

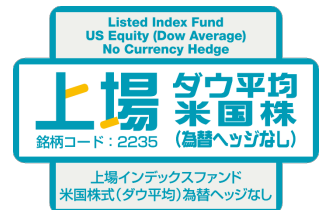
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NIKKO ASSET MANAGEMENT CO., LTD.

Nikko AM to Launch Dow Jones Industrial Average ETF* with Lowest Trust Fees of Cohorts on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

*ETF with no currency hedge to be newly listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange 16 December
Simultaneously, trust fee of existing ETF with currency hedge will be reduced***

Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd. (Nikko AM) today announces the new ETF: **Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge**. It is being launched today, and will be listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange on 16 December.



The trust fee for **Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge** is set at 0.275% (0.25% excluding tax) per annum, the lowest among ETFs listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange that are linked to the Dow Jones Industrial Average (as of 12 December 2022). In addition, Nikko AM amended the trust deed of its existing **Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge** on 13 December, reducing the trust fee from 0.33% (0.3% before tax) to 0.275% (0.25% before tax) per annum.

Name	Code	Trust Fee
Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge	2235	0.275% (0.25% before tax) per annum
Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge	2562	0.275% (0.25% before tax) per annum

Unlike the existing currency hedged ETF, the new ETF invests in the Dow Jones Industrial Average while being exposed to the exchange rate between the dollar and the yen, thereby expanding the ETF line-up linked to major US equity indices, while keeping trust fees low so that investors can consider them as a long-term investment option. Nikko AM continues to develop innovative ETF products to meet the diverse needs of a wide range of investors, and strives to further enhance its product line-up to offer even more investment opportunities.

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* Lowest trust fee rate among ETFs linked to the Dow Jones Industrial Average listed on the TSE (as of 12 December 2022).

** Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge

Fund Outline for Exchange Trading

Product Type	Open-end/Overseas/Equity /ETF/Index type
Listed Exchange	Tokyo Stock Exchange
Listing Date	Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge: 16 December 2022 (scheduled) Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge: 18 March 2020
Securities Code	Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge: 2235 Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge: 2562
Trading Unit on Exchange	10 units
Trust Period	Unlimited (launch date: Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge: 13 March 2020 12 August, 2020, Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge: 13 December 2022)
Closing Dates	8 January and 8 July of each year (*Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Jones Average) No Currency Hedge First Settlement is 8 July 2023.)
Dividends	In principle, all returns from dividend and interest etc., arising from trust assets will be distributed after deduction of expenses, etc. *Future dividend payments and dividend amounts cannot be guaranteed.

Outline of Fees, etc.

Investors bear the following expenses:

Fees charged at the time of trading at the Exchange

- Trading Fees: Fees are determined by each authorized participant. Inquire with the relevant authorized participant for details. Fees are subject to Japanese consumption tax.

Fees and expenses charged indirectly through the trust assets (i.e. paid by the Fund)

- Trust Fees: Fund: annual rate of up to 0.275% (0.25% excluding tax) of total net assets
- Other Expenses An amount no greater than the total obtained by multiplying the fund's daily total net assets by an annual rate of 0.1% and multiplying the result by the trust period. Expenses including the following will be paid from trust assets at the times stipulated by the asset manager: (i) expenses for creating and delivering prospectuses, (ii) expenses for accounting and related services, (iii) expenses for producing summaries of accounts (if the services set forth in (i)–(iii) are outsourced, they will also include outsourcing fees), (iv) audit costs, (v) listing fees, and (vi) fees for using the Dow Jones Industrial Average (TTM)(JPY) and the Dow Jones Industrial Average JPY Hedged (TTM) (Japan Calendar)
* Audit costs are expenses for audits of a fund paid to an auditing firm, etc. Brokerage fees for securities purchased, interest on borrowings and interest on advance payments are paid from trust assets upon occurrence.
* As miscellaneous expenses can vary depending on a fund's management status and other such circumstances, it is not possible to provide information such as rates and maximum amounts in advance. As the funds do not include any securities lending at present, no securities lending-related fees apply.

For more details, please refer to the investment trust explanatory document (prospectus distributed in advance of subscription).

Fund Outline

This is applicable to direct subscriptions and redemptions of the fund, and not applicable to those investors who trade on the exchange.

Subscription and Redemption Processing Hours	Orders will in principle be processed on the same business day if all administrative procedures prescribed by the authorized participant are completed by 3:00 p.m. Japan time.
Subscription Value	Net Asset Value (NAV) as of business day following date of application receipt
Subscription Units	No less than 5,000 units and as stipulated by authorized participant * Please direct inquiries to authorized participant
Redemption Value	NAV as of business day following date of application receipt
Redemption Units	No less than 5,000 units and in units of one * May vary depending on authorized participant. * If number of beneficiary rights held is below minimum trading unit specified by financial instruments exchange, beneficiary may apply for those beneficiary rights to be bought back. Inquire with authorized participant for details.

Fees charged at the time of subscription and redemption

- Subscription Fees: Fees are determined by each authorized participant. Inquire with the authorized participant for details. The fees are subject to Japanese consumption tax.
- Redemption Fees: When a beneficiary makes a redemption request or applies to have beneficiary rights bought back, the authorized participant can collect any fees it has stipulated as well as the amount equivalent to the Japanese consumption tax applicable to said fees.
* Inquire with the authorized participant for details.
- Amount Retained in Trust Assets (Redemption charge): None

Fees and expenses charged indirectly through the trust assets (i.e. paid by the Fund)

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Risk Information

Invested principal is not guaranteed. The investment's value may fall below the principal amount if a fall in market price and/or the NAV of the fund invested in causes a loss. All gains and losses from management of the funds are

attributable to the investor (beneficiary). The funds are different to bank deposits. When investing in assets denominated in foreign currencies, losses may be incurred due to exchange rate fluctuations.

The major risk factors involved in investing in fund securities are as below:

[Price Fluctuation Risk] [Liquidity Risk] [Credit Risk] [Currency Risk] [Risk involved in securities lending]

* Refer to the explanatory prospectus delivered prior to investment for details.

Other Matters to Consider

- This material was prepared by Nikko Asset Management to enhance investors' understanding of Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) No Currency Hedge and Listed Index Fund US Equity (Dow Average) Currency Hedge.
- The authorized participant will provide a prospectus and other such explanatory materials prior to investment. Please be sure to read the materials before making your own investment decision.

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