

## VanEck Celebrates 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Global Resources Fund

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Fund exemplifies VanEck's forward-thinking approach to providing investors well-designed exposure to diverse asset classes—an approach that remains core to its investment philosophy today as the firm identifies new opportunities.

**NEW YORK, NY (November 7, 2024)** – VanEck is celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the launch of the VanEck Global Resources Fund (GHAAX – A shares; GHAIX – I shares). Launched on November 2, 1994 and previously named the Global Hard Assets Fund, the Fund provides equity exposure to energy, precious and base metals, agriculture, alternative energy and other resources, and was one of the first publicly available solutions to provide access to a specialized area within commodities and natural resource investing.

"My colleagues and I are thrilled to be marking this milestone for VanEck's Global Resources Fund," said Shawn Reynolds, Portfolio Manager. "The past three decades have been a time of enormous change across the space, from technological advancements to how specific resources are utilized. We're very excited about what the next decade will bring. Resource demand remains a key underlying force across the global economy, and as new applications for resources emerge, in areas such as AI, renewable energy and agriculture, we see continued need for robust exposure to the asset class."

In the early 1990s, the firm foresaw the long-term opportunity in natural resources, driven by emerging markets growth relative to developed markets. Since then, the Fund has evolved to capitalize on changing market dynamics across various resources, underpinned by its commitment to in-depth, on-the-ground research and company engagement. Driving this research and the fund's management is one of the <u>deepest and most experienced teams</u> in the industry, comprising 10 investment professionals averaging 30 years' experience, who also bring technical expertise. Many on the investment team are former exploration geologists and engineers, who incorporate invaluable insights from the field into their investment decisions.

"We have sought to provide investors access to diverse asset classes by building teams with deep subject matter expertise to help guide the exposures we're providing," said Jan van Eck, CEO of VanEck. "The team behind the Global Resources Fund is an excellent example of this approach in action, and I join my colleagues in marking this significant anniversary for one of our longest-tenured strategies."

VanEck's Natural Resources team regularly shares its research and insights with the broader marketplace, with recent examples including highly relevant updates around gold price movements and developments in nuclear energy. Their latest research can be accessed here.

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## **About VanEck**

VanEck has a history of looking beyond the financial markets to identify trends that are likely to create impactful investment opportunities. We were one of the first U.S. asset managers to offer investors access to international markets. This set the tone for the firm's drive to identify asset classes and trends – including gold investing in 1968, emerging markets in 1993, and exchange traded funds in 2006 – that subsequently shaped the investment management industry.

Today, VanEck offers active and passive strategies with compelling exposures supported by well-designed investment processes. As of September 30, 2024, VanEck managed approximately \$118.3 billion in assets, including mutual funds, ETFs and institutional accounts. The firm's capabilities range from core investment opportunities to more specialized exposures to enhance portfolio diversification. Our actively managed strategies are fueled by in-depth, bottom-up research and security selection from portfolio managers with direct experience in the sectors and regions in which they invest. Investability, liquidity, diversity, and transparency are key to the experienced decision-making around market and index selection underlying VanEck's passive strategies.

Since our founding in 1955, putting our clients' interests first, in all market environments, has been at the heart of the firm's mission.

## **Important Disclosures**

You can lose money by investing in the Fund. Any investment in the Fund should be part of an overall investment program, not a complete program. The Fund is subject to risks which may include, but are not limited to, risks associated with active management, agriculture companies, commodities and commodity-linked instruments, derivatives, direct investments, emerging market issuers, ESG investing strategy, foreign currency, foreign securities, global resources sector, market, operational, investing in other funds, small- and medium capitalization companies, special purpose acquisition companies, and special risk considerations of investing in Canadian issuers, all of which may adversely affect the Fund. Emerging market issuers and foreign securities may be subject to securities markets, political and economic, investment and repatriation restrictions, different rules and regulations, less publicly available financial information, foreign currency and exchange rates, operational and settlement, and corporate and securities laws risks. Small- and medium-capitalization companies may be subject to elevated risks. Derivatives may involve certain costs and risks such as liquidity, interest rate, and the risk that a position could not be closed when most advantageous.

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