

NJ
Korea Reunification SDG



# Bi-Weekly Risk Report

14 January 2023



# **Summary**

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#### NJ Korea Reunification SDG



#### **Project characteristics**

Instrument UCITS Fund – Art.8 Plus SFDR

Project website <u>Link</u>

Supplement <u>Link</u>

Class A – IE00007XSO15

ISIN Class I – IE0004F6ARY1

Class Q (listed class) - IE000ROCQO77

Project ICAV: NicheJungle ICAV <u>www.nichejungle.com</u>

Project Inception date: 17/10/2022

Project AUM: 9,06 mln € as of 14/01/2023

Project Max AUM: 25 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 96% 5 day – 100% 20 days

Project liquidity: Daily

Institutional and listed classes fees

Project # stocks Min: 100

Max: 150

Project currency hedging policy No hedging policy

0% management fees

20% performance fees (absolute with HWM - no reset)

Project Investment Manager: Niche Asset Management Ltd – <u>www.nicheam.com</u>

NICHE AM

The project invests in south Korean companies that are significantly exposed to the domestic market and are operating in infrastructure and consumption businesses. These are the areas that could benefit the most from a reconciliation between South Korea and North Korea. Korean domestic stocks are the most attractive worldwide from a valuation standpoint and the likely imminent inclusion of South Korea among MSCI developed markets could be the catalyst for a significative repricing. The event of reconciliation provides the project portfolio with a further powerful free option to which today Mr Market assigns zero probability. However, as we are used to learn, geopolitical events can hardly be anticipated...

### Korean equity: a significant opportunity...





Year	MSCI Korea Value	MSCI Korea
2021	-6.26	-10.04
2020	28.35	42.63
2019	5.59	10.39
2018	-23.32	-22.60
2017	36.61	45.51
2016	11.79	6.98
2015	-8.41	-7.94
2014	-19.76	-12.61
2013	5.78	3.10
2012	11.55	20.16
2011	-13.39	-12.84
2010	25.44	25.29
2009	74.99	69.42
2008	-49.65	-55.87

Korean equity market (value and blended index) -25%/-21% (USD) since 2007

#### BUT

Korean GDP +54% (USD) since 2007!!!



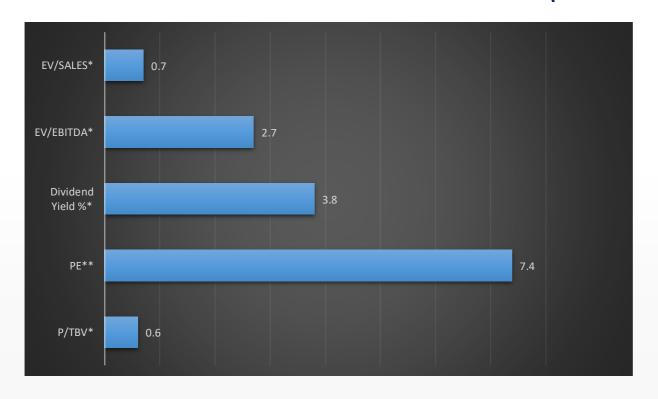
The most undervalued market worldwide INDEX PERFORMANCE - PRICE RETURNS (%) (OCT 31, 2022) FUNDAMENTALS (OCT 31, 2022) 3 Yr P/E Fwd P/BV 8.24 -13.44 -32.15 -32.96 -4.73 -7.73 7.50 0.65 MSCI Korea Value 8.35 -14.64 -35.43 -35.89 -4.10 -6.46 -0.21 5.12 MSCI Korea 2.46 8.02 9.36 0.89 On top of this, a cheaper, safer and politically/ethically more acceptable indirect exposure to China

INDEX PERFORMANCE - GROSS RETURNS (%) (OCT 31, 2022) **FUNDAMENTALS (OCT 31, 2022)** 11.69 **MSCI World Value** 7.21 -6.74 -18.09 -19.74 6.62 6.92 9.52 2.75 14.89 MSCI World INDEX PERFORMANCE - GROSS RETURNS (%) (OCT 31, 2022) **FUNDAMENTALS (OCT 31, 2022)** P/E Div Yld (%) MSCI China A 1.71 2.37 13.90 10.62 14.21 2.53 MSCI ACWI -7.54 -19.58 -20.81 16.45 -3.09 -14.01 -30.73 -29.15 -4.07 10.12 1.49 **MSCI Emerging Markets** 11.14

# ...an even better opportunity if played through domestic exposed companies, those you cannot buy through funds or ETFs



### PROJECT NJ KR EQUITY PORTFOLIO Valuation (as of 14 January '23 )

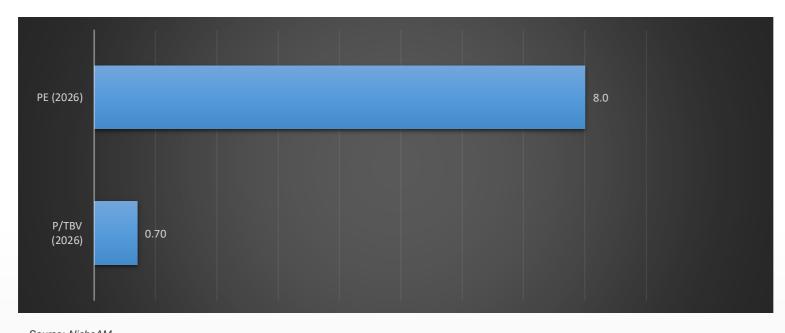


<sup>\*</sup> Last available

<sup>\*\*</sup> Forward estimate, if available, otherwise the latest data Source: NicheAM. Refinitiv

# PROJECT NJ KR Portfolio Valuation at exit (as for valuation gap report) after rerating of 90% on cautious assumptions





Source: NicheAM

90% potential rerating on following assumptions:

Exit 2026

No reunification/reconciliation (rapprochement)

No inclusion of SKorea in the MSCI Developed Countries

Nominal EPS growth '22-'26E of just 8%

Modest market rerating of 20% (still >30% upside to MSCI World Value despite better growth outlook)

#### + FREE OPTION

In case of reconciliation (rapprochement) between North and South Korea the upside could be above 150% for the portfolio (see presentation for further details). In fact it is composed by companies that would benefit from the massive investments in infrastructure and the increase in consumptions related to the North Korea opening of the economy (as it was the case decades ago for countries like China and Vietnam)

## **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 14 January '23)



Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
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Hana Financial Group Inc	1.67%	Maeil Dairies Co Ltd	0.92%
Korea Gas Corp	1.49%	Skchem Non-Cum Pfd	0.91%
Hyundai Fire Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.46%	Indust Bk Of Korea	0.91%
Samsung Fire And Marine Insurance Pref.	1.40%	Woori Financial Group	0.91%
Kb Financial Group Inc	1.39%	Gwangjushinsegae Co Ltd	0.87%
Kyungdong City G	1.36%	Bnk Financial Group Inc	0.87%
Hwa Sung Industrial	1.34%	G2R Incorp	0.87%
Daishin Securities Pref.Non.Voting	1.33%	Yesco Shs	0.86%
Lg Uplus Corp	1.29%	Yuhwa Securities Co Ltd	0.85%
DI E And C - Registered Shs	1.29%	Dgb Financial Group Ltd	0.85%
Shinsegae Information & Comm	1.21%	Incheon City Gas Co Ltd	0.83%
Cuckoo Electronics Co Ltd	1.19%	Woori Investment & Securities Pfd N.Vot	0.82%
Sam Jung Pulp	1.16%	Ottogi Corporation	0.82%
Gs Engineering & Construction	1.14%	Shin Heung Energy And Electronics Co Ltd	0.81%
Sd Biosensor Inc	1.14%	Geumhwa Psc Co Ltd	0.79%
Inbody Co Ltd	1.11%	Korea Electric Terminal	0.79%
Korean Reinsurance Co	1.10%	Kt Skylife	0.78%
Seegene Inc	1.09%	Hyundai Home Shopping	0.77%
Posco Holdings Inc.	1.05%	Osstem Implant Co Ltd	0.77%
Daesang Corp	1.05%	Megastudy	0.76%
Sk Telekom	1.04%	Daehan Flour Mills	0.75%
Korea Electric Power Corp	1.03%	Hyundai Department Store H And S	0.75%
Hyundai Elevator	1.01%	Lotte Rental Co Ltd	0.74%
Cj Cheiljedang Corp	1.00%	Shinhan Financial Group	0.71%
Kuhmo Industrial Co Ltd	1.00%	Tongyang Life	0.71%
Sk Square Co., Ltd.	0.97%	Db Financial Inv	0.70%
Dongwon Industries Co Ltd	0.97%	Samsung Securities Co Ltd	0.70%
Hyosung Corp	0.95%	Hyundai Department Store Shs	0.69%
Imarketkorea Inc	0.95%	E-Mart	0.69%
Samsung Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.94%	Kctech Registered Shs	0.69%

Equity Exposure: 90% No of holdings: 132 Average Weight: 0.68% Median Weight: 0.63%

TOP 5: 7.41% TOP 10: 14.02% TOP 25: 30.34% TOP 50: 51.88%

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Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Lock & Lock	0.68%	Oyang Corp	0.45%
Hecto Innovation Co Ltd	0.67%	Vieworks	0.43%
Nong Shim Holdings Co Ltd	0.67%	Dongbu Engineering Construction	0.42%
Korean Air	0.66%	Kt Corporation	0.42%
Hwacheon Machine	0.64%	Daihan Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.41%
Soulbrain Holdings Co., Ltd.	0.63%	Ezwel Co Ltd	0.40%
Pharmgen Science Inc	0.62%	Lotte Chilsung Beverage Co Pfd Shs N.Vtg	0.40%
Bgf Rg Registered Shs	0.61%	Korea Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.40%
Mirae Asset Life	0.61%	Seoul Securities Co Ltd	0.39%
Sindoricom	0.60%	Value Added Technology Co Ltd	0.39%
Ssangyong Fire Marine Insurance	0.60%	Gabia Inc	0.38%
Kt Adr	0.60%	Korea Circuit Co Ltd-Pref	0.38%
Korea Polyol Co Ltd	0.59%	Daelim Industrial Pref/Non-Voting	0.38%
Ace Bed Co Ltd	0.59%	Jls Co Ltd	0.37%
Huons Co Ltd	0.59%	Kisco Holdings	0.36%
Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd Repr.2Shs	0.58%	Hyundai Electric & Energy Systems Co Ltd	0.36%
Tae Kwang Industrial Co Ltd	0.57%	Youngone Corporation	0.35%
Bookook Secs Co	0.57%	Kisco Corp Tentative	0.35%
llshin Spinning Co Ltd	0.57%	Asia Cement Co Ltd	0.33%
Saraminhr Co Ltd	0.55%	Interflex Co Ltd	0.33%
Asia Paper Manufacturing Co	0.55%	Dongkook Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.32%
Wimco Registered	0.54%	Whan In Pharmaceutic	0.32%
Handsome	0.54%	Hyundai Steel Co	0.31%
Kyobo Securities	0.54%	Fursys Inc	0.31%
Dongwon F And B	0.54%	Lg Haussys Prf Shs N.Vtg	0.31%
Sk Rent A Car Shares	0.53%	Lg Haussys	0.30%
Hyundai Engineering Construction	0.52%	Suheung Capsule Co Ltd	0.29%
Megastudyedu Co Ltd	0.47%	Huons Global Co Ltd	0.29%
Cell Biotech Co Ltd	0.46%	Woongjin Thinkbig Co	0.28%
Sk Telecom Co Ltd-Spon Adr	0.46%	Digital Daesung Co Ltd	0.28%

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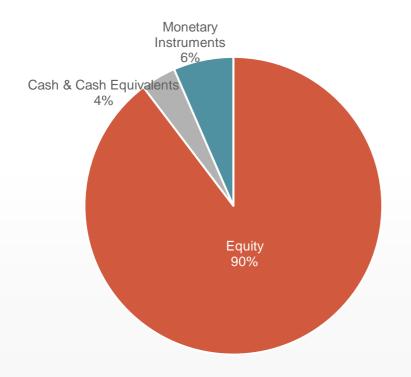
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Daewoo Securities - Pfd Shs Non Voting	0.28%	Cs Holdings Co Ltd	0.21%
Coway Co Ltd	0.27%	Chinyang Holdings Co	0.21%
Namhae Chemical Corp	0.24%	Daehan Synthetic	0.21%
Kwang Dong Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.24%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial Co Ltd	0.18%
Kpc Holdings Corp	0.22%	Rifa Co.Ltd.	0.18%
Multicampus	0.21%	Hyundai Livart	0.12%

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

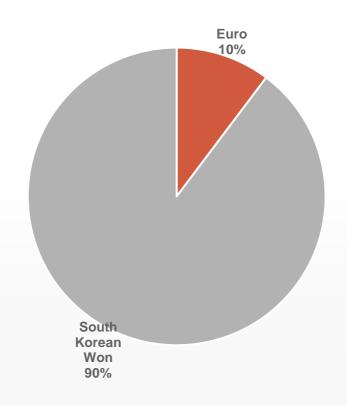




# Breakdown by Asset Class as of 14 January '23



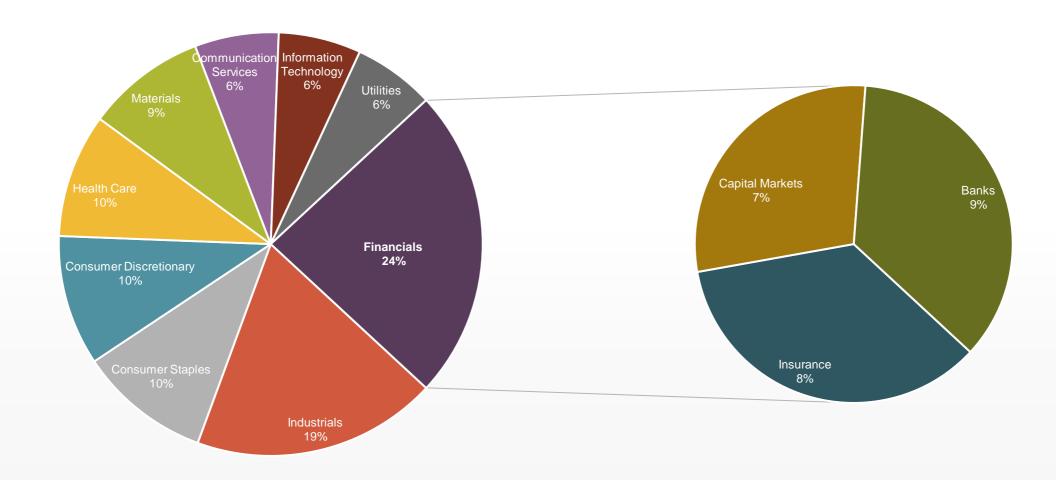
# Breakdown by Currency as of 14 January '23



Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

# **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary:** Breakdown by Sector as 14 January '23









Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight* 31 Nov'22- 14 Dec'22	Total Return on sold positions
KT Ord shs	BUY	0.42%	0.42%	
Asia Cement	BUY	0.33%	0.33%	
KB Financial Group	ADD	1.39%	0.50%	
Gs Engineering & Construction	ADD	1.14%	0.39%	
Shinhan Financial Group	ADD	0.71%	0.39%	
Dae Han Flour Mills	ADD	0.75%	0.39%	
Hwa Sung Industrial	ADD	1.34%	0.37%	
SK Chemicals Pre Shs	ADD	0.91%	0.37%	
DGB Financial Group	ADD	0.85%	0.36%	
Hyundaigreenfood	ADD	0.75%	0.36%	
SK Square	ADD	0.97%	0.35%	
DL E&C	ADD	1.29%	0.35%	
Hyundai Department Store	ADD	0.69%	0.35%	
Seegene	ADD	1.09%	0.34%	
Industrial Bank Of Korea	ADD	0.91%	0.34%	
Hwacheon Machine Tool	ADD	0.64%	0.34%	
Shin Heung	ADD	0.81%	0.33%	
Korea Electric Terminal	ADD	0.79%	0.33%	

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Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight* 31 Nov'22- 14 Dec'22	Total Return on sold positions
Hyosung	ADD	0.95%	0.33%	
Daishin Sec Preferred Stock	ADD	1.33%	0.33%	
Huons	ADD	0.59%	0.32%	
KT Skylife Ord Shs	ADD	0.78%	0.32%	
INCHEON CITY GAS ORD	ADD	0.83%	0.31%	
Nh Investment & Securitie	ADD	0.82%	0.31%	
Megastudy	ADD	0.76%	0.31%	
SD Biosensor	ADD	1.14%	0.31%	
Yuhwa Securities	ADD	0.85%	0.30%	
Nongshim Holdings	ADD	0.67%	0.30%	
Hyundai Marine & Fire Insurance	ADD	1.46%	0.30%	
Cj Cheiljedang Pref Shs	ADD	1.00%	0.30%	
Dongwon Industries	ADD	0.97%	0.29%	
Sam Jung Pulp	ADD	1.16%	0.29%	
Yesco Holdings	ADD	0.86%	0.28%	
Daesang	ADD	1.05%	0.28%	
LG Uplus	ADD	1.29%	0.27%	
Tong Yang Life Insurance	ADD	0.71%	0.27%	

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### **PORTFOLIO: Allocation & Performance summary**



	Fund Chart (24 December (22, 14 January (22)	Performance by Asset Class		Performance contribution by As	set Class and Sector
NicheJungle Korea Reunification SDG*		1049.29	+2.38%	+2.38%	+4.93%
	Fund Performance	Price as of 14/01/2023	2 weeks	YTD	Since Inception**

#### Fund Chart (31 December '23- 14 January '23) (31 December '23- 14 January '23) 3.0% 2.5% Fund performance 2.38% 2.0% 1.5% 1.0% 1.93% Equity 0.5% 0.0% -0.5% Monetary instruments 0.08% -1.0% -1.5% -2.0% 0.81% Currency -2.5% 0.0% 2.0% 1.0% 3.0% Portfolio

	2 weeks Return (KRW)	Since Inception**(KRW)
Korea KOSPI 200 (.KS200)	+7.79%	+8.36%
KRW/EUR	+0.81%	+5.07%

AUM: 9,06 mln € Project closure at 25 mln €

Performance contribution by Asset Class and Sect	or
(31 December '23- 14 January '23)	

	2 weeks		
	Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contribution (c = a*b)
Contribution by asset class			
Equity	86.5%	1,93%	1,67%
Cash & monetary instruments	13.5%	0.08%	0,01%
Currency		0,81%	0,70%
Total performance			2,38%
Equity Contribution by sector			
Financials	20.3%	4.1%	0.84%
Industrials	16.1%	2.8%	0.46%
Information Technology	5.5%	3.3%	0.18%
Materials	7.8%	2.1%	0.16%
Health Care	8.3%	1.2%	0.10%
Consumer Discretionary	8.8%	0.8%	0.07%
Consumer Staples	8.6%	0.2%	0.02%
Communication Services	5.6%	0.0%	0.00%
Utilities	5.5%	-2.6%	-0.14%

<sup>\*</sup>class I. Performance is net of fees \*\* Inception date: 17/10/2022

## EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Performance (31 December '23- 14 January '23)



#### Top performers\*

#### **Bottom performers**

	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	Contributio
Hana Financial Group	1.6%	18.2%	0.27%	Korea Gas	1.5%	-8.5%	-0.15%
KB Financial Group	1.3%	18.8%	0.22%	Korea Electric Power	1.0%	-7.0%	-0.08%
KumhoE&C	1.0%	13.2%	0.12%	Maeil Dairies	0.9%	-3.6%	-0.04%
Gs Engineering & Construction	1.0%	9.4%	0.12%	Ottogi	0.8%	-3.8%	-0.03%
Shinhan Financial Group	0.6%	17.1%	0.11%	Kyungdong City Gas	1.4%	-2.0%	-0.03%
Posco Holdings	1.0%	10.7%	0.10%	Sk Telecom	1.1%	-2.8%	-0.03%
Woori Financial Group	0.9%	10.8%	0.09%	Ace Bed	0.6%	-4.6%	-0.03%
Shinhan Financial ADR	0.5%	17.5%	0.09%	Dongwon Industries	0.9%	-2.0%	-0.03%
DL E&C	1.2%	5.9%	0.08%	KPX Chemical	0.6%	-3.8%	-0.02%
Hwa Sung Industrial	1.2%	6.1%	0.08%	Hyundai Electric & Energy Systems	0.4%	-4.8%	-0.02%
DGB Financial Group	0.7%	9.6%	0.08%	LG Uplus	1.3%	-1.4%	-0.02%
SK Square	0.9%	7.3%	0.08%	Daesang	1.0%	-2.1%	-0.01%
Bnk Financial Group	0.8%	8.7%	0.07%	Osstem Implant	0.8%	-1.5%	-0.01%
Samsung Securities	0.7%	10.6%	0.07%	Tong Yang Life Insurance	0.7%	-4.2%	-0.01%
Dae Han Flour Mills	0.6%	10.2%	0.06%	Daihan Pharmaceutical	0.4%	-2.7%	-0.01%

<sup>\*</sup>Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

## Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95% as of 14/01/2023



#### Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-2,29%	-3,52%
Historical 1W	-5,11%	-7,87%
Historical 1M	10,72%	-16,50%





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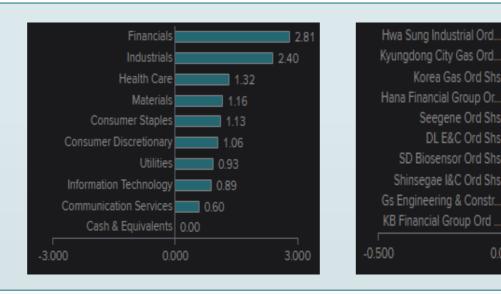
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Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM



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