

### HSBC ETFs PLC

# HSBC ASIA PACIFIC EX JAPAN SUSTAINABLE EQUITY UCITS ETF

Monthly report 31 March 2024 | HSAS LN | USD (Dist)

Investors should note that, relative to the expectations of the Autorité des Marchés Financiers, this UCITS presents disproportionate communication on the consideration of non-financial criteria in its investment policy.

## Investment objective

The Fund aims to track as closely as possible the returns of the FTSE Asia Pacific ex Japan ESG Low Carbon Select Index (the Index). The Fund will invest in or gain exposure to shares of companies which make up the Index. The Fund qualifies under Article 8 of SFDR.

# Investment strategy

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The Index seeks to achieve a reduction in carbon emissions and fossil fuel reserves exposure, and an improvement of the FTSE Russell ESG rating against that of the Parent Index. It excludes shares of companies with exposure to: tobacco, thermal coal extraction, electricity generation, gambling, adult entertainment and controversial weapons. The Index also applies, among others, the United Nations Global Compact exclusionary criteria.

The Fund will be passively managed and will aim to invest in the shares of the companies in generally the same proportion as in the Index.

The Fund may invest up to 35% in securities from a single issuer during exceptional market conditions.

The Fund may invest up to 10% in funds and up to 15% in total return swaps and contracts for difference.

See the Prospectus for a full description of the investment objectives and derivative usage.

# 🖄 Main risks

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- The Fund's unit value can go up as well as down, and any capital invested in the Fund may be at risk.
- The value of investible securities can change over time due to a wide variety of factors, including but not limited to: political and economic news, government policy, changes in demographics, cultures and populations, natural or human-caused disasters etc.
- The Fund may invest in Emerging Markets, these markets are less established, and often more volatile, than developed markets and involve higher risks, particularly market, liquidity and currency risks.

Fund facts	
Fund manager	HSBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited
Custodian	HSBC Continental Europe
Fund administrator	HSBC Securities Services (Ireland) DAC

#### Share Class Details

Key metrics	
NAV per Share	USD 15.00
Performance 1 mo	onth 2.57%
Fund facts	
UCITS V compliar	nt Yes
Dividend treatmer	nt Distributing
Distribution Frequ	ency Quarterly
Dividend ex-date	18 January 2024
Dividend Yield <sup>1</sup>	2.68%
Last Paid Dividend	d 0.055400
Dividend currency	USD
Fund base current	cy USD
Currency Hedged	Not Hedged
Share Class Base	Currency USD
Domicile	Ireland
Inception date	5 July 2022
Shares outstandin	ng <b>2,806,731</b>
Fund Size	USD 257,324,413
Reference benchmark	100% FTSE Asia Pacific ex Japan ESG Low Carbon Select Index
Replication Metho	od Physical- Full
SIPP eligible	Yes
lssuer	HSBC ETFs PLC
Fiscal year end	Dec
Fees and expense	ses
Ongoing Charge F	Figure <sup>2</sup> 0.250%
Codes	
ISIN	IE000P1WR081
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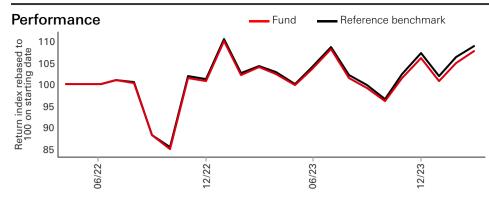
<sup>1</sup>Dividend Yield: represents the ratio of distributed income over the last 12 months to the fund's current Net Asset Value. <sup>2</sup>Ongoing Charges Figure is based on expenses over a year. The figure includes annual management charge but not the transaction costs. Such figures may vary from time to time.

Past performance does not predict future returns. Future returns will depend inter alia on market developments, the fund manager's skill, the fund's level risk and management costs and if applicable subscription and redemption costs. The return, the value of money invested in the fund may become negative as a result of price losses and currency fluctuations. There is no guarantee that all of your invested capital can be redeemed. Unless stated otherwise, inflation is not taken into account.

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Performance (%)	Year to date	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years ann	5 years ann	Since inception ann
Fund	1.58	2.57	1.58	8.62	3.59			4.35
Reference benchmark	1.70	2.46	1.70	9.19	4.47			5.05
Tracking difference	-0.12	0.11	-0.12	-0.57	-0.88			-0.70
Tracking error					0.39			0.34
Calendar year performar	nce (%)		:	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fund								5.16
Reference benchmark								5.86

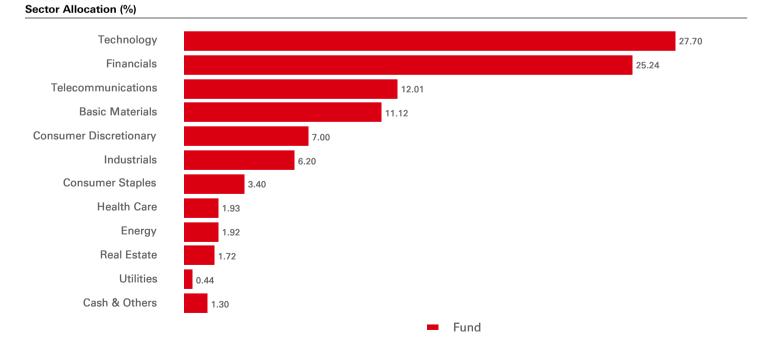
Carbon footprint	Fund	Broad Market Index
Carbon intensity emissions	148.98	322.09
Carbon Intensity measures the quantity of (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million) Source of analytics: Trucost	of carbon emissio	n of a company

FTSE ESG Score	ESG score	Е	S	G
Fund	3.8	3.3	3.7	4.3
Broad Market Index	3.2	2.7	3.1	4.0

Equity characteristics	Fund	Reference benchmark
No. of holdings ex cash	640	646
Average Market Cap (USD Mil)	146,465	146,573
Price/earning ratio	15.55	15.54

#### **Benchmark Information**

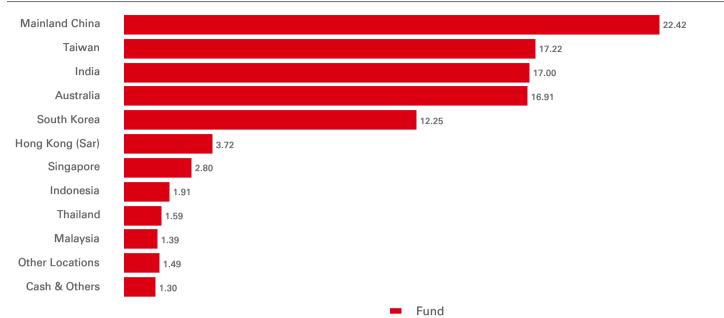
Index name	100% FTSE Asia Pacific ex Japan ESG Low Carbon Select Index
Index currency	USD
Index Rebalancing Frequency	Annually
TR Index Bloomberg Ticker	ELCAXJN
TR Index Reuters RIC	.TFTELCAXJNU



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#### **Geographical Allocation (%)**



Top 10 Holdings	Location	Sector	Weight (%)
Taiwan Semiconductor Co Ltd	Taiwan	Technology	13.07
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	South Korea	Telecommunications	6.94
BHP Group Ltd	Australia	Basic Materials	5.15
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Australia	Financials	3.93
Infosys Ltd	India	Technology	3.63
PING AN	Mainland China	Financials	2.02
DBS Group Holdings Ltd	SINGAPORE	Financials	1.99
National Australia Bank Ltd	Australia	Financials	1.96
HCL Technologies Ltd	India	Technology	1.84
Xiaomi Corp	Mainland China	Telecommunications	1.59

Exchange name	Listing date	Trading currency	Trading hours	Bloomberg ticker	Reuters RI	iNAV C Bloomberg	iNAV Reuters
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	06 Jul 2022	USD	08:00 - 16:30	HSAX LN		HSAUSDIV	HSAXUSDINAV =SOLA
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	06 Jul 2022	GBP	08:00 - 16:30	HSAS LN	HSAS.L	HSASGBIV	HSASGBPINAV =SOLA

Emissions from reserves (mn tonnes/ USDmn)	Fund	Broad Market Index
USDIIII)	Fullu	Index
Emissions from reserves/market cap	1,631.86342	4,046.65054

#### Ten lowest carbon intensity issuers

, Fund	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)	Broad Market Index	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)
MEDIBANK PRIVATE LTD	0.74	CHALLENGER LTD	0.16
SAMSUNG FIRE & MARINE INS	0.85	BEIJING UNITED INFORMATION-A	0.17
CHINA RUYI HOLDINGS LTD	0.96	GUANGZHOU YUEXIU CAPITAL H-A	0.39
CHINA EVERBRIGHT LTD	1.11	QIFU TECHNOLOGY INC	0.52
MERIDIAN ENERGY LTD	1.15	37 INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINME-A	0.56
AMP LTD	1.20	DADA NEXUS LTD-ADR	0.72
CHINA PACIFIC INSURANCE GR-A	1.24	MEDIBANK PRIVATE LTD	0.74
ASUSTEK COMPUTER INC	1.24	SAMSUNG FIRE & MARINE INS	0.85
MACQUARIE GROUP LTD	1.27	CHINA RUYI HOLDINGS LTD	0.96
QBE INSURANCE GROUP LTD	1.29	INSIGNIA FINANCIAL LTD	0.99

#### Ten highest carbon intensity issuers

Fund	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)	Broad Market Index	Carbon intensity emissions (tonnes CO <sup>2</sup> e/USD million)
ANHUI CONCH CEMENT CO LTD-H	10,384.13	HANJIN KAL CORP	56,078.54
INDOCEMENT TUNGGAL PRAKARSA	10,167.52	BEIJING JINGNENG POWER CO -A	18,256.54
SEMEN INDONESIA PERSERO TBK	9,552.46	INNER MONGOLIA MENGDIAN HU-A	17,958.71
ULTRATECH CEMENT LTD	8,930.68	NTPC LTD	17,616.66
DALMIA BHARAT LTD	8,604.62	JOINTO ENERGY INVESTMENT C-A	14,953.39
GRASIM INDUSTRIE-PARTLY PAID	5,329.67	JINNENG HOLDING SHANXI ELE-A	14,882.57
AMBUJA CEMENTS LTD	5,278.70	GD POWER DEVELOPMENT CO -A	14,350.49
VEDANTA LTD	3,554.71	GUANGDONG BAOLIHUA NEW-A	13,980.74
SOUTH32 LTD	3,152.81	JSW ENERGY LTD	13,792.42
CHINA EVERBRIGHT ENVIRONMENT	2,800.72	ADANI POWER LTD	12,873.20

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MSCI ESG Score	ESG score	Е	S	G
Fund	7.0	5.9	5.3	5.8
Broad Market Index	6.2	5.8	5.1	5.3

#### ESG score for ten highest holdings by weight

Fund	Weight	ESG score	Е	s	G	Carbon intensity emissions
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFAC	13.071%	4.4	3.8	4.5	5.0	169.7
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD	6.065%	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.4	84.8
BHP GROUP LTD	5.147%	4.0	3.4	3.7	5.0	214.0
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRAL	3.932%	4.2	4.0	3.8	4.8	4.9
INFOSYS LTD	3.629%	3.9	3.0	3.7	5.0	12.4
PING AN INSURANCE GROUP CO-H	2.018%	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.3	2.1
DBS GROUP HOLDINGS LTD	1.987%	4.3	5.0	3.2	4.5	4.1
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	1.960%	4.2	4.0	3.5	5.0	5.7
HCL TECHNOLOGIES LTD	1.836%	4.1	3.0	4.3	5.0	13.6
XIAOMI CORP-CLASS B	1.588%	3.1	2.3	3.4	3.6	2.1

Broad Market Index	Weight	ESG score	E	s	G	Carbon intensity emissions
TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFAC	7.156%	4.4	3.8	4.5	5.0	169.7
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD	3.568%	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.4	84.8
TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD	2.933%	3.3	2.5	3.0	4.5	36.6
ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD	1.868%	2.7	2.4	1.9	4.0	40.4
BHP GROUP LTD	1.780%	4.0	3.4	3.7	5.0	214.0
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRAL	1.622%	4.2	4.0	3.8	4.8	4.9
RELIANCE INDUSTRIES LTD	1.466%	3.0	2.6	2.4	4.3	480.6
HDFC BANK LIMITED	1.188%	2.9	2.0	2.4	4.0	25.3
CSL LTD	1.107%	3.1	1.8	3.2	4.6	31.8
AIA GROUP LTD	0.935%	3.1	3.0	3.2	3.1	2.4

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#### ESG score for ten lowest holdings by weight

Fund	Weight	ESG score	E	s	G	Carbon intensity emissions
MAGELLAN FINANCIAL GROU-CW27*^	0.000%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
BTS Group Holdings PCL- Warrants 8*^	0.000%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRASIM INDUSTRIE-PARTLY PAID	0.000%	2.9	2.6	2.3	4.0	5,329.7
INDOCEMENT TUNGGAL PRAKARSA	0.003%	3.0	2.5	2.9	4.0	10,167.5
NWS HOLDINGS LTD	0.003%	2.8	2.5	2.7	3.4	14.7
ZHEJIANG HUAYOU COBALT CO -A	0.003%	2.2	2.4	2.0	2.1	207.0
SANY HEAVY EQUIPMENT INTL	0.003%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.9
LG ENERGY SOLUTION	0.003%	3.6	4.0	3.3	3.3	76.0
PPB GROUP BERHAD	0.003%	3.5	2.4	3.8	4.6	78.3
MICROPORT SCIENTIFIC CORP	0.004%	3.0	1.5	3.0	4.5	48.7

Broad Market Index	Weight	ESG score	Е	S	G	intensity emissions
CONTEC MEDICAL SYSTEMS CO -A^	0.000%	0.9	0.0	0.4	2.5	29.9
JIANGSU ZHANGJIAGANG RURA -A^	0.000%	1.7	1.0	2.2	1.9	2.3
AUTEL INTELLIGENT TECHNOLO-A^	0.000%	1.6	1.0	1.5	2.5	24.9
SANSURE BIOTECH INC-A^	0.000%	1.2	0.5	1.0	2.0	22.2
THREE SQUIRRELS INC-A^	0.000%	0.6	0.2	0.4	1.4	60.3
TOLY BREAD CO LTD-A^	0.000%	0.7	0.4	0.4	1.4	68.8
RONGAN PROPERTY CO LTD -A^	0.000%	1.0	0.8	0.8	1.4	25.4
SHENZHEN NEW NANSHAN HOLDI-A^	0.000%	0.8	0.8	0.3	1.4	37.5
LIUZHOU IRON & STEEL CO -A^	0.000%	1.7	2.0	1.3	1.9	2,447.3
HUABAO FLAVOURS & FRAGRANC-A^	0.000%	0.7	0.3	0.4	1.7	50.2

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- Derivatives may be used by the Fund, and these can behave unexpectedly. The pricing and volatility of many derivatives may diverge from strictly reflecting the pricing or volatility of their underlying reference(s), instrument or asset.
- Investment Leverage occurs when the economic exposure is greater than the amount invested, such as when derivatives are used. A Fund that employs leverage may experience greater gains and/or losses due to the amplification effect from a movement in the price of the reference source.
- Where overseas investments are held the rate of currency exchange may cause the value of such investments to go down as well as up.
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