

Press Release

VanEck launches US fallen angels UCITS ETF

- **VanEck US Fallen Angel High Yield Bond UCITS ETF invests in US corporate bonds issued at investment grade and downgraded to high yield**
- **‘Fallen angels’ have historically had a higher probability of moving back up to investment grade than the broad spectrum of high-yield bonds**

London, 6 September 2023 – VanEck, \$80bln asset manager, announced today the listing of the [VanEck US Fallen Angel High Yield Bond UCITS ETF](#) on the London Stock Exchange and Deutsche Börse Xetra. This new exchange-traded fund (ETF) allows investors to invest in US dollar-denominated, high yield corporate bonds that were previously rated investment grade, also known as ‘fallen angels’.

“Many institutional investors are often forced by their investment mandate to sell bonds when they are downgraded below investment grade. Our strategy systematically buys these oversold and possibly undervalued bonds,” says Martijn Rozemuller, CEO at VanEck Europe. “Fallen angels have historically shown a higher likelihood of returning to investment grade status following a downgrade than the broad spectrum of high-yield bonds. This offers upside potential that investors can participate in with our ETF.”

The ETF’s investment strategy invests in sectors that experience frequent downgrades, as was the case for the banking sector in 2008 and the energy sector in 2016. Compared to broad high-yield bonds, fallen angels often exhibit higher credit quality with a higher concentration of BB rated bonds.

The physically replicating [VanEck US Fallen Angel High Yield Bond UCITS ETF](#) tracks the ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index, which comprises of high-yield US dollar corporate bonds rated below investment grade that were issued at investment grade. These bonds must have been issued in the US domestic market and have a remaining maturity of at least one year.

The accumulating ETF is rebalanced monthly and has a total expense ratio (TER) of 0.35% p.a.

ETF	VanEck US Fallen Angel High Yield Bond UCITS ETF
Index name	ICE US Fallen Angel High Yield 10% Constrained Index
ISIN Code	IE000J6CHW80
Ticker LSE USD / GBP	USFA/ANGB



Ticker Xetra	FAV
Investment manager	VanEck Asset Management B.V.
Fund domicile	Ireland
Base currency	US Dollar
Index provider	ICE
Rebalancing	Monthly
Product structure	Physical replication (optimized)
Launch date	1 September 2023
Total expense ratio (TER)	0.35% p.a.
Income treatment	Accumulation

You can find more information about the product here:

<https://www.vaneck.com/uk/en/investments/us-fallen-angels-etf>.

Risk of high-yield securities: High-yield bonds prices are sometimes more sensitive to adverse economic changes or developments in individual issuers than higher-rated securities, which may result in issuers of junk bonds being unable to meet their principal and interest payment obligations. The secondary market for securities that are junk bonds may be less liquid than the markets for higher quality securities.

Interest rate risk: Increases in interest rates have a significant impact on the value of fixed income securities issued by governments and corporations. Possible or actual credit rating downgrades may also affect prices.

For more detailed information on the individual risks, please refer to the KID/KIID or the sales prospectus.

Press release contact:

David Read / Aryna Kastavetskaya

Peregrine Communications

Email / Tel: vaneck@peregrinecommunications.com / +44 20 3178 6870

About VanEck

VanEck has a history of looking beyond the financial markets to identify trends likely to create impactful investment opportunities. As of August 31, 2023, VanEck managed approximately 82 billion US dollars in assets, including mutual funds, ETFs, and institutional accounts.

With more than 100 ETFs globally, the asset manager offers a comprehensive portfolio covering numerous sectors, asset classes, and smart beta strategies. VanEck was one of the first asset managers to offer investors access to international markets. The objective has always been to identify new trends and asset classes – such as Gold Investments (1968), Emerging Markets (1993), and ETFs (2006), which have shaped the investment industry to this day.



VanEck is headquartered in New York City and has offices in Frankfurt (Germany), Zurich (Switzerland), Amsterdam (Netherlands), Sydney (Australia) and Shanghai (China).

Important Disclosures

For informational and advertising purposes only.

This information originates from VanEck (Europe) GmbH which has been appointed as distributor of VanEck products in Europe by the Management Company VanEck Asset Management B.V., incorporated under Dutch law and registered with the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (AFM). VanEck (Europe) GmbH with registered address at Kreuznacher Str. 30, 60486 Frankfurt, Germany, is a financial services provider regulated by the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority in Germany (BaFin). The information is intended only to provide general and preliminary information to investors and shall not be construed as investment, legal or tax advice. VanEck (Europe) GmbH and its associated and affiliated companies (together "VanEck") assume no liability with regards to any investment, divestment or retention decision taken by the investor on the basis of this information. The views and opinions expressed are those of the author(s) but not necessarily those of VanEck. Opinions are current as of the publication date and are subject to change with market conditions. Certain statements contained herein may constitute projections, forecasts and other forward looking statements, which do not reflect actual results. Information provided by third party sources are believed to be reliable and have not been independently verified for accuracy or completeness and cannot be guaranteed. All indices mentioned are measures of common market sectors and performance. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.

VanEck Asset Management B.V. transferred the investment management for VanEck US Fallen Angel High Yield Bond UCITS ETF (the "ETF"), a sub-fund of VanEck UCITS ETFs plc, to Van Eck Associates Corporation, an investment company regulated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The ETF is registered with the Central Bank of Ireland and tracks a bond index. The value of the ETF's assets may fluctuate heavily as a result of the investment strategy. If the underlying index falls in value, the ETF will also lose value. Investors must read the sales prospectus and key investor information before investing in a fund. These are available in English and the KIIDs in certain other languages as applicable and can be obtained free of charge at www.vaneck.com, from the local information agent Computershare Investor Services PLC or from the Management Company.

ICE Data Indices, LLC and its affiliates ("ICE Data") indices and related information, the name "ICE Data", and related trademarks, are intellectual property licensed from ICE Data, and may not be copied, used, or distributed without ICE Data's prior written approval. VanEck Global Fallen Angel High Yield Bond UCITS ETF has not been passed on as to its legality or suitability, and is not regulated, issued, endorsed, sold, guaranteed, or promoted by ICE Data.

ICE DATA MAKES NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES, AND HEREBY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE WITH RESPECT TO THE NYSE ARCA GOLD MINERS INDEX OR ANY DATA INCLUDED THEREIN. IN NO EVENT SHALL ICE DATA HAVE ANY LIABILITY FOR ANY SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, INDIRECT, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES (INCLUDING LOST PROFITS), EVEN IF NOTIFIED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. ICE Data Indices, LLC and its affiliates ("ICE Data") indices and related information, the name "ICE Data", and related trademarks, are intellectual property licensed from ICE Data, and may not be copied, used, or distributed without ICE Data's prior written approval. The Fund have not been passed on as to its legality or suitability, and is not regulated, issued, endorsed, sold, guaranteed, or promoted by ICE Data.

All performance information is historical and is no guarantee of future results. Investing is subject to risk, including the possible loss of principal. You must read the Prospectus and KIID before investing in a fund.

No part of this material may be reproduced in any form, or referred to in any other publication, without express written permission of VanEck.

© VanEck (Europe) GmbH