

Official Notice

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Title: Suspension of Trading and Delisting due to merger

**Proposed merger
of the sub-funds of
Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV
into the sub-funds of
UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc**

Fund/Share Class Details

Incorporated sub-fund	Class/ISIN	Issuer	Receiving Sub-fund	Class/ISIN	Issuer
CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Blue UCITS ETF	B USD IE00BJBYDR19	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – MSCI USA NSL UCITS ETF	(USD) A-acc IE000OULL4R4	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc
CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF	B USD IE00BJBYDQ02 BH EUR IE00BKKFT300 BH CHF ¹ IE00BKKFT292	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – MSCI World ESG Leaders UCITS ETF	(USD) A-acc IE000TG1LGI4 (hedged to EUR) A-acc IE0009W21NT4 (hedged to CHF) A-acc IE000F0DNOJ1 ²	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc
CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF	B USD IE00BMDX0L03	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Leaders UCITS ETF	(USD) A-acc IE000XFXBGR0	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc
CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Tech 125 ESG	B USD IE000YKE1AQ5	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – MSCI USA Tech 125 ESG	(USD) A-acc IE0003B4BV34	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc

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Universal Blue UCITS ETF			Universal UCITS ETF		
CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Minimum Volatility Blue UCITS ETF	B USD IE00BMDX0M10	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – Factor MSCI World Minimum Volatility ESG Leaders UCITS ETF	(USD) A-acc IE000EJ2EHO7	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc
CSIF (IE) MSCI USA ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF	B USD IE00BJBYDP94	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – MSCI USA ESG Leaders UCITS ETF	(USD) A-acc IE00063GNWK1	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc
CSIF (IE) FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Green Blue UCITS ETF	A USD IE00BMDX0K95	Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV	UBS (Irl) ETF plc – FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Green UCITS ETF	(USD) A-dis IE000H3AH951	UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc

19 July 2024

ANNOUNCEMENT

Convening of Extraordinary General Meetings of the Funds

With reference to the above sub-funds and classes of Credit Suisse Index Fund (IE) ETF ICAV (the “**ICAV**”) currently traded on the ETFplus market organised and managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A., Deutsche Börse Xetra and SIX Swiss Exchange (the “**Funds**”), the directors of the ICAV (the “**Directors**”) wish to inform you that Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) of the Shareholders of the Funds, will be held via electronic communications technology, namely Microsoft Teams, originating from 3rd Floor, 55 Charlemont Place, Dublin, D02 F985, Ireland on 16 August 2024 at 10.00 a.m. (Irish time) for the purpose of considering and if thought fit, passing the special resolution of the ICAV for the proposed merger of the Funds into the sub-funds (the “**Receiving Funds**”) of UBS (Irl) ETFs Plc (the “**Receiving Company**”) on the terms and conditions as set out in the Shareholder circulars dated 19 July 2024 (the “**Circulars**”), a summary of which is set out below.

Change of Financial Year End of the ICAV

Subject to the Shareholders of the Funds approving the proposed mergers by way of special resolution, they are advised that it is intended following the merger to wind-up the ICAV and to seek the revocation of its authorisation from the Central Bank. In that respect, the ICAV has applied for, and the Central Bank has granted to the ICAV, a derogation from preparing audited financial statements for the period ending 31 March 2024 on the basis that a set of termination financial statements will be prepared for the period from 1 April 2023 until 30 September 2024. As such,

Shareholders in the Funds as at 31 March 2024 shall be entitled to receive the financial statements for the period ending 30 September 2024, once these have been finalised.

Proposal

The proposal is to merge the Funds with the Receiving Funds (the "**Merger**") pursuant to Clause 42 of the Instrument of Incorporation of the ICAV (the "**Instrument**") and in accordance with the European Communities (Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities) Regulation 2011 (S.I. No. 352 of 2011), as amended (the "**Regulations**") and to seek your approval for the proposal.

Subject to receipt of Shareholder approval to the proposed Merger, all of the assets and liabilities of the Funds will transfer to the Receiving Funds and the Shareholders of the Funds will become shareholders of the Receiving Funds. The Shareholders will therefore, as at the Effective Date (as defined below), receive Shares in the corresponding share class of the Receiving Funds (the "**New Shares**"), as further detailed in the section below entitled "*Details of Subscriptions in the Receiving Fund*". The Funds will then be dissolved without going into liquidation.

Effective Date/ Time of Merger

Subject to the approval of the Merger at the EGM, the Merger will become effective as at 00.00.01 a.m. Irish time on 26 August 2024 (the "**Effective Date**").

As of the Effective Date, the classes of Funds will be delisted from the Relevant Stock Exchange Markets (as defined below) they are traded on and will be dissolved accordingly, as set out above.

Background of the Funds and the Receiving Funds

The investment objective and policy of the Funds and the Receiving Funds are broadly similar. The key differences between the Funds and the Receiving Funds are set out in the Circulars.

There are no material differences between the key risks associated with the Funds and the Receiving Funds. There is no assurance that the Receiving Funds will achieve their investment objective. The Receiving Funds are not guaranteed, and Shareholders may lose some or all of the amounts they have invested in the Receiving Funds.

The Receiving Funds were approved by the Central Bank as a sub-funds of the Receiving Platform on 10 June 2024 and have yet to be seeded. As such, the Fund's Shareholders will constitute the first shareholders in the Receiving Funds.

The Receiving Funds are formally registered for sale to the public in each of the Member States of the European Union in which the Funds are currently so registered and are to be listed on all of the same Relevant Stock Exchanges as the Funds are listed on (currently Borsa Italiana ETFplus market, Deutsche Börse Xetra and SIX Swiss Exchange, hereinafter the "**Relevant Stock Exchange Markets**").

The Receiving Funds will be listed on the above-mentioned markets as of the "Effective Date".

Rationale for the Merger

In March 2023, UBS Group AG agreed to buy Credit Suisse, and on 7 December 2023 it was announced that the directors of UBS Group AG had approved the execution of a merger of UBS AG and Credit Suisse AG. As part of that broader merger project, it is proposed to consolidate the Irish platforms of those two entities such that the existing sub-funds of the ICAV would merge onto the Receiving Company.

Given the Receiving Company is significantly bigger than the ICAV, investors in the Funds will benefit from economies of scale achieved through the merger. Additionally, UBS AG has a significantly larger distribution network than Credit Suisse, which will provide greater opportunities

for the Funds to increase assets and attract new investors and will ultimately improve the potential opportunities for better performance for investors.

Costs of the Merger

Save for any costs related to unamortised establishment costs of the Fund, all costs in connection with the Merger and the transfer of net assets to the Receiving Fund (including the costs of calling the meeting of Shareholders and of the preparation and implementation of the transfer) will be borne by UBS Asset Management Switzerland AG.

Following the Effective Date, the Shareholders in their capacity as shareholders of the Receiving Fund will be subject to the costs of operation of the Receiving Fund.

Timing/ EGM Procedure

Shareholders of the Funds will be asked to consider as an item of business at an EGM of the Funds the approval of the Mergers. In order for the Mergers to be effective, the special resolution requires three quarters of those present and voting in person or by proxy to vote in favour of the resolution.

As a result of the ICAV's use of the ICSD settlement model, The Bank of New York (Depository) Nominees Limited is the only registered shareholder of the ICAV and each of the Funds. As such, it is only the Bank of New York (Depository) Nominees Limited who is entitled to appoint a proxy or an authorised representative to attend, speak and vote on its behalf. For the avoidance of any doubt, any investors who have purchased their shares on the secondary market shall not be required to submit a proxy form to the ICAV in respect of the EGMs of the Funds. Instead, such investors in the Fund should submit their voting instructions through an ICSD or through a participant in the ICSD being their local central securities depository (which in turn should be instructed to submit their voting instructions to the ICSD) to ensure the sole registered shareholder of the Fund votes in accordance with their instructions. Investors who have invested in the Fund via their brokers, dealers or intermediaries should contact these entities to provide voting instructions to the ICSD on their behalf. In accordance with their respective rules and procedures, each ICSD is required to collate and transfer all votes received from its participants to the ICAV's common depository, The Bank of New York Mellon, London Branch (the "Common Depository"), and the Common Depository is, in turn, required to collate and transfer all votes received from each ICSD to The Bank of New York (Depository) Nominees Limited, which is obligated to vote in accordance with the Common Depository's voting instructions. Investors should consult with their brokers, dealers or intermediaries to understand any timing implications for them in this regard.

Copies of the circulars will be available from <https://am.credit-suisse.com/notice-to-investors>. If you have any questions, you should contact <https://am.credit-suisse.com/contact> or your own professional advisor.

You will be notified of the outcome of this EGM by way of release of an announcement that will be posted on <https://am.credit-suisse.com/notice-to-investors>.

If the Merger is approved, the last dealing day in Shares of the Funds will be at the final Dealing Day prior to the Effective Date.

Therefore, as indicated in the "Time table for the merger" below, the last trading date on the Relevant Stock Exchange Markets will be:

- a) 19 August 2024 for the share of CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF, CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Minimum Volatility Blue UCITS ETF and CSIF (IE) FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Green Blue UCITS ETF; and

- b) 20 August 2024 for the shares of CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Tech 125 ESG Universal Blue UCITS ETF, CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF, CSIF (IE) MSCI USA ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF and CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Blue UCITS ETF

Thereafter you will be advised in writing by the Receiving Fund's administrator within five business days following the Effective Date of the number of New Shares issued to you in the Receiving Funds. Subject to the Dealing Deadline provisions set out in the supplement of the Receiving Funds, you may deal in New Shares of the Receiving Funds on the next business day after the Effective Date.

Temporary Suspension

If the resolution to be tabled at the EGM is passed by Shareholders, the Directors intend to temporarily suspend all dealing in the shares of the Funds on both primary and secondary markets to facilitate the implementation of the Merger. This suspension will commence on (i) 20 August 2024 for the Funds listed under letter a) above and (ii) 21 August 2024 for the Funds listed under letter b) above, and carry through until 23 August 2024 inclusive (please also refer to the "Timetable for the Merger" below).

The intention to temporarily suspend dealing in the shares of the Funds was approved by the ICAV's Board of Directors and notified to the Central Bank of Ireland, which reviewed and approved the merger documentation. The intention to suspend dealing on the secondary market has also been notified to all the Relevant Stock Exchanges Markets.

Shareholders in the Funds who have requested the redemption of shares in the Funds during this suspension period will have their requests returned and will be requested to re-direct their redemption request to the Receiving Funds. Similarly, applications for the issue of shares in the Funds during this suspension period will be returned and such applicants will be requested to consider subscribing for shares in the Receiving Funds.

Details of Subscriptions in the Receiving Funds

You are advised that, if the Merger is approved, you will receive New Shares in the corresponding class in the Receiving Funds. Shares in the Receiving Funds will be issued at the Net Asset Value per Share of the relevant Class as calculated as at the Valuation Point of the Fund. Brown Brothers Harriman Fund Administration Services (Ireland) Limited (the "**Administrator**"), will calculate the net assets being transferred as part of the Merger pursuant to the Instrument and the Prospectus. The number of New Shares to be issued in the relevant class of the Receiving Funds shall be the number which would, on the Effective Date, have been issued for cash against the payment of a sum equal to the value of the net assets being transferred from the Funds. For the avoidance of doubt, your existing Shares in the Funds will be cancelled when the New Shares are issued on the Effective Date.

The valuation of the net assets shall be verified by PwC, the auditors of the Funds (the "**Auditor**") to ensure consistency with the Instrument, the Prospectus and the requirements of the Regulations.

Provided that you have not redeemed your existing Shares in the Funds, the Receiving Funds administrator will issue you with a written confirmation of ownership of New Shares in the Receiving Funds within five business days of the Effective Date. Subject to the Subscription Dealing Deadline provisions set out in the supplement for the Receiving Funds, you may deal in the New Shares of the Receiving Funds on the next business day after the Effective Date. For the avoidance of doubt, the existing Shares in the Funds will be cancelled when the New Shares are issued as at the Effective Date.

No initial charge will be made on the issue of New Shares in the Receiving Funds as part of this process.

If a person asks to receive a copy of the Fund documents or seeks to subscribe for new shares in the Funds between the date of this Circular and the Effective Date, such person will be provided with the PRIIPs KID or KIID for the Funds and will also be provided with a copy of this Circular and the PRIIPs KID or KIID for the Receiving Funds.

Redemption of Shares

If the Merger is approved, Shareholders who do not wish to participate in the Merger may sell the shares of the Funds on the ETF plus market through authorised intermediaries until 19 August 2024 for the Funds listed under letter a) above and (ii) 20 August 2024 for the Funds listed under letter b) above (please also refer to the "Timetable for the Merger" below), i.e. close of trading on the last Dealing Day (the Redemption Deadline) before the Merger takes effect, free of any redemption charge, subject to the procedures set out in the Prospectus.

Tax

The tax consequences of implementation of the Merger may vary depending on the law and regulations of your country of residence, citizenship or domicile and it is possible that your tax treatment will change following the Merger. If you are in any doubt about your potential liability to tax, you should seek professional advice.

Regulatory Considerations

Please note that Brown Brothers Harriman Trustee Services (Ireland) Limited, the depositary of the Fund (the "**Depositary**") is satisfied with the Merger proposal and has confirmed to the Central Bank that it has no objection to the proposal being put before you for approval.

In accordance with the requirements of Regulation 59 of the Regulations, each of (i) the Depositary and (ii) the Receiving Company's depositary will provide written verification of the type of merger and the UCITS involved, the Effective Date and that the rules applicable, respectively, to the transfer of the assets and liabilities of the Funds and the exchange of shares are in accordance with the Regulations and the relevant constitutional documents.

If you would like any further information about the Merger, please contact your usual contact at the ICAV.

Recommendation

The Directors, based on the recommendation and information received from Credit Suisse and UBS, believe that the Merger is aligned with the interests of the Shareholders in the Funds as a whole and, accordingly, the Directors recommend that you vote in favour of the Merger at the EGM.

Timetable for the Merger

Key dates	
Event	Date
Documentation posted to the Shareholders and published on https://am.credit-suisse.com/notice-to-investors	19 July 2024
Latest time and date for receipt of forms of proxy	14 August 2024
Meeting of Shareholders in the Fund	16 August 2024 (the " EGM ")

Results of EGM posted on https://am.credit-suisse.com/notice-to-investors	16 August 2024
Subject to the resolution to be tabled at the EGM being passed:	
Redemption Deadline	<p>19 August 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Minimum Volatility Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Green Blue UCITS ETF <p>20 August 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Tech 125 ESG Universal Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Blue UCITS ETF <p>This is the last Dealing Day, if the Merger receives regulatory and Shareholder approval, as of which shares of the Funds may be redeemed before the Merger takes effect</p>
Last day of trading on the secondary market	<p>19 August 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Minimum Volatility Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Green Blue UCITS ETF <p>20 August 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Tech 125 ESG Universal Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Blue UCITS ETF
The final NAV for the Funds	<p>Close of business on 23 August 2024 (the "Valuation Point").</p> <p>Shareholders should note that any income, dividends and other receivables accrued as of the Valuation Point will be included in the calculation of the final Net Asset Value of the</p>

	<p>Funds and will be transferred to the Receiving Funds as part of the Merger.</p> <p>The Merger becomes binding on any shareholder of the Funds who has not redeemed or switched out of the Funds by this date.</p>
Suspension Period	<p>20 August - 23 August</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI World ESG Leaders Minimum Volatility Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Green Blue UCITS ETF <p>21 August - 23 August</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Tech 125 ESG Universal Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Small Cap ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA ESG Leaders Blue UCITS ETF - CSIF (IE) MSCI USA Blue UCITS ETF <p>All dealing in the shares of the Funds shall be suspended during this period pending the Merger taking effect.</p>
Valuation of the Funds and calculation of the exchange ratio	23 August 2024
Effective Date	<p>00:00:01 a.m. (Irish time) on 26 August 2024</p> <p>New Shares in the Receiving Funds are issued to the Fund Shareholders and their shares in the Funds are cancelled.</p>
First day of dealing in New Shares issued in the Receiving Funds pursuant to the Merger	26 August 2024 (date of initial trading of the New Shares on the Relevant Stock Exchanges Markets).
Written confirmation posted to Shareholders advising of allocation and number of New Shares in the Receiving Funds and published on {website}	Within five (5) business days of the Effective Date.

Capitalised terms used in this document shall bear the same meaning as the defined terms used in the prospectus of the ICAV dated 01 December 2022 (the "Prospectus") including the supplement of the Funds dated 01 December 2022 (the "Supplements").

Shareholders may obtain the Prospectus, a copy of the Supplement, the key investor information document / key information document, the latest annual and semi-annual reports and copies of the IOI free of charge from the registered office of the Manager or the local representatives in the

countries where the ICAV is registered including from the EEA Facilities Agent, Maples Fund Services (Ireland) Limited, 32 Molesworth Street, Dublin 2, Ireland, in Switzerland from UBS Fund Management (Switzerland) AG, Aeschenvorstadt 1, CH-4051 Basel, which acts as Swiss Representative and UBS Switzerland AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH- 8001 Zurich, Switzerland which acts as the Swiss Paying Agent, in the UK from the UK Facilities Agent Credit Suisse Asset Management Limited, One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, Great Britain, and on the website of the ICAV – www.credit-suisse.com

Copies of the memorandum and articles of association of the Receiving Company, latest annual and semi-annual reports, material contracts, Prospectus of the Receiving Company, the supplement of the Receiving Funds and a copy of the report of the Auditor (once available) are available free of charge and may be inspected at the registered office of the Receiving Platform.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

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