# **Xtrackers**

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#### ANNOUNCEMENT - IMPORTANT NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS OF:

Xtrackers MSCI Bangladesh Swap UCITS ETF (the "Sub-Fund")

10 January 2020

Dear Shareholder,

This notice is to inform you, on behalf of the board of directors of the Company (the "**Board of Directors**"), about the recent developments in respect of the Sub-Fund (ISIN: LU0659579220) in which you hold shares (the "**Singapore Shares**").

Capitalised terms used in this notice shall have the same meaning ascribed to them in the latest version of the Singapore prospectus of the Company (the "**Prospectus**") unless the context otherwise requires.

The Board of Directors deems it appropriate to terminate the Sub-Fund because it is below the Minimum Net Asset Value as set out in the Prospectus and has demonstrated persistently low levels of demand. The termination of sub-funds that have demonstrated sustained low levels of demand is an ordinary part of the business, along with the launch of new sub-funds and/or share classes where high levels of demand exist. Consequently, the Board of Directors has decided, in the best interests of the Shareholders, to terminate the Sub-Fund with effect from 26 February 2020 (the "Termination Date") and to proceed with the compulsory redemption of all outstanding Shares (including the Singapore Shares) of the Sub-Fund in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and the Prospectus (the "Termination"). The last Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund will be calculated as of 26 February 2020.

An application to delist Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund from the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") was made to the SGX-ST on 24 December 2019, and the SGX-ST granted its approval-in-principle of the proposed delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on 10 January 2020.

Pursuant to the approval-in-principle granted by SGX-ST, the Company hereby announces that the delisting of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund is conditional upon the Company's submission of a written confirmation to the SGX-ST to the effect that:

- (1) the proposed termination of the Sub-Fund, delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund and the timeline for such termination and delisting are in accordance with the applicable laws, regulations and agreements governing the Sub-Fund;
- the Company will notify Shareholders (as named in the depository register maintained by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited ("CDP") for the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund) in writing of the delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund and termination of the Sub-Fund promptly upon the announcement of the delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund from the SGX-ST and termination of the Sub-Fund via the SGXNET;
- (3) the costs and expenses of the termination<sup>1</sup> of the Sub-Fund and the delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund will not be borne by the Company, the Sub-Fund or the Shareholders;
- (4) the designated market maker of the Sub-Fund shall stand ready to quote bid and ask prices prior to the suspension of quotation of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund to ensure that Shareholders are able to liquidate their positions in the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on the SGX-ST before the close of the Last Trading Day (as defined below); and
- (5) the Sub-Fund will be liquidated on the Termination Date and the cash distribution proceeds will be made to the remaining Shareholders.

The Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund will be de-listed from the SGX-ST on or around 18 March 2020, and trading of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on the SGX-ST will cease with effect from close of trading on the SGX-ST on 10 February 2020 (the "Last Trading Day"). Therefore, sale or purchase of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund in the secondary market may only be made until close of trading on the SGX-ST on the Last Trading Day. For the avoidance of doubt, the secondary market includes both trades on the SGX-ST and any overthe-counter trades.

Please note that no subscription for shares in the Sub-Fund in the primary market will be accepted from 10 January 2020. Requests for redemption for Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund in the primary market, where applicable, may be made in the usual manner for processing in accordance with the Prospectus until the applicable cut-off time on 11 February 2020. However, the liquidation costs (as described in point 2 below) will be taken into account in the Redemption Price. After the applicable cut-off time on 11 February 2020, no further redemptions will be accepted.

The following terms and conditions of the compulsory redemption have been determined in accordance with article 21 of the Articles of Incorporation and shall apply as of the Termination Date:

1. the Investment Manager will unwind part of the OTC Swap Transaction daily to ensure its orderly liquidation within ten (10) business days, from 12 February 2020 to 26 February 2020;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As described on page 3 of this Announcement, please note that the Reference NAV will take into account, amongst other expenses, capital gains tax, and all costs resulting from the anticipated realisation and liquidation of the remaining investments of the Sub-Fund.

- the Sub-Fund shall be liquidated and the Redemption Price for the Sub-Fund will be determined by reference to its Net Asset Value as of the Termination Date (the "Reference NAV"). The Reference NAV will take into account, amongst other expenses, capital gains tax, and all costs resulting from the anticipated realisation and liquidation of the remaining investments of the Sub-Fund;
- 3. no Redemption Charge will be applied;
- 4. the Redemption Proceeds will be paid in the relevant Reference Currency to the clearing agent;
- the Redemption Proceeds relating to Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund for which payment to Shareholders could not be made, will be deposited with the Caisse de Consignation in Luxembourg on behalf of the persons entitled thereto as soon as possible after the Singapore Payment Date and in any event before the closure of the liquidation procedure.

Shareholders in the Sub-Fund in the primary market, where applicable, are entitled to redeem their Singapore Shares in the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Prospectus as indicated above. Please note that the Company does not charge any redemption fee for the sale of the Singapore Shares in the secondary market. Orders to sell Singapore Shares through a stock exchange can be placed via an authorised intermediary or stockbroker. However, Shareholders should note that orders in the secondary market may incur costs over which the Company has no control and to which the above disapplication of the Redemption Charge does not apply.

## Options for Shareholders of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on SGX-ST

Shareholders who purchased Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund via the SGX-ST have the following options:

#### Option 1

From the date of this notice up to the Last Trading Day, Shareholders may choose to sell their holdings of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on the SGX-ST. The designated market maker of the Sub-Fund (i.e. Deutsche Bank AG, acting through its London branch) shall stand ready to buy Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund (during normal trading hours of the SGX-ST up to the Last Trading Day) from any Shareholder who wishes to sell such Singapore Shares on the SGX-ST. The usual clearing and brokerage fees (and the applicable goods and services taxes on such fees) for selling shares on the SGX-ST will apply.

#### Option 2

Shareholders who have not sold their holdings of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on the SGX-ST by the Last Trading Day will not be able to sell their holdings of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on the SGX-ST. Shareholders who hold Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund on SGX-ST as at 5 p.m. Singapore time on 26 February 2020 (as recorded in the depository register maintained by CDP, whether directly or in the sub-accounts of any CDP depository agent) ("Record Date") will receive the liquidation proceeds upon the liquidation of the Sub-Fund in proportion to their holdings of Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund from the CDP on the Singapore Payment Date. The liquidation proceeds will be based on the Reference NAV

calculated in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and/or applicable Luxembourg laws and regulations.

<u>Indicative Timetable of the Termination and Delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund</u> <u>from the SGX-ST</u>

Below is an indicative timetable of the termination and delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund from the SGX-ST:

Event	Indicative Date
Last Trading Day	10 February 2020
Record Date	26 February 2020 (at 5 p.m. Singapore time)
Termination Date / Reference NAV Day	26 February 2020
Reference NAV calculation	27 February 2020
(determined by reference to the NAV of the Sub-Fund as of the Termination Date / Reference NAV Day)	
Singapore Payment Date	On or around 17 March 2020
Delisting Date	18 March 2020

Please note that the dates mentioned in this notice and in the indicative timetable are subject to change. The Company will make a subsequent announcement on the Singapore Exchange Network (SGXNET) and on the Company's website www.Xtrackers.com should there be any material change to the information provided herein.

Any further information in relation to the termination and the delisting of the Singapore Shares of the Sub-Fund from the SGX-ST may be obtained from the legal entities mentioned under 'Contact information' below or by sending an email to Xtrackers@dws.com.

Shareholders may also wish to contact the Singapore Representative at telephone number (65) 6238 8868.

Shareholders who have any queries or to whom any of the above is not clear should seek advice from their stockbroker, bank manager, legal advisor, accountant or other independent financial advisor.

All Shareholders are strongly advised to consult their tax advisor to assess: (1) the impact of the Termination and any potential tax consequences thereof; and (2) any potential changes between the current and/or future taxation of their investment under the laws of the countries of their nationality, residence, domicile or incorporation.

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