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SIX Swiss Exchange celebrates the anniversary of its ETF segment: 15 years growth

SIX Swiss Exchange was one of the first exchanges in Europe to open an ETF segment in 2000, which has since exhibited strong growth. In the first eight months of 2015, SIX Swiss Exchange reported trading turnover in excess of CHF 70 billion. The fact that more than 1,000 ETFs from 20 product providers can be traded today is testimony to the significant contribution made by the ETF segment to the diversification of the range of tradable securities on SIX Swiss Exchange. To mark the anniversary, SIX Swiss Exchange is publishing 15 theories on the future development of the ETF segment.

SIX Swiss Exchange was one of the first European exchanges to open an ETF segment in September 2000, which has since exhibited strong growth. Over the past 15 years, equity ETFs have been joined by asset classes such as government and corporate bond, money market, commodity and real estate ETFs. ETF products also encompass regions, countries, sectors, investment strategies and themes. Their variety and number have grown continuously as a consequence of various innovations. In February 2015, the range of ETFs on offer on SIX Swiss Exchange reached the 1,000 mark, meaning that the ETF segment was making a major contribution to the diversification of the range of tradable securities on SIX Swiss Exchange.

In March and June, SIX Swiss Exchange welcomed two new issuers in the form of WisdomTree and Van Eck Global Investments. Since the end of August 2015, investors have been able to trade in excess of 1,100 products from 20 providers, for which liquidity is provided by 23 official market makers.

Trading turnover has also increased virtually unchecked, exceeding the CHF 70 billion mark in the first eight months of 2015, thereby making possible the breaking of the 2011 record of a sound CHF 100 billion by year-end. Depending on trading activity on SIX Swiss Exchange, trading turnover in ETFs accounts for 10%-15% of equity turnover.

The continued success of ETFs can be found in the numerous advantages they have to offer. These include their cost structure, security, ease of tradability, transparent construction, efficient diversification and their flexibility of use for asset management purposes. Trading in ETFs on SIX Swiss Exchange also benefits from a highly stable and multi-currency trading platform and market supervision, which guarantees efficient, transparent and fair trading.



Further information: 15 milestones and a look into the future:

The growth trajectory of the ETF segment features numerous highlights. SIX Swiss Exchange looks back on 15 selected milestones at <http://www.six-group.com/misc/asset/dsx/etf/en/index.html>.

There continues to be potential for new and innovative products, for which the Swiss financial center provides an interesting market. SIX Swiss Exchange has put together a list of 15 theories of how the ETF segment could look 15 years from now.

http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/download/market/funds/publications/etf_15_thesen_en.pdf

SIX Swiss Exchange provides in-depth expertise at your disposal and a broad-based information offering. This includes publications, news, statistical data and evaluations of ETF trading, not to mention comprehensive information on ETF providers, market makers and products.

http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/funds/etf_de.html

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