

Press Release

BMO Asset Management Expands their International ETF line up with the Solactive GBS Japan Index

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FRANKFURT AM MAIN – International equities offer unique diversification opportunities for investors. **BMO Asset Management**, a leader in the Canadian market, delivers to investors this opportunity with the **BMO Japan Index ETF (ZJPN/ZJPN.F)**. This ETF seeks to replicate the performance of the Solactive GBS Japan Large & Mid Cap Index.

The **Solactive GBS Japan Large & Mid Cap Index** is part of the **Solactive Global Benchmark Series (GBS)**, which includes benchmark indices for 24 Developed and 26 Emerging Markets countries. The index intends to track the performance of the large and mid-cap segment, covering approximately the largest 85% of the free-float market capitalization of the Japanese market. The index is published in Japanese Yen (JPY) and is adjusted semi-annually. Additionally, IPOs can be included on a quarterly basis if they meet all selection criteria.

The ETF began trading January 27th on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol ZJPN and ZJPN.F.

*"Exposure to the international markets is gaining popularity among domestic/local investors. The **Solactive Global Benchmark Series** offers a comprehensive framework of indices covering the global stock market. We are excited to be partnering with BMO, adding to their expanding equity line up."* Timo Pfeiffer, Chief Markets Officer at Solactive comments.

*"BMO ETFs is proud to bring the first **Solactive Japan Index** to Canada with ZJPN and ZJPN.F, providing efficient access to one of the world's largest economies," said Kevin Gopaul, President and CCO of BMO ETFs. "This launch enables investors to gain exposure to a region driven by unique fundamentals and market drivers, which can help to properly diversify a portfolio."*

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Solactive is a leading provider of indexing, benchmarking, and calculation solutions for the global investment and trading community. Headquartered in Frankfurt, and with offices in Hong Kong, Toronto, Berlin, and Dresden, we innovate and disrupt the status quo as the partner of choice for our clients.

The unique blend of our 250 staff's expertise in data, data science, financial markets, and technology enables our clients' continued success through the delivery of a superior experience, unique customization capabilities, and the best value for money available in the industry. With more than 18,000 indices calculated daily, we offer a full suite of solutions, including market-leading ESG and thematic indices.

As at April 2020, Solactive served approximately 450 clients across the world, with approximately US\$200 billion invested in products linked to our indices. Solactive is registered with ESMA as a benchmark administrator and is supervised by the BaFin.

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