

NEWFUNDS COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEME IN SECURITIES

NEWFUNDS LOW VOLATILITY EQUITY EXCHANGE TRADED FUND

A Portfolio under the NewFunds Collective Investment Scheme in Securities (“NewFunds”) registered as such in terms of the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, 45 of 2002.

JSE Share Code: NFEVOL
ISIN: ZAE000252458
 (“NewFunds Low Volatility Equity ETF” or the “Portfolio”)

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LISTING OF THE NEWFUNDS LOW VOLATILITY EQUITY ETF IN THE EXCHANGE TRADED FUND SECTOR AND ON THE MAIN BOARD OF THE JSE LIMITED (“JSE”).

This announcement is issued in compliance with section 19.27 of the JSE Listings Requirements, is issued for information purposes pertaining to the listing of the Portfolio only.

INTRODUCTION

The NewFunds Low Volatility Equity ETF is managed by NewFunds (RF) Proprietary Limited (the “Manager”) and has been established with the intention of allowing an investor to obtain market exposure to a diversified basket of 20 constituent securities in the South African equity market which exhibit low volatility characteristics in their performance by tracking the NewFunds Wits Risk-Controlled SA-Low-Volatility Index (the “Index”). The Low-volatility risk premium is measured by a multi factor low-volatility approach (low absolute volatility and low systematic risk). The Index applies liquidity filters to target only highly liquid securities from the JSE Listed Equity universe which exhibit the required low-volatility investing characteristics.

The establishment of this Portfolio completes NewFunds equity factor range which also includes NewFunds Value Equity ETF and NewFunds Momentum Equity ETF.

APPROVAL

Approval for the listing of the NewFunds Low Volatility Equity ETF was granted by the JSE on 27 November 2017.

LISTING AND OFFERING SUMMARY

Investors are able to participate by acquiring Participatory Interest in the Portfolio by way of an initial offer. The initial offer is available to both retail and institutional Investors, and is available via:

- an investment or trading platform
- a participant broker
- any JSE broker member
- the applicant’s CSDP

During the initial offer, applicants shall be entitled to subscribe for participatory interests either in **cash** or **in-specie** at the offer price. There is no minimum or maximum number of Participatory Interests which may be issued in terms of the initial offer.

RAMP UP PERIOD

This refers to the period where underlying securities will be acquired by the NewFunds Low Volatility Equity ETF with the proceeds from the initial offer.

SALIENT DATES AND TIMES AND FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENT

SENS announcements of Listing Approval	Friday 15 December 2017
Opening date of Initial Offer at 9:00 on	Thursday 1 March 2018
Closing date of Initial Offer at 12:00 on	Thursday 15 March 2018
Publication of announcement on SENS as to the results of the initial offer	Friday 16 March 2018
Letters of allocation issued	Friday 16 March 2018
Settlement of the LA	Monday 19 March 2018
Opening Date of Ramp-Up Period at 09:00 on	Monday 19 March 2018
Closing Date of Ramp-Up Period* at 17:00 on	Thursday 22 March 2018
Conversion ratio published	Friday 23 March 2018
Listing Date (In Specie Subscriptions) at 09:00 on	Monday 26 March 2018
Listing Date (Cash Subscriptions)* at 09:00 on	Monday 26 March 2018

Notes:

1. One letter of allotment (“LA”) will be issued for every one Rand subscription against a subscriber’s CSDP or broker account being debited with the Rand amount. Once the baskets have been acquired on behalf of the Portfolio, the CSDP will convert the LAs to participatory interests in the CSDP accounts in accordance with the conversion ratio to be published on the Stock Exchange News Service of the JSE.
2. An announcement of the initial offer price in respect of cash subscriptions and the basis of allocations of participatory interests will be announced on 23 March 2018.
3. Late applications will not be accepted.

Applicants should contact their professional advisor, JSE broker member, an investment/trading platform, the participant broker or the CSDP to ascertain the timing for submission of applications, as this may vary dependant on the professional advisor, broker, investment/trading platform or CSDP in question.

COPIES OF PORTFOLIO SUPPLEMENT

Copies of the Offering Circular and the Applicable Portfolio Supplement are available on the NewFunds website: www.etfcib.absa.co.za.

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