	-29.7%	-30.8%	-32.9%	-37.0%	-40.8%	
30.0%	-30.0%	-24.3%	-25.4%	-27.7%	-32.1%	-36.2%	
20.0%	-20.0%	-18.0%	-19.2%	-21.7%	-26.5%	-30.9%	
10.0%	-10.0%	-10.5%	-11.9%	-14.6%	-19.8%	-24.6%	
0%	0.0%	-1.6%	-3.1%	-6.1%	-11.8%	-17.1%	
-10.0%	10.0%	9.4%	7.7%	4.4%	-1.9%	-7.9%	
-20.0%	20.0%	23.1%	21.2%	17.4%	10.3%	3.6%	
-30.0%	30.0%	40.6%	38.5%	34.2%	26.1%	18.4%	
-40.0%	40.0%	64.1%	61.5%	56.6%	47.1%	38.2%	
-50.0%	50.0%	96.9%	93.8%	87.9%	76.5%	65.8%	

The simulation in the charts assume a randomly determined daily Reference Asset return ending with the indicated cumulative return over the specified holding period. For ease of illustration, the returns of the simulated +3x ETP Security and -1x ETP Security are calculated excluding the effects of any applicable fees and adjustments.

# **ETP Security Value**

The ETP Security Value is calculated daily to reflect the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of a Series of ETP Securities and will take into account all applicable fees and expenses. On the Issue Date of the Tranche, the ETP Security Value will be equal to its Issue Price. On any Valuation Date thereafter (which is not a Disrupted Day and on which an Unscheduled Rebalance does not occur), the ETP Security Value is calculated as the ETP Security Value on the immediately preceding Valuation Date adjusted by (i) the change in the value of the Collateral Assets since such preceding Valuation Date, minus (ii) the applicable Funding and Brokerage Fees, minus (iii) the Arranger Fee, plus (iv) Value Adjustments (as defined below).

"Value Adjustments" reflect any cash lending revenues and other revenues on collateral in respect of a Series of ETP Securities.

The Funding and Brokerage Fees reflect costs that would be incurred by a hypothetical investor seeking to gain the exposure offered by the relevant Series of ETP Securities. For example:

- In order to achieve a Leveraged Exposure in a Reference Asset, a hypothetical investor must borrow funds at a cost in order to finance the additional investment in the Reference Asset to gain the desired leverage.
- To rebalance a Leveraged Exposure, a hypothetical investor needs to either sell or buy the Reference Asset. In markets where transaction taxes apply on the sale or purchase of securities, such investor will incur the cost of the transaction taxes.
- In order to achieve a Short Exposure in a Reference Asset, a hypothetical investor taking such Short Exposure must borrow the Reference Asset at a cost in order to sell it and gain the desired Short Exposure.
- In order to achieve a Normal Exposure, Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure to a Reference Asset consisting of a futures contract, a hypothetical investor would incur brokerage costs in opening or closing positions in such futures contract in order to gain the desired exposure to such Reference Asset.

# Factors affecting the ETP Security Value and the market value of the ETP Securities

The ETP Security Value may be affected by a number of factors, including:

- i. the performance of the Index or Investment Strategy referenced by that Series. The performance of the Index or Investment Strategy referenced by a Series is affected by the following (where relevant): value of the Reference Assets for that Index or Investment Strategy, the level of any interest rates employed in the calculation of that Index or Investment Strategy, any transaction tax accounted for in the calculation of that Index and the degree of leverage applied under the methodology of that Index or Investment Strategy. The value of the Reference Assets for the Index or Investment Strategy will vary depending on global and regional economic performance, market sentiment, borrowing and lending rates, the liquidity of the Reference Assets and any other factors that may affect the ability of a holder of such security to value or sell their holding;
- ii. the level of the fees (including Arranger Fees) and funding and borrowing adjustments applied in calculating the ETP Security Value, which may be varied by agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Programme Party;
- iii. the occurrence of a Disruption Event, an Adjustment Event or a change in law; and
- iv. the occurrence of unscheduled rebalancing.

General movements in local and international markets and factors that affect the investment climate and investor sentiment could all affect the level of trading and, therefore, the market price of the ETP Securities. The market price of the ETP Securities may also be affected by a number of factors, including, but not limited to:

- i. with respect to Index-linked Series, the value and volatility of the Index referenced by such Series of ETP Securities and the assets underlying that Index;
- ii. with respect to Series which pursue an Investment Strategy, the value of the Reference Assets referenced by such Investment Strategy;
- iii. the degree of leverage applicable to such Series of ETP Securities;
- iv. market perception, interest rates, yields and foreign exchange rates;
- v. whether or not any market disruption is subsisting;
- vi. the nature and value of any Collateral Assets relating to such Series of ETP Securities;
- vii. the creditworthiness of the Margin Loan Provider, Portfolio Administrator and the Authorised Participants;

- viii. any fees or execution costs applicable to subscriptions for or redemptions of the ETP Securities; and
- ix. the liquidity in the ETP Securities.

The ETP Security Value and the secondary market price of the ETP Securities can go down as well as up throughout the term of the ETP Securities. Individual equity securities are generally more volatile than prices in other asset classes and the secondary market price per ETP Securities which provide for Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure to a Reference Asset is expected to demonstrate higher volatility than the non-leveraged price movements of the Reference Asset. The ETP Security Value and market price of the ETP Securities on any Valuation Date may not reflect their prior or future performance. There can be no assurance as to the future value and market price of the ETP Securities. See the section of this Base Prospectus headed "Risk Factors" for a description of certain of the risks associated with an investment in ETP Securities.

# **Issue Price**

The Issue Price in respect of a Tranche of ETP Securities will be specified in the Final Terms relating to such Tranche.

### Use of issue proceeds

The net proceeds of issuance of each Series of ETP Securities on the Issue Date of such Series, or from the issuance of a further Tranche of any Series, will be paid to the Margin Loan Provider on behalf of the Issuer, and invested as follows:

- (a) in the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance and the Leveraged Investment Amount will be invested in the Reference Assets in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor, may at the direction of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets;
- (b) in the case of ETP Securities offering Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets;
- (c) in the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will be invested, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator in Ancillary Assets or maintained as cash balances and will be held in the Margin Account along with the proceeds of short selling the Reference Assets which shall be borrowed from the Margin Loan Provider in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor, will be held in the relevant Margin Account with the Margin Loan Provider; and
- (d) in the case of ETP Securities linked to an Index or which pursue an Investment Strategy where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, the net proceeds of issuance will be used to fund the related Margin Accounts as may be required to maintain positions in the Reference Assets in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account may also, at the discretion of the

Portfolio Administrator, be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.

The holders of a Series of ETP Securities are entitled to the benefit of the security created over the Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account.

#### In Specie Subscription

In relation to any Subscription Order, in satisfaction of the relevant subscription amount, the Issuer may agree with the relevant Authorised Participant to accept the delivery to, or to the order of, the Issuer of Reference Assets which the Determination Agent determines have a value on the Subscription Settlement Date, after taking account of any costs of transfer or delivery which are to be discharged by the Issuer, which is equal to or greater than the subscription amount.

#### Ancillary Assets

The Portfolio Administrator may direct that amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the performance of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets comprising sovereign debt in the currency of denomination of the ETP Securities with an original maturity of less than one month which is rated at least A-1 by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, and/or P-1 by Moody's Investors Service Ltd. and/or F1 by Fitch Ratings Limited.

#### Interest on the ETP Securities

The ETP Securities do not bear interest at a prescribed rate.

#### Amount payable on the maturity of the ETP Securities

Unless previously redeemed in whole or purchased and cancelled by the Issuer, each Series of ETP Securities will become due and payable on their Final Redemption Settlement Date at their Final Redemption Amount.

The Final Redemption Amount of each ETP Security shall be an amount calculated by the Determination Agent to be equal to the greater of (a) the Principal Protection Amount of such ETP Security; and (b) the Prorata Liquidation, as calculated in accordance with Condition 8.

#### Early redemption

If an Event of Default occurs in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, each ETP Security of such Series will become due and payable on the relevant Final Redemption Settlement Date at its Final Redemption Amount, subject to the Issuer having sufficient funds available, after applying the proceeds of the enforcement of the Security in paying all senior amounts due in accordance with the applicable orders of priority, to pay such amounts in full.

#### **Optional redemption of ETP Securities by ETP Securityholders**

ETP Securities may be applied for and redeemed on any Valuation Date, but the requisite application and redemption notices and orders may only be given by Authorised Participants. All other persons must buy and sell ETP Securities through trading on the stock exchange(s) on which such ETP Securities are admitted to trading.

An ETP Securityholder which is also an Authorised Participant may on any Valuation Date require the Issuer to redeem all or part of its holding of ETP Securities of a Series at the Optional Redemption Amount on the relevant Optional Redemption Settlement Date by submitting to the Issuer a valid Redemption Order in accordance with the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

An ETP Securityholder of any Series which is not also an Authorised Participant may require the Issuer to redeem all or any part of its holding of such ETP Securities at the Optional Redemption Amount only if the Issuer has notified the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 in respect of any Valuation Date

that redemption requests from ETP Securityholders which are not Authorised Participants will be permitted and no later notice to the contrary has been delivered.

Any ETP Security that is subject to Optional Redemption in accordance with Condition 8.2 will become due and payable on the relevant Optional Redemption Settlement Date at its Optional Redemption Amount, being an amount per ETP Security as calculated by the Determination Agent equal to the greater of:

- (A) the Principal Protection Amount of an ETP Security; and
- (B) the Pro-rata Liquidation.

#### In Specie Redemption

The Issuer may in accordance with the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement agree with any ETP Securityholder which is also an Authorised Participant to satisfy any requests for the Optional Redemption of any ETP Securities by the transfer to, or to the order of, such ETP Securityholder on the Optional Redemption Settlement Date of Collateral Assets with a value determined by the Determination Agent to be equal to the Optional Redemption Amount.

## Mandatory redemption

If a Mandatory Redemption Event occurs in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, each ETP Security of such Series will become due and payable on the Mandatory Redemption Settlement Date at its Mandatory Redemption Amount.

#### Funding of payments due to the holders of the ETP Securities

The Issuer will fund any payment(s) due to the holder of an ETP Security (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Mandatory Redemption Amount due in respect of such ETP Security) from the liquidation of the Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account. The Issuer's ability to pay to the holder of an ETP Security any amounts due in respect of such ETP Security is entirely dependent on the liquidation of the Collateral Assets.

If, following the liquidation in full of the Collateral Assets relating to a Series of ETP Securities there are any outstanding claims against the Issuer in respect of such Series of ETP Securities (other than claims of the Margin Loan Provider), then such outstanding claims will be extinguished and no debt will be owed by the Issuer in respect thereof.

## Taxation and no gross-up

Each ETP Securityholder will assume and be solely responsible for any and all Taxes of any jurisdiction or governmental or regulatory authority, including, without limitation, any state or local Taxes or other like assessment or charges that may be applicable to any payment to it in respect of the ETP Securities. In the event that any withholding or deduction for or on account of Tax is imposed on payments on the ETP Securityholders will be subject to such Tax or deduction and will not be entitled to receive amounts to compensate for such withholding or deduction. No Event of Default will occur as a result of any such withholding or deduction.

Transfers of Collateral Assets, and payments made to the Issuer under the LS Margin Account Agreement in relation to a Series of ETP Securities may be subject to charges, withholding or deduction for, or on account of, Taxes. In such circumstances the sums available to the Issuer (and/or the Trustee) to pay the Final Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount or the Mandatory Redemption Amount may not be sufficient to satisfy in full the claims of the ETP Securityholders and all creditors whose claims rank in priority to those of the ETP Securityholders.

## Fees

The sections of this Base Prospectus entitled "Description of the Indices" and "Description of the Investment Strategies" set out the fees payable in respect of the various Series of ETP Securities.

# Summary of the operating procedures relating to the subscription and redemption of the ETP Securities

#### Acceptance and validation of Dealing Orders

Only an Authorised Participant may send Subscription Orders or Redemption Orders to the Issuer (each, a "**Dealing Order**"), save that in the exceptional circumstances described in Condition 8, ETP Securityholders other than Authorised Participants may redeem ETP Securities.

An Authorised Participant will lodge Dealing Orders by completing a dealing order form (a "**Dealing Order Form**") and sending it to the Agent designated in the LS Operating Procedures Agreement (the "**Dealing Order Agent**"). The Dealing Order Agent will accept Subscription Orders or Redemption Orders on behalf of the Issuer on any day that is an Exchange Business Day for the relevant ETP Securities (such day, a "**Dealing Order Day**").

The Dealing Order Agent will perform certain validation checks on the Dealing Order Form and confirm with the Authorised Participant that the order has been received. Upon a determination that a Dealing Order Form is valid the Dealing Order Agent will send a dealing order notice (a "**Dealing Order Notice**") to the Portfolio Administrator. The Portfolio Administrator will review the Dealing Order Notice and will send notification to the Dealing Order Agent that it has either (i) accepted the Dealing Order Notice; (ii) rejected the Dealing Order Notice; or (iii) partially accepted the Dealing Order Notice, in which case it will provide an explanation for the partial rejection.

The Dealing Order Agent will then revert to the Authorised Participant with a validation of the Dealing Order (the "**Dealing Order Validation**") and confirm whether the Dealing Order Notice has been accepted in whole or in part by the Portfolio Administrator. The Dealing Order Validation does not constitute confirmation of any purchase, sale or entering into any position with respect to the Reference Assets, as applicable, by the Portfolio Administrator or any drawdown from the Margin Loan Provider or repayment to the Margin Loan Provider, where relevant, by the Portfolio Administrator.

Any Dealing Order (in respect of which a Dealing Order Validation is so submitted to the Authorised Participant by the Dealing Order Agent) will become a "**Valid Dealing Order**" on the Dealing Order Day at the time designated in the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

The Dealing Order Agent will send a valid Dealing Order Notice to the Determination Agent on the Dealing Order Day in order to populate pricing and cash consideration by 9am Dublin time the next day (Dealing Day +1).

#### Establishing the Subscription Amount/Optional Redemption Amount

On Dealing Order Day +1, the Determination Agent will:

- send the ETP Security Value to the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Portfolio Administrator;
- populate a dealing order notice form to include the ETP Security Value and the Subscription Amount or Optional Redemption Amount, as the case may be, relevant to the ETP Securities being purchased or redeemed and send the completed dealing order notice form to the Issuing and Paying Agent with the pricing and the cash consideration amount per Dealing Order; and
- once the Issuing and Paying Agent confirms the Subscription Amount or Optional Redemption Amount, as the case may be, per Dealing Order, the Issuing and Paying Agent will send a completed confirmation form in respect of each Dealing Order (a "Dealing Order Confirmation Form") to the Authorised Participant and Portfolio Administrator as confirmation of the settlement amounts required.

Procedures in respect of the Portfolio Administrator and the Margin Loan Provider

Where the Issuing and Paying Agent has issued a Dealing Order Confirmation Form to the Authorised Participant:

• the Portfolio Administrator or the Dealing Order Agent shall notify the Margin Loan Provider of Dealing Order Notice, Dealing Order Validation, Valid Dealing Order and Dealing Order Confirmation;and • the Portfolio Administrator shall implement the necessary purchase or sale or take the relevant position in respect of the Reference Assets and drawdown/repayment from the Margin Loan Provider, as applicable.

#### Settlement of Dealing Orders

#### Settlement of Subscription Orders

In connection with a Valid Dealing Order to subscribe for ETP Securities, the Issuing and Paying Agent shall cause the relevant ETP Securities to be issued on the relevant Subscription Settlement Date and the Authorised Participant shall cause the relevant Subscription Amount for the relevant ETP Securities to be paid in the relevant currency in same day funds to the Issuing and Paying Agent on each Subscription Settlement Date.

#### Settlement of Redemption Orders

In connection with a Valid Dealing Order relating to a redemption of part or all of a Series of ETP Securities:

- the Authorised Participant shall deliver to the Issuing and Paying Agent the relevant ETP Securities to be redeemed on or prior to the time designated in the LS Operating Procedures Agreement on the Optional Redemption Settlement Date;
- the Issuing and Paying Agent shall redeem the relevant ETP Securities on the Optional Redemption Settlement Date following confirmation of receipt of the ETP Securities; and
- concurrently with the redemption of ETP Securities, the Issuing and Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer shall arrange for the payment of the relevant Optional Redemption Amount.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE REFERENCE ASSETS

The information in this section of the Base Prospectus has been extracted from public information, including the websites set out below and has been reproduced on the basis of information available to the Issuer. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is able to ascertain from such information, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. The websites set out below do not form part of this Base Prospectus. The delivery of this Base Prospectus at any time does not imply any representation on the part of the Issuer, the Margin Loan Providers, Authorised Participants, the Trustee, the Agents, the Determination Agent, the Broker Dealer of Record or any other person that any information contained therein is correct at any time subsequent to the date of this Base Prospectus.

Each Series of ETP Securities is intended to either track a relevant Index or pursue an Investment Strategy which provides exposure to the performance of a Reference Asset.

The Issuer may issue Series of ETP Securities in respect of Reference Assets falling within the following categories:

- (A) equities securities;
- (B) debt securities;
- (C) fixed income securities;
- (D) exchange traded funds;
- (E) mutual funds; and
- (F) futures contracts

in each case, as described below.

The Reference Asset in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, the relevant Leverage Factor will be specified in the applicable Final Terms. Prospective purchasers of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into the Reference Asset and the obligor(s) in respect thereof.

The Reference Assets have characteristics that demonstrate the capacity to produce funds to service any payments due and payable on the ETP Securities.

Investors should note that the Issuer anticipates that the Base Prospectus and other Programme Documents may be amended from time to time to permit the Issuer to issue series of ETP Securities backed by other Reference Assets other than as described herein. In addition the Programme may be amended in the future to facilitate the issue of additional actively managed ETP Securities or ETP Securities which are not linked to Indices or Investment Strategies.

# (i) Equity Securities

The Issuer may issue a Series of ETP Securities designating any of the equity securities (including ADRs and ADSs representing equity securities), listed in the tables below as the Reference Assets. The Index or Investment Strategy, as applicable, may provide a Leveraged Exposure, Short Exposure or Normal Exposure to the performance of the Reference Assets. In addition to any leverage embedded in the Index or Investment Strategy, leverage may be embedded directly in the ETP Securities. The cumulative leverage provided by each Series of ETP Securities will be reflected in the Leverage Factor for that Series.

Name of issuer of Reference Asset	Address of issuer of Reference Asset	Country of Incorporation	Ticker of Reference Asset	Regulated market or equivalent third country market on which the Reference Asset is admitted to trading	General description and nature of business of issuer of the Reference Asset
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	2485 Augustine Drive Santa Clara, CA 95054 United States	United States of America	AMD	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:AMD	Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. manufactures semiconductor products. The company manufactures products that include microprocessors, embedded microprocessors, chipsets, graphics, video and multimedia products. Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. offers its products on a global basis. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at http://ir.amd.com/
Airbus SE	1, Rond Point Maurice Bellonte Satair Airbus Blagnac 31 707 France	Netherlands	AIR	Euronext Paris https://live.euronext.com/en/pr oduct/equities/nl0000235190- xpar/airbus/air	Airbus SE manufacturers airplanes and military equipment. The Company produces military fighter aircraft, military and commercial helicopters, missiles, satellites and telecommunications and defense systems, as well as military and commercial aircraft conversion and maintenance services. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://www.airbus.com/en/investors
Alphabet Inc.	1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, State of California 94043	United States of America	GOOG	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:GOOG	Alphabet Inc. is a holding company which provides online advertising services in the United States, the United Kingdom and rest of the world. The company offers performance and brand advertising services. It operates through Google and Other Bets segments.

					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://abc.xyz/investor/</u>
Amazon.com Inc.	410 Terry Avenue North, Seattle, State of Washington 98109	United States of America	AMZN	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:AMZN	Amazon.com, Inc. engages in the retail sale of consumer products and subscriptions in North America and internationally. It operates through the North America, International, and Amazon Web Services (AWS) segments. The company sells merchandise and content purchased for resale from vendors, as well as those offered by third-party sellers through retail websites. It also manufactures and sells electronic devices, including kindle e- readers and fire tablets. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://ir.aboutamazon.com/
Apple Inc.	One Infinite Loop, Cupertino, State of California 95014	United States of America	AAPL	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:AAPL	Apple Inc. is a technology company that engages in the design, manufacture and marketing of mobile communication and media devices, personal computers and portable music players, and sells a range of related software, services and accessories. It operates through its Americas, Europe, Greater China, Japan and the Rest of Asia Pacific segments. The company sells its products through Apple retail stores, online stores and through third-party retailers. It also sells and markets digital content through the iTunes Store, mobile App Store, Mac App Store and through other internet services.
Citigroup Inc.	388 Greenwich Street, New York, State of New York 10013	United States of America	С	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:C	Citigroup Inc. is a holding company for businesses that provide consumers, corporations, governments and institutions with a range of financial products and services. It operates through two segments: Citicorp and Citi Holdings. Citicorp is the company's global bank and offers financial products and services to consumers. As of December 31, 2016,

					Citicorp was present in 97 jurisdictions and offered financial services in over 160 jurisdictions.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at
					https://www.citigroup.com/global/investors
Meta Platforms Inc.	1601 Willow Road, Menlo Park, State of California 94025-1452	United States of America	META	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:META	Meta Platforms Inc. is a technology company that focuses on connecting people through social media. Its products include Facebook, Messenger, WhatsApp, Instagram and Oculus. Its products provide a platform for people to learn about what is going on in the world and enables them to share opinions, ideas and visual media with friends or the public. The company also sells advertising placements across its products to marketers.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://investor.fb.com/home/default.aspx
Goldman Sachs Group Inc.	200 West Street, New York, State of New York 10282	United States of America	GS	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:GS	The Goldman Sachs Group Inc. is a global investment banking, securities and investment management firm that provides a wide range of financial services to a client base that includes corporations, financial institutions, governments and individuals. The company operates through its Investment Banking, Institutional Client Services, Investing & Lending and Investment Management segments.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>http://www.goldmansachs.com/investor-relations/</u>
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	270 Park Ave, 38 <sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, State of New York 10017-2014	United States of America	JPM	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:JPM	JPMorgan Chase & Co is a holding company for businesses that are engaged in investment banking, financial services for consumers and small businesses, commercial banking, financial transaction processing and asset management. The company operates through its Consumer & Community Banking, Corporate & Investment Bank, Commercial Banking and Asset & Wealth Management segments. Its principal bank

					subsidiaries include JP Morgan Chase Bank and National Association (JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A.), its principal nonbank subsidiary is J.P. Morgan Securities LLC. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://www.jpmorganchase.com/corporate/investor -relations/investor-relations.htm
Micron Technology, Inc.	8000 South Federal Way PO Box 6 Boise, ID 83716 United States	United States of America	MU	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:MU	Micron Technology, Inc., through its subsidiaries, manufactures and markets dynamic random access memory chips (DRAMs), static random access memory chips (SRAMs), flash memory, semiconductor components, and memory modules. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://www.micron.com/
Microsoft Corp	One Microsoft Way, Redmond, State of Washington 98052-6399	United States of America	MSFT	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:MSFT	Microsoft Corporation is a technology company that develops, licenses, and supports a range of software products, services and devices. It operates through its Productivity and Businesses Processes, Intelligent Cloud and More Personal Computing segments. The Company's products include operating systems, server applications, video games and certification of computer system integrators and developers. It also designs, manufactures and sells directly, and through third parties, devices, including personal computers, tablets, gaming and entertainment consoles, mobile phones and other related accessories. The company provides a variety of services, including cloud-based solutions and support and consulting services.
PayPal Holdings, Inc.	2211 North 1 <sup>st</sup> Street San Jose CA 95131	United States of America	PYPL	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:PYPL	PayPal Holdings, Inc. operates a technology platform company that enables digital and mobile payments on behalf of consumers and merchants. The Company offers online payment solutions.

					PayPal Holdings, Inc. services customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://investor.pypl.com/home/default.aspx</u>
Visa Inc.	900 Metro Center Blvd., Foster City, State of California 94404	United States of America	V	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:V	Visa Inc. is a multinational financial services company that facilitates electronic transfers throughout the world. Visa is the world's second largest card payment organization. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>http://investor.visa.com/</u>
Netflix, Inc.	100 Winchester Circle, Los Gatos, State of California 95032	United States of America	NFLX	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:NFLX	Netflix is a multinational entertainment company specializing in providing streaming media and video- on-demand online. Netflix is also involved directly in film and television production. Netflix has more than 100 million subscribers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>http://ir.netflix.com/</u>
NVIDIA Corporation	2701 San Tomas Expressway, Santa Clara, State of California, 95050	United States of America	NVDA	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:NVDA	NVIDIA is a technology company that designs graphics processing units (GPUs) for the gaming and professional markets, as well as system on a chip units (SOCs) for the mobile computing and automotive market. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>http://investor.nvidia.com/</u>
Salesforce.com, Inc.	415 Mission St., San Francisco, State of California, 94105	United States of America	CRM	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:CRM	Salesforce.com is a cloud computing company that develops customer relationship management (CRM) software as well as commercial applications of social networking. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>http://investor.salesforce.com/about-</u> <u>us/investor/overview/default.aspx</u>
Shopify Inc.	150 Elgin Street 8 <sup>th</sup> Floor Ottawa ON K2P 1L4	Canada	SHOP	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:SHOP	Shopify Inc. provides a cloud-based commerce platform. The Company offers a platform for merchants to create an omni-channel experience that helps showcase the merchant's brand.

	Canada				Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://investors.shopify.com/home/default.aspx
Tencent Holdings Ltd.	29/F, Three Pacific Place, No 1 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong	China	700	Hong Kong Stock Exchange https://www.hkex.com.hk/Mark et-Data/Securities- Prices/Equities/Equities- Quote?sym=700≻_lang=en	Tencent Holdings Limited operates as an investment holding company. The company, through its subsidiaries, provides internet and mobile value-added services (VAS), online advertising, and e-commerce transactions. Tencent Holdings offers services to users worldwide.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.tencent.com/en-us/investors.html</u>
Tesla Inc.	3500 Deer Creek Road Palo Alto, CA 94304 United States	United States of America	TSLA	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:TSLA	Tesla Inc. designs, manufactures, and sells high- performance electric vehicles and electric vehicle powertrain components. Tesla owns its sales and service network and sells electric powertrain components to other automobile manufacturers. Tesla serves customers worldwide.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.tesla.com/</u>
The Boeing Company	100 North Riverside Plaza Chicago IL 60606-1596	United States of America	BA	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:BA	The Boeing Company, together with its subsidiaries, develops, produces and markets commercial jet aircraft, as well as providing related support services to the commercial airline industry worldwide. The Company also researches, develops, produces, modifies and supports information, space and defense systems, including military aircraft, helicopters and space and missile systems.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://investors.boeing.com/investors/overview/default.aspx</u>

Uber Technologies Inc.	1455 Market Street Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103 United States	United States of America	UBER	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:UBER	Uber Technologies, Inc. provides ride hailing services. The company develops applications for road transportation, navigation, ride sharing, and payment processing solutions. Uber Technologies serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at https://investor.uber.com/home/default.aspx
Zoom Video Communications, Inc.	55 Almaden Blvd, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor San Jose CA 95113 United States	United States of America	ZM	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:ZM	Zoom Video Communications, Inc. develops a people-centric cloud service that transforms real- time collaboration experience. The Company offers unified meeting experience, a cloud service that provides a 3-in-1 meeting platform with HD video conferencing, mobility and web meetings. Zoom Video Communications serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://investors.zoom.us/? ga=2.38056551.51393</u> <u>1263.1606238105-1038882135.1573506672</u>
Block, Inc.	1455 Market Street, Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94103 United States	United States of America	SQ	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:SQ	Block, Inc. provides mobile payment solutions. The Company develops point-of-sale software that helps in digital receipts, inventory and sales reports as well as offering analytics and feedback. Square also provides financial and marketing services. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investors.block.xyz/overview/default.aspx</u>
Airbnb, Inc.	888 Brannan Street Suite 4 San Francisco CA 94103	United States of America	ABNB	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:ABNB	Airbnb, Inc. operates an online marketplace for travel information and booking services. The Company offers lodging, home-stay, and tourism services via websites and mobile applications. Airbnb serves clients worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at:

					https://investors.airbnb.com/home/default.asp X
Plug Power, Inc.	968 Albany Shaker Road Latham NY 12110	United States of America	PLUG	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NCM:PLUG	Plug Power, Inc. designs, develops, manufactures and commercialises fuel cell systems for electric lift trucks and materials handling equipment. The Company offers its products globally to retail, grocery and institutional food distribution centers, as well as manufacturing facilities.
					Reference Asset can be found at: https://www.ir.plugpower.com/Home/default.aspx
The Walt Disney Company	500 South Buena Vista Street Burbank CA	United States of America	DIS	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:DIS	The Walt Disney Company is an entertainment company with operations in media networks, park experiences and customer products, studio entertainment and direct-to-customer networks and channels. The Company serves customers worldwide.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://thewaltdisneycompany.com/investor-</u> <u>relations/</u>
Palantir Technologies Inc.	1555 Blake Street Suite 250 Denver, CO 80202	United States of America	PLTR	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:PLTR	Palantir Technologies Inc, develops software to analyse information. The Company offers solutions support for many kinds of data including structured, unstructured, relational, temporal and geospatial. Palantir Technologies serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investors.palantir.com/</u>
Roku, Inc.	1155 Coleman Ave San Jose CA 95110	United States of America	ROKU	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:ROKU	Roku, Inc. designs and manufactures consumer electronic products. The Company offers wireless enabled devices that stream audio and video

					content from the internet to home entertainment systems. Roku serves customers globally. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://ir.roku.com/</u>
Peloton Interactive, Inc.	125 West 25 <sup>th</sup> Street 11 <sup>th</sup> Floor New York NY 1001	United States of America	PTON	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:PTON	Peloton Interactive, Inc. provides recreational facilities and services. The Company offers workout bikes for indoor cycling, as well as other fitness related instruments. Peloton Interactive serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investor.onepeloton.com/</u>
Coinbase Global, Inc.	100 Pine Street Suite 1250 San Francisco CA 94111	United States of America	COIN	https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:COIN	Coinbase Global, Inc. provides data and transaction processing services. The Company offers digital currency wallet and platform for general transactions. Coinbase serves customers worldwide, Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investor.coinbase.com/home/default.aspx</u>
Moderna, Inc	200 Technology Square Cambridge Massachusetts	United States of America	MRNA	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:MRNA	Moderna, Inc. operates as a clinical stage biotechnology company. The company focuses on the discovery and development of messenger RNA therapeutics and vaccines. Moderna develops mRNA medicines for infectious, immuno-oncology and cardiovascular diseases. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: https://investors.modernatx.com/

Coupang, Inc.	Tower 730, 570, Songpa-daero Songpa-GU Seoul, Republic of Korea 05510	Republic of Korea	CPNG	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quot e/XNYS:CPNG	Coupang, Inc. operates as an e-commerce company. The Company offers dynamic end- to-end e-commerce and logistic solutions. Coupang serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://ir.aboutcoupang.com/English/hom</u> <u>e/default.aspx</u>
Linde plc	Forge, Church Street West, Woking, Surrey GU21 6HT United Kingdom	Ireland	LIN	Frankfurt Stock Exchange https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/equity/linde-plc- eo-001	Linde Plc operates as an industrial gas and engineering company. The Company offers products, technologies and services that help customers improve their economic and environmental performance in a connected world. Linde plc serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investors.linde.com/</u>
Siemens AG	Werner-von Siemens- Strasse 1 Munich 80333 Germany	Germany	SIE	Frankfurt Stock Exchange https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/equity/siemens- ag	Siemens AG is an engineering and manufacturing company. The company focuses on areas of electrification, automation and digitalization. Siemens AG also provides engineering solutions in automation and control, power, transportation and medical diagnosis. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://new.siemens.com/global/en/company/i nvestor-relations.html</u>
Mercedes-Benz Group AG	Mercedesstraße 120 70372 Stuttgart Germany	Germany	MBG	Frankfurt Stock Exchange	Mercedes-Benz Group AG operates as an automotive company. The Company designs, manufactures, distributes and sells a wide range of automotive products such as

				https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/equity/mercede s-benz-group	passenger cars, trucks, vans and buses. Mercedes-Benz Group also provides financial and other services relating to its automotive businesses. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://group.mercedes-benz.com/investors/</u>
Infineon Technologies AG	Am Campeon 1-15 85579 Neubiberg Germany	Germany	IFX	Frankfurt Stock Exchange https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/equity/infineon- technologies-ag	Infineon Technologies AG designs, manufactures and markets semiconductors. The Company offers products including power semiconductors, microcontrollers, security controllers, radio frequency products and sensors. Infineon markets its products to the automotive, industrial, communications and consumer and security electronics sectors. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.infineon.com/cms/en/about- infineon/investor/</u>
Volkswagen AG	Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft VHH 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor PO Box 1849 DS-38436 Wolfsberg Germany	Germany	VOW3	Frankfurt Stock Exchange https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/equity/volkswag en-ag-vz	Volkswagen AG manufactures and sells vehicles. The company offers economy and luxury automobiles, sports cars, trucks and commercial vehicles. Volkswagen serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.volkswagenag.com/en/InvestorRe</u> <u>lations.html</u>
ASML Holding N.V.	DeRun 6501 5504 DR	The Netherlands	ASML	Euronext Amsterdam	ASML Holding N.V. develops, produces and markets semiconductor manufacturing

	Veldhoven The Netherlands			https://live.euronext.com/en /product/equities/nl0010273 215-xams/asml- holding/asml	equipment, specifically machines for the production of chips through lithography. The company serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.asml.com/en/investors</u>
Banco Santander S.A.	Avenida de Cantabria s/n Boadilla del Monte Madrid, 28660 Spain	Spain	SAN	Madrid Stock Exchange (BME) https://www.bolsasymercad os.es/bme- exchange/en/Prices-and- Markets/Shares/Main- Market/Details/Banco- Santander-ES0113900J37	Banco Santander S.A. attracts deposits and offers retail, commercial and private banking, and asset management services. The Bank offers consumer credit, mortgage loans, lease financing, factoring, mutual funds, pension funds, insurance, commercial credit, investment banking services, structured finance, and advice on mergers and acquisitions. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.santander.com/es/accionistas-e- inversores</u>
Iberdrola S.A.	Torre Iberdrola Plaza Euskadi number 5 48009, Bilbao Bizkaia, Spain	Spain	IBE	Madrid Stock Exchange (BME) https://www.bolsasymercad os.es/bme- exchange/en/Prices-and- Markets/Shares/Main- Market/Details/Iberdrola- ES0144580Y14	Iberdrola SA generates, distributes, trades and markets electricity in the United Kingdom, the United States, Spain, Portugal and Latin America. The Company specializes in clean energy including wind power, solar and hydroelectric, smart grids, energy storage and green hydrogen. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Assets can be found at: https://www.iberdrola.com/shareholders- investors

Deutsche Bank AG	Taunusanlage 12, 60325 Frankfurt am Main Germany	Germany	DBK	Frankfurt Stock Exchange <u>https://www.boerse-</u> <u>frankfurt.de/equity/deutsche</u> <u>-bank-ag</u>	Deutsche Bank AG is a global financial service provider delivering commercial, investment, private and retail banking. The Bank offers debt, foreign exchange, derivatives, commodities, money markets, repo and securitisation, cash equities, research, equity prime services, loans, convertibles, advice on M&A and IPOs, trade finance, retail banking, asset management and corporate investments. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investor- relations.db.com/?language_id=1&amp;kid=ir.redir</u> <u>ect-en.shortcut</u>
Ferrari NV	Via Abetone Infeiore n.4 I-41053 Maranell Italy	Italy	RACE	Euronext Milan https://www.borsaitaliana.it/ borsa/azioni/scheda/NL001 1585146.html?lang=en	Ferrari NV designs and manufactures sports cars. The company offers new and used vehicles, warranty programs, financial supports and maintenance as well as apparels, earphones, caps and other accessories.
					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ferrari.com/en-</u> <u>EN/corporate/investors</u>
Exxon Mobile Corporation	5959 Las Colinas Boulevard Irving Texas 75039-2298	United States of America	ХОМ	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quot e/XNYS:XOM	Exxon Mobile Corporation operates petroleum and petro chemical businesses. The company provides exploration and production of oil and gas, electric power generation, coal and minerals operations. The company also manufactures and markets fuels, lubricants and chemicals.

					Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://corporate.exxonmobil.com/investors/in</u> <u>vestor-relations</u>
UBS Group AG	Bahnhofstrasse 45, 8001 Zurich, Switzerland	Switzerland	UBS	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:UBS	UBS Group AG provides financial services to private, corporate, and institutional clients. The company offers investment, retail, and corporate and institutional banking, as well as holistic wealth management planning and asset management services. UBS Group also offers securities services such as fund administration and third-party fund management. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ubs.com/global/en/our- firm/governance/ubs-group-ag/shareholder- information.html</u>
lonQ, Inc.	4505 Campus Drive College Park MD 20740	United States of America	IONQ	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NYS:IONQ	IonQ, Inc. operates as a computing hardware and software company. The Company develops a general-purpose trapped ion quantum computer and software to generate, optimize and execute quantum circuits. IonQ serves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://investors.ionq.com/overview/default.aspx</u>
Super Micro Computer, Inc.	980 Rock Avenue San Jose CA 95131	United States of America	SMCI	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/X NGS:SMCI	Super Micro Computer, Inc. designs, develops, manufacturers and sells server solutions based on modular and open-standard architecture. The company offers servers, motherboards, chassis and accessories. Super Micro Computer, Inc. markets its products worldwide.

		Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at:
		https://ir.supermicro.com/ir-overview/default.aspx

Name of the ADR/ADS and issuer depository bank	Name of the underlying equity security	Address of issuer of underlying equity security	Country of Incorporation of underlying equity security	Ticker of ADR/ADS	Regulated market or equivalent third country market on which the ADR/ADS is admitted to trading	General description and nature of business of issuer of the underlying equity security
HSBC Holdings plc ADR issued by Bank of New York Mellon	HSBC Holdings plc	8 Canada Square, 42 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, London, E14 5HQ, United Kingdom	United Kingdom	HSBC	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:HSBC	HSBC Holdings plc is the holding company for the HSBC Group. The Company provides a variety of international banking and financial services, including retail and corporate banking, trade, trusteeship, securities, custody, capital markets, treasury, private and investment banking and insurance. HSBC Holdings operates worldwide., Further information can be found at: https://www.hsbc.com/inves tors/shareholder- information/manage-your- shareholding
Barclays plc ADR issued by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	Barclays plc	1 Churchill Place London, E14 5HP United Kingdom	United Kingdom	BCS	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:BCS	Barclays plc is a global financial services provider engaged in retail banking, credit cards, wholesale banking, wealth management and investment management services.

						Further information can be found at: <u>https://home.barclays/investor-</u> <u>relations/</u>
Lloyds Banking Group plc ADR issued by Bank of New York Mellon	Lloyds Banking Group plc	25 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7HN, United Kingdom	United Kingdom	LYG	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:LYG	Llyods Banking Group plc, through its subsidiaries and associated companies, offers a range of banking and financial services. The Company provides retail banking, mortgages, pension, asset management, insurance services, corporate banking and treasury services. Further information can be found at: https://www.lloydsbankinggrou p.com/investors.html
Shell plc ADR issued by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	Shell plc	Carel van Bylandtlaan 30, The Hague, 2596 HR Netherlands	The Netherlands	SHEL	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:SHEL	Royal Dutch Shell plc, through its subsidiaries, explores, produces and refines petroleum. The Company produces fuels, chemicals and lubricants. Royal Dutch Shell owns and operates gasoline filling stations worldwide. Further information can be found at: <u>https://www.shell.com/investor</u> <u>s.html</u>
BP Plc ADR issued by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	BP plc	1 Saint James's Square London, SW1Y 4PD United Kingdom	United Kingdom	BP	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:BP	BP plc is an oil and petrochemicals company. The Company explores for and

						produces oil and natural gas, refines, markets and supplies petroleum products, generates solar energy and manufactures and markets chemicals. Further information can be found at: <u>https://www.bp.com/en/global/c orporate/investors.html</u>
Vodafone Group plc ADR issued by Deutsche Bank AG	Vodafone Group plc	Vodafone House The Connection Newbury, RG14 2FN United Kingdom	United Kingdom	VOD	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNGS:VOD	Vodafone Group plc provides wireless communications services. The Company offers mobile telecommunications services including voice and data communications. Further information can be found at: <u>https://investors.vodafone.com/</u> <u>?ltpn=UK:UCMS:Homepage&lt;</u> <u>sn=na&amp;lts1=8&amp;lts2=2&amp;ltat=For</u> <u>investors&amp;ltad=4538</u>
JD.com Inc. ADS issued by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas	JD.com Inc.	JD Building 18 Kechuang 11 Str BDA Beijing 101111 China	China	JD	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNGS:JD	JD.com, Inc. is an online direct sales company in China. The Company offers a wide selection of products through its website and mobile applications. JD.com sells appliances, computers, digital products, communication products, garments, books and household items to consumers and vendors. Further information can be found at <u>https://ir.jd.com/</u>

Alibaba Group Holding Ltd ADS issued by Citibank, N.A.	Alibaba Group Holding Ltd.	699 Wang Shang Road Binjiang District Hangzhou, 310052 China	China	BABA	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:BABA	Alibaba Group Holding Limited operates as a holding company. The Company provides internet infrastructure, e-commerce, online financial and internet content services through its subsidiaries. Alibaba Group Holding Ltd offers its products and services worldwide. Further information can be found at: <u>https://www.alibabagroup.com/en/ir/h</u> <u>ome</u>
Baidu, Inc. ADS issued by Bank of New York Mellon	Baidu Inc.	Baidu Campus 10 Shangdi 10 <sup>th</sup> Street,Haidian Beijing, 100085	China	BIDU	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNGS:BIDU	Baidu, Inc. operates an internet search engine. The Company offers algorithmic search, enterprise search, news, MP3 and image searches, voice assistance, online storage and navigation services. Baidu serves clients globally. Further information can be found at: <u>https://ir.baidu.com/investor-overview</u>
Sea Limited ADS issued by Bank of New York Mellon	Sea Limited	1 Fusionopolis Place No 17-10 Galaxis Singapore, 138522	Singapore	SE	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:SE	Sea Limited offers information technology services. The Company provides online personal computer and mobile digital content, e- commerce and payment platforms. Sea Limited serves customers worldwide. Further information can be found at: <u>https://www.sea.com/investor/h</u> <u>ome</u>

Pinduoduo Inc. ADS issued by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas	Pinduoduo Inc.	Pinduoduo Inc. 28F 533 Loushanguan Road Changning District Shanghai 200051	China	PDD	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNGS:PDD	Pinduoduo Inc. operates as an e- commerce platform. The Company offers a wide range of merchandise online including groceries, fashion, beauty and electronics. Pinduoduo serves customers worldwide. Further information can be found at: <u>https://investor.pinduoduo.com</u> [
NIO Inc. ADS issued by Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas	NIO Inc.	Building 20, No 56 AnTuo Road AnTing Town, Jiading District Shanghai 201804	China	NIO	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:NIO	NIO Inc. manufacturers and sells automobiles. The Company offers electric vehicles and parts as well as battery charging services. NIO serves customers worldwide. Further information can be found at: https://ir.nio.com/
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Limited ADS issued by Citibank, N.A.	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd.	No. 8 Li Hsin Rd 2 East District Hsinchu	Taiwan	TSM	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:TSM	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Limited manufactures and markets integrated circuits. The company provides the following services: water manufacturing, water probing, assembly and testing, mask production and design services. The company's integrated circuits are used in computer, communication, consumer electronics, automotive and industrial equipment industries.

						Further information can be found at: https://investor.tsmc.com/e nglish
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. GDR issued by Citibank, N.A.	Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	129 Samsung-ro Yongtong-gu Suwon- won, Gyeonggi-do, 16677 Republic of Korea	Korea	SSU	Frankfurt Stock Exchange https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/equity/us7960 508882-samsung- electronics-co-ltd-gdr	Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. Manufactures a wide range of consumer and industrial electronic equipment and products such as semiconductors, personal computers, peripherals, monitors, televisions and home appliances including air conditioners and microwave ovens. The company also produces internet access network systems and telecommunications equipment including mobile phones. Further information can be found at: https://www.samsung.com/ global/ir/stock- information/listing-Info/
XPeng Inc. ADS issued by Citibank N.A.	XPeng Inc.	No. 8 Songgang Road, Changxing Street, Cencun, Tianhe District, Guangzhou Guangdong 510640 People's Republic of China	China	XPEV	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo te/XNYS:XPEV	XPeng Inc. designs, products and distributes electric vehicles. The company designs, develops, manufactures and markets smart electric vehicles, as well as finance, parts and maintenance services. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://ir.xiaopeng.com/</u>
Arm Holdings plc ADS issued by Citibank N.A.	Arm Holdings plc	110 Fulbourn Road, Cambridge,	United Kingdom	ARM	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quo	ARM Holdings plc operates as a holding company. The company, through its subsidiaries, designs and

CB1 9NJ, United Kingdom	te/XNGS:ARM	manufactures semiconductor technology and other related products such as computer processors, memory controllers, internet protocol system, graphic processor, security and storage devices. Arm Holdings plc seves customers worldwide. Further information on the issuer of the Reference Asset can be found ar: https://investors.arm.com/

#### ADR/ADS Depository Bank Information

#### The Bank of New York Mellon

The Bank of New York Mellon is a banking corporation organised pursuant to the laws of the State of New York, whose registered office and corporate headquarters is located at 240 Greenwich St, NY, NY 10286, USA. The Bank of New York Mellon was formed from the merger of the Bank of New York and the Mellon Financial Corporation on 2 July 2007.

The Bank of New York Mellon is supervised and regulated by the New York State Department of Financial Services and the US Federal Reserve and is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority ("PRA") (Firm Reference Number: 122467).

The Bank of New York Mellon is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and its LEI HPFHU0OQ28E4N0NFVK49.

#### JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A,

JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. is the principal bank subsidiary of JPMorgan Chase & Co, which is a leading global financial services firm and one of the largest banking institutions in the United States of America. JPMorgan Chase & Co. was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware on 28 October 1968. JPMorgan Chase & Co. is listed on the New York Stock Exchange

JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A.'s registered address and corporate headquarters is located at 1111 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, OH 43240 and its LEI is 7H6GLXDRUGQFU57RNE97.

#### Deutsche Bank AG

Deutsche Bank AG is the parent company of Deutsche Bank Group and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas. Deutsche Bank AG was established under the laws of Germany on 22 January 1870 and was granted its banking license on 10 March 1870. It is registered in the Commercial Register of the District Court Frankfurt am Main under registration number HRB 30000. Deutsche Bank AG is multinational investment bank and financial services company and is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Deutsche Bank AG's registered and head office is located at Taunusanlage 12 Frankfurt an Main, 60325, Germany and its LEI is 7LTWFZYICNSX8D621K86.

#### Citibank, N.A.

Citibank, N.A. is the consumer division of the financial services multinational Citigroup Inc. It provides consumers, corporations, governments and institutions with financial products and services, including consumer banking and credit, corporate and investment banking, securities trading and transaction services. It was incorporated under the name of City Bank of New York on 16 June 1812 under the laws of South Dakota. Citigroup Inc. is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Citibank. N.A, is headquartered at 388 Greenwich St. New York, NY 10013 and its LEI is E570DZWZ7FF32TWEFA76.

The Issuer may from time to time issue other ETP Securities which track equity securities other than those described above, in which case the Issuer shall prepare an updated Base Prospectus, or where permitted under the UK Prospectus Regulation, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus, as further described in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Supplements".

#### (ii) **Debt Securities**

The Issuer may issue a Series of ETP Securities designating any of the debt securities, listed in the table below as the Reference Assets:

Name of Reference Asset	Exchange	Issuer of Debt Security and Country of Incorporation	Ticker	ISIN	General Description of Reference Asset
iPath® Series B S&P 500® VIX Short Term Futures™	New York Stock Exchange <u>https://www.nyse.com/qu</u> <u>ote/BATS:VXX</u>	Barclays Bank plc, United Kingdom	VXX	US06747R4772	The iPath <sup>®</sup> Series B S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> VIX Short-Term Futures <sup>™</sup> ETNs are designed to provide exposure to the S&P 500 <sup>®</sup> VIX Short-Term Futures <sup>™</sup> Index Total Return. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://ipathetn.barclays/details.app;instrumentId=34</u> <u>1408</u>
Leverage Shares 2x Long Berkshire Hathaway ETP Securities	London Stock Exchange https://www.londonstocke xchange.com/stock/2BRK	Leverage Shares plc, Ireland	2BRK	XS2399369110	The Leverage Shares 2x Long Berkshire Hathaway ETP Securities seeks to track the 2x daily return of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (Class B) stock, adjusted to

	<u>/leverage-</u> shares/company-page				reflect the fees and costs of maintaining a leveraged position in the stock. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://leverageshares.com/en/etps/leverage-shares-</u> <u>2x-long-berkshire-hathaway-etp/</u>
Leverage Shares -3x Short US 500 ETP Securities	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstocke</u> <u>xchange.com/stock/SPYS</u> <u>/leverage-</u> <u>shares/company-page</u>	Leverage Shares plc, Ireland	SSPY	XS2399364665	The Leverage Shares -3x Short US 500 ETP Securities seeks to track the -3x Short US 500 Investment Strategy which is designed to provide -3x the daily return of SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust stock, adjusted to reflect the fees and inherent costs and revenues of shorting. It holds the short positions in the underlying SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust stock and resulting cash balances. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://leverageshares.com/en/etps/leverage-shares- 3x-short-us-500-etp/</u>
WisdomTree Physical Swiss Gold ETC	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstocke</u> <u>xchange.com/stock/SGB</u> <u>S/wisdomtree/company-</u> page	WisdomTree Metal Securities Limited	SGBS	IE00BK5BQZ43	The WisdomTree Physical Swiss Gold ETC is designed to offer security holders a simple, cost- efficient and secure way to access physical gold by providing a return equivalent to the movements in the physical gold spot price less the applicable management fee. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at:

		https://www.wisdomtree.eu/en-ie/products/ucits- etfs-unleveraged-etps/commodities/wisdomtree- physical-swiss-gold

## (iii) Fixed Income Securities

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, there are no fixed income securities which may be designated as Reference Assets. However, the Issuer may prepare an updated Base Prospectus, or where permitted under the UK Prospectus Regulation, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus, as further described in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Supplements", with details of fixed income securities that may be designated as Reference Assets.

# (iv) Exchange Traded Funds

The Issuer may issue a Series of ETP Securities designating any of the exchange traded funds, listed below as Reference Assets:

Name of Reference Asset	Exchange	Country of Incorporation/Legal Jurisdiction	Ticker	ISIN	General Description of Reference Asset
SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:SPY	Unit investment trust organised under the laws of the State of New York	SPY	US78462F1030	The SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust tracks the S&P 500 Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.ssga.com/us/en/institutional/etfs/funds/s</u> <u>pdr-sp-500-etf-trust-spy</u>
Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:QQQ	Unit investment trust organised under the laws of the State of New York	QQQ	US46090E1038	The Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1 tracks the Nasdaq 100 Index. Further information on the Reference Asset is set out below and can also be found at <u>https://www.invesco.com/us/financial-</u> <u>products/etfs/product-detail?productId=qqq</u>

SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF Trust	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:DIA	Unit investment trust organised under the laws of the State of New York	DIA	US78467X1090	The SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF Trust tracks the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.ssga.com/us/en/individual/etfs/funds/spd</u> <u>r-dow-jones-industrial-average-etf-trust-dia</u>
iShares Russell 2000 ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:IWM	iShares Russell 2000 ETF is a fund of the iShares Trust. The iShares Trust is organised as a Delaware statutory trust.	IWM	US4642876555	The iShares Russell 2000 ETF tracks the Russell 2000 Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239710/ishares_russell-2000-etf</u>
ProShares Short Dow30	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:DOG	ProShares Short Dow30 is a fund of the ProShares Trust. The ProShares Trust is a Delaware statutory trust.	DOG	US74347B2354	The ProShares Short Dow30 seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, that correspond to the inverse (-1x) of the daily performance of the Dow Jones Industrial Average Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.proshares.com/funds/dog.html</u>
ProShares Short S&P 500	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:SH	ProShares Short S&P 500 is a fund of the ProShares Trust. The ProShares Trust is a Delaware statutory trust.	SH	US74347B4251	The ProShares Short S&P 500 seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, that correspond to the inverse (-1x) of the daily performance of the S&P 500. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at

					https://www.proshares.com/funds/sh.html
ProShares Short Russell2000	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:RWM	ProShares Short Russell2000 is a fund of the ProShares Trust.The ProShares Trust is a Delaware statutory trust.	RWM	US74348A2107	The ProShares Short Russell2000 seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, that correspond to the inverse (-1x) of the daily performance of the Russell 2000 Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.proshares.com/funds/rwm.html</u>
Vanguard Total World Stock Index Fund ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:VT	Delaware Statutory Trust	VT	US9220427424	The Vanguard Total World Stock Index Fund ETF tracks the performance of the FTSE Global All Cap Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://investor.vanguard.com/etf/profile/VT</u>
VanEck Semiconductor ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:SMH	Delaware Statutory Trust	SMH	US92189F6768	The VanEck Semiconductor ETF seeks to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the price and yield performance of the MVIS® US Listed Semiconductor 25 Index, which is intended to track the overall performance of companies involved in semiconductor production and equipment. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://www.vaneck.com/us/en/investments/semicon ductor-etf- smh/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIIavZrZ278wIV5mxvBB3Xj</u> Q4dEAAYAiAAEgJ8aPD_BwE

ARK Genomic Revolution ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ BATS:ARKG	Delaware Trust	Statutory	ARKG	US00214Q3020	ARK Genomic Revolution ETF is an actively managed ETF that seeks long-term growth of capital by investing under normal circumstances primarily (at least 80% of its assets) in domestic and foreign equity securities of companies across multiple sectors, including health care, information technology, materials, energy and consumer discretionary, that are relevant to the fund's investment theme of the genomics revolution. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at <u>https://ark-funds.com/funds/arkg/</u>
ARK Next Generation Internet ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:ARKW	Delaware Trust	Statutory	ARKW	US00214Q4010	ARK Next Generation Internet ETF is an actively managed ETF that seeks long-term growth of capital by investing under normal circumstances primarily (at least 80% of its assets) in domestic and U.S. exchange traded foreign equity securities of companies that are relevant to the fund's investment theme of next generation internet. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://ark-funds.com/funds/arkw/</u>
ARK Innovation ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:ARKK	Delaware Trust	Statutory	ARKK	US00214Q1040	ARK Innovation ETF is an actively managed ETF that seeks long-term growth of capital. It seeks to achieve this investment objective by investing under normal circumstances primarily (at least 65% of its assets) in domestic and foreign equity securities of companies that are relevant to the fund's investment theme of disruptive innovation. ARK defines "disruptive innovation" as the introduction of a technologically

					enabled new product or service that potentially changes the way the world works Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://ark-funds.com/funds/arkk/</u>
Berkshire Hathaway Inc.	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNYS:BRK.B	Delaware Corporation	BERK.B	US0846707026	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. engages in the provision of property and casualty insurance and reinsurance, utilities and energy, freight rail transportation, finance, manufacturing, and retailing services.Further information on the Reference Asset can be foundhttps://www.berkshirehathaway.com/
U.S. Global Jets ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:JETS	Delaware Statutory Trust	JETS	US26922A8421	The U.S. Global Jets ETF provides the U.S. Global Jets Index which uses smart beta 2.0 strategy to track the global airline industry, including commercial airlines, aircraft manufacturers, airport operators and internet media and services related to airlines. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.usglobaletfs.com/fund/u-s-global-jets-etf/</u>
Financial Select Sector SPDR Fund	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:XLF	Delaware Statutory Trust	XLF	US81369Y6059	The Financial Select Sector SPDR® Fund seeks to provide investment results that, before expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of the Financial Select Sector Index.

						Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: https://www.sectorspdr.com/sectorspdr/sector/xlf
VanEck Gold Miners ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:GDX	Delaware Trust	Statutory	GDX	US92189F1066	The VanEck Gold Miners ETF seeks to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the price and yield performance of the NYSE Arca Gold Miners Index, which is intended to track the overall performance of companies involved in the gold mining industry. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.vaneck.com/us/en/investments/gold- miners-etf-gdx/documents/</u>
KraneShares CSI China Internet ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:KWEB	Delaware Trust	Statutory	KWEB	US5007673065	The KraneShares CSI China Internet ETF tracks the CSI Overseas China Internet Index, a free float market capitalization weighted index consisting of China based companies whose primary business or businesses are focused on internet and internet- related technology. These companies are publicly traded on either the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, NASDAQ Stock Market, or New York Stock Exchange Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://kraneshares.com/kweb/</u>
iShares Biotechnology ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:IBB	Delaware Trust	Statutory	IBB	US4642875565	The iShares Biotechnology ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. listed equities in the biotechnology sector.

					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239699/ishares</u> -nasdaq-biotechnology-etf
Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund		Delaware Statutory Trust	XLE	US81369Y5069	The Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund seeks to provide investment results that, before expenses, correspond generally to the price and yield performance of the Energy Select Sector Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ssga.com/us/en/intermediary/etfs/funds/t</u> <u>he-energy-select-sector-spdr-fund-xle</u>
iShares Global Clean Energy ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:ICLN	Delaware Statutory Trust	ICLN	US4642882249	The iShares Global Clean Energy ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of global equities in the clean energy sector. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239738/ishares</u> -global-clean-energy-etf
SPDR Gold Trust	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:GLD	Unit investment trust organised under the laws of the State of New York	GLD	US78463V1070	The SPDR Gold Trust offers investors a means of participating in the gold bullion market without the necessity of taking physical delivery of gold, and to buy and sell that interest through the trading of a security on a regulated stock exchange. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.spdrgoldshares.com/</u>

United States Oil Fund LP	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:USO	Limited partnership organised under the laws of the State of Delaware	USO	US91232N2071	The United States Oil Fund LP's investment objectiveis to track a benchmark of short-term oil futurescontracts.Further information on the Reference Asset can befound at:https://www.uscfinvestments.com/uso
United States Brent Oil Fund LP	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:BNO	Limited partnership organised under the laws of Delaware	BNO	US91167Q1004	The United States Brent Oil Fund LP tracks the Brent oil spot price using near-month ICE futures contracts. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.uscfinvestments.com/bno</u>
WisdomTree Brent Crude Oil	Borse Frankfurt https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/en/etf/wisdomtree -brent-crude-oil-1	Public company incorporated in Jersey	OOEA	JE00B78CGV99	WisdomTree Brent Crude Oil is a fully collateralised, UCITS eligible exchange-traded commodity designed to provide investors with a total return exposure to Brent Crude Oil futures contracts.         Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.wisdomtree.eu/fi-fi/products/ucits-etfs- unleveraged-etps/commodities/wisdomtree-brent- crude-oil</u>
WisdomTree WTI Crude Oil	Borse Frankfurt https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/en/etf/wisdomtree -wti-crude-oil-1	Public company incorporated in Jersey	OD7F	GB00B15KXV33	WisdomTree WTI Crude Oil is a fully collateralised, UCITS eligible exchange-traded commodity designed to provide investors with a total return exposure to WTI Crude Oil futures contracts.Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at:

					https://www.wisdomtree.eu/da-dk/products/ucits- etfs-unleveraged-etps/commodities/wisdomtree-wti- crude-oil
United States Natural Gas Fund	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:UNG	Limited partnership organised under the laws of the State of Delaware	UNG	US9123183009	The United States Natural Gas Fund LP ("UNG") is an exchange traded security that is designed to track in percentrage terms the movements of natural gas prices.
					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.uscfinvestments.com/ung</u>
WisdomTree Natural Gas	Borse Frankfurt https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/en/etf/wisdomtree -natural-gas-1	Public company incorporated in Jerey	OD7L	GB00B15KY104	Wisdom Tree Natural Gas is a fully collateralised, UCTIS eligible exchange traded commodity designed to provide investors with a total return exposure to natural gas futures contracts. Further information on the Reference Asset can be
					found at: <u>https://www.wisdomtree.eu/fr-lu/products/ucits-etfs-unleveraged-etps/commodities/wisdomtree-natural-gas</u>
United States Copper Index Fund	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:CPER	Delaware Statutory Trust	CPER	US9117181043	United States Copper Index Fund ("CPER") is an exchange traded security. Its investment objective is for the daily changes in percentage terms of its shares' per share net asset value to reflect the daily changes in percentage terms of the SummerHaven Copper Index Total Return, less CPER's expenses.
					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.uscfinvestments.com/cper</u>

WisdomTree Copper	Borse Frankfurt https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/en/etf/wisdomtree -copper-1	Public company incorporated in Jersey	OD7C	GB00B15KXQ89	Wisdom Tree Copper is a fully collateralised, UCTIS eligible exchange traded commodity designed to provide investors with a total return exposure to copper futures contracts.Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at:  https://www.wisdomtree.eu/fr-lu/products/ucits-etfs- unleveraged-etps/commodities/wisdomtree-copper
iShares Silver Trust	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:SLV	Unit trust organised under the laws of the State of New York	SLV	US46428Q1094	iShares Silver Trust seeks to reflect generally the performance of the price of silver. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239855/ishare</u> <u>s-silver-trust-fund</u>
iShares MSCI South Korea ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:EWY	Delaware Statutory Trust	EWY	US4642867729	The iShares MSCI South Korea ETD seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of South Korean equities, as represented by the MSCI Korea 25/50 Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239681/ishare</u> <u>s-msci-south-korea-capped-etf</u>
iShares MSCI China ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:MCHI	Delaware Statutory Trust	МСНІ	US46429B6719	The iShares MCSI China ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of Chinese stocks that are available to international investors. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at:

					https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239619/ishare s-msci-china-etf
iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:EWT	Delaware Statutory Trust	EWT	US46434G7723	The iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of Taiwanese equities.
					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239686/ishare</u> <u>s-msci-taiwan-etf</u>
iShares MSCI Japan ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:EWJ	Delaware Statutory Trust	EWJ	US46434G8226	The iShares MSCI Japan ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of Japanese equities. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239665/ishares-s-msci-japan-etf
iShares Core DAX UCITS ETF (DE)	Frankfurt Stock Exchange https://www.boerse- frankfurt.de/en/etf/ishares- core-dax-ucits-etf-de-eur-acc	Exchange traded fund organised under the laws of Germany.	EXS1	DE0005933931	The iShares Core DAX UCITS ETF (DE) seeks to track the performance of an index composed of the 40 largest and most traded German companies listed on the Prime Segment of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> 51464/ishares-dax-ucits-etf-de- fund?switchLocale=y&siteEntryPassthrough=true

Wahed FTSE USA Shariah ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:HLAL	Delaware Statutory Trust	HLAL	US53656F6079	The Wahed FTSE USA Shariah ETF seeks to track the total return performance, before fees and expenses, of the FTSE USA Shariah Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.wahed.com/hlal</u>
Wahed Dow Jones Islamic World ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:UMMA	Delaware Statutory Trust	UMMA	US53656F2680	Though actively managed, the Wahed Dow Jones Islamic World ETF largely tracks the Dow Jones Islamic Market International Titans 100 Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.wahed.com/umma</u>
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:TLT	Delaware Statutory Trust	TLT	US4642874329	The iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of the ICE US Treasury 20+ Year Index, an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities greater than twenty years. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239454/ishare</u> <u>s-20-year-treasury-bond-etf</u>
iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ XNMS:IEF	Delaware Statutory Trust	IEF	US4642874402	The iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of the ICE US Treasury 7-10 Year Index, an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities between seven and ten years.

					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239456/ishare</u> <u>s-710-year-treasury-bond-etf</u>
iShares TIPS Bond ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:TIP	Delaware Statutory Trust	TIP	US4642871762	The iShares TIPS Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of inflation-protected US Treasury Bonds. Further information on the Reference Asset can be
					found at: https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239467/ishare s-tips-bond-etf
iShares MSCI India ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/site- search?g=INDA&page=1	Delaware Statutory Trust	INDA	US46429B5984	The iShares MSCI India ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of Indian equities.
	<u></u>				Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239659/ishare</u> <u>s-msci-india-etf</u>
ProShares VIX Short-Term Futures ETF	NYSE https://www.nyse.com/quote/ BATS:VIXY	Delaware Statutory Trust	VIXY	US74347Y8545	The ProShares VIX Short-Term Futures ETF seeks investment results, before fees and expenses, that track the performance of the S&P 500 VIX Short- Term Futures Index.
					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.proshares.com/our-</u> <u>etfs/strategic/vixy?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIr5_GjLDA_</u> <u>QIVDRbUAR126wkdEAAYASAAEgIZD_D_BwE</u>

iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3yr UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IBTA/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	IBTA	IE00BYXPSP02	The iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3yr UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of US Dollar denominated government bonds issued by the US Treasury. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>87340/ishares-treasury-bond-1-3yr-ucits-etf</u>
Vanguard USD Corporate 1-3 Year Bond UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/VDCA/vanguard/company-page</u>	Ireland	VDCA	IE00BGYWSV06	The Vanguard USD Corporate 1-3 Year Bond UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of the Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate USD 1-3 index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.vanguardinvestor.co.uk/investments/vanguard-usd-corporate-1-3-year-bond-ucits-etf-usd-distributing/overview</u>
iShares \$ High Yield Corp Bond UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">https://www.londonstockexch</a> <a href="https://ange.com/stock/IHYA/ishares/company-page">ange.com/stock/IHYA/ishares/company-page</a>	Ireland	IHYA	IE00BYXYYL56	The iShares \$ High Yield Corp Bond UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of US Dollar denominated high yield corporate bonds. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>51833/ishares-high-yield-corporate-bond-ucits-etf</u>

iShares US Aggregate Bond UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IUAA/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	IUAA	IE00BYXYYM63	The iShares US Aggregate Bond UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of US Dollar denominated high yield corporate bonds. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>51750/ishares-us-aggregate-bond-ucits-etf</u>
iShares \$ TIPS UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/ITPS/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	IDTP	IE00B1FZSC47	The iShares \$ TIPS UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of US Dollar denominated investment grade government, government-related, corporate and securitised bonds. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> 51714/ishares-tips-ucits-etf
iShares \$ Corp Bond UTIS ETF	London Stock Exchange <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">https://www.londonstockexch</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">ange.com/stock/LQDA/ishare</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">s/com/stock/LQDA/ishare</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">s/com/stockexch</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">ange.com/stockexch</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">ange.com/stock/LQDA/ishare</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">s/com/stock/LQDA/ishare</a>	Ireland	LQDA	IE00BYXYYJ35	The iShares \$ Corp Bond UTIS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of US Dollar denominated investment grade corporate bonds. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>51832/ishares-corporate-bond-ucits-etf</u>
Vanguard USD Emerging Markets	London Stock Exchange	Ireland	VDEA	IE00BGYWCB81	The Vanguard USD Emerging Markets Government Bond UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of

Government Bond UCITS ETF	https://www.londonstockexch ange.com/stock/VDTY/vangu ard/company-page				the Bloomberg EM USD Sovereign + Quasi-Sov Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.vanguard.co.uk/professional/product/etf</u> /bond/9664/usd-emerging-markets-government- bond-ucits-etf-usd-distributing
iShares Core S&P 500 UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">https://www.londonstockexch</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">ange.com/market-</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">stock/0A3D/ishares-core-s-p-</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">stock/0A3D/ishares-core-s-p-</a> <a href="https://www.londonstockexch">500-ucits-etf-usd/overview</a>	Ireland	CSPX	IE00B5BMR087	The iShares Core S&P 500 UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of 500 large cap U.S. companies. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>53743/ishares-sp-500-b-ucits-etf-acc-fund</u>
iShares MSCI USA UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/CSUS/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	CSUS	IE00B52SFT06	The iShares MSCI USA UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of companies from the U.S. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>53740/ishares-msci-usa-b-ucits-etf</u>
iShares MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/CUSS/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	CUSS	IE00B3VWM098	The iShares MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF aims to achieve a return on your investment which reflects the return of the MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Enhanced Focus CTB Index.

					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> 53480/ishares-msci-usa-small-cap-ucits-etf
iShares Core MSCI Japan IMI UCITS EF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IJPA/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	IJPA	IE00B4L5YX21	The iShares Core MSCI Japan IMI UCITS EF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of Japanese large, mid and small cap companies. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>51867/?referrer=tickerSearch</u>
iShares S&P 500 Health Care Sector UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IUHC/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	IUHC	IE00B43HR379	The iShares S&P 500 Health Care Sector UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of U.S. health sector companies as defined by the Global Industry Classification Standard. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> 80507/ishares-sp-500-health-care-sector-ucits-etf
iShares S&P 500 Information Technology Sector UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IUIT/ishares/company-page</u>	Ireland	IUIT	IE00B3WJKG14	The iShares S&P 500 Information Technology Sector UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of an index composed of U.S. information technology sector companies as defined by the Global Industry Classification Standard.

					Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/uk/individual/en/products/2</u> <u>80510/ishares-sp-500-information-technology-</u> <u>sector-ucits-etf</u>
Vanguard FTSE Developed Asia Pacific ex Japan UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/VAPU/vanguard/company-page</u>	Ireland	VAPU	IE00BK5BQZ41	The Vanguard FTSE Developed Asia Pacific ex Japan UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of the FTSE Developed Asia Pacific ex Japan Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.vanguardinvestor.co.uk/investments/vanguard-ftse-developed-asia-pacific-ex-japan-ucits- etf-usd-distributing</u>
Vanguard FTSE Developed Europe ex UK UCITS ETF	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/VERE/vanguard/company-page</u>	Ireland	VERE	IE00BK5BQY34	The Vanguard FTSE Developed Europe ex UK UCITS ETF seeks to track the performance of the Index, a widely recognised market- capitalization weighted index of stock market performance of European developed countries, excluding the United Kingdom, that is comprised of the stocks of large and mid capitalisation companies in that region. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/etf/snapshot/snap</u> <u>shot.aspx?id=0P0001I3S9</u>
Proshares Ultra Bloomberg Natural Gas	New York Stock Exchange https://www.nyse.com/quote/ ARCX:BOIL	Delaware Statutory Trust	BOIL	US74347Y7638	ProShares Ultra Bloomberg Natural Gas seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, that correspond to two times (2x) the daily performance of the Bloomberg Natural Gas Subindex.

Proshares Ultra Bloomberg Crude Oil	New York Stock Exchange <u>https://www.nyse.com/quote/</u> <u>ARCX:UCO</u>	Delaware Statutory Trust	UCO	US74347Y8883	ProShares Ultra Bloomberg Crude Oil seeks daily investment results, before fees and expenses, that correspond to two times (2x) the daily performance of the Bloomberg Commodity Balanced WTI Crude Oil Index. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.proshares.com/our-etfs/leveraged-and- inverse/uco</u>
iShares MSCI USA Min Vol Factor ETF	New York Stock Exchange <u>https://www.nyse.com/quote/</u> <u>BATS:USMV</u>	Delaware Statutory Trust	USMV	US46429B6974	The iShares MSCI USA Min Vol Factor ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. equities that, in the aggregate, have lower volatility characteristics relative to the broader U.S. equity market. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/239695/ishare</u> <u>s-msci-usa-minimum-volatility-etf</u>
Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF	New York Stock Exchange <a href="https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:SPLV">https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:SPLV</a>	Massachusetts business trust	SPLV	US46138E3541	The Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF is based on the S&P 500 Low Volatility Index which is compiled, maintained and calculated by Standard & Poor's and consists of the 100 securities from the S&P 500 Index with the lowest realized volatility over the past 12 months. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.invesco.com/us/financial- products/etfs/product- detail?audienceType=Investor&amp;ticker=SPLV</u>

iShares MSCI USA Quality Factor ETF	New York Stock Exchange <u>https://www.nyse.com/quote/BATS:QUAL</u>	Delaware Statutory Trust	QUAL	US46432F3394	The iShares MSCI USA Quality Factor ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. large- and mid-capitalization stocks with quality characteristics as identified through certain fundamental metrics. Further information on the Reference Asset can be found at: <u>https://www.ishares.com/us/products/256101/isha</u> <u>res-msci-usa-quality-factor-etf</u>

# (v) Futures Contracts

A futures contract is a standardised contract traded on, or subject to the rules of, an exchange that calls for the future delivery of a specified quantity and type of a particular underlying asset at a specified time and place or alternatively may call for cash settlement. Futures contracts are traded on a wide variety of underlying assets, including bonds, interest rates, agricultural products, stock indexes, currencies, energy, metals, economic indicators and statistical measures. The notional size and calendar term of futures contracts on a particular underlying asset are identical and are not subject to any negotiation, other than with respect to price and the number of contracts traded between the buyer and seller.

Certain futures contracts settle in cash, reflecting the difference between the contract purchase/sale price and the contract settlement price. The cash settlement mechanism avoids the potential for either side to have to deliver the underlying asset. For other futures contracts, the contractual obligations of a buyer or seller may generally be satisfied by taking or making physical delivery of the underlying asset or by making an offsetting sale or purchase of an identical futures contract on the same or linked exchange before the designated date of delivery. The difference between the price at which the futures contract is purchased or sold and the price paid for the offsetting sale or purchase, after allowance for brokerage commissions, constitutes the profit or loss to the trader.

## Margin Requirements

"Initial" or "original" margin is the minimum amount of funds that parties to a futures contract must deposit with his commodity broker in order to establish an open position. Maintenance margin is the amount (generally less than initial margin) to which a party's account may decline before he must deliver additional margin so as to maintain open positions. A margin deposit is like a cash performance bond. It helps assure the party's performance of the futures contracts it purchases or sells.

The margin payments to be made on behalf of the Issuer in respect of the futures contracts will be managed by the Margin Loan Provider and such margin payments will be paid from the balance of the Margin Account. The Portfolio Administrator will monitor the balance of the Margin Account to ensure that it is sufficient to satisfy any margin payments that are required from time to time.

# Rolling Forward of Futures Contracts

The vast majority of futures trades made by speculators are offset before the final expiration of the futures contracts. Alternatively, some traders might allow their positions to expire. A small group of investors, however, mainly institutions such as pension funds, endowments and money managers, might wish to extend their positions beyond the contract expiration. The strategy that allows them to extend a futures contract from one expiration to the next is referred to as rolling the futures contract (or rolling forward). A roll forward involves two elements, firstly offsetting the current position and secondly establishing a new position in the next contract period. One transaction that effects this strategy is called a calendar spread which guarantees that the two elements will be filled at the same time or not at all. This eliminates the possibility that the market moves in the interim between the elements. The Portfolio Administrator will be responsible for managing the rolling forward of futures contracts by the Issuer.

All futures contracts to be acquired by the Issuer will be listed on any of the exchanges listed below:

- Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME Inc.")
- Intercontinental Exchange Inc. ("ICE")

# (the "Futures Exchanges").

# Clearing of Futures Contracts

Futures contracts listed on CME Inc. are centrally cleared whereby the Issuer's counterparty exposure will be to the clearing house of the CME Group the parent company of CME Inc.

Futures contracts listed on ICE are centrally cleared whereby the Issuer's counterparty exposure will be to the clearing house of ICE.

As the futures contracts to be acquired by the Issuer are not listed on a regulated exchange or an equivalent third country market for the purposes of the UK Prospectus Regulation and furthermore since the Issuer's counterparty exposure with respect to the futures contracts will be to either CME Group or ICE, the Issuer has provided extensive disclosure below on CME Group and ICE in accordance with the requirements of the UK Prospectus Regulation.

## CME Group Inc.

CME Group provides clearing services to customers around the globe through it's clearing house, CME Clearing. CME Clearing is an intermediary between buyers and sellers in the derivatives market and provides clearing services to four Commodities Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") registered designated contract markets, including CME Inc. and New York Mercantile Exvhange ("NYMEX"). By acting as counterparty for every trade, CME Clearing mitigates counterparty risk by maintaining a matched book and risk-neutral position.

CME Group is listed on Nasdaq at https://www.nasdaq.com/market-activity/stocks/cme

CME Group was incorporated on November 13<sup>th</sup> 1898 under the laws of the state of Illinois, United States of America, as a not-for-profit corporation. It established CME Clearing in 1919, which is operated as part of CME Group. In 2022 CME Group, completed an initial public offering of its Class A common stock (Nasdaq: CME). CME Group subsequently acquired CBOT Holdings, Inc. in 2007, NYMEX in 2008, the Kansas City Board of Trade in 2012 and NEX Group plc in 2018. The combination with NEX expanded CME Group's global customer base and product offerings through the complementary combination of CME Group's exchange-traded derivative products and NEX's cash and OTC products. It also created a leading, client-centric, global markets company, generating capital efficiencies across futures, cash and OTC products for market participants seeking to lower their cost of trading and better manage risk.

The complete list of the CME Group subsidiaries are set out on pages 93-94 of the CME Annual Reports (as defined below).

CME Group is incorporated in Delaware. It's principal executive offices are located at 20 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606 and it's telephone number is +1312-930-1000. CME Group's LEI number is LCZ7XYGSLJUHFXXNXD88.

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, CME Group has a long term issuer rating of Aa3 and a short term issuer rating of P-1 from Moody's.

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, the Directors of CME Group are:

Terrence A. Duffy (Chairman and CEO) Timothy S. Bitsberger Elizabeth A. Cook Bryan T. Durkin Martin J. Gapsman Daniel R. Glickman Daniel G. Kave Deborah J. Lucas Patrick J. Mulchrone Rahael Seifu Willian R. Shepard Robert J. Tierney Jr. Charlies P. Carey Michael G. Dennis Larry G. Gerdes William W. Hobert Phyllis M. Lockett Patrick W. Maloney Terry L. Savage Howard J. Siegel

Dennis A. Suskind Kathryn Benesh Harold Ford Jr.

CME Group's management team consists of the following:

Terrence A. Duffy – Chairman and CEO Lynne Fitzpatrick – Chief Financial Officer Jonathan Marcus – Senior Managing Director and General Counsel Hilda Harris Piell - Chief Human Resources Officer Derek Sammann – Senior Managing Director, Global Head of Commodities, Options and International Markets Julie Winkler – Chief Commercial Officer Sunil Cutinho – Chief Information Officer Julie Holzrichter – Chief Operating Officer Tim McCourt – Senior Managing Director, Global Head of Financial and OTC Products John W. Pietrowicz – Special Advisor Suzanne Sprague – Senior Managing Director & Global Head of Clearing and Post- Trade Services Kendal Vroman – Chief Transformation Officer

As far as the Issuer is able to ascertain from information published by CME Group, there are no conflicts of interest between members of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies of CME Group and the private interests of such members.

CME Group's auditors are Ernst & Young LLP.

CME Group's latest annual reports for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 are available on CME Group's website at the link below and are incorporated into and form part of this Base Prospectus:

## https://investor.cmegroup.com/static-files/23927416-aa79-45ec-812d-5dda37ed64df

#### (the "CME Annual Reports").

Any documents referred to or incorporated by reference into the CME Annual Reports shall not form part of this Base Prospectus. Any non-incorporated parts of a document referred to therein are either deemed not relevant for an investor or are otherwise covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus.

As far as the Issuer is aware or able to ascertain from information published by CME Group (a) there has been no material adverse change in the prospects of CME Group or its subsidiaries since December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022, the date of its last published audited financial statements; and (b) there has been no significant change in the financial position or financial performance of CME Group or its subsidiaries since December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022, the date of its last published financial statements to the date of his Base Prospectus.

As far as the Issuer is aware or able to ascertain from information published by CME Group, CME Group and its subsidiaries are not nor have they been involved in any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuer is aware) during the 12 months prior to the date of this Base Prospectus, which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on its financial position or profitability.

CME Group's website is https://www.cmegroup.com/. CME Group's website does not form part of this Base Prospectus.

# Intercontinental Exchange Inc.

In 2000, ICE was founded with the idea of transforming energy markets by creating a network that removed barriers and provided greater transparency, efficiency and access. Today, ICE is a Fortune 500 company, providing its customers with an array of marketplace infrastructure, data service and technology solutions that span a diverse set of asset classes. ICE is listed on the New York Stock Exchange at <a href="https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:ICE">https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:ICE</a>

ICE operates regulated marketplaces for the listing, trading and clearing of a broad array of derivatives contracts and financial securities, such as commodities, interest rates, foreign exchange and equities as well as corporate and exchange-traded funds, or ETFs. ISE operates multiple trading venues, including 12

regulated exchanges and six clearing houses, which are strategically positioned in major market centers around the world, including the U.S., U.K., European Union, or EU, Canada and Singapore. ICE exchanges segment includes the New York Stock Exchange and other registered securities exchanges, or collectively, the NYSE, global futures network, trading and listings revenue, and various data and connectivity services that are directly related to those exchange platforms.

ICE operates six clearing houses, each of which acts as a central counterparty that, for its clearing members becomes the buyer to every seller and the seller to every buyer. Through this central counterparty function, ICE's clearing houses provide financial security for each transaction, for the duration of the position, by limiting counterparty risk. ICE's clearing houses are responsible for providing clearing services to each of its futures exchanges.

ICE was incorporated as a corporation organised under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of American on 16 June 2000. It's principal executive offices are located at 5660 New Northside Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30328 and its telephone number is +1770 857 4700. ICE's LEI number is 5493000F4ZO33MV32P92.

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, ICE has a long term credit rating of A3 on senior unsecured debt and a short term rating of P-2 on commercial paper from Moody's.

As at the date of this Base Prospectus, the directors of ICE are:

Jeffrey Sprecher (Chairman and CEO) **Benjamin Jackson** Warren Gardiner Lynn Martin Trabue Bland Timothy J.Bowler **Christopher Edmonds Douglas Foley** Amanda Hindlian Jennifer Ilkiw Stanislav Ivanov Mayur Kapani Elizabeth King **Brookly McLaughlin** Kevin McClear **Christopher Rhodes** Joanne Rowe Hester Serafini Octavia Spencer Andrew Surdykowski David Underwood Stuart Williams

The list of executive officers of ICE, along with a description of their positions within ICE is set out on pages 147-148 of the annual report for the year ended December 31,2022.

As far as the Issuer is able to ascertain from information published by ICE, there are no conflicts of interest between members of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies of ICE and the private interests of such members.

ICE's auditors are Ernst & Young LLP.

Copies of ICE's latest annual reports for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 are available on ICE's website at the links below and are incorporated by reference into and form part of this Base Prospectus:

https://s2.q4cdn.com/154085107/files/doc\_financials/2021/ar/250217\_009\_Web\_BMK-(1).pdf

https://s2.q4cdn.com/154085107/files/doc\_financials/2022/ar/450739\_013\_Web\_CLEAN-in-Color.pdf

(the "ICE Annual Reports").

Any documents referred or incorporated by reference into the ICE Annual Reports shall not form part of this Base Prospectus. Any non-incorporated parts of the ICE Annual Reports are either deemed not relevant for an investor or are otherwise covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus.

As far as the Issuer is aware or able to ascertain from information published by ICE (a) there has been no material adverse change in the prospects of ICE or its subsidiaries since December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022, the date of its last published audited financial statements; and (b) there has been no significant change in the financial position or financial performance of ICE or its subsidiaries since December 31<sup>st</sup> 2022, the date of its last published financial statements to the date of his Base Prospectus.

As far as the Issuer is aware or able to ascertain from information published by ICE, ICE and its subsidiaries are not nor have they been involved in any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuer is aware) during the 12 months prior to the date of this Base Prospectus, which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on its financial position or profitability.

ICE's website is https://www.theice.com/index. The ICE website does not form part of this Base Prospectus.

# (vi) Mutual Funds

The Issuer may issue a Series of ETP Securities designating any of the mutual funds listed below as Reference Assets:

Name of Reference Asset	Country of Incorporation /Legal Jurisdiction	Registered Office	Ticker	ISIN	Exchange	General Description of the Reference Asset
Blackrock Smaller Companies Trust plc	United Kingdom	Exchange Place 1, 1 Semple Street, Edinburgh EH3 8BL	BRSC	GB0006436108	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londo</u> <u>nstockexchange.c</u> <u>om/stock/BRSC/bl</u> <u>ackrock-smaller-</u> <u>co-trust-</u> <u>plc/company-page</u>	The BlackRock Smaller Companies Trust plc is an investment trust that aims to achieve long-term capital growth for shareholders through investment mainly in smaller UK quoted companies. The company is managed by BlackRock Fund Managers Limited. The latest corporate and performance data can be found on the BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited website at: www.blackrock.com/uk/brsc.
Smithson Investment Trust plc	United Kingdom	6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, 125 London Wall, London, EC2Y 5AS	SSON	GB00BGJWTR88	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londo</u> <u>nstockexchange.c</u> <u>om/stock/SSON/s</u> <u>mithson-</u> <u>investment-trust-</u> <u>plc/company-page</u>	The Smithson Investment Trust is an investment trust whose investment policy is to invest in shares issued by small and mid-sized listed or traded companies globally with a market capitalisation (at the time of initial investment) of between £500 million to £15billion. The Company's approach is to be a long-term investor in its chosen stocks. It will not adopt short-term trading strategies. Accordingly, it will pursue its investment policy by investing in approximately 25 to 40 companies. It is managed by Fundsmith LLP. The latest corporate and performance data can be found at: www.smithson.co.uk
Finsbury Growth and Income Trust plc	United Kingdom	52 Lothian Road, Festival Square, Edinburgh EH3 9WJ	FGT	GB0007816068	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.lond</u> <u>onstockexchang</u> <u>e.com/stock/FG</u> <u>T/finsbury-</u> <u>growth-income-</u> <u>trust-</u>	Finsbury Growth & Income Trust PLC is an investment trust that invests principally in the securities of UK listed companies with the objective of achieving capital and income growth and providing a total return in excess of that of its benchmark, the FTSE All-Share Index (net dividends reinvested).It is managed by Lindsell Train Limited. The latest corporate and performance data can be found at: www.finsburygt.com

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Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust PLC	United Kingdom	Calton Square, 1 Greenside Row, Edinburgh EH1 3AN.	SMT	GB00BLDYK618	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londo</u> <u>nstockexchange.c</u> <u>om/stock/SMT/sco</u> <u>ttish-mortgage-</u> <u>investment-trust-</u> <u>plc/company-page</u>	Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust is an investment trust that aims to identify, own and support the world's most exceptional growth companies. It aims to provide long-term funding and support for the companies and entrepreneurs building the future of our economy. It is managed by Baillie Gifford & Co. The latest corporate and performance data can be found at: <u>http://www.scottishmortgage.co.uk/</u>
Pershing Square Holdings Limited	Bailiwick of Guernsey	Northern Trust International P.O. Box 255 Trafalgar Court Les Banques St. Peter Port Guernsey GY1 3QL	PSH	GG00BPFJTF46	London Stock Exchange <u>https://www.londo</u> <u>nstockexchange.c</u> <u>om/stock/PSH/per</u> <u>shing-square-</u> <u>holdings-</u> <u>Itd/company-page</u>	Pershing Square Holdings Limited is an investment holding company structured as a closed-ended fund principally engaged in the business of acquiring and holding significant (but generally not controlling) positions in a concentrated number of large capitalization companies. The company's objective is to maximize its long-term compound annual rate of growth in intrinsic value per share. The latest corporate and performance data can be found at: <u>https://pershingsquareholdings.com/</u>
Central Securities Corporation	United States of America	630 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10111	CET	US1551231020	New York Stock Exchange <u>https://www.nyse.</u> <u>com/quote/XASE:</u> <u>CET</u>	Central Securities Corporation's investment objective is long-term growth of capital. In pursuing it's investment objective, the company invests primarily in equity securities that it believes are undervalued at the time of purchase and have the potential for growth. It is the company's goal to own companies that it believes will generate superior returns when compared with the broad market and preserve the company's capital in an inflationary environment. The latest corporate and performance data can be found at: <u>http://www.centralsecurities.com/</u>

## **SUPPLEMENTS**

The Issuer shall prepare a supplement (each a "**Supplement**") to this Base Prospectus or publish a new base prospectus whenever required by the guidelines of any stock exchange on which ETP Securities are listed or, pursuant to Article 23 of the UK Prospectus Regulation if there is a significant new factor, material mistake or material inaccuracy affecting any matter contained in this Base Prospectus, the inclusion of information in respect of which would have been so required if it had arisen when this Base Prospectus was prepared and/or pursuant to Article 23 of the UK Prospectus Regulation.

## **PURPOSE OF FINAL TERMS**

In this section the expression "necessary information" means, in relation to any Tranche of ETP Securities of any Series, the information necessary to enable investors to make an informed assessment of the assets and liabilities, financial position, profits and losses and prospects of the Issuer and of the rights attaching to the ETP Securities. In relation to any ETP Securities which may be issued under the Programme, the Issuer has endeavoured to include in this Base Prospectus all of the necessary information except for information relating to such ETP Securities which is not known at the date of this Base Prospectus and which can only be determined at the time of an individual issue of a Tranche of ETP Securities.

Any information relating to any ETP Securities which is not included in this Base Prospectus and which is required in order to complete the necessary information in relation to a Tranche of ETP Securities will be contained in the relevant Final Terms.

For a Tranche of ETP Securities which is the subject of Final Terms, those Final Terms will, for the purposes of that Tranche only, supplement this Base Prospectus and must be read in conjunction with this Base Prospectus. The terms and conditions applicable to any particular Tranche of ETP Securities which is the subject of Final Terms are the Conditions as completed by the relevant Final Terms.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ETP SECURITIES

The terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 5 February 2020 shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus ("**Terms and Conditions Version 1**"). All other parts of the Base Prospectus dated 5 February 2020 are not relevant for investors or are covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus dated 5 February 2020 can be viewed at:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-5-February-2020.pdf.

The terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 6 November 2020 shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus ("**Terms and Conditions Version 2**"). All other parts of the Base Prospectus dated 6 November 2020 are not relevant for investors or are covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus dated 6 November 2020 can be viewed at:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-6-November-2020.pdf

The terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 18 December 2020 shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus ("**Terms and Conditions Version 3**"). All other parts of the Base Prospectus dated 18 December 2020 are not relevant for investors or are covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus dated 18 December 2020 can be viewed at:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-18-December-2020.pdf

The terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 7 December 2021 shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus ("**Terms and Conditions Version 4**"). All other parts of the Base Prospectus dated 7 December 2021 are not relevant for investors or are covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus dated 7 December 2021 can be viewed at:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-7-December-2021.pdf

The terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 16 May 2022 shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus ("**Terms and Conditions Version 5**"). All other parts of the Base Prospectus dated 16 May 2022 are not relevant for investors or are covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus dated 16 May 2022 can be viewed at:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-16-May-2022.pdf?x59837

The terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 4 May 2023 shall be deemed to be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus ("**Terms and Conditions Version 6**"). All other parts of the Base Prospectus dated 4 May 2023 are not relevant for investors or are covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus dated 4 May 2023 can be viewed at:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-(FCA)-4-May-2023-Final.pdf

The terms and conditions set out below shall be referred to as the "Terms and Conditions Version 7".

The Final Terms shall specify which version of the terms and conditions shall apply to a Series of ETP Securities.

# Terms and Conditions Version 7

The following is the text of the terms and conditions which, subject to completion by the Final Terms relating to a particular Series or Tranche of ETP Securities, will be applicable to the ETP Securities of such Series or Tranche and which will be attached to or endorsed on such ETP Securities in definitive form (or, in the case of Registered Securities, on the Individual Certificates relating to such Registered Securities). Unless the context requires otherwise, references in these terms and conditions to "**ETP Securities**" are to the ETP Securities of one Series only, not to all ETP Securities which may be issued under the Programme from time to time.

The ETP Securities are issued under the collateralised exchange traded securities programme of the Issuer (the **"Programme"**).

In respect of a Series of ETP Securities, the ETP Securities of such Series will be constituted by (i) a supplemental trust deed dated the Issue Date of the first Tranche of ETP Securities of such Series and made between, among others, the Issuer and Apex Corporate Trustees (UK) Limited (the "**Trustee**", which expression shall include all persons for the time being the trustee or trustees under the Trust Deed (as defined below)), as trustee for the holders of the ETP Securities and the other persons specified therein (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**Supplemental Trust Deed**"; and (ii) an amended and restated master trust deed originally dated the Programme Effective Date and as most recently amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**Master Trust Deed**"). The Master Trust Deed and the Supplemental Trust Deed in respect of each Series of ETP Securities are referred to together as the "**Trust Deed**". These terms and conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed.

The obligations of the Issuer under the ETP Securities of a particular Series are secured by the Security Documents in respect of such Series.

The Issuer has entered into the following margin account agreements:

- (i) a New York law governed client agreement between the Issuer and Interactive Brokers LLC dated 19 September 2023 (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**IB Margin Account Agreement**"); and
- a New York law governed account agreement between the Issuer and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC dated 26 July 2022 (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "GS Margin Account Agreement").

The defined term "**LS Margin Account Agreement**" herein shall mean either the IB Margin Account Agreement and/or any other agreement entered into with a Margin Loan Provider, as applicable to a Series of ETP Securities.

The LS Margin Account Agreement sets out, amongst other things, the terms on which the Margin Loan Provider will provide certain securities accounts, margin accounts, collateral accounts, margin loans and securities loans to the Issuer in respect of each Series of ETP Securities to which it is applicable.

The Portfolio Administrator has the discretion as to whether the IB Margin Account Agreement and/or the GS Margin Account Agreement shall apply with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.

The Margin Loan Provider does not guarantee payment by the Issuer to the ETP Securityholders of amounts due in respect of the ETP Securities, and no ETP Securityholder will have any claim against any Margin Loan Provider in respect of amounts due in respect of any ETP Securities.

The Issuer, the Trustee and GWM Limited entered into an Irish law governed amended and restated portfolio administration agreement originally dated 5 February 2020; and as amended and restated on 6 November

2020 (as further amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement**").

Pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement, for each Series of ETP Securities to which the GWM Portfolio The Administration Agreement is applicable, the net proceeds of issuance of such Series of ETP Securities on the Issue Date of such Series, or from the issuance of a further Tranche of such Series, will be paid to the Margin Loan Provider, on behalf of the Issuer, and invested as follows:

- In the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance and the Leveraged Investment Amount (as defined below) will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Investment Strategy, may at the direction of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets;
- in the case of ETP Securities offering Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.
- in the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be invested in Ancillary Assets or maintained as cash balances and will be held in the Margin Account along with the proceeds of short selling Reference Assets which shall be borrowed from the Margin Loan Provider in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor; and
- in the case of ETP Securities linked to an Index or which pursue an Investment Strategy where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, the net proceeds of issuance will be used to fund the related Margin Accounts as may be required to maintain positions in the Reference Assets in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account may also, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator, be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.

The "Leveraged Investment Amount" will be the amount of margin that the Margin Loan Provider will extend by way of credit to the Issuer in the Relevant Currency equal to the product of (i) the difference between the Leverage Factor and one and (ii) the net proceeds of the issuance.

An agency agreement dated 18 December 2020 has been entered into between the Issuer, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Arranger (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**Elavon Agency Agreement**"), pursuant to which the Issuing and Paying Agent provides certain validation and co-ordination services in relation to the issue, payment and cancellation of the Leverage Shares ETPs.

An operating procedures agreement dated 18 December 2020 (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "LS Operating Procedures Agreement") has been entered into in order to establish certain operational procedures in relation to ETP Securities issued under the Programme between,

among others, the Issuer, Interactive Broker LLC, the Initial Authorised Participant (as defined below) and the Second Authorised participant (as defined below).

An amended and restated broker dealer of record agreement originally dated 5 February 2020 and most recently amended and restated on 18 December 2020 (as further amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**Broker Dealer of Record Agreement**") has been entered into between the Issuer and the Broker Dealer of Record (as defined below) pursuant to which the Broker Dealer of Record has agreed to provide certain broker dealer related services and support for the Issuer.

An amended and restated services agreement originally dated 2 February 2018 and as most recently amended and restated on 6 November 2020 (as further amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**Services Agreement**") has been entered into between the Issuer and the Arranger (as defined below) pursuant to which the Arranger has agreed to provide certain management, administration and arrangement services to the Issuer and to discharge certain fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Issuer in respect of the Programme and the ETP Securities.

An amended and restated determination agency agreement originally dated 30 August 2019 and as most recently amended and restated on 6 November 2020 (as further amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the **"Determination Agency Agreement"**) has been entered into between the Issuer, the Trustee, the Arranger (as defined below) and the Determination Agent (as defined below) pursuant to which the Determination Agent has agreed to provide certain calculation services for the Issuer.

The ETP Securityholders are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed, the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement, the Elavon Agency Agreement, the LS Operating Procedures Agreement, the Broker Dealer of Record Agreement, the Services Agreement, the Master Definitions Schedule (as defined below), and each of the other Programme Documents (as defined below) which are applicable to them and to have notice of each set of Final Terms (as defined below) issued in respect of a Series or Tranche of ETP Securities held by such ETP Securityholders.

The terms and conditions of a Series of ETP Securities will be the conditions set out below as completed by the Final Terms applicable to such Series. References herein to the **"Conditions"** of the ETP Securities are to these terms and conditions as so completed by the Final Terms applicable to the ETP Securities.

# 1. Definitions

#### 1.1 **Definitions**

In the Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set out below:

**"Additional Authorised Participant**" means any Eligible Authorised Participant (other than the Initial Authorised Participant or the Second Authorised Participant) that has entered into an Authorised Participant Agreement with the Issuer and has acceded to the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

"Additional Security Document" means, any security document relating to the ETP Securities designated as such by Issuer and the Trustee, as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time but, for the avoidance of doubt, not including the Trust Deed or the Margin Account Security Agreement.

"Adjustment Event" means an Index Cancellation, an Index Modification, an Index Disruption or an Investment Strategy Modification.

"Affiliate" means, in relation to any person or entity, any other person or entity controlled, directly or indirectly, by the person or entity, any other person or entity that controls, directly or indirectly, the person or entity or any other person or entity directly or indirectly under common control with the person or entity. For these purposes, "**control**" of any entity or person means the power, directly or indirectly, either to (a) vote 10 per cent. or more of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of the relevant person or entity or (b) direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such person or entity whether by contract or otherwise.

"Agents" means any agent(s) as may be appointed from time to time in relation to the ETP Securities under the Programme Documents or any other agreement with the Issuer under which such agent is appointed from time to time in relation to the ETP Securities, as applicable, and any successor or replacement and "Agent" means any of them.

"**Ancillary Assets**" means sovereign debt in the currency of denomination of the ETP Securities with an original maturity of less than one month which is rated at least A-1 by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, and/or P-1 by Moody's Investors Service Ltd. and/or F1 by Fitch Ratings Limited.

"Arranger" means Leverage Shares Management Company Limited.

**"Arranger Fee**" means a fee charged by the Arranger in relation to each Series of ETP Securities, as modified by the Arranger from time to time, as set out in the Base Prospectus of the Issuer.

"Authorised Participant" means the Initial Authorised Participant, the Second Authorised Participant and any Additional Authorised Participant.

"Authorised Participant Agreement" means, in respect of an Authorised Participant, the authorised participant agreement (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time) entered into by the Issuer and such Authorised Participant.

"Bearer Securities" has the meaning given to it in Condition 2.

"**Broker Dealer of Record**" means GWM Limited or any successor or replacement thereto or any other entity appointed as broker dealer of record in accordance with the terms of the Broker Dealer of Record Agreement.

"Central Bank" means the Central Bank of Ireland in its capacity as the competent authority in Ireland under the Prospectus Regulation.

"CGN" means a Global Bearer Security in classic global note form.

"Clearing System Business Day" means a day on which the Relevant Clearing System is open for the purpose of effecting settlement of ETP Securities.

"Clearstream, Luxembourg" means Clearstream Banking, S.A., Luxembourg and any successor thereto.

"Collateral Assets" means:

- in the case of Leveraged Exposures and Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets:
  - (i) the Reference Assets of the applicable Index or Investment Strategy for such Series of ETP Physical Assets;
  - (ii) Ancillary Assets; and
  - (iii) any cash;
- (B) in the case of Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets:
  - (i) the mark to market value of securities loans;
  - (ii) the Ancillary Assets; and
  - (iii) any cash; and
- (C) in the case of ETP Securities where the Reference Assets are futures contracts:
  - (i) the mark to market value of the futures contract;
  - (ii) the Ancillary Assets; and
  - (iii) any cash,

in each case as held in the Margin Account.

"**Common Safekeeper**" means, in relation to a Series of ETP Securities issued in NGN or NSS form, the common safekeeper for Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg appointed in respect of such Series.

"Currency Business Day" means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business (including dealings in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the Relevant Currency or, in the case of euros, a city in which banks in general have access to the TARGET2 System.

"**Definitive Securities**" means Bearer Securities in definitive form and includes any replacement ETP Security issued pursuant to these Conditions.

**"Denomination**" means, in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, an amount equal to its Principal Amount.

"**Determination Agent**" means Calculation Agent Services LLC and any successor or replacement thereto or any other entity appointed as determination agent in accordance with the terms of the Determination Agency Agreement.

"Determination Agent Breach" has the meaning given to it in Condition 10.6(B).

## "Disrupted Day" means:

- (A) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is not applicable, any Scheduled Trading Day on which a relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or on which a Market Disruption Event or a Severe Disruption Event has occurred; and
- (B) in respect of Index-linked Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable, any Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) the Index Sponsor fails to publish the level of the Index; (ii) the Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session; or (iii) a Market Disruption Event or a Severe Disruption Event has occurred; and
- (C) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy, for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable, any Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) the Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session; or (ii) a Market Disruption Event or a Severe Disruption Event has occurred.

**"Disruption Event**", in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, means any event that causes a Valuation Date in respect of that Series to be a Disrupted Day.

"Disruption Redemption Event" has the meaning given to it in Condition 9.3(C).

**"Early Closure**" means the closure on any Exchange Business Day of the Exchange or any Related Exchange prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange or Related Exchange at least one hour prior to the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on the Exchange or Related Exchange on such Exchange Business Day and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

"EEA" means the European Economic Area.

"Eligible Authorised Participant" means any entity that meets the requirements of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

"**ETP Securities**" means the Series of ETP Securities to which these Conditions relates or, as the context may require, any or all securities issued by the Issuer under the Programme.

"ETP Security Value" has the meaning given to it in Condition 5.

**"ETP Securityholder**" and **"holder**" mean the bearer of any Bearer Security or the person in whose name a Registered Security is registered (as the case may be).

"ETP Securityholder Notice and Direction" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

"Euroclear" means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and any successor thereto.

"Event of Default" has the meaning given to it in Condition 12.

"Event of Default Redemption Notice" has the meaning given to it in Condition 12.

**"Exchange**" means the exchange specified in either the relevant Investment Strategy or the Final Terms.

#### "Exchange Business Day" means:

- (A) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is not applicable, any Scheduled Trading Day on which the Exchange and each Related Exchange are open for trading during their respective regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange or Related Exchange closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time; and
- (B) in respect of any Index-linked Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable, any Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) in the case of Index-linked Series, the Index Sponsor publishes the level of the Index, and (ii) the Related Exchange is open for trading during its regular trading session, notwithstanding the Related Exchange closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time; and
- (C) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy any Scheduled Trading Day on which all the exchanges where the Reference Assets of the Investment Strategy are listed are open for trading during their regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such exchanges closing prior to their Scheduled Closing Time.

"Exchange Date" has the meaning given to it in Condition 3.1.

"Exchange Disruption" means any event (other than Early Closure) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Arranger) the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for: (i) the Reference Asset on the Exchange; or (ii) futures or options contracts relating to the applicable Series of ETP Securities on the Related Exchange.

"Exchangeable Bearer Securities" has the meaning given to it in Condition 2.

"Extraordinary Resolution" means a resolution passed at a meeting duly convened and held in accordance with schedule 6 of the Master Trust Deed by a majority of at least 75 per cent. of the votes cast, provided that a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of the holders of not less than 75 per cent. of the aggregate number of the ETP Securities who for the time being are entitled to receive notice of a meeting held in accordance with the Master Trust Deed shall, for all purposes, be as valid and effectual as an Extraordinary Resolution passed at a meeting of such ETP Securityholders duly convened and held in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Master Trust Deed.

**"Final Redemption Amount**" means an amount per ETP Security calculated by the Determination Agent equal to the greater of:

- (A) the Principal Protection Amount of an ETP Security; and
- (B) the Pro-rata Liquidation.

**"Final Redemption Date**" means for each Series, the final redemption date specified in the Final Terms for such Series.

**"Final Redemption Settlement Date**" means the day that falls three Currency Business Days after the Final Redemption Date.

"Final Terms" means the final terms specifying the relevant issue details of the ETP Securities.

**"Funding and Brokerage Fees**" means, in respect of a Series, all applicable fees other than the Arranger Fees, including, but not limited to, margin interest, securities lending fees, brokerage fees and costs of transaction taxes on the sale or purchase of Reference Assets (where relevant).

**"Further Tranche**" means any Tranche of a Series of ETP Securities issued after the Series Issue Date in accordance with Condition 16.

"Global Bearer Security" means the ETP Securities in bearer form represented by a global security.

"Global Registered Certificate" means a global certificate representing ETP Securities in registered form.

"Global Security" means a Global Bearer Security or a Global Registered Certificate.

"GS Margin Account Security Agreement" the New York law governed margin account security agreement dated 9 September 2022 entered into between the Issuer and the Trustee with respect to the GS Margin Account Agreement.

"**IB Margin Account Security Agreement**" means the New York law governed margin account security agreement dated 18 October 2023 entered into between the Issuer and the Trustee with respect to the IB Margin Account Agreement.

"Index" means the index specified for the ETP Securities in the Final Terms, or any Successor Index.

"Index Business Day" means, in respect of an Index, any day on which the Index Sponsor in respect of such Index is scheduled to publish the level of the Index.

"Index Cancellation" means in respect of an Index, the Index Sponsor in respect of that Index permanently cancels such Index and no Successor Index is designated.

"Index Disruption" means in respect of an Index on any Valuation Date, the Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce such Index.

"**Index Level**" means, in respect of an Index on any Valuation Date, the level of the Index published by the Index Sponsor.

"Index Modification" means in respect of an Index, the Index Sponsor announces that it shall make a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating that Index or in any other way materially modifies that Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain that Index in the event of changes in constituent stock and capitalisation and other routine events).

"Index Sponsor" means the index sponsor as specified in the Final Terms of a Series of ETP Securities.

"Individual Certificate" means, in respect of Registered Securities, a definitive certificate in registered form representing such Registered Securities.

"Initial Authorised Participant" means BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. and any successor thereto.

"Initial Early Redemption Event" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

"Initial Tranche" means the first Tranche of a Series of ETP Securities issued.

**"Investment Strategy**" means the investment strategy specified for the ETP Securities in the Final Terms.

"**Investment Strategy Modification**" means with respect to an Investment Strategy, the Portfolio Administrator makes operational adjustments to the Investment Strategy to ensure that, so far as possible, the basic principles and economic effect of the Investment Strategy are maintained or any material modification to the Investment Strategy or its implementation by the Portfolio Administrator.

**"Issue Date**" means the date of issuance of the relevant Tranche as specified in the Final Terms relating to such Tranche.

"**Issue Price**" means, in respect of a Tranche of ETP Securities, the amount per ETP Security specified in the Final Terms.

**"Issuer**" means Leverage Shares Public Limited Company, a public limited company incorporated under the laws of Ireland with registration number 597399.

"Issuer Call Redemption Notice" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.6.

"Issuer Redemption Notice" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

**"Issuer's Website**" means the website having the following internet address: <u>www.leverageshares.com</u> or such other internet address as may be used by the Issuer and notified to ETP Securityholders and the Trustee in accordance with Condition 17.

**"Issuing and Paying Agent**" means any entity and any successor or replacement thereto, as specified in the Final Terms for each Series of ETP Securities, appointed as Issuing and Paying Agent.

"Leveraged Exposure" means a leveraged long exposure to the Reference Asset.

**"Leverage Factor**" means the leverage factor in respect of a Series of ETP Securities as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

"London Business Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday or public holiday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London.

**"Loss"** means any loss, liability, cost, claim, damages, expense (including, but not limited to, legal costs and expenses) or demand (or actions in respect thereof), judgment, interest on any judgment, assessment, fees or amounts paid in settlement of any action or claim.

"Mandatory Redemption" means a redemption of ETP Securities in accordance with Condition 8.7.

"Mandatory Redemption Amount" means an amount per ETP Security calculated by the Determination Agent equal to the greater of:

- (A) the Principal Protection Amount of such ETP Security; and
- (B) the Pro-rata Liquidation.

"**Mandatory Redemption Date**" means, in respect of a Mandatory Redemption Event, the date designated as such in accordance with Condition 8.7.

"Mandatory Redemption Event" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

"Mandatory Redemption Settlement Date" means, in respect of a Mandatory Redemption Event, the day that falls three Currency Business Days after the day on which the Issuer has received payment in full from the Margin Loan Provider of the amounts payable in respect of the termination of the LS Margin Account Agreement.

"**Margin Account**" means for each Series of ETP Securities, each account of the Margin Loan Provider in which the Collateral Assets and any cash in respect of a Series of ETP Securities will be held by the Margin Loan Provider on behalf of the Issuer.

"Margin Account Security Agreement" means the IB Margin Account Security Agreement and/or the GS Margin Account Security Agreement, and/or any other security agreement entered into with respect to an LS Margin Account Agreement, as applicable to a Series of ETP Securities.

"**Margin Loan Provider**" means for each Series of ETP Securities, either Interactive Brokers LLC and/or Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC (and any of their respective successors) and/or any other entity appointed as margin loan provider in relation to the Programme.

#### "Market Disruption Event" means:

- (A) in respect of a Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is not applicable, the occurrence or existence of (i) a Trading Disruption, (ii) an Exchange Disruption which in either case the Portfolio Administrator determines in good faith and in a commercially reasonably manner to be material, at any time during the one hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time, or (iii) an Early Closure; and
- (B) in respect of a Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable, either:
  - (1) the occurrence or existence, in respect of the Reference Asset, of:
    - a Trading Disruption, which the Portfolio Administrator determines in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner is material, at any time during the one hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the Exchange on which such Reference Asset is principally traded;
    - (ii) an Exchange Disruption, which the Portfolio Administrator determines in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner is material, at any time during the one hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the Exchange on which such Reference Asset is principally traded; or
    - (iii) an Early Closure.

"Master Definitions Schedule" means the amended and restated schedule of definitions relating to the Programme originally dated the Programme Effective Date and as most recently amended and restated on or about 18 October 2023 (as further amended, supplemented and/or replaced from time to time).

**"Maximum Daily Redemption Limit**" means a maximum limit (if applicable) on the redemption number of ETP Securities of a Series on any Optional Redemption Pricing Date, as may be amended by the Margin Loan Provider from time to time in accordance with the terms of the LS Margin Account Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

"NGN" means a Global Bearer Security in new global note form.

"Non-Disrupted Valuation Date" means a Valuation Date which is not a "Disrupted Day".

"Normal Exposure" means a +1x exposure to the Reference Asset.

"**Notice Deadline**" means 2.30 p.m. (Dublin time), provided that the Notice Deadline in respect of any Series of ETP Securities may be adjusted by agreement between the Issuer and the Margin Loan Provider with effect from the fifth calendar day following the date on which notice of such adjustment is given to the holders in accordance with Condition 17.

"Obligor" means each person that has an obligation to the Issuer pursuant to the Secured Property.

**"Optional Redemption**" means the redemption of ETP Securities at the option of one or more ETP Securityholders in accordance with the provisions of Condition 8.2.

**"Optional Redemption Amount**" means an amount per ETP Security calculated by the Determination Agent equal to the greater of:

- (A) the Principal Protection Amount of an ETP Security; and
- (B) the Pro-rata Liquidation.

**"Optional Redemption Pricing Date**" means a Valuation Date on which a Redemption Order is determined to be valid and accepted by or on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

**"Optional Redemption Settlement Date**" means the second Valuation Date after the Optional Redemption Pricing Date, provided that such Valuation Date is not a Disrupted Day and that such Valuation Date is both a Currency Business Day and a Clearing System Business Day.

"**Portfolio Administration Agreement**" means the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement or any other portfolio administration agreemment entered into with respect to the Programme, as applicable to a Series of ETP Securities.

"outstanding" means, for the purposes of the Conditions, the LS Margin Account Agreement and the Trust Deed, in relation to the ETP Securities and a Valuation Date, (i) on the Series Issue Date, the ETP Securities issued on such date, and (ii) on any Valuation Date thereafter, all the ETP Securities issued on or prior to such Valuation Date except (a) those that have been redeemed in accordance with Condition 8; (b) those that have been cancelled for any reason; (c) those in respect of which the date for redemption has occurred and the redemption moneys have been duly paid to the Trustee or to the Issuing and Paying Agent and which remain available for payment against presentation and surrender of ETP Securities; (d) those that have become void or in respect of which claims have become prescribed; (e) those which have been issued and which are pending settlement to an Authorised Participant but in respect of which the relevant Authorised Participant(s) has not paid in full the relevant subscription amount under the Authorised Participant Agreement; (f) those in respect of which a Final Redemption Settlement Date, Mandatory Redemption Settlement Date or Optional Redemption Settlement Date has occurred and in respect of which the Issuer (or the Trustee or the Issuing and Paying Agent, as the case may be) has received in full the related termination payment under the LS Margin Account Agreement; (g) those that have been purchased, settled and cancelled as provided in Condition 8.4; (h) those mutilated or defaced Bearer Securities that have been surrendered in exchange for replacement Bearer Securities; (i) (for the purpose only of determining how many ETP Securities are outstanding and without prejudice to their status for any other purpose) those Bearer Securities alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed and in respect of which replacement ETP Securities have been issued and (j) any Global Bearer Security to the extent that it shall have been exchanged for one or more Definitive Securities pursuant to its provisions; provided that for the purposes of (1) ascertaining the right to attend and vote at any meeting of the ETP Securityholders, (2) the determination of how many ETP Securities are outstanding for the purposes of the Conditions, the LS Margin Account Agreement and the Trust Deed and (3) the exercise of any discretion, power or authority that the Trustee is required, expressly or impliedly, to exercise in or by reference to the interests of the ETP Securityholders, those ETP Securities that are beneficially held by or on behalf of the Issuer and not cancelled shall (unless no longer so held) be deemed not to remain outstanding. For the avoidance of doubt, ETP Securities (if any) which the Issuer has agreed on or prior to such Valuation Date to redeem but in respect of which the related termination payment under the LS Margin Account Agreement has not yet been paid in full to the Issuer (or the Trustee or Issuing and Paving Agent, as applicable) shall be deemed to be "outstanding" on such Valuation Date and ETP Securities (if any) which the Issuer has agreed on or prior to such Valuation Date to issue but in respect of which payment of the relevant subscription amount has not been received in full from the relevant Authorised Participant(s) and settlement to such relevant Authorised Participant(s) has not yet occurred shall not be deemed to be "outstanding" on such Valuation Date.

**"Paying Agent**" means any entity as may be appointed from time to time as paying agent of the Issuer in accordance with Condition 10.7, and any successor or replacement thereto.

**"Payment Business Day"** means, in respect of any ETP Securities, any day (i) on which the Relevant Clearing System is open and (ii) which is a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London and the financial centre of the Relevant Currency which, in the case of a payment in EUR, is a TARGET Settlement Day.

**"Physical Assets**" means equity securities, debt securities, fixed income securities, mutual funds and units in exchanged traded funds.

"**Portfolio Administrator**" means any entity and any successor or replacement thereto, as specified in the Final Terms for each Series of ETP Securities, appointed as Portfolio Administrator in accordance with the terms of the relevant Portfolio Administration Agreement. **"Potential Event of Default**" means an event or circumstance that could, with the giving of notice, lapse of time and/or issue of a certificate become an Event of Default.

"**Principal**" means the Final Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount or the Mandatory Redemption Amount (as applicable).

"**Principal Amount**" means, in respect of any ETP Security, the amount in the Relevant Currency specified in the Final Terms.

"**Principal Protection Amount**" means an amount per ETP Security, in respect of each Tranche of ETP Securities, corresponding to 2.00 per cent of the Principal Amount for the ETP Security of such Tranche.

"**Pro-rata Liquidation**" means an amount equal to the liquidation of the relevant Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account for a Series of ETP Securities, pro rata to the amount of ETP Securities being redeemed divided by the total number of ETP Securities for such Series, after the pro rata deduction of all costs and expenses incurred by the Issuer in connection with the liquidation of such Collateral Assets, the pro rata deduction of the Arranger Fee and any Funding and Brokerage Fees.

"Proceedings" has the meaning given to it in Condition 19.2.

"**Programme Document**" means each of the Master Trust Deed, the Elavon Agency Agreement, the IB Margin Account Agreement, the GS Margin Account Agreement, the IB Margin Account Security Agreement, the GS Margin Account Security Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement, the LS Operating Procedures Agreement, the Determination Agency Agreement, the Broker Dealer of Record Agreement, the Services Agreement and each Authorised Participant Agreement and "**Programme Documents**" means all such documents.

"Programme Effective Date" means 5 December 2017.

"Programme Maximum Number of ETP Securities" means 5,000,000,000,000.

**"Programme Party**" means a party to a Programme Document (other than the Issuer and ETP Securityholders).

"Prospectus Regulation" means Regulation (EU) 2017/1129.

"Publication Event Redemption Notice" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

"Publication Failure Event" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

"**Rebalance Business Day**" means any day which is a, Exchange Business Day and also a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payment in the country in which the relevant Reference Asset is admitted to trading or any other day designated as a Rebalance Business Day by the Issuer.

"Record Date" means the Clearing System Business Day immediately prior to the date for payment.

**"Redemption Amount**" means either the Final Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount or the Mandatory Redemption Amount.

**"Redemption Account"** means, in respect of ETP Securities, a bank account to receive payments in the Relevant Currency of the Optional Redemption Amount in respect of the redemption of such ETP Securities, which account shall be:

- (A) for an Authorised Participant, the bank account notified in writing for such purposes by the Authorised Participant to the Issuer, the Margin Loan Provider and the Trustee from time to time; and
- (B) otherwise, the bank account specified in the Redemption Order.

**"Redemption Order**" means a Redemption Order in the form attached to the LS Operating Procedures Agreement, or such other form as may be acceptable to the Issuer in its sole discretion.

"**Redemption Limit**" means the sum of the Maximum Daily Redemption Limits applicable to the LS Margin Account Agreement relating to the ETP Securities.

"**Reference Asset**" means the underlying asset(s) of the relevant Index or Investment Strategy in respect of a Series of ETP Securities as specified in the Final Terms and/or Investment Strategy, as applicable.

"Registered Securities" has the meaning given to it in Condition 2.

"**Registrar**" means Elavon Financial Services DAC or any successor or replacement thereto or any other entity appointed as registrar.

"Related Exchange" means the exchange specified in the Final Terms.

"**Relevant Clearing System**" means (i) Euroclear, (ii) Clearstream, Luxembourg, or (iii) any other recognised clearing system in which ETP Securities of a Series may be cleared.

"**Relevant Currency**" means the currency of denomination of the ETP Securities, as specified in the Final Terms.

"Relevant Date" has the meaning given to it in Condition 11.

"**Relevant Provisions**" means, in respect of the Determination Agent, the provisions of the Determination Agency Agreement, the Trust Deed, and the Conditions.

"Relevant Stock Exchange" any stock exchange on which ETP Securities of a Series may be listed.

"**RIS**" means a regulated information service for the purposes of giving information relating to the ETP Securities and/or the rules of the Relevant Stock Exchange chosen by the Issuer from time to time, including but not limited to the Regulatory News Service (the "**RNS**") of the London Stock Exchange.

"Scheduled Closing Time" means, in respect of an Exchange or Related Exchange and a Valuation Date, the scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange or Related Exchange on such Valuation Date, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours.

#### "Scheduled Trading Day" means:

- (A) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is not applicable, any day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions; and
- (B) in respect of any Index-linked Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable, any day on which (i) the Index Sponsor is scheduled to publish the level of the Index; and (ii) the Related Exchange is scheduled to be open for trading for its regular trading session; and
- (C) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable, any day on which the Related Exchange is scheduled to be open for trading for its regular trading session.

"Second Authorised Participant" means GWM Limited and any successor thereto.

"Secondary Early Redemption Event" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.7.

"Secured Creditor" means the Trustee, the Margin Loan Provider and the holders of the ETP Securities.

"Secured Obligations" means all present and future obligations of the Issuer to the Secured Creditors under the Programme Documents and each ETP Security.

"Secured Property" means the assets that are the subject of the security constituted by the Security Documents.

"Securities Act" means The United States Securities Act of 1933 as amended.

"Security" means, as the context requires, the security constituted by the Security Documents.

"Security Document" means each of the Trust Deed, the Margin Account Security Agreement and any Additional Security Document.

**"Series**" means all ETP Securities having the same ISIN or other similar identifier, including the Initial Tranche and any Further Tranche.

"Series Issue Date" means the date of issuance of the Initial Tranche of a Series of ETP Securities, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

"Severe Disruption Event" means any event specified as such in the Final Terms.

"Share Trustee" means Monument Trustees Limited, with its registered office at 57 Herbert Lane, Dublin 2, Ireland and CRO number 345558, and any successor thereto.

"Short Exposure" means a short inversed leveraged exposure to the Reference Asset.

**"Subscription Limit**" means any applicable limit on the Issuer's ability to fund newly issued ETP Securities pursuant to the terms of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement or the LS Margin Account Agreement, as may be amended from time to time.

"Subscription Order" means a request from an Authorised Participant delivered to the Issuer to issue ETP Securities.

**"Subscription Settlement Date**" means the second Valuation Date after the Subscription Trade Date, provided that such Valuation Date is not a Disrupted Day and that such Valuation Date is both a Currency Business Day and a Clearing System Business Day.

"Subscription Suspension Event" means the delivery by the Issuer of a notice in writing to each Authorised Participant, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Determination Agent pursuant to the LS Operating Procedures Agreement stating that with effect from the date specified in such notice subscription of the ETP Securities shall be so suspended.

**"Subscription Trade Date"** means, subject to Condition 9.2, a Valuation Date on which a Subscription Order is determined to be valid and accepted by or on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the terms of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

"Successor Index", in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, means:

- (A) if a relevant Index is not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor sponsor acceptable to the Determination Agent, such index; or if the Index is calculated by a replacement sponsor chosen by the Issuer at its discretion and acceptable to the Determination Agent, such index; and
- (B) if a relevant Index is replaced by a successor index or replacement index referred to in (A) above, using, in the determination of the Determination Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of that Index, such replacement index.

"TARGET Settlement Day" means a day on which the TARGET2 System is operating.

**"TARGET2 System**" means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) system or any successor thereto.

**"Tax"** means any tax, duty, assessment, levy, charge or withholding of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by any Authority (including any penalty or interest payable in connection with any failure to pay or any delay in paying any of the same).

"**Termination**" means, in respect of the LS Margin Account Agreement, the total or partial close-out of the LS Margin Account Agreement in accordance with its terms.

"Threshold Event Date" has the meaning given to it in Condition 8.5.

**"Tranche"** means, in relation to a Series of ETP Securities issued on any date, the ETP Securities that are issued on the same Issue Date with the same Principal Amount.

"Trading Disruption" means any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise (i) relating to the Reference Asset, or (ii) in futures or options contracts relating to the applicable Series of ETP Securities on any relevant Related Exchange.

**"Transfer Agent"** means any entity as may be appointed from time to time as transfer agent in accordance with the terms of the Elavon Agency Agreement and any successor or replacement thereto.

"**UK Prospectus Regulation**" means the United Kingdom's version of Regulation (EU) No 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Directive 2003/71/EC, which is part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

"**Unscheduled Rebalance**" means an unscheduled rebalance occurring on a Valuation Date on which the rebalancing mechanism built in the relevant Index or Investment Strategy in respect of a Series of ETP Securities has been triggered by a change in the price of the corresponding Reference Asset of such Index or Investment Strategy by more than the relevant trigger level for the Index or Investment Strategy in accordance with its methodology.

"Valuation Date", (i) in respect of any Index-linked Series means each Exchange Business Day and, in respect of a Subscription Order or a Redemption Order, each Exchange Business Day; and (ii) in respect of any Series which pursues an Investment Strategy, each Exchange Business Day and in respect of a Subscription Order or a Redemption Order, each Exchange Business Day.

#### "Valuation Time" means:

- (A) in respect of a Series of ETP Securities for which the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is not applicable, the Scheduled Closing Time on the Exchange on the relevant Valuation Date; and
- (B) in respect of Index-linked Series where the Final Terms specify that 'Multiple Exchange' is applicable:
  - for the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event has occurred (i) in respect of the Reference Asset, the Scheduled Closing Time on the Exchange, and (ii) in respect of any options contracts of future contracts on the Index, the close of trading on the Related Exchange; and
  - 2. in all other circumstances, the time at which the official Index Level is calculated and published by the Index Sponsor; and
- (C) in respect of any Series of ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy, where the Final Terms specify that "Multiple Exchange" is applicable, the Scheduled Closing Time of the Related Exchange.

"Value Adjustments" means cash lending revenues and other revenues on collateral in respect of a Series of ETP Securities.

# 1.2 Interpretation

All capitalised terms used but not defined in these Conditions will have the meanings given to them in the Master Trust Deed, the Trust Deed and/or the Master Definitions Schedule.

# 2. Form and Title

The ETP Securities may be issued in bearer form (including in new global note form ("NGN") and in classic global note form ("CGN") and serially numbered ("Bearer Securities", which expression includes ETP Securities which are specified to be Exchangeable Bearer Securities), in registered form ("Registered Securities"), in bearer form exchangeable for Registered Securities ("Exchangeable Bearer Securities"), in each case in the Denomination(s) and Relevant Currency specified in the Final Terms. If it is stated in the Final Terms that the form of some or all of the ETP Securities is "Bearer", such ETP Securities are Bearer Securities. If it is so stated that the form of some or all of the ETP Securities. If it is so stated that the form of some or all of the ETP Securities. If it is so stated that the form of some or all of the ETP Securities are Registered Securities. Unless otherwise stated in the Final Terms, the form of all of the ETP Securities of a particular Series on issue will be the same.

In respect of Bearer Securities relating to a Series to be issued in global form, such Bearer Securities, will (a) if the Bearer Securities are intended to be issued in NGN form, as stated in the Final Terms relating to such Series, be delivered on or prior to the original issue date to a Common Safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg; and (b) if the Bearer Securities are intended to be issued in CGN form, as stated in the Final Terms relating to such Series be delivered on or prior to the original issue date to a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.

In respect of Registered Securities relating to a Series to be issued in global form, the Global Registered Certificate in respect of such Registered Securities will be registered in the name of a nominee for, and shall be deposited on its issue date with a common depositary on behalf of, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. Registered Securities issued under the New Safekeeping Structure shall be deposited with a Common Safekeeper for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg

All Registered Securities of the same Series shall have the same Denomination. Where Exchangeable Bearer Securities are issued, the Registered Securities for which they are exchangeable shall have the same Denomination as the lowest denomination of Exchangeable Bearer Securities.

Title to the Bearer Securities shall pass by delivery. Title to the Registered Securities shall pass by registration in the register (the "**Register**") which the Issuer shall procure to be kept by the Registrar in accordance with the provisions of the Elavon Agency Agreement.

Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the holder (as defined below) of any ETP Security shall be deemed to be and may be treated as the absolute owner of such ETP Security for the purpose of receiving payment thereof or on account thereof and for all other purposes, whether or not such ETP Security shall be overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership, theft or loss thereof or any writing thereon made by anyone and no person will be liable for so treating the holder.

#### 3. <u>Exchanges of Exchangeable Bearer Securities and transfers of Registered Securities and</u> <u>Uncertified Registered Securities</u>

# 3.1 Exchange of Bearer Securities and Exchangeable Bearer Securities

The Global Bearer Security relating to Bearer Securities is exchangeable (free of charge to the holder) on or after the Exchange Date in whole but not in part for Definitive Securities if the Global Bearer Security is held on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System and the Relevant Clearing System is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 calendar days (other than by reason of holidays, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business or does, in fact, do so.

**"Exchange Date**" means a day falling not less than 60 calendar days after the date on which the notice requiring exchange is given and on which banks are open for business in the city in which the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent is located.

Any such exchange may be effected on or after an Exchange Date by the holder of the Global Bearer Security surrendering the Global Bearer Security to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent. In exchange for the Global Bearer Security, the Issuer shall deliver, or procure the delivery of, duly executed and authenticated Definitive Securities in an aggregate number equal to the number of ETP

Securities represented by the Global Bearer Security submitted for exchange, security printed in accordance substantially in the form required under the Trust Deed.

Subject as provided in Condition 3.5, each Exchangeable Bearer Security may be exchanged in whole but not in part for the same aggregate principal amount of Registered Securities represented by an Individual Certificate at the request in writing of the relevant ETP Securityholder and upon surrender of each Exchangeable Bearer Security to be exchanged at the specified office of the Registrar. Registered Securities may not be exchanged for Bearer Securities and Bearer Securities of one Denomination may not be exchanged for Bearer Securities of another Denomination. Bearer Securities which are not Exchangeable Bearer Securities may not be exchanged for Registered Securities.

# 3.2 Transfer of Registered Securities in definitive form

One or more Registered Securities may be transferred upon the surrender (at the specified office of the Registrar) of the Individual Certificate representing such Registered Securities to be transferred, together with the form of transfer endorsed on such Individual Certificate, (or another form of transfer substantially in the same form and containing the same representations and certifications (if any), unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer), duly completed and executed and any other evidence as the Registrar may reasonably require. In the case of a transfer of part only of a holding of Registered Securities represented by one Individual Certificate, a new Individual Certificate shall be issued to the transferee in respect of the part transferred and a further new Individual Certificate in respect of the balance of the holding not transferred shall be issued to the transferor. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer, with the prior written approval of the Registrar to any ETP Securityholders. A copy of the current regulations will be made available by the Registrar to any ETP Securityholder upon request.

# 3.3 Exercise of options or partial redemption in respect of Registered Securities

In the case of an exercise of an Issuer's or an ETP Securityholder's option in respect of, or a redemption of a part of, a holding of Registered Securities represented by a single Individual Certificate, a new Individual Certificate shall be issued to the holder in respect of the balance of the holding not subject to the exercise of such option or, as the case may be, redeemed. New Individual Certificates shall only be issued against surrender of the existing Individual Certificates to the Registrar.

# 3.4 **Delivery of new Individual Certificates**

Each new Individual Certificate to be issued pursuant to Conditions 3.2 to 3.3 will be available for delivery within five business days of surrender of the relevant Exchangeable Bearer Security or, as the case may be, the relevant Individual Certificate and, if applicable, receipt of the relevant request for exchange, form of transfer or notice of exercise together with such other evidence (if any) as may be required pursuant to the relevant Condition. Delivery of new Individual Certificate(s) shall be made at the specified office of the Registrar to whom surrender of such Individual Certificate and, if applicable, delivery of such request, form of transfer or notice of exercise shall have been made or, at the option of the holder making such delivery and surrender as aforesaid and as specified in the relevant request for exchange, form of transfer, notice of exercise or otherwise in writing, shall be mailed at the risk of the holder entitled to the new Individual Certificate to such address as may be so specified. In this Condition 3.4 "**business day**" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which banks are open for business in the place of the specified office of the Registrar.

# 3.5 **Exchange and transfer free of charge**

Exchange and transfer of ETP Securities on registration or transfer will be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer, the Registrar, but upon payment by the relevant ETP Securityholder (or the giving by the relevant ETP Securityholder of such indemnity as the Registrar may require in respect thereof) of any tax or other governmental charges which may be imposed in relation to it.

# 3.6 Closed periods

No ETP Securityholder may require the transfer of a Registered Security to be registered or an Exchangeable Bearer Security to be exchanged for one or more Registered Security(s) (i) during the period of 15 calendar days ending on the due date for redemption of that ETP Security, (ii) during the

period of 15 calendar days prior to any date on which ETP Securities may be redeemed by Optional Redemption pursuant to Condition 8.2 or by the Issuer at its option pursuant to Condition 8.6, (iii) after any such ETP Security has been drawn for redemption in whole or in part or (iv) during the period of seven days ending on (and including) any Record Date. An Exchangeable Bearer Security called for redemption may, however, be exchanged for one or more Registered Security(s) in respect of which the Individual Certificate is simultaneously surrendered not later than any Record Date.

# 4. Constitution and status

Each Series of ETP Securities is constituted by the applicable Trust Deed and secured by the applicable Security Documents. The ETP Securities of each Series are secured, limited recourse debt obligations of the Issuer, at all times ranking pari passu and without any preference among themselves, secured in the manner described in Condition 6 and recourse in respect of which is limited in the manner described in Condition 6.6 and Condition 13.

# 5. ETP Security Value

The "**ETP Security Value**" in respect of any Valuation Date (which is not a Disrupted Day and on which an Unscheduled Rebalance does not occur) shall be calculated as follows:

(i) the ETP Security Value on the immediately preceding Valuation Date; adjusted by

(ii) the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of a Series of ETP Securities since such preceding Valuation Date; minus

- (iii) the applicable Funding and Brokerage Fees; minus
- (iv) the Arranger Fee, plus
- (v) any Value Adjustments

provided that on the Issue Date of each Tranche, the ETP Security Value will be equal to the Issue Price of the ETP Security. Unless otherwise specified, amounts and values for each Valuation Date shall be calculated as at the Valuation Time for such Valuation Date.

# 6. <u>Security</u>

# 6.1 Security

- (A) The Security in respect of the ETP Securities shall be constituted by the Security Documents, as described below. Additional Security Documents may be entered into in respect of particular Series if required by the Trustee.
  - (1) Pursuant to the Trust Deed, the Secured Obligations of the Issuer shall be secured by:
    - (a) an assignment by way of security of all of the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the Programme Documents to the extent that they relate to the ETP Securities; and
    - (b) a first fixed charge over (i) all sums held now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer (including, without limitation, by the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar to meet payments due in respect of the obligations and duties of the Issuer under the Security Documents and the ETP Securities, (ii) the Collateral Assets and any sums of money, securities, financial instruments or other property received or receivable now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer under the LS Margin Account Agreement and the Portfolio Administration Agreement and (iii) all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the relevant accounts of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider, in each case, to the extent that they relate to the ETP

Securities, in favour of the Trustee for its benefit and for the benefit of the Secured Creditors.

- (2) With respect to the GS Margin Account Agreement, the Issuer and the Trustee have entered into the GS Margin Account Security Agreement. Pursuant to the GS Margin Account Security Agreement the Secured Obligations of the Issuer shall be secured by:
  - (a) assigning to the Trustee by way of security all the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the GS Margin Account Agreement to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities to which the GS Margin Account Agreement applies; and
  - (b) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider under the GS Margin Account Agreement in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the Margin Account and any other account of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities to which the GS Margin Account Agreement applies; and
  - (c) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's present and future right, title and interest in and to all of the Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities to which the GS Margin Account Agreement applies.
- (3) With respect to the IB Margin Account Agreement, the Issuer and the Trustee have entered into the IB Margin Account Security Agreement. Pursuant to the IB Margin Account Security Agreement the Secured Obligations of the Issuer shall be secured by:
  - (a) assigning to the Trustee by way of security all the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the IB Margin Account Agreement to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities to which the IB Margin Account Agreement applies; and
  - (b) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider under the IB Margin Account Agreement in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the Margin Account and any other account of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities to which the IB Margin Account Agreement applies; and
  - (c) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's present and future right, title and interest in and to all of the Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities to which the IB Margin Account Agreement applies.
- (B) The Security created by the Security Documents in respect of the ETP Securities is granted to the Trustee as continuing security for the Secured Obligations. In accordance with the Security Documents, prior to any enforcement of the Security, the Trustee will be deemed to release from such Security without the need for any notice or other formalities:
  - (1) sums held by the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar and/or the Margin Loan Provider, as applicable, to the extent required for payment of any sum in respect of the ETP Securities and/or under the Programme Documents which is due and payable to be duly made (which for the avoidance of doubt shall include, without limitation, amounts payable in respect of Principal to the ETP Securityholders in accordance with these Conditions, amounts payable to the Margin Loan Provider

under the LS Margin Account Agreement and Optional Redemption Amounts in respect of the ETP Securities payable to any Authorised Participant by the Issuer);

- (2) any part of the Secured Property to the extent required to be delivered to or to the order of the Margin Loan Provider pursuant to the terms of the LS Margin Account Agreement;
- (3) any part of the Secured Property to the extent required to facilitate the acquisition or sale of any Collateral Assets in accordance with the terms of the Conditions and the Portfolio Administration Agreement; and
- (4) any part of the Secured Property to the extent required to comply with and subject to the provisions of Conditions 6.6 and 6.7.

## 6.2 Money received by the Trustee prior to enforcement of Security

(A) Pursuant to the terms of the Trust Deed, the Issuer agrees, on any date on which a payment of Principal under these Conditions in respect of any ETP Securities becomes due, unconditionally to pay the Trustee (or to the order of the Trustee) in same day cleared funds, in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Final Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount or the Mandatory Redemption Amount, as applicable, in respect of the ETP Securities which is due and payable on that date.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Conditions or the Trust Deed, (1) payment of Principal due under the ETP Securities pursuant to the Conditions made to the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar as provided in the Elavon Agency Agreement shall, to that extent, satisfy the Issuer's obligation to make payments of Principal in respect of the ETP Securities to the Trustee for the account of the ETP Securityholders except to the extent that there is failure by the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar to pass such payment to the relevant ETP Securityholders (whether via payment through the Relevant Clearing System or otherwise) and (2) a payment of Principal made after the due date or as a result of the ETP Securities becoming repayable following an Event of Default or the occurrence of a Mandatory Redemption Event shall be deemed to have been made when the full amount due has been received by the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar or the Trustee and notice to such effect has been given by the Issuing and Paying Agent to the ETP Securityholders, except to the extent that there is failure by the Issuing and Paying Agent and/or the Registrar to pass such payment to the relevant ETP Securityholders (whether via payment through the Relevant Clearing System or otherwise). Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustee holds the benefit of this covenant on trust for itself and the ETP Securityholders according to their respective interests.

- (B) Save for any moneys received in connection with the realisation or enforcement of all or part of the Security, all moneys received by or on behalf of the Trustee in relation to the Issuer's covenant to pay Principal pursuant to Condition 6.2(A) will, despite any appropriation of all or part of them by the Issuer, be held by the Trustee on trust to apply them:
  - (1) first, in payment or satisfaction of the fees, costs, charges, expenses and liabilities incurred by or payable to the Trustee under or pursuant to the relevant Security Documents (including, without limitation, any Taxes (other than any income, corporation or similar tax in respect of the Trustee's remuneration) required to be paid by the Trustee in connection with the performance of its obligations under the relevant Security Documents and the Trustee's remuneration);
  - secondly, in payment of any amounts owing to the Margin Loan Provider under the LS Margin Account Agreement, including margin interest, securities lending and brokerage fees;
  - (3) thirdly, in payment of any amounts owing to the Arranger in respect of the Arranger Fee;
  - (4) fourthly, in payment of any amounts owing to the holders of the relevant ETP Securities pari passu and rateably; and

(5) fifthly, in payment of any balance to the Issuer for itself.

If the Trustee holds any moneys in respect of ETP Securities that have become void or in respect of which claims have become prescribed, the Trustee will hold them on trust as described above.

# 6.3 Enforcement of Security constituted by the Security Documents

The Security constituted by the Security Documents in respect of the ETP Securities shall become enforceable upon the occurrence of an Event of Default pursuant to Condition 12 below.

# 6.4 **Realisation of Security constituted by the Security Documents**

At any time after the Security constituted by the Security Documents has become enforceable, the Trustee may, at its discretion, and shall, if so directed in writing by holders of at least a majority of the ETP Securities then outstanding or by an Extraordinary Resolution of the ETP Securityholders (a copy of which has been provided to the Trustee), in each case subject to its having been pre-funded and/or secured and/or indemnified to its satisfaction by the ETP Securityholders in accordance with the Trust Deed, enforce the Security constituted by the Security Documents.

To do this, the Trustee may, at its discretion, (i) enforce and/or terminate any relevant Programme Document relating to the ETP Securities in accordance with its or their terms, and/or take action against the relevant Obligor(s) and/or (ii) take possession of and/or realise all or part of the assets over which the Security constituted by the Security Documents shall have become enforceable and may in its discretion, sell, call in, collect and convert into money all or part of such assets, in such manner, at such time and on such terms as it thinks fit, in each case without any liability as to the consequence of such action and without having regard to the effect of such action on individual ETP Securityholders.

The Trustee may, in writing, appoint a receiver or receivers over all or part of the assets over which the Security constituted by the Security Documents shall have become enforceable and may remove any receiver so appointed and appoint another in its place. No delay or waiver of the right to exercise these powers shall prejudice their future exercise.

Neither the Trustee nor any receiver appointed by it or any attorney or agent of the Trustee will, by reason of taking possession of any assets or any other reason and whether or not as mortgagee in possession, be liable to account for anything except actual receipts or be liable for any loss or damage arising from the realisation of such assets or from any act or omission to such assets or otherwise unless such loss or damage shall be caused by its own fraud, gross negligence or wilful default.

The Trustee shall not be required to take any action in relation to the Security constituted by the Security Documents which may (i) be illegal or contrary to any applicable law or regulation or (ii) cause it to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any liability (including any personal liability) in the performance of its duties or in the exercise of any of its rights, powers and discretions, without first being indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction.

# 6.5 **Application of proceeds of enforcement of Security**

Pursuant to the terms of the Security Documents, following enforcement of the security the Trustee will apply the proceeds derived from the realisation of the assets that are the subject of the security constituted by the relevant Security Documents (whether by way of liquidation or enforcement and after taking account of any Taxes incurred, withheld or deducted by or on behalf of the Issuer) as follows:

(A) first, in payment or satisfaction of all fees, costs, charges, expenses, liabilities and other amounts properly incurred by or payable in respect of the ETP Securities to the Trustee or any receiver under or pursuant to the relevant Security Documents (which shall include, without limitation, any Taxes required to be paid by the Trustee (other than any income, corporation or similar Tax in respect of the Trustee's remuneration), the costs of enforcing or realising all or some of the Security constituted by the Security Documents and the Trustee's remuneration);

- (B) secondly, in payment of any amounts owing to the Margin Loan Provider under the LS Margin Account Agreement, including margin interest securities lending and brokerage fees;
- (C) thirdly, in payment of any amounts owing to the Arranger in respect of the Arranger Fee;
- (D) fourthly, in payment of any amounts owing to the ETP Securityholders *pari passu* and rateably; and
- (E) fifthly, in payment of any balance to the Issuer for itself.

## 6.6 **Shortfall after application of proceeds; Limited recourse and non-petition**

In respect of any claim against the Issuer in relation to the ETP Securities, with the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement; the Programme Parties and the ETP Securityholders shall have recourse only to the Secured Property in respect of such ETP Securities, subject always to the Security, and not to any other assets of the Issuer. If, following realisation in full of the Secured Property (whether by way of liquidation or enforcement) and application of available cash sums as provided in this Condition 6 and the Security Documents, as applicable, any outstanding claim against the Issuer, whether secured or unsecured, remains unpaid, then such outstanding claim shall be extinguished and no debt shall be owed by the Issuer in respect thereof. Following the extinguishment of any such claim, with the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, none of the Programme Parties, the ETP Securityholders or any other person acting on behalf of any of them shall be entitled to take any further steps against the Issuer or any of its officers, shareholders, corporate service providers or directors to recover any further sum in respect of the extinguished claim and no debt shall be owed to any such persons by the Issuer in respect of such further sum.

With the exception of the Margin Loan Provider with respect to the LS Margin Account Agreement, none of the Programme Parties or the ETP Securityholders or any person acting on behalf of any of them may, at any time, bring, institute or join with any other person in bringing, instituting or joining insolvency, administration, bankruptcy, winding-up, examinership or any other similar proceedings (whether court-based or otherwise) in relation to the Issuer or any of its assets, and none of them shall have any claim arising with respect to the sums, assets and/or property attributable to any other securities issued by the Issuer (save for any further securities which form a single Series with the ETP Securities).

The LS Margin Account Agreement does not contain limited recourse provisions with respect to the liabilities of the Issuer. If following realisation in full of the Secured Property (whether by way of liquidation or enforcement) and application of available cash in accordance with the applicable orders of priority and the Trust Deed, a claim remains outstanding against the Issuer by the Margin Loan Provider, such claim may be made against assets attributable to other outstanding Series of ETP Securities on a pro rata basis. The Broker Dealer of Record, however, has agreed to indemnify the Issuer against any loss, cost, claim, action, demand or expense which the Issuer may incur as a result of any such claims by the Margin Loan Provider.

The provisions of this Condition 6.6 shall survive notwithstanding any redemption of the ETP Securities or the termination or expiration of any Programme Document.

#### 6.7 Issuer's rights as beneficial owner of Secured Property

Notwithstanding Condition 14.1, at any time before the Security constituted by the Security Documents becomes enforceable, the Issuer may, without the sanction of an Extraordinary Resolution and without the prior written consent of the Trustee:

- (A) take such action in relation to the Secured Property relating to the ETP Securities as may be required by the Programme Documents; and
- (B) exercise any rights incidental to the ownership of the assets which are the subject of the Security constituted by the Security Documents which are exercisable by the Issuer and, in particular (but,

without limitation, and without responsibility for their exercise), any voting rights in respect of such property and all rights to enforce any such ownership interests in respect of such property,

provided that the Issuer shall not exercise any rights with respect to such assets if it is directed to the contrary by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution and, if such direction is given, the Issuer shall act only in accordance with such direction.

## 7. Restrictions

So long as any of the ETP Securities remain outstanding, the Issuer shall not, without the prior written consent of the Trustee, the Portfolio Administrator and (other than in respect of paragraphs (B), (C) and (F)), the Margin Loan Provider:

- (A) engage in any business activities, save that the Issuer may without consent engage in any of the following activities (or any other business activity which relates to or is incidental thereto):
  - (1) issue, enter into, amend, redeem, exchange or repurchase and cancel or reissue or resell all or some only of the ETP Securities of any Series under the Programme as may be provided in these Conditions and the Trust Deed and the Programme Documents and in connection therewith enter into or amend any Programme Documents accordingly;
  - (2) acquire and own rights, property or other assets which are to comprise Secured Property for a Series of ETP Securities issued under the Programme so as to enable it to discharge its obligations under such Series, and any relevant Programme Document relating to such Series;
  - (3) perform its respective obligations under any ETP Securities issued under the Programme, and any relevant Programme Document entered into by it in connection with such Series, and any agreements incidental to the granting of Security relating to any such Series of ETP Securities or incidental to the issue and constitution of any Series of ETP Securities issued under the Programme;
  - (4) engage in any activity in relation to the Secured Property, the Collateral Assets, the LS Margin Account Agreement or any other Programme Document contemplated or permitted by the Conditions, the LS Margin Account Agreement or such Programme Document relating to any Series of ETP Securities;
  - (5) subject to as provided in the Trust Deed and in the Conditions relating to any Series of ETP Securities enforce any of its rights whether under the Trust Deed, any other Programme Document or otherwise under any agreement entered into in relation to any Series of ETP Securities or any Secured Property relating to any such Series;
  - (6) issue unsecured debt securities, on the conditions that (i) the proceeds of such debt securities shall be used by the Issuer to disburse loans to the holder(s) of such debt securities; and (ii) the holder of such debt securities shall have no right to enforce the obligations of the Issuer thereunder; and
  - (7) perform any other act incidental to or necessary in connection with any of the above (which shall include, without limitation, the appointment of auditors and any other administrative or management functions necessary to maintain the Issuer and/or to keep it operating and/or to comply with any laws, regulations or rules applicable to it);
- (B) cause or permit the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement or the terms of the Security granted under the Security Documents and the order of priority specified in the Conditions and the Trust Deed, as applicable, to be amended, terminated or discharged (other than as contemplated or permitted by the Trust Deed, the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement and/or the Conditions relating to such Series of ETP Securities);

- (C) release any party to the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Trust Deed, the Portfolio Administration Agreement or any other relevant Programme Document relating to a Series of ETP Securities from any existing obligations thereunder (other than as contemplated or permitted by the Trust Deed, LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement, any relevant Programme Document and/or the Conditions relating to such Series of ETP Securities);
- (D) have any subsidiaries;
- (E) sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any assets that are the subject of the Security constituted by the Security Documents or any other part of the Secured Property in respect of any Series of ETP Securities or any right or interest therein or thereto or create or allow to exist any charge, lien or other encumbrance over such Secured Property (to the extent it relates to the Issuer) except in accordance with the Conditions of the relevant ETP Securities of any such Series, the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement, the Elavon Agency Agreement, the Trust Deed for any such Series and any other Programme Document relating to any such Series as may be applicable, including liens of any Margin Loan Provider;
- (F) consent to any variation of, or exercise any powers or consent or waiver pursuant to, the terms of the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement, the Conditions, the Trust Deed or any other Programme Document relating to any Series of ETP Securities (other than as contemplated or permitted by the Conditions and the relevant Programme Documents);
- (G) consolidate or merge with any other person or convey or transfer its properties or assets substantially as an entirety to any person (other than as contemplated by the Trust Deed and the Conditions for any Series of ETP Securities);
- (H) have any employees (provided this shall not prevent the appointment of the directors);
- (I) issue any shares (other than such shares in the capital of the Issuer as were issued at the time of its incorporation and which are held by the Share Trustee or its nominee) or make any distribution to its shareholders;
- (J) declare any dividends;
- (K) open or have any interest in any account with a bank or financial institution unless such account (i) relates to a Series of ETP Securities, the Portfolio Administration Agreement, the LS Margin Account Agreement or any Secured Property relating to a Series of ETP Securities or any party thereto and the Issuer's interest in such account is simultaneously charged in favour of the Trustee so as to form part of the relevant Secured Property relating to such Series of ETP Securities, or (ii) is opened in connection with the administration and management of the Issuer and only moneys necessary for that purpose are credited to it;
- (L) purchase, own, or otherwise acquire any real property (including office premises or like facilities);
- (M) guarantee, act as surety for or become obligated for the debts of any other entity or person or enter into any agreement with any other entity or person whereby it agrees to satisfy the obligations of such entity or person or any other entity or person;
- acquire any securities or shareholdings whatsoever from its shareholders or enter into any agreements whereby it would be acquiring the obligations and/or liabilities of its shareholders;
- (O) except as contemplated by any relevant Programme Document, the Conditions relating to a Series of ETP Securities, and/or the agreements contemplated by paragraph (A)(6) above, advance or lend any of its moneys or assets, including, but not limited to, the rights, property or other assets comprising the Secured Property for any such Series of ETP Securities, to any other entity or person;

- (P) subject as provided in paragraph (A) above, incur any other indebtedness for borrowed moneys, other than (subject to Conditions 6 and 16) issuing further ETP Securities under the Programme (which may or may not form a single Series with the ETP Securities of any Series and may or may not be guaranteed by a third party) and creating or incurring further obligations relating to such ETP Securities, provided that:
  - (1) if such further ETP Securities are not to form a single Series with any other Series of ETP Securities, such further ETP Securities and obligations are secured on assets of the Issuer other than (i) the assets which are the subject of the Security constituted by the Security Documents relating to any other Series of ETP Securities and (ii) the Issuer's share capital;
  - (2) such further ETP Securities and obligations are secured *pari passu* upon the assets which are the subject of the Security constituted by the Security Documents relating to the Series of ETP Securities with which such ETP Securities are to form a single Series; and
  - (3) in connection with such issue of further ETP Securities, the Margin Loan Provider agrees to any increase of the economic exposure under the LS Margin Account Agreement which is necessary to facilitate the issue of such further ETP Securities.

provided that the Issuer shall not take any action (even where the prior written consent of the Trustee, the Portfolio Administrator and the Margin Loan Provider is obtained) if such action is, in the opinion of the Issuer, inconsistent with the objects of the Issuer as specified in its memorandum and articles of association.

# 8. Redemption

# 8.1 Final redemption

Unless previously redeemed in whole as provided below, each ETP Security shall become due and payable on its Final Redemption Settlement Date at its Final Redemption Amount.

# 8.2 **Optional Redemption**

- (A) An ETP Securityholder which is also an Authorised Participant may (subject as provided herein) on any Valuation Date require the Issuer to redeem all or part of its holding of ETP Securities at the Optional Redemption Amount by submitting to the Issuer a valid Redemption Order in accordance with the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.
- (B) An ETP Securityholder which is not also an Authorised Participant may (subject as provided herein) on any Valuation Date require the Issuer to redeem all or any part of its holding of such ETP Securities at the Optional Redemption Amount by submitting to the Issuer a valid Redemption Order only if the Issuer has notified the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 in respect of any Valuation Date that redemption requests from ETP Securityholders which are not Authorised Participants will be permitted and no later notice to the contrary has yet been delivered. Any such announcement may be

general or subject to conditions, and any such Redemption Order which is not in accordance with any such conditions shall not be valid.

(C) Any ETP Security that is subject to Optional Redemption in accordance with this Condition 8.2 as a result of the delivery of a Redemption Order, shall become due and payable on the relevant Optional Redemption Settlement Date at its Optional Redemption Amount.

#### 8.3 Redemption Orders

- (A) A Redemption Order shall only be valid if:
  - (1) other than in the limited circumstances set out in Condition 8.2(B), it is delivered by an ETP Securityholder that is an Authorised Participant;
  - (2) it specifies the number and Series of any ETP Securities to be redeemed;
  - (3) it is received by the Issuer between 8.00 a.m. (Dublin time) and the Notice Deadline on any Valuation Date;
  - (4) it specifies the Redemption Account into which the Optional Redemption Amount shall be payable in respect of any ETP Security to be redeemed;
  - (5) the number of ETP Securities to be redeemed would not result in any Maximum Daily Redemption Limit, or any other applicable limitation on redemption under the LS Operating Procedures Agreement, being exceeded (for the purposes of which, Redemption Orders shall be dealt with in order of their actual receipt by the Issuer), unless the Margin Loan Provider nonetheless agrees to that Maximum Daily Redemption Limit, or other applicable limitation, being exceeded (and if the Margin Loan Provider does not so agree, such Redemption Order will be valid under this Condition 8.3(A)(5) in respect of the greatest number of ETP Securities that would not result in any Maximum Daily Redemption Limit being exceeded);
  - (6) the Redemption Order is received or deemed to have been received before the occurrence of a Mandatory Redemption Event;
  - (7) on the day it is received (or deemed to have been received by the Issuer) until the Optional Redemption Pricing Date (if different) none of the following events has occurred and is continuing:
    - (a) an Event of Default;
    - (b) a Margin Loan Provider Event of Default; or
    - (c) an Adjustment Event;
  - (8) it is not invalid pursuant to Condition 8.3; or
  - (9) unless the Issuer otherwise agrees in its absolute discretion, such Redemption Order is submitted by an Authorised Participant on any day and no other Redemption Order has been submitted by that Authorised Participant on or in respect of such day in respect of the same Series.
- (B) If the Issuer determines that a Redemption Order is invalid in whole or in part, it shall notify the ETP Securityholder of that fact as soon as reasonably practicable and no ETP

Securities may be redeemed pursuant to a Redemption Order that the Issuer has determined in its absolute discretion is invalid.

- (C) The Issuer shall not be obliged to redeem any ETP Securities pursuant to a Redemption Order where the Margin Loan Provider has not confirmed the termination of the relevant proportion of the LS Margin Account Agreement in accordance with the provisions of the LS Margin Account Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.
- (D) Where a Redemption Order is received by the Issuer on a Valuation Date after the Notice Deadline, such Redemption Order should be void unless the Margin Loan Provider provides its consent for the Issuer to treat such Redemption Order as if it had been received by it prior to the Notice Deadline.
- (E) Within one London Business Day after the Optional Redemption Pricing Date in respect of any Redemption Order, which shall be postponed to the next London Business Day in case such day is not a London Business Day, the Issuer shall notify the relevant ETP Securityholder of the Optional Redemption Amount payable in respect of ETP Securities which are the subject of that Redemption Order, calculated as provided above.
- (F) The Issuer may change or vary the procedures for the submission of Redemption Orders on five calendar days' prior notice to the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 and these Conditions shall be interpreted accordingly.

# 8.4 Settlement of Optional Redemptions

- (A) The Issuer may at its discretion elect to satisfy requests for the Optional Redemption of ETP Securities by transfer of the appropriate number of ETP Securities to one or more Authorised Participants from ETP Securityholders requesting redemption, and for that purpose the Issuer may authorise any person on behalf of the ETP Securityholder to execute one or more instruments of transfer in respect of the relevant number of ETP Securities provided that the amount payable to the ETP Securityholder shall nonetheless be an amount equal to the relevant Optional Redemption Amount and the relevant Optional Redemption Settlement Date shall be the date of such transfer.
- (B) The Issuer may in accordance with the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement and the LS Operating Procedures Agreement agree with any ETP Securityholder which is also an Authorised Participant to satisfy any requests for the Optional Redemption of any ETP Securities by the transfer to, or to the order of, such ETP Securityholder on the Optional Redemption Settlement Date of Collateral Assets with a value determined by the Determination Agent to be equal to the Optional Redemption Amount.

# 8.5 Suspension of Optional Redemptions

- (A) If on any Valuation Date (a "Threshold Event Date") the ETP Security Value falls to less than 2.00 per cent. of the Principal Amount of the ETP Securities:
  - (1) The Issuer shall give notice convening a meeting of ETP Securityholders on a date not more than 30 calendar days after the Threshold Event Date for the purpose of considering an Extraordinary Resolution which would have the effect of reducing the Principal Amount of the ETP Securities to an amount which is not less than 2.00 per cent. of the ETP Security Value as at the time of suspension of redemptions, in which event the suspension will cease only if such Extraordinary Resolution is passed; and
  - (2) the Issuer may at any time after the Threshold Event Date, for so long as the ETP Security Value continues to be less than 2.00 per cent. of the Principal

Amount of the ETP Securities, suspend the right to request redemption of ETP Securities pursuant to Condition 8.2.

(B) If the Margin Loan Provider has defaulted in its obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement and such default is continuing (such event, a "Margin Loan Provider Event of Default"), the Issuer may at any time and from time to time while such Margin Loan Provider Event of Default is continuing suspend the right to request redemption of the ETP Securities pursuant to Condition 8.2.

In each case, subject as provided in this Condition 8.5, the Issuer may at its discretion terminate any such suspension at any time.

The following provisions shall apply where Optional Redemptions have been suspended:

- the Issuer shall give notice of any such suspension and of the termination of any such suspension to the Programme Parties and the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17, as soon as reasonably practicable, but the failure to give such any such notice shall not prevent the exercise of such discretions;
- (ii) any such suspension may continue for a period of up to 60 calendar days, and may continue thereafter at the discretion of the Issuer (1) in the case of a suspension pursuant to Condition 8.5(A)(2), if the Extraordinary Resolution referred to in Condition 8.5(A)(1) above has not been passed; or (2) in the case of a suspension pursuant to Condition 8.5(B), for so long as the Margin Loan Provider Event of Default is continuing; and
- (iii) any suspension shall not affect any Optional Redemption pursuant to a Redemption Order, the Optional Redemption Pricing Date for which had passed before the suspension commenced, but any Redemption Order in respect of ETP Securities submitted or deemed to be received on a Valuation Date when the right to request redemption of the ETP Securities pursuant to Condition 8.2 is suspended pursuant to this Condition 8.5 shall be invalid.

# 8.6 Issuer Call Redemption Event

The Issuer may, on giving an irrevocable notice to the Margin Loan Provider and the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17, elect to redeem all or some only of the ETP Securities and designate a Mandatory Redemption Date for such purposes, provided that the date designated as the Mandatory Redemption Date shall not be earlier than the fifth calendar day following the date of the relevant notice (such notice an **"Issuer Call Redemption Notice"**). In the event that only some of the outstanding ETP Securities are called for redemption pursuant to an Issuer Call Redemption Notice, a *pro rata* portion of each ETP Securityholder's ETP Securities shall be subject to such redemption.

For the purposes of Condition 8.7, a Mandatory Redemption Event in the form of an **"Issuer Call Redemption Event**" will occur on the Mandatory Redemption Date designated in the Issuer Call Redemption Notice (or if such day is not a Valuation Date on the first following Valuation Date). The Issuer shall give a copy of the Issuer Call Redemption Notice to each of the Programme Parties on the same date as such notice is given to the Margin Loan Provider and the ETP Securityholders.

# 8.7 Mandatory Redemption Events

Each of the following events shall be a mandatory redemption event in respect of the ETP Securities (each a **"Mandatory Redemption Event"**):

- (A) Disruption Redemption Event: the occurrence of a Disruption Redemption Event. For the purposes of Condition 8.7, a Mandatory Redemption Date will occur on the fifth Exchange Business Day after the date of the notice from the Issuer to the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 9.3(C);
- (B) *Threshold Redemption Event:* if on any Valuation Date falling on or after the 60<sup>th</sup> calendar day following a Threshold Event Date, the ETP Security Value is less than 2.00 per cent. of

the Principal Amount of such ETP Securities, the Issuer shall designate a Mandatory Redemption Date in respect of the ETP Securities;

- (C) Termination of appointment of Agent or Authorised Participants: any of the Determination Agent, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator and/or all of the Authorised Participants in relation to the ETP Securities resign their appointment or their appointment is terminated for any reason and no successor or replacement has been appointed at the time that such resignation or termination takes effect in accordance with the applicable Programme Document, and the Issuer gives notice (an "Agent Redemption Event Notice") to the Programme Parties and the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17. For the purposes of Condition 8.7, a Mandatory Redemption Date will occur on the fifth Exchange Business Day after the date of the Agent Redemption Event Notice;
- (D) Publication failure: if the ETP Security Value in respect of the ETP Securities has not been published by or on behalf of the Issuer for 14 consecutive Non-Disrupted Valuation Dates (a "Publication Failure Event") and the Trustee is notified in writing of such Publication Failure Event and directed in writing by holders of at least a majority of the ETP Securities then outstanding (an "ETP Securityholder Notice and Direction") to give a notice under this Condition 8.7(D) to the Issuer, the Trustee will, provided that the Trustee has been prefunded and/or secured and/or indemnified to its satisfaction, give such notice (a "Publication Event Redemption Notice") to the Issuer, copied to each of the Programme Parties. Any such ETP Securityholder Notice and Direction must be substantially in the form set out in the Elavon Agency Agreement which is available from the Issuing and Paying Agent, any Paying Agent and/or the Trustee. For the purposes of Condition 8.7, a Mandatory Redemption Date will occur on the fifth Business Day following the date of the Publication Event Redemption Notice. The Trustee shall not be responsible for or liable to the Issuer, any ETP Securityholder or any Programme Party for investigating, verifying, determining or monitoring whether a Publication Failure Event has occurred or exists and, unless and until the Trustee receives an ETP Securityholder Notice and Direction, the Trustee shall be entitled to assume that no such event has occurred;
- (E) Change in law or regulation: on or after the Series Issue Date (a) due to the adoption of or any change in any applicable law, regulation, rule, order, ruling or procedure (including, without limitation, any tax law and any regulation, rule, order, ruling or procedure of any applicable regulatory authority, tax authority and/or any exchange) or (b) due to the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority):
  - (1) the Issuer has (or reasonably expects that it will) become illegal for the Issuer to (x) hold, acquire or dispose of all of the types of Collateral Asset, and/or (y) perform its obligations under the ETP Securities and/or the LS Margin Account Agreement; or
  - (2) the Issuer would (or would expect to) incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under the ETP Securities and/or the LS Margin Account Agreement (including, without limitation, any increase in any applicable Taxes, any decrease in any applicable tax benefit and/or any other costs or liability to Tax of the Issuer relating to any change in any applicable tax law or regulation),

the Issuer may give notice to the Programme Parties and the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 that the ETP Securities are to be redeemed and designate a Mandatory Redemption Date for such purposes, provided that the date designated as the Mandatory Redemption Date shall not be earlier than the fifth Exchange Business Day following the date of the relevant notice (such notice an "**Issuer Redemption Notice**");

(F) *Margin Account Termination Event:* if the LS Margin Account Agreement terminates prior to the redemption of all the ETP Securities for any reason (a "Margin Account Termination

Event"). For the purposes of Condition 8.7, a Mandatory Redemption Date will occur on the date of termination of the LS Margin Account Agreement; and

(G) *Issuer Call Redemption Event:* an Issuer Call Redemption Event occurs pursuant to Condition 8.6.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Conditions or any Programme Document, if at any time following the occurrence of a Mandatory Redemption Event (the "Initial Early Redemption Event") an event or circumstance which would otherwise constitute or give rise to a Mandatory Redemption Event occurs (the "Secondary Early Redemption Event") in respect of which the Mandatory Redemption Date relating thereto occurs (or would occur) prior to the date that would have been the Mandatory Redemption Date in respect of the Initial Early Redemption Event, the Secondary Early Redemption Event shall prevail and all references to the "Mandatory Redemption Event" in the Conditions and the Programme Documents shall be construed accordingly.

## 8.8 Mandatory Redemption Amount

If any of the Mandatory Redemption Events listed in Condition 8.7 occurs, each ETP Security shall become due and payable on the related Mandatory Redemption Settlement Date at its Mandatory Redemption Amount.

The Issuer shall give notice to the ETP Securityholders of the Mandatory Redemption Date and the Mandatory Redemption Settlement Date of the ETP Securities as soon as reasonably practicable in accordance with Condition 17.

## 9. Disruption Events, Adjustments Events and postponement

## **9.1** Disruption Events and determination of Index Level

If a Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day, then with respect to a Series of ETP Securities:

- (A) the calculation and publication of the ETP Security Value in respect of such Valuation Date will be postponed to the next following Valuation Date that is not a Disrupted Day;
- (B) the Issuer shall use reasonable efforts, to the extent that all required information is available to it, to publish an indicative price in respect of each ETP Security on the Issuer's Website, solely for information purposes.

# **9.2** Postponement of settlement of subscriptions and Optional Redemptions

- (A) If a Subscription Order or a Redemption Order (which is determined to be valid in accordance with the terms of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement) is received by the Issuer on a Valuation Date which is a Disrupted Day, then such Subscription Order or Redemption Order shall be deemed to have been received by the Issuer on the day on which the ETP Security Value is deemed to be determined in respect of that Valuation Date. No additional amount shall be payable to any Authorised Participant (or any ETP Securityholder acquiring ETP Securities from, or selling ETP Securities to, an Authorised Participant) in connection with the postponement of Subscription Settlement Date or Optional Redemption Settlement Date, as applicable.
- (B) A Subscription Order delivered by an Authorised Participant which has been deferred in accordance with Condition 9.2(A) may be withdrawn by that Authorised Participant in accordance with the terms of the LS Operating Procedures Agreement.

# 9.3 Adjustments

(A) If an Adjustment Event has occurred, the Issuer will, as soon as reasonably practicable, determine in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner whether in its opinion it is appropriate to make one or more adjustments to the terms of the Conditions of the ETP Securities to account for the economic effect on the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Portfolio Administration Agreement and the ETP Securities of the relevant Adjustment Event.

(B) If the Issuer determines that it is appropriate to make such adjustments referred to in (A) above, it will, as soon as reasonably practicable, determine in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner the nature and effective date of such adjustment(s), and notify the Programme Parties and, in accordance with Condition 17, the ETP Securityholders of the occurrence of such Adjustment Event and the details of such adjustments to the Conditions and any related adjustments to the terms of the LS Margin Account Agreement and the Portfolio Administration Agreement (including the designation of a Successor Index, if applicable) as soon as reasonably practicable upon making such determinations.

With effect from the effective date of any such adjustment, the Issuer and the Programme Parties shall take into account the relevant adjustment(s) so notified to it when making any determination and/or calculation it is required to make under the Conditions and the terms of the relevant Programme Documents, as appropriate, and the Conditions of the ETP Securities and the terms of the Programme Documents shall be construed accordingly. Neither the consent of the Trustee nor the consent of the ETP Securityholders will be required for any such adjustment to the Conditions of the ETP Securities, provided that no such adjustment or amendment may be made which would, in the Trustee's opinion, affect its rights, protections or impose more onerous obligations on the Trustee without its consent.

(C) If the Issuer determines that it is not appropriate to make such adjustments referred to in (A) above, the Issuer will notify the Programme Parties and, in accordance with Condition 17, the ETP Securityholders that the ETP Securities will be redeemed and, for the purposes of Condition 8.7, a Mandatory Redemption Event in the form of a "Disruption Redemption Event" will occur.

## 10. Payments, calculations, Agents and records

#### 10.1 **Payments net of Taxes**

All payments in respect of the ETP Securities shall be made net of and after allowance for any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any Taxes. In the event that any withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any Tax applies to payments in respect of the ETP Securities, the ETP Securityholders will be subject to, and shall not be entitled to receive amounts to compensate for, any such Tax or deduction or any other amounts withheld or deducted pursuant to Condition 10.3. No Event of Default shall occur as a result of any such withholding or deduction.

# 10.2 Payments

(A) Payments of Principal in respect of Definitive Securities will, subject to Conditions 10.2(C) and 10.3, be made against presentation and surrender of the relevant ETP Securities at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States, by a cheque payable in the relevant currency drawn on, or, at the option of the holder, by transfer to, an account denominated in such currency with a Bank.

**"Bank**" means a bank in the principal financial centre of the currency of payment or, in the case of euros, a city in which banks in general have access to the TARGET2 System.

(B) For as long as the ETP Securities are represented by a Global Security deposited with a Relevant Clearing System and held by the Relevant Clearing System or a common depository, common safekeeper or nominee, as applicable, on behalf of the Relevant Clearing System, the obligations of the Issuer under the Conditions to make payments in respect of the ETP Securities will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of the Global Security, subject to and in accordance with the terms of such Global Security. Each of the persons shown in the records of the Relevant Clearing System as owning ETP Securities represented by such Global Security must look solely to the Relevant Clearing System for his share of any payment made by the Issuer to or to the order of the holder of the Global Security. Payments made to any person shown in the records of the Relevant Clearing System as owning any ETP Security represented by the Global Security shall be subject to and made in accordance with the rules of the Relevant Clearing System.

- (C) Notwithstanding the foregoing, for so long as the ETP Securities are represented by a Global Security, if any amount payable in respect of such ETP Securities is payable in U.S. dollars, such U.S. dollar payments shall be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the U.S. if:
  - (1) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the U.S. with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the U.S. of the full amount due in respect of the ETP Securities in the manner provided above when due;
  - (2) payment of the full amount due at all such specified offices outside the U.S. is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of the amount due in U.S. dollars; and
  - (3) such payment is then permitted under U.S. law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer.

# 10.3 **Payments subject to fiscal laws**

All payments in respect of the ETP Securities will be subject in all cases to (i) any applicable fiscal or other laws, regulations and directives but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 10.1 and (ii) any withholding or deduction required pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, any regulations or agreements thereunder, any official interpretations thereof, or any law implementing an intergovernmental approach thereto (in each case without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 10.1). No commission or expenses shall be charged to the ETP Securityholders in respect of such payments.

# 10.4 Calculations

- (A) The Determination Agent will, as soon as reasonably practicable on such date and/or at such time as the Determination Agent is required in accordance with the Determination Agency Agreement and the Conditions and any other Relevant Provisions, perform such duties and obligations as are required to be performed by it in accordance therewith.
- (B) The calculation by the Determination Agent of any amount, price, rate or value required to be calculated by the Determination Agent under the Relevant Provisions shall be made in good faith and shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding on the Issuer, the ETP Securityholders and the Programme Parties.

# 10.5 Calculation by Trustee

If at any time after the Security has become enforceable pursuant to Condition 6.3 and the Determination Agent does not make any calculation relating to the ETP Security Value, Final Redemption Amount, Optional Redemption Amount or Mandatory Redemption Amount when required pursuant to the Conditions and the Programme Documents, then the Trustee may appoint an agent on its behalf to make any calculation in place of the Determination Agent provided that the Trustee shall have been pre-funded and/or secured and/or indemnified to its satisfaction by one or more ETP Securityholders in accordance with the Trust Deed. Any such calculation made on behalf of the Trustee shall for the purposes of the Conditions and the Programme Documents be deemed to have been made by the Determination Agent. In doing so, the appointed agent shall apply the provisions of the Conditions and/or the relevant Programme Document(s), with any necessary consequential amendments, to the extent that, in its opinion, it can do so, and in all other respects it shall do so in such manner as it shall deem fair and reasonable in the circumstances. In the absence of fraud, gross negligence and wilful default, the Trustee directly or its agent shall not be liable

(whether directly or indirectly, in contract, in tort or otherwise) to the Issuer, the ETP Securityholders or any Programme Party for any calculation (or any delay in making any calculation) so made.

# 10.6 **Determination Agent**

- (A) Subject as provided in the Conditions and the Determination Agency Agreement, the Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to procure that there shall at all times be a Determination Agent for so long as any of the ETP Securities are outstanding. If the Determination Agent resigns or its appointment is terminated for any reason, the Issuer shall use all reasonable efforts to appoint a reputable entity that provides services of a similar type to those required of the Determination Agent under the Relevant Provisions or a leading bank or investment banking firm engaged in the interbank market (or, if appropriate, money, swap, commodity or over-the-counter commodity futures and options or index options market) that the Issuer reasonably determines is capable of making the calculation(s) required to be made by the Determination Agent under the Relevant Provisions to act as such in its place.
- (B) The Determination Agent shall not be liable (whether directly or indirectly, in contract, in tort or otherwise) to the Issuer, any ETP Securityholder, any other Programme Party or any other person for any Loss incurred by any such person that arises out of or in connection with the performance by the Determination Agent of its obligations under the Determination Agency Agreement, the Conditions and the other Relevant Provisions provided that nothing shall relieve the Determination Agent from any Loss arising by reason of acts or omissions constituting bad faith, fraud or gross negligence of the Determination Agent (any such act or omission, a "Determination Agent Breach").
  - (1) If the Determination Agent would, but for the operation of this Condition 10.6(B)(1), be held liable for any Loss arising as the result of a Determination Agent Breach, the Determination Agent shall nevertheless incur no liability to the Issuer, any ETP Securityholder, any other Programme Party or any other person if such Determination Agent Breach results solely and directly from either (i) the failure by any other Programme Party to provide any notice, instruction or direction which such Programme Document or (ii) a delay in the delivery by any other Programme Party of any notice, instruction which such Programme Party of any notice, instruction which such Programme Document or (ii) a delay in the delivery by any other Programme Party is required to give to the Determination Agent under the Conditions or any relevant Programme Document.
  - (2) If the Determination Agent would, but for the operation of this Condition 10.6(B)(2), be held liable for any Loss arising as the result of a Determination Agent Breach, the Determination Agent shall nevertheless incur no liability to the Issuer, any ETP Securityholder, any other Programme Party or any other person if such Determination Agent Breach results solely and directly from the reliance by the Determination Agent upon a rate, amount, quotation, value or other calculation or determination notified to the Determination Agent pursuant to the Conditions and/or any relevant Programme Document which is made by another Programme Party in accordance with the Conditions and the terms of any relevant Programme Document.
- (C) The Determination Agent has no obligation towards or relationship of agency or trust with any ETP Securityholder.
- (D) The Determination Agent has no duties or responsibilities except those expressly set forth in the Conditions, the Determination Agency Agreement and the other Relevant Provisions and no implied or inferred duties or obligations of any kind will be read into the Determination Agency Agreement against or on the part of the Determination Agent. The Determination Agent will not, and will not be deemed to, assume or be liable for the obligations or duties of

the Issuer or any other person under the Conditions, the Trust Deed or any other Programme Document unless otherwise agreed pursuant to the Relevant Provisions.

# 10.7 Appointment of Agents

Save as provided below, the Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer. The Agents do not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any ETP Securityholder. The Issuer may at any time without requiring the prior written approval of the Trustee or the ETP Securityholders but subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the relevant Programme Documents, terminate the appointment of an Agent, replace an Agent or appoint additional or other Agents. Without prejudice to the provisions for the automatic termination of the appointment of an Agent in connection with the occurrence of an insolvency or similar event or proceedings in the relevant Programme Documents, the Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to at all times maintain (i) an Issuing and Paying Agent and a Registrar , (ii) a Determination Agent, (iii) a Portfolio Administrator, and (iv) such other agents as may be required by any stock exchange on which the ETP Securities may be listed. Notice of any change of Agent or any change to the specified office of an Agent shall promptly be given to the ETP Securityholders by the Issuer in accordance with Condition 17.

Pursuant to the terms of the Trust Deed, at any time after an Event of Default or a Potential Event of Default has occurred in relation to the ETP Securities, the Trustee may (i) by notice in writing to the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent and any other Paying Agents, the Registrar, the Portfolio Administrator, any Transfer Agents, and/or the Determination Agent, require any and all of such Agents, until notified by the Trustee to the contrary, so far as permitted by applicable law to (a) act as agent of the Trustee under the Trust Deed and the ETP Securities mutatis mutandis on the terms of the Elavon Agency Agreement and/or the Portfolio Administration Agreement and/or the Determination Agreement, as applicable (with consequential amendments as necessary) and except that the Trustee's liability for the indemnification, remuneration and all other expenses of such Agents (if any) shall be limited to the amounts for the time being held by the Trustee in respect of the ETP Securities on the terms of the Trust Deed and which are available (after application in accordance with the relevant order of priority set out in Condition 6.5) to discharge such liability); or (b) deliver the ETP Securities and all moneys, documents and records held by them in respect of the ETP Securities to or to the order of the Trustee or as the Trustee directs in such notice, and (ii) by notice in writing to the Issuer require it to make all subsequent payments in respect of the ETP Securities to or to the order of the Trustee and not to the Issuing and Paying Agent, and/or the Registrar with effect from the receipt of any such notice by the Issuer; and from then until such notice is withdrawn, proviso (1) of Condition 6.2(A) shall cease to have effect.

# 10.8 Authorised Participants

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Conditions, for the avoidance of doubt, neither the approval of ETP Securityholders by way of an Extraordinary Resolution of ETP Securityholders or otherwise or the consent of the Trustee is required (without limitation) in connection with the accession of a new Authorised Participant to the Programme or the termination of the appointment of an existing Authorised Participant (including the Initial Authorised Participant). Without prejudice to the forgoing and Condition 8.7(C), the Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to at all times maintain at least one Authorised Participant.

# 10.9 Business day convention and non-Payment Business Days

- (A) If any date for payment in respect of any ETP Security is not a Payment Business Day, the holder shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Business Day or to any interest or other sum in respect of such postponed payment.
- (B) If any date referred to in the Conditions would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Valuation Date, then such date shall be postponed to the next day that is a Valuation Date.

# 10.10 Records

For so long as the ETP Securities are represented by a Global Security in NGN form, the records of the Relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Condition 10.10 means the records that

each Relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customers' interests in the ETP Securities) shall be conclusive evidence of the number of the ETP Securities represented by the Global Security and, for these purposes, a statement issued by the Relevant Clearing System (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) stating the number of ETP Securities represented by the Global Security at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the Relevant Clearing System at that time.

# 10.11 Negotiability of Global Bearer Security

If the ETP Securities are Bearer Securities represented by a Global Bearer Security, the Global Bearer Security is a bearer document and negotiable and accordingly:

- (A) is freely transferable by delivery and such transfer shall operate to confer upon the transferee all rights and benefits appertaining hereto and to bind the transferee with all obligations appertaining hereto pursuant to these Conditions;
- (B) the holder of the Global Bearer Security is and shall be absolutely entitled as against all previous holders to receive all amounts by way of amounts payable upon redemption or otherwise payable in respect of the Global Bearer Security and the Issuer waives as against such holder and any previous holder of the Global Bearer Security all rights of set-off or counterclaim that would or might otherwise be available to it in respect of the obligations evidenced by the Global Bearer Security; and
- (C) payment upon due presentation of the Global Bearer Security will operate as a good discharge against such holder and all previous holders of the Global Bearer Security.

# 11. Prescription

**C**laims against the Issuer for payment under the Conditions in respect of the ETP Securities shall be prescribed and become void unless made within 10 years from the date on which the payment of Principal in respect of the ETP Securities first became due or (if any amount of the money payable was improperly withheld or refused) the date on which payment in full of the amount outstanding was made or (if earlier) the date seven days after that on which

is duly given to the ETP Securityholders that, upon further presentation of the ETP Security being made in accordance with the Conditions, such payment will be made, provided that payment is in fact made upon such presentation (such date the **"Relevant Date"**) save that if the ETP Securities are in global bearer form claims in respect of Principal in respect of the relevant Global Bearer Security shall become void unless the Global Bearer Security is presented for payment within a period of 10 years from the appropriate Relevant Date.

# 12. Events of Default

If any of the following events (each, an "**Event of Default**") occurs, the Trustee at its discretion may or will, if so directed in writing by holders of at least a majority of the ETP Securities then outstanding or if so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution, a copy of which has been provided to the Trustee (provided that in each case the Trustee shall have been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction by one or more ETP Securityholders in accordance with the Trust Deed), give notice to the Issuer (copied to each Programme Party) (such notice an "**Event of Default Redemption Notice**") that the ETP Securities are, and they shall immediately become, due and payable at their Final Redemption Amount:

- (A) the Issuer defaults in the payment of any sum due in respect of the ETP Securities or any of them for a period of 14 calendar days or more;
- (B) the Issuer does not perform or comply with any one or more of its obligations (other than a payment obligation) under the ETP Securities, the Trust Deed or any other Programme Document, which default is incapable of remedy or, if in the opinion of the Trustee capable of remedy, is not remedied within 30 calendar days (or such longer period as the Trustee may permit) after notice of such default shall have been given to the Issuer by the Trustee (and, for these purposes, a failure to perform or comply with an obligation shall be deemed to be

remediable notwithstanding that the failure results from not doing an act or thing by a particular time);

- (C) any order shall be made by any competent court or any resolution passed for the winding-up or dissolution of the Issuer, save for the purposes of amalgamation, merger, consolidation, reorganisation or other similar arrangement on terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee or by an Extraordinary Resolution;
- (D) an examiner is appointed in respect of the Issuer; or
- (E) a Margin Loan Provider Event of Default or Margin Loan Provider insolvency occurs

The Issuer will, as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of any Event of Default Redemption Notice, give notice thereof to the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 and to the Authorised Participant(s).

The Issuer has undertaken in the Trust Deed that, on each anniversary of the issue date of the first Series of ETP Securities issued under the Programme and also within 14 calendar days after any request by the Trustee, it will send to the Trustee a certificate signed by a Director of the Issuer to the effect that as at a date not more than five calendar days prior to the date of the certificate no Event of Default, or event or circumstance that could with the giving of notice, lapse of time and/or issue of a certificate become an Event of Default, has occurred.

## 13. Enforcement

Pursuant to the terms of the Trust Deed, only the Trustee may, at its discretion and without further notice, take such action or step or institute such proceedings against the Issuer, as it may think fit to enforce the rights of the holders of the ETP Securities against the Issuer whether the same arise under general law, the Trust Deed or the ETP Securities, any other Programme Document or otherwise, but, in each case, it need not take any such action or step or institute proceedings unless in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed, the Trustee is so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution a copy of which has been provided to the Trustee or notified in writing by holders of at least a majority of the ETP Securities then outstanding and it shall have been secured and/or prefunded and/or indemnified to its satisfaction.

None of the Secured Creditors shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer unless the Trustee, having become bound to proceed in accordance with the terms of the Security Documents, fails or neglects to do so within a reasonable time and such failure is continuing.

The ETP Securityholders acknowledge and agree that only the Trustee may enforce the Security over the Secured Property in accordance with, and subject to the terms of, the Security Documents.

The Trustee shall not be required to take any action in relation to the Security constituted by the Security Documents which may (i) be illegal or contrary to any applicable law or regulation or (ii) cause it to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any liability (including any personal liability) in the performance of its duties or in the exercise of any of its rights, powers and discretions, without first being indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction.

#### 14. Meetings of ETP Securityholders, modification, waiver, substitution and restrictions

# 14.1 Meetings of ETP Securityholders

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of the ETP Securityholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including modification by Extraordinary Resolution of the ETP Securities (including these Conditions or the provisions of the Trust Deed insofar as the same may apply to such ETP Securities).

The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution will be two or more ETP Securityholders or agents present in person holding or representing in the aggregate more than 50 per cent. of the number of the ETP Securities for the time being outstanding or, at any adjourned such meeting, two or more ETP Securityholders or agents present in person being or representing ETP Securityholders, whatever the number of the ETP Securities so held or represented, and an

Extraordinary Resolution duly passed at any such meeting shall be binding on all the ETP Securityholders, whether present or not, except that any Extraordinary Resolution proposed, inter alia, (i) to amend the dates of maturity or redemption of the ETP Securities (ii) to reduce or cancel the principal amount payable on redemption of, the ETP Securities, (iii) to change any method of calculating the Final Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount or the Mandatory Redemption Amount, (iv) to change the currency or currencies of payment or Denomination of the ETP Securities, (v) to take any steps which as specified in the Trust Deed may only be taken following approval by an Extraordinary Resolution to which the special guorum provisions apply, (vi) to modify the provisions concerning the quorum required at any meeting of ETP Securityholders or the majority required to pass an Extraordinary Resolution, (vii) to modify the provisions of the Trust Deed concerning this exception or (viii) to modify any other provisions specifically identified for this purpose in the Trust Deed will only be binding if passed at a meeting of the ETP Securityholders, the quorum at which shall be two or more ETP Securityholders or agents present in person holding or representing in the aggregate not less than 75 per cent. of the number of ETP Securities for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting, two or more ETP Securityholders or agents present in person being or representing in the aggregate not less than 10 per cent. of the number of the ETP Securities so held or represented (provided that at an adjourned meeting convened for the purpose of reducing the Principal Amount of the ETP Securities following a Threshold Event Date, the guorum shall be two or more ETP Securityholders or agents whatever the number of ETP Securities so held or represented). The holder of a Bearer Security or Registered Security in global form representing all of the ETP Securities for the time being outstanding will be treated as being two persons for the purposes of such quorum requirements. A resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of the holders of not less than 75 per cent. of the aggregate number of the ETP Securities for the time being outstanding shall for all purposes be as valid and effectual as an Extraordinary Resolution passed at a meeting of ETP Securityholders.

# 14.2 Modification of the relevant Programme Documents

- (A) Subject to Condition 14.3(F), the Trustee may agree, without the consent of the ETP Securityholders, to (i) any modification to these Conditions, the Trust Deed and/or any other Programme Document to which the Trustee is a party which is, in the opinion of the Trustee, of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error, and (ii) any other modification, and any waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of any of these Conditions or any of the provisions of the Trust Deed and/or any other Programme Document to which the Trustee is a party that is in the opinion of the Trustee not materially prejudicial to the interests of the ETP Securityholders. Any such modification, authorisation or waiver will be binding on the ETP Securityholders and, if the Trustee so requires, such modification will be notified by the Issuer to the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 as soon as reasonably practicable. This Condition 14.2(A) shall not limit the authority of the Issuer to make any of the modifications to these Conditions, the Trust Deed and/or any other Programme Document as set out in Condition 14.2(B).
- (B) The Issuer may agree, without of the consent of the Trustee or the ETP Securityholders, to any modification to these Conditions, the Trust Deed and/or any other Programme Document (whether or not the Trustee is a party thereto) which is not specifically stated therein to require the consent of the Trustee or the ETP Securityholders, including any modification which is made:
  - (1) in connection with the accession of a new Authorised Participant to the Programme or the termination of the appointment of an existing Authorised Participant (including the Initial Authorised Participant);
  - (2) in connection with any variation of the terms of appointment of an Agent, the termination of the appointment of an Agent, the replacement of an Agent, the

appointment of additional Agents or any variation or amendment to the terms of any Programme Document;

- (3) in connection with an amendment to the terms of the Programme to extend the range of assets which may be included as Collateral Assets for any Series of ETP Securities to be issued following the date of the relevant amendments;
- (4) in connection with an amendment to the terms of the Programme to facilitate the issue of Series of ETP Securities which pursue actively managed Investment Strategies, such Series to be issued following the date of the relevant amendment;
- (5) in order to facilitate any application for the admission of the ETP Securities of any Series to listing or trading on any stock exchange;
- (6) in order to effect the transfer of the LS Margin Account Agreement to a new Margin Loan Provider or to make amendments consequent upon such transfer; or
- (7) to effect any adjustment to the Conditions of the ETP Securities and/or the terms of the LS Margin Account Agreement pursuant to Condition 9.3 as a consequence of the occurrence of an Adjustment Event provided that:
  - (a) the adjustments so agreed have the consequence that at the time of the adjustments there is no negative change to the ETP Security Value in respect of the ETP Securities; and
  - (b) the adjustments do not take effect until at least three calendar days have elapsed after they are announced to the ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17.

To the extent that the consent of the Trustee is required in order to give effect to any modification to these Conditions, the Trust Deed and/or any other Programme Document to which the Trustee is a party which the Issuer certifies to the Trustee is necessary or desirable to be made for the purposes described in paragraphs (1) to (7) above, the Trustee shall agree, without the consent of the ETP Securityholders, to such modification provided however that the Trustee shall not be required to agree to any modification which would, in the Trustee's opinion, affect its rights, protections or impose more onerous obligations on the Trustee.

# 14.3 Substitution

The Trustee may, without the consent of the ETP Securityholders, but subject to the prior consent of each Authorised Participant and the Margin Loan Provider, agree to the substitution, in place of the Issuer (or of any previous substitute) as the principal debtor under the Security Documents, the other Programme Documents to which it is a party and the ETP Securities of each Series, of any other company (incorporated in any jurisdiction) (any such substitute company being the "**Substituted Obligor**"), provided that:

- (A) a deed is executed or undertaking given by the Substituted Obligor to the Trustee, in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee, agreeing to be bound by the Security Documents and the ETP Securities of each Series (with such consequential amendments as the Trustee may deem appropriate) as if the Substituted Obligor had been named in the Security Documents and the ETP Securities as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer;
- (B) the Substituted Obligor assumes all rights, obligations and liabilities in relation to the Secured Property, acknowledges the Security created in respect thereof pursuant to the Security Documents and takes all such action as the Trustee may require so that the Security constitutes a valid charge, pledge or other security interest over the Secured

Property as was originally created by the Issuer for the obligations of the Substituted Obligor;

- (C) if any director of the Substituted Obligor certifies that it will be solvent immediately after such substitution, the Trustee need not have regard to the Substituted Obligor's financial condition, profits or prospects or compare them with those of the Issuer;
- (D) the Trustee will be satisfied (if it requires, by reference to legal opinions) that (a) all necessary governmental and regulatory approvals and consents necessary for or in connection with the assumption by the Substituted Obligor of liability as principal debtor in respect of, and of its obligations under, the ETP Securities of each Series and any Programme Document have been obtained and (b) such approvals and consents are at the time of substitution in full force and effect;
- (E) the Issuer and the Substituted Obligor will execute and the Issuer shall procure that the Margin Loan Provider and any other Programme Party will execute such other deeds, documents and instruments (if any) as the Trustee may require in order that such substitution is fully effective and comply with such other requirements in the interests of the ETP Securityholders as the Trustee may direct;
- (F) in connection with any proposed substitution of the Issuer, the Trustee may, without the consent of the holders of the ETP Securities, agree to a change of the law from time to time governing such ETP Securities and/or the Supplemental Trust Deed and/or the Security Documents, provided that such change of law, in the opinion of the Trustee, would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of such ETP Securityholders;
- (G) the Issuer and the Substituted Obligor comply with such other requirements as the Trustee may direct in the interests of the ETP Securityholders; and
- (H) a legal opinion satisfactory to the Trustee is provided concerning any proposed substitution.

An agreement by the Trustee pursuant to this Condition 14.3 and the Security Documents will, if so expressed, release the Issuer (or a previous substitute) from any or all of its obligations under the Security Documents, the ETP Securities and the other relevant Programme Documents. The Substituted Obligor shall give notice of the substitution to the ETP Securityholders within 14 calendar days of the execution of such documents and compliance with such requirements.

On completion of the formalities set out in this Condition 14.3 and the Security Documents, the Substituted Obligor shall be deemed to be named in these Conditions, the Security Documents, the other Programme Documents and the ETP Securities as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer (or of any previous substitute) and these Conditions, the Security Documents, the other Programme Documents and the ETP Securities shall be deemed to be amended as necessary to give effect to the substitution.

# 14.4 Entitlement of the Trustee

In accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed, in connection with the exercise of its functions under the relevant Programme Documents, the Trustee will have regard solely to the interests of the ETP Securityholders as a Series and will not have regard to the consequences of such exercise for individual ETP Securityholders and the Trustee will not be entitled to require, nor shall any ETP Securityholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer any indemnification or payment in respect of any Tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual ETP Securityholders.

So long as the ETP Securities are in global form and such Global Security is held by or on behalf of the Relevant Clearing System, in considering the interests of ETP Securityholders, the Trustee may have regard to any information provided to it by the Relevant Clearing System or its operator as to the identity (either individually or by category) of its accountholders or participants with entitlements to any such Global Security and may consider such interests on the basis that such accountholders or participants were the holder(s) thereof.

# 14.5 **Prohibition on U.S. persons**

ETP Securities may not be legally or beneficially owned by any U.S. person at any time nor offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to U.S. persons. The Issuer has the right, at its option, to refuse to recognise any such transfer or to compel any legal or beneficial owner of ETP Securities who contravenes such prohibition to void the transfer of such ETP Securities to such legal or beneficial owner or to redeem any such ETP Securities held by such legal or beneficial owner. Transfers may be voided by the Issuer by compelling a sale by such legal or beneficial owner or by the Issuer selling such ETP Securities on behalf of such legal or beneficial owner at the lesser of the purchase price therefor or the ETP Security Value prevailing at the time such transfer is voided. Terms used in this Condition 14.5 have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

# 14.6 **ERISA prohibition**

ETP Securities may not be legally or beneficially owned by any entity that is, or that is using the assets of, (a)(i) an "Employee Benefit Plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA")) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility requirements of Title I of ERISA, (ii) any plan to which Section 4975 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") applies (a "Plan") or (iii) an entity whose constituent assets include "Plan Assets" (as determined pursuant to the "Plan Assets Regulation" issued by the United States Department of Labor at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101 as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA) by reason of any such Employee Benefit Plan's or Plan's investment in the entity or (b) a non-U.S. plan, governmental plan, church plan or other plan that is subject to any federal, state, local, non-U.S. or other law or regulation that is similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code (a "Similar Law") unless its acquisition and holding and disposition of such Security, or any interest therein, has not and will not constitute a violation of such Similar Law. The Issuer has the right, at its option, to refuse to recognise any such transfer or to compel any legal or beneficial owner of ETP Securities who contravenes such prohibition to void the transfer of such ETP Securities to such legal or beneficial owner or to redeem any such ETP Securities held by such legal or beneficial owner. Transfers may be voided by the Issuer by compelling a sale by such legal or beneficial owner or by the issuer selling such ETP Securities on behalf of such legal or beneficial owner at the lesser of the purchase price therefor or the ETP Security Value prevailing at the time such transfer is voided. Terms used in this Condition 14.6 have the meanings given to them by the Code.

# 15. **Replacement of ETP Securities**

If an ETP Security in bearer form is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced, subject to applicable laws, regulations and stock exchange or other relevant authority regulations, at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent or such other Paying Agent, as the case may be, as may, from time to time, be designated by the Issuer for the purpose and notice of whose designation is given to ETP Securityholders, in each case on payment by the claimant of the fees and costs incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence, security, indemnity (which may provide, *inter alia*, that if the allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed ETP Security is subsequently presented for payment there shall be paid to the Issuer on demand the amount payable by the Issuer in respect of such ETP Security) and otherwise as the Issuer may require. Mutilated or defaced ETP Securities must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

# 16. Issue of further Tranches and Series of ETP Securities

# 16.1 **Further Tranches**

Subject to Condition 6, the Issuer may, from time to time (without the consent of the Trustee or any ETP Securityholder), in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Conditions and the Authorised Participant Agreement(s), create and issue further securities either having the same terms and conditions as the ETP Securities in all respects and so that such further issue shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the ETP Securities or upon such terms as the Issuer may determine at the time of their issue and/or incur further obligations relating to such securities.

Only an Authorised Participant may request that the Issuer issue additional Tranches of the ETP Securities by delivering a valid Subscription Order subject to and in accordance with the terms of the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement.

The Issuer will only accept a Subscription Order and issue ETP Securities if:

- (A) a Subscription Order is given by an Authorised Participant and determined to be valid by or on behalf of the Issuer;
- (B) the acceptance of such Subscription Order will not cause any Subscription Limit for the ETP Securities or the LS Margin Account Agreement to be exceeded;
- (C) in connection with such issue of ETP Securities, the Margin Loan Provider agrees to any increase of the economic exposure under the LS Margin Account Agreement which is necessary to facilitate the issue of such ETP Securities; and
- (D) all conditions precedent to an issue of the ETP Securities are satisfied.

The Issuer shall have no obligation to issue further ETP Securities and no obligation to accept any Subscription Orders from (but excluding) the fifth Valuation Date preceding the Final Redemption Date of the ETP Securities.

In accordance with the terms of the Authorised Participant Agreement(s), the LS Operating Procedures Agreement and the LS Margin Account Agreement, the Issuer will not be obliged to accept any Subscription Order and/or issue ETP Securities if (i) a Subscription Suspension Event has occurred and is continuing, and/or (ii) a Mandatory Redemption Event has occurred and/or a Margin Loan Provider Event of Default has occurred and/or (iii) the Margin Loan Provider does not consent to increase the economic exposure under the LS Margin Account Agreement by a pro rata amount. If an Issuer Call Redemption Notice is delivered the last day on which the Issuer is required to accept a valid Subscription Order shall be the fifth Exchange Business Day preceding the related Mandatory Redemption Date designated in such notice. If an Issuer Redemption Notice is delivered by the Issuer the last day on which the Issuer is required to accept a valid Subscription Order shall be the fifth Exchange Business Day preceding the related Mandatory Redemption Valuation Date designated in such notice. If the Margin Loan Provider elects for the LS Margin Account Agreement to terminate on the last day of its scheduled term and such date falls before the Final Redemption Date of the ETP Securities the last day on which the Issuer is required to accept a valid Subscription Order shall be the fifth Exchange Business Day preceding the scheduled termination date of the LS Margin Account Agreement. If a Margin Account Termination Event is designated or occurs under the LS Margin Account Agreement, the last day on which the Issuer is required to accept a valid Subscription Order shall be the date of the notice designating such event. If a Mandatory Redemption Event occurs, the last day on which the Issuer is required to accept a valid Subscription Order shall be the date of the notice designating such event.

The Issuer may suspend the issuance of further ETP Securities at any time. If a Subscription Suspension Event occurs, the Issuer shall not be obliged to accept any Subscription Orders for the ETP Securities with effect from the date of suspension specified in the relevant notice to the Determination Agent and the Authorised Participants until such time (if any) as the Issuer notifies such Programme Parties that it shall recommence the issue of further Tranches of the ETP Securities. The effective date of any such suspension will be specified in the related notice and will be a day not earlier than the Valuation Date following the date of such notice. The Issuer shall give notice to ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17 of any such suspension as soon as reasonably practicable after giving any notice of suspension of subscriptions.

In relation to any Subscription Order which has been accepted by or on behalf of the Issuer but in respect of which the Subscription Settlement Date has not yet occurred as at the date of the occurrence of an Event of Default, each such Subscription Order shall automatically be cancelled with effect from the date of the occurrence of such Event of Default.

In relation to any Subscription Order which is valid but in respect of which the ETP Securities are pending issue and settlement to the relevant Authorised Participant as at the Mandatory Redemption Date, the Final Redemption Date or the date of delivery of an Event of Default Redemption Notice (due to the Subscription Settlement Date not having occurred at such date, the relevant Authorised

Participant not having delivered in full the relevant subscription amount on a Subscription Settlement Date falling prior to such date, or otherwise), any such Subscription Order shall automatically be cancelled with effect from such Mandatory Redemption Date, Final Redemption Date or date of delivery of an Event of Default Redemption Notice (as applicable).

If at any time after the occurrence of the Subscription Settlement Date in respect of which the relevant Authorised Participant has not paid in full the related subscription amount a Mandatory Redemption Event occurs, the Final Redemption Date occurs or an Event of Default Redemption Notice is delivered, the ETP Securities issued on any such Subscription Settlement Date which are pending settlement to the relevant Authorised Participant shall automatically be cancelled with effect from the date of the occurrence of such Mandatory Redemption Date, Final Redemption Date or date of delivery of an Event of Default Redemption Notice (as applicable). ETP Securities requested for issue and subscribed for by an Authorised Participant may be held on an inventory basis by such Authorised Participant and offered for sale and/or sold over a period of time.

In relation to any Subscription Order, in satisfaction of the relevant subscription amount, the Issuer may agree with the relevant Authorised Participant to accept the delivery to, or to the order of, the Issuer of Reference Assets which the Determination Agent determines have a value on the Subscription Settlement Date, after taking account of any costs of transfer or delivery which are to be discharged by the Issuer, which is equal to or greater than the subscription amount.

Any new securities forming a single Series with the ETP Securities and which are expressed to be constituted by the Trust Deed and secured by the Security Documents will, upon the issue thereof by the Issuer, be constituted by the Trust Deed and secured by the Security Documents without any further formality and irrespective of whether or not the issue of such securities contravenes any covenant or other restriction in the Trust Deed or the Programme Maximum Number of ETP Securities and shall be secured by the Secured Property (as increased and/or supplemented in connection with such issue of such new securities) and references in these Conditions to "Secured Creditors", "Secured Property", "Secured Obligations" and "ETP Securities" shall be construed accordingly.

# 17. <u>Notices</u>

- 17.1 All notices to holders of ETP Securities shall be valid if:
- (A) they are:
  - (1) published in daily newspapers with general circulation in Ireland (which is expected to be in the *Irish Times*) and in the United Kingdom (which is expected to be in the *Financial Times*); and/or
  - (2) published on the website of one or more RIS(s) approved for such purposes by the applicable Relevant Stock Exchange(s) and any such notices shall be conclusively presumed to have been received by the holders; and/or
  - (3) published on the Issuer's Website;
- (B) for so long as the ETP Securities are listed on any Relevant Stock Exchange, they are published in accordance with the rules and regulations of such Relevant Stock Exchange or other relevant authority; and
- (C) for so long as the ETP Securities are in global form, notices required to be given in respect of the ETP Securities represented by a Global Security are given by their being delivered (so long as the Global Security is held on behalf of a Relevant Clearing System) to the Relevant Clearing System, or otherwise to the holder of the Global Security, rather than by publication as required above. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the

ETP Securities on the Payment Business Day immediately following the day on which the notice was given to the Relevant Clearing System.

17.2 If, in the opinion of the Trustee, any such publications above are not practicable, notice shall be validly given if published in another leading daily newspaper with general circulation in the relevant country.

Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication or, if published more than once or on different dates, on the first date on which publication is made, as provided above.

## 18. Relevant Clearing System

None of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Agents or the Margin Loan Providers will have any responsibility for the performance by the Relevant Clearing System (or its participants or indirect participants) of any of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

#### 19. Governing law and jurisdiction

#### 19.1 Governing law

The Trust Deed and the ETP Securities (including any Global Security), and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with them are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Irish law.

## 19.2 Jurisdiction

The courts of Ireland are to have non-exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes that may arise out of or in connection with any ETP Securities and, accordingly, any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with any ETP Securities ("**Proceedings**") may be brought in such courts. The Issuer irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of such courts and waives any objections to Proceedings in such courts on the ground of venue or on the ground that the Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. This submission is for the benefit of each of the Trustee and the ETP Securityholders and shall not limit the right of any of them to take Proceedings in any other court of competent jurisdiction nor shall the taking of Proceedings in any one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction (whether concurrently or not).

#### FORM OF FINAL TERMS

Pro Forma Final Terms for an issue by Leverage Shares Public Limited Company under its Collateralised Exchange Traded Securities Programme

[The UK MIFIR product governance legends below are not applicable where a target market assessment is not being included, otherwise one of the following legends should be selected.]

[[MiFIR product governance / Professional investors and ECPs only target market – Solely for the purposes of [the/each] manufacturer's product approval process, the target market assessment in respect of the ETP Securities has led to the conclusion that: (i) the target market for the ETP Securities is eligible counterparties as defined in the FCA Handbook Conduct of Business Sourcebook ("COBS") and professional clients as defined in Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("EUWA"); and (ii) all channels for distribution of the ETP Securities to eligible counterparties and professional clients are appropriate. Any person subsequently offering, selling or recommending the ETP Securities (a "distributor") should take into consideration the manufacturer['s/s'] target market assessment; however, a distributor subject to the FCA Handbook Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the ETP Securities (by either adopting or refining the manufacturer['s/s'] target market assessment in respect assessment in respect.

# OR

[MiFIR product governance / Retail investors, professional investors and ECPs target market - Solely for the purposes of [the/each] manufacturer's product approval process, the target market assessment in respect of the ETP Securities has led to the conclusion that: (i) the target market for the ETP Securities is eligible counterparties as defined in the FCA Handbook Conduct of Business Sourcebook ("COBS"), professional clients as defined in Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("EUWA") and retail clients as defined in point (8) of Article 2 of Regulation (EU) No 2017/565 as it forms part of domestic law by virtue of the EUWAI: EITHER [and (ii) all channels for distribution of the ETP Securities are appropriate[, including investment advice, portfolio management, non-advised sales and pure execution services]] OR [(ii) all channels for distribution to eligible counterparties and professional clients are appropriate; and (iii) the following channels for distribution of the ETP Securities to retail clients are appropriate - investment advice[,/ and] portfolio management[,/ and][ nonadvised sales ][and pure execution services][, subject to the distributor's suitability and appropriateness obligations under the FCA Handbook Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook, as applicable]]. Any person subsequently offering, selling or recommending the ETP Securities (a "distributor") should take into consideration the manufacturer['s/s'] target market assessment; however, a distributor subject to the FCA Handbook Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the ETP Securities.]

Final Terms dated: [

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#### Leverage Shares Public Limited Company

(a public company incorporated with limited liability in Ireland)

LEI: 635400TLFJSNHVSOFH59

Issue of

[number] [Series] ETP Securities

pursuant to the

## Collateralised Exchange Traded Securities Programme

(the "ETP Securities")

This document constitutes the Final Terms of the ETP Securities described herein.

[The Base Prospectus referred to below (as completed by these Final Terms) has been prepared on the basis that any offer of ETP Securities in the United Kingdom will be made pursuant to an exemption under the UK Prospectus Regulation from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of the ETP Securities. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make an offer in the United Kingdom of the ETP Securities may only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuer or any dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the UK Prospectus Regulation or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 23 of the UK Prospectus Regulation, in each case, in relation to such offer. Neither the Issuer nor any dealer has authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of the ETP Securities in any other circumstances.<sup>1</sup>]

[The Base Prospectus referred to below (as completed by these Final Terms) has been prepared on the basis that, except as provided in sub-paragraph (ii) below, any offer of ETP Securities in the United Kingdom will be made pursuant to an exemption under the UK Prospectus Regulation from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of the ETP Securities. Accordingly any person making or intending to make an offer of the ETP Securities may only do so:

- (i) in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the UK Prospectus Regulation or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 23 of the UK Prospectus Regulation, in each case, in relation to such offer; or
- (ii) in the United Kingdom, provided such person is [one of the persons mentioned in the following paragraph and that such offer is made during the Offer Period specified for such purpose therein.

An offer of the ETP Securities may be made by the Issuer or by the Authorised Participant other than pursuant to Article 1 of the UK Prospectus Regulation in the United Kingdom during the period of 12 months from the Base Prospectus Date (as defined below) (the "**Offer Period**").

The Issuer has not authorised, and does not authorise, the making of any offer of ETP Securities in any other circumstances.<sup>2</sup>]

The expression "**UK Prospectus Regulation**" means the United Kingdom's version of Regulation (EU) No 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market, and repealing Directive 2003/71/EC, which is part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

# PART A – CONTRACTUAL TERMS

[Terms used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the terms and conditions set forth in the Base Prospectus dated 15 March 2024 [and the supplement(s) to it dated []] (the "**Base Prospectus**" and the "**Base Prospectus Date**") which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of the UK Prospectus Regulation.] / [Terms used herein shall have the meanings given to them in the terms and conditions set forth in the Base Prospectus dated []] which is incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus dated 15 March 2024 [and the supplement(s) to it dated []] (the "**Base Prospectus**" and the "**Base Prospectus Date**") which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of the UK Prospectus Regulation.] This document constitutes the Final Terms of the ETP Securities described herein and has been prepared for the purposes of Article 8 of the UK Prospectus Regulation and must be read in conjunction with the Base Prospectus (and any supplement thereto).

Full information on Leverage Shares Public Limited Company (the **"Issuer**") and the offer of the ETP Securities is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus. The Base Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto) is available on the website of the Issuer at <a href="https://leverageshares.com/?page\_id=16700">https://leverageshares.com/?page\_id=16700</a>. A summary of the ETP Securities to which these Final Terms

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Include this legend for an exempt offer of ETP Securities in the United Kingdom with a denomination of less than €100,000 is anticipated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Include this legend for a non-exempt offer.

relate is included as an Annex hereto. Terms used in these Final Terms bear the same meaning as in the Base Prospectus.

The particulars in relation to this issue of ETP Securities are as follows: [Include whichever of the following apply or specify as "Not Applicable". Note that the numbering should remain as set out below, even if "Not Applicable" is indicated for individual paragraphs. Italics denote guidance for completing the Final Terms.]

1.	Series of ETP Securities to which	1	1
	these Final Terms apply:	L J	
2.	Tranche:	[	]
3.	Number of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply:	]	]
4.	Issue Date:	]	]
5.	Series Issue Date:	[insert date of issuance of the i	nitial Tranche of the Series]
6.	Issue Price:	[USD/EUR/GBP/CHF/HKD/JP)	/] [ ] per ETP Security
7.	Principal Amount:	]	] per ETP Security
8.	Maximum number of ETP Securities of this Series which may be issued:	[ ]	
9.	Minimum transferable number of ETP Securities:	One	
10.	Trading Method:	Unit	
11.	Relevant Currency:	[USD/EUR/GBP/CHF/HKD/JP)	<b>/</b> ]
12.	Final Redemption Date:	[ ]	
13.	Denomination:	[Principal Amount]	
14.	Investment Objective	[To track the [insert relevant Index from the list set out in the section "Description of the Indices" in the Base Prospectus]]/[To pursue the [insert relevant Investment Strategy from the list set out in the section "Description of the Investment Strategies" in the Base Prospectus]]	
15.	Exposure Type <sup>1</sup>	[Leveraged Exposure/Short Ex /[Not applicable]	posure/Normal Exposure]
16.	Leverage Factor <sup>2</sup>	]	] /[Not applicable]
17.	Rebalance Period	[Daily/weekly ending on the [• of the week /monthly ending on Day of the month /other period]	the [•] Rebalance Business
18.	Exchange: <sup>3</sup>	[	]/[Not applicable]
19.	Related Exchange:	[	]/[Not applicable]
20.	Multiple Exchange: <sup>4</sup>	[Applicable]/[Not Applicable]	
21.	Reference Asset: <sup>5</sup>	"[The Reference Asset in response the following: [insert the relevan list set out in the section "Descri- in the Base Prospectus]/[inse- representing an equity security section "Description of Refer Prospectus]/[Not applicable]"	ant equity security from the ription of Reference Assets" ert the relevant ADR/ADS v from the list set out in the

22.	Severe Disruption Event: <sup>6</sup>	]	]/[Not Applicable]
23.	Form of ETP Securities:	[Bearer Notes: [Temporary Glo a Permanent Global Note w Definitive Notes in the limited the Permanent Global Note] [Temporary Global Note exchan on [] days' notice] [Permanent Global Note exchan in the limited circumstances s Global Note]	rhich is exchangeable for circumstances specified in ngeable for Definitive Notes ngeable for Definitive Notes
		[Registered Notes:[Global Note nominee for [a common dep Clearstream, Luxembourg/a Euroclear and Clearstream, Lux	ositary for Euroclear and common safekeeper for
		NGN Form: [yes]/[no]	
24.	Portfolio Administrator:	GWM Limited	
25.	Issuing and Paying Agent:	Elavon Financial Services DAC	:
26.	Registrar:	Elavon Financial Services DAC	
27.	Portfolio Administration Agreement	GWM Portfolio Administration A	Agreement
28.	Terms and Conditions which apply to this Series:	[Terms and Conditions Version Version 2]/[Terms and Conditio Conditions Version 4]/[Terms a 5]/[Terms and Conditions Versi Conditions Version 7]	ns Version 3]/[Terms and nd Conditions Version
29.	Authorised Participant:	[BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C./ Financial Ireland Limited]	GWM Limited/ Virtu
30.	Agency Agreement:	Elavon Agency Agreement	
31.	Operating Procedures Agreement	LS Operating Procedures Agre	ement.

The Issuer accepts the responsibility for the information contained in these Final Terms. [[] has been extracted from []. The Issuer confirms that such additional information has been accurately reproduced and that, so far as it is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by [], no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only relevant where the relevant Series tracks an Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Only relevant where the relevant Series tracks an Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Only relevant where the relevant Series tracks an Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Only relevant where the relevant Series tracks an Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Only relevant where the relevant Series tracks an Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Only relevant where the relevant Series tracks an Index.

#### PART B – OTHER INFORMATION

Listing and admission to [Application has been made to the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") for the ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to the Official List of the FCA. Application has been made to the London Stock Exchange for the ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange.

Please note that admission to the UK Official List and to trading on the London Stock Exchange is not admission to trading under Regulation (EU) 2017/1129, but is admission to trading for the purposes of the UK Prospectus Regulation]

[Please note that the admission to trading on the stock exchanges listed below is under Regulation (EU) 2017/1129:]

[Application has been made to the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (*Frankfurter Wertpapierbörse*) for the Series of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to listing and trading on Deutsche Börse Xetra.]

[Application has been made to the Italian Stock Exchange (*Borsa Italiana*) for the Series of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to the official list of the Italian Stock Exchange and to be admitted to listing and trading on the [Italian Stock Exchange] / [SeDeX].]

[Application has been made for the Series of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to listing and trading on Euronext Paris, the regulated market operated by Euronext Pars.]

[Application has been made for the Series of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to listing and trading on Euronext Amsterdam, the regulated market operated by Euronext Amsterdam.]

[Application has been made for the Series of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to listing and trading on the regulated market of Börse Stuttgart].

[Application has been made for the Series of ETP Securities to which these Final Terms apply to be admitted to listing and trading on the regulated market of the Madrid Stock Exchange].

#### 2. Interests of natural and legal persons involved in the issue

[So far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the ETP Securities has an interest material to the offer]

Names and addresses of [ additional Paying Agent(s) (if any): ]

#### 3. Distribution

Non-exempt Offer:[Not Applicable] [An offer of the ETP Securities may be<br/>made by the Authorised Offerors specified in Paragraph<br/>8 of Part B below other than pursuant to Article 1 of the<br/>UK Prospectus Regulation in the United Kingdom].

Additional	Selling	[Not Applicable]
Restrictions:	-	

## 4. Information about the past and the further performance of an Index and its volatility<sup>7</sup>

Information about the past [Include name of the Index and details of where information and further performance of about the past and future performance of the Index and its the Index and its volatility can be obtained.]/[N/A] be obtained from:

# 5. Information concerning the Issuer of the Reference Asset and the Reference Asset<sup>8</sup>

Address of Issuer of the [ Reference Asset:	]
Country of Incorporation of [ the Issuer of the Reference Asset:	]
Nature of Business of the [ Issuer of the Reference Asset:	]
Market on which the [ Reference Asset is admitted to trading:	]
Description of the market in [ which the Reference Asset is traded:	]
Date of establishment of [ market in which the Reference Asset is traded:	]
How price information is [ published in respect of the market on which the Reference Asset is traded:	]
An indication of daily trading [ volumes:	]
Standing of the market on [ which the Reference Asset is	]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Only applicable to the extent that the Investment Objective of the Series is specified to be Index tracking otherwise this paragraph is not applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Only applicable to the extent that the Reference Asset is a single equity security, otherwise this paragraph is not applicable.

traded and the market's regulatory authority:

Frequency of publication of [ prices of the Reference Asset: ]

Main accounts relating to the [The Reference Asset will be held by the Margin Loan Provider Reference Asset: in the Margin Account.]/[other]

## 6. Operational Information

ISIN Code:	[	]
Common Code:	[	]
Names and addresses additional Paying Agent(s) any):		]

# 7. Terms and Conditions of the Offer<sup>9</sup>

Offer Price:	[Issue Price][ <i>specify</i> ]

Time	period,	including	any	12 months from the Base Prospectus Date
possible amendments, during			uring	
which the offer will be open:			en:	

Conditions to which the offer [Not Applicable/[insert any applicable additional conditions to is subject: offer]/Offers of the ETP Securities are conditional upon their issue and, as between the Authorised Offeror(s) and their customers, any further conditions as may be agreed between them]

Description of the application [Not Applicable/*give details*] process:

Description of possibility to [Not Applicable/give details] reduce subscriptions and manner for refunding excess amount paid by applicants:

Details of the minimum [Not Applicable/*give details*] and/or maximum amount of application:

Details of the method and [Not Applicable/The ETP Securities will be issued on the Issue time limited for paying up and Date against payment to the Issuer of the net subscription delivering the ETP Securities: moneys]

Manner in and date on which [Not Applicable/*give details*] results of the offer are to be made public:

Procedure for exercise of any [Not Applicable/*give details*] right of pre-emption,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Only applicable to non-exempt offers; otherwise this section 8 will be deleted.

negotiability of subscription rights and treatment of subscription rights not exercised:	
	[Not Applicable/Offers may be made by offerors authorised to do so by the Issuer in [ ] to any person [ ]
Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and the indication whether dealing may begin before notification is made:	[Not Applicable/ <i>give details</i> ]
Amount of any expenses and taxes specifically charged to the subscriber or purchaser:	[Not Applicable/ <i>give details</i> ]
Name(s) and address(es), to the extent known to the Issuer, of the placers in the various countries where the offer takes place.	[None/ <i>give details</i> ]
financial intermediary/ies	[BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C./GWM Limited] and each Authorised Participant expressly named as an Authorised Offeror on the Issuer's website ( <u>www.leverageshares.com</u> ).
Prohibition of Sales to UK Retail Investors:	[Applicable/Not applicable]
	[Yes. Note that the designation "Yes" simply means that the Notes are intended upon issue to be deposited with one of the ICSDs as common safekeeper [(and registered in the name of a nominee of one of the ICSDs acting as common safekeeper,][include this text for registered notes] and does not necessarily mean that the Notes will be recognized as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life. Such recognition will depend upon the ECB being satisfied that Eurosystem eligibility criteria have been met.]/
	[No. Whilst the designation is specified as "No" at the date of these Final Terms, should the Eurosystem eligibility criteria be amended in the future such that the Notes are capable of meeting them the Notes may then be deposited with one of the ICSDs as common safekeeper [(and registered in the name of a nominee of one of the ICSDs acting as common safekeeper,][include this text for registered notes] . Note that this does not necessarily mean that the Notes will then be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra day credit operations by the Eurosystem at any time during their life. Such recognition will depend upon the ECB being satisfied that Eurosystem eligibility criteria have been met.]]

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#### ANNEX 1 – ISSUE SPECIFIC SUMMARY

[Issue specific summary of the ETP Securities to be inserted if (i) the ETP Securities are to be listed on a regulated market in the UK or (ii) publicly offered in the UK]

#### ANNEX 2 – SOLACTIVE FAANG+ INVESTMENT STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO<sup>12</sup>

# COMPOSITION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE SOLACTIVE FAANG+ INVESTMENT STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Assets of the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy listed or disclosed in this Annex are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Solactive FAANG+ Sample Portfolio". On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy, the Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio shall comprise of cash and/or other equity securities which are different from the constituents of the Solactive FAANG+ Sample Portfolio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Annex 2 is only relevant for Series of ETP Securities which pursue the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy

### Solactive FAANG+Sample Portfolio

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Governing Law	Market on which equity security is listed	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weighting
1	Meta Platforms Inc.	US30303M1027	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:META	10%
2	Apple Inc.	US0378331005	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:AAPL	10%
3	Amazon.com Inc.	US0231351067	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:AMZN	10%
4	Netflix Inc.	US64110L1061	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:NFLX	10%
5	Microsoft Corp.	US5949181045	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:MSFT	10%
6	Alphabet Inc.	US02079K3059	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XGS:GOOG	10%
7	Tesla Inc.	US88160R1014	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:TSLA	10%
8	NVIDIA Corp	US67066G1040	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:NVDA	10%
9	Salesforce.com Inc.	US79466L3024	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:CRM	10%
10	Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	US0079031078	DELAWARE	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:AMZN	10%

Information in respect of equity securities in the Solactive FAANG+ Sample Portfolio which are admitted to trading on a regulated or equivalent market

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/Eq uivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishme nt of market	How p information published	orice is	Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
1	Meta Platforms Inc.	US30303M1027	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during	May 1 7, 1792	www.nyse.com		Available at: <u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	<u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>

				market							
2	Apple Inc.	US0378331005	New York Stock Exchange	hours continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.co m
3	Amazon.co m Inc.	US0231351067	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.co m	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.co m
4	Netflix Inc.	US64110L1061	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.co m	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	<u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>
5	Microsoft Corp.	US5949181045	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.co m	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	<u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>
6	Alphabet Inc.	US02079K3059	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.co m
7	Tesla Inc.	US88160R1014	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.co m
8	NVIDIA Corp	US67066G1040	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.co m	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	<u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>
9	Salesforce.c om Inc.	US79466L3024	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.co m	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.co m
10	Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.	US0079031078	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>	Equivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	<u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>

### ANNEX 3– BUFFETTIQUE INVESTMENT STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO<sup>13</sup>

## COMPOSITION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE BUFFETTIQUE INVESTMENT STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Assets of the Buffettique Investment Strategy listed or disclosed in this Annex are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Buffettique Sample Portfolio". On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Buffettique Investment Strategy, the Buffettique portfolio shall comprise of cash and/or other equity securities which are different from the constituents of the Buffettique Sample Portfolio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Annex 3 is only relevant for Series of ETP Securities which pursue the Buffettique Investment Strategy

## Buffettique Sample Portfolio

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Governing Law	Market on which equity security is listed	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weighting
1	LS 1x Amazon Tracker ETP	XS2337104231	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/AMZN/leverage- shares/company-page	5%
2	LS 1x Facebook Tracker ETP	XS2337100080	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/AMZN/leverage- shares/company-page	5%
3	LS 1x Tesla Tracker ETP	XS2337093798	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/1TSL/leverage- shares/company-page	5%
4	LS 1x Netflix Tracker ETP	XS2337098839	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/NFLX/leverage- shares/company-page	5%
5	Leverage Shares 2x Long Berkshire Hathaway ETP Securities	XS2399369110	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/2BRK/leverage- shares/company-page	20%
6	Finsbury Growth and Income Trust plc	GB0007816068	United Kingdom	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/FGT/finsbury- growth-income-trust-plc/company-page	10%
7	Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust plc	GB00BLDYK618	United Kingdom	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/SMT/scottish- mortgage-investment-trust-plc/company-page	10%
8	Blackrock Smaller Companies Trust plc	GB0006436108	United Kingdom	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/BRSC/blackrock- smaller-co-trust-plc/company-page	10%
9	Smithson Investment Trust plc	GB00BGJWTR88	United Kingdom	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/SSON/smithson- investment-trust-plc/company-page	10%
10	Pershing Square Holdings Limited	GG00BPFJTF46	Bailiwick of Guernsey	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/PSH/pershing- square-holdings-ltd/company-page	10%

11	Central Securities Corporation	US1551231020	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XASE:CET	10%
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## Information in respect of equity securities in the Buffettique Sample Portfolio which are admitted to trading on a regulated or equivalent market

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/Eq uivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishme nt of market	information is	Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
1	LS 1x Amazon Tracker ETP	XS2337104231	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17, 1801	<u>https://www.londonstoc</u> <u>kexchange.com</u>	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com/	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
2	LS 1x Facebook Tracker ETP	XS2337100080	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17, 1801	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
3	LS 1x Tesla Tracker ETP	XS2337093798	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17, 1801	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
4	LS 1x Netflix Tracker ETP	XS2337098839	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17, 1801	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
5	Leverage Shares 2x Long Berkshire Hathaway ETP Securities	XS2399369110	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17, 1801	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	<u>https://www.lo</u> ndonstockexc hange.com

6	Finsbury Growth and Income Trust plc	GB0007816068	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 1801	17,	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hangecom	Regulated Market	Financial Authority	Conduct	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
7	Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust plc	GB00BLDYK618	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 1801	17,	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Authority	Conduct	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
8	Blackrock Smaller Companies Trust plc	GB0006436108	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 1801	17,	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Authority	Conduct	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
9	Smithson Investment Trust plc	GB00BGJWTR8 8	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 1801	17,	https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Authority	Conduct	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
10	Pershing Square Holdings Limited	GG00BPFJTF46	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801		https://www.londonstoc kexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Authority	Conduct	https://www.lo ndonstockexc hange.com
11	Central Securities Corporation	US1551231020	New York Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.co</u> <u>m</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities Exchange Commission	and	www.nyse.co m

#### ANNEX 4– VANILLA FUNDS BALANCED PORTFOLIO GBP STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO<sup>13</sup>

## COMPOSITION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE VANILLA FUNDS BALANCED PORTFOLIO GBP STATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Assets of the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy portfolio listed or disclosed in this Annex are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy Sample Portfolio" On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy, the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy portfolio shall comprise of cash and/or other equity securities which are different from the constituents of the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy Sample Portfolio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Annex 4 is only relevant for Series of ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy.

## Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy Sample Portfolio

	Name of Reference Asset	ISIN	Governing Law	Market on which equity security is listed	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weighting
		IE00B57			https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/SGLS/invesco/company-	
1	Invesco Physical Gold ETC	9F325	Jersey	London Stock Exchange	page	4.50%
	VanEck Vectors	IE00BMC			https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/SMH/van-eck-	
2	Semiconductor UCITS ETF	38736	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	global/company-page	3.00%
3		IE00BZ5 6SW52	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/GGRA/wisdomtree/company- page	11.00%
4	XTrackers MSCI World Information Technology UCITS ETF 1C	IE00BM6 7HT60	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/XDWT/deutsche- bank/company-page	5.50%
5	iShares Edge MSCI EM Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF USD (Acc)	IE00B8K GV557	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/EMV/ishares/company-page	6.50%
6	SPDR MSCI World Energy UCITS ETF	IE00BYT RR863	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/WNRG/street-global- advisors/company-page	5.00%
7	Invesco Nasdaq-100 UCITS ETF	IE003207 7012	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/EQQQ/invesco/company- page	6.50%
8	iShares MSCI India UCITS ETF	IE00BZC QB185	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/NDIA/ishares/company-page	4.00%
9	L&G Cyber Security UCITS ETF	IE00BYP LS672	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/USPY/legal-and-general- asset-management/company-page	3.50%
10	iShares Edge MSCI USA Value Factor UCITS ETF	IE00BD1 F4M44	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IUVF/ishares/company-page	4.00%
11	Lyxor Core MSCI World (DR) UCITS ETF	LU17815 41179	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/LCWL/amundi/company- page	6.00%
12		IE00BCR Y6441	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/ERNS/ishares/company- page	13.50%
13	iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1- 3yr UCITS ETF - GBP Hedged (Dist)	IE00BDF K1N50	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IBTG/ishares/company-page	7.00%
14	iShares UK Gilts 0-5yr UCITS ETF GBP (Dist)	IE00B4W XJK79	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/IGLS/ishares/company-page	8.00%
15	Invesco US Treasury Bond 0-1 Year UCITS ETF GBP Hdg Dist	IE00BK WD3F20	Ireland	London Stock Exchange	https://www.londonstockexchange.com/stock/TIGB/invesco/company-page	12.00%

Information in respect of securities in the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy Sample Portfolio which are admitted to trading on a regulated or equivalent market

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/Eq uivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishme nt of market	How price information is published	Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
1	Invesco Physical Gold ETC	IE00B579F325	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
2	VanEck Vectors Semiconductor UCITS ETF	IE00BMC38736	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
3	WisdomTree Global Quality Dividend Growth UCITS ETF	IE00BZ56SW52	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
4	XTrackers MSCI World Information Technology UCITS ETF 1C	IE00BM67HT60	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
5	iShares Edge MSCI EM Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF USD (Acc)	IE00B8KGV557	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
6	SPDR MSCI World Energy UCITS ETF	IE00BYTRR863	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
7	Invesco Nasdaq-100 UCITS ETF	IE0032077012	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com

8	iShares MSCI India UCITS ETF	IE00BZCQB185	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
9	L&G Cyber Security UCITS ETF	IE00BYPLS672	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
10	iShares Edge MSCI USA Value Factor UCITS ETF	IE00BD1F4M44	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
11	Lyxor Core MSCI World (DR) UCITS ETF	LU1781541179	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Equivalent Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
12	iShares £ Ultrashort Bond UCITS ETF GBP (Dist)	IE00BCRY6441	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
13	iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3yr UCITS ETF - GBP Hedged (Dist)	IE00BDFK1N50	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
14	iShares UK Gilts 0-5yr UCITS ETF GBP (Dist)	IE00B4WXJK79	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Regulated Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com
15	Invesco US Treasury Bond 0-1 Year UCITS ETF GBP Hdg Dist	IE00BKWD3F20	London Stock Exchange	continuous during market hours	March 17,1801	https://www.londonsto ckexchange.com	Available at: https://www.lo ndonstockexch ange.com	Equivalent Market	Financial Conduct Authority	https://www.lond onstockexchang e.com

#### ANNEX 5- VANILLA FUNDS BALANCED PORTFOLIO USD STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO<sup>13</sup>

# COMPOSITION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE VANILLA FUNDS BALANCED PORTFOLIO USD STATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Assets of the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy portfolio listed or disclosed in this Annex are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USA Strategy Sample Portfolio". On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy, the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy portfolio shall comprise of cash and/or other equity securities which are different from the constituents of the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy Sample Portfolio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Annex 5 is only relevant for Series of ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy.

## Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy Sample Portfolio

				Market on which equity	Link to where information on the	Weight
	Fund Name	ISIN	Governing Law	security is listed	obligations can be found	ing
			United States of	New York Stock		
1	SPDR Gold Minishares ETF	US98149E3036	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:GLDM	5.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
2	ETFMG Prime Cyber Security ETF	US26924G2012	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:HACK	3.50%
	iShares MSCI Emerging Markets Min Vol Factor		United States of	New York Stock		
3	ETF	US4642865335	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/BATS:EEMV	4.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
4	Vanguard Total World Stock ETF	US9220427424	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:VT	7.50%
			United States of	New York Stock		
5	iShares MSCI India ETF	US46429B5984	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/BATS:INDA	4.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
6	iShares MSCI Intl Small-Cap Multifactor ETF	US46434V2667	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/index/ISCF.IV	5.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
7	iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	US4642872000	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:IVV	7.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
8	iShares Global Energy ETF	US4642873412	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:IXC	5.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
9	iShares Global Tech ETF	US4642872919	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:IXN	6.50%
			United States of	New York Stock		
10	Invesco QQQ Trust	US46090E1038	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNMS:QQQ	5.50%
			United States of	New York Stock		
11	Schwab U.S. Large Cap Value ETF	US8085244098	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/index/SCHV.IV	7.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
12	iShares 0-3 Month Treasury Bond ETF	US46436E7186	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:SGOV	18.50%
			United States of	New York Stock		
13	Vanguard Short-Term Treasury ETF	US92206C1027	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNMS:VGSH	7.50%
			United States of	New York Stock		
14	iShares iBonds Dec 2025 Term Treasury ETF	US46436E8663	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNMS:IBTF	8.00%
			United States of	New York Stock		
15	iShares iBonds Dec 2026 Term Treasury ETF	US46436E8580	America	Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNMS:IBTG	6.00%

Information in respect of securities in the Vanilla Balanced Portfolio USD Sample Portfolio which are admitted to trading on a regulated or equivalent market

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/Eq uivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishme nt of market		Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
1	SPDR Gold Minishares ETF	US98149E3036	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
2	ETFMG Prime Cyber Security ETF	US26924G2012	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
3	iShares Edge MSCI Min Vol Emerging Markets ETF	US4642865335	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
4	Vanguard Total World Stock ETF	US9220427424	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
5	iShares MSCI India ETF	US46429B5984	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
6	iShares MSCI Intl Small-Cap Multifactor ETF	US46434V2667	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
7	iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	US4642872000	New ork Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
8	iShares Global Energy ETF	US4642873412	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
9	iShares Global Tech ETF	US4642872919	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

10	Invesco QQQ Trust	US46090E1038	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	7,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
11	Schwab U.S. Large Cap Value ETF	US8085244098	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	7,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
12	iShares 0-3 Month Treasury Bond ETF	US46436E7186	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	7,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
13	Vanguard Short- Term Treasury ETF	US92206C1027	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	7,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
14	iShares iBonds Dec 2025 Term Treasury ETF	US46436E8663	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	7,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
15	iShares iBonds Dec 2026 Term Treasury ETF	US46436E8580	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17 1792	7,	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

#### ANNEX 6- VANILLA FUNDS BLUE CHIP PORTFOLIO USD STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO<sup>13</sup>

#### COMPOSITION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE VANILLA FUNDS BLUE CHIP PORTFOLIO USD STATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Assets of the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy portfolio listed or disclosed in this Annex are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USA Strategy Sample Portfolio".On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy, the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy portfolio shall comprise of cash and/or other equity securities which are different from the constituents of the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy Sample Portfolio.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Annex 6 is only relevant for Series of ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy.

## Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy Sample Portfolio

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Governing Law	Market on which equity security is listed	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weight ing
1	Berkshire Hathaway INC Class B	US0846707026	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:BRK. A	25.00%
2	Meta Platforms Inc Class A	US3030M1027	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:MET	6.00%
3	Amazon.com Inc	US0231351067	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:AMZ N	6.00%
4	Apple Inc	US0378331005	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:AAPL	6.00%
5	Alphabet Inc Class C	US02079K1079	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:GOO G	6.00%
6	Exxon Mobil Corp	US30231G1022	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:XOM	6.00%
7	Microsoft Corp	US5949181045	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:MSF T	6.00%
8	Tesla Inc	US88160R1014	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.om/quote/XNGS:TSLA	6.00%
9	Chevron Corp	US1667641005	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:CVX	6.00%
10	Charter Communications	US161175BY99	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:CHT R	2.47%
11	T-Mobile Us	US8725901040	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:TMU S	2.42%
12	Eog Resources Inc	US26875P1012	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:EOG	2.38%
13	At+T Inc	US00206R1023	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:T	2.48%
14	Nvidia Corp	US67066G1040	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:NVD	2.34%
15	Broadcom Inc	US11135F1012	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:AVG O	2.23%
16	Conocophillips	US20825C1045	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:COP	2.29%
17	Schlumberger Nv	AN8068571086	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:SLB	2.27%
18	McDonald's Corp	US5801351017	United States of	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:MCD	2.30%

			America			
19	Home Depot Inc	US4370761029	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:HD	2.25%
20	Lowes Companies Inc	US5486611073	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNYS:LOW	2.07%
21	Adobe Inc	US00724F1012	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/XNGS:ADB	1.50%

Information in respect of securities in the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy Sample Portfolio which are admitted to trading on a regulated or equivalent market

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/Eq uivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishme nt of market	How price information is published	Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
1	Berkshire Hathaway INC Class B	US0846707026	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
2	Meta Platforms Inc Class A	US3030M1027	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
3	Amazon.com Inc	US0231351067	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
4	Apple Inc	US0378331005	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
5	Alphabet Inc Class C	US02079K1079	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
6	Exxon Mobil Corp	US30231G1022	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
7	Microsoft Corp	US5949181045	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

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8	Tesla Inc	US88160R1014	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
9	Chevron Corp	US1667641005	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
10	Charter Communications	US161175BY99	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
11	T-Mobile Us	US8725901040	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
12	EOG Resources Inc	US26875P1012	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
13	At+T Inc	US00206R1023	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
14	Nvidia Corp	US67066G1040	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
15	Broadcom Inc	US11135F1012	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
16	Conocophillips	US20825C1045	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
17	Schlumberger Nv	AN8068571086	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
18	McDonald's Corp	US5801351017	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 1792	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
19	Home Depot Inc	US4370761029	New York	Continuous	May	17,	www.nyse.com	Available at:	Equivalent	Securities and	www.nyse.com

			Stock Exchange	during market hours	1792		www.nyse.com	Market	Exchange Commission	
20	Lowes Companies Inc	US5486611073	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
21	Adobe Inc	US00724F1012	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

#### ANNEX 7 – SHORT CONTANGO LONG EQUITY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO<sup>12</sup>

# COMPOSITION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE SHORT CONTANGO LONG EQUITY INVESTMENT STRATEGY SAMPLE PORTFOLIO

The Reference Assets of the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy listed or disclosed in this Annex are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Short Contango Long Equity Sample Portfolio". On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy, the Short Contango Long Equity Portfolio shall comprise of cash and/or other securities which are different from the constituents of the Short Contango Long Equity Sample Portfolio

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Annex 7 is only relevant for Series of ETP Securities which pursue the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy

### Short Contango Long Equity Sample Portfolio Strategy

## Short Contango

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Governing Law	Market on which equity security is listed	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weighting
1	iPath® Series B S&P 500® VIX Short-Term Futures™	US06748F3249	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/index/VXX.SO	-20%
2	United States Natural Gas Fund LP	US9123183009	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:UNG	-10%
3	Cash					30%

## Long Equity Exposure

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Governing Law	Market on which equity security is listed	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weighting
1	Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF	US46138E3541	United States of America	New York Stock Exchange	https://www.nyse.com/quote/ARCX:SPLV	100%

Information in respect of equity securities in the Short Contango Long Equity Sample Portfolio which are admitted to trading on a regulated or equivalent market

	Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/Eq uivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishme nt of market	How price information is published	Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
1	Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF	US46138E3541	United States of America	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Equivalent Market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

#### SETTLEMENT AND CLEARING OF ETP SECURITIES

Custodial and depositary or safekeeping links have been (or will be) established with Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to facilitate the initial issuance of ETP Securities. Transfers within Euroclear, and Clearstream, Luxembourg will be in accordance with the usual rules and operating procedures of the relevant system.

#### Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg

Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg each hold securities for participating organisations and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between their respective participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of such participants. Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg provide to their respective participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg participants are financial institutions throughout the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organisations. Indirect access to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies which clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg participant, either directly or indirectly.

Distributions of principal with respect to book-entry interests in the ETP Securities held through Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg will be credited, to the extent received by the Issuing and Paying Agent, to the cash accounts of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg participants in accordance with the relevant system's rules and procedures.

#### SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ETP SECURITIES WHILE IN GLOBAL FORM

A Series of ETP Securities may, subject to all applicable legal and regulatory requirements, be issued in Tranches or Series comprising either Bearer Securities, Exchangeable Bearer Securities or Registered Securities as specified in the applicable Final Terms. The summary that follows is only in relation to Bearer Securities (including Exchangeable Bearer Securities) and Registered Securities.

Bearer Securities may be issued in the new global note form (a "**New Global Note**" or "**NGN**") or, if not intended to be issued in NGN form, will be issued in classic global note form (a "**Classic Global Note**" or "**CGN**") as specified in the applicable Final Terms, or in such other form as the relevant parties may agree.

The NGN form has been introduced to allow for the possibility of ETP Securities being issued and held in a manner which will permit them to be recognised as eligible collateral for monetary policy of the central banking system for the euro (the "**Eurosystem**") and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life.

On 13 June 2006 the European Central Bank (the **"ECB**") announced that ETP Securities in NGN form are in compliance with the "Standards for the use of EU securities settlement systems in ESCB credit operations" of the Eurosystem, provided that certain other criteria are fulfilled. At the same time the ECB also announced that arrangements for notes in NGN form were to be offered by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as of 30 June 2006 and that debt securities in global bearer form issued through Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg after 31 December 2006 would only be eligible as collateral for Eurosystem operations if the NGN form was used.

Following the introduction of the NGN form in June 2006, the Eurosystem required the international central securities depositories (including Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg) to review the custody arrangements for international debt securities in global registered form. Further to this review, the New Safekeeping Structure has been introduced to allow for the possibility of securities being issued and held in a manner which will permit them to be recognised as eligible collateral for monetary policy of the Eurosystem and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue or at any or all times during their life.

#### Initial Issue of ETP Securities

If the Bearer Securities are stated in the applicable Final Terms to be issued in NGN form, the Bearer Securities will be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a Common Safekeeper. Depositing the Bearer Securities or the Registered Securities with the Common Safekeeper does not necessarily mean that the ETP Securities will be recognised as eligible collateral for Eurosystem monetary policy and intra-day credit operations by the Eurosystem either upon issue, or at any or all times during their life. Such recognition will depend upon satisfaction of the Eurosystem eligibility criteria.

Bearer Securities which are issued in CGN form may be delivered on or prior to the original issue date of the Tranche to a common depositary.

If the Bearer Security is a CGN, upon the initial deposit of a Bearer Security with a common depositary for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (the "**Common Depositary**") or registration of Registered Securities in the name of any nominee for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and delivery of the related Registered Security to the Common Depositary, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg will credit each subscriber with a nominal amount of ETP Securities equal to the nominal amount thereof for which it has subscribed and paid. If the Bearer Security is a NGN, the nominal amount of the ETP Securities shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg. The records of such clearing system shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of ETP Securities represented by the Bearer Security and a statement issued by such clearing system at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the records

ETP Securities that are initially deposited with the Common Depositary may also be credited to the accounts of subscribers with other clearing systems through direct or indirect accounts with Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg held by such other clearing systems. Conversely, ETP Securities that are initially deposited with any other clearing system may similarly be credited to the accounts of subscribers with Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or other clearing systems.

#### Relationship of Accountholders with Clearing Systems

Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, or any other clearing system ("Alternative Clearing System") as the holder of an ETP Security represented by a Bearer Security or Registered Security must look solely to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or any such Alternative Clearing System (as the case may be) for his share of each payment made by the Issuer to the bearer of such Bearer Security or the holder of the underlying Registered Securities, as the case may be, and in relation to all other rights arising under the Bearer Security or Registered Security, subject to and in accordance with the respective rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or such Alternative Clearing System (as the case may be). Such persons shall have no claim directly against the Issuer in respect of payments due on the ETP Securities for so long as the ETP Securities are represented by such Bearer Security or Registered Security or Registered Security or the holder of the underlying Registered Securities, as the case may be, in respect of payments due on the ETP Securities for so long as the ETP Securities are represented by such Bearer Security or Registered Security or the holder of the underlying Registered Securities, as the case may be, in respect of such Bearer Security or the holder of the underlying Registered Securities, as the case may be, in respect of each amount so paid.

#### Exchange

#### **Bearer Securities**

Each Bearer Security will be exchangeable, free of charge to the holder, in whole but not in part, for Definitive Securities only if the Bearer Security is held on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or an Alternative Clearing System and any such clearing system is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holidays, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business or in fact does so.

On or after any due date for exchange, the holder of a Bearer Security may surrender such Bearer Security to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent. In exchange for any Bearer Security, the Issuer will deliver, or procure the delivery of, an equal aggregate number of duly executed and authenticated Definitive Securities. The Issuer will procure that details of such exchange be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant clearing system. In this Base Prospectus, "**Definitive Securities**" means, in relation to any Bearer Security, the definitive Bearer Securities for which such Bearer Security may be exchanged. Definitive Securities will be security printed. On exchange in full of each Bearer Security, the Issuer will, if the holder so requests, procure that it is cancelled and returned to the holder together with the relevant Definitive Securities.

#### **Registered Securities**

If the Final Terms state that the ETP Securities are to ETP Securities represented by a Registered Security on issue, the following will apply in respect of transfers of ETP Securities held in Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or an Alternative Clearing System. These provisions will not prevent the trading of interests in the ETP Securities within a clearing system whilst they are held on behalf of such clearing system, but will limit the circumstances in which the ETP Securities may be withdrawn from the relevant clearing system.

Transfers of the holding of ETP Securities represented by any Registered Security may only be made in part if the relevant clearing system is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holidays, statutory or otherwise) or announces an intention permanently to cease business or does in fact do so.

Provided that, in the case of the first transfer of part of a holding pursuant to paragraph (i) or (ii) above, the registered holder has given the Registrar not less than 30 days' notice at its specified office of the registered holder's intention to effect such transfer.

#### Amendments to Conditions while ETP Securities in global form

The Global Securities contain provisions that apply to the ETP Securities that they represent, some of which modify the effect of the Conditions set out in this Base Prospectus. The following is a summary of those provisions:

#### Meetings

For the purposes of any meeting of ETP Securityholders, the holder of the ETP Securities represented by a Global Security shall be treated as being two persons for the purposes of any quorum requirements of a meeting of ETP Securityholders and, at any such meeting, the holder of a Global Security shall be treated as having one vote in respect of each ETP Security represented by such Global Security.

#### Cancellation

Cancellation of any ETP Security represented by a Global Security that is required by the Conditions to be cancelled (other than upon its redemption) will be effected by reduction in the number of ETP Securities represented by the relevant Global Security which shall always represent the aggregate number of ETP Securities outstanding from time to time.

#### Issuer's call option

Any option of the Issuer provided for in the Conditions of any ETP Securities while such ETP Securities are represented by a Global Security shall be exercised by the Issuer giving notice to the ETP Securityholders within the time limits set out in and containing the information required by the Conditions.

#### NGN nominal amount

Where the ETP Securities of a Series are represented by a NGN, the Issuer shall procure that any exchange, payment, cancellation, exercise of any option or any right under the ETP Securities, as the case may be, entered in the records of the relevant clearing systems and upon any such entry being made, in respect of payments of principal, the nominal amount of the ETP Securities represented by such Global Bearer Security shall be adjusted accordingly.

#### Trustee's Powers

In considering the interests of ETP Securityholders while any Global Security is held on behalf of a clearing system, the Trustee may have regard to any information provided to it by such clearing system or its operator as to the identity (either individually or by category) of its accountholders with entitlements to such Global Security and may consider such interests as if such accountholders were the holders of the ETP Securities represented by such Global Security.

#### SUMMARY OF THE PROGRAMME DOCUMENTS

The following are summaries of certain provisions of the principal agreements entered into by the Issuer in relation to the Programme which are qualified in its entirety by reference to the detailed provisions of each such agreement. The following summaries do not purport to be complete, and prospective investors must refer to each programme agreement for detailed information regarding such agreement.

Capitalised terms used in the summaries below but not defined therein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Conditions.

#### Trust Deed

The ETP Securities of each Series shall be constituted by the Trust Deed, which shall comprise the amended and restated master trust deed originally dated the Programme Effective Date and as most recently amended and restated on 16 August 2022 and made between the Issuer and the Trustee, as further amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, (the "**Master Trust Deed**"), as supplemented and amended by a supplemental trust deed dated the Issue Date relating to that Series and dated the date of issuance of the first Tranche of ETP Securities of such Series and made between the Issuer and the Trustee (the "**Supplemental Trust Deed**"). Each Trust Deed will be governed by Irish law.

The relevant Trust Deed contains the provisions setting out the various obligations of the Issuer and the Trustee with respect to the relevant Series of ETP Securities, and will set out the covenants given by the Issuer in relation to such Series, including, without limitation, its covenant to pay, provisions relating to its duty to provide various persons with information, to prepare and display certain information, only to do such things as are contemplated within the applicable Trust Deed (most importantly, in relation to the issue and performance of the ETP Securities) and its duties with respect to its obligations under the ETP Securities. Each Trust Deed will also set out the basis for the remuneration and indemnification of the Trustee in respect of its duties, the conditions for appointment, retirement and removal and contains provisions which are supplemental to certain statutory provisions and which set out the powers of the Trustee and the extent of its duties.

Any trustee in respect of a Series of ETP Securities may retire upon giving not less than 60 calendar days' prior written notice to the Issuer, and the ETP Securityholders may by Extraordinary Resolution remove any trustee, provided that the retirement or removal of a sole trust corporation will not be effective until a trust corporation is appointed as successor trustee. If a sole trust corporation in respect of a Series of ETP Securities gives notice of retirement or an Extraordinary Resolution is passed for its removal, the Issuer will use all reasonable endeavours to procure that another trust corporation is appointed as the Trustee for such Series but if it fails to do so before the expiry of such 60 calendar day notice period, the Trustee will have the power to appoint a new trustee.

Pursuant to the Trust Deed, together with the Margin Account Security Agreement (as described below) in respect of a Series of ETP Securities, the Secured Obligations of the Issuer relating to that Series shall be secured in favour of the Trustee, for its benefit and the benefit of the Secured Creditors, by the security over the Secured Property, as described in the section of this Base Prospectus headed "Security Arrangements".

The Trust Deed is available on the Issuer's website at <u>www.leverageshares.com</u>.

#### The LS Margin Account Agreement

On 19 September 2023 the Issuer entered into a New York law governed customer agreement with Interactive Brokers LLC (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**IB Margin Account Agreement**").

On 26 July 2022 the Issuer entered into a New York law governed account agreement with Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC (as amended, supplemented, novated and/or replaced from time to time, the "**GS Margin Account Agreement**").

The defined term "**LS Margin Account Agreement**" herein shall mean either the IB Margin Account Agreement and/or the GS Margin Account Agreement, as applicable to a Series of ETP Securities.

Collateral Assets will not be held in the Margin Accounts governed by the GS Margin Account Agreement until after the date of this Base Prospectus.

The Portfolio Administrator has the discretion as to whether the IB Margin Account Agreement and/or the GS Margin Account Agreement shall apply with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.

The LS Margin Account Agreement sets out, amongst other things, the terms on which the Margin Loan Provider will provide certain securities accounts, margin accounts, collateral accounts, margin loans and securities loans to the Issuer in respect of each Series of ETP Securities.

The Margin Loan Provider does not guarantee payment by the Issuer to the ETP Securityholders of amounts due in respect of the ETP Securities, and no ETP Securityholder will have any claim against any Margin Loan Provider in respect of amounts due in respect of any ETP Securities.

#### Margin Account Security Agreement

On 9 September 2022 the Issuer and Trustee entered into a New York law governed security agreement pursuant to which the Issuer granted security interests in favour of the Trustee for its benefit and for the benefit of the Secured Creditors over the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit under the GS Margin Account Agreement and the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider under the GS Margin Account Agreement to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the GS Margin Agreement applies (the "GS Margin Account Security Agreement").

On 18 October 2023 the Issuer and Trustee entered into a New York law governed security agreement pursuant to which the Issuer granted security interests in favour of the Trustee for its benefit and for the benefit of the Secured Creditors over the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit under the IB Margin Account Agreement and the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider under the IB Margin Account Agreement to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the IB Margin Agreement applies (the "IB Margin Account Security Agreement").

The "**Margin Account Security Agreement**" means the IB Margin Account Security Agreement and/or the GS Margin Account Security Agreement, as applicable to a Series of ETP Securities.

#### Agency Agreement

The Issuer, the Trustee, Elavon Financial Services DAC and the Arranger have entered into an Irish law governed agency agreement dated 18 December 2020 (the "**Elavon Agency Agreement**").

The Elavon Agency Agreement sets out the duties and obligations of Elavon Financial Services DAC in its capacity as Issuing and Paying Agent, Registrar and Transfer Agent in relation to (i) the issue, payment, replacement and cancellation of the ETP Securities, (ii) the exchange of Global Securities for Definitive Securities (if applicable), and (iii) the basis for the remuneration and indemnification of such agents in respect of their respective duties.

The Elavon Agency Agreement also sets out the terms for the appointment, resignation (by at least 60 calendar days' prior notice to the Issuer, the Arranger and the Trustee) and termination of the appointment of the Issuing and Paying Agent (by at least 60 calendar days' prior notice from the Issuer or on the occurrence of certain events, such as where such agent becomes incapable of acting, is dissolved, is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, files for bankruptcy, makes a general assignment, arrangement or composition for the benefit of its creditors, consents to the appointment of a receiver, administrator or similar official or a resolution is passed for its winding up, official management, liquidation or dissolution).

#### **Determination Agency Agreement**

The Issuer, the Trustee, the Determination Agent, and the Arranger entered into an Irish law governed amended and restated determination agency agreement originally dated 30 August 2019 and as most recently amended and restated on 6 November 2020 (the "**Determination Agency Agreement**").

The Determination Agency Agreement sets out the duties and obligation of the Determination Agent in relation (i) to making such non-discretionary calculations and give such notices of the outcome thereof as expressly required to be performed by it under the Programme Documents, and (ii) as soon as practicable on each date on which or at such time at which the Determination Agent is expressly required under the Programme Documents to calculate any amount, price, rate or value to give any notice relating thereto, making such calculations and delivering such notices expressly required to be given by it (in its capacity as Determination Agent) in accordance with the Programme Documents and obtaining any quotation, rate or

value required in connection therewith as soon as reasonably practicable or as otherwise specified in the Programme Documents.

The Determination Agency Agreement also sets out the terms for the appointment and termination of the appointment of the Determination Agent i) by at least 60 days' prior notice from any party to each other party; ii) by any party giving prior written notice in writing to the other parties that such party has materially failed to perform its duties and obligations and has failed to remedy such failure within 60 days of being so notified; iii) by any party giving 60 days prior notice in writing to the other parties prior to the "liquidation" of any one or more Series; or iv) immediately on the occurrence of certain events, such as where the Determination Agent becomes incapable of acting, is dissolved, is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, files for bankruptcy, makes a general assignment, arrangement or composition for the benefit of its creditors, consents to the appointment of a receiver, administrator or similar official or a resolution is passed for its winding up, official management, liquidation or dissolution).

#### Portfolio Administration Agreement

The Issuer, the Trustee, GWM Limited and the Arranger entered into an Irish law governed amended and restated portfolio administration agreement originally dated 5 February 2020 and as amended and restated on 6 November 2020 (the **"GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement"**).

Pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement, for each Series of ETP Securities to which the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is applicable, the net proceeds of issuance of such Series of ETP Securities on the Issue Date of such Series, or from the issuance of a further Tranche of such Series, will be paid to the Margin Loan Provider, on behalf of the Issuer, and invested as follows:

- In the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance and the Leveraged Investment Amount will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the direction of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets;
- In the case of ETP Securities offering Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.
- In the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be invested in Ancillary Assets or maintained as cash balances and will be held in the Margin Account along with the proceeds of short selling Reference Assets which shall be borrowed from the Margin Loan Provider in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor; and
- In the case of ETP Securities linked to an Index or which pursue an Investment Strategy where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, the net proceeds of issuance will be used to fund the related Margin Accounts as may be required to maintain positions in the Reference Assets in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy of such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account may also, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator, be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.

Each of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Portfolio Administrator may terminate the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement in respect of one or more Series of ETP Securities by giving not less than ninety (90) calendar days written notice to the other parties thereto.

Where the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement has been terminated, the Issuer will use reasonable endeavours to procure that a reputable portfolio administrator enters into an agreement with the Issuer and the Trustee to replace the Portfolio Administrator as provider of the services under the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement.

At any time prior to the occurrence of a Margin Loan Provider Event of Default, a Margin Account Termination Event or an Event of Default under the ETP Securities, the Portfolio Administrator may novate, assign or otherwise transfer its obligations as Portfolio Administrator under the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement to one or more entities (the **"Replacement Portfolio Administrator**", provided that:

- (A) the Portfolio Administrator and the Replacement Portfolio Administrator enter into arrangements satisfactory to the Issuer (including, without limitation, the provision of such legal opinion as the Issuer may require);
- (B) following such transfer the portfolio administration agreement with the Replacement Portfolio Administrator is subject to security arrangements on the same terms mutatis mutandis as the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement prior to such transfer and shall form part of the Secured Property;
- (C) not less than 10 calendar days' prior notice of any such transfer is given to ETP Securityholders in accordance with Condition 17; and
- (D) the Replacement Portfolio Administrator is deemed, on the date of the novation, assignment or transfer, to assume all the obligations of the GWM Portfolio Administrator to the Issuer and the Trustee under the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement, and to give to the Issuer and the Trustee all the representations, warranties and undertakings given by the GWM Portfolio Administrator under the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement.

#### **Authorised Participant Agreements**

The Issuer has entered into an amended and restated authorised participant agreement with the Initial Authorised Participant originally dated the Programme Effective Date and as most recently amended and restated on 18 December 2020 (the "Initial Authorised Participant Agreement"). Such Initial Authorised Participant Agreement sets out the terms on which the Initial Authorised Participant will act as Authorised Participant in relation to each Series of ETP Securities issued by the Issuer under the Programme.

The Initial Authorised Participant Agreement sets out the conditions for appointment, resignation ((i) if there is more than one Authorised Participant in respect of the relevant Series of ETP Securities by at least 30 calendar days' prior notice to the Issuer and each other Programme Party; (ii) if the Initial Authorised Participant is the only Authorised Participant in respect of the relevant Series of ETP Securities by at least six months' prior notice to the Issuer and each other Programme Party; (iii) if the Issuer commits any material breach of its obligations under the Initial Authorised Participant Agreement and such breach (if capable of being remedied) is not cured within 15 calendar days of becoming aware of, or if notified of such breach, immediately; or (iv) the Initial Authorised Participant determines, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, that the conduct of the Issuer or any other Programme Party is materially detrimental to the reputation or development potential of the business of the Initial Authorised Participant or its affiliates or the relationships of those entities with third parties, immediately) and termination (by the Issuer with immediate effect if an Authorised Participant Bankruptcy Event occurs and in any other circumstance by at least 30 calendar days' prior notice) of the appointment of the relevant Authorised Participant, unless there is more than one Authorised Participant, in which case the Issuer may terminate the appointment of any Authorised Participant with immediate effect for a material breach of its obligations which to the extent such breach is capable of being remedied is not remedied within 15 calendar days of the relevant Authorised Participant becoming aware of, or its receiving notice from the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Margin Loan Provider or the Trustee of such breach or if the Issuer determines, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, that the conduct of such Authorised Participant is materially detrimental to the reputation or development potential of the business of the Issuer or any other Programme Party or the relationships of those entities with third parties). The Initial Authorised Participant Agreement includes an indemnity from the Issuer relating to the representations and warranties given by the Issuer in such agreement.

The Issuer has entered into an authorised participant agreement with the Second Authorised Participant originally dated 6 November 2020 and amended and restated on 18 December 2020 (the "Second Authorised Participant Agreement"). Such Second Authorised Participant Agreement sets out the terms on which the Second Authorised Participant will act as Authorised Participant in relation to each Series of ETP Securities issued by the Issuer under the Programme.

The Second Authorised Participant Agreement sets out the conditions for appointment, resignation ((i) if there is more than one Authorised Participant in respect of the relevant Series of ETP Securities by at least 30 calendar days' prior notice to the Issuer and each other Programme Party; (ii) if the Second Authorised Participant is the only Authorised Participant in respect of the relevant Series of ETP Securities by at least six months' prior notice to the Issuer and each other Programme Party; (iii) if the Issuer commits any material breach of its obligations under the Second Authorised Participant Agreement and such breach (if capable of being remedied) is not cured within 15 calendar days of becoming aware of, or if notified of such breach, immediately; or (iv) the Second Authorised Participant determines, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, that the conduct of the Issuer or any other Programme Party is materially detrimental to the reputation or development potential of the business of the Second Authorised Participant or its affiliates or the relationships of those entities with third parties, immediately) and termination (by the Issuer with immediate effect if the Second Authorised Participant becomes incapable of acting, or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy and in any other circumstance by at least 30 calendar days' prior notice) of the appointment of the relevant Authorised Participant, unless there is more than one Authorised Participant, in which case the Issuer may terminate the appointment of any Authorised Participant with immediate effect for a material breach of its obligations which to the extent such breach is capable of being remedied is not remedied within 15 calendar days of the relevant Authorised Participant becoming aware of, or its receiving notice from the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Margin Loan Provider or the Trustee of such breach or if the Issuer determines, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, that the conduct of such Authorised Participant is materially detrimental to the reputation or development potential of the business of the Issuer or any other Programme Party or the relationships of those entities with third parties). The Second Authorised Participant Agreement includes an indemnity from the Issuer relating to the representations and warranties given by the Issuer in such agreement.

The Issuer has entered into an authorised participant agreement with the Third Authorised Participant dated 6 November 2023 (the "**Third Authorised Participant Agreement**"). Such Third Authorised Participant Agreement sets out the terms on which the Third Authorised Participant will act as Authorised Participant in relation to each Series of ETP Securities issued by the Issuer under the Programme.

#### **Operating Procedures Agreement**

The Issuer, GWM Limited, the Initial Authorised Participant, the Second Authorised Participant, the Third Authorised Participant, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Determination Agent have entered into an Irish law governed operating procedures agreement dated 18 December 2020 (to which each Additional Authorised Participant has acceded and to which any further Eligible Authorised Participant which accedes to the Programme after the Programme Effective Date will be required to accede) (the **"LS Operating Procedures Agreement"**) setting out the relevant procedures by which any Authorised Participant may subscribe for ETP Securities of a Series from the Issuer, or redeem ETP Securities of a Series to the Issuer.

#### **Broker Dealer of Record Agreement**

The Issuer and the Broker Dealer of Record have entered into an Irish law governed amended and restated broker dealer of record agreement originally dated 5 February 2020 and most recently amended and restated on 18 December 2020 (the "**Broker Dealer of Record Agreement**") pursuant to which the Broker Dealer of Record has been appointed to provider certain broker dealer related services and support for the Issuer.

Under the terms of the Broker Dealer of Record Agreement, the Broker Dealer of Record agrees to indemnify the Issuer against any loss, liability, cost, claim, action, demand or expense which the Issuer may incur as a result of any claim against the Issuer by the Margin Loan Provider in respect of any Series which the LS Margin Account Agreement applies to (the "**Relevant Series**"). Furthermore, pursuant to the terms of the Broker Dealer of Record Agreement, the Broker Dealer of Record undertakes to maintain a minimum capital equal to the value of 5% of the Collateral Assets of the Largest Series. The Largest Series means any

Relevant Series, the Collateral Assets of which has the highest value of all Relevant Series in issue at any time.

#### **Corporate Services Agreement**

The Issuer and Apex IFS Limited (the "**Corporate Administrator**") have entered into an Irish law governed agreement dated 31 January 2017 (the "**Corporate Services Agreement**") pursuant to which the Issuer has appointed the Corporate Administrator to perform certain corporate administration services on its behalf.

The Corporate Services Agreement also sets out the terms for the appointment, resignation and termination of the appointment of the Corporate Administrator.

#### **Services Agreement**

The Issuer and Leverage Shares Management Company Limited (the "**Arranger**") have entered into an Irish law governed amended and restated services agreement originally dated 2 February 2018 and as most recently amended and restated on 6 November 2020 (the "**Services Agreement**") pursuant to which the Issuer has engaged the Arranger to provide certain management, administration and arrangement services on its behalf.

In consideration of the Issuer establishing the Programme and issuing Series of ETP Securities from time to time, the Arranger has agreed to pay, as they become payable and in any event promptly following a request by the Issuer, all fees, costs and expenses incurred by the Issuer or the Arranger in relation to the Programme and the ETP Securities including the remuneration and expenses of the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Determination Agent, the Trustee, any Paying Agents, the Registrar, any Transfer Agent, any costs of listing and admission to trading of the Programme and/or each Series of ETP Securities, and other costs and expenses payable in relation to the Programme and the ETP Securities, in each case other than (a) any amounts payable to the Margin Loan Provider and the Broker Dealer of Record; (b) Arranger Fee pursuant to the Services Agreement; (c) the relevant Funding and Brokerage Fees; (d) any taxes, fees and other amounts payable to the Irish Revenue Commissioners; and (e) the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the liquidation of the Collateral Assets.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds of issuance of each Series of ETP Securities on the Issue Date of such Series, or from the issuance of a further Tranche of any Series, will be paid to the Margin Loan Provider, on behalf of the Issuer, and invested as follows:

- (a) in the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance and the Leveraged Investment Amount will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index or Investment Strategy of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the direction of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets;
- (b) in the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Normal Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will be invested in the Reference Assets referenced by the relevant Index of such Series in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue to the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account from time to time, to the extent not required to be invested in Reference Assets to replicate the return of the Index or to pursue the Investment Strategy, may at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets;
- (c) in the case of Series of ETP Securities offering Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets, the net proceeds of issuance will, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator be invested in Ancillary Assets or maintained as cash balances and will be held in the Margin Account along with the proceeds of short selling Reference Assets which shall be borrowed from the Margin Loan Provider in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor; and
- (d) in the case of ETP Securities linked to an Index or which pursue an Investment Strategy where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, the net proceeds of issuance will be used to fund the related Margin Accounts as may be required to maintain positions in the Reference Assets in order to replicate (to the degree practicable) the return of the Index referenced by such Series or to pursue the Investment Strategy referenced by such Series, taking into account the applicable Leverage Factor. Amounts standing to the credit of the Margin Account may also, at the discretion of the Portfolio Administrator, be maintained as cash balances in the Margin Account or invested in Ancillary Assets.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE INDICES**

The information in this section of the Base Prospectus has been extracted from information published by the Index Sponsor and has been reproduced on the basis of information available to the Issuer. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is able to ascertain from such information, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. The websites set out below do not form part of this Base Prospectus. The delivery of this Base Prospectus at any time does not imply any representation on the part of the Issuer, the Authorised Participants, the Trustee, the Agents, the Margin Loan Providers or any other person that any information contained therein is correct at any time subsequent to the date of this Base Prospectus.

Purchasers of ETP Securities should conduct such independent investigation and analysis regarding the Indices, the relevant index sponsors and all other parties connected to the Indices from time to time as they deem appropriate to evaluate the merits and risks of an investment in the ETP Securities.

The complete set of rules of any Index and information on the performance of such Index are freely accessible on the Issuer's or the relevant Index Sponsor's website as detailed in the table below.

The governing rules of the relevant Index (including the methodology of the Index for the selection and the rebalancing of the components of the Index, description of market disruption events and adjustment rules) are based on a predetermined and objective criteria, which can be found in the following websites noted in the table below.

Index	Index Sponsor	Applicable Information Source
NYSE Leveraged 2x GOOG Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x AMZN Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x AAPL Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x C Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x FB Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x GS Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	<u>https://www.nyse.com/indices</u>
NYSE Leveraged 2x JPM Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x MSFT Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x V Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x NFLX Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices

NYSE Leveraged 2x NVDA Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
NYSE Leveraged 2x CRM Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices
iSTOXX Leveraged 2x BABA Index	STOXX Limited	https://www.stoxx.com/indices
iSTOXX Leveraged 2x TSLA Index	STOXX Limited	<u>https://www.stoxx.com/indices</u>
iSTOXX Leveraged 2x TWTR Index	STOXX Limited	<u>https://www.stoxx.com/indices</u>
iSTOXX Leveraged 2x MU Index	STOXX Limited	https://www.stoxx.com/indices
iSTOXX Leveraged 2x AMD Index	STOXX Limited	<u>https://www.stoxx.com/indices</u>
iSTOXX Leveraged 2x UBER Index	STOXX Limited	https://www.stoxx.com/indices
iSTOXX Leveraged 3x AMZN Index	STOXX Limited	<u>https://www.stoxx.com/indices</u>
iSTOXX Leveraged 3x NVDA Index	STOXX Limited	<u>https://www.stoxx.com/indices</u>
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iSTOXX Leveraged 3x TCEHY Index	STOXX Limited	https://www.stoxx.com/indices
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Solactive 3x Long IONQ Index	Solactive AG	http://www.solactive.com
Solactive 2x Long SMCI Index	Solactive AG	http://www.solactive.com

The relevant Index Sponsor may, from time to time, exercise reasonable discretion as it deems appropriate to ensure Index integrity.

Indices to which Series of ETP Securities providing Leveraged Exposures may be linked may incorporate a margin interest that is intended to reflect the margin interest of the corresponding Series of ETP Securities that aims to track such Index.

Indices to which Series of ETP Securities providing Short Exposures may be linked may incorporate a securities lending fee that is intended to reflect the securities lending fees of the corresponding Series of ETP Securities that aims to track such Index or Investment Strategy.

Indices linked to Series of ETP Securities where the Reference Assets are futures contracts may incorporate brokerage fees that are intended to reflect the brokerage fees of the corresponding Series of ETP Securities that aims to track such Index.

The Issuer may from time to time issue other ETP Securities which are linked to the performance of an Index other than those listed above. In such circumstances, the Issuer shall prepare an updated Base Prospectus, or where permitted under the UK Prospectus Regulation, a supplement to this Base Prospectus, as further described in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "*Supplements*".

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  - the accuracy, timeliness, and completeness of the LS iSTOXX Indices and their data;
  - the merchantability and the fitness for a particular purpose or use of the LS iSTOXX Indices and their data; and
  - the performance of the ETP Securities generally.
- » STOXX, Deutsche Börse Group and their licensors, research partners or data providers give no warranty and exclude any liability, for any errors, omissions or interruptions in the LS iSTOXX Indices or their data;
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The licensing Agreement between the Arranger and STOXX is solely for their benefit and not for the benefit of the owners of the ETP Securities or any other third parties.

## Fees

Terms defined below are also applicable in relation to ETP Securities which pursue an Investment Strategy, unless otherwise defined in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Description of the Investment Strategies.

The following fees are applicable to each Series of ETP Securities which track an Index or pursue an Investment Strategy, where relevant:(1) the Arranger Fee; (2) the Daily Margin Interest Rate (in the case of Leveraged Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets); (3) Securities Lending Fees (in the case of Short Exposures where the Reference Assets are Physical Assets); and (4) any applicable brokerage fees.

For Series of ETP Securities which track an Index, the "**Arranger Fee**" is charged daily at a rate of 0.75% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities held by an ETP Securityholder. For Series which pursue an Investment Strategy, the Arranger Fee applicable to such Series is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus which describes the relevant Investment Strategy.

The "**Daily Margin Interest Rate**" is calculated by the Determination Agent for each ETP Security (by reference by to the amount of funding incurred to maintain such Leveraged Exposures) and is based on a designated benchmark rate (the "**Benchmark Rate**") plus 1.5%. The Daily Margin Interest Rate is subject to adjustment. Any such adjustment shall be notified to ETP Securityholders. Investors should therefore note that such daily margin interest rate is subject to change.

Internationally recognized benchmarks on overnight deposits are used as the basis for determining the Benchmark Rates. For each ETP Security, the applicable Benchmark Rate is determined by the primary currency of the Reference Assets for the relevant Series of ETP Securities, for example:

Primary Currency of Reference Assets	Benchmark Rate
Reference Assets with USD primary currency	Fed Funds Effective (Overnight Rate)
Reference Assets with EUR primary currency	Euro Short Term Rate ( $\in$ STR)
Reference Assets with GBP primary currency	Sterling Overnight Index Average (SONIA)

For example, an investor purchases USD 10,000 of Leverage Shares 2x Apple ETP Securities. Since this Series of ETP Securities applies a Leverage Factor of 2x, the Issuer will borrow USD 10,000 from the Margin Loan Provider and will purchase USD 20,000 of shares in Apple Inc. If the investor holds such securities for one day, the following fees would be applicable (assuming a Benchmark Rate of 0.91%):

Arranger Fee Cost	USD 10,000 x (0.75% x (1/360) = USD 0.21
Example Daily Margin Interest Rate Cost	USD 10,000 x ((0.91% + 1.5%) x (1/360)) = USD 0.67
Total Cost	USD 0.21 + USD 0.67 = <u>USD 0.88 per day</u>

The Total Cost of USD 0.88 in the example above is not a static figure, because the Daily Margin Interest Rate will change as the value of the Benchmark Rate changes over time. The 0.91% rate referenced in the above example is not a static rate, but is intended to illustrate what the Daily Margin Interest Rate would be with a Benchmark Rate of 0.91%.

Potential investors in the ETP Securities should be aware that the Daily Margin Interest Rate could change in the future as a result of any change in the Benchmark Rate and/or a change in the 1.5% financing rate.

The "**Securities Lending Fee**" is the cost of borrowing the Reference Assets from the Margin Loan Provider pursuant to a securities lending agreement entered into between the Issuer and the Margin Loan Provider. The current Securities Lending Fee will be published on the Issuer's website on a daily basis at <u>www.leverageshares.com</u>.

# Return on Collateral

In connection with Short Exposures, net cash positions and where the Reference Assets are futures contracts, the ETP Security Value will include a return on the fully collateralised cash position. Such return

on collateral will be calculated by the Determination Agent for each ETP Security based on the applicable Benchmark Rate (minus 1%). Such calculation is subject to adjustment as shall be notified to ETP Securityholders. Investors should therefore note that such daily Return on Collateral is subject to change (the "**Return On Collateral**").

# DESCRIPTION OF THE INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Issuer may from time to time issue ETP Securities which are linked to the performance of Investment Strategies other than those listed below. In such circumstances, the Issuer shall prepare an updated Base Prospectus, or where permitted under the UK Prospectus Regulation, prepare a supplement to this Base Prospectus, as further described in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "*Supplements*".

# **1. THE KRONOS INVESTMENT STRATEGY**

The Kronos Strategy is a trend following Investment Strategy that aims to outperform major US equity indices, over a market cycle, by taking long or short positions in such indices or remaining market neutral by investing in Ancillary Assets.

For the purposes of the Kronos Investment Strategy, the Reference Assets will be the following ETFs:

- SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust
- Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1
- SPDR Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF Trust
- iShares Russell 2000
- ProShares Short Dow30
- ProShares Short S&P 500
- ProShares Short Russell2000

These Reference Assets have been selected on the basis of their depth and liquidity.

The Kronos Investment Strategy will assume long or short positions on such US equity indices by investing in or short selling, respectively, the related Reference Assets.

The Kronos Investment Strategy employs a proprietary methodology developed by Mourelle Investments LLC (the "Kronos Investment Strategy Sponsor") based on a combination of technical indicators like momentum, relative strength, volatility and trend studies. It is not based on historical patterns and aims to achieve positive returns regardless of market direction. This methodology will determine whether the Kronos Investment Strategy is fully invested in long, short or cash positions. The weighting of the portfolio will therefore be varied depending on the Kronos Investment Strategy Sponsor's methodology. No maximum or minimum weightings are applicable.

The Kronos Investment Strategy will employ leverage, such that the Leveraged Exposures and Short Exposures will have Leverage Factors of 1.5x and -1.5x the underlying indices.

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Kronos Investment Strategy. The portfolio administration role carried out by GWM Limited will also incorporate the role of investment management for the Kronos Investment Strategy. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration in relation to appointment of a replacement Portfolio Administrator, is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

#### Investment Strategy Sponsor

The Kronos Investment Strategy Sponsor was incorporated under the laws of Florida on 20 September 2017 with the objective of the representation and distribution of mutual funds, exchange traded notes, structured financial products and other similar products. The principal of the Kronos Investment Strategy Sponsor is Jose A. Mourelle. He has over 35 years of experience in financial markets. He worked at several financial firms in Madrid, Spain, primarily on the proprietary desk investing in fixed income and equities.

#### Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the Kronos Investment Strategy the following annual fees are applicable and will accrue on a daily basis: (1) the Arranger Fee; and (2) in the case of Leveraged Exposures, a margin interest rate calculated by the Determination Agent (by reference to the amount of funding incurred to maintain such Leveraged Exposures) equal to the Benchmark Rate plus 1.5% (such margin interest rate is

subject to adjustment as shall be notified to ETP Securityholders) and (3) in the case of Short Exposures, a Securities Lending Fee.

The "Arranger Fee" is comprised of the following:

- a fee charged daily at a rate of 1.25% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date; and
- (ii) a performance based fee charged daily, equal to the maximum of (i) zero and (ii) 20% of the difference between the value of the ETP Securities on that day and the previous highest value of the ETP Securities, where such value is calculated using the methodology for calculating their ETP Security Value but excluding this performance based fee.

#### **Return on Collateral**

In connection with Short Exposures and net cash positions, the ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# 2. THE SHORT VOLATILITY LONG TECH INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Short Volatility Long Tech Investment Strategy is an actively managed Investment Strategy which employs a proprietary methodology developed by the Portfolio Administrator, GWM Ltd.

The Short Volatility Long Tech Investment Strategy aims take a long position in Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1 ("**QQQ**") while taking advantage of the contango of the volatility curve through short exposure.

# Short Volatility

The Short Volatility Long Tech Investment Strategy aims to have a 15% short exposure to volatility.

The Portfolio Administrator will not actively trade volatility but will aim to have a long-term short exposure to volatility by taking short positions on either of the securities listed below, taking into account factors such as liquidity, fees, short availability and cost to borrow:

- iPath® Series B S&P 500® VIX Short-Term Futures™ ETNs ("**iPath ETNs**")
- ProShares VIX Short- Term Futures ETF.

The proceeds from shorting volatility will be maintained as cash in the Margin Account.

The short volatility exposure seeks to capture the contango of the volatility curve.

"Contango" refers to a situation in which futures contracts with further expiries are more expensive than futures contracts with shorter expiries. For example, since the VIX Short-Term Futures Index tracked by the iPath ETNs offers exposure to a daily rolling long position in the first and second month VIX futures contracts, if the VIX is in contango, the VIX Short-Term Futures Index would be expected to lose value as the VIX futures roll, and a short position in the iPath ETNs, consequently, to profit from such contango. The converse is true: if the VIX futures move to backwardations (ie., where the futures with shorter expiries are more expensive than the futures with longer expiries), a short position in the iPath ETNs may incur losses.

# Long Equity Exposure

The Portfolio Administrator will aim to invest 100% of the Series issue proceeds in QQQ.

# Quarterly Rebalance

The Portfolio Administrator will rebalance the portfolio on a quarterly basis such that (i) the short exposure to volatility will be the higher of either 15% or the percentage exposure to volatility on the last Valuation Date of the immediately preceding calendar quarter and (ii) the total long exposure to QQQ is 100%.

The Portfolio Administrator will have discretion to conduct an intra-quarter rebalance if the short exposure to volatility exceeds 35%.

This Investment Strategy is highly risky, as market prices may move against both the short volatility and the long equity exposures at the same time, thereby losing value more rapidly than normal strategies.

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Short Volatility Long Tech Investment Strategy. The portfolio administration role carried out by GWM Limited will also incorporate the role of investment management for the Short Volatility Long Tech Investment Strategy. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administrator, is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

# Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the Short Volatility Long Tech Investment Strategy the following fees are applicable: (1) the Arranger Fee; and (2) the Daily Margin Interest Rate (in the case of Leveraged Exposures); and (3) Securities Lending Fees (in the case of Short Exposures).

The "Arranger Fee" is comprised of the following:

- a fee charged daily at a rate of 1% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date; and
- (ii) a performance based fee charged daily, equal to the maximum of (i) zero and (ii) 10% of the difference between the value of the ETP Securities on that day and the previous highest value of the ETP Securities, where such value is calculated using the methodology for calculating their ETP Security Value but excluding this performance based fee.

# **Return on Collateral**

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# 3. THE BUFFETTIQUE INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Buffettique Growth Investment Strategy aims to achieve long term growth and income from investing in a spectrum of ETP Securities, stocks and funds that relate to Warren Buffett's investment career, going back to his early days' focus on small caps to his present day's investment in quality companies at fair prices. The Buffettique Growth Investment Strategy, which employs a methodology developed by Arcanum Asset Management Ltd (the "**Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor**") invests 80% in a core portfolio of assets (the "**Inevitables**") and the rest in a small portfolio of listed "Buffet-like" companies or ETPs tracking the shares in such companies and ETPs that offer short or inverse exposure to US markets (the "**Workouts**").

The Inevitables is a basket of ETP Securities and funds that invest in companies expected to be dominating their fields for an investment lifetime due to their competitive strengths. The Inevitables and their target weights are as follows:

•	LEVERAGE SHARES 2X LONG BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY ETP SECURITIES:	20%
•	BLACKROCK SMALLER COMPANIES TRUST PLC:	10%
•	SMITHSON INVESTMENT TRUST PLC:	10%
•	FINSBURY GROWTH & INCOME TRUST PLC:	10%
•	SCOTTISH MORTGAGE INVESTMENT TRUST PLC:	10%
•	PERSHING SQUARE HOLDINGS Limited:	10%
•	CENTRAL SECURITIES CORPORATION:	10%

The Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor intends to rebalance the composition of the Inevitables back to their target weights semi-annually.

The Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor selects the stocks and ETPs integrating the Workouts using aproprietary methodology based on short term technical indicators. These indicators rank the stocks but also U.S. market indices (such as the S&P 500) to determine if they are in "risk on" or "risk off" mode. If the markets are on "risk on" mode, the Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor allocates the remaining 20% of the portfolio to four (4) companies listed on an exchange in the US, the European Union or the United Kingdom with the highest technical analysis indicators equally (5% each).

If the Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor determines that the market is in "risk off" mode, 3.75% will be allocated to each such Workaround companies, with the remaining 5% invested in the Leverage Shares -3x Short US 500 ETP Securities with the aim of building a "market neutral" strategy.

The Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor intends to rebalance the composition of the Workouts back to their target weights monthly.

The Buffettique Growth Strategy Sponsor may (i) change the composition of the entire portfolio by removing existing components or adding new components which are securities listed on an exchange in the US, the European Union or the United Kingdom and/or (ii) amend the above target weights for each the Inevitables and/or the Workouts (the "**Buffettique Universe Requirements**"). The Issuer will aim to publish any changes to the Buffettique Universe Requirements at least five business days before they are implemented.

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Buffettique Growth Investment Strategy. The portfolio administration role carried out by GWM Limited will also incorporate the role of investment management for the Buffettique Growth Investment Strategy. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration to appointment of a replacement Portfolio Administrator, is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

#### Investment Strategy Sponsor

Arcanum Asset Management Ltd was authorised by the UK Financial Conduct Authority in September 2010 with the overriding objective to maximise clients returns across a broad range of financial products including international equities, funds, bonds and underlying derivative alternatives. The principal Director of Arcanum Asset Management Ltd, Matt Rickards MSCI,IMC Dip has over 25 years' experience in the financial services sector the majority of which was at Hargreaves Lansdown. He was Head of Dealing when he left in 2010 to set up Agincourt Portfolios and then take over Arcanum Asset Management in 2015.

# Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the Buffettique Growth Investment Strategy the following Arranger Fee is applicable:

- a fee charged daily at a rate of 1.00% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date; and
- (ii) a performance-based fee charged daily, equal to the maximum of (i) zero and (ii) 10% of the difference between the value of the ETP Securities on that day and the previous highest value of the ETP Securities, where such value is calculated using the methodology for calculating their ETP Security Value but excluding this performance-based fee.

# Return on Collateral

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral, where applicable.

# Initial composition and additional information relating to the Buffettique Investment Strategy Reference Assets (the "Buffettique Portfolio")

# Initial Buffettique Portfolio

As at the Issue Date the Buffettique Portfolio shall comprise 100% in GBP cash.

#### Sample Buffettique Portfolio

The Final Terms shall include details of a sample Buffettique Portfolio.

The sample Buffettique Portfolio constituents listed in Annex 3 to the Form Final Terms are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Buffettique Sample Portfolio". On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Buffettique Investment Strategy, the Buffettique Portfolio shall comprise cash and/or other securities which are different from the constituents of the Buffettique Sample Portfolio, provided that they always comply with the Buffettique Universe Requirements.

# Post Issuance Information

The Issuer will, from time to time, provide reports and announcements on its website <u>www.leverageshares.com</u>:

- (iii) at least on a quarterly basis with respect to the composition of the Buffettique Portfolio on the basis of information provided to the Issuer by the Portfolio Administrator; and
- (iv) otherwise from time to time, to the extent the relevant disclosure is required by applicable law, including disclosure of any inside information required under the UK's version of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse which is part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

The Issuer does not intend to provide any other post issuance information in relation to the Buffettique Portfolio.

# 4. THE LS COMMODITY STRATEGIES

The LS Brent Crude Strategy, LS WTI Crude Strategy, LS Natural Gas Strategy and the LS Copper Strategy (the "**LS Commodity Strategies**") are Investment Strategies that aim to track the performance of holding a long position of a single commodity or group of commodities futures contracts using a the roll schedule set out below.

While the LS Commodity Strategies intend to follow systematic, passive methodologies, the Portfolio Administrator can deviate from such methodologies as described below.

# Reference Assets

The LS Commodity Strategies aim to maintain an exposure to their specified commodity by holding long positions in commodity futures ("**Contracts**"). The Contracts will consist of the main contract set out in Table 1 below (the "**Main Contract**"), the secondary contract set out in Table 2 below (with the exception of the LS Copper Strategy) (the "**Secondary Contract**") and "mini" or "micro" versions of such contracts set out in Table 3 below (the "**Mini Contracts**"), traded on the relevant exchange listed in Tables 1 to 3 below (the "**Relevant Futures Exchanges**").

# Table 1: Main Contracts

LS Commodity Strategy	- Relevant Exchange		Contract Size
LS Brent Crude Strategy	ICE https://www.ice.com/products/21 <u>9/Brent-Crude-</u> Futures?utm_source=website&ut m_medium=search&utm_campai gn=spotlight	Brent Crude Oil (B)	1,000 barrels
LS WTI Crude Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/mark ets/energy/crude-oil/light-sweet- crude.html	Light, Sweet Crude Oil (CL)	1,000 barrels
LS Natural Gas Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/mark ets/energy/natural-gas/natural- gas.html	Henry Hub Natural Gas (NG)	10,000 million British thermal units (mmBtu)
LS Copper Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/mark ets/metals/base/copper.html	Copper Futures (HG)	25,000 pounds

# Table 2: Secondary Contracts

LS Commodity Strategy	- Relevant Exchange		Contract Size
LS Brent Crude Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/mark ets/energy/crude-oil/brent-crude- oil.contractSpecs.html	Brent Crude Oil (BB)	1,000 barrels
LS WTI Crude Strategy	ICE https://www.ice.com/products/21 <u>3</u>	West Texas Intermediate (WTI) Light Sweet Crude Oil Futures (T)	1,000 barrels
LS Natural Gas Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/mark ets/energy/natural-gas/emini- natural-gas.contractSpecs.html	E-mini Natural Gas (QG)	2,500 million British thermal units (mmBtu)

# Table 3: Mini Contracts

LS Commodity Strategy	Relevant Exchange	Micro Contract and (Contract Code)	Contract Size
LS Brent Crude Strategy	ICE https://www.theice.com/products/27089668/Brent-1st-Line- Mini-Future	Brent 1st Line Mini Future (IMM)	100 Barrels
LS WTI Crude Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/markets/energy/crude-oil/micro- wti-crude-oil.contractSpecs.html	Micro WTI Crude Oil (MCL)	100 Barrels
LS Natural Gas Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/markets/energy/natural- gas/micro-henry-hub-natural-gas.html	Micro Henry Hub Natural Gas Futures (MNG)	1,000 million British thermal units (mmBtu)
LS Copper Strategy	CME https://www.cmegroup.com/markets/metals/base/micro- copper.html	Micro Copper (MHG)	2,500 pounds

While the Portfolio Administrator will aim to hold 100% of the Reference Assets in the Main Contract for each LS Commodity Strategy, it is expected that, while the value of the Series of ETP Securities tracking the LS Commodity Strategies are small relative to the size of the Main Contract, the Portfolio Administrator will also invest in (i) Mini Contracts; and/ or (ii) the following exchange traded commodities or exchange traded funds (details of which are set out in the "Description of the Reference Assets" section of this Base Prospectus) that invest predominantly in Contracts:

LS Commodity Strategy	Exchange Traded Commodities / ETFs				
LS Brent Crude Strategy	WisdomTree Brent Crude Oil				
LS WTI Crude Strategy	WisdomTree WTI Crude Oil				
LS Natural Gas Strategy	WisdomTree Natural Gas				
LS Copper Strategy	WisdomTree Copper				

(such exchange traded commodities and exchange traded funds, together with the Secondary Contracts and Mini Contracts, the "Alternative Commodity Assets").

The Portfolio Administrator retains discretion to invest in Alternative Commodity Assets to, among others, deal with Futures Market Disruption Events (as defined below), improve the liquidity of the relevant LS Commodity Strategy or to optimise their tracking by the relevant Series of ETP Securities.

# Futures Rolling

The LS Commodity Strategies hold long positions in Contracts. To maintain a long position, contracts are 'rolled' from the expiring Contract (the "**Lead Contract**") to a new Contract farther down the futures curve with a longer expiry date (the "**Next Contract**"). The LS Commodity Strategies follow the roll schedule based on the Contract calendar listed in Table 5. The mapping for the contract letters and months is defined in Table 4.

#### Table 4: Contract Month Codes

Contract Code	Month		
F	January		
G	February		
н	March		
J	April		
К	May		
М	June		
N	July		
Q	August		
U	September		
V	October		
Х	November		
Z	December		

The Contract Calendar in Table 5 below represents the Lead Contract on the first business day of each month on which the Relevant Futures Exchange is open for trading during their respective trading session (a **"Futures Exchange Business Day**").

Table 5: Commodity Co	ntract Calendar
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Commodity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Brent Crude Oil	J	K	М	Ν	Q	U	V	Х	Z	F	G	Н
Crude Oil (WTI)	Н	J	K	М	Ν	Q	U	V	Х	Z	F	G
Natural Gas	Н	J	K	М	Ν	Q	U	V	Х	Z	F	G
Copper	Н	Н	К	К	Ν	Ν	U	U	Z	Z	Z	Н

The LS Commodity Strategies will roll from the Lead Contract to the Next Contract over a period that will depend on the number and value of the Contracts referenced by the relevant LS Commodity Strategies, as determined by the Portfolio Administrator (the "**Roll Period**"). The Roll Period will typically start on the sixth Futures Exchange Business Day of each month and, as the number of the Contracts managed by the relevant LS Commodity Strategies grows relative to the total trading volume on each day of the Roll Period, the Portfolio Administrator may increase the number of Futures Exchange Business Days in the Roll Period up to and including the tenth Futures Exchange Business Day of each month (each, a "**Roll Day**"). The Portfolio Administrator will aim to roll the Contracts managed by the LS Commodity Strategies equally on each Roll Day. For example, if the Roll Period runs from the sixth to tenth Business Day of a month, the Portfolio Administrator will aim to roll 20% (1/5) of the Contracts on each of the five Roll Days. The duration of the Roll Period will be announced on the Issuer's Website. Table 6 is an example of the rolling process for Crude Oil (CL) during the February 2023 Roll Period, assuming a Roll Period of four days.

Table 6				Roll Weight		
Date	Business Day	Lead Contract	Next Contract	% Lead	% Next	
07 February 2023	5	CLJ3	CLK3	100.0%	0.0%	
08 February 2023	6	CLJ3	CLK3	75.0%	25.0%	
09 February 2023	7	CLJ3	CLK3	50.0%	50.0%	
10 February 2023	8	CLJ3	CLK3	25.0%	75.0%	
13 February 2023	9	CLJ3	CLK3	0.0%	100.0%	
14 February 2023	10	CLJ3	CLK3	0.0%	100.0%	

# **Market Disruption**

If a Futures Market Disruption Event ("**FMDE**") occurs on any Roll Day (such day, a "**Disrupted Roll Day**"), the affected Roll Days will be postponed to the following Futures Exchange Business Days that are not Disrupted Roll Days.

An FMDE occurs in the following situations:

- a) a severe trading interruption, or technical failure at the Relevant Futures Exchange;
- b) a complete trading halt of any Contract, for example due to extraordinary market events;
- c) a Contract price increases or decreases by such magnitude that it closes at its daily price limit set by the Relevant Futures Exchange;
- d) an unscheduled change of the Relevant Futures Exchange's holiday & hours schedule, for instance due to extraordinary market events; or
- e) any other event which, in the determination of the Portfolio Administrator, severely impacts the LS Commodity Strategies and/or makes the calculation of the value of their Reference Assets unfeasible.

# **Discretion and Investment Strategy Review**

The Portfolio Administrator may only exercise discretion in relation to the management of the LS Commodity Strategies (for example, the determination of or changes to the Roll Period or the Contracts, or investments into Alternative Commodity Assets) where justified by an FMDE or to improve the liquidity and tracking of such LS Commodity Strategies through ETP Securities.

The Issuer will aim to publish any such changes on the Issuer's Website as soon as reasonably practicable.

#### **Portfolio Administrator**

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the LS Commodity Strategies. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

#### Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the LS Commodity Investment Strategies, an annual Arranger Fee will be applicable.

The "**Arranger Fee**" fee is charged daily at a rate that will not exceed 0.45% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date. The Arranger Fee shall be disclosed on the website of the Issuer.

#### Return on Collateral

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# 5. NORMAL EXPOSURE INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Issuer may issue Series of ETP Securities which employ the investment strategies listed below. The investment objective of such investment strategies will be to provide a Normal Exposure to the corresponding Reference Assets, listed in the table below.

#### Fees

The fee applicable to such Series will be an Arranger Fee which is charged daily at the per annum rate set out in the table below on the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities held by an ETP Securityholder.

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

Name of the Investment Strategy	Reference Asset	Arranger Fee
Tesla Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Tesla Inc.	0.15%
Amazon Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Amazon Inc.	0.15%
Plug Power Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Microsoft Corp	0.15%
Microsoft Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Microsoft Corp	0.15%
Alphabet Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Alphabet Inc.	0.15%
Facebook Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Meta Platforms Inc.	0.15%
Apple Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Apple Inc.	0.15%
Netflix Tracker Investment Strategy	Shares of Netflix, Inc.	0.15%
Sea Tracker Investment Strategy	Sea Limited American Depositary Shares	0.15%
NIO Tracker Investment Strategy	NIO Inc. American Depositary Shares	0.15%
Coinbase Investment Strategy	Shares of Coinbase Global, Inc.	0.15%
ARK Genomic Revolution Tracker Investment Strategy	ARK Genomic Revolution ETF	0.35%
ARK NextGen Internet Tracker Investment Strategy	ARK Next Generation Internet ETF	0.35%

ARK Innovation Tracker Investment Strategy	ARK Innovation ETF	0.35%
Berkshire Hathaway Tracker Investment Strategy	Berkshire Hathaway Inc.	0.35%
Wahed USA Sharia Tracker Investment Strategy	Wahed FTSE USA Shariah ETF	0.05%
Wahed Islamic World Tracker Investment Strategy	Wahed Dow Jones Islamic World ETF	0.05%

Investors should note that Series which track the Wahed USA Sharia Tracker Investment Strategy and the Wahed Islamic World Tracker Investment Strategy (the "**Wahed Series**") are intended to be compliant with Sharia law. The Collateral Assets of the Wahed Series shall comprise of the Reference Assets of such Investment Strategies. To extent any proceeds of the issuance of the Wahed Series are not required to be invested in the Reference Assets of the relevant Investment Strategy, such amounts may be maintained as cash balances held in the respective Margin Accounts for the Wahed Series (the "**Wahed Margin Accounts**") and will not be invested in Ancillary Assets. The Collateral Assets of the Wahed Series will be held in the Wahed Margin Accounts by the Margin Loan Provider on behalf of the Issuer. The Wahed Margin Accounts shall not contain any margin loans.

# 6. LEVERAGED EXPOSURE AND SHORT EXPOSURE INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Issuer may issue Series of ETP Securities which employ the investment strategies listed below (the "Leveraged and Short Exposure Investment Strategies"). The investment objective of each Leveraged and Short Exposure Investment Strategy is to provide the Leveraged Exposures or Short Exposures, as determined by the applicable Leverage Factor, to the Reference Assets, listed below.

For Series of ETPs which offer leveraged exposures, the leverage is achieved by borrowing from the Margin Loan Provider.

For Series of ETPs which offer short exposures, the Issuer will take a short position by borrowing the Reference Asset of the Series from the Margin Loan Provider.

The exposure of these ETP Securities to the Reference Assets will be rebalanced at the end of the Rebalance Period set out in the relevant Final Terms to maintain their stated Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure, as the case may be, constant at the beginning of each Rebalance Period by reference to the applicable Leverage Factor.

Leveraged and Short Exposure Investment Strategies will be subject to an Unscheduled Rebalance when the price of their respective Reference Assets increases (in the case of Short Exposures) or decreases (in the case of Leveraged Exposures) by more than the "Unscheduled Rebalance Trigger" in the below table with respect to their closing prices on the previous trading day during the regular trading session. Such adjustment seeks to protect the holder of ETP Securities pursuing Leveraged and Short Exposure Investment Strategies from suffering a complete loss in the event of extreme market movements by crystallising the losses incurred up to that point.

The Issuer will aim to rebalance the ETP Security shortly after the Unscheduled Rebalance is triggered following similar mechanics to the standard rebalance at the end of each Rebalance Period by (i) using as a reference price the price published on exchange for the relevant Reference Assets when the Unscheduled Rebalance Trigger is reached (the "**Trigger Price**") and (ii) by trading the Reference Assets in such amounts as may be required over a longer than normal period so that, following the end of such rebalancing period, the ETP Securities offer their stated Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure to the Reference Assets by reference to the Trigger Price. After the Unscheduled Rebalance is completed, the Issuer will publish the resulting price, which will become the reference ETP Security Value for the rebalance of the ETP Security at the end of the relevant Rebalance Period.

#### Fees

The fees applicable to the Leveraged Exposure and Short Exposure Investment Strategies are as follows: (1) the arranger fee, which is charged daily at the per annum rate set out in the table below on the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities held by an ETP Securityholder (the "**Arranger Fee**"); (2) the Daily Margin Interest Rate (in the case of Leveraged Exposures); (3) Securities Lending Fees ( in the case of Short Exposures); and (4) any applicable brokerage fees.

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

Name of Investment Strategy	Reference Asset	Leverage Factor	Unscheduled Rebalance Trigger	Arranger Fee
5x Long US Tech 100 Investment Strategy	Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1	5x	-10%	0.75%
-3x Short US Tech 100 Investment Strategy	Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1	-3x	16.67%	0.75%

5x Long US 500 Investment Stratregy	SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	5x	-10%	0.75%
-3x Short US 500 Investment Strategy	SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Total World Investment Strategy	Vanguard Total World Index Fund ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Semiconductors Investment Strategy	VanEck Vectors Semiconductor ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Semiconductors Investment Strategy	VanEck Vectors Semiconductor ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long ARK Genomic Revolution Investment Strategy	ARK Genomic Revolution ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short ARK Genomic Revolution Investment Strategy	ARK Genomic Revolution ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long ARK NextGen Internet Investment Strategy	ARK Next Generation Internet ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short ARK NextGen Internet Investment Strategy	ARK Next Generation Internet ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long ARK Innovation Investment Strategy	ARK Innovation ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short ARK Innovation Investment Strategy	ARK Innovation ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
2x Long Berkshire Hathaway Investment Strategy	Berkshire Hathaway Inc.	2x	-25%	0.75%
3x Long Airlines Investment Strategy	U.S .Global Jets ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Airlines Investment Strategy	U.S .Global Jets ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Financials Investment Strategy	Financial Select Sector SPDR Fund	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Financials Investment Strategy	Financial Select Sector SPDR Fund	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Gold Miners Investment Strategy	VanEck Vectors Gold Miners ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%

-3x Short Gold Miners Investment Strategy	VanEck Vectors Gold Miners ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long China Tech Investment Strategy	KraneShares CSI China Internet ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short China Tech Investment Strategy	KraneShares CSI China Internet ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Biotechnology Investment Strategy	iShares Biotechnology ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Biotechnology Investment Strategy	iShares Biotechnology ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Oil and Gas Investment Strategy	Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Oil and Gas Investment Strategy	Energy Select Sector SPDR Fund	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Clean Energy Investment Strategy	iShares Global Clean Energy ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Clean Energy Investment Strategy	iShares Global Clean Energy ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Gold Investment Strategy	SPDR Gold Trust	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Gold Investment Strategy	SPDR Gold Trust	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
2x Long WTI Oil Investment Strategy	United States Oil Fund LP	2x	-25%	0.75%
-2x Short WTI Oil Investment Strategy	United States Oil Fund LP	-2x	25%	0.75%
3x Long Silver Investment Strategy	iShares Silver Trust	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Silver Investment Strategy	iShares Silver Trust	-3x	16.67%	0.75
3x Long South Korea Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI South Korea ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short South Korea Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI South Korea ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long China Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI China ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%

-3x Short China Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI China ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Taiwan Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Taiwan Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Japan Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI Japan ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Japan Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI Japan ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long US Tech 100 Investment Strategy	Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1	3x	-16.67%	0.01%
3x Long US 500 Investment Strategy	SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	3x	-16.67%	0.01%
3x Long Germany Investment Strategy	iShares Core DAX UCITS ETF (DE)	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Germany Investment Strategy	iShares Core DAX UCITS ETF (DE)	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long India Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI India ETF	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short India Investment Strategy	iShares MSCI India ETF	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
5x Long 20+ Year Treasury Bond Investment Strategy	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	5x	-10%	0.75%
-5x Short 20+ Year Treasury Bond Investment Strategy	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	-5x	10%	0.75%
5x Long 7-10 Year Treasury Bond Investment Strategy	iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF	5x	-10%	0.75%
-5x Short 7-10 Year Treasury Bond Investment Strategy	iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF	-5x	10%	0.75%
5x Long TIPS US Bond Investment Strategy	iShares TIPS Bond ETF	5x	-10%	0.75%
-5x Short TIPS US Bond Investment Strategy	iShares TIPS Bond ETF	-5x	10%	0.75%

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# 7. FAANG+ INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy is a strategy that aims to track the Solactive FAANG+ Index.

The Solactive FAANG+ Index intends to track the price movements of a portfolio of ten (10) stocks which includes as core components the following stocks:

- Meta Platforms Inc
- Apple Inc.
- Amazon.com Inc.
- Netflix Inc.
- Microsoft Corp.
- Alphabet Inc. (Class A)
- Tesla Inc

(the "**Core Components**") and then the next largest, most liquid, tech-enabled stocks listed and headquartered in the United States (the "**Non-Core Components**").

The Core Components and the Non-Core Components shall be referred to herein as the "**Solactive FAANG+ Index Universe Requirements**".

The Solactive FAANG+ Index is a rules-based, equal-weighted equity index that rebalances annually. As such, at each rebalancing date, each component will be re-weighted back to 10% of the Solactive FAANG+ Index and the Non- Core Components will be determined again based on the eligibility criteria set out in the Index methodology, which can be found in at <u>http://www.solactive.com</u>.

The Solactive FAANG+ Index is owned, calculated, administered and published by Solactive AG assuming the role as index administrator under the Regulation (EU) 2016/1011.

Further information on the Solactive FAANG+ Index can be found at: <u>https://solactive.com/downloads/SOLAZDM\_Guideline.pdf</u>

#### Portfolio Administrator

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

#### Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy, an annual Arranger Fee will be applicable.

The "**Arranger Fee**" fee is charged daily at a rate of 0.35% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date.

#### Return on Collateral

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# Additional information relating to the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy Reference Assets (the "Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio")

Sample Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio

The Final Terms shall include details of a sample Solative FAANG+ Portfolio.

The sample Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio constituents listed in Annex 2 to the Final Terms are a sample portfolio only. This is called the "Solactive FAANG+ Sample Portfolio". On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Solactive FAANG+ Investment Strategy, the Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio shall comprise cash and/or other equity securities which are different from the constituents of the Solactive FAANG+ Sample Portfolio, provided that they always comply with the Solactive FAANG+ Investments.

#### Post Issuance Information

The Issuer will, from time to time, provide reports and announcements on its website <u>www.leverageshares.com</u>:

- (i) at least on an annual basis with respect to the composition of the Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio on the basis of information provided to the Issuer by the Portfolio Administrator; and
- (ii) otherwise from time to time, to the extent the relevant disclosure is required by applicable law, including disclosure of any inside information required under the UK's version of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse which is part of UK law by virtue if the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

The Issuer does not intend to provide any other post issuance information in relation to the Solactive FAANG+ Portfolio.

# 8. CWM CORE BALANCED INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The CWM Core Balanced Investment Strategy is a strategy that aims to track the Solactive CWM Core Balanced Strategy Index.

The Solactive CWM Core Balanced Strategy Index intends to track the price movements of a portfolio of Reference Assets, weighted as indicated below:

Reference Assets	Weighting
iShares \$ Treasury Bond 1-3yr UCITS ETF	13.17%
Vanguard USD Corporate 1-3 Year Bond UCITS ETF	10.09%
iShares \$ High Yield Corp Bond UCITS ETF	6.38%
iShares US Aggregate Bond UCITS ETF	5.21%
iShares \$ TIPS UCITS ETF	2.58%
iShares \$ Corp Bond UTIS ETF	2.58%
Vanguard USD Emerging Markets Government Bond UCITS ETF	4.17%
iShares Core S&P 500 UCITS ETF	18.72%
iShares MSCI USA UCITS ETF	4.82%
iShares MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF	5.64%
iShares Core MSCI Japan IMI UCITS ETF	2.63%
iShares S&P 500 Health Care Sector UCITS ETF	4.65%
iShares S&P 500 Information Technology Sector UCITS ETF	9.72%
Vanguard FTSE Developed Asia Pacific ex Japan UCITS ETF	2.08%
Vanguard FTSE Developed Europe ex UK UCITS ETF	5.47%
WisdomTree Physical Swiss Gold ETC	2.10%

The Solactive CWM Core Balanced Strategy Index rebalances quarterly. As such, at each rebalancing date, each Reference Asset listed above will be re-weighted back to the corresponding weightings set out above.

The Solactive CWM Core Balanced Strategy Index is owned, calculated, administered and published by Solactive AG assuming the role as index administrator under the Regulation (EU) 2016/1011.

Further information on the Solactive CWM Core Balanced Strategy Index can be found at: <a href="https://www.solactive.com/indices/">https://www.solactive.com/indices/</a>
Portfolio Administrator

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the CWM Core Balanced Investment Strategy . GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

# Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the CWM Core Balanced Investment Strategy, an annual Arranger Fee will be applicable.

The "**Arranger Fee**" fee is charged daily at a rate that will not exceed 0.85% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date. The Arranger Fee shall be disclosed on the website of the Issuer.

# Return on Collateral

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# 9. THE VANILLA STRATEGIES

The Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy, the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy (the "Vanilla ETF Strategies") and the Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy (together with the "Vanilla ETF Strategies, the "Vanilla Strategies") are actively managed by the Portfolio Administrator, GWM Limited, using the methodologies developed by Vanilla Trading Co, a South African company, details of which are set out below.

#### Vanilla ETF Strategies

The Vanilla ETF Strategies invest in portfolios of exchange traded products across asset classes (including equity, fixed income and commodity) and regions with the aim of maximising portfolio returns, while controlling portfolio risk to a volatility level of between 10% and 15% over a 5-year period.

The Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio GBP Strategy will invest in exchange traded products listed on the London Stock Exchange and the Vanilla Funds Balanced Portfolio USD Strategy will invest in exchange traded products listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market or the New York Stock Exchange.

The portfolios are monitored on a daily basis and rebalanced at most monthly. The Vanilla Strategies Sponsor uses state of the art technology to screen extensive market, macro-economic and ETF data sets from around the world. The exchange traded products are selected by employing an Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning ranking system. This systematic framework carefully analyses a wide universe of exchange traded funds and exchange traded products to identify the best investment opportunities based on market conditions.

#### Vanilla Blue Chip Model Portfolio Strategy

The Vanilla Funds Blue Chip Portfolio USD Strategy will invest in equity securities listed on either the New York Stock Exchange or Nasdaq, from sectors that offer the most promising long-term performance. The weightings and selections of those stocks is rebalanced on a quarterly basis, using a range of technical and fundamental metrics.

#### Vanilla Strategies Sponsor

Vanilla Trading Co. is the sponsor of the Vanilla Strategies. Vanilla Trading Co. was incorporated under the laws of South Africa on 13 June 2023 (registration number 2023/807009/07) with the overriding objective to create strategies to maximise returns across a broad range of financial products by employing Algo-Chain's AI & Machine Learning assisted platform for the selection of stocks & exchange traded funds and for the asset allocation process.

Details of the directors and shareholders of Vanilla Trading Co. are set out below:

**Directors** 

Gareth Davies Tanswell Gustav Sassman

<u>Shareholders</u> Patrick James Robert Ralph (25%) Craig James Holman (25%) Gareth Richard George Davies (25%) Assisi House Holdings (25%), which is owned by Stuart John Raber and Paula Jane Leaver

Vanilla Trading Co. does not currently have a website and is an unregulated company.

The principal of the Vanilla Trading Co. is Patrick Ralph who has over four decades of experience in the financial services industry, holding management and senior-level positions at some of the UK's major financial institutions.

In managing the Vanilla Strategies, GWM Limited, the Portfolio Administrator, will use the methodologies developed by Vanilla Trading Co. The sample Vanilla Strategies portfolio constituents are listed in Annex 4-6 to the Form of Final Terms set out at pages 190-202 of this Base Prospectus. These are sample portfolios

only for the respective Vanilla Strategies. See "Sample Vanilla Strategies Portfolio" below for more detail.

# Portfolio Administrator

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Vanilla Strategies. The portfolio administration role carried out by GWM Limited will incorporate the role of investment management for the Vanilla Strategies. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

#### Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the Vanilla Strategies, an annual Arranger Fee will be applicable.

The "**Arranger Fee**" fee is charged daily at a rate that will not exceed 1.30% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date. The Arranger Fee shall be disclosed on the website of the Issuer.

#### Return on Collateral

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# Initial composition and additional information relating to each Vanilla Strategy Reference Assets (each , a "Vanilla Strategy Portfolio")

#### Initial Vanilla Strategies Portfolio

As at the Issue Date each Vanilla Strategy portfolio shall comprise 100% in cash in the currency of denomination of the relevant Vanilla Strategy.

#### Sample Vanilla Strategies Portfolio

The Final Terms shall include details of a sample Vanilla Strategy portfolio.

The sample Vanilla Strategies portfolio constituents listed in Annex 4-6 to the Form of Final Terms are a sample portfolio only for the respective Vanilla Strategies. On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue any of the Vanilla Strategies, the respective Vanilla Strategy portfolio shall comprise cash and/or other securities which are different from the constituents of the respective Vanilla Strategy Sample portfolio.

#### Post Issuance Information

The Issuer will, from time to time, provide reports and announcements on its website <u>www.leverageshares.com</u>:

- (i) at least on a quarterly basis with respect to the composition of each Vanilla Strategy portfolio on the basis of information provided to the Issuer by the Portfolio Administrator; and
- (ii) otherwise from time to time, to the extent the relevant disclosure is required by applicable law, including disclosure of any inside information required under Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse.

The Issuer does not intend to provide any other post issuance information in relation to any Vanilla Strategy portfolio.

# 10. THE SHORT CONTANGO LONG EQUITY INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The Short Contango Long Equity Strategy is an actively managed investment strategy which employs a proprietary methodology developed by the Portfolio Administrator, GWM Ltd.

The Short Contango Long Equity Strategy aims to take a long position in an equity ETF listed on the New York Stock Exchange and a short position on any asset class that has historically experienced frequent periods of pronounced contango.

"Contango" refers to a situation in which futures contracts with further expiries are more expensive than futures contracts with shorter expiries. For example, since the VIX Short-Term Futures Index tracked by the iPath ETNs (ad defined below) offers exposure to a daily rolling long position in the first and second month VIX futures contracts, if the VIX is in contango, the VIX Short-Term Futures Index would be expected to lose value as the VIX futures roll, and a short position in the iPath ETNs, consequently, to profit from such contango. The converse is true: if the VIX futures move to backwardations (ie., where the futures with shorter expiries are more expensive than the futures with longer expiries), a short position in the iPath ETNs may incur losses.

# Short Contango

The Short Contango Long Equity Strategy aims to have a long-term short exposure of between 20% and 40% to high-contango asset classes. The Portfolio Administrator can maintain short positions outside of this range at its discretion to exploit market opportunities. To implement this strategy, the Portfolio Administrator will take short positions on any of the exchange traded products listed below and any other exchange traded products listed on the New York Stock Exchange providing exposure to futures on the VIX Index, natural gas, crude oil or any other asset class that exhibit high levels of contango, taking into account factors such as liquidity, fees, short availability and cost to borrow:

- iPath® Series B S&P 500® VIX Short-Term Futures™ ETNs ("**iPath ETNs**")
- ProShares VIX Short- Term Futures ETF.
- United States Natural Gas Fund LP
- ProShares Ultra Bloomberg Natural Gas
- United States Oil Fund LP
- ProShares Ultra Bloomberg Crude Oil

The proceeds from shorting exchage traded products will be maintained as cash in the Margin Account. The short exposure seeks to capture the contango of the volatility curve.

# Long Equity Exposure

The Portfolio Administrator will aim to invest 100% of the Series issue proceeds in ETFs listed on the New York Stock Exchange providing a diversfied equity exposure, including but not limited to:

- Invesco QQQ Trust, Series 1
- iShares MSCI USA Min Vol Factor ETF
- Invesco S&P 500 Low Volatility ETF
- iShares MSCI USA Quality Factor ETF

The Portfolio Administrator will have discretion to rebalance the portfolio on any month on the basis of, among other factors, that the short exposure is too high or the long equity exposure is overbough.

This Investment Strategy is highly risky, as market prices may move against both the short contango and the long equity exposures at the same time, thereby losing value more rapidly than normal strategies.

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Short Contango Long Equity Strategy. The portfolio administration role carried out by GWM Limited will also incorporate the role of investment management for the Short Contango Long Equity Strategy. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration to appointment of a replacement Portfolio Administrator, is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

# Fees

For ETP Securities which pursue the Short Contango Long Equity Strategy the following fees are applicable: (1) the Arranger Fee; and (2) the Daily Margin Interest Rate (in the case of Leveraged Exposures); and (3) Securities Lending Fees (in the case of Short Exposures).

The "Arranger Fee" is comprised of the following:

- a fee charged daily at a rate of 1% per annum of the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities on the immediately preceding Valuation Date, adjusted by the change in the value of the Collateral Assets in respect of the Series of ETP Securities since the preceding Valuation Date; and
- (i) a performance based fee charged daily, equal to the maximum of (i) zero and (ii) 10% of the difference between the value of the ETP Securities on that day and the previous highest value of the ETP Securities, where such value is calculated using the methodology for calculating their ETP Security Value but excluding this performance based fee.

# Return on Collateral

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

# Initial composition and additional information relating the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy

#### Initial Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy

As at the Issue Date the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy portfolio shall comprise 100% in cash in the currency of denomination of the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy.

# Sample Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy Portfolio

The Final Terms shall include details of a sample Short Contango Long Equity Strategy portfolio.

The sample Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy portfolio constituents listed in Annex 7 to the Form of Final Terms are a sample portfolio only for the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy. On any day, including the Issue Date of each Tranche of ETP Securities which pursue the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy, the Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy portfolio shall comprise cash and/or other securities which are different from the constituents of the Short Contango Long Equity sample portfolio.

#### Post Issuance Information

The Issuer will, from time to time, provide reports and announcements on its website <u>www.leverageshares.com</u>:

(ii) at least on a weekly basis with respect to the composition of each Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy portfolio on the basis of information provided to the Issuer by the Portfolio

#### Administrator; and

(iii) otherwise from time to time, to the extent the relevant disclosure is required by applicable law, including disclosure of any inside information required under Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on market abuse.

The Issuer does not intend to provide any other post issuance information in relation to any Short Contango Long Equity Investment Strategy portfolio.

## 11. THE SHORT AND LEVERAGED INDEX TRACKING INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

The Issuer may issue Series of ETP Securities which employ the investment strategies listed below (the "Short and Leveraged Index Tracking Investment Strategies"). The investment objective of each of the Short and Leveraged Index Tracking Investment Strategies is to provide the Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure, as determined by the applicable Leverage Factor, to the respective indices, as detailed below (the "Relevant Indices" and each a "Relevant Index").

The Reference Assets of the Short and Leveraged Index Tracking Investment Strategies will be the components of the respective Relevant Indices.

For Series of ETPs which offer Leveraged Exposures, the leverage will be achieved by borrowing from the Margin Loan Provider.

For Series of ETPs Securities which offer Short Exposures, the Issuer will take a short position by borrowing the components of the Relevant Indices.

The exposure of the ETP Securities to the Relevant Index will be rebalanced at the end of the Rebalance Period as set out in the relevant Final Terms to maintain their stated Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure, as the case may be, constant at the beginning of each Rebalance Period by reference to the applicable Leverage Factor.

The Short and Leveraged Index Tracking Investment Strategies will subject to an Unscheduled Rebalance when the price of the Relevant Index increases (in the case of Short Exposures) or decreases (in the case of Leveraged Exposures) by more than the "Unscheduled Rebalance Trigger" in the below table with respect to their closing prices on the previous trading day during the regular trading session. Such adjustment seeks to protect the holder of ETP Securities pursuing Leveraged and Short Exposure Investment Strategies from suffering a complete loss in the event of extreme market movements by crystallising the losses incurred up to that point.

The Issuer will aim to rebalance the ETP Security shortly after the Unscheduled Rebalance is triggered following similar mechanics to the standard rebalance at the end of each Rebalance Period by (i) using as a reference price the price published on exchange for the relevant Reference Assets when the Unscheduled Rebalance Trigger is reached (the "**Trigger Price**") and (ii) by trading the Reference Assets in such amounts as may be required over a longer than normal period so that, following the end of such rebalancing period, the ETP Securities offer their stated Leveraged Exposure or Short Exposure to the Relevant Indices by reference to the Trigger Price. After the Unscheduled Rebalance is completed, the Issuer will publish the resulting price, which will become the reference ETP Security Value for the rebalance of the ETP Security at the end of the relevant Rebalance Period.

#### Fees

The fees applicable to the Short and Leveraged Index Tracking Investment Strategies are as follows: (1) the arranger fee, which is charged daily, not to exceed the per annum rate, as set out in the table below, on the ETP Security Value of the ETP Securities held by an ETP Securityholder (the "**Arranger Fee**"); (2) the Daily Margin Interest Rate (in the case of Leverage Exposures); (3) Securities Lending Fees (in the case of Short Exposures); and (4) any applicable brokerage fees,

The ETP Security Value will include a Return on Collateral.

## Portfolio Administrator

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator of the Short and Leveraged Index Tracking Investment Strategies. GWM Limited has been appointed as Portfolio Administrator pursuant to the terms of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement. A summary of the provisions of the GWM Portfolio Administration Agreement is set out in the section of this Base Prospectus entitled "Summary of the Programme Documents".

Name of Investment Strategy	Index	Index Sponsor	Index Information Source	Leverage Factor	Unscheduled Rebalance Trigger	Arranger Fee
4x Long Semiconductors Investment Strategy	NYSE Semiconductor Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices	4x	-15%	0.75%
-4x Short Semiconductors Investment Strategies	NYSE Semiconductor Index	NYSE® Group, Inc.	https://www.nyse.com/indices	-4x	15%	0.75%
5x Long Magnificent 7 Investment Strategy	Solactive Magnificent 7 Index	Solactive AG	http://www.solactive.com	5x	-15%	0.75%
-3x Short Magnificent 7 Investment Strategy	Solactive Magnificent 7 Index	Solactive AG	http://www.solactive.com	-3x	16.67%	0.75%
3x Long Artificial Intelligence (AI) Investment Strategy	Solactive US Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index	Solactive AG	http://www.solactive.com	3x	-16.67%	0.75%
-3x Short Artificial Intelligence (AI) ETP Securities	Solactive Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index	Solactive AG	http://www.solactive.com	-3x	16.67%	0.75%

## NYSE Semiconductor Index

The NYSE Semiconductor Index is a rules-based, modified float-adjusted market capitalisation-weighted index that tracks the performance of the thirty largest U.S semiconductor equity securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange or Nasdaq (the "**Semiconductor Universe**").

The NYSE Semiconductor Index undergoes a reconstitution annually after the close of the third Friday of September. It is possible, therefore, that some of the equity securities listed below may be removed from the constituents of the NYSE Semiconductor Index and other constituents within the Semiconductor Universe may be added.

The NYSE Semiconductor Index will be rebalanced quarterly. At each quarterly rebalancing the constituent weights will be recalculated, however no constituents are added to or removed from the NYSE Semiconductor Index.

The rules and methodology of the NYSE Semiconductor Index can be found at <a href="https://indices.ice.com/">https://indices.ice.com/</a>

As at the date of this Base Prospectus the constituents of the NYSE Semiconductor Index is as follows:

Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/ Equivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishment of market	How price information is published	Indication of daily trading volumes	Standing of market	of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found	Weighting
Nvidia Corp	US67066G1040	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.107572473
Advanced Micro Devices Inc	US0079031078	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com		Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.093918038
Broadcom Inc	US11135F1012	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.089512977
Qualcomm Inc	US7475251036	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.062980957
Intel Corporation	US4581401001	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.04908081
Applied Materials Inc	US0382221051	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com		Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.043291324
Lam Research Corp	US5128071082	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com		Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.041554446
KLA Corp	US4824801009	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.039767223
ASML Holding N.V.	USN070592100	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.039529048
Marvell Technology Inc	US5738741041	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.039649324
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd. ADR	US8740391003	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com	0.037941056
NXP Semiconductors NV	NL0009538784	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.038487173
Micron Technology Inc	US5951121038	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.038569025
Texas Instrument	US8825081040	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.034523657

Analog Devices Inc	US0326541051	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: <u>www.nasdaq.com</u>	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.032955578
ON Semiconductor Corp	US6821891057	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.032568849
Monolithic Power Systems Inc	US6098391054	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.031793779
Microchip Technology Inc	US5950171042	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	<u>www.nasdaq.com</u>	Available at: <u>www.nasdaq.com</u>	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.031772253
Entegris Inc	US29362U1043	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	<u>www.nasdaq.com</u>	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.019418638
Skyworks Solutions Inc	US83088M1027	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.016380748
Teradyne Inc	US8807701029	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.015068403
STMicroelectronic s NV ADR	US8610121027	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com	0.011632638
Qorvo Inc	US74736K1016	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.010873002
Lattice Semiconductor Corp	US5184151042	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.009986114
MKS Instruments Inc	US55306N1046	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.007419087
Rambus Inc	US7509171069	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com	0.006070358
ASE Technology Holding Co. Ltd ADR	US00215W1009	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com	0.005799981
United Micro Electronics Corp ADR	US9108734057	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com	0.005221914
Axcelis Technologies Inc	US0545402085	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com	0.003485978

		New York	Continuous			Available at:		Securities and		0.00317515
Wolfspeed Inc	US9778521024	Stock	during market	May 17, 1792		www.nyse.com	Eqivalent	Exchange	www.nyse.com	0.00317515
		Exchange	hours		www.nyse.com		market	Commission		

# Solactive Magnificent 7 Index

The Solactive Magnificent 7 Index tracks the performance of the seven mega cap US based companies listed below. Each component of the Solactive Magnificent 7 Index is weighted equally.

Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/ Equivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published	Date of establishment of market	How price information is published	Indication of daily trading volumes	Regulatory authority of market	Link to where information on the obligations can be found
Alphabet Inc-Class A	US02079K1079	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Amazon.Com Inc	US0231351067	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Apple Inc	US0378331005	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Meta Platforms Inc	US30303M1027	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Microsoft Corp	US5949181045	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

NVIDIA Corp	US67066G1040	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Tesla Inc	US88160R1014	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792		Available at: <u>www.nyse.com</u>		Securities and Exchange Commission	<u>www.nyse.com</u>

The Solactive Magnificent 7 Index is rebalanced semi annually.

Further information on the Solactive Magnificent 7 Index can be found at: <u>http://www.solactive.com</u>

# Solactive US Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index

The Solactive US Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index tracks the performance of the US based companies listed below which derive their revenues from artificial intelligence or artificial intelligence-driven services. Each component of the Solactive US Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index is equally weighted.

Name of Issuer	ISIN	Regulated/ Equivalent Market	Frequency at which prices are published		How price information is published	Indication of daily trading volumes			Link to where information on the obligations can be found
Advanced Micro Devices	US0079031078	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Alibaba Group Holdings- SP ADR	US01609W1027	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

Alphabet Inc-Cl A	US02079K1079	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Amazon.Com Inc	US0231351067	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Apple Inc	US0378331005	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Arm Holdings ADR	US0420682058	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Intel Corporation	US4581401001	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.con	nAvailable at: www.nasdaq.con	nEqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com
Meta Platforms Inc	US30303M1027	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Microsoft Corp	US5949181045	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Nvidia Corp	US67066G1040	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792	www.nyse.com	Available at: www.nyse.com	Eqivalent market	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

Palantir Technologies Inc	US69608A1088	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792		Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com
Qualcomm Inc	US7475251036	NASDAQ	Continuous during market hours	February 8, 1971	www.nasdaq.com	Available at: www.nasdaq.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nasdaq.com
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd – SP ADR	US8740391003	New York Stock Exchange	Continuous during market hours	May 17, 1792		Available at: www.nyse.com	Securities and Exchange Commission	www.nyse.com

The Solactive US Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index is rebalanced quarterly.

Futher information on the Solactive US Artificial Intelligence (AI) Index can be found at: <u>http://www.solactive.com</u>

# SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

The following description of the security arrangements relating to the Programme consists of a summary of certain provisions of the Trust Deed and the Margin Account Security Agreement relating to a Series of ETP Securities, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the detailed provisions of each such Trust Deed and the Margin Account Security Agreement. The following summary does not purport to be complete, and prospective investors in ETP Securities of a Series must refer to the Trust Deed and the Margin Account Security Agreement for a Series must refer to the Trust Deed and the Margin Account Security Agreement in respect of that Series for detailed information regarding such documents.

The Issuer's obligations in respect of the ETP Securities of each Series are secured by the Security created by the Trust Deed and the Margin Account Security Agreement relating to such Series. Additional Security Documents may be entered into in respect of particular Series if required by the Trustee

The Security created in respect of a Series of ETP Securities is granted to the Trustee as continuing security for the Secured Obligations.

# Trust Deed

Pursuant to the Trust Deed relating to a Series of ETP Securities in respect of that Series, the Secured Obligations of the Issuer shall be secured in favour of the Trustee, for its benefit and for the benefit of the Secured Creditors, by:

- (A) an assignment by way of security of all of the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the Programme Documents to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities; and
- (B) a first fixed charge over (i) all sums held now or in the future, by or on behalf of the Issuer to meet payments due in respect of the obligations and duties of the Issuer under the Security Documents and the ETP Securities, (ii) the Collateral Assets and any sums of money, securities, financial instruments or other property received or receivable now or in the future by or on behalf of the Issuer under the LS Margin Account Agreement and the Portfolio Administration Agreement and (iii) all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the relevant accounts of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider relating to the Series of ETP Securities,

in each case, to the extent that they relate to such Series of ETP Securities.

# Margin Account Security Agreement

On 9 September 2022 the Issuer and the Trustee entered into a New York law governed margin account security agreement (the "**GS Margin Account Security Agreement**"), pursuant to which the Secured Obligations of the Issuer shall be secured by:

- (i) assigning to the Trustee by way of security all the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the GS Margin Account Agreement to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the GS Margin Account Agreement applies; and
- (ii) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider under the GS Margin Account Agreement in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the Margin Account and any other account of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the GS Margin Account Agreement applies; and
- (iii) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's present and future right, title and interest in and to all of the Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the GS Margin Account Agreement applies.

On 18 October 2023 the Issuer and the Trustee entered into a New York law governed margin account security agreement (the "**IB Margin Account Security Agreement**"), pursuant to which the Secured Obligations of the Issuer shall be secured by:

- (i) assigning to the Trustee by way of security all the Issuer's rights, title, interest and benefit present and future in, to and under the LS Margin Account Agreement to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the IB Margin Account Agreement applies; and
- (ii) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's rights as against the Margin Loan Provider under the IB Margin Account Agreement in respect of any sum or property now or in the future standing to the credit of the Margin Account and any other account of the Issuer with the Margin Loan Provider to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the IB Margin Account Agreement applies; and
- (i) granting a continuing lien on and security interest in favour of the Trustee in all of the Issuer's present and future right, title and interest in and to all of the Collateral Assets held in the Margin Account to the extent that they relate to Series of ETP Securities where the IB Margin Account Agreement applies.

The defined term "**Margin Account Security Agreement**" means the GS Margin Account Security Agreement and/or the IB Margin Account Security Agreement and/or any other security agreement entered into with respect to an LS Margin Account Agreement, as applicable to a Series of ETP Securities.

# Enforcement of Security

The Security constituted by the Security Documents in respect of a Series of ETP Securities will become enforceable if an Event of Default occurs with respect to such ETP Securities. The proceeds of such enforcement will be applied in accordance with the order of priority set out in Condition 6.5 of the ETP Securities.

# Subordination

The Security created in favour of the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Creditors will be subordinated to a first ranking security interest created by the Issuer in favour of the Margin Loan Provider as security for the Issuer's obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement.

## THE ISSUER

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Issuer". No other Programme Party has verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into the Issuer.

#### General

The Issuer was incorporated as Leverage Shares Public Limited Company on 27 January 2017 as a public limited company and is validly existing under the Companies Act 2014 (with registered number 597399).

The Issuer has been established as a special purpose vehicle established for the purpose of issuing asset backed securities. The Issuer is incorporated and registered in Ireland. The registered office of the Issuer is 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, D01 P767, Ireland. The telephone number of the Issuer is +353 1 2240300. The Issuer's LEI number is 635400TLFJSNHVSOFH59.

The Issuer's website is www.leverageshares.com.

#### Share Capital and Shareholders

The authorised share capital of the Issuer is EUR 25,000 divided into 25,000 ordinary shares of EUR 1.00 each (the "**Shares**") of which 25,000 are issued and paid up to the amount of EUR 25,000 and are directly or indirectly held by Monument Trustees Limited, with its registered office at 57 Herbert Lane, Dublin 2, Ireland and CRO number 345558 (the "**Share Trustee**") under the terms of a declaration of trust (the "**Declaration of Trust**") dated 20 June 2017 under which the Share Trustee holds the benefit of the Shares on trust for charitable purposes. The Share Trustee has no beneficial interest in and derives no benefit (other than its fees for acting as Share Trustee) from its holding of the Shares. The Issuer has no subsidiaries.

There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 30 June 2023. Save for the issues of ETP Securities and their related arrangements contemplated in this Base Prospectus, the Issuer has no borrowings or indebtedness in the nature of borrowing and no contingent liabilities or guarantees.

## Business

The principal objects of the Issuer are set out in Clause 3 of its Memorandum of Association and permit, among other things, the issuance of ETP Securities, the entering into of the Programme Documents and generally enabling it to carry out the business of the Issuer as set out in the Master Trust Deed and described in this Base Prospectus.

The Master Trust Deed contains restrictions on the activities in which the Issuer may engage. Pursuant to these restrictions, the business of the Issuer is limited to acquiring and holding Collateral Assets, issuing ETP Securities up to a maximum number of ETP Securities outstanding equal to 5,000,000,000,000, entering into LS Margin Account Agreement and performing its obligations and exercising its rights thereunder and entering into other related transactions, and issuing unsecured debt securities, and disbursing loans, as contemplated by Condition 7(A)(6) of the ETP Securities.

The assets of the Issuer will consist of the Collateral Assets and the benefit of the LS Margin Account Agreement in respect of each Series of ETP Securities and the issued and paid-up capital of the Issuer and fees. The only assets of the Issuer available to meet claims of ETP Securityholders and other secured creditors are the assets comprised in the relevant collection of benefits, rights and other assets comprising the security for the relevant Series of ETP Securities.

The Issuer will be paid a fee for agreeing to issue the relevant ETP Securities. Other than the fees paid to the Issuer, its share capital and any income derived therefrom, there is no intention that the Issuer accumulates surpluses. The ETP Securities of each Series are direct, limited recourse obligations (with the exception of the Issuer's obligations under the LS Margin Account Agreement) of the Issuer alone and not of the shareholders of the Issuer, the Trustee, any Margin Loan Provider, officers, members, directors, employees, ETP Securityholders or any obligor in respect of any Collateral Assets. Furthermore, they are not obligations of, or guaranteed in any way by, any of the Authorised Participants or any Index Sponsor or their respective successors or assigns.

# Directors

The Directors of the Issuer and their respective principal occupations are:

Name	Occupation
Neil Fleming	Company Director
Ciaran Connolly	Accountant

The business address of the Directors is at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, D01 P767, Ireland.

Apex IFS Limited of 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Block 5, Irish Life Centre, Abbey Street Lower, Dublin 1, D01 P767, Ireland is the corporate administrator of the Issuer. Its duties include the provision of certain administrative and related services to the Issuer including acting as company secretary.

There are no conflicts of interest between members of the administrative, management and supervisory bodies of the Issuer and the private interests of such members.

Ciaran Connolly is an employee of Apex IFS Limited.

## **Financial Statements**

The Issuer intends to publish audited financial statements on an annual basis, and unaudited semi-annual financial statements. The financial year of the Issuer will end on 30 June in each year. The audited financial statements for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022 and from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 can be viewed at the below links and are incorporated by reference into and form part of this Base Prospectus.

https://leverageshares.com/documents/statements/LS-Audited-FS-for-financial-year-ended-30-June-2022.pdf?x83340

https://leverageshares.com/documents/statements/Leverage-Shares-Pic-annual-accounts-30.06.2023-FINAL-SIGNED.pdf

# Auditors

The auditors of the Issuer are BDO of Beaux Lane House, Mercer Street Lower, Dublin 2, Ireland, who are chartered accountants qualified to practise in Ireland and members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland.

Any future published audited financial statements prepared by the Issuer (which will, in each case, be in respect of the period ending on 30 June of the relevant year) will be available from the registered office of the Issuer and on the Issuer's Website.

# Capitalisation

The following table sets out the unaudited capitalisation of the Issuer as at the date of this Base Prospectus:

Shareholders' Funds:	EUR 25,000
Share Capital:	Authorised: EUR 25,000; Issued: 25,000 Ordinary Shares of EUR 1.00 each.
Total Capitalisation:	EUR 25,000
Annual General Meeting:	So long as the Issuer's first annual general meeting is within 18 months of the date of its incorporation, the Issuer does not need to hold an annual general meeting in the year of its incorporation or in the year following. Subject to the above, the Issuer shall hold one annual general meeting in each year and not more than 15 months shall elapse between the date of one annual general meeting of the Issuer and that of the next.

## THE ARRANGER

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Arranger" has been obtained from Leverage Shares Management Company Limited. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by Leverage Shares Management Company Limited, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of Leverage Shares Management Company Limited or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

In addition to the Issuer, Leverage Shares Management Company Limited accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Arranger". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into Leverage Shares Management Company Limited.

## General

Leverage Shares Management Company Limited was incorporated in Ireland on 11 January 2017 as a private company limited by shares and is validly existing under the Companies Act 2014 (with registered number 596207).

The Arranger has not been established as a special purpose vehicle for the purposes of issuing asset-backed securities. The Arranger is incorporated and registered in Ireland.

The registered office of the Arranger is 116 Mount Prospect Avenue, Clontarf, Dublin 3, Ireland.

The objects of the Arranger are unrestricted.

# Management

The Directors of the Arranger are:

**Neil Fleming** 

Jose Gonzalez

John Dunphy

The business address of each of the Directors is at 116 Mount Prospect Avenue, Clontarf, Dublin 3, Ireland

The secretary of the Arranger is Boru Capital Limited, 116 Mount Prospect Avenue, Clontarf, Dublin 3, Ireland.

The sole shareholder of the Arranger is Leverage Shares LLC, which is wholly owned by Jose Gonzalez. Mr Gonzalez is also the sole shareholder of GWM Limited and the Determination Agent.

#### Business

The principal activity of the Arranger is the provision of administrative and arranger services to the Issuer.

The ETP Securities are obligations of the Issuer alone and not of the Arranger.

# THE PORTFOLIO ADMINISTRATOR

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Portfolio Administrator" has been obtained from the Portfolio Administrators listed below. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by the Portfolio Administrators, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Portfolio Administrators since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

In addition to the Issuer, the Portfolio Administrators listed below accept responsibility for the information related to their respective entities in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Portfolio Administrator". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into the Portfolio Administrators listed below.

In respect of each Series of ETP Securities, one of the Portfolio Administrators listed below, as specified in the relevant Final Terms, will be appointed to act as Portfolio Administrator.

#### GWM Limited

GWM Limited was incorporated under the laws of Bermuda on December 9, 2014.

GWM Limited obtained an Investment Business License pursuant to Section 17 of the Investment Act 2003 from the Bermuda Monetary Authority on May 6, 2015. GWM Limited commenced operations on May 6, 2015. The registered office of GWM Limited is located at Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, Bermuda. The powers and duties of GWM Limited are governed by the Investment Business Act 2003. GWM Limited is also subject to an externally imposed regulatory capital adequacy requirement by the Bermuda Monetary Authority and is required to maintain minimum net assets (excluding claims on connected entities) of \$100,000.

GWM Limited's principal activity is to act as a broker/dealer in securities. GWM Limited also provides custody portfolio administration, advisory, trading and prime broker services to institutional and high net worth individuals. As of February 2024, GWM Limited services over \$1.025 billion in client assets.

As well as acting as Portfolio Administrator with respect to the Programme, GWM may also act as Broker Dealer and Record and Authorised Participant. GWM, the Determination Agent and the Arranger are all under the common ownership of Jose Gonzalez who is also a director of the Arranger.

The directors of GWM Limited are:

## Jose Gonzalez

Jose Gonzalez is a director of the Arranger. He is the sole shareholder of GWM Limited the Determination Agent. Mr Gonzalez is also the sole shareholder Leverage Shares LLC, the parent company of the Arranger. Mr Gonzalez is responsible for portfolio management at GWM Limited.

Throughout his career, Mr Gonzalez has acquired unique experience in the asset management and brokerage business and has held the following roles:

#### <u>Flex Funds – (Current role)</u>

Mr Gonzalez is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Flex Funds, a globally recognised service provider for the administration of securitised assets. Flex Funds has over \$1.5 billion of assets under administration, with over 250 issuances in over 30 countries.

## <u>GWM Limited – (current role)</u>

Mr Gonzalez is the founder and CEO of GWM Ltd and has held this position since 2015.

#### Global X - (past role)

Mr Gonzalez is the co-founder and former director of Global X, a New York based provider of exchange traded funds. Mr. Gonzalez was instrumental to the success of Global X, making the company a reference as a provider of exchange traded funds that has surpassed \$10 billion in managed assets across more than 60 different products.

While at Global X, Mr Gonzalez held the position of portfolio manager from 2008 to 2014 and managed assets in excess of \$2 billion over 30 funds.

From 2014 until 2018 Mr. Gonzalez was a board member of Global X management companies and as a board member he was responsible for the oversight of the portfolio management, operations and trading of over 60 products with \$10 billion in assets under management.

#### Mapfre Inversion – (past role)

Mr. Gonzalez started his career in 1998 at Mapfre Inversion in the fixed income asset management department. Mapfre is the largest insurance company in Spain and one of the largest asset managers with over \$60 billion in assets.

Jose earned his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Universidad Autónoma de Madrid and also holds Series 7, Series 24 and Series 63 licences which are administered by the Financial Industry Regulation Authority (FINRA) in the USA.

#### Dobromir Kamburov

Dobromir Kamburov currently holds the position of Chief Operating Officer at Leverage Shares LLC, responsible for operations, including marketing, product development and implementation. Mr . Kamburov is an applied physicist with experience in data driven applications across finance, robotics and media, Mr. Kamburov is a published author with 30+ scientific articles across leading physics and applied physics journals. He holds Bachelor of Physics and Mathematics from Colegate University and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from Princeton University.

#### Tracy Packwood

Tracy Packwood is co-founder and director since July 2012 of Cohort Limited, which provides corporate management, consultancy and Bermuda Stock Exchange listing services to offshore companies and funds. Ms. Packwood's experience in the international investment management industry includes positions with, Jupiter Asset Management (Bermuda) Limited (2002 - 2012); Hedgeworld Limited (1999 - 2001); and FIL Limited, formerly Fidelity International Limited, (1991 - 1999).

GWM Limited may also act as the Broker Dealer of Record and Second Authorised Participant with respect to certain Series of ETP Securities.

# THE MARGIN LOAN PROVIDERS

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Margin Loan Providers" has been obtained from the Margin Loan Providers. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by the Margin Loan Providers, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Margin Loan Providers, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Margin Loan Providers". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into the Margin Loan Providers.

## Interactive Brokers LLC

Interactive Brokers LLC ("**IBLLC**") is headquartered at One Pickwick Plaza, Greenwich, CT 06830, USA. IBLLC is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and is regulated by the US Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. IBLLC is rated investment grade by Standard & Poor's.

The ETP Securities are obligations of the Issuer alone and not of IBLLC.

The Portfolio Administrator has the discretion as to whether IBLLC shall be appointed as Margin Loan Provider with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.

Further information on IBLLC can be found at:

https://www.interactivebrokers.com/en/home.php

IBLLC is part of the Interactive Brokers Group, the ownership of which is structured as follows:



# Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC

Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC ("**GSLLC**") is located at 200 West Street, New York, NY 10282, USA. GSLLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., a leading global financial institution that delivers a broad range of financial services across investment banking, securities, investment management and consumer banking to a large and diversified client base that includes corporations, financial institutions, governments and individuals.

GSLLC is a registered US broker dealer and futures commission merchant and is subject to regulatory capital requirements, including those imposed by the SEC, the US Commodity Futures Trading Commission, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. and the National Futures Association.

The ETP Securities are obligations of the Issuer alone and not of GSLLC.

The Portfolio Administrator has the discretion as to whether GSLLC shall be appointed as Margin Loan Provider with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.

Further information on GSLLC can be found at: <u>https://www.goldmansachs.com/</u>.

## THE DETERMINATION AGENT

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Determination Agent" has been obtained from Calculation Agent Services LLC. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by Calculation Agent Services LLC, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of Calculation Agent Services LLC since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

In addition to the Issuer, Calculation Agent Services LLC accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Determination Agent". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into Calculation Agent Services LLC, as applicable.

Calculation Agent Services LLC is a limited liability company incorporated in the State Delaware, USA on 8 October 2018, with its principal place of business at 34 E Putnam Avenue, Suite 112, Greenwich, CT 06830.

The ETP Securities are obligations of the Issuer alone and not of Calculation Agent Services LLC.

Jose Gonzalez is a director of the Arranger. He is the sole shareholder of GWM Limited and the Determination Agent. Mr Gonzalez is also the sole shareholder Leverage Shares LLC, the parent company of the Arranger.

# THE INITIAL AUTHORISED PARTICIPANT

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Initial Authorised Participant" has been obtained from BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C., no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

In addition to the Issuer, BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Initial Authorised Participant". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C.

BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. is a wholly owned subsidiary of BNP Paribas S.A. It is involved in dealing on financial instruments including derivatives and on stock borrowing and lending, receiving and transmitting orders for third parties, placement, underwriting and investment counsel (decision of the Comité des Etablissements de Crédit et des Entreprises d'Investissement – CECEI dated 9 April 2002). BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. is regulated by the French Prudential Supervision and Resolution Authority (ACPR) in France under the Monetary and Financial Code (Code Monétaire et Financier). It trades on the main international financial markets and is especially a major dealer in equities on the U.S., French, British, Swiss, German, Dutch, Belgian, Italian and Spanish stock exchanges.

BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C is organised as a French partnership 'Société en Nom Collectif' ('S.N.C') with capital of EUR 323,753,355 composed of 45,135 shares of EUR 7,173 each, whose registered office is located at 160/162 Boulevard Macdonald, 75019 Paris (France), registered with the Registry of Commerce and Companies of Paris under the number B 394 895 833.

The capital of BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. is held by three partners (associés):

TAITBOUT PARTICIPATION 3, 'Société en Nom Collectif', whose registered office is located at 1 Boulevard Haussmann - 75009 Paris (France), registered with the Registry of Commerce and Companies of Paris under the number B 433 912 250, holds 45,133 shares of BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. (99.98% of the BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C capital);

BNP PARIBAS, *Société Anonyme*, whose registered office is located at 16 Boulevard des Italiens 75009 Paris (France), registered with the Registry of Commerce and Companies of Paris under the number B 662 042 449, holds 1 share of BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. (0.01% of the BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. capital);

Société ANTIN PARTICIPATION 5, 'Société par Actions Simplifiée', whose registered office is located at 1 Boulevard Haussmann - 75009 Paris (France), registered with the Registry of Commerce and Companies of Paris under the number 433 891 678, holds 1 share of BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. (0.01% of the BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C.capital).

The managers ('*Gérants*') of BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. are BNP Paribas, whose permanent representative ('*Représentant Permanent du Gérant*') is Mr. Jacques Vigner and Taitbout Participation 3 S.N.C whose permanent representative ('*Représentant Permanent du Gérant*') is Mr Nicolas Marque.

Sociétés en Nom Collectif are governed by articles L221-1 to L221-17 of the Code of Commerce, related to commercial companies. Article L221-1 expressly states that the partners of a S.N.C. are indefinitely, jointly and severally liable for the debts of the S.N.C. This joint and several obligation exists for each partner of the S.N.C., whatever the amount of the S.N.C.'s capital such partner holds, so that each creditor of a S.N.C. may require from any of the partners of such S.N.C. the payment of the aggregate amount of its debt against the S.N.C. This obligation is attached by law to the qualification of a person as a partner of a S.N.C. Thus, in the event BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. is in default in the performance of any of its obligations toward a third party, its partners will be engaged towards such third party as if its partners had directly underwritten such an obligation.

The information contained in this section related to and has been obtained from BNP Paribas. The information concerning BNP Paribas and the Group contained herein is furnished solely to provide limited introductory information regarding the BNP Paribas and the Group and does not purport to be

## comprehensive.

The delivery of the information contained in this section shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the BNP Paribas or the Group since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

BNP Paribas is a European leading provider of banking and financial services and has four domestic retail banking markets in Europe, namely in Belgium, France, Italy and Luxembourg. It is present in 74 countries and has more than 198,000 employees, including close to 150,000 in Europe. BNP Paribas holds key positions in its two main businesses:

- Retail Banking and Services, which includes:
  - Domestic Markets, comprising:
    - o French Retail Banking (FRB);
    - o BNL banca commerciale (BNL bc), Italian retail banking;
    - o Belgian Retail Banking (BRB);
    - o Other Domestic Markets activities, including Luxembourg Retail Banking (LRB);
    - International Retail Banking, comprising:
      - o Europe-Mediterranean;
      - o BancWest;
      - o Personal Finance;
      - o Insurance;
      - o Wealth and Asset Management;
- Corporate and Institutional Banking (CIB) which includes:
  - Corporate Banking;
  - Global Markets;
  - Securities Services.

BNP Paribas SA is the parent company of the BNP Paribas Group (the 'Group').

At 31 December 2020, the Group had consolidated assets of  $\leq 2,488,491$  billion (compared to  $\leq 2,164.7$  billion at 31 December 2019), consolidated loans and receivables due from customers of  $\leq 809.5$  billion (compared to  $\leq 805.7$  billion at 31 December 2019), consolidated items due to customers of  $\leq 941$  billion (compared to  $\leq 834.7$  billion at 31 December 2019) and shareholders' equity (Group share) of  $\leq 112.8$  billion (compared to  $\leq 107.5$  billion at 31 December 2019). Net income, Group share, for the year ended 31 December 2020 was  $\leq 7.1$  billion (compared to  $\leq 8.2$  billion for the year ended 31 December 2019).

BNP Paribas has debt securities listed on a number of major exchanges including the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. The registered office of BNP Paribas is located at 16, Boulevard des Italiens – 75009 Paris, France.

## THE SECOND AUTHORISED PARTICIPANT

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Second Authorised Participant" has been obtained from GWM Limited. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by GWM Limited, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of GWM Limited since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

In addition to the Issuer, GWM Limited accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Second Authorised Participant". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into GWM Limited.

GWM Limited was incorporated under the laws of Bermuda on December 9, 2014 and its principal activity is to act as a broker/dealer in securities.

GWM Limited obtained an Investment Business License pursuant to Section 17 of the Investment Act 2003 from the Bermuda Monetary Authority on May 6, 2015. GWM Limited commenced operations on May 6, 2015. The registered office of GWM Limited is located at Cedar House, 41 Cedar Avenue, Hamilton, Bermuda.

GWM Limited may also act as Portfolio Administrator and Broker Dealer of Record with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.

Jose Gonzalez, a director of the Arranger, is the sole shareholder of GWM Limited and the Determination Agent. Mr. Gonzalez is also the sole shareholder of Leverage Shares LLC, the parent company of the Arranger.

## THE THIRD AUTHORISED PARTICIPANT

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Third Authorised Participant" has been obtained from Virtu Financial Ireland Limited. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by Virtu Financial Ireland Limited, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of Virtu Financial Ireland Limited since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Third Authorised Participant". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into Virtu Financial Irelanf Limited.

Virtu Financial Ireland Limited ("**Virtu**") is a limited liability company incorporated in Ireland with a registered office address at North Dock One, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 91-92 North Wall Quay, Dublin 1, Ireland.

Virtu is regulated as an investment firm by the Central Bank of Ireland.

## THE BROKER DEALER OF RECORD

The information set out in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Broker Dealer of Record" has been obtained from GWM Limited. Such information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and able to ascertain from information published by GWM Limited, no facts have been omitted that would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. Delivery of this Base Prospectus shall not create any implication that there has been no change in the affairs of GWM Limited since the date hereof, or that the information contained or referred to in this section is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

In addition to the Issuer, GWM Limited accepts responsibility for the information contained in this section of this Base Prospectus headed "The Broker Dealer of Record". No other Programme Party verified, or accepts any liability whatsoever for the accuracy of, such information and investors contemplating purchasing any of the ETP Securities should make their own independent investigations and enquiries into GWM Limited.

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GWM Limited may also act as Portfolio Administrator and Second Authorised Participant with respect to a Series of ETP Securities.

Jose Gonzalez, a director of the Arranger, is the sole shareholder of GWM Limited and the Determination Agent. Mr. Gonzalez is also the sole shareholder of Leverage Shares LLC, the parent company of the Arranger.

## TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The discussion below is based on laws, regulations, rulings and decisions (and interpretations thereof) currently in effect with respect to Irish withholding tax, all of which are subject to change. Any such change may have retroactive effect. The discussion is intended for general information only, and does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all of the tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase the ETP Securities.

Prospective investors should be aware that the acquisition, holding, transfer or disposal of the ETP Securities, and/or receipt of payments under ETP Securities may result in tax consequences to any investor, which may arise in, but are not limited to, the jurisdiction of the Issuer or the jurisdiction of residence, domicile, citizenship or incorporation of the relevant investor. Prospective investors should consult their own professional advisers concerning such possible tax consequences.

## Ireland

The following summary outlines certain aspects of Irish withholding tax law and practice regarding the ownership of ETP Securities. This summary deals only with ETP Securities held beneficially as capital assets and does not address special classes of holders of ETP Securities such as dealers in securities. This summary is not exhaustive and holders of ETP Securities are advised to consult their own tax advisers in respect of the taxation consequences of their ownership or disposition. The summary is based on current Irish taxation legislation and practice of the Irish Revenue Commissioners.

## Withholding Tax

In general, tax at the standard rate of income tax (currently 20 per cent.) is required to be withheld from payments of Irish source interest. However, an exemption from withholding on interest payments exists under Section 64 of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 (as amended) (the "**1997 Act**") for certain securities ("**quoted Eurobonds**") issued by a body corporate (such as the Issuer) that carry a right to interest and are quoted on a recognised stock exchange (which would include the London Stock Exchange).

Any interest paid on such quoted Eurobonds can be paid free of withholding tax provided the person by or through whom the payment is made is not in Ireland or the payment is made by or through a person in Ireland, and either:

- (a) the quoted Eurobond is held in a clearing system recognised by the Irish Revenue Commissioners (Euroclear and Clearstream Banking S.A. are so recognised); or
- (b) the person who is the beneficial owner of the quoted Eurobond and who is beneficially entitled to the interest is not resident in Ireland and has made a declaration to the person by or through whom the payment is made in the prescribed form.

So long as the ETP Securities are quoted on a recognised stock exchange and are held in Euroclear and/or Clearstream Banking S.A., interest on the ETP Securities can be paid by the Issuer and any paying agent acting on behalf of the Issuer without any withholding or deduction for or on account of Irish income tax.

If the quoted Eurobond exemption referred to above ceases to apply, the Issuer can still pay interest on the ETP Securities free of withholding tax provided it is a "qualifying company" (within the meaning of Section 110 of the 1997 Act) (a "qualifying company") and provided the interest is paid to a person resident in a "relevant territory" (i.e. a member state of the European Union (other than Ireland) or a country with which Ireland has a double taxation agreement which has the force of law, or a country with which Ireland has signed a double taxation agreement which will on the completion of certain procedures have the force of law). For this purpose, residence is determined by reference to the law of the country in which the recipient claims to be resident. This exemption from withholding tax will not apply, however, if the interest is paid to a company in connection with a trade or business carried on by it through a branch or agency located in Ireland.

In certain circumstances, Irish tax will be required to be withheld at the standard rate from interest on any quoted Eurobond, where such interest is collected by a bank or other Agent in Ireland on behalf of any holder of ETP Securities who is an Irish resident.

# United States Internal Revenue Code Section 871(m)

A 30% withholding tax (which may be reduced by an applicable income tax treaty) is imposed under Section 871(m) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 on certain "dividend equivalents" paid or deemed

paid to a non-U.S. holder with respect to a "specified equity-linked instrument" that references one or more dividend-paying U.S. equity securities or indices containing U.S. equity securities.

The Issuer intends to treat the ETP Securities as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Under this treatment, although the matter is not free from doubt, the Issuer believes that the ETP Securities should not be treated as specified equity-linked instruments for the purposes of Section 871(m) and thus should not be subject to withholding on dividend equivalents. However, the Issuer's determination is not binding on the United States Internal Revenue Service. If withholding is required, the Issuer will not make payments of any additional amounts to compensate holders for the withholding.

## SUBSCRIPTION AND SALE

Only Authorised Participants may subscribe for ETP Securities from the issuer, acting as principals in respect of such subscriptions.

## General

These selling restrictions may be modified by the agreement of the Issuer and the Authorised Participants following a change in a relevant law, regulation or directive. Any such modification will be set out in the Final Terms issued in respect of the issue of ETP Securities to which it relates or in a supplement to this Base Prospectus.

None of the Issuer or any Authorised Participant represents that the ETP Securities may at any time lawfully be sold in compliance with any applicable registration or other requirements in any jurisdiction, or pursuant to any exemption available thereunder, or assumes any responsibility for facilitating such sale.

Each Authorised Participant agrees in the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement that it will, to the best of its knowledge, comply with all relevant laws, regulations and directives in each jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers, sells or delivers ETP Securities or has in its possession or distributes this Base Prospectus, any other offering material or any Final Terms and neither the Issuer nor any other Authorised Participant shall have responsibility therefor.

## **United States**

The ETP Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act, as amended, or the securities laws of any state or other jurisdiction of the United States, or with any securities regulatory authority of any state or other jurisdiction of the United States and the Issuer has not and will not be registered under the Investment Company Act. ETP Securities may not be legally or beneficially owned by any U.S. person at any time nor offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act.

ETP Securities in bearer form having a maturity of more than one year are subject to U.S. tax law requirements and may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or its possessions or to a United States person. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder.

Each Authorised Participant represents and agrees in the relevant Authorised Participant Agreement, and each further Authorised Participant appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that it has not offered or sold and will not offer and sell ETP Securities at any time, directly or indirectly, within the United States or its possessions or for the account or benefit of (i) a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("Regulation S"), (ii) a "U.S. person" as defined in the Interpretive Guidance and Policy Statement Regarding Compliance with Certain Swap Regulations promulgated by the CFTC pursuant to the United States Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, as amended, (iii) a person other than a "Non-United States person" as defined in CFTC Rule 4.7, or (iv) a "United States person" as defined in the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, in each case, as such definition may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time. Each Authorised Participant has further represented and agreed that it has not offered, sold or delivered and will not offer, sell or deliver the ETP Securities except in accordance with Rule 903 of Regulation S under the Securities Act, and that none of it, its affiliates nor any persons acting on its or their behalf have engaged or will engage in any directed selling efforts with respect to such ETP Securities, and it and they have complied and will comply with the offering restrictions requirement of Regulation S. Terms used in this paragraph have the meanings given to them by Regulation S under the Securities Act. In addition, until 40 days after the commencement of the offering, an offer or sale of ETP Securities within the United States by any dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Offering materials for the offering of the ETP Securities have not been filed with or approved or disapproved by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission or any other state or federal regulatory authority, nor has any such regulatory authority passed upon or endorsed the merits of this offering or passed upon the accuracy or completeness of any offering materials. Any representation to the contrary is unlawful.

# **United Kingdom**

Each Authorised Participant represents and agrees in the Authorised Participant Agreement, and each further Authorised Participant appointed under the Programme will be required to represent and agree, that:

- (i) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any ETP Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and
- (ii) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to such ETP Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The following documents which have been previously published or are published simultaneosly with this Base Prospectus have been filed with the FCA and shall be incorporated in, and form part of, this Base Prospectus:

1. the audited finanial statements of the Issuer for the year ended 30 June 2022, published on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/statements/LS-Audited-FS-for-financial-year-ended-30-June-2022.pdf?x83340

2. the audited finanial statements of the Issuer for the year ended 30 June 2023, published on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/statements/Leverage-Shares-Plc-annual-accounts-30.06.2023-FINAL-SIGNED.pdf

3. CME Group's latest annual reports for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 are available on CME Group's website at the link below:

https://investor.cmegroup.com/static-files/23927416-aa79-45ec-812d-5dda37ed64df

4. ICE's latest annual reports for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2022 are available on ICE's website at the links below:

https://s2.q4cdn.com/154085107/files/doc\_financials/2021/ar/250217\_009\_Web\_BMK-(1).pdf

https://s2.q4cdn.com/154085107/files/doc\_financials/2022/ar/450739\_013\_Web\_CLEAN-in-Color.pdf

5. Terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 5 February 2020, available on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-5-February-2020.pdf.

6. Terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 6 November 2020, available on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-6-November-2020.pdf

7. Terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 18 December 2020, available on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-18-December-2020.pdf

8. Terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 7 December 2021, available on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-7-December-2021.pdf

9. Terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 16 May 2022, available on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-16-May-2022.pdf?x59837

10. Terms and conditions of the ETP Securities from the Base Prospectus relating to the Programme dated 4 May 2023, available on the Issuer's website at the link below:

https://leverageshares.com/documents/prospectus/Leverage-Shares-Base-Prospectus-(CBI)-4-May-2023-Final.pdf

No documents referred to in the above documents are themselves incorporated into this Base Prospectus and other than the documents specifically identified above, no other documents, including the contents of the Issuer's Website or any other websites or web pages referred to in this Base Prospectus, form part of this Base Prospectus for the purposes of the UK Prospectus Regulation.

The above-mentioned documents may be inspected as described in the section entitled "General Information". Any documents or information incorporated by reference into the documents listed above shall not form part of this Base Prospectus. Any non-incorporated parts of a document referred to herein are either deemed not relevant for an investor or are otherwise covered elsewhere in this Base Prospectus. Where reference is made to a website in this Base Prospectus, the contents of that website shall not form part of this Base Prospectus

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1. The Issuer has obtained all necessary consents, approvals and authorisations in connection with the establishment of the Programme. The establishment of the Programme was authorised by a resolution of the Board of Directors passed on 4 December 2017 and this updated Base Prospectus was approved by a resolution of the Board of Directors passed on 1 February 2024.
- 2. There has been no material adverse change in the financial position or prospects of the Issuer since 30 June 2023, the date of its last published audited financial statements.
- 3. The Issuer is not nor has been involved in any governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened of which the Issuer is aware) since its incorporation which may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on its financial position or profitability.
- 4. ETP Securities may be accepted for clearance through any Relevant Clearing System including Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg systems (which are the entities in charge of keeping the records). The Common Code, the International Securities Identification Number (ISIN) and (where applicable) the identification number for any other relevant clearing system for each Series of ETP Securities will be set out in the relevant Final Terms. The address of Euroclear is 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B-1210 Brussels, Belgium and the address of Clearstream, Luxembourg is 42 Avenue JF Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg. The address of any alternative clearing system will be specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- 5. Where information in this Base Prospectus has been sourced from third parties, this information has been accurately reproduced and, as far as the Issuer is aware and is able to ascertain from the information published by such third parties, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading. The source of third party information is identified where used.
- 6. It is expected that each Series of ETP Securities that is to be listed and admitted to trading on a stock exchange will be admitted separately as and when issued, subject only to the issue of ETP Securities initially representing the ETP Securities of such Series. The approval by the FCA of this Base Prospectus in respect of the ETP Securities was granted on 15 March 2024.
- 7. The issue price and the amount of the relevant ETP Securities will be determined, before filing of the relevant Final Terms of each Series, based on then prevailing market conditions. The Issuer does not intend to provide any post-issuance information in relation to any of the Indices, Investment Strategies or issues of ETP Securities.
- 8. For so long as ETP Securities remain outstanding, the following documents will be available on the Issuer's website <u>https://leverageshares.com/en/documents-download/</u> and during usual business hours on any weekday (Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted), for inspection at the registered office of the Issuer and at the registered office of the Trustee in printed form:
  - 1. the Issuer's memorandum of association;
  - 2. the Issuer's audited financial statements for the years ending 30 June 2021 and 30 June 2022;
  - 3. the Master Trust Deed in respect of the Programme;
  - 4. the LS Operating Procedures Agreement;
  - 5. the Services Agreement;
  - 6. the Elavon Agency Agreement;
  - 7. the Portfolio Administration Agreement;
  - 8. the Determination Agency Agreement;

- 9. the Authorised Participant Agreement;
- 10. the Master Definitions Schedule;
- 11. the LS Margin Account Agreement;
- 12. the Margin Account Security Agreement;
- 13. the Broker Dealer of Record Agreement;
- 14. the Supplemental Trust Deed in respect of each Series of ETP Securities;
- 15. the Final Terms in respect of each Tranche of ETP Securities; and
- 16. the Terms and Conditions Versions 1-6.
- 9. BDO audits the accounts of the Issuer. BDO has no material interest in the Issuer. BDO is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ireland
- 10. The Arranger has agreed to take responsibility for the expenses relating to the admission to trading of each Series and therefore the cost of such expenses to the Issuer is nil.
- 11. Any website mentioned in this Base Prospectus does not form part of the prospectus prepared for the purpose of seeking approval by the FCA.

## **KEY INFORMATION FOR INVESTORS**

## What is an ETP and how is it different to an ETF?

The term "Exchange Traded Product" (ETP) is a broad term that encompasses Exchange Traded Commodities (ETCs) and Exchange Traded Notes (ETNs). ETPs seek to provide returns based on the price movements of an underlying asset or benchmark, such as an index, commodity, or individual stock. However, ETFs, ETCs, and ETNs represent different structures for achieving this exposure and can pose different risks.

ETPs can give investors a means of diversifying investment portfolios without the need to:

- enter into swap agreements or forward contracts;
- take physical delivery of the underlying commodity; or
- hold securities that constitute the underlying index.

The Leverage Shares ETPs are ETNs and are structured as debt securities, but unlike conventional bonds, these instruments pay no interest and are commonly not rated.

Importantly, ETPs are different than ETFs in a number of ways. ETPs (including ETCs and ETNs) are not funds, and therefore lie outside the remit of the regulation that applies to investments funds such as UCITS (the Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities) or AIFs (alternative investment funds).

#### What are Leverage Shares Exchange Traded Products (ETPs)?

Leverage Shares ETPs which track an index seek to deliver three times (3x), two times (2x), one time (1x) or minus one time (-1x) the daily performance of a household name stock or a bond.

Leverage Shares ETPs which seek to deliver three times (3x) or two times (2x) the daily performance of the underlying stocks are referred to in this document as offering "leveraged exposures" and they typically increase in value as the price of the underlying stock increases and decrease as the price of the stock decreases. As they are leveraged, increases and decreases in the value of the underlying stock are magnified so that a small decrease in the price of the stock can result in a large decrease in the value of the Leverage Shares ETP. The higher the level of leverage, the more the effects of increases and decreases in the value of the underlying stocks are magnified.

Leverage Shares ETPs which seek to deliver one time (1x) the daily performance of the underlying stocks are referred to in this document as offering "normal exposures". Like Leverage Shares ETPs offering leveraged exposures they typically increase in value as the price of the underlying stock increases and decrease in value as the price of the underlying stock decreases. However, unlike Leverage Shares ETPs offering leveraged exposures, increases and decreases in the price of the underlying stocks are not magnified.

Leverage Shares ETPs which seek to deliver minus one time (-1x) the daily performance of the underlying stock are referred to in this document as offering "short exposures" and they typically increase in value as the price in the underlying stock decreases and they decrease in value as the price of the underlying stock increases.

In the case of Leverage Shares ETPs which pursue an actively managed investment strategy, the investment strategy will describe the manner in which the assets will be invested, along with any applicable leveraged or short exposures. Leveraged ETPs which pursue an actively managed investment strategy will deliver the performance of the portfolio of assets acquired in accordance with the investment strategy.

Leverage Shares ETPs:

- can be efficient tools for gaining magnified exposure to the assets underlying the ETP;
- achieve leverage through margin borrowing;

- have physical ownership of the underlying assets to achieve exposure (this is applicable where the underlying assets are stocks and bonds) and therefore do not have the credit risk which applies to some other ETPs which use swaps to achieve leverage;
- trade in real time on a regulated stock exchange, for example the London Stock Exchange; and
- prevent investors from losing more than their initial investment.

## How do Leverage Shares ETPs achieve their leverage?

Each ETP is structured as a separate series of the Issuer for which a pool of assets is maintained by the Issuer which is separate from all other assets of the Issuer. Each ETP is a debt security that delivers the returns of the assets held by the Issuer for that series.

For Leverage Shares ETPs which offer leveraged exposures, the leverage is achieved by borrowing from the Margin Loan Provider and/or entering into futures contracts. For example, in the case of a series of ETPs offering a leveraged exposure which tracks an index linked to a single stock, the Issuer invests the assets of the series, together with assets borrowed on margin in a single stock, such as the common stock of Apple Inc., to achieve leveraged exposure to that stock. Margin is provided by Interactive Brokers LLC and/or Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC.

For Leverage Shares ETPs which offer short exposures, the Issuer will take a short position by borrowing the underlying investment for a series of Leverage Shares ETPs from the Margin Loan Provider and/or by taking a short position in futures contracts. For example, in the case of a series of ETPs which track an index linked to a single stock, the Issuer will take short positions by borrowing the stock, for example common stock of Apple Inc. from the Margin Loan Provider and selling the common stock of Apple Inc. at the current market price. The proceeds of the sale will be deposited in the Issuer's margin account with the Margin Loan Provider.

#### Who can subscribe for or redeem Leverage Shares ETPs

Unless the Issuer decides otherwise, only entities who have been appointed as an Authorised Participant may subscribe for or redeem Leverage Shares ETPs.

#### How can an investor trade Leverage Shares ETPs?

Leverage Shares ETPs can be traded through brokerage accounts that have the ability to trade products listed on the stock exchanges where the ETPs are listed.

# Do Leverage Shares ETPs pay dividends?

No. Where the assets underlying the ETPs are stocks, the Issuer receives dividends on such stocks. Such dividends are reinvested in more shares of the underlying stock.

# What's the difference between leveraged ETPs that use margin to achieve their leveraged exposures and those that use swaps?

Leveraged ETPs (such as the Leverage Shares ETPs offering leveraged exposures where the underlying asset is a stock or a bond) that use margin borrowing to achieve leveraged exposures invest their own assets plus assets borrowed through a margin account directly in assets underlying the ETPs. This method incurs borrowing costs related to margin borrowing, but avoids credit risks since it physically owns the underlying shares or bonds. Swap-based leveraged ETPs do not invest directly in the underlying stocks or bonds and instead enter into over-the-counter (OTC) swap agreements with a counterparty. These swaps have associated costs (mainly in the form of fees charged by the swap counterparty) and are susceptible to the credit risk of the swap counterparty.

#### Do Leverage Shares ETPs have credit risk?

Leverage Shares ETPs which invest in stocks and bonds do not invest in over-the counter (OTC) derivatives like swaps or forwards. Since Leverage Shares plc physically own the underlying assets, the credit risk associated with over the counter derivatives are not applicable to the Leverage Shares ETPs.

## Is it possible to lose more than the amount invested in a Leverage Shares ETP?

No. The most an investor can lose in a Leverage Shares ETP is the entire value of their initial investment.

## Where can an investor find details on the assets underlying each series of Leverage Shares ETPs?

This information is detailed on the Leverage Shares website www.leverageshares.com.

#### Who are the Programme Parties and what roles do they perform?

#### Issuer

The Issuer is the entity that issues the Leverage Shares ETPs and which is responsible for making any payments that become due to holders of the Leverage Shares ETPs. The Issuer is the only entity which is responsible for making any payments that become due under the Leverage Shares ETPs and no other entity is required to make these payments if the Issuer is unable to do so.

The Issuer is Leverage Shares PLC, a public limited company domiciled in Ireland and incorporated under the Companies Act 2014 of Ireland with registered number 597399. The Issuer operates under the laws of Ireland. The Issuer's LEI number is 635400TLFJSNHVSOFH59. The Directors of the Issuer are Neil Fleming and Ciaran Connolly and the auditors of the Issuer are BDO. Leverage Shares has been established for the sole purpose of acting as the Issuer under this programme and does not carry on any other business.

## Trustee

Apex Corporate Trustees (UK) Limited is the Trustee. This is the entity that acts on behalf of investors when certain actions are required to be taken, such as declaring an event of default, agreeing certain amendments to the terms and conditions of the Leverage Shares ETPs or enforcing the security granted to the Trustee for the benefit of the investors (being the security which is granted over the assets of each series of Leverage Shares ETPs and the Issuer's rights under the agreements it enters into in connection with the relevant series of Leverage Shares ETPs). The Trustee will generally act upon the instructions of investors (subject to certain conditions) but is permitted in some circumstances to take action without receiving instructions from investors.

# Margin Loan Providers

The Margin Loan Providers are Interactive Brokers LLC and Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC.

The underlying investments for each series of Leverage Shares ETPs are held in an account established by the Issuer (which is called a margin account) with one or more of the Margin Loan Providers.

For Leverage Shares ETPs which offer leveraged exposures, this is the entity which provides the margin (or credit) to the Issuer, which allows the Issuer achieve leveraged exposure to the underlying investment. For example, in the case of a series of Leverage Shares ETPs offering leveraged exposure which tracks an index linked to a single stock, the Issuer invests the assets of the series, together with assets borrowed on margin in a single stock, such as the common stock of Apple Inc., to achieve leveraged exposure to that single stock.

For Leverage Shares ETPs which offer short exposures, this is the entity that enables to Issuer to take short positions, by lending the underlying investment for a series of Leverage Shares ETPs to the Issuer. For example, in the case of a series of ETPs which track an index linked to a single stock, the Issuer will take short positions by borrowing the stock, for example common stock of Apple Inc. from the Margin Loan Provider and selling the common stock of Apple Inc. at the current market price. The proceeds of the sale will be deposited in the Issuer's margin account with the Margin Loan Provider.

In relation to series of Leverage Shares ETPs where the underlying assets are futures contracts, the proceeds of the issuance of that series will be held in the Issuer's margin account with the Margin Loan Provider to fund margin payments to maintain positions in the futures contracts.

Any cash relating to any series of Leverage Shares ETPs which is not required for investment may be held in the Issuer's margin account with the Margin Loan Provider. Since the assets and cash of each series of Leverage Shares ETPs are held in the Issuer's margin account with the Margin Loan Provider, the Issuer's ability to meet certain of its obligations, for example its obligation to pay out redemption proceeds, will be reliant on the Margin Loan Provider delivering assets and cash in a timely manner.

## Arranger

Leverage Shares Management Company Limited is the Arranger. This the entity that structures the Issuer's collateralized exchange traded programme and arranges the issuance of each series of Leverage Shares ETPs.

## Issuing and Paying Agent

Elavon Financial Services DAC is the Issuing and Paying Agent. The Issuing and Paying Agent provides certain validation and co-ordination services in relation to the issue, payment and cancellation of the Leverage Shares ETPs.

## Registrar

Elavon Financial Services DAC is the Registrar. This is the entity which maintains and updates the register of the holders of the Leverage Shares ETPs cleared and settled through Euroclear and/or Clearstream.

## Portfolio Administrator

GWM Limited will be the Portfolio Administrator for each series of Leverage Shares ETPs.

The Portfolio Administrator will invest the proceeds of issuance of each series of Leverage Shares ETPs in the relevant underlying assets in order to either track an index or pursue the investment strategy of the relevant series.

#### Determination Agent

GWM Limited is the Determination Agent. This is the entity which makes certain calculations in respect of the Leverage Shares ETPs.

## Broker Dealer of Record

GWM Limited is the Broker Dealer of Record. This is the entity which is responsible for managing the establishment of the Issuer's margin accounts with the Margin Loan Provider and for providing support to the Issuer in managing the operation of the margin accounts.

#### Authorised Participant

BNP Paribas Arbitrage S.N.C. and GWM Limited are the Authorised Participants. These entities can subscribe for and redeem the Leverage Shares ETPs.

#### Corporate Services Provider

Apex IFS Limited is the corporate services provider. This is the entity which performs certain corporate administration services for the Issuer.

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