

Media release

BetaShares brings additional currency-hedged global ETFs to market

SYDNEY, 11 June 2020: BetaShares, a leading Australian ETF manager, has today announced the launch of a currency-hedged version of its Global Quality Leaders ETF, with currency-hedged versions of two of its other popular international ETFs, the Global Sustainability Leaders ETF and NASDAQ 100 ETF, to follow.¹

BetaShares CEO, Alex Vynokur, said: ‘Currency movements are notoriously difficult to predict, and recent exchange rate volatility illustrates that currency exposure can often be a key driver of investment returns. We are broadening our range of currency-hedged ETFs in response to significant client demand, as many investors are looking to substantially remove the currency variable from the investment equation.’

The three funds are the BetaShares Global Quality Leaders ETF – Currency Hedged (ASX: HQLT), the BetaShares Global Sustainability Leaders ETF – Currency Hedged (ASX: HETH), and the BetaShares NASDAQ 100 ETF – Currency Hedged (ASX: HNDQ).

- HQLT offers exposure to a diversified portfolio of 150 high quality global companies (ex-Australia) in a single ASX trade.
- HETH will provide access to a portfolio of large global companies that meet strict sustainability and ethical standards. ETHI, the unhedged version of the strategy, is the largest ethical ETF on the ASX.
- HNDQ will enable investors to get exposure to the currency-hedged version of the iconic Nasdaq-100 Index.

Mr. Vynokur concluded: “The unhedged versions of these three ETFs have been among our most successful funds, with over \$1.5B in assets between them, and the indices that the funds aim to track all significantly outperforming broad sharemarket benchmarks over the long-term to date². The new currency-hedged funds give investors a choice – to remain exposed to exchange rate movements as another source of potential returns, or to seek to minimise the impact of currency fluctuations.”

The three new ETFs join BetaShares’ existing range of 8 currency-hedged global equities ETFs, the largest range of currency-hedged exposures on the market.

¹ Subject to ASX approval.

² As at 31 May 2020. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Investing involves risk.

HQLT started trading on the ASX on 10 June 2020, with HETH and HNDQ expected to follow shortly thereafter.

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About BetaShares

BetaShares is a leading manager of ETFs and other Funds traded on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Founded in 2009, our aim is to provide intelligent investment solutions to help Australian investors meet their financial objectives.

With over 60 products available, we currently offer the broadest range of exchange traded products in the market, all of which can be bought and sold via the ASX. We offer investors simple, liquid and cost-effective access to Australian and global equities, cash and fixed income, currencies, commodities, and active and alternative strategies.

As at 31 May 2020, BetaShares managed over \$11 billion in assets.

BetaShares is owned and managed by its Australian-based management team along with a strategic shareholding from Mirae Asset Global Investment Group, one of Asia's largest asset management firms.

BetaShares' range of ASX-traded funds includes:

Product Series	Product	Ticker
Cash & Fixed Income ETFs	Australian Bank Senior Floating Rate Bond ETF	QPON
	Australian Government Bond ETF	AGVT
	Australian High Interest Cash ETF	AAA
	Australian Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF	CRED
	Sustainability Leaders Diversified Bond ETF – Currency Hedged	GBND
	Global Government Bond 20+ Year ETF – Currency Hedged	GGOV

Hybrid Funds	Active Australian Hybrids Fund (managed fund)	HBRD
Commodity ETFs	Agriculture ETF – Currency Hedged (synthetic)	QAG
	Commodities Basket ETF – Currency Hedged (synthetic).	QCB
	Crude Oil Index ETF – Currency Hedged (synthetic)	OOO
	Gold Bullion ETF – Currency Hedged	QAU
Currency ETFs	British Pound ETF	POU
	Euro ETF	EEU
	U.S. Dollar ETF	USD
	BetaShares Strong U.S. Dollar Fund (hedge fund)	YANK
	BetaShares Strong Australian Dollar Fund (hedge fund)	AUDS
Diversified ETFs	Diversified Conservative Income ETF	DZZF
	Diversified Balanced ETF	DBBF
	Diversified Growth ETF	DGGF
	Diversified High Growth ETF	DHHF
Equities ETFs	FTSE RAFI Australia 200 ETF	QOZ
	Financials Sector ETF	QFN
	Resources Sector ETF	QRE
	Australian Ex-20 Portfolio Diversifier ETF	EX20
	Australian Small Companies Select Fund (managed fund)	SMLL
	Australian Sustainability Leaders ETF	FAIR
	Australia 200 ETF	A200
	S&P/ASX Australian Technology ETF	A TEC
Equity Income Funds	Australian Dividend Harvester Fund (managed fund)	HVST
	Equity Yield Maximiser Fund (managed fund)	YMAX
Geared Funds	Geared Australian Equity Fund (hedge fund)	GEAR
	Geared US Equity Fund – Currency Hedged (hedge fund)	GGUS
International Funds	Asian Technology Tigers ETF	ASIA

	FTSE RAFI U.S. 1000 ETF	QUS
	Europe ETF – Currency Hedged	HEUR
	FTSE 100 ETF	F100
	Global Agriculture ETF – Currency Hedged	FOOD
	Global Banks ETF – Currency Hedged	BNKS
	Global Cybersecurity ETF	HACK
	Global Energy Companies ETF – Currency Hedged	FUEL
	Global Gold Miners ETF – Currency Hedged	MNRS
	Global Healthcare ETF – Currency Hedged	DRUG
	Global Income Leaders ETF	INCM
	Global Quality Leaders ETF	QLTY
	Global Quality Leaders ETF – Currency Hedged	HQLT
	Global Robotics and Artificial Intelligence ETF	RBTZ
	Global Sustainability Leaders ETF	ETHI
	India Quality ETF	IIND
	Japan ETF – Currency Hedged	HJPN
	NASDAQ 100 ETF	NDQ
	S&P 500 Yield Maximiser Fund (managed fund)	UMAX
Managed Risk Funds	Managed Risk Australian Share Fund (managed fund)	AUST
	Managed Risk Global Share Fund (managed fund)	WRLD
Short Funds	Australian Equities Bear Hedge Fund	BEAR
	Australian Equities Strong Bear Hedge Fund	BBOZ
	US Equities Strong Bear Hedge Fund – Currency Hedged	BBUS
Active	AMP Capital Dynamic Markets Fund (Hedge Fund)	DMKT
	AMP Capital Global Infrastructure Securities Fund (Unhedged) (Managed Fund)	GLIN
	AMP Capital Global Property Securities Fund (Unhedged) (Managed Fund)	RENT

	BetaShares Legg Mason Australian Bond Fund (managed fund)	BNDS
	BetaShares Legg Mason Equity Income Fund (managed fund)	EINC
	BetaShares Legg Mason Emerging Markets Fund (managed fund)	EMMG
	BetaShares Legg Mason Real Income Fund (managed fund)	RINC

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