

CSOP Licenses MSCI Index for New ETF

New York – October 20, 2015 – <u>MSCI</u> Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of portfolio construction and risk management tools for global investors, announced that CSOP Asset Management, one of the largest Chinese asset management firms, has licensed the <u>MSCI China A International with CNH 100% Hedged to USD Index</u> as the basis for a new ETF, the CSOP MSCI China A International Hedged ETF (CNHX), which was launched today.

Ding Chen, CSOP's Chief Executive Officer commented, "We are very glad to license this index from MSCI in order to bring this exciting product to global investors. The listing of the CSOP MSCI China A International Hedged ETF on the NYSE Arca offers a more creative investment tool to US investors who seek to gain China A-shares exposure. It also manifests CSOP's commitment to presenting diversified China investment tools to global investors as the biggest RQFII manager worldwide."

This is the first MSCI-based hedged A-Shares ETF and the second MSCI-based ETF launched by CSOP in 2015. <u>In January</u>, CSOP announced a new ETF based on the MSCI China and USA Internet Top 50 Equal Weighted Index.

"We are delighted that CSOP Asset Management has once again turned to MSCI," said Jay McNamara, Head of Americas Client Coverage for MSCI. "With the growth of global investing, the impact of currency movements can be significant. The continued adoption of our indexes for ETFs reflects MSCI's ability to capture the performance of markets in new and innovative indexes."

With over 730 ETFs tracking MSCI indexes globally, more equity ETFs track MSCI indexes than those of any other index provider.

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MSCI serves 97 of the top 100 largest asset managers, based upon P&I data as of December 2014 and MSCI client data as of June 2015.

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