# **MSCI Korea Selection Index (USD)**

The MSCI Korea Selection Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index designed to represent the performance of companies that are selected from the MSCI Korea Index ("Parent Index") based on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) criteria. These criteria exclude constituents based on involvement in specific business activities, as well as ESG ratings and exposure to ESG controversies. The Indexes are derived from the MSCI Korea Index and aim to achieve sector weights that reflect the sector weights of the corresponding Parent Index. the MSCI Korea Selection Index consists of Large and Mid cap companies in the Korean market. The Index construction targets 50% free float-adjusted market capitalization coverage of each Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS®) sector by selecting constituents primarily based on criteria including the ESG rating, the trend in that rating and the company's industry-adjusted ESG score. The Index is a member of the MSCI Selection Index series.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see Index methodology - MSCI.

# CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE — GROSS RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2010 – MAR 2025)

# 300 - MSCI Korea Selection - MSCI Korea 200 Mar 10 Jun 11 Sep 12 Dec 13 Mar 15 Jun 16 Sep 17 Dec 18 Mar 20 Jun 21 Sep 22 Dec 23 Mar 25

# **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)**

| MSCI Korea<br>Selection | MSCI Korea   |
|-------------------------|--|
| -19.60                  | -23.09   |
| 2.05                    | 23.59  |
| -27.99                  | -28.94   |
| -5.62                   | -7.92  |
| 34.69                   | 45.21  |
| -1.53                   | 13.10  |
| -20.23                  | -20.46   |
| 44.77                   | 47.80  |
| 3.14                    | 9.25   |
| -4.42                   | -6.30  |
| -12.37                  | -10.70   |
| 12.19                   | 4.18   |
| 14.83                   | 21.48  |
| -16.49                  | -11.76   |
|                         | Selection  -19.60 2.05 -27.99 -5.62 34.69 -1.53 -20.23 44.77 3.14 -4.42 -12.37 12.19 14.83 |

### INDEX PERFORMANCE – GROSS RETURNS (%) (MAR 31, 2025)

### **FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 31, 2025)**

|                      |       |       |        |       | ANNUALIZED |      |                    |                       |             |       |         |      |
|----------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|------------|------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------|---------|------|
|                      | 1 Mo  | 3 Мо  | 1 Yr   | YTD   | 3 Yr       | 5 Yr | <sup>10 Yr</sup> s | Since<br>Sep 28, 2007 | Div Yld (%) | P/E   | P/E Fwd | P/BV |
| MSCI Korea Selection | -4.69 | -0.93 | -16.45 | -0.93 | -14.24     | 1.08 | -2.21              | -1.45                 | 2.28        | 12.69 | 8.36    | 0.75 |
| MSCI Korea           | -0.84 | 5.18  | -20.52 | 5.18  | -7.77      | 4.13 | 2.17               | 1.09                  | 2.39        | 9.65  | 8.29    | 0.93 |

### INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (SEP 28, 2007 - MAR 31, 2025)

|                      |                   |                       | ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) 2   |       | SHARPE RATIO 2,3 |       |       |      | MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN                |                          |       |                       |
|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--|-------|------------------|-------|-------|------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------|
|                      | Beta              | Tracking<br>Error (%) | Turnover<br>(%) <sup>1</sup>   | 3 Yr  | 5 Yr             | 10 Yr | 3 Yr  | 5 Yr | 10 Yr                           | Since<br>Sep 28,<br>2007 | (%)   | Period YYYY-MM-DD     |
| MSCI Korea Selection | 1.01              | 7.90                  | 16.38  | 29.34 | 27.63            | 24.11 | -0.52 | 0.08 | -0.05                           | 0.03                     | 73.68 | 2007-10-31-2008-11-24 |
| MSCI Korea           | 1.00              | 0.00                  | 4.90   | 27.84 | 25.95            | 23.28 | -0.31 | 0.18 | 0.12                            | 0.12                     | 71.35 | 2007-10-31-2008-11-20 |
|                      | <sup>1</sup> Last | 12 months             | ths <sup>2</sup> Based on monthly gross returns data <sup>3</sup> Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date |       |                  |       |       |      | on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date |                          |       |                       |

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The MSCI Korea Selection Index was launched on Jul 12, 2013. Data prior to the launch date is back-tested test (i.e. calculations of how the index might have performed over that time period had the index existed). There are frequently material differences between back-tested performance and actual results. Past performance -- whether actual or back-tested -- is no indication or guarantee of future performance.



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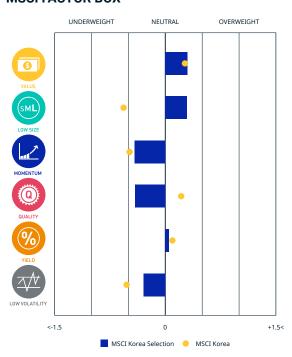
### **INDEX CHARACTERISTICS**

|              | MSCI Korea<br>Selection | MSCI Korea   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Number of    | 40                      | 81           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Constituents |                         |              |  |  |  |  |  |
|              | Weight (%)              |              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Largest      | 9.85                    | 26.55        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Smallest     | 0.60                    | 0.14         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Silialiest   | 0.63                    | 0.14         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Average      | 2.50                    | 0.14<br>1.23 |  |  |  |  |  |

### **TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS**

|                         | Wt. (%) | Index<br>Wt. (%) | Sector      |
|-------------------------|---------|------------------|-------------|
| KB FINANCIAL GROUP      | 9.85    | 2.84             | Financials  |
| NAVER                   | 9.09    | 2.62             | Comm Srvcs  |
| SHINHAN FINANCIAL GROUP | 6.72    | 1.94             | Financials  |
| HANA FINANCIAL HOLDINGS | 5.71    | 1.65             | Financials  |
| LG ENERGY SOLUTION      | 5.22    | 1.51             | Industrials |
| KAKAO CORP              | 4.05    | 1.17             | Comm Srvcs  |
| LG CHEM                 | 4.04    | 1.16             | Materials   |
| DOOSAN ENERBILITY       | 3.51    | 1.01             | Industrials |
| WOORI FINANCIAL GROUP   | 3.47    | 1.00             | Financials  |
| SAMSUNG C&T CORPORATION | 3.47    | 1.00             | Industrials |
| Total                   | 55.13   | 15.89            |             |

# FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN MSCI FACTOR BOX



### **MSCI FaCS**



VALUE Relatively Inexpensive Stocks



LOW SIZE Smaller Companies



**MOMENTUM Rising Stocks** 



QUALITY
Sound Balance Sheet Stocks



YIELD
Cash Flow Paid Out



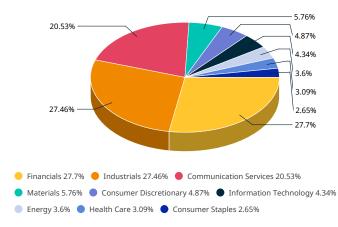
LOW VOLATILITY
Lower Risk Stocks

MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

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Neutral factor exposure (FaCS = 0) represents MSCI ACWI IMI.

## **SECTOR WEIGHTS**





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# MSCI FACTOR BOX AND FaCS FRAMEWORK (Please refer to complete description of the MSCI FaCS methodology here)

MSCI FaCS is a standard method for evaluating and reporting the Factor characteristics of equity portfolios. MSCI FaCS consists of Factor Groups (e.g. Value, Size, Momentum, Quality, Yield, and Volatility) that have been extensively documented in academic literature and validated by MSCI Research as key drivers of risk and return in equity portfolios. These Factor Groups are constructed by aggregating 16 factors (e.g. Book-to-Price, Earnings/Dividend Yields, LT Reversal, Leverage, Earnings Variability/Quality, Beta) from the latest Barra global equity factor risk model, GEMLT, designed to make fund comparisons transparent and intuitive for use. The MSCI Factor Box, which is powered by MSCI FaCS, provides a visualization designed to easily compare absolute exposures of funds/indexes and their benchmarks along 6 Factor Groups that have historically demonstrated excess market returns over the long run.

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