

## Key Investor Information

This document provides you with key investor information about this Fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

# HSBC MSCI AC FAR EAST ex JAPAN UCITS ETF

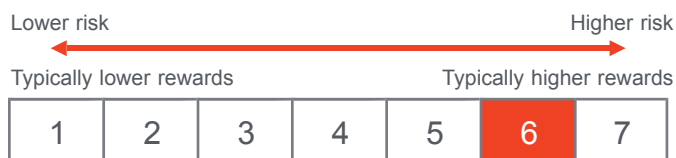
a sub-fund of HSBC ETFs PLC, (the "UCITS")

Class: USD  
ISIN: IE00BBQ2W338  
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## Objectives and Investment Policy

- HSBC ETFs PLC - HSBC MSCI AC FAR EAST ex JAPAN UCITS ETF (the "Fund") aims to track as closely as possible the returns of the MSCI AC Far East ex Japan Net (the "Index").
- The Fund will invest in or gain exposure to shares of companies which make up the Index.
- The Index is made up of large and mid cap companies in China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, The Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand, as defined by the Index Provider.
- The Fund will use optimisation techniques which takes into account tracking error and trading costs when constructing a portfolio. This means that the Fund may not hold each underlying Index constituent or may not hold them close to their Index weights. The Fund may hold securities which are not Index constituents.
- The Fund may gain exposure to the shares in the index using other investments such as Depositary Receipts, derivatives or other funds.
- Investments in Chinese equities may include China A-shares. The Fund may invest directly in China A-shares via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and/or Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect; or indirectly through China A-shares Access Products ("CAAP") and funds.
- The Fund may invest up to 10% of its assets in other funds, including HSBC funds and funds of the UCITS.
- The Fund may use derivatives to meet its investment objectives.
- The Fund may also use derivatives for efficient portfolio management purposes.
- Income is reinvested.
- Authorised Participants only may deal in the Fund's shares directly with the UCITS.
- The Fund's shares are listed on one or more stock exchange(s).
- You may sell your investment on most working days.
- Recommendation: this Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money within a period of 5 years.

## Risk and Reward Profile



The risk and reward indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.

The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time. The lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.

### Why is this Fund in this specific category?

This Fund is classified in category 6 because its price or simulated data has shown high fluctuations historically.

### Material risks not fully captured by the Risk and Reward Indicator:

- **Counterparty Risk** The possibility that the counterparty to a transaction may be unwilling or unable to meet its obligations.
- **Derivatives Risk** Derivatives can behave unexpectedly. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s), instrument or asset.
- **Emerging Markets Risk** Emerging markets are less established, and often more volatile, than developed markets and involve higher risks, particularly market, liquidity and currency risks.
- **Exchange Rate Risk** Changes in currency exchange rates could reduce or increase investment gains or investment losses, in some cases significantly.
- **Index Tracking Risk** To the extent that the Fund seeks to replicate index performance by holding individual securities, there is no guarantee that its composition or performance will exactly match that of the target index at any given time ("tracking error").
- **Investment Leverage Risk** Investment Leverage occurs when the economic exposure is greater than the amount invested, such as when derivatives are used. A Fund that employs leverage may experience greater gains and/or losses due to the amplification effect from a movement in the price of the reference source.
- **Liquidity Risk** Liquidity Risk is the risk that a Fund may encounter difficulties meeting its obligations in respect of financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or other financial assets, thereby compromising existing or remaining investors.
- **Operational Risk** Operational risks may subject the Fund to errors affecting transactions, valuation, accounting, and financial reporting, among other things.

## Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the running costs of the Fund, including the marketing and distribution costs. These charges reduce the potential growth of the investment.

### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry charge	5.00%
Exit charge	5.00%

This is the maximum that might be taken out of your money before it is invested or before the proceeds of your investment are paid out.

### Charges taken from the Fund over a year

Ongoing charge	0.45%
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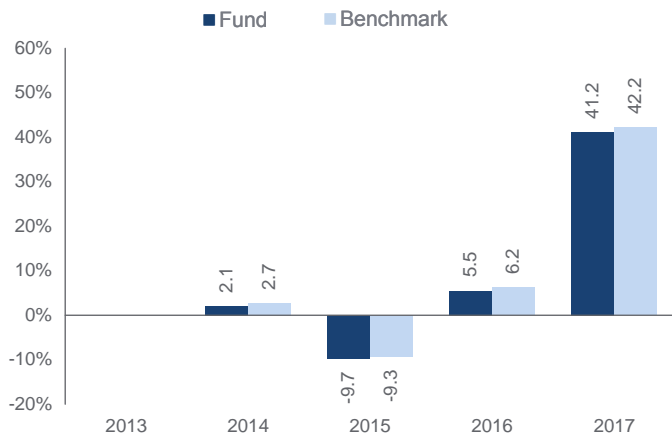
### Charges taken from the Fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fee	None
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- No entry or exit charge is payable where shares are purchased/sold on a stock exchange. Investors need only pay any relevant broker and stock exchange fees and commissions.
- Investors buying and selling shares on stock exchanges can obtain the actual charges from their financial adviser, stock broker, share dealing service or third party administrator.
- The entry and exit charges shown are the maximum that may be charged to Authorised Participants.
- A conversion charge may be payable.
- The ongoing charges figure shown is an estimate due to a material change in the fee structure. The UCITS' annual report for each financial year will include detail on the exact charges made.

Further information on Charges can be found in the "Fees and Expenses" section of the Prospectus and the Fund Supplement.

## Past Performance



- Past performance is not a guide to future performance; the value of your investment and any income from it can go down as well as up.
- Performance returns are based on the net asset value with distributable income reinvested. Past performance takes account of all ongoing charges but not entry, exit or conversion charges.
- The past performance of this share class is calculated in USD.
- The investment benchmark for the Fund is the MSCI AC Far East ex Japan Net.
- The Fund was launched on 27 September 2013.

## Practical Information

### Depositary

HSBC Institutional Trust Services (Ireland) DAC.

### Further information

Further information about the Company including the Prospectus, the most recent annual and semi-annual reports of the Company and the latest share prices, may be obtained free of charge, in English, from the Administrator by emailing [ifsinvestorqueries@hsbc.com](mailto:ifsinvestorqueries@hsbc.com), or by visiting [www.etf.hsbc.com](http://www.etf.hsbc.com).

This document describes a single sub-fund of the Company. The Prospectus, annual and semi-annual reports are prepared for the entire Company.

### Share classes

It is possible to switch your shares into shares of a different sub-fund within the Company. Details of how to do this are in the "Conversion of Shares - Primary Market" section of the Prospectus.

### Remuneration Policy

The up-to-date remuneration policy of the Investment Company, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are determined, is available at [www.etf.hsbc.com](http://www.etf.hsbc.com). A paper copy is available free of charge from the Administrator.

### Tax

The Fund is subject to Irish tax regulations. This may have an impact on your personal tax position.

### Investment Company

HSBC ETFs PLC may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Prospectus.

### Segregated liability

HSBC ETFs PLC is an investment company with segregated liability between sub-funds under Irish law. This means that the holdings of one sub-fund are kept separate from the holdings of the other sub-funds and your investment in the Fund cannot be used to pay the liabilities of any other sub-fund.

The Fund is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland (CBI).

This key investor information is accurate as at 15 October 2018.