# **Key Investor Information**



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This document provides you with key investor information about this fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

## WisdomTree Europe Equity UCITS ETF – GBP Hedged

a share class of WisdomTree Europe Equity UCITS ETF (the "Fund")

which is a sub-fund of WisdomTree Issuer plc. Managed by WisdomTree Management Limited.

### **Objectives and Investment Policy**

- The Fund seeks to track the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses of the WisdomTree Europe Equity Index (the "Index").
- The Index is a dividend weighted index designed to provide exposure to European (Eurozone) equity securities, particularly shares of European exporters. The Index consists of companies within the WisdomTree DEFA Index (the "Parent Index") that are organised under the laws of a European country, trade in Euro, have at least \$1 billion in market capitalisation, and derive at least 50% of their revenue from countries outside of Europe.
- The share class seeks to deliver exposure to the Index while at the same time neutralising exposure to fluctuations of the Euro relative to the Sterling by implementing a hedging methodology used in the WisdomTree Europe Hedged Equity Index (the "Hedged Index").
- To be included in the Index, securities must meet minimum market capitalisation and liquidity requirements and have paid dividends over the prior annual cycle.
- Securities are weighted in the Index based on dividends paid over the prior annual cycle. Companies that pay more total dollar amount of dividends are more heavily weighted.
- The Hedged Index is designed to have higher returns than an equivalent non-currency hedged investment when the Euro is weakening relative to Sterling and to have lower returns than an equivalent unhedged investment when the Euro is strengthening relative to Sterling.
- The Index is "reconstituted" annually on the basis of the above eligibility and weighting methodology. At such time, the maximum weight of any security in the Index, the maximum weight of any one sector and any one country in the Index is capped.
- A "passive management" (or indexing) investment approach will be employed and the Fund will invest in a portfolio of equity securities that so far as possible and practicable consists of a representative sample of the component securities of the Index and forward foreign exchange contracts that so far as possible

- and practicable replicate the currency hedging methodology of the Hedged Index.
- The currency hedging methodology consists of entering into a one-month forward currency contract (a contract between two parties to buy or sell a specific currency in the future at an agreed upon exchange rate) in order to hedge the underlying foreign currency exposure arising as a result of the difference between the Euro and Sterling.
- As it may be difficult, expensive or otherwise inefficient to purchase all the securities in the Index, the Fund may also hold shares or other securities which produce a similar investment return to securities in the Index or may invest in collective investment schemes.
- The Fund may enter into repurchase/reverse repurchase agreements and stock lending arrangements solely for the purposes of efficient portfolio management, subject to the conditions and within the limits set out in the prospectus for WisdomTree Issuer plc (the "Prospectus").
- Shares of the Fund ("Shares") are listed on one or more stock exchanges. Typically, only Authorised Participants (i.e. brokers) can purchase Shares from or sell Shares back to the Fund. Other investors can purchase and sell Shares on exchange on each day the relevant stock exchange is open.
- Distribution policy: Income received by the Fund's investments will normally be distributed Semi-annually in respect of the Shares of this class.
- Recommendation: This Fund may not be appropriate for shortterm investment.
- Currency: The base currency of the Fund is US Dollar. The currency of denomination of this share class is Sterling.
- For full investment objectives and policy details, please refer to the supplement to the Prospectus for the Fund (the "Supplement").

### **Risk and Reward Profile**

Lower risk
Typically lower rewards

Typically higher rewards

Typically higher rewards

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

- The categorisation above is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.
- The lowest category (1) does not imply a risk-free investment.
- The risk indicator was calculated incorporating simulated historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund
- The categorisation above (6) is due to the nature of the Fund's investments and risk associated with those investments, including:
  - The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events.
  - There is no assurance that any appreciation in the value of investments will occur, or that the investment objective of the Fund will be achieved.
  - Investment risk may be concentrated in specific sectors,

- countries, currencies or companies. This means the Fund is more sensitive to any localised economic, market, political or regulatory events.
- The return of the forward currency contracts may not perfectly offset the actual fluctuations between the Euro and Sterling.
- FDI Risks: include (i) failure to predict accurately the direction of the market movements and (ii) market risks of lack of liquidity or lack of correlation between the change in the value of the underlying asset and the value of the Fund's derivatives.
- Currency risk: The Fund invests in securities denominated in currencies other than its base currency. Changes in the exchange rates may adversely affect the performance of the Fund.
- Risks not covered by the indicator, but which are materially relevant to the Fund include:
  - Tracking error risk: The Fund's performance may not exactly track the Index. This can result from market fluctuations, changes in the composition of the Index, transaction costs, the costs of making changes to the Fund's portfolio and other Fund expenses.
  - There can be no certainty that Shares can always be bought or sold on a stock exchange or that the market price will reflect the NAV of the Fund.
  - It may be difficult for the Fund to buy or sell certain investments in some market conditions. Consequently, the



- price obtained when the Fund buys or sells securities may compare adversely to the price under normal market conditions.
- Counterparty Risk: The Fund is subject to the risk that third parties with which the Fund may transact may go bankrupt or fail to pay money due to the Fund or return property belonging
- to the Fund.
- For a complete overview of all risks attached to this Fund, refer to the section entitled "Risk Factors" in the Supplement and the Prospectus

## Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of marketing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

One-off charges taken before or after you invest		
Entry charge	3%*	
Exit charge	3%*	

The entry and exit charges shown are maximum figures which may be paid by an investor dealing directly with the Fund. In some cases you might pay less.

Charges taken from the Fund	d over a year	
Ongoing charges		0.35% **
Charges taken from the Fund	d under certain spec	cific conditions
Performance fee		None

\* These are the maximum fees and charges which may be payable by investors dealing directly with WisdomTree Issuer plc. The Fund is currently not exercising its entitlement to apply entry and exit charges.

As the Fund is an ETF, secondary market investors will not typically be able to deal directly with WisdomTree Issuer plc. Investors buying Shares on exchange will do so at market prices which will reflect broker fees and/or other charges.

- \* Authorised participants dealing directly with the Fund will pay related transaction costs.
- \* For Investors dealing directly with the Fund, switching between subfunds may incur a maximum switching charge of 3%.
- \*\* The ongoing charges may vary year on year. It excludes portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling units in another investment fund.

Please see "Fees and Expenses" section of the Prospectus and "Fees" and "Share Dealing" ("Subscriptions following the initial offer period" and "Redemptions" sub-sections) sections of the Supplement for further information about charges.

#### **Past Performance**



- Historical performance is not an indication of future performance and any investments may go down in value.
- The chart shows the share class' annual performance as of 31 December 2018 calculated in Sterling.
- The Fund was launched in 2015.
- Share class launch date: 02/11/2015.
- Performance is shown after deduction of the ongoing charges. It excludes entry and exit fees.
- \*Index Name: WisdomTree Europe GBP-Hedged Equity Index.

#### **Practical Information**

**Depositary**: State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited.

Administrator: State Street Fund Services (Ireland) Limited.

**Further information**: Copies of the Prospectus documentation and the latest financial statements are available free of charge from the Administrator. The Prospectus and financial statements are prepared for WisdomTree Issuer plc rather than separately for the Fund.

**Remuneration Policy:** Details of WisdomTree Management Limited's remuneration policy, including a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated and the identities of the persons responsible for awarding such remuneration/benefits, can be accessed from the following website: www.wisdomtree.eu. A paper copy of these policy details is also available free of charge from WisdomTree Management Limited upon request.

**Pricing information**: The net asset value of the share class will be available during normal business hours every business day at the office of the Administrator and will be published daily on www.wisdomtree.eu.

**Switching:** Switching of Shares between sub-funds of WisdomTree Issuer plc is not possible for investors who purchase shares on exchange. Switching may be available to authorised participants who deal directly with the Fund.

Segregated liability: The Fund is a sub-fund of WisdomTree Issuer plc, an umbrella fund company. Under Irish law the assets and liabilities of the Fund are segregated from other sub-funds within WisdomTree Issuer plc and the assets of the Fund will not be available to satisfy the liabilities of another fund of WisdomTree Issuer plc.

**Taxation**: WisdomTree Issuer plc is resident in Ireland for taxation purposes. Irish taxation legislation may impact on the personal tax position of an investor.

**Liability statement:** WisdomTree Management Limited may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant parts of the Prospectus.

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This key investor information is accurate as at 14 February 2019.