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# **Bi-Weekly Risk Report**

14 November 2023

Please refer to the UCITS fund prospectus and KIID before making any final investment decision



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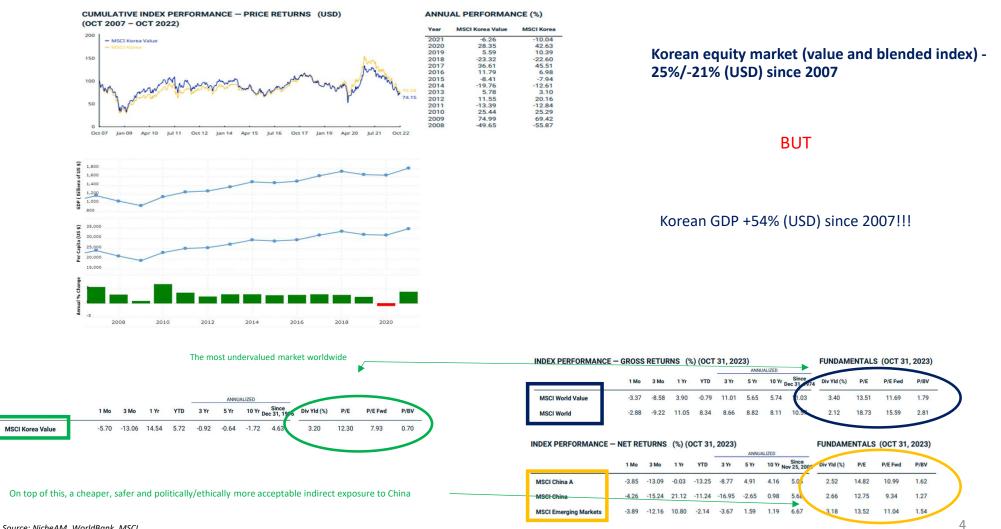
### NJ Korea Reunification SDG



Project characteristics					
Instrument	UCITS Fund – Art.8 Plus SFDR				
Project website	Link				
Supplement	Link				
ISIN	Class A – IE00007XSO15 Class I – IE0004F6ARY1 Class Q (listed class) - IE000ROCQ077				
Project ICAV:	NicheJungle ICAV www.nichejungle.com				
Project Inception date:	17/10/2022				
Project AUM:	12.27 mln € as of 14/11/2023				
Project Max AUM:	25 mln				
Project Liquidability at max. AUM	90% 5 day – 95% 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...



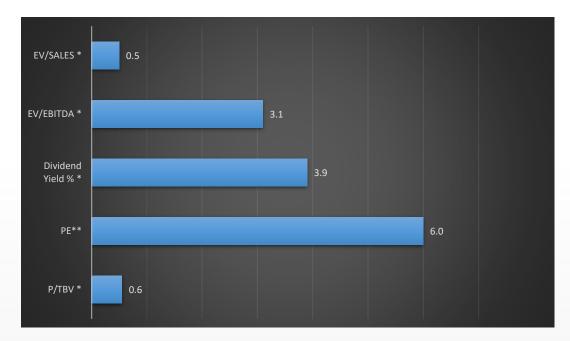


Source: NicheAM, WorldBank, MSCI

...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 November '23 )

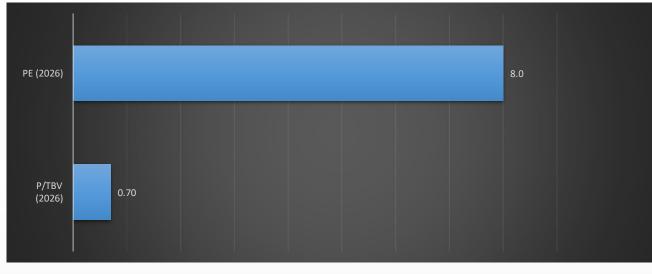


\* Last available

\*\* 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)

### 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**

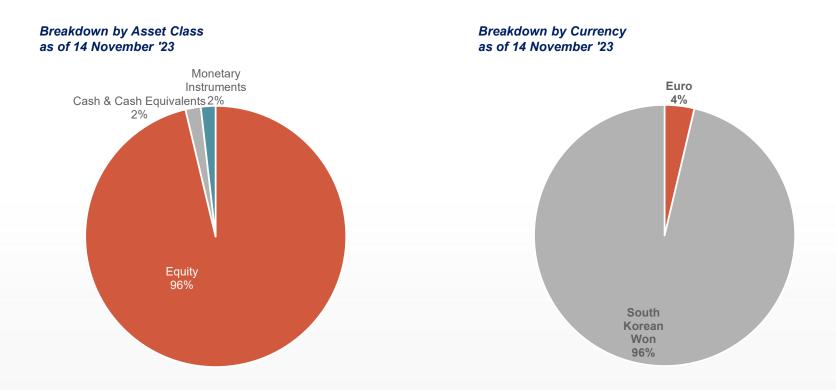
Date	<u>Stock</u>	Selling price (KRW)	Performance*	<b>Take Profit</b> (Partial/Total)	Valuation Target (KRW)	Further upsideat at exit, according to valuation gap report	P/E Adj. at exit **	Notes (if sold before reaching the target)
07/11/2022	Manho Rope & Wire Ltd	44922	+59,3%	Total	45000	< +/- 5%	8,0x	-
14/12/2022	Sebang	27539	+78,8%	Total	27200	< +/- 5%	10,0x	-
20/02/2023	Osstem Implant Co Ltd	188518	+62,4%	Total	190000	< +/- 5%	12,0x	-
19/04/2023	Rifa Industrial	25850	+68.4%	Total	30500	+18%	N.s.	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
27/04/2023	KISCO Holdings	20123	+61.6%	Total	36620	+82%	3,5x	Switch with the operating company, Kisco, that presents better upside (>120%) and liquidity
15/05/2023	Oyang Corp	8180	+7,9%	Total	14150	+73%	10x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
01/06/2023	Hyundai Elevator	40532	+74.0%	Total	39600	< +/- 5%	12x	-
05/06/2023	SK RENT A CAR	9466	+47.9%	Total	9100	< +/- 5%	12x	-
03/07/2023	Hd Hyundai Electric	66102	+73.1%	Total	68000	< +/- 5%	12x	-
10/07/2023	Eugene Investment & Sec	4153	+63.5%	Total	4900	+18%	P/TBV 0,5x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
24/07/2023	Posco Holdings	566000	+122.0%	Total	547220	< +/- 5%	P/TBV 1,0x	-
04/08/2023	LX Hausys	52711	+63.9%	Total	53700	< +/- 5%	7,0x	-
08/08/2023	Chinyang Holdings	3275	+9.6%	Total	4770	+46%	P/TBV 0,7x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
06/09/2023	KC Tech Co	22041	+36.7%	Total	27500	+25%	12x	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM
15/09/2023	Asia Holding	168462	+28.7%	Total	237000	+41%	N.s.	Switch with one of its main operating company, Asia Paper, that presents a more compelling risk/reward profile (upside>130%)
25/10/2023	Mirae Asset Life	4490	59.1%	Total	4300	< +/- 5%	8x	-

\* Local currency \*\* PE Adjusted for net cash

Source: NicheAM



# **PORTFOLIO:** Allocation summary



Source: Niche AM, Thomson Reuters

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

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Indust Bk Of Korea	1.74%	Daishin Securities Pref.Non.Voting	1.03%
Kt Corporation	1.60%	Hyundai Fire Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.01%
Woori Financial Group	1.59%	Ace Bed Co Ltd	0.99%
Kb Financial Group Inc	1.53%	Lg Uplus Corp	0.99%
Samsung Securities Co Ltd	1.46%	Hwacheon Machine	0.99%
Korea Gas Corp	1.45%	Kyungdong City G	0.98%
Cuckoo Electronics Co Ltd	1.42%	Hyundai Home Shopping	0.97%
Hana Financial Group Inc	1.40%	Korean Reinsurance Co	0.96%
Hecto Innovation Co Ltd	1.36%	Lotte Rental Co Ltd	0.96%
DI E And C - Registered Shs	1.34%	Coway Co Ltd	0.95%
Bnk Financial Group Inc	1.33%	Sam Jung Pulp	0.94%
Soulbrain Holdings Co., Ltd.	1.23%	Pharmgen Science Inc	0.91%
Tongyang Life	1.22%	Daesang Corp	0.90%
Handsome	1.21%	Samsung Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.90%
Dongwon Industries Co Ltd	1.19%	Sk Square Co., Ltd.	0.90%
Hanwha Solutions Corporatio	1.17%	Whan In Pharmaceutic	0.89%
Kisco Corp Tentative	1.16%	Bookook Secs Co	0.87%
Asia Paper Manufacturing Co	1.16%	Shinhan Financial Group	0.85%
Gwangjushinsegae Co Ltd	1.15%	Korean Air	0.84%
Shinsegae Information & Comm	1.15%	Cj Cheiljedang Corp	0.83%
Samsung Fire And Marine Insurance Pref.	1.15%	Hwa Sung Industrial	0.83%
Cj Freshway Corp	1.15%	Megastudy	0.81%
Ottogi Corporation	1.14%	Vieworks	0.81%
Daelim Industrial Pref/Non-Voting	1.11%	Yesco Shs	0.80%
Dgb Financial Group Ltd	1.11%	Hyosung Corp	0.79%
Hyundai G.F. Holdings	1.09%	Hyundai Engineering Construction	0.78%
Maeil Dairies Co Ltd	1.09%	Korea Electric Terminal	0.77%
Hs Ad	1.09%	Hyundai Department Store Shs	0.76%
Lg Electronics Inc Pfd Shs.	1.09%	Hyundai Energy Solutions	0.76%
Kuhmo Industrial Co Ltd	1.08%	Tae Kwang Industrial Co Ltd	0.75%
Skchem Non-Cum Pfd	1.08%	E-Mart	0.74%
Sk Telekom	1.04%	Multicampus	0.70%
Wimco Registered	1.03%	Cs Holdings Co Ltd	0.70%



Equity Exposure: 96% No of holdings: 125 Average Weight: 0.77% Median Weight: 0.75%

TOP 5 : 7.92% TOP 10: 14.89% TOP 25: 33.61% TOP 50: 58.10%

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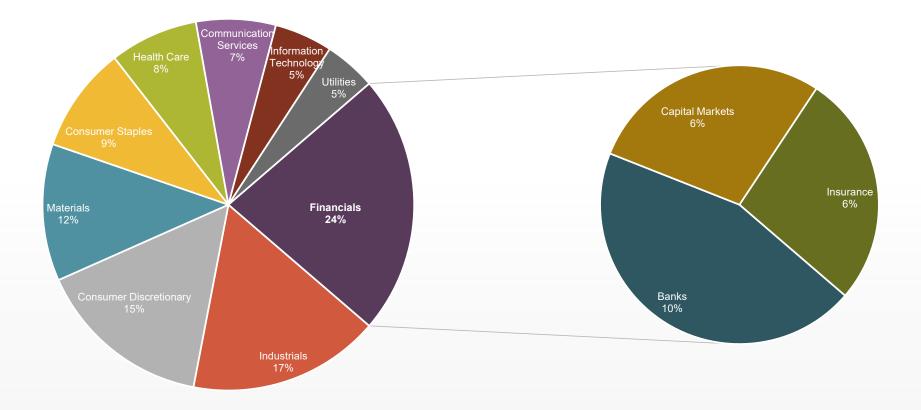


# EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings (as of 14 November '23)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weigh
Interlark Holding	0.69%	Global Enterprise Co Ltd	0.44%
Seegene Inc	0.69%	HI Mando Co. Ltd	0.42%
Kyobo Securities	0.68%	Saraminhr Co Ltd	0.41%
Db Financial Inv	0.68%	Sindoricom	0.41%
Daihan Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.65%	Kt Adr	0.40%
Bgf Rg Registered Shs	0.65%	Dongwon F And B	0.39%
Geumhwa Psc Co Ltd	0.63%	Ssangyong Fire Marine Insurance	0.38%
Imarketkorea Inc	0.63%	Dongbu Engineering Construction	0.37%
Hyundai Steel Co	0.63%	Fursys Inc	0.36%
Woori Investment & Securities Pfd N.Vot	0.62%	Sk Telecom Co Ltd-Spon Adr	0.36%
Korea Electric Power Corp	0.61%	Jls Co Ltd	0.35%
Woongjin Thinkbig Co	0.60%	Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd Repr.2Shs	0.35%
Dongkook Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.59%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial Co Ltd	0.34%
Daehan Flour Mills	0.57%	Daehan Synthetic	0.32%
Yuhwa Securities Co Ltd	0.57%	Youngone Corporation	0.32%
Kt Skylife	0.56%	Kpc Holdings Corp	0.32%
Value Added Technology Co Ltd	0.56%	Gabia Inc	0.32%
Ilshin Spinning Co Ltd	0.55%	Hyundai Green Food Co. Ltd	0.31%
Huons Co Ltd	0.54%	Hyundai Livart	0.31%
Incheon City Gas Co Ltd	0.53%	Namhae Chemical Corp	0.29%
Kpx Chemical Co Ltd	0.53%	Korea Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.27%
Cell Biotech Co Ltd	0.50%	Lotte Chilsung Beverage Co Pfd Shs N.Vtg	0.26%
Lock & Lock	0.50%	Daewoo Securities - Pfd Shs Non Voting	0.24%
Suheung Capsule Co Ltd	0.50%	Interflex Co Ltd	0.24%
Shin Heung Energy And Electronics Co Ltd	0.50%	Lg Haussys Prf Shs N.Vtg	0.24%
Gs Engineering & Construction	0.49%	Ezwel Co Ltd	0.22%
Shinsegae Food Co Ltd	0.49%	Huons Global Co Ltd	0.21%
Megastudyedu Co Ltd	0.47%	Korea Circuit Co Ltd-Pref	0.21%
Nong Shim Holdings Co Ltd	0.45%	Charm Engineering	0.18%
Kwang Dong Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.44%		



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





Total Return on sold

positions\*\*

## EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings (31 October '23 - 14 November '23)

Trade

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End Portfolio

Weight

0.76%

Change in Weight\*

0.44%

*Not adjusted	for	subscripti	ons/redem	ntions and	changes	in	market value
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Holding

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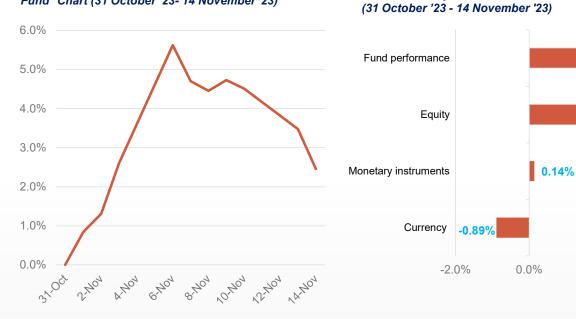
\*\*Local Currency

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

Performance by Asset Class







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AUM: 12,27 mln € Project closure at 25 mln €

2.0%

2.46%

#### Performance contribution by Asset Class and Sector (31 October '23 - 14 November '23)

			2 weeks	
		Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contributior (c = a*b)
	Contribution by asset class			
	Equity*	96,3%	3,43%	3,31%
8.43%	Cash & monetary instruments	3,7%	0.14%	0.01%
	Currency		-0,89%	-0,85%
	Total performance			+2.46%
	Equity Contribution by sector			
	Industrials	16.1%	4.90%	0.79%
	Financials	21.8%	3.06%	0.67%
1.0%	Consumer Staples	8.9%	5.86%	0.52%
	Consumer Discretionary	14.8%	2.49%	0.37%
	Materials	11.5%	3.15%	0.36%
	Information Technology	4.9%	3.66%	0.18%
	Communication Services	6.7%	2.58%	0.17%
	Health Care	7.4%	1.90%	0.14%
	Utilities	4.3%	2.62%	0.11%

\*Equity Performance is net of fees



# EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Performance (31 October '23 - 14 November '23)

#### Top performers\*

Bottom	performers
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	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	Contri
CJ Freshway	1.1%	15.9%	0.17%	Lock&Lock	0.5%	-13.6%	-0.0
Coway	0.9%	17.0%	0.15%	Hyundai Marine & Fire Insurance	1.0%	-6.4%	-0.0
Korea Electric Terminal	0.7%	18.9%	0.13%	Hyundai Department Store	0.8%	-6.1%	-0.0
Samsung Securities	1.4%	8.2%	0.12%	Saramin	0.5%	-9.6%	-0.0
SK Square	0.9%	12.5%	0.11%	Samsung Life	0.9%	-4.3%	-0.0
PharmGen Science	0.9%	12.1%	0.11%	MegaStudyEdu	0.5%	-7.1%	-0.0
Hanwha Solutions	1.2%	7.1%	0.08%	Vieworks	0.8%	-3.9%	-0.0
Seegene	0.7%	11.9%	0.08%	Suheung	0.5%	-5.8%	-0.0
DL 1P Pref Shs	1.1%	7.0%	0.08%	Asia Paper Manufacturing	1.2%	-2.7%	-0.0
Ottogi	1.1%	6.4%	0.07%	Huons	0.6%	-5.1%	-0.03
Noori Financial Group	1.6%	4.4%	0.07%	Gabia	0.4%	-7.3%	-0.03
lecto Innovation	1.4%	5.1%	0.07%	Dongkook Pharmaceutical	0.6%	-4.0%	-0.0
ndustrial Bank Of Korea	1.7%	4.0%	0.07%	Kwangdong Pharmaceutical	0.5%	-4.5%	-0.0
lana Financial Group	1.4%	4.4%	0.06%	HYUNDAI EZWEL	0.2%	-7.0%	-0.0
Tong Yang Life Insurance	1.2%	5.0%	0.06%	KT Skylife	0.6%	-2.6%	-0.0

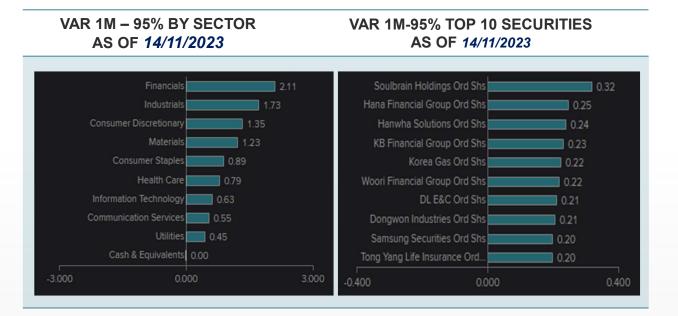
\*Sorted from highest to lowest by Contribution



### Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95% as of 14/11/2023

#### Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

KR	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-2,09%	-2,85%
Historical 1W	-4,67%	-6.36%
Historical 1M	-9,81%	-13,35%



Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM



### EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Indices % price changes

Index	Price as of 14/11/2023	% Price Change 2 weeks (local currency)	% Price Change 2 weeks (€)	% 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*	990.80	-	2.46%	-	-3.33%	-	-0.92%
MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD00000NUS)	362.30	6.86%	3.89%	14.07%	12.22%	22.88%	11.12%
MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS)	147.53	3.68%	0.80%	3.52%	1.84%	17.27%	6.04%
MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS)	157.44	4.50%	1.59%	1.09%	-0.55%	14.89%	3.89%
Korea KOSPI (.KS11)	2433.25	6.82%	7.62%	8.80%	3.04%	9.62%	8.71%
Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX)	2345.29	4.06%	2.03%	23.98%	6.33%	24.78%	11.83%
Indonesia (.JKSE)	6862.06	1.63%	-0.01%	0.17%	-2.25%	0.45%	-10.35%
China (.HSI)	17396.86	1.66%	-0.92%	-12.05%	-13.43%	4.72%	-4.75%

\* class I

\*\* Inception date: 17/10/2022

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