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If you are in any doubt about the contents of this Announcement and Notice or as to the action to be taken, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other professional adviser.

If you have sold or transferred all your units in Haitong CSI300 Index ETF, you should at once hand this Announcement and Notice to the purchaser or transferee or to the bank, stockbroker or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected for transmission to the purchaser or the transferee.

IMPORTANT: *The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “SEHK”), the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (the “HKEX”), the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission (the “SFC”) and the Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited take no responsibility for the contents of this Announcement and Notice, make no representation as to its accuracy or completeness and expressly disclaim any liability whatsoever for any loss howsoever arising from or in reliance upon the whole or any part of the contents of this Announcement and Notice.*

Haitong International Asset Management (HK) Limited (the “Manager”) accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this Announcement and Notice as at the date of publication, and confirms, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of its knowledge and belief, as at the date of publication, there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement misleading.

SFC authorisation is not a recommendation or an endorsement of the Trust (as defined below) and the Terminating Investment Fund (as defined below) nor does it guarantee the commercial merits of the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund or their performance. It does not mean the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund are suitable for all investors nor is it an endorsement of their suitability for any particular investor or class of investors.

**HAITONG ETF SERIES
(the “Trust”)**

(a Hong Kong umbrella unit trust authorised under Section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of the laws of Hong Kong)

Haitong CSI300 Index ETF
HKD Counter Stock Code: 02811
RMB Counter Stock Code: 82811
(the “Terminating Investment Fund”)

**ANNOUNCEMENT AND NOTICE OF TERMINATION, VOLUNTARY
DEAUTHORISATION AND DELISTING**

The termination and deauthorisation of the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund will become effective on 21 March 2025. The delisting of the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund from the SEHK will also become effective from 9:00 a.m. on 21 March 2025.

Reference is made to the Announcement and Notice dated 24 June 2024 and entitled “Announcement and Notice of the Proposed Cessation of Trading, Termination, Voluntary Deauthorisation and Delisting and Non-applicability of Certain Provisions of the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds” (the “**First Announcement**”), the Clarification Announcement dated 20 September 2024 and the Distribution Announcement dated 24 October 2024 issued by Haitong International Asset Management (HK) Limited (the “**Manager**”), the manager of the Terminating Investment Fund. Capitalised terms not defined in this Announcement and Notice shall have the same meanings as defined in the First Announcement, Clarification Announcement and the Distribution Announcement.

According to the First Announcement, once PRC tax clearance is obtained, the Manager shall proceed to terminate the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund after the Trustee and the Manager have formed an opinion that the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund cease to have any outstanding contingent or actual assets or liabilities. The purpose of this Announcement and Notice is to provide an update concerning the termination.

Although PRC tax clearance has not been obtained as of the date of this Announcement and Notice, the Trustee and the Manager have decided to terminate the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund on 21 March 2025 (the “**Termination Date**”) based on the following reasons:

- All assets of the Terminating Investment Fund have been realised and the net proceeds from the realisation of assets have been distributed to the Relevant Unitholders on 6 November 2024 (“**Distribution**”) in accordance with the First Announcement. After the Distribution, the Terminating Investment Fund no longer has any assets and all units in the Terminating Investment Fund have been fully redeemed on 29 November 2024 accordingly.
- There is no investor, asset or investment in the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund.
- Apart from PRC tax liabilities (if any), both the Trustee and the Manager can form an opinion that the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund have no outstanding contingent or actual liabilities or assets.
- If it turns out that the Terminating Investment Fund has PRC tax liabilities after PRC tax clearance is obtained, the Manager will fully bear such liabilities.
- As the Terminating Investment Fund has previously completed PRC tax clearance in 2019 and has not paid any taxes to the PRC tax authority since then, the Manager does not expect any tax refund from the PRC tax authority. Therefore, the Manager believes that the Terminating Investment Fund is unlikely to have further distributions after the current PRC tax clearance for termination is completed. However, if in the unlikely event that there is tax refund after completion of PRC tax clearance, the Manager will donate such tax refund to charities.

The SFC has approved the deauthorisation of the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund (the “**Deauthorisation**”) and the SEHK has approved the delisting of the Terminating Investment Fund from the SEHK (the “**Delisting**”). The Deauthorisation will become effective on 21 March 2025 (“**Termination Date**”) and the Delisting will also become effective from 9:00 a.m. on 21 March 2025.

As disclosed in the First Announcement, under Chapter 11.6 of the Code, the Manager is required to publish and distribute annual reports containing the information provided under Appendix E to the

Code to Unitholders within 4 months of the end of the Terminating Investment Fund's financial year (which ends on 31 December in each year).

As the Termination Date of the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund falls within 4 months of the financial year ending on 31 December 2024, in order to minimise the operational costs, the Manager will rely on explanatory note (2) to Chapter 11.6 of the Code, which permits the extension of the reporting period for the annual report in the case of fund termination and combine the annual report for the preceding financial year with the termination audit of the Trust and the Terminating Investment Fund covering the period from 1 January 2024 to the Termination Date (the "**Termination Audit Period**").

The annual report for the Termination Audit Period (the "**Termination Audit Report**") (in English only) shall be published as soon as practicable and in any event no later than 4 months after the Termination Date in electronic form on the Manager's website at www.haitongetf.com.hk¹ and the HKEX's website. Hard copies of the Termination Audit Report will also be made available free of charge from the office of the Manager. The contents of the Termination Audit Report shall comply with the requirements under 4.5(f) and Appendix E to the Code, and all other applicable provisions of the Code, and other applicable laws and regulations.

If you have any questions in relation to the contents of this Announcement and Notice, please direct them to your stockbrokers or financial intermediaries or contact the Manager by calling our enquiry hotline at (852) 3588 7699 during normal office hours (Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays), from 9:00a.m. to 6:00p.m.), or writing to the Manager at 22/F., Li Po Chun Chambers, 189 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, or visiting the Manager's website: www.haitongetf.com.hk¹.

The Manager accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the contents of this Announcement and Notice, and confirms, having made all reasonable enquiries, that to the best of its knowledge and belief there are no other facts the omission of which would make any statement misleading.

Haitong International Asset Management (HK) Limited
as Manager of the Terminating Investment Fund

17 March 2025

¹ This website has not been reviewed by the SFC.