# **Performance Update**

# SciBeta HFI US Equity 6F EW (USD) UCITS ETF

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#### **Investment Objective**

The Scientific Beta HFI US Equity 6F EW (USD) UCITS ETF (the "USUF ETF") aims to deliver medium to long term capital appreciation by providing Shareholders with a return equivalent to the performance of the SciBeta United States High-Factor-Intensity Diversified Multi-Beta Multi-Strategy 6-Factor 4-Strategy EW Market Beta Adjusted (Leverage) Net Return

#### About the Index

The Index is designed to create exposure to a portfolio of equities and equity related securities, which are listed or traded on any stock exchange that is located in North America, through equally-weighted allocations to 6 sub-indices.

Each sub-index will reflect one of the six following investment styles:

Value (investing in equities and equity related securities with high book to market value ratio)

High Momentum (investing in equities and equity related securities that have outperformed in the past)

Low volatility (investment in equities and equity related securities with low volatility)

Size (investment in medium capitalisation equities and equity related securities)

**High Profitability** (investment in equities and equity related securities that have a high gross profitability ratio, defined as the ratio of the previous fiscal year's gross profit to total assets of the relevant issuer)

Low Investment (investing in equities and equity related securities whose issuer has low asset growth rate)

In order to ensure that each of the sub-indices is diversified, an equally weighted combination of four diversification based weighing schemes (Max De-concentration, Max De-correlation, Max Sharpe Ratio, Diversified Risk Weighted) is applied to the respective portfolio of equity and equity related securities selected for that sub-index.

The Index is calculated daily. Constituents and weightings are determined quarterly. These are available, as well as a detailed description of the methodology, at www.scientificbeta.com.

#### The USUF ETF

The USUF ETF enables an investor to gain exposure to the performance of the index in a cost effective manner.

#### **Key Product Risks**

- No capital protection: investors may lose their entire investment by investing it in the USUF ETF
- The USUF ETF is exposed to market risk and risks arising from equity factor exposure
- Whilst Scientific Beta use transparent methodologies to construct their indices, they are still subject to model risk
- The use of derivative instruments is central to the investment policy of the ETF. The ability of the ETF to meet its objective is dependent on the ability of the counterparty to meet its obligations. In the event of counterparty default, the ETF will be exposed to the economic value and market risk associated with the funding assets it holds and the ability of the ETF to deliver the return of the Index may be negatively impaired

#### **Trading Considerations**

London Stock Exchange (LSE)
USD
08:00 - 16:30 London Time
IE00BKKLKJ11
USUF LN Equity
USUF.L
A2PYX6
SBUXAMEN Index
30bps
On Bloomberg, <usuf equity="" ln="">then<qrm></qrm></usuf>
5,000 shares
12:00pm (T) London time
Morgan Stanley & Co. International Plc.
DVP (Delivery vs. Payment) via CREST, Subscription: T+2; Redemption: T+3

#### **Benchmark-Information**

Index	SciBeta United States High-Factor-Intensity Diversified Multi-Beta Multi-Strategy 6-Factor 4- Strategy EW Market Beta Adjusted (Leverage) Net Return
Currency	USD
Bloomberg	SBUXAMEN Index
Index Sponsor	Edhec-Risk Institute ScientificBeta
Index Calculation Agent	Edhec-Risk Institute ScientificBeta

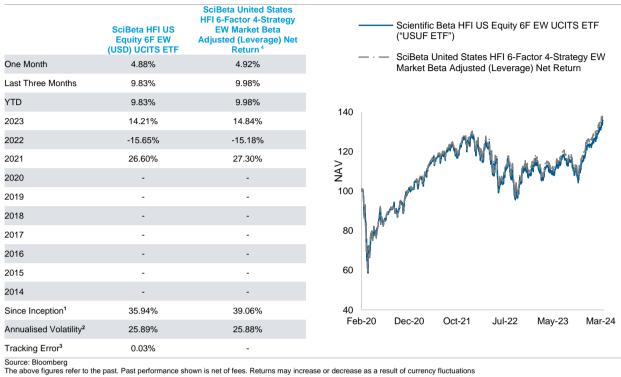
#### **ETF Characteristics**

Replication Method	Synthetic replication
Base Currency	USD
Promoter	Morgan Stanley & Co. International Plc ("Morgan Stanley")
Investment Manager	FundLogic SAS ("FundLogic")
Depositary	Northern Trust Fiduciary Services (Ireland) Limited
ETF Inception Day	19-Feb-20
Total Expense Ratio	0.30% p.a.
Dividend Treatment	Accumulation
Open-ended	Yes
UCITS	Yes
Domicile	Ireland
Minimum Investment	5,000 Shares
NAV	\$ 135.94
AUM (USD)	\$ 3.94 MM
Passporting	Ireland, UK and Germany

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### Performance of Fund (as of 28 March 2024)

Past performance does not predict future return



1. Calculated for both the USUF ETF and the Index from the launch of the USUF ETF (19-Feb-20)

Volatility is computed as the standard deviation of the daily return.
The tracking error is computed as the annualized standard deviation of the spread in performance between the return of the fund and the Index as its benchmark.
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To receive further information in relation to the past performance of the USUF ETF and its functioning in different market conditions, please contact your Morgan Stanley Sales representative. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.

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## **Currency Weightings**

Top 10 Countries <sup>5</sup>	% of NAV
United States Dollar	100.00%
-	-
	-
-	-
	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
TOTAL	100.00%

#### Holdings

Top 10 Holdings⁵	% of NAV
Meta Platforms, Inc.	1.78%
Merck & Co., Inc.	1.59%
Synopsys, Inc.	1.24%
Johnson & Johnson	1.23%
Exxon Mobil Corporation	1.21%
Eli Lilly and Company	1.13%
Alphabet Inc.	0.99%
Walmart Inc.	0.96%
Marathon Petroleum Corporation	0.94%
Verizon Communications Inc.	0.87%
TOTAL	11.93%

5. The weightages mentioned are for the Net Return index rebased to 100.

**Industry Weightings** 

Top 10 Industries <sup>5</sup>	% of NAV
Technology	17.63%
Financials / Real Estate	15.21%
Health Care	15.06%
Consumer Discretionary	12.20%
Consumer Staples	9.03%
Industrials	8.42%
Energy	6.82%
Telecommunication Services	6.68%
Utilities	5.83%
Materials	3.12%
TOTAL	100.00%

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