

Press Release

Semiconductor ETF from VanEck Europe Doubles Fund Assets to \$2 Billion in Less Than a Year

- The VanEck Semiconductor UCITS ETF reaches the \$2 billion milestone after crossing \$1 billion in AUM in the summer of 2023
- The ETF invests in companies that generate a significant proportion of their sales from semiconductors or semiconductor equipment

London, UK 4 June 2024 – Today, the global asset manager VanEck announces that the <u>VanEck Semiconductor UCITS ETF</u> has reached over \$2 billion in assets under management (AUM) after crossing the \$1 billion AUM mark for the first time less than one year ago in summer 2023.

The fund invests in companies that generate a significant proportion of their sales from semiconductors or semiconductor equipment — two business segments that have greatly benefitted from the ongoing development and mass commercialization of generative AI technologies. Led by strong performance of industry leaders such as NVIDIA, Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing, ASML and AMD, the sector has received significant attention and interest among investors.

"The strong growth of the fund reflects the high importance of semiconductors for the global economy," said Martijn Rozemuller, CEO of VanEck Europe. "Without microchips, modern technologies we deal with every day would be inconceivable — modern communication, computers, healthcare infrastructure, logistics systems and clean energy technologies are now directly or indirectly dependent on powerful semiconductors."

Additionly, the rapid developments in artificial intelligence and future technologies such as robotics, cloud computing and autonomous driving have led to a growing demand for advanced computer technology. "The required research and development effort in the semiconductor industry provides competitive advantages for established companies in the sector, which can have a positive impact on their long-term performance and profits," added Rozemuller.

Pure Play Approach with Focused Company Selection

VanEck launched the ETF in Europe in December 2020 in order to offer European investors the opportunity to participate in the development of companies in the semiconductor industry — as well as to complement the successful launch of a similar themed fund in the United States.

The <u>VanEck Semiconductor UCITS ETF</u> invests in an international selection of publicly listed semiconductor companies. The fund's benchmark, the *MVIS US Listed Semiconductor 10% Capped ESG Index* is set up as a pure play index, meaning that companies generate at least 50% of sales from semiconductors and semiconductor accessories are eligible for inclusion. The weighting is limited to 10% per company.



Equity market risk: The prices of securities in the fund are subject to the risks inherent in investing in the securities market, including general economic conditions and sudden and unpredictable price drops. An investment in the fund may result in losses.

Industry or sector concentration risk: The assets of the fund may be concentrated in one or more sectors or industries. The fund may be subject to the risk that political, economic or other conditions adversely affecting the relevant sectors or industries may adversely affect the performance of the fund to a greater extent than if the fund's assets were invested in a wider variety of sectors and industries.

ETF	VanEck Semiconductor UCITS ETF
Index name	MVIS US Listed Semiconductor 10% Capped ESG Index (MVSMCTR)
ISIN	IE00BMC38736
Ticker LSE USD / Bloomberg	SMH / SMH LN
Ticker LSE GBP / Bloomberg	SMGB / SMGB LN
Ticker Xetra / Bloomberg	VVSM / VVSM GY
Management company	VanEck Asset Management B.V.
Company domicile	Ireland
Base currency	USD
Index provider	MarketVector Indexes
Rebalancing	Quarterly
Product structure	Physical (full replication)
Launch date	1 December 2020
Total expense ratio	0.35% p.a.
Income treatment	Accumulation

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