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W.I.S.E. – CSI 300 China Tracker®*

(*This is a synthetic ETF)

標智滬深 300 中國指數基金®*

(*此基金為一隻合成交易所買賣基金)

a sub-fund of the World Index Shares ETFs

(a Hong Kong unit trust authorized under
section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance¹
(Cap. 571 of the laws of the Hong Kong SAR))

(Stock Code: 02827)

**Announcement -
Direct investment in eligible A Shares of
PRC companies listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange
via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect**

The Manager of W.I.S.E. – CSI 300 China Tracker® (*This is a synthetic ETF) (the “**Sub-Fund**”) hereby announces that, in addition to investing in A Shares indirectly through AXPs and investing directly in A Shares by the Manager as a QFII on behalf of the Sub-Fund (to the extent of such portion of the Manager’s QFII investment quota as the Manager may allocate to the Sub-Fund from time to time), the Sub-Fund may, via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, invest directly in certain eligible A Shares of PRC companies listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Currently, the target aggregate exposure to A Shares through direct investment will not exceed 30% of the Sub-Fund’s Net Asset Value. The Prospectus of the Sub-Fund (the “**Prospectus**”) and the Product Key Facts Statement (collectively, the “**Offering Document**”) will be updated to cater for the amendments relating to such change.

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1. Direct access to eligible A Shares of PRC companies listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect

Currently, according to the Prospectus, the Sub-Fund mainly invests in A Shares through AXPs in achieving its investment objective. The Sub-Fund may also invest directly in A Shares via the Manager's QFII investment quota allocated to the Sub-Fund from time to time. In view of the launch of Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, the Manager intends that with effect from 12 August 2015 (the "**Effective Date**") the Sub-Fund may also invest directly in certain eligible A Shares of PRC companies listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect. At present, the target aggregate exposure to A Shares through direct investment will not exceed 30% of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund. The Manager may, subject to market demands and conditions, the quota availability and the applicable regulatory requirements, vary the extent of the Sub-Fund's direct investment in A Shares as it considers appropriate.

2. Changes to the Prospectus

In view of the aforementioned changes, the Manager will revise the Offering Document. The changes to the Prospectus which will take effect from the Effective Date are generally as follows:

- (i) amending the section headed "Investment Objectives and Policies of the Sub-Fund" so as to reflect the Sub-Fund's direct investment in A Shares via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect;
- (ii) updating the section on "Risk Factors and Risk Management Policies" to include the additional risk disclosure in relation to direct investment in A Shares via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect, e.g. quota limitation, suspension risk, differences in trading day, operational risk, restrictions on selling imposed by front-end monitoring, recalling of eligible stocks, clearing and settlement risk, counterparty risk relating to brokers and regulatory risk etc;
- (iii) updating Appendix I "A Share Market in the PRC" to include a brief description of the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect; and
- (iv) updating the relevant disclosure relating to PRC Capital Gain Tax so as to reflect the Sub-Fund's direct investment in A Shares via the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect.

3. Other Updates and Amendments

Other updates and amendments will be made and these include:

- (i) updating the top ten holdings of the CSI 300 Index;
- (ii) updating the percentage of the total market capitalisation of the Shenzhen Stock Exchange and the Shanghai Stock Exchange that the 300 constituent stocks of the CSI 300 Index represent;
- (iii) updating the disclosure relating to the QFII investment quota so as to reflect

that the QFII investment quota will be reduced as a result of any repatriation of funds as approved by SAFE; and

- (iv) incorporating the change set out in the previous addendum dated 11 June 2015 in the updated Prospectus.

The updated Offering Document will be available on the website of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited at www.hkex.com.hk and the Manager's website² at www.boci-pru.com.hk/english/etf/intro.aspx (for the English version) and www.boci-pru.com.hk/chinese/etf/intro.aspx (for the Chinese version) from the Effective Date. Hard copies may also be obtained from Manager at 27th Floor, Bank of China Tower, 1 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong free of charge the Effective Date.

Terms not defined in this Announcement will have the meanings as are given to such terms in the Prospectus.

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² Information contained in the Manager's website has not been reviewed by the SFC.