

## Press release

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### VanEck registers 14 Think ETFs in selected European markets

- VanEck is expanding its investment offering in Europe with 14 new ETFs
- New ETFs cover investment strategies such as sustainable equities, global real estate stocks, equally weighted global equities and companies with high dividend payments and pursue innovative fee models as well as alternative weighting methods
- Think ETFs now licensed for distribution in Germany, Italy, the UK and Sweden

Following the acquisition of the Dutch ETF provider Think ETF by VanEck in June 2018, all Think ETFs have now been included in VanEck's portfolio. All 14 ETFs are in the process of gradually becoming registered in various European markets in order to make them accessible to investors in Europe. With assets under management of 1.7 billion euro, Think ETFs have so far only been traded on the Euronext stock exchange in Amsterdam. They are now licensed for distribution in Germany, Italy, the UK and Sweden.

"Until now, VanEck has mainly been known in Europe as a pioneer in forward-looking and intelligently designed investment strategies for commodities, emerging market bonds and smart-beta, said Martijn Rozemuller, European Head of VanEck. "With the Think ETF integration, we are able to offer investors a broader range of asset classes, sectors and innovative strategies at low cost."

#### Broader focus, same philosophy

In Europe, VanEck now provides investors access to a total of 27 passively and actively managed investment solutions. All Think ETFs correspond with the philosophy of VanEck, which is to offer investment strategies with unique selling points. "In particular, the Think ETFs' innovative fee models and alternative weighting methods, such as equal weight or dividend weighting, will supply a breath of fresh air to the European market," said Rozemuller.

Jan van Eck, CEO of VanEck, explained: "The Think ETF team has made a name for itself with its high-quality product range. The aim of the acquisition was to put the know-how of Think management to work for our clients. We are drawing nearer to achieving this objective by utilizing the synergy effects of both companies and we are now able to offer Think ETFs to a greater number of investors in European markets."

The portfolio of Think ETFs covers markets such as the global, European and North American equities, corporate bonds from industrialised countries and European government bonds. As with VanEck ETFs, all 14 ETFs are physically replicated and do not have any counterparty risk, as none of the ETFs engage in securities lending.

Think ETFs comprise ETF concepts such as:

- **Think Sustainable World UCITS ETF** (ISIN: NL0010408704): This ETF invests in equities from industrialised countries which have been analysed in cooperation with external research partners for their engagement in the areas of environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG).
- **Think Global Real Estate UCITS ETF** (ISIN: NL0009690239): This ETF invests in some of the largest and most liquid real estate stocks worldwide.

- **Think Global Equity UCITS ETF** (ISIN: NL0009690221): This global equity strategy offers investors access to a globally oriented and equally weighted equity portfolio of 250 securities. Regional capping generates additional diversification effects.
- **Think Morningstar® High Dividend UCITS ETF** (ISIN: NL0011683594): This ETF offers access to global equities with a high dividend yield, which are identified based on a proven and transparent indexing model from the renowned research company Morningstar.

#### ETFs at a glance:

	ETFs	Regional Exposure	ISIN
<b>Equity</b>	Think AEX UCITS ETF	Netherlands	NL0009272749
	Think AMX UCITS ETF	Netherlands	NL0009272756
	Think Global Equity UCITS ETF	Global	NL0009690221
	Think Global Real Estate UCITS ETF	Global	NL0009690239
	Think Sustainable World UCITS ETF	Global	NL0010408704
	Think European Equity UCITS ETF	Europe	NL0010731816
	Think Morningstar North America Equity UCITS ETF	North America	NL0011376074
	Think Morningstar High Dividend UCITS ETF	Global developed countries	NL0011683594
<b>Bond</b>	Think iBoxx Corporate Bond UCITS ETF	Global developed countries	NL0009690247
	Think iBoxx Government Bond UCITS ETF	Europe	NL0009690254
	Think iBoxx AAA-AA Government Bond UCITS ETF	Europe	NL0010273801
<b>Multi-Asset</b>	Think Total Market UCITS ETF Defensive	Global	NL0009272764
	Think Total Market UCITS ETF Neutral	Global	NL0009272772
	Think Total Market UCITS ETF Offensive	Global	NL0009272780

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Since its foundation in 1955, VanEck has been driven by innovation and stands for intelligently designed, forward-looking investment strategies. As of August 31, 2018, VanEck managed approximately USD 46 billion in assets, including ETFs, mutual funds and institutional accounts.

With more than 70 ETFs globally, the asset manager offers a comprehensive portfolio covering numerous sectors, asset classes and smart beta strategies. VanEck was one of the first asset managers to offer investors access to international markets. The objective has always been to identify new trends and asset classes – such as Gold Investments (1968),



Emerging Markets (1993) and ETFs (2006), which have shaped the investment industry to this day.

VanEck is headquartered in New York City and has offices in Frankfurt (Germany), Pfäeffikon (Switzerland), Amsterdam (Netherlands), Madrid (Spain), Sydney (Australia) and Shanghai (China).

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