

Press Release

VanEck: Hydrogen ETF hits USD 100 million

- Hydrogen technology is seen as a fundamental contribution on the way to a CO²-free economy
- The VanEck Hydrogen Economy UCITS ETF allows investors to invest in a global selection of companies in the hydrogen industry

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 The ETF, classified according to Article 9 of the EU Disclosure Regulation SFDR, started with its pure-play approach in March 2021 as the most targeted investment solution in the hydrogen sector

London, 29 March 2021 – One year after its launch in late March 2021, the VanEck Hydrogen Economy UCITS ETF has reached USD 100 million in fund volume. The ETF invests globally in companies that generate their sales primarily in the hydrogen sector, such as hydrogen producers, fuel cell manufacturers or companies in the electrolysis sector. Since March 18, 2022, the ETF has been classified according to Article 9 of the EU Disclosure Regulation SFDR.

"Hydrogen as an energy carrier is not a hype topic, but a fundamental component in the change towards a CO2-free economy," explains Martijn Rozemuller, CEO Europe at VanEck. "The political will to further expand the promotion and use of hydrogen is present. More than 30 countries have now published their own hydrogen roadmaps and pledged 70 billion US dollars in public funding. Industry has announced more than 200 projects to invest around 300 billion US dollars in this technology by 2030."

"Investors are increasingly looking for investment opportunities in sustainable technologies and solutions for the future," says Dominik Schmaus, Product Manager at VanEck. "With our VanEck Hydrogen Economy UCITS ETF, we offer them the opportunity to invest broadly in hydrogen, a technology of the future that has an important role to play in long-term CO² reductions in many sectors of the economy."

"Thanks to the pure-play approach of our ETF, investors can be sure that their investment will also mainly flow into those companies that focus on the future technology of hydrogen," says Schmaus. The VanEck Hydrogen Economy UCITS ETF is currently tradeable in 12 European countries, with particularly high inflows coming from Germany and Italy in recent months.

The ETF tracks the MVIS® Global Hydrogen Economy ESG Index, which is designed to represent the overall performance of the global hydrogen segment. The index seeks to track the most liquid companies in the industry, based on market cap and trading volume. To some extent, fuel cell and industrial gas companies are also considered.



| ETF | VanEck Hydrogen Economy UCITS ETF |
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| Index name | MVIS [®] Global Hydrogen Economy ESG Index |
| ISIN | IE00BMDH1538 |
| Ticker LSE | HDRO |
| Capital Management company | VanEck Asset Management B.V. |
| Domicile of the capital management company | Ireland |
| Base currency | USD |
| Index provider | MV Index Solutions GmbH |
| Weighting reviewed | Quarterly |
| Product structure | Physically replicating |
| Launch date | 26 March 2021 |
| Total expense ratio (TER) | 0.55% p.a. |
| Appropriation of earnings | Retention |

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