



## VanEck UCITS ETFs – Index Change Communication

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### **VanEck Crypto and Blockchain Innovators UCITS ETF**

The VanEck Crypto and Blockchain Innovators UCITS ETF tracks the performance of 25 companies at the forefront of the digital assets sector. Launched on 30 April 2021, it tracks the MVIS® Global Digital Assets Equity Index (the “Index”).

The index includes companies that operate digital assets exchanges, payment gateways, digital assets mining operations, digital asset infrastructure businesses and firms that are facilitating commerce with the use of these assets. The index has a modified capitalization weighting scheme.

### **What changes are being introduced to the underlying Index?**

On 16 December 2022, at next rebalancing date, the number of components of the Crypto and Blockchain Innovators UCITS ETF will be decreased from 25 to 20. From the existing 25 holdings, only the most liquid 20 will be kept in the portfolio. The decision on which companies to exclude will be taken according to data at the rebalancing date. Thus, it is not possible for us to indicate as of now which companies will be excluded.

### **Why was the change transition initiated?**

The transition was initiated because of liquidity issues affecting some of the companies in the portfolio. Due to the recent developments in the digital assets space, the situation has changed for many players and has become significantly different from when VanEck launched the ETF more than one year ago.

### **What is the timeline for the change?**

The change will happen at next rebalancing date, on 16 December 2022.

### **How can I contact VanEck?**

If you have any queries concerning the matters outlined in this FAQ page, please contact your local agent, or (if none) VanEck at [EMESales@vaneck.com](mailto:EMESales@vaneck.com).

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