

# iShares MSCI Pacific ex-Japan ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF USD (Acc)

## May Factsheet

Performance, Portfolio Breakdowns and Net Asset information as at: 31-May-2023

All other data as at 06-Jun-2023

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The fund seeks to track the performance of an index measuring the performance of a sub-set of equity securities of companies within the MSCI Pacific ex-Japan Index and excludes companies from the Parent Index based on the index provider's environmental, social and governance ("ESG") exclusionary criteria.

### KEY BENEFITS

- 1 Aims to provide exposure to a portfolio of equity securities of companies within the MSCI Pacific ex-Japan Index and aims to exceed decarbonisation and other minimum standards for an EU Climate Transition Benchmark (CTB) and maximise exposure to issuers with higher ESG ratings.
- 2 Excludes Companies that are involved with controversial, conventional and nuclear weapons, civilian firearms, thermal coal, tobacco or unconventional oil and gas. Companies that are classified as violating the United Nations Global Compact principles, have a 'Red' MSCI ESG Controversies score, or have not been assessed by the index provider for an ESG controversies score or an ESG rating.
- 3 The fund adopts a best-in-class approach to sustainable investing, this means that it is expected that the Fund will invest in the best issuers from an ESG perspective, based on the ESG criteria of the Index.

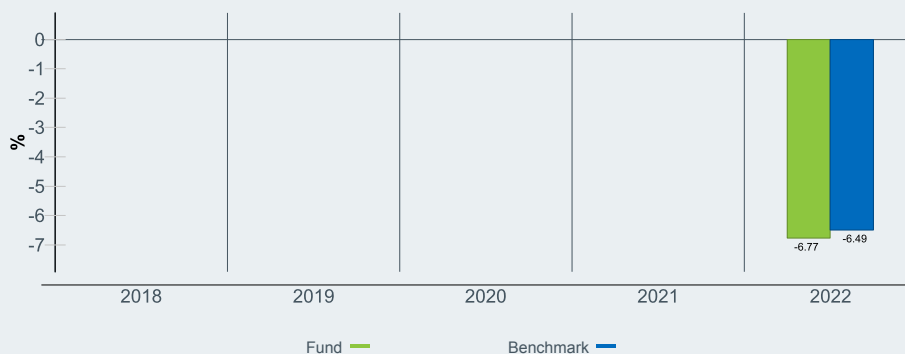
**Key Risks:** Investment risk is concentrated in specific sectors, countries, currencies or companies. This means the Fund is more sensitive to any localised economic, market, political, sustainability-related or regulatory events.

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### GROWTH OF 10,000 USD SINCE INCEPTION



### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (% USD)



**Capital at risk.** All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

### KEY FACTS

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Asset Class             | Equity   |
| Fund Base Currency      | USD  |
| Share Class Currency    | USD  |
| Fund Launch Date        | 08-Dec-2021  |
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| Benchmark               | MSCI Pacific ex-Japan ESG Enhanced Focus CTB Index |
| ISIN                    | IE00BMDBMK72                                       |
| Total Expense Ratio     | 0.20%  |
| Distribution Frequency  | None   |
| Domicile                | Ireland  |
| Methodology             | Optimised  |
| Product Structure       | Physical   |
| Rebalance Frequency     | Quarterly  |
| UCITS                   | Yes  |
| ISA Eligibility         | Yes  |
| SIPP Available          | Yes  |
| UK Reporting Status     | Yes  |
| Use of Income           | Accumulating                                       |
| Management Company      | iShares III plc                                    |

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Net Assets of Fund        | USD 74,684,598 |
| Net Assets of Share Class | USD 74,684,598 |
| Number of Holdings        | 111            |
| Shares Outstanding        | 16,000,000     |
| Benchmark Ticker          | NU738436       |
| Fund Type                 | UCITS          |

### TOP HOLDINGS (%)

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| AIA GROUP LTD                  | 6.87  |
| COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA | 6.32  |
| CSL LTD                        | 5.19  |
| TRANSURBAN GROUP STAPLED UNITS | 3.99  |
| ANZ GROUP HOLDINGS LTD         | 3.74  |
| NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD    | 3.07  |
| MACQUARIE GROUP LTD DEF        | 2.84  |
| WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION    | 2.67  |
| NEWCREST MINING LTD            | 2.43  |
| MINERAL RESOURCES LTD          | 2.40  |
|                                | 39.52 |

Holdings are subject to change.

**The figures shown relate to past performance. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product or strategy.** Share Class and Benchmark performance displayed in USD, hedged fund benchmark performance is displayed in USD. Performance is shown on a Net Asset Value (NAV) basis, with gross income reinvested where applicable. Performance data is based on the net asset value (NAV) of the ETF which may not be the same as the market price of the ETF. Individual shareholders may realize returns that are different to the NAV performance. The return of your investment may increase or decrease as a result of currency fluctuations if your investment is made in a currency other than that used in the past performance calculation. **Source:** BlackRock

**Key Risks Continued:** The value of equities and equity-related securities can be affected by daily stock market movements. Other influential factors include political, economic news, company earnings and significant corporate events. The benchmark index only excludes companies engaging in certain activities inconsistent with ESG criteria if such activities exceed the thresholds determined by the index provider. Investors should therefore make a personal ethical assessment of the benchmark index's ESG screening prior to investing in the Fund. Such ESG screening may adversely affect the value of the Fund's investments compared to a fund without such screening.

## SECTOR BREAKDOWN (%)

|                         | Fund  |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Financials              | 40.02 |
| Real Estate             | 15.13 |
| Industrials             | 13.25 |
| Materials               | 10.36 |
| Health Care             | 7.60  |
| Consumer Staples        | 3.69  |
| Communication           | 3.10  |
| Consumer Discretionary  | 2.92  |
| Utilities               | 1.11  |
| Energy                  | 1.11  |
| Cash and/or Derivatives | 0.92  |
| Information Technology  | 0.78  |

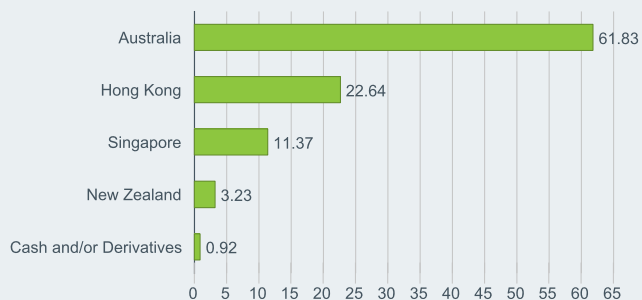
## PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Price to Earnings (TTM) Ratio | 16.83x |
| Price to Book Ratio           | 1.53x  |

## DEALING INFORMATION

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Exchange   | Euronext Amsterdam |
| Ticker   | PCEL               |
| Bloomberg Ticker   | PCEL NA            |
| RIC  | PCEL.AS            |
| SEDOL  | BMVM9Y5            |
| Trading Currency   | USD                |
| This product is also listed on: Xetra, Bolsa Mexicana De Valores, SIX Swiss Exchange |                    |

## GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN (%)



Geographic exposure relates principally to the domicile of the issuers of the securities held in the product, added together and then expressed as a percentage of the product's total holdings. However, in some instances it can reflect the location where the issuer of the securities carries out much of their business.

## SUSTAINABILITY CHARACTERISTICS

Sustainability Characteristics can help investors integrate non-financial, sustainability considerations into their investment process. These metrics enable investors to evaluate funds based on their environmental, social, and governance (ESG) risks and opportunities. This analysis can provide insight into the effective management and long-term financial prospects of a fund.

The metrics below have been provided for transparency and informational purposes only. The existence of an ESG rating is not indicative of how or whether ESG factors will be integrated into a fund. The metrics are based on MSCI ESG Fund Ratings and, unless otherwise stated in fund documentation and included within a fund's investment objective, do not change a fund's investment objective or constrain the fund's investable universe, and there is no indication that an ESG or Impact focused investment strategy or exclusionary screens will be adopted by a fund. For more information regarding a fund's investment strategy, please see the fund's prospectus.

|   |                              |   |         |
|---|------------------------------|---|---------|
| <b>MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC)</b>           | AA                           | <b>MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10)</b>                                | 7.86    |
| <b>MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile</b> | 99.41%                       | <b>MSCI ESG % Coverage</b>  | 100.00% |
| <b>Fund Lipper Global Classification</b>        | Equity Asia Pacific ex Japan | <b>MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES)</b> | 87.32   |
| <b>Funds in Peer Group</b>                      | 682                          |   |         |

All data is from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings as of **19-May-2023**, based on holdings as of **31-Mar-2023**. As such, the fund's sustainable characteristics may differ from MSCI ESG Fund Ratings from time to time.

To be included in MSCI ESG Fund Ratings, 65% (or 50% for bond funds and money market funds) of the fund's gross weight must come from securities with ESG coverage by MSCI ESG Research (certain cash positions and other asset types deemed not relevant for ESG analysis by MSCI are removed prior to calculating a fund's gross weight; the absolute values of short positions are included but treated as uncovered), the fund's holdings date must be less than one year old, and the fund must have at least ten securities.

## ESG GLOSSARY:

**MSCI ESG Fund Rating (AAA-CCC):** The MSCI ESG Rating is calculated as a direct mapping of ESG Quality Scores to letter rating categories (e.g. AAA = 8.6-10). The ESG Ratings range from leader (AAA, AA), average (A, BBB, BB) to laggard (B, CCC).

**MSCI ESG Quality Score - Peer Percentile:** The fund's ESG Percentile compared to its Lipper peer group.

**Fund Lipper Global Classification:** The fund peer group as defined by the Lipper Global Classification.

**Funds in Peer Group:** The number of funds from the relevant Lipper Global Classification peer group that are also in ESG coverage.

**MSCI ESG Quality Score (0-10):** The MSCI ESG Quality Score (0 - 10) for funds is calculated using the weighted average of the ESG scores of fund holdings. MSCI rates underlying holdings according to their exposure to industry specific ESG risks and their ability to manage those risks relative to peers.

**MSCI ESG % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which the MSCI ESG ratings data is available. The MSCI ESG Fund Rating, MSCI ESG Quality Score and MSCI ESG Quality Score – Peer Percentile metrics are displayed for funds with at least 65% coverage (or 50% for bond funds and money market funds).

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (Tons CO2E/\$M SALES):** Measures a fund's exposure to carbon intensive companies. This figure represents the estimated greenhouse gas emissions per \$1 million in sales across the fund's holdings. This allows for comparisons between funds of different sizes.

**MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity % Coverage:** Percentage of the fund's holdings for which MSCI Carbon Intensity data is available. The MSCI Weighted Average Carbon Intensity metric is displayed for funds with any coverage. Funds with low coverage may not fully represent the fund's carbon characteristics given the lack of coverage.

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## GLOSSARY

**Total Expense Ratio (TER):** A measure of the total costs associated with managing and operating a fund. The TER consists primarily of the management fee plus other expenses such as trustee, custody, or operating expenses. It is expressed as a percentage of the fund's total net asset value.

**Distribution yield:** The distribution yield represents the ratio of distributed income over the last 12 months to the fund's current Net Asset Value.

**Product Structure:** Indicates whether the fund buys the actual underlying securities in the index (i.e. Physical) or whether the fund gains exposure to those securities by buying derivatives, such as swaps (known as 'Synthetic'). Swaps are a form of contract that promises to provide the return of the security to the fund, but the fund does not hold the actual security. This can introduce a risk that the counterparty defaults on the "promise" or contract.

**Methodology:** Indicates whether the product is holding all index securities in the same weight as the index (replicating) or whether an optimised subset of index securities is used (optimised/sampled) in order to efficiently track index performance.

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