

NJ
Korea Reunification SDG



# Monthly Risk Report

*30 June 2023* 



# **Summary**

- Project characteristics
- Portfolio: Valuation
- Portfolio: Holdings
- Portfolio: Allocation & performance
- Portfolio: Liquidation time horizon
- Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95%

#### 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: 11,98 mln € as of 30/06/2023

Project Max AUM: 25 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 97% 5 day – 100% 20 days

Project liquidity: Daily

Project # stocks Min: 100
Max: 150

Project currency hedging policy No hedging policy

Institutional and listed classes fees

0% management fees

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

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



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!!!

FUNDAMENTALS (FEB 28, 2023)

12.26

15.91

12.09

**FUNDAMENTALS (FEB 28, 2023)** 

13.45

18.23

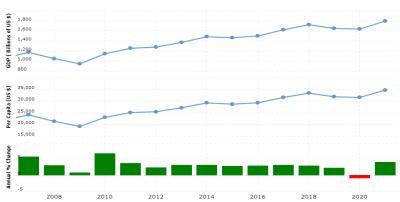
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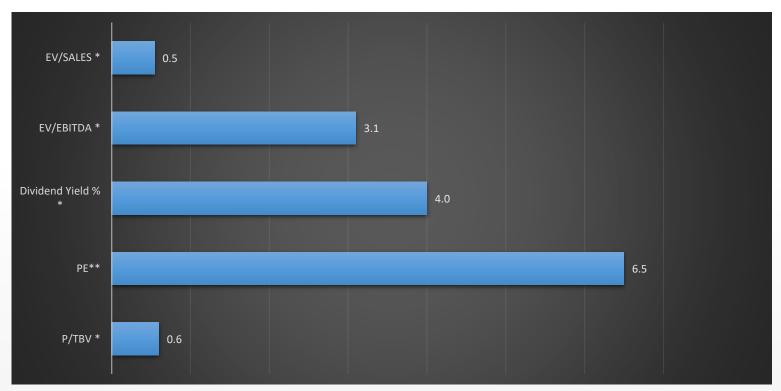
Source: NicheAM, WorldBank, MSCI

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# ...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 30 June'23)

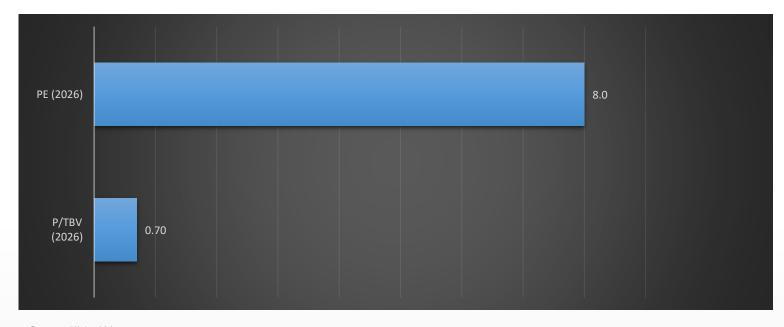


<sup>\*</sup> Last available

<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 '23-'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)

### Kospi general Index vs NJ Korea Reunification portfolio

- The Kospi general index, the most popular and inclusive index of South Korea equity, includes in weight less than 10% of the stocks that are part of NJ Korea Reunification portfolio
- 100% of the companies included in the portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification project record more than 30% of total sales in the domestic market, and more than 85% in weight of the companies included in the portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification project record more than 50% of sales in the domestic market
- Less than 25% in weight of the companies included in the Kospi have more than 50% of sales in the South Korean market
- The portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification suffers more than the Kospi from a weakening of the Korean currency, and viceversa, as its investee companies are more domestic oriented
- The portfolio of the Kospi benefits more than the NJ Korea Reunification from the global economic expansion and viceversa
- The portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification benefits more than the portfolio of Kospi from the Korean economic expansion and viceversa
- The portfolio of NJ Korea Reunification will benefit more than the portfolio of Kospi from the inclusion of South Korea in the MSCI Developed Countries Index
- The portfolio of NJ Korea reunification will benefit extremely more than the portfolio of Kospi from a rapprochement between North Korea and South Korea

# Investee companies divested so far

### **Closed trades**

Date	<u>Stock</u>	Selling price (KRW)	Performance	Take Profit (Partial/Total)	Valuation Target (KRW)	Further upsideat at exit, according to valuation gap report	P/E Adj. at exit	Notes (if sold before reaching the target)
07/11/2022	Manho Rope & Wire Ltd	44922	59,7%	Total	45000	< +/- 5%	8,0x	-
14/12/2022	Sebang	27539	82,6%	Total	27200	< +/- 5%	10,0x	-
20/02/2023	Osstem Implant Co Ltd	188518	61,0%	Total	190000	< +/- 5%	12,0x	-
19/04/2023	Rifa Industrial	25850	63.1%	Total	30500	+18%	N.s.	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
27/04/2023	KISCO Holdings *	20123	54.2%	Total	36620	+82%	3,5x	Switch with the operating company, Kisco, that presents better upside (>120%) and liquidity
15/05/2023	Oyang Corp	8180	3,4%	Total	14150	+73%	10x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
01/06/2023	Hyundai Elevator	40532	+72.3%	Total	39600	<+/-5%	12x	-
05/06/2023	SK RENT A CAR	9466	+43.8%	Total	9100	< +/- 5%	12x	-

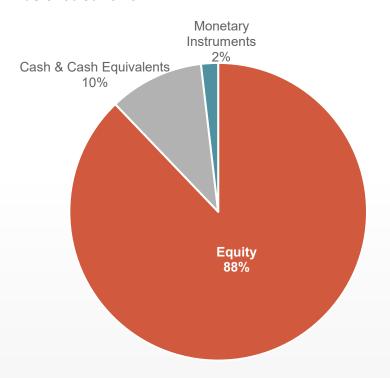
Source: NicheAM

<sup>\*</sup> PE Adjusted for net cash

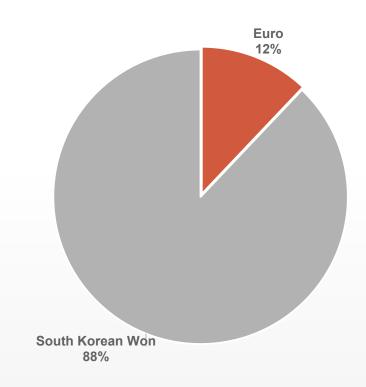




Breakdown by Asset Class as of 30 June'23

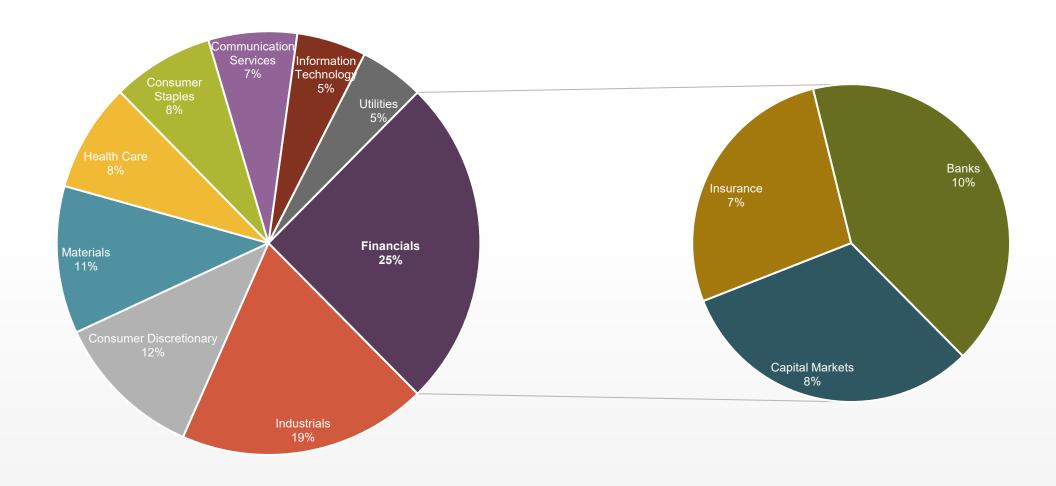


Breakdown by Currency as of 30 June'23





# **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary:** Breakdown by Sector (as 30 June'23)



## **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 30 June'23)



Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Indust Bk Of Korea	1.57%	Pharmgen Science Inc	0.89%
Woori Financial Group	1.53%	Samsung Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.89%
Kt Corporation	1.49%	G2R Incorp	0.88%
Samsung Securities Co Ltd	1.40%	Hyundai Home Shopping	0.88%
Kb Financial Group Inc	1.40%	Cj Cheiljedang Corp	0.87%
Cuckoo Electronics Co Ltd	1.39%	Sk Square Co., Ltd.	0.85%
Hana Financial Group Inc	1.37%	Hwa Sung Industrial	0.85%
Korea Gas Corp	1.36%	Asia Paper Manufacturing Co	0.84%
DI E And C - Registered Shs	1.33%	Coway Co Ltd	0.84%
Hecto Innovation Co Ltd	1.33%	Shinhan Financial Group	0.83%
Bnk Financial Group Inc	1.33%	Gwangjushinsegae Co Ltd	0.82%
Hyundai Electric & Energy Systems Co Ltd	1.25%	Maeil Dairies Co Ltd	0.82%
Wimco Registered	1.22%	Imarketkorea Inc	0.82%
Hwacheon Machine	1.22%	Hyosung Corp	0.81%
Samsung Fire And Marine Insurance Pref.	1.09%	Shinsegae Information & Comm	0.81%
Hyundai Fire Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.08%	Skchem Non-Cum Pfd	0.80%
Sam Jung Pulp	1.06%	Daesang Corp	0.77%
Vieworks	1.06%	Korean Reinsurance Co	0.76%
Lg Uplus Corp	1.06%	Hyundai Department Store Shs	0.76%
Lotte Rental Co Ltd	1.05%	Seoul Securities Co Ltd	0.76%
Daishin Securities Pref.Non.Voting	1.04%	E-Mart	0.76%
Kuhmo Industrial Co Ltd	1.02%	Yesco Shs	0.75%
Dgb Financial Group Ltd	1.00%	Ottogi Corporation	0.75%
Korean Air	0.98%	Geumhwa Psc Co Ltd	0.75%
Sk Telekom	0.97%	Kyobo Securities	0.74%
Dongwon Industries Co Ltd	0.95%	Korea Electric Power Corp	0.74%
Posco Holdings Inc.	0.95%	Cs Holdings Co Ltd	0.73%
Handsome	0.93%	Tongyang Life	0.73%
Kyungdong City G	0.92%	Db Financial Inv	0.73%
Bookook Secs Co	0.89%	Mirae Asset Life	0.72%

Equity Exposure: 88% No of holdings: 127 Average Weight: 0.65% Median Weight: 0.69%

TOP 5 : 7.39% TOP 10: 14.17% TOP 25: 31.55% TOP 50: 52.55%

# **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 30 June'23)



Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Ace Bed Co Ltd	0.69%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial Co Ltd	0.43%
Seegene Inc	0.69%	Multicampus	0.43%
Daihan Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.68%	Megastudyedu Co Ltd	0.43%
Hyundai Steel Co	0.65%	Kwang Dong Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.42%
Gs Engineering & Construction	0.65%	Ilshin Spinning Co Ltd	0.41%
Kisco Corp Tentative	0.65%	Ssangyong Fire Marine Insurance	0.40%
Yuhwa Securities Co Ltd	0.65%	Kpx Chemical Co Ltd	0.40%
Shin Heung Energy And Electronics Co Ltd	0.64%	Fursys Inc	0.38%
Kctech Registered Shs	0.64%	Hyundai Engineering Construction	0.38%
Korea Electric Terminal	0.63%	Bgf Rg Registered Shs	0.38%
Value Added Technology Co Ltd	0.63%	Kt Adr	0.36%
Kt Skylife	0.63%	Jls Co Ltd	0.36%
Woori Investment & Securities Pfd N.Vot	0.60%	Namhae Chemical Corp	0.35%
Cell Biotech Co Ltd	0.60%	Hyundai Livart	0.35%
Lock & Lock	0.59%	Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd Repr.2Shs	0.34%
Whan In Pharmaceutic	0.59%	Dongwon F And B	0.34%
Dongkook Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.56%	Sk Telecom Co Ltd-Spon Adr	0.33%
Incheon City Gas Co Ltd	0.54%	Hyundai Green Food Co. Ltd	0.33%
Hanwha Solutions Corporatio	0.54%	Kpc Holdings Corp	0.33%
Megastudy	0.53%	Youngone Corporation	0.31%
Asia Cement Co Ltd	0.53%	Interflex Co Ltd	0.31%
Suheung Capsule Co Ltd	0.51%	Gabia Inc	0.30%
Soulbrain Holdings Co., Ltd.	0.49%	Ezwel Co Ltd	0.29%
Daehan Flour Mills	0.49%	Lg Haussys	0.29%
Nong Shim Holdings Co Ltd	0.48%	Charm Engineering	0.28%
Tae Kwang Industrial Co Ltd	0.47%	Saraminhr Co Ltd	0.27%
Dongbu Engineering Construction	0.45%	Daewoo Securities - Pfd Shs Non Voting	0.26%
Huons Co Ltd	0.45%	Lg Haussys Prf Shs N.Vtg	0.25%
Sindoricom	0.45%	Korea Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.25%
Daelim Industrial Pref/Non-Voting	0.44%	Lotte Chilsung Beverage Co Pfd Shs N.Vtg	0.25%

# **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 30 June'23)



Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Korea Circuit Co Ltd-Pref	0.24%	Hyundai G.F. Holdings	0.18%
Woongjin Thinkbig Co	0.22%	Chinyang Holdings Co	0.16%
Huons Global Co Ltd	0.21%	Daehan Synthetic	0.14%
Digital Daesung Co Ltd	0.19%		

# **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings** (30 June '23 - 30 June'23)



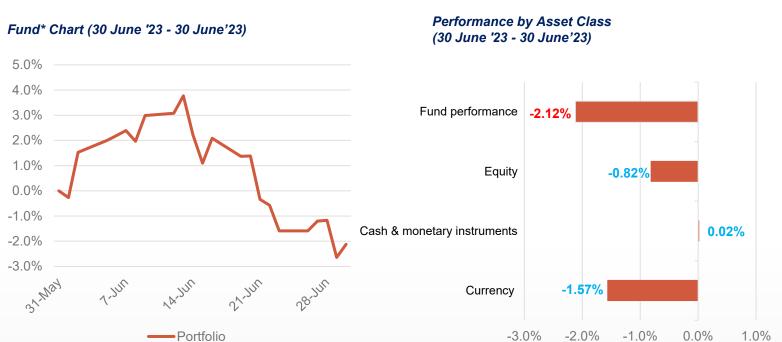
Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight*	Total Return on sold positions
Hyundai Elevator	SELL	0.00%	-1.05%	+72.33%
SK RENT A CAR	SELL	0.00%	-0.54%	+43.84%

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



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\* class I

AUM: 11,98 mln € Project closure at 25 mln €

## Monthly Performance contribution by asset class (30 June '23 - 30 June'23)

		1 month	th		
	Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contribution (c = a*b)		
Contribution by asset class					
Equity*	89.0%	-0,82%	-0,73%		
Cash & monetary instruments	11.0%	0,02%	0,00%		
Currency		-1,57%	-1,39%		
Total Monthly performance			-2,12%		
Equity Contribution by sector					
Industrials	16.7%	0.9%	0.16%		
Materials	9.9%	1.0%	0.10%		
Financials	22.4%	0.4%	0.09%		
Information Technology	4.7%	1.2%	0.06%		
Utilities	4.3%	-0.8%	-0.03%		
Consumer Discretionary	10.2%	-1.4%	-0.15%		
Health Care	7.5%	-2.7%	-0.20%		
Communication Services	6.1%	-3.8%	-0.23%		
Consumer Staples	7.3%	-7.1%	-0.51%		

<sup>\*</sup>Equity Performance is net of fees

Past performance is not indicative or a guarantee of future returns. The currency component may increase or decrease returns. The investment involves taking a risk and possible loss of capital.





### Top performers\*

### **Bottom performers**

	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	Contribution
Hd Hyundai Electric	1.0%	31.0%	0.33%	Dongwon Industries	1.1%	-16.5%	-0.17%
Wonik Materials	1.1%	12.4%	0.14%	Seegene	0.8%	-16.8%	-0.13%
Mirae Asset Life	0.7%	18.3%	0.12%	Ottogi	0.8%	-13.1%	-0.11%
Eugene Investment & Securities	0.7%	17.5%	0.12%	KT	1.5%	-7.0%	-0.11%
Vieworks	1.0%	9.9%	0.10%	Shinsegae I&C	0.9%	-11.7%	-0.10%
Cuckoo Holdings	1.3%	6.1%	0.08%	MegaStudyEdu	0.5%	-19.7%	-0.10%
Korean Air Lines	0.9%	8.5%	0.08%	Hana Financial Group	1.4%	-6.9%	-0.10%
Posco Holdings	0.9%	6.1%	0.06%	Cj Cheiljedang Pref Shs	0.9%	-9.9%	-0.09%
HYUNDAI EZWEL	0.3%	17.9%	0.05%	Coway	0.9%	-10.2%	-0.09%
Hwacheon Machine Tool	1.2%	3.9%	0.05%	Maeil Dairies	0.9%	-9.8%	-0.08%
Korea Electric Power	0.7%	6.3%	0.04%	Gs Engineering & Construction	0.7%	-11.6%	-0.08%
Youngone Holdings	0.3%	13.2%	0.04%	E-Mart	0.8%	-10.2%	-0.08%
KC Tech	0.6%	6.2%	0.04%	DL E&C	1.4%	-5.8%	-0.08%
Bookook Securities	0.9%	3.0%	0.03%	Daesang	0.8%	-9.4%	-0.08%
Hecto Innovation	1.3%	1.9%	0.02%	Sk Telecom	1.0%	-7.7%	-0.08%

\*Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution



## Liquidation time horizon

	1 day	5 days	10 days	30 days
NicheJungle Korea Reunification SDG	84%	98%	99%	100%

Source: Niche AM, Refinitiv

Assumptions for what regards the time it takes to liquidate assets for cash on a daily basis:

- Equity: orders placed on the market at 25% of volumes; average 3 months volumes considered
- Fixed income: 0,05% amount outstanding

Internal Liquidity requirement: at least 10% can be liquidated in one week and 40% in one month



Number of days necessary to liquidate 25% of the portfolio: 1 day



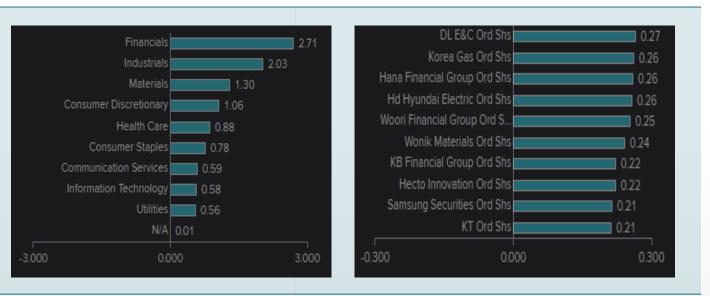
### Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95% (as of 30/06/2023)

#### Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-2,13%	-3,22%
Historical 1W	-4,77%	-7,20%
Historical 1M	-10,01%	-15,11%



### VAR 1M-95% TOP 10 SECURITIES AS OF 30/06/2023



Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM 18

### **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Indices % price changes**



Index	Price as of 30/06/2023	% Price Change 1 month (local currency)	% Price Change 1 month (€)	% Price Change 3 months (local currency)	% Price Change 3 months (€)	% Price Change Year to Date (local currency)	% Price Change Year to Date (€)	% Price Change Since inception ** (local currency)	% Price Change Since inception ** (€)
NicheJungle Korea Reunification SDG*	993.81	-	-2.12%	-	0.12%	-	-3.03%	-	-0.62%
MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD00000NUS)	361.86	5.81%	3.65%	6.18%	5.49%	13.93%	11.76%	22.73%	10.67%
MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS)	149.27	3.67%	1.56%	1.67%	1.01%	4.75%	2.75%	18.65%	6.99%
MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS)	163.25	3.07%	0.97%	0.71%	0.05%	4.82%	2.82%	19.13%	7.42%
Korea (.KS200)	337.95	-0.35%	-1.97%	4.94%	3.55%	16.09%	8.76%	16.71%	14.49%
Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX)	2288.60	7.41%	1.60%	14.23%	4.42%	20.98%	7.81%	21.76%	13.38%
Indonesia (.JKSE)	6661.88	0.43%	-2.09%	-2.11%	-3.18%	-2.76%	-1.39%	-2.48%	-9.56%
China (.HSI)	18916.43	3.74%	1.55%	-7.27%	-7.72%	-4.37%	-6.51%	13.87%	2.86%

<sup>\*</sup> class I

Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

<sup>\*\*</sup> Inception date: 17/10/2022



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