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If you are in any doubt about the contents of this Announcement 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 MSCI China A ESG ETF, you should at once hand this Announcement 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.

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# 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 MSCI China A ESG ETF**

HKD Counter Stock Code: 03031 USD Counter Stock Code: 09031 RMB Counter Stock Code: 83031 (the "Terminating Investment Fund")

#### DISTRIBUTION ANNOUNCEMENT

Further 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"), this Announcement is to inform the Relevant Investors of the Distribution per Unit (rounded down to the nearest one cent) of the Terminating Investment Fund, which is as follows:

<b>Terminating Investment Fund</b>	Distribution	Distribution per Unit
Haitong MSCI China A ESG ETF	RMB 47,572,884	RMB 7.31

The Record date for determining the eligibility of entitlement of investors for the Distribution and further distribution (if any) is 2 October 2024 (Wednesday) (i.e. the Distribution Record Date). The Distribution for the Terminating Investment Fund will be credited to the CCASS accounts of the relevant financial intermediaries and stockbrokers through whom the Relevant Investors held the Units. It is expected that the Relevant Investors will receive the Distribution on or around 6 November 2024 (Wednesday), but the exact timing may vary between different stockbrokers and financial intermediaries. Each Relevant Investor should contact their stockbrokers or financial intermediaries in relation to the payment of the relevant Distribution from them.

As disclosed in the First Announcement, the Manager did not expect or anticipate there will be a further distribution after the Distribution.

The manager expects the Termination Date will be on or around 29 November 2024 (Friday). The Manager will issue further announcements in relation to the Termination Date, as well as the dates for the delisting and deauthorisation as and when appropriate in accordance with the applicable regulatory requirements.

Stockbrokers and financial intermediaries are urged to forward a copy of this Announcement to their clients holding Units, and inform them of the contents of this Announcement as soon as possible.

Relevant Investors should contact their stockbrokers and financial intermediaries in relation to the payment of the relevant Distribution from them.

Investors are strongly advised to read and consider the First Announcement together with the Prospectus, for further details in relation to the Terminating Investment Fund, the termination, deauthorisation and delisting and the applicable risk factors and their implications to investors.

If investors are in doubt about the contents of this Announcement, they should contact their independent financial intermediaries or professional advisers to seek their professional advice, or direct their queries to the Manager (please refer to section 6 below).

Reference is made to the First Announcement issued by Haitong International Asset Management (HK) Limited (the "Manager"), the manager of the Terminating Investment Fund.

Capitalised terms not defined in this Announcement shall have the same meanings as defined in the First Announcement.

The purpose of this Announcement is to inform the Relevant Investors of the Distribution. Relevant Investors, as defined in the First Announcement, mean those investors who remain invested in the Terminating Investment Fund as at 2 October 2024 (Wednesday) (i.e. the Distribution Record Date).

#### 1. Distribution Amount

As disclosed in the First Announcement, the Manager will, on or around 7 October 2024 (Monday), declare the distribution amount per Unit in respect of the Relevant Investors.

On the above basis, the Manager, after having consulted the Trustee, has resolved to approve that a Distribution of the following amount shall be paid in cash by the Terminating Investment Fund in the form of a Distribution to the Relevant Investors of the Terminating Investment Fund:

<b>Terminating Investment Fund</b>	Distribution	Distribution per Unit
Haitong MSCI China A ESG ETF	RMB 47,572,884	RMB 7.31

Each Relevant Investor will be entitled to a Distribution of an amount equal to the Terminating Investment Fund's then Net Asset Value in proportion to the Relevant Investor's Units in the Terminating Investment Fund as at the Distribution Record Date.

As disclosed in the First Announcement, the Manager did not expect or anticipate there will be a further distribution after the Distribution. However, in the unlikely event there is a further distribution after the Distribution, the Manager will issue an announcement informing the Relevant Investors.

#### 2. <u>Distribution Payment</u>

The Record date for determining the eligibility of entitlement of investors for the Distribution and further distribution (if any) is 2 October 2024 (Wednesday) (i.e. the Distribution Record Date). The Distribution for the Terminating Investment Fund will be credited to the CCASS accounts of the relevant financial intermediaries and stockbrokers through whom the Relevant Investors held the Units. It is expected that the Relevant Investors will receive the Distribution on or around 6 November 2024 (Wednesday), but the exact timing may vary between different stockbrokers and financial intermediaries. Each Relevant Investor should contact their stockbrokers or financial intermediaries in relation to the payment arrangements, including payment procedures and settlement date, of the relevant Distribution from them.

No tax is expected to be payable by investors in Hong Kong in respect of the Distribution or further distributions (if any) to the extent of distribution of profits and/or capital of the Terminating Investment Fund. For investors carrying on a trade, profession or business in Hong Kong, profits derived in redemption or disposal of Units may be subject to Hong Kong profits tax if the profits in question arise in or are derived from such trade, profession or business, sourced in Hong Kong, as well as the Units are revenue assets of the investors.

Investors should consult their professional tax advisers for tax advice.

### 3. Net Asset Value of the Terminating Investment Fund

Each of the Manager and the Trustee confirms that, the Net Asset Value and Net Asset Value per Unit of the Terminating Investment Fund as at 23 October 2024 (Wednesday) were as follows:

Terminating Investment Fund	Net Asset Value	Net Asset Value per Unit (rounded to 2 decimal places)
Haitong MSCI China A ESG ETF	RMB 47,572,884	RMB 7.31

A simple breakdown of the Net Asset Value of the Terminating Investment Fund is as follows:

#### Haitong MSCI China A ESG ETF

	As at 23 October 2024 (Wednesday) (RMB)
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	47,741,961
Total assets	47,741,961
Liabilities	
Accrued expenses and other payables	169,077
Total liabilities	169,077
Net Asset Value	47,572,884
Number of Units in issue	6,500,000
Net Asset Value per Unit (rounded to 4 decimal places)	7.3189
Distribution per Unit (i.e. Net Asset Value per Unit and rounded down to the nearest one cent)	7.31

## 4. Expenses in relation to the Terminating Investment Fund

As mentioned in the First Announcement, the Manager will bear all costs and expenses associated with the termination and deauthorisation as well as the delisting of the Terminating Investment Fund (other than any transaction costs and any taxes relating to the realisation of assets of the Terminating Investment Fund), such as legal costs, auditor's fees and other administrative expenses, from the date of the First Announcement up to and including the Termination Date. The Manager and the Trustee have agreed not to charge any management fee or trustee fee from the Trading Cessation Date to the Termination Date. The Manager will bear any remaining unamortised establishment costs of the Terminating Investment Fund.

### 5. Termination Date

The manager expects the Termination Date will be on or around 29 November 2024 (Friday). The Manager will update investors by further announcements as soon as practicable as to the timetable in relation to the Termination Date, as well as the dates for the delisting and deauthorisation as and when appropriate in accordance with the applicable regulatory requirements.

#### 6. Enquiries

If you have any questions in relation to the contents of this Announcement, 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.hk<sup>1</sup>.

The Manager accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the contents of this Announcement, 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

24 October 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The website has not been reviewed by the SFC.