

NJ
Korea Reunification SDG



# Bi-Weekly Risk Report

14 August 2024



# **Summary**

- Project characteristics
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- Portfolio: Holdings
- Portfolio: Allocation & performance
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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: 13.75 mln € as of 14/08/2024

Project Max AUM: 25 mln

Project Liquidability at max. AUM 90% 5 day – 99% 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)

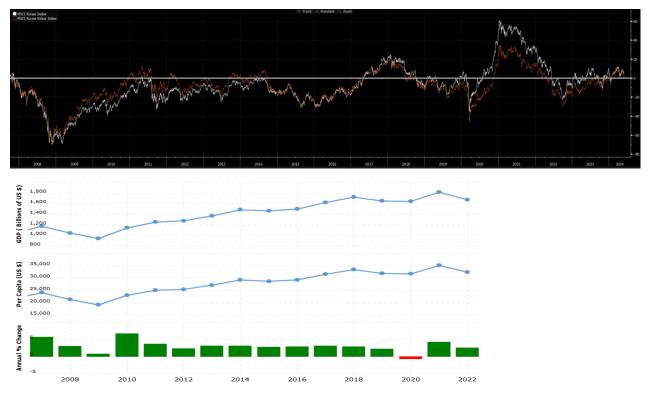
Project Investment Manager: Niche Asset Management Ltd – www.nicheam.com



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...

Source: NicheAM, WorldBank, MSCI, Bloomberg



Korean equity market (value and blended index) almost flat (USD) since 2007

**BUT** 

Korean GDP +48% (USD) since 2007!!!



### 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	Notes (if sold before reaching the target)
07/11/2022	Manho Rope & Wire Ltd	44922	+59,3%	Total	45000	< +/- 5%	-
14/12/2022	Sebang	27539	+78,8%	Total	27200	< +/- 5%	-
20/02/2023	Osstem Implant Co Ltd	188518	+62,4%	Total	190000	< +/- 5%	-
19/04/2023	Rifa Industrial	25850	+68.4%	Total	30500	+18%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
27/04/2023	KISCO Holdings	20123	+61.6%	Total	36620	+82%	Switch with the operating company, Kisco, that presents better upside (>120%) and liquidity
15/05/2023	Oyang Corp	8180	+7,9%	Total	14150	+73%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
01/06/2023	Hyundai Elevator	40532	+74.0%	Total	39600	< +/- 5%	-
05/06/2023	SK RENT A CAR	9466	+47.9%	Total	9100	< +/- 5%	-
03/07/2023	Hd Hyundai Electric	66102	+73.1%	Total	68000	< +/- 5%	-
10/07/2023	Eugene Investment & Sec	4153	+63.5%	Total	4900	+18%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
24/07/2023	Posco Holdings	566000	+122.0%	Total	547220	< +/- 5%	-
04/08/2023	LX Hausys	52711	+63.9%	Total	53700	< +/- 5%	-
08/08/2023	Chinyang Holdings	3275	+9.6%	Total	4770	+46%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
06/09/2023	KC Tech Co	22041	+36.7%	Total	27500	+25%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability
15/09/2023	Asia Holding	168462	+28.7%	Total	237000	+41%	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%	-
22/01/2024	Gabia	19194	+87.7%	Total	20200	< +/- 5%	-
23/01/2024	Interflex	17754	+72.5%	Total	17250	< +/- 5%	-
20/02/2024	Soulbrain Holdings	67506	+181.9%	Total	75000	+11%	-
18/04/2024	Daihan Pharmaceutical	28100	+3.1%	Total	28500	+83%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability

<sup>\*</sup> Local currency

Source: NicheAM

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

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28/05/2024	KISCO Corp	11090	+86.4%	Total	11700	<+/-5%	-
31/05/2024	Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance	264344	+89.2%	Total	260000	<+/-5%	-
10/06/2024	SK Square	88385	+143.1%	Total	95000	7%	-
14/06/2024	Yesco Holdings	44950	+81.1%	Partial(23%)	64300	43%	Tactical reduction
14/06/2024	Korea Gas Corp	47748	+57.4%	Total	42500	-11%	-
17/06/2024	HI Mando	45195	+23.6%	Total	47500	<+/- 5%	-
18/06/2024	Daesang	29826	+47.7%	Total	31500	<+/-5%	-
02/07/2024	Fursys	50240	+78.0%	Total	50630	< +/- 5%	-
29/07/2024	KB Financial Group Inc	87906	+94.23%	Partial(35%)	130200	48%	Tactical reduction
29/07/2024	Hana Financial Group Inc	63462	+76.8%	Partial(30%)	117500	85%	Tactical reduction
29/07/2024	Shinhan Financial Group Co Ltd	58434	+75.3%	Partial(48%)	88600	52%	Tactical reduction
29/07/2024	Samsung Securities Co Ltd	45213	+43.7%	Partial(37%)	54000	20%	Tactical reduction
29/07/2024	GS Engineering & Construction	19215	-7.96%	Total	28000	46%	switched to Hyundai Engineering & Construction due to better risk/reward profile (no litigation, better financial structure)
09/08/2024	TongYang Life Insurance	8221	+98.2%	Total	10000	22%	Sold on rumours of take over
09/08/2024	Hwacheon Machine Tool	28250	+3.3%	Total	59565	109%	The company doesn't want to engage with the IM on sustainability

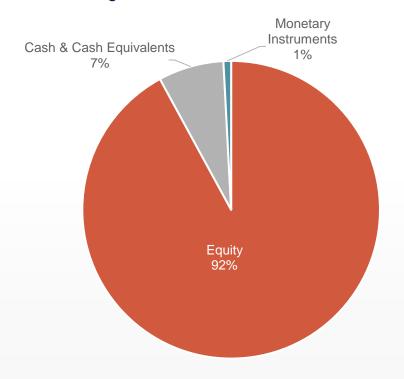
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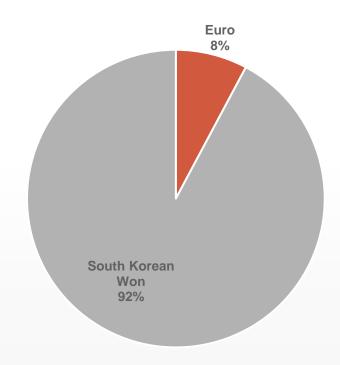
## **PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary**



# Breakdown by Asset Class as of 14 August '24



# Breakdown by Currency as of 14 August '24



## **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 14 August '24)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weigh
Lg Uplus Corp - Reg Shs	1.97%	Daelim Industrial Pref/Non-Voting	0.98%
Indust Bk Of Korea	1.74%	Wimco Registered	0.97%
Handsome	1.71%	Lotte Rental Co Ltd	0.97%
Noori Financial Group	1.66%	Hs Ad	0.96%
Hyundai Engineering Construction-Reg Shs	1.64%	Coway Co Ltd	0.96%
(t Corporation	1.60%	Bookook Secs Co	0.95%
Corea Electric Power Corp	1.59%	Sk Telekom	0.95%
nk Financial Group Inc	1.56%	Youngone Corp	0.94%
Лaeil Dairies Co Ltd	1.55%	Korean Reinsurance Co	0.93%
Cuckoo Electronics Co Ltd	1.54%	Hanwha Solutions Corporatio	0.91%
hinsegae Information & Comm	1.53%	Dgb Financial Group Ltd	0.91%
amsung Securities Co Ltd - Reg Shs	1.48%	Hyundai Home Shopping	0.90%
Oongwon Industries Co Ltd	1.35%	Hyundai Energy Solutions	0.90%
b Financial Group Inc - Reg Shs	1.35%	Hyundai Steel Co	0.87%
g Electronics Inc Pfd Shs.Non Voting	1.34%	Hyundai Green Food Co. Ltd	0.85%
yungdong City G	1.32%	Sam Jung Pulp	0.84%
lana Financial Group Inc	1.25%	Skchem Non-Cum Pfd	0.84%
j Cheiljedang Corp	1.24%	Kyeryong Construction Industrial Co Ltd	0.80%
Gwangjushinsegae Co Ltd	1.19%	Megastudyedu Co Ltd	0.77%
lecto Innovation Co Ltd	1.13%	Seegene Inc	0.76%
j Freshway Corp	1.13%	Cell Biotech Co Ltd	0.72%
lyundai G.F. Holdings	1.10%	Pharmgen Science Inc	0.71%
Global Enterprise Co Ltd	1.09%	Cs Holdings Co Ltd	0.70%
sia Paper Manufacturing Co	1.04%	Megastudy	0.70%
Ottogi Corporation	1.03%	Korean Air	0.69%
Multicampus	1.02%	Interlark Holding	0.69%
lyundai Fire Marine Insurance Co Ltd	1.02%	Yesco Shs	0.68%
aishin Securities Pref.Non.Voting	1.02%	Saraminhr Co Ltd	0.67%
I E And C - Registered Shs	1.00%	Db Financial Inv	0.67%
Vhan In Pharmaceutic	1.00%	E-Mart	0.66%
ace Bed Co Ltd	0.99%	Hs Hwasung Co Ltd	0.65%
Samsung Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.98%	Woori Investment & Securities Pfd N.Vot	0.64%



Equity Exposure: 92% No of holdings: 122 Average Weight: 0.74% Median Weight: 0.66%

TOP 5 : 8.72% TOP 10: 16.56% TOP 25: 35.13% TOP 50: 58.59%

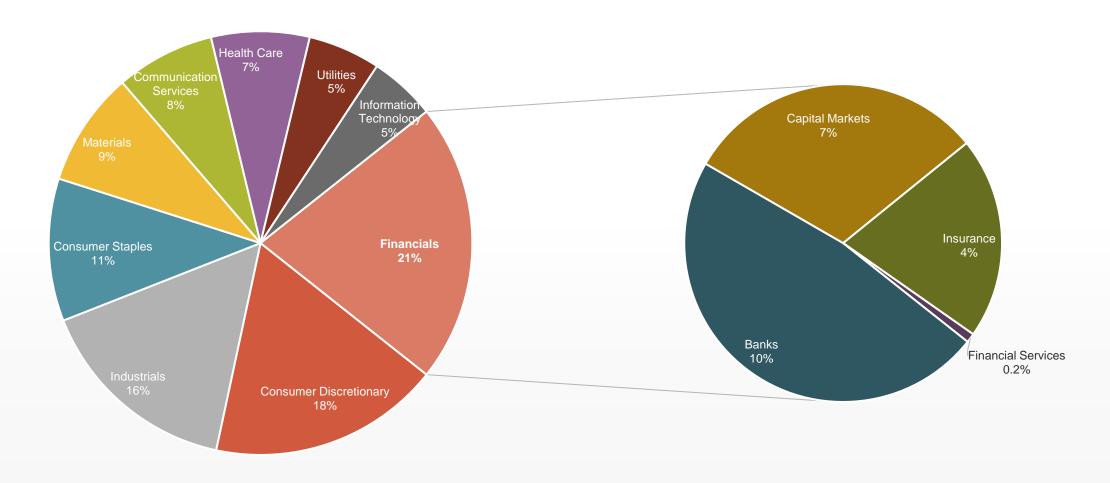
## **EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Holdings** (as of 14 August '24)

Holding	Portfolio Weight	Holding	Portfolio Weight
Korea Electric Terminal	0.64%	Hyosung Corp	0.37%
Kuhmo Industrial Co Ltd	0.63%	Woongjin Thinkbig Co	0.37%
Lock & Lock	0.62%	Hy Lok Corp	0.35%
Vieworks	0.62%	Dongwon F And B	0.35%
Tae Kwang Industrial Co Ltd	0.61%	Huons Co Ltd	0.35%
Hyundai Department Store Shs	0.60%	Kwang Dong Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.33%
Seoul City Gas Co Ltd	0.59%	Sk Telecom Co Ltd-Spon Adr	0.33%
marketkorea Inc	0.59%	Kpc Holdings Corp	0.30%
(yobo Securities	0.59%	Suheung Capsule Co Ltd	0.29%
Shinhan Financial Group	0.59%	Hyundai Livart	0.29%
Bgf Rg Registered Shs	0.57%	Daehan Synthetic	0.28%
Daehan Flour Mills	0.56%	Motonic Corporation	0.28%
Oongkook Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.56%	Jls Co Ltd	0.27%
otte Chilsung Beverage Co Pfd Shs N.Vtg	0.55%	Dongbu Engineering Construction	0.26%
Geumhwa Psc Co Ltd	0.53%	Youngone Corporation	0.26%
Daewon Pharmaceutical Co Ltd	0.53%	Sebang Co Ltd	0.25%
uhwa Securities Co Ltd	0.50%	Lg Haussys Prf Shs N.Vtg	0.25%
(px Chemical Co Ltd	0.50%	Korea Life Insurance Co Ltd	0.23%
amchully Co Ltd	0.48%	Daewoo Securities - Pfd Shs Non Voting	0.23%
Corea United Pharm Inc	0.47%		0.23%
hinhan Financial Group Co Ltd Repr.2Shs	0.46%	Namhae Chemical Corp  Korea Circuit Co Ltd-Pref	
hin Heung Energy And Electronics Co Ltd	0.46%		0.20%
ncheon City Gas Co Ltd	0.45%	Huons Global Co Ltd	0.20%
sangyong Fire Marine Insurance	0.44%	Nice Information & Telecommunication Inc	0.20%
shin Spinning Co Ltd	0.43%	Intelligent Digital Integrated Security	0.20%
t Skylife	0.42%	Ssangyong Precision Industry	0.20%
Iong Shim Holdings Co Ltd	0.41%	Ezwel Co Ltd	0.18%
indoricom	0.41%	Digital Daesung Co Ltd	0.17%
alue Added Technology Co Ltd	0.40%	Charm Engineering	0.14%
hinsegae Food Co Ltd	0.39%	Hs Hyosung Corporation	0.09%
Kt Adr	0.39%		
unjin Co Ltd	0.37%		



# EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Allocation summary: Breakdown by Sector as 14 August '24





# EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Change in holdings (31 July '24 - 14 August '24)



Holding	Trade	End Portfolio Weight	Change in Weight*	Total Return on sold positions**
Handsome	ADD	1.71%	0.05%	
Hwacheon Machine Tool	SELL	0.00%	-0.76%	+3.3%
Tong Yang Life Insurance	SELL	0.00%	-0.77%	+98.2%

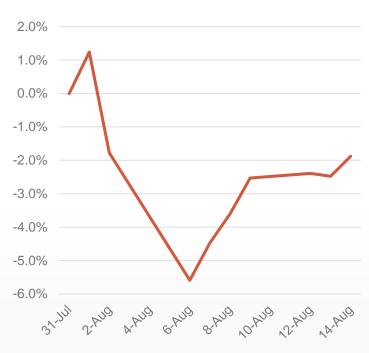
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## **PORTFOLIO:** Allocation & Performance summary

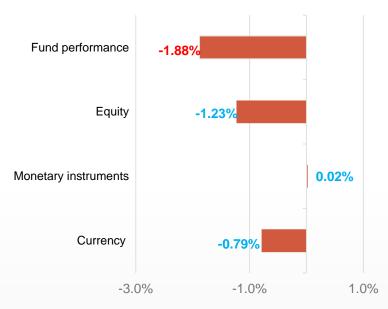


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## Performance by Asset Class (31 July '24 - 14 August '24)



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.

AUM: 13,75 mln € Project closure at 25 mln €

## Performance contribution by Asset Class and Sector (31 July '24 - 14 August '24)

		2 weeks	
	Avg Weight (a)	Return (b)	Contribution (c = a*b)
Contribution by asset class			
Equity*	92.9%	-1.23%	-1.15%
Cash & monetary instruments	7.1%	0.02%	0.00%
Currency		-0.79%	-0.73%
Total performance			-1.88%
Equity Contribution by sector			
Information Technology	4.4%	4.7%	0.21%
Health Care	6.9%	1.2%	0.09%
Utilities	5.1%	0.0%	0.00%
Communication Services	7.1%	-1.6%	-0.11%
Materials	8.1%	-3.0%	-0.24%
Consumer Staples	10.1%	-2.4%	-0.24%
Financials	19.8%	-1.1%	-0.21%
Industrials	14.9%	-2.0%	-0.29%
Consumer Discretionary	16.4%	-2.1%	-0.34%

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

Source: NicheAM. Refinitiv

# EQUITY PORTFOLIO: Performance (31 July '24 - 14 August '24)



### Top performers\*

### **Bottom performers**

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	Avg Weight	Return	Contribution		Avg Weight	Return	
Hd Hyundai Energy Solutions	0.7%	31.9%	0.22%	Hyundai Engineering & Construction	1.7%	-8.6%	
Seegene	0.7%	26.1%	0.18%	DL 1P Pref Shs	1.0%	-12.5%	
Hanwha Solutions	0.8%	12.6%	0.10%	DL E&C	1.0%	-11.9%	
Korea Electric Terminal	0.5%	18.2%	0.10%	Handsome	1.7%	-6.4%	
Tong Yang Life Insurance	0.5%	10.7%	0.06%	Dongwon Industries	1.4%	-7.4%	
Shin Heung	0.4%	9.4%	0.04%	Maeil Dairies	1.6%	-6.5%	
CJ Freshway	1.1%	2.7%	0.03%	Samsung Life	1.0%	-9.3%	
PharmGen Science	0.7%	4.1%	0.03%	LG Uplus	2.0%	-4.4%	
Bnk Financial Group	1.5%	1.8%	0.03%	Lg Electronics Pref Shs	1.4%	-6.1%	
Korean Reinsurance	0.9%	2.6%	0.02%	Hana Financial Group	1.3%	-6.2%	
Yesco Holdings	0.7%	3.0%	0.02%	Sebang	1.1%	-7.0%	
Gradiant	0.7%	2.5%	0.02%	KT	1.6%	-4.6%	
Bookook Securities	0.9%	1.3%	0.01%	Dongwon F&B	0.4%	-19.0%	
Lotte Rental	0.9%	1.2%	0.01%	Wonik Materials	1.0%	-6.9%	
E-Mart	0.6%	1.5%	0.01%	MegaStudyEdu	0.8%	-8.0%	

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

Source: NicheAM, Refinitiv

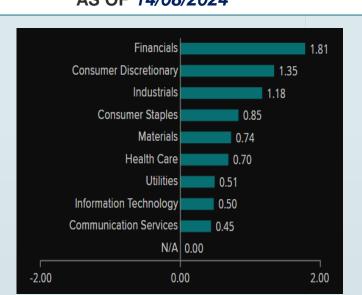
## Ex-ante analysis: VaR 1 month 95% as of 14/08/2024



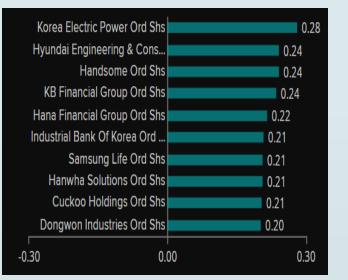
#### Portfolio VaR Sensitivity

KR	95% VaR	99% VaR
Historical 1D	-1,45%	-3,10%
Historical 1W	-3,24%	-6,93%
Historical 1M	-6,80%	-14,54%

### VAR 1M – 95% BY SECTOR AS OF 14/08/2024



### VAR 1M-95% TOP 10 SECURITIES AS OF 14/08/2024



Source: MSCI Risk Metrics, Niche AM

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



Index	Price as of 14/08/2024	% Price Change 2 weeks (local currency)	% Price Change 2 weeks (€)	% Price Change 3 months (local ccy)	% Price Change 3 months (€)	% Price Change Year to Date (local ccy)	% Price Change Year to Date (€)	% Price Change 1 Year (local ccy)	% Price Change 1 Year (€)	% Price Change Since inception ** (local ccy)	% Price Change Since inception ** (€)
NicheJungle Korea Reunification SDG*	1067.58	-	-1.88%	-	-0.82%	-	3.81%	-	8.48%	-	6.76%
MSCI ACWI Net (.dMIWD00000NUS)	433.40	-1.26%	-2.94%	2.64%	0.83%	11.67%	11.91%	19.23%	18.06%	46.99%	31.32%
MSCI Asia Pacific Value (.dMIAP0000VPUS)	165.73	-3.48%	-5.12%	-0.99%	-2.74%	4.57%	4.80%	10.92%	9.83%	31.73%	17.69%
MSCI Asia Pacific (.MIAP00000PUS)	179.03	-2.49%	-4.15%	0.30%	-1.47%	5.69%	5.92%	10.84%	9.75%	30.64%	16.71%
Korea KOSPI (.KS11)	2644.50	-4.55%	-5.27%	-3.14%	-4.23%	-0.41%	-4.91%	2.86%	0.41%	19.14%	12.30%
Tokyo Stock Exchange (.TOPX)	2581.90	-7.60%	-7.52%	-5.46%	-1.38%	9.11%	4.71%	13.20%	10.74%	37.37%	24.15%
China (.HSI)	17113.36	-1.33%	-2.76%	-10.28%	-11.64%	0.39%	0.82%	-8.84%	-9.42%	3.01%	-7.29%

Source: Niche AM, Refinitiv

<sup>\*</sup> class I

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



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