

## Press Release

### In a first collaboration, Samsung Asset Management Launches New SAMSUNG KODEX China Humanoid Robot ETF Under Its Passive KODEX ETF Brand, Tracking the Solactive China Humanoid Robotics Index

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**FRANKFURT AM MAIN** – Solactive is pleased to announce its first partnership with Samsung Asset Management by supporting the launch of SAMSUNG KODEX China Humanoid Robot ETF, which tracks the Solactive China Humanoid Robotics Index. The product aims at providing investors with focused access to China's rapidly growing humanoid robotics sector.

The global robotics industry is undergoing a transformative shift, evolving from conceptual design to commercial deployment, with humanoid robotics emerging as a frontier technology. Advances in AI and engineering are enabling robots with human-like intelligence and mobility, while demographic trends such as labor shortages and aging populations are accelerating demand for automation solutions. In China, the sector is seeing substantial policy and investment momentum, in line with the country's ambitions to lead in automation, AI, and intelligent manufacturing. According to market analysts, China's industrial robot market alone is expected to surpass USD 15 billion by 2026<sup>1</sup>, with humanoid robotics projected to play an increasingly critical role in service, healthcare, and manufacturing sectors.

The [Solactive China Humanoid Robotics Index](#) selects companies that are headquartered in China and listed either in Hong Kong and/or via Shanghai and Shenzhen Stock Connect programs. Eligible companies must be constituents of the [Solactive GBS China All Cap USD Index](#) or [Solactive GBS Hong Kong All Cap Index](#) and be engaged in activities such as AI-driven robotics development, motion control system manufacturing, and automation technologies. Constituents are selected using ARTIS®, Solactive's proprietary natural language processing algorithm, which identifies companies with strong thematic relevance based on publicly available information. The index is composed of 20 companies, ranked and weighted based on a composite of their thematic relevance and free-float market capitalization. ARTIS® scores determine thematic alignment, while index weights apply a blended approach — 30% relevance-based and 70% market capitalization-based—with weight caps to ensure diversification. Additionally, companies with negative earnings are subject to a weight cap of 7% to reflect financial prudence.

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<sup>1</sup> [Statista, China Industrial Robotics Market Forecast](#)

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The ETF listed on 13<sup>rd</sup> May on the Korean Stock Exchange with the ticker symbol "0048K0.KS".

Timo Pfeiffer, Chief Markets Officer at Solactive, commented: *"We are very pleased to announce our first collaboration with Samsung Asset Management's KODEX ETF team. The launch of this ETF marks an important milestone and reflects our shared vision of delivering innovative, forward-looking investment solutions. As humanoid robotics progress from concept to commercial reality, China is uniquely positioned at the convergence of innovation and industrial application. The Solactive China Humanoid Robotics Index offers a rule-based, forward-looking exposure to this transformation."*

Jinwhoan Yu, Head of Product development & Global Business Division at Samsung Asset Managment, commented: *"We are excited about our product line expansion and thrilled to launch SAMSUNG KODEX China Humanoid Robot ETF with Solactive. We expect to be able to offer more innovative products in Korea through this close collaboration. SAMSUNG KODEX China Humanoid Robot ETF is the first product in Korea focusing on China Robot Industry, so it will provide investors with new investment opportunity."*

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The unique blend of our 300 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 30,000 indices calculated daily, we offer a full suite of solutions, including market-leading ESG and thematic indices.

As at January 2024, Solactive served approximately 500 clients across the world, with approximately US\$300 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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