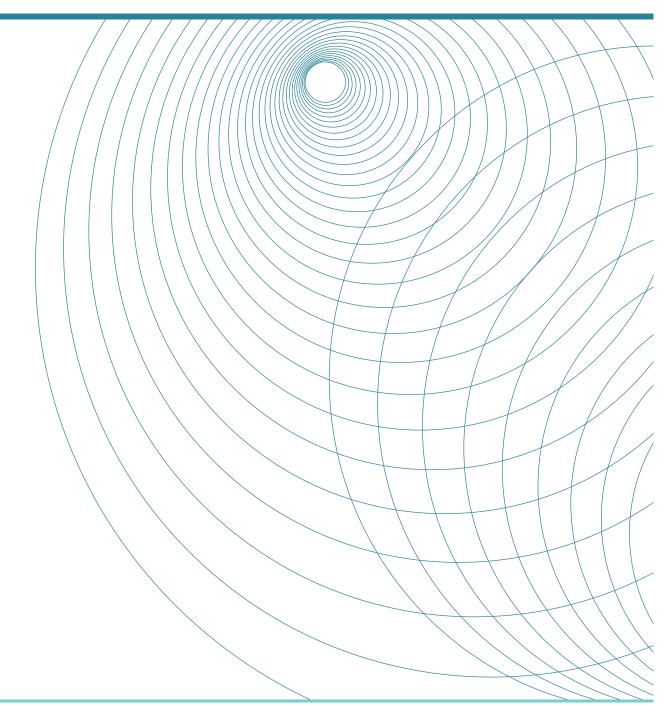




# ANNUAL REPORT Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC – NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

Financial year ended 31 December 2024



#### THE COMPANY

Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (Company Registration No. T21VC0223L) 12 Marina View #18-02, Asia Square Tower 2 Singapore 018961

#### **DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY**

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#### MANAGER

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#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Returns (%)	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception
NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF - SGD Share Class	-2.80	24.44	0.82	N/A	N/A	N/A	-22.35
MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index	-2.47	25.51	2.29	N/A	N/A	N/A	-21.38

Source: Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited & MSCI. Returns as at 31 December 2024. Returns are calculated on a NAV-NAV<sup>1</sup> basis, in SGD, and based on the assumption that all dividends and distributions are reinvested, if any. Returns for period in excess of 1 year are annualised. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

#### Note:

- (1) Nil subscription fee or preliminary charge.
- (2) With effect from 1 September 2025, references to "Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited", "Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC - NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF" and "Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd" shall be deemed deleted and replaced with "Amova Asset Management Asia Limited", "Amova Asia Limited VCC - Amova-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility Index ETF" and "Amova Asset Management Co., Ltd" respectively.

#### Inception date: 20 January 2022

The MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index is compiled and calculated by MSCI (the "**Index Licensor**") and aims to track the performance of Chinese companies listed in US, Hong Kong and China, and other markets from time to time, that are expected to derive significant revenues from energy storage technologies, autonomous vehicles, shared mobility and new transportation methods.

#### About NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

The NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund") is an authorised scheme under Section 286 of the Securities and Futures Act 2001. It is a sub-fund established under the Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company"), a variable capital company incorporated in Singapore on 18 October 2021 with variable capital and limited liability with the company registration number T21VC0223L, under the Variable Capital Companies Act (the "Act").

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve long term capital growth by replicating the returns of the MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index (the "Index").

The Sub-Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing all, or substantially all, of its assets in securities which are for the time being constituent securities of the Index ("Index Securities") in substantially the same weightings as reflected in the Index (i.e. using a full replication strategy). The Manager may in its absolute discretion adopt a representative sampling strategy instead of a full replication strategy. Representative sampling is a strategy of investing in a representative sample of securities in the Index which have a similar investment profile as that of the Index. The Manager may invest in certain securities that are not included in the Index ("non-Index Securities") but have aggregate characteristics (such as yield and duration) similar to those of the Index. Various circumstances may make it impossible or impracticable to purchase each component Index Security in the same weightings as reflected in the Index. In those circumstances, the Manager may employ a combination of one or more investment techniques in seeking to closely track the Index. In addition, given that Index Securities may be and are added to or removed from the Index from time to time, the Manager may sell or purchase securities that are not yet represented in the Index in anticipation of their removal from or addition to the Index.

In order to achieve its investment objective, the Sub-Fund will invest and have direct access to certain eligible China A-shares through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect (collectively, the "Stock Connect") and may invest through the Manager's status and capacity under the QFI framework in listed equities in the China A-shares market.

Note: Investors are advised to refer to the Fund's prospectus for more details of the Fund.

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**Past performance or any prediction, projection or forecast is not indicative of future performance**. The Fund or any underlying fund may use or invest in financial derivative instruments. The value of shares and income from them may fall or rise. **Investments in the Fund are subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of principal amount invested**. You should read the relevant prospectus (including the risk warnings) and product highlights sheet of the Fund, which are available and may be obtained from appointed distributors of Nikko AM Asia or our website (www.nikkoam.com.sg) before deciding whether to invest in the Fund.

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The performance of the ETF's price on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") may be different from the net asset value per share of the ETF. The ETF may also be suspended or delisted from the SGX-ST. Listing of the shares does not guarantee a liquid market for the shares. Investors should note that the ETF differs from a typical unit trust and shares may only be created or redeemed directly by a participating dealer in large creation or redemption shares.

(Where relevant – for funds included under CPFIS) The Central Provident Fund ("CPF") Ordinary Account ("OA") interest rate is the legislated minimum 2.5% per annum, or the 3-month average of major local banks' interest rates, whichever is higher, reviewed quarterly. The interest rate for Special Account ("SA") is currently 4% per annum or the 12-month average yield of 10-year Singapore Government Securities plus 1%, whichever is higher, reviewed quarterly. Only monies in excess of \$20,000 in OA and \$40,000 in SA can be invested under the CPF Investment Scheme ("CPFIS"). Please refer to the website of the CPF Board for further information. Investors should note that the applicable interest rates for the CPF accounts and the terms of CPFIS may be varied by the CPF Board for time to time.

Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited. Registration Number 198202562H.

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

The Directors present their statement to the shareholders together with the audited financial statements of Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company") and NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund") for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

In the opinion of the Directors,

- (i) the financial statements as set out on pages 10 to 30 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2024 and the financial performance and changes in equity of the Company and the Sub-Fund for the financial year covered by the financial statements; and
- (ii) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Sub-Fund will be able to pay their debts as and when they fall due.

#### Directors

The Directors of the Company in office at the date of this statement are as follows:

Phillip Yeo Phuay Lik Yan Ying Ying Lee Ken Hoon

#### Arrangement to enable Directors to acquire shares or debentures

Neither at the end of the financial year nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object was to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate, save as disclosed in this statement.

#### Directors' interest in shares or debentures

According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the Directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company or its related corporations.

On behalf of the Directors

Authorised signatories 27 March 2025

#### STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

In the opinion of Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited, the accompanying financial statements set out on pages 10 to 30, comprising the Statements of Total Return, Statements of Financial Position, Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders, Statement of Portfolio and Notes to the Financial Statements are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Sub-Fund and the portfolio holdings of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2024, and the financial performance and movements in shareholders' funds for the financial year then ended in accordance with the recommendations of Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice 7 "Reporting Framework for Investment Funds" issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Sub-Fund will be able to meet its financial obligations as and when they materialise.

For and on behalf of the Manager Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited

Authorised signatory 27 March 2025

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF NIKKO AM ASIA LIMITED VCC

(Incorporated in Singapore)

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Our Opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company") and NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund") are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Variable Capital Companies Act 2018 (the "Act") and the recommendations of Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice 7 "Reporting Framework for Investment Funds" issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants ("RAP 7"), so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and of the Sub-Fund and portfolio holdings of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2024, and the financial performance and movements in shareholders' funds of the Company and of the Sub-Fund for the financial year ended on that date.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements of the Company and of the Sub-Fund comprise:

- the Statements of Total Return of the Company and of the Sub-Fund for the financial year ended 31 December 2024;
- the Statements of Financial Position for the Company and of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2024;
- the Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders of the Company and of the Sub-Fund for the financial year then ended;
- the Statement of Portfolio of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2024; and
- the notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Company and the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code.

#### Our Audit Approach

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the accompanying financial statements. In particular, we considered where management made subjective judgements; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

#### Key Audit Matters

We have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF NIKKO AM ASIA LIMITED VCC

(Incorporated in Singapore)

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all sections of the annual report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### **Responsibilities of Management and Directors for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Act and RAP 7, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the ability of the Company and of the Sub-Fund to continue as going concerns, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company and the Sub-Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the financial reporting process of the Company and the Sub-Fund.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company and the Sub-Fund's internal control.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF NIKKO AM ASIA LIMITED VCC

(Incorporated in Singapore)

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Manager's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company and the Sub-Fund's ability to continue as going concerns. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company and the Sub-Fund to cease to continue as going concerns.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and the Sub-Fund has been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Paul Sammy Pak.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants Singapore, 27 March 2025

#### STATEMENTS OF TOTAL RETURN

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

		Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC		
	Note	2024 S\$	2023 S\$	
<b>Income</b> Dividend income Interest on cash and cash equivalents		- - -	- - -	
Less: Expenses Management fee Expenses reimbursement Directors' fee Custody fee Administrator fee Audit fee Transaction costs Other expenses	2(c)	- - - - - - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	
Net income				
Net gains or losses on value of investments Net losses on investments Net losses on foreign exchange		- 		
Total deficit for the financial year before income tax Less: Income tax Total deficit for the financial year after income tax	3			

### The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENTS OF TOTAL RETURN

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

	Note	2024 S\$	2023 S\$
<b>Income</b> Dividend income Interest on cash and cash equivalents	_	380,557 	263,597 90 263,687
Less: Expenses Management fee Expenses reimbursement Directors' fee Custody fee Administrator fee Audit fee Transaction costs Other expenses*	2(c)	120,863 (159,602) 9,993 21,043 7,472 12,000 27,156 156,846 195,771	156,497 (173,370) 10,001 24,717 12,140 18,000 33,349 171,500 252,834
Net income	_	184,786	10,853
Net gains or losses on value of investments Net gains/(losses) on investments Net losses on foreign exchange	_	420,811 (201,814) 218,997	(7,913,660) (148,358) (8,062,018)
Total return/(deficit) for the financial year before income tax Less: Income tax Total return/(deficit) for the financial year after income tax	3 _	403,783 (32,424) 371,359	(8,051,165) (11,196) (8,062,361)

\* There were no non-audit related fees paid to a network firm of the Fund's auditor for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 and 2023.

# **STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION** *As at 31 December 2024*

#### Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC

	Note	31 December 2024 S\$	31 December 2023 S\$	
ASSETS Portfolio of investments Receivables Prepayment Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	4	- - - 1 1	- - - 1 1	
LIABILITIES Payables Total liabilities	5			
<b>EQUITY</b> Management share Net assets attributable to shareholders <b>Total equity</b>	6 6	1 1	1 1	

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2024

	Note	31 December 2024 S\$	31 December 2023 S\$
ASSETS			
Portfolio of investments		26,212,589	26,337,324
Receivables	4	673	10,053
Prepayment		23,820	29,859
Cash and cash equivalents		25,420	23,906
Total assets		26,262,502	26,401,142
LIABILITIES Payables Total liabilities	5	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<b>EQUITY</b> Management share Net assets attributable to shareholders <b>Total equity</b>	6 6	- 26,194,471 26,194,471	_ 26,333,767 26,333,767

### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

### STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

#### Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC

	Management share and total equity			
	2024 S\$	2023 S\$		
At beginning of financial year	1	1		
Issuance during the year				
At financial year end	1	1		

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

	Participating shares and total equity		
	2024 S\$	2023 S\$	
Net assets attributable to shareholders at the beginning of financial year	26,333,767	33,469,316	
Proceeds from shares issued Redemption of shares Net (decrease)/increase from share	1,302,485 (1,813,140)	2,320,062 (1,393,250)	
transactions Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to shareholders from operations	(510,655) 371,359	926,812 (8,062,361)	
Net assets attributable to shareholders at the end of financial year	26,194,471	26,333,767	

#### STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 31 December 2024

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

By Industry (Primary)	Holdings at 31 December 2024	Fair value at 31 December 2024 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2024 %	
Quoted Equities				
Automobiles Bethel Automotive Safety Systems Co., Ltd. BYD Company Limited BYD Company Limited – H shares Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd. Geely Automobile Holdings Limited Huizhou Desay SV Automotive Co., Ltd. Li Auto Inc. Minth Group Limited NIO Inc Seres Group Co., Ltd. Xpeng Inc. Yadea Group Holdings Ltd. Yutong Bus Co., Ltd.	22,500 19,172 37,000 53,806 935,000 19,700 184,900 48,000 225,340 23,300 117,000 150,000 31,100	187,508 1,012,818 1,732,341 2,674,928 2,433,500 405,408 3,050,741 127,457 1,377,175 580,870 958,538 340,877 153,333	0.72 3.87 6.61 10.21 9.29 1.55 11.64 0.49 5.26 2.22 3.65 1.30 0.59	
		15,035,494	57.40	
<b>Chemicals</b> CNGR Advanced Material Co., Ltd. Guangzhou Tinci Materials Technology Co., Ltd. Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd.	36,360 87,300 224,200	245,455 321,752 689,708	0.94 1.23 2.63	
Shanghai Putailai New Energy Tech Co., Ltd. Shenzhen Capchem Technology Co., Ltd. Tianqi Lithium Corp. Zangge Mining Co., Ltd.	98,170 34,500 68,500 27,600	291,910 241,410 422,478 143,040 2,355,753	1.11 0.92 1.61 0.55 8.99	
<b>Commercial Services and Supplies</b> GEM Co., Ltd.	237,900	290,340 290,340	<u>1.11</u> 1.11	
<b>Communication Equipment</b> Guangzhou Haige Communications Group Inc.	60,100	123,332 123,332	0.47 0.47	

# **STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO** *As at 31 December 2024*

NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MS	CI China Electric	c Vehicles and F	uture Mobility ETF
By Industry (Primary) (continued)			Percentage of total net assets attributable to
	Holdings at 31 December 2024	Fair value at 31 December 2024 S\$	shareholders at 31 December 2024 %
Quoted Equities (continued)		04	70
Consumer Electronics			
China Greatwall Technology Group Co., Ltd.	48,200	131,252	0.50
Anker Innovations Technology Co., Ltd.	12,100	220,807	0.84
Huaqin Technology Co., Ltd.	10,200	135,255	0.52
		487,314	1.86
Containers and Packaging			
Yunnan Energy New Material Co., Ltd.	39,012	233,245	0.89
	· · ·	233,245	0.89
Electrical and Energy Equipment			
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	88,100	769,599	2,94
Ginlong Technologies Co., Ltd.	18,400	210,013	0.80
Goertek Inc.	71,550	345,142	1.32
Gotion High Tech Co., Ltd.	83,151	329,771	1.26
Sieyuan Electric Co., Ltd.	12,800	173,918	0.66
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	71,988	993,328	3.79
Sunwoda Electronic Co., Ltd	77,100	321,480	1.23
Zhejiang Chint Electrics Co., Ltd	58,000	253,764	0.97
JA Solar Technology Co., Ltd.	130,200	334,590	1.28
		3,731,605	14.25
Energy			
Sichuan Chuantou Energy Co., Ltd.	87,300	281,451	1.07
		281,451	1.07
Machinery			
Shenzhen Inovance Technology Co., Ltd.	22,300	244,148	0.93
		244,148	0.93
Metals and Mining			
Ganfeng Lithium Co., Ltd.	74,840	489,695	1.87
Jinduicheng Molybdenum Co., Ltd.	137,500	258,524	0.99
Western Mining Co., Ltd.	45,900	137,857	0.53
Zhejiang Huayou Cobalt Co., Ltd.	77,022	421,201	1.60
Xiamen Tungsten Co., Ltd.	65,439	235,678	0.90
Yunnan Chihong Zinc & Germanium Co., Ltd	164,900	171,663	0.66
	· · ·	1,714,618	6.55

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 31 December 2024

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

By Industry (Primary) (continued)	Holdings at 31 December 2024	Fair value at 31 December 2024 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2024 %
Quoted Equities (continued)			
Semiconductors Amlogic (Shanghai) Co.,Ltd. Galaxycore Inc Jinko Solar Co., Ltd. LONGi Green Energy Technology Co., Ltd. Sg Micro Corp. Western Superconducting Technologies Co., Ltd.	12,314 91,578 235,644 133,758 6,135 18,064	158,063 230,033 313,131 392,732 93,769 144,564 1,332,292	0.60 0.88 1.20 1.50 0.36 0.55 5.09
<b>Transportation</b> China Merchants Expressway Network Technology Co., Ltd.	146,900	382,997 382,997	1.46 1.46
Total Quoted Equities Portfolio of investments Other net liabilities Net assets attributable to shareholders		26,212,589 26,212,589 (18,118) 26,194,471	100.07 100.07 (0.07) 100.00

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 31 December 2024

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

#### By Industry (Summary)

	Fair value at 31 December 2024 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2024 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2023 %
Automobiles	15,035,494	57.40	53.48
Chemicals	2,355,753	8.99	11.73
Commercial Services and Supplies	290,340	1.11	0.72
Communication Equipment	123,332	0.47	-
Consumer Electronics	487,314	1.86	-
Containers and Packaging	233,245	0.89	1.67
Electrical and Energy Equipment	3,731,605	14.25	12.77
Energy	281,451	1.07	0.91
Machinery	244,148	0.93	1.05
Metals and Mining	1,714,618	6.55	8.46
Industrial Conglomerates	-	-	0.83
Semiconductors	1,332,292	5.09	8.39
Transportation	382,997	1.46	
Portfolio of investments	26,212,589	100.07	100.01
Other net liabilities	(18,118)	(0.07)	(0.01)
Net assets attributable to shareholders	26,194,471	100.00	100.00

The Sub-Fund invests wholly into equities which operations are based in China (including Hong Kong as a special administrative region of China).

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

#### 1. General

Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company") is an open-ended umbrella variable capital company incorporated in Singapore on 18 October 2021 under the provisions of the Variable Capital Companies Act 2018 and governed by the laws of the Republic of Singapore.

The Company currently comprises of 1 sub-fund, i.e. the NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund"). There is one class of shares established within the Sub-Fund, namely the SGD Class.

The Sub-Fund is an exchange-traded fund listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"). All assets and liabilities attributable to each sub-fund shall be segregated from the assets and liabilities of any other sub-funds and the Company, and shall not be used for the purpose of, or borne by the assets of, any other sub-fund.

The Company has appointed Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited (the "Manager") as the Manager to manage and invest the assets of the Company and each Sub-Fund of the Company and DBS Bank Ltd. as the administrator and registrar of the Company in respect of the Sub-Fund. DBS Trustee Limited (the "Custodian") has been appointed as custodian of the assets of the Sub-Fund.

Management shares were issued in respect of the Company only and participating shares were issued in respect of the Sub-Fund. Each management share will comprise one vote while each participating share of the Sub-Fund does not have the right to vote at the general meeting of the Company.

#### 2. Material accounting policy information

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

#### (a) <u>Basis of preparation</u>

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial instruments at fair value, and in accordance with the recommendations of Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice 7 "Reporting Framework for Investment Funds" ("RAP 7") issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.

#### (b) <u>Recognition of income</u>

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest rate method.

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#### 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

#### (c) <u>Expenses reimbursement</u>

As stipulated in the Sub-Fund's prospectus, the Company intends to cap the total expense ratio of the Sub-Fund at 0.70% per annum of the net asset value. Any fees and expenses that are payable by the Sub-Fund and are in excess of 0.70% per annum of the net asset value will be borne by the Manager and not the Sub-Fund.

#### (d) Foreign currency translation

#### *(i) Functional and presentation currency*

The Sub-Fund qualifies as an authorised scheme under the Securities and Futures Act 2001 ("SFA") of Singapore and is offered to retail investors in Singapore. The Sub-Fund's activities are substantially based in Singapore, with subscriptions and redemptions of the shares of the Sub-Fund being denominated in Singapore Dollar ("SGD").

The performance of the Sub-Fund is measured and reported to the investors in SGD. The Manager considers SGD as the currency which most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions. The financial statements are expressed in SGD, which is the Sub-Fund's functional and presentation currency.

#### (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the reporting date are recognised in the Statements of Total Return. Translation differences on non-monetary financial assets and liabilities such as equities are also recognised in the Statements of Total Return within the net gains or losses on value of investments.

#### (e) Investments

Investments are classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

(i) Initial recognition

Purchases of investments are recognised on the trade date. Investments are recorded at fair value on initial recognition.

(ii) Subsequent measurement

Investments are subsequently carried at fair value. Net change in fair value on investments are included in the Statements of Total Return in the year in which they arise.

(iii) Derecognition

Investments are derecognised on the trade date of disposal. The resultant realised gains or losses on the sales of investments are computed on the basis of the difference between the weighted average cost and selling price gross of transaction costs and are taken up in the Statements of Total Return.

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#### 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

#### (f) Basis of valuation of investments

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the reporting date. The quoted market price used for equities securities held by the Sub-Fund is the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within the bid ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid ask spread that is most representative of fair value.

#### (g) <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Receivables are initially recognised at their fair value and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less accumulated impairment losses.

#### (h) <u>Sales and purchases awaiting settlement</u>

Sales and purchases awaiting settlement represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet settled or delivered on the Statements of Financial Position date respectively. These amounts are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### (i) <u>Cash and cash equivalents</u>

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at banks which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### (j) <u>Payables</u>

Accrued expenses are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### (k) Expenses

Expenses are recognised in the Statement of Total Return as the related services are performed.

#### (I) Management fee

Management fee expense is recognised on an accrual basis and in accordance with the Prospectus. Management fee is recognised as an expense over the period for which the service is provided. The management fee charged on any investment in other unit trusts managed by the Manager is rebated back to the Sub-Fund, where applicable.

#### (m) Issuance and redemption of shares

Shares issued and redeemed at the prices based on the Sub-Fund's net asset value per share at the time of issue or redemption for each respective class. The Sub-Fund's net asset value per share is calculated by dividing the net asset attributable to the shareholders of each class of shares.

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#### 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

#### (n) <u>Management shares</u>

Management shares are issued in respect of the Company and are classified as equity. Management shares are not entitled to any share of the profits of the Company.

#### 3. Income tax

The Sub-Fund has been approved by the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("MAS") under the Singapore Resident Fund (SRF) Scheme (section 13O of the Income Tax Act 1947 and the relevant Regulations). Subject to certain conditions being met on an annual basis, the Sub-Fund may enjoy Singapore corporate income tax exemption on "specified income" derived from "designated investments" for the life of the Sub-Fund. Losses from "designated investments" are correspondingly disregarded. The terms "specified income" and "designated investments" are defined in the relevant Income Tax Regulations.

The Sub-Fund has assessed and is satisfied that it has met the requisite conditions under the SRF Scheme for the current financial year. The Sub-Fund will also ensure that its reporting obligations under the SRF Scheme are fulfilled.

	Nikko AM . Limited V		NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF		
	<b>2024</b> 2023		2024	2023	
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$	
Withholding tax		-	32,424	11,196	

The withholding tax represents tax deducted at source on interest and dividend income.

#### 4. Receivables

	Nikko AM Limited V	Asia	NikkoAM-Strai MSCI China Vehicles and Mobility	Electric I Future
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
Amount due from the Manager	-	-	673	10,053

Amount due from the Manager comprises expenses reimbursement due from and management fee payable to Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited.

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#### 5. Payables

	Nikko AM Limited V		NikkoAM-Strai MSCI China Vehicles and Mobility	Electric I Future
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
Valuation fees payable	-	-	508	1,036
Registrar fees payable	-	-	6,200	3,100
Custody fees payable	-	-	508	2,016
Provision for audit fee	-	-	12,000	18,000
Other payables	-	-	48,815	43,223
	-	-	68,031	67,375

Custody fee is payable to DBS Trustee Limited. Valuation fee and registrar fee are payable to DBS Bank Limited.

#### 6. Shares in issue

During the financial year ended 31 December 2024 and 2023, the number of shares issued, redeemed and outstanding were as follow:

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

#### SGD Class

	2024	2023
Shares at beginning of the financial year	58,456,903	56,731,903
Shares created	3,370,000	4,225,000
Shares cancelled	(4,150,000)	(2,500,000)
Shares at end of the financial year	57,676,903	58,456,903
Net assets attributable to shareholders – S\$	26,194,471	26,333,767
Net asset value per share – S\$	0.4542	0.4505

A reconciliation of the net asset value as reported in the Statement of Financial Position to the net asset value as determined for the purpose of processing share issuance and redemption is provided below:

#### SGD Class

	2024 S\$	2023 S\$
Net assets attributable to shareholders per financial statements	0.4542	0.4505
Effect for movement in the net assets value between the last dealing date and the end of the reporting year ^	-	_*
Net assets attributable to shareholders for issuing/redeeming per share	0.4542	0.4505

<sup>^</sup> The net asset value for the purposes of processing unit subscription and redemption was established in accordance with the methodology indicated in the Sub-Fund's Prospectus. This item reflects the movement in net asset value between the last dealing date and the end of reporting period.

\* Effect is less than 0.0001.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

#### 6. Shares in issue (continued)

There is 1 management share of SGD 1 issued in respect of the Company as at 31 December 2024 and 2023.

#### 7. Financial risk management

The Sub-Fund's activities expose it to a variety of risk, including but not limited to market risk (including price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), liquidity risk and credit risk. The Manager is responsible for the implementation of the overall risk management programme, which seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Sub-Fund's financial performance. Specific guidelines on exposures to individual securities and certain industries and/or countries are in place as part of the overall financial risk management to reduce the Sub-Fund's risk exposures to these risks.

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve long term capital growth by replicating the returns of the MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index (the "Index").

The Sub-Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing all, or substantially all, of its assets in securities which are for the time being constituent securities of the Index ("Index Securities") in substantially the same weightings as reflected in the Index. The Manager may invest in certain securities that are not included in the Index ("non-Index Securities") but have aggregate characteristics (such as yield and duration) similar to those of the Index.

The financial instruments are held in accordance with the published investment policies of the Sub-Fund and managed accordingly to achieve the investment objectives.

#### (a) Market risk – Price risk

Price risk is the risk that arises from uncertainties about future prices of financial instruments.

The Sub-Fund's investment is substantially dependent on the changes of market prices. The Sub-Fund's overall market positions are monitored regularly so as to assess changes in fundamentals and valuation. However, events beyond reasonable control of the Manager could affect the prices of the underlying investments and hence the net asset value of the Sub-Fund.

The Sub-Fund's market price risk is managed through diversification of the investment portfolio across various industries in the China market. The MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index (the "Index") is the current benchmark for the Sub-Fund.

As at 31 December 2024, an increase/decrease of the Index by 27% (2023: 25%), with all other variables remaining constant, the net assets attributable to shareholders for the year would increase/decrease by approximately 27% (2023: 25%). The analysis was based on the assumptions that the index components within the Index increased/decreased by a reasonable possible shift, with all other variables held constant and that the fair value of Sub-Fund's investments moved according to the beta. Reasonable possible changes in market index percentage are revised annually depending on the Manager's current view on the market volatility and other relevant factors.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 7. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (b) Market risk – Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

Investment funds that invest in equity securities may be subject to interest rate risk as any interest rate change may affect the equity risk premium though at varying degrees. To manage this risk, the Manager analyses how interest rate changes may affect different industries and securities and then seeks to adjust the Sub-Fund's portfolio investments accordingly.

However, the effects of changes in interest rates on the Sub-Fund's portfolio may not be quantified as the relationship between the interest rates and the value of equity securities is indirect. Hence, no sensitivity analysis has been presented separately.

#### (c) Market risk – Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

To minimise currency risk, the Sub-Fund mainly holds its excess cash in its functional currency. For hedging purposes, the Sub-Fund may also enter into forward foreign exchange contracts.

The table below summarises the Sub-Fund's exposure to currency risk.

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

AS at 31 December 2024	•				
	CNY	HKD	USD	SGD	Tota
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
Assets Portfolio of investments	16,191,960	10,020,629	-	-	·
Cash and cash equivalents	6,894	-	-	18,526	25,420
Receivables	-	-	-	673	673
Prepayment	-	-	-	23,820	23,820
Total assets	16,198,854	10,020,629	-	43,019	26,262,502
Liabilities					
Payables	-	-	-	68,031	68,031
Total liabilities	-	-	-	68,031	68,031
Net currency exposure	16,198,854	10,020,629	-	(25,012)	

#### As at 31 December 2024

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#### 7. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (c) Market risk – Currency risk (continued)

NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (continued)

#### As at 31 December 2023

As at 31 December 2023					
	CNY S\$	HKD S\$	USD S\$	SGD S\$	Total S\$
Assets					
Portfolio of investments	16,280,822	7,349,844	2,706,658	-	26,337,324
Cash and cash					
equivalents	5,497	-	-	18,409	23,906
Receivables	-	-	-	10,053	10,053
Prepayment		-	25,089	4,770	29,859
Total assets	16,286,319	7,349,844	2,731,747	33,232	26,401,142
Liabilities					
Payables	17,193	-	6,002	44,180	67,375
Total liabilities	17,193	_	6,002	44,180	67,375
Net currency exposure	16,269,126	7,349,844	2,725,745	(10,948)	

Portfolio of investments, which is a significant item in the Statements of Financial Position is exposed to currency risk and other price risk. The Manager has considered the impact of currency risk sensitivity on non-monetary assets, which include listed equities, as part of the price risk sensitivity analysis.

As of 31 December 2024 and 2023, the Sub-Fund does not hold substantial monetary assets/liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. Changes in foreign exchange rates on monetary assets/liabilities will not result in a significant change in the net asset value of the Sub-Fund. Hence, no separate sensitivity analysis on foreign currency risk has been presented.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 7. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk of loss arising from the inability of the Sub-Fund to meet its obligations as and when they fall due without incurring unacceptable cost or losses.

The Sub-Fund is exposed to daily cash redemptions from shareholders. However, in accordance with the Sub-Fund's prospectus, minimum redemption size is set.

To manage the liquidity risk, a cash buffer is maintained in the Sub-Fund and monitored for minimum cash balances to prevent any extensive disposition of assets which may occur at lower prices and overdraft situations to meet trade settlements and obligations.

The Sub-Fund's securities are considered readily realisable, as the majority of securities are listed on a recognised stock exchange.

The Sub-Fund's financial liabilities are analysed using contractual undiscounted cash flows for maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the Statements of Financial Position date to the contractual maturity date. As at 31 December 2024 and 2023, all liabilities are either payable upon demand or due in less than 3 months. The impact of discounting is not significant.

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

	<u>Less than 3 months</u>		
	As at	As at	
	31 December 2024	31 December 2023	
	S\$	S\$	
Payables	68,031	67,375	
Contractual cash outflows	68,031	67,375	

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#### 7. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (e) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to fulfil its obligation to the Sub-Fund in part or in full as and when they fall due.

Concentrations of credit risk are minimised primarily by:

- ensuring counterparties as well as the respective credit limits are approved;
- ensuring there are controls in place to identify and assess the creditworthiness of counterparties and review such controls on a semi-annual basis; and
- ensuring that transactions are undertaken with a large number of counterparties.

The Sub-Fund is also exposed to counterparty credit risk on its financial assets held at amortised cost. As at 31 December 2024 and 2023, the Sub-Fund's financial assets held at amortised cost as disclosed in the Statements of Financial Position are realised within three months. The Manager considers the probability of default to be insignificant as the counterparties generally have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. Hence, no loss allowance has been recognised based on the 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be insignificant to the Sub-Fund.

All trade settlement with approved counterparties are on Delivery versus Payment and/or Receipt versus Payment basis, with the exception of initial public offerings, new issues and placement transactions.

Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents and outstanding and committed transactions with brokers (where applicable). The table below summarises the credit rating of bank and custodian in which the Sub-Fund's assets are held as at 31 December 2024 and 2023.

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

	Credit rating as at 31 December 2024	Credit rating as at 31 December 2023	Source of credit rating
Bank and custodian - DBS Bank Limited	Aa1	Aa1	Moody's

The credit ratings are based on Long-Term Local Issuer Ratings published by the rating agency.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying amount of the financial assets.

#### (f) Capital management

The Sub-Fund's capital is represented by the net assets attributable to shareholders. The Sub-Fund strives to invest the subscriptions of redeemable participating shares in investments that meet the Sub-Fund's investment objectives while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

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#### 7. Financial risk management (continued)

#### (g) Fair value estimation

The Sub-Fund classifies fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1).
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2).
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Sub-Fund's financial assets and liabilities (by class) measured at fair value at 31 December 2024 and 2023:

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

	Level 1 S\$	Level 2 S\$	Level 3 S\$	Total S\$
As at 31 December 2024				
Assets Portfolio of investments: - Quoted equities	26,212,589	-	-	26,212,589
As at 31 December 2023	Level 1 S\$	Level 2 S\$	Level 3 S\$	Total S\$
AS at 31 December 2023				
Assets Portfolio of investments: - Quoted equities	26,337,324	-	_	26,337,324

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and therefore classified within Level 1, include active listed equities. The Fund does not adjust the quoted price for these instruments.

The assets and liabilities included in the Statement of Financial Position except portfolio of investments are carried at amortised cost; their carrying values are reasonable approximation of fair value.

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#### 8. Related party transactions

In addition to related party information shown elsewhere in the financial statements, the following significant transactions took place during the financial year between the Sub-Fund and the related party at terms agreed between the parties and within the provisions of the prospectus:

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

	2024 S\$	2023 S\$
Bank balances held with the Custodian	25,420	23,906

#### 9. Financial ratios

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

Expense ratio		2024	2023
<u>SGD Class</u> Total operating expenses Average daily net asset value <b>Total expense ratio</b> <sup>1</sup>	S\$ S\$ %_	168,615 24,056,042 0.70	219,485 31,268,709 0.70
Turnover ratio		2024	2023
Lower of total value of purchases or sales Average daily net asset value <b>Total turnover ratio</b> <sup>2</sup>	S\$ S\$ %_	10,711,352 24,056,042 44.53	7,488,879 31,268,709 23.95

- <sup>1</sup> The expense ratio has been computed based on the guidelines laid down by the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS"). The calculation of the expense ratio at financial year end was based on total operating expenses divided by the average net asset value for the financial year. The total operating expenses do not include (where applicable) brokerage and other transactions costs, performance fee, interest expense, distribution paid out to shareholders, foreign exchange gains/losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received. The Sub-Fund does not pay any performance fee. The average net asset value is based on the daily balances.
- <sup>2</sup> The portfolio turnover ratio is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the Code on Collective Investment Schemes. The calculation of the portfolio turnover ratio was based on the lower of the total value of purchases or sales of the underlying investments, divided by the average daily net asset value.

#### **10.** Authorisation of financial statements

These financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company on 27 March 2025.

#### **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

The following contains additional information relating to the Sub-Fund.

#### 1. Distribution of investments

Please refer to the Statement of Portfolio on pages 15 to 18.

#### 2. Credit rating of equity securities

Nil.

#### 3. Top 10 holdings

#### 10 largest holdings at 31 December 2024

	Fair value S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders %
Li Auto Inc.	3,050,741	11.64
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd.	2,674,928	10.21
Geely Automobile Holdings Limited	2,433,500	9.29
BYD Company Limited – H shares	1,732,341	6.61
NIO Inc.	1,377,175	5.26
BYD Company Limited	1,012,818	3.87
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	993,328	3.79
Xpeng Inc.	958,538	3.65
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	769,599	2.94
Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd.	689,708	2.63

#### 10 largest holdings at 31 December 2023

	Fair value S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders %
	0 700 057	40.00
NIO Inc.	2,706,657	10.28
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd.	2,520,496	9.57
Li Auto Inc.	2,514,783	9.55
BYD Company Limited – H shares	1,557,401	5.91
Geely Automobile Holdings Limited	1,430,795	5.43
Xpeng Inc.	937,720	3.56
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	883,305	3.35
BYD Company Limited	827,568	3.14
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	785,676	2.98
Tianqi Lithium Corp.	749,187	2.84

#### 4. Exposure to derivatives

Nil.

#### **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

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#### 5. Global exposure to financial derivatives

Nil.

#### 6. Collateral

Nil.

#### 7. Securities lending or repurchase transactions

Nil.

#### 8. Investment in unit trusts, mutual funds and collective investment schemes

Nil.

#### 9. Borrowings

Nil.

## 10. Amount of participating shares issued and redeemed for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

	S\$
Shares issued	1,302,485
Shares redeemed	(1,813,140)

#### 11. Turnover ratio

Please refer to Note 9 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 30.

#### 12. Expense ratio

Please refer to Note 9 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 30.

#### 13. Related party transactions

Please refer to Note 8 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 30.

#### 14. Any other material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the Sub-Fund

Nil.

#### 15. Soft dollar commissions/arrangements

In its management of the Sub-Fund, the Manager, the Directors and their respective associates currently do not receive or enter into any soft dollar commissions or arrangements, including any part of any brokerage charged to the Sub-Fund, or any part of any fees, allowances or other benefits received on purchases charged to the Sub-Fund.

#### 16. Subsequent events

The Manager, Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited will be changing its name to Amova Asset Management Asia Limited with effect from 1 September 2025.

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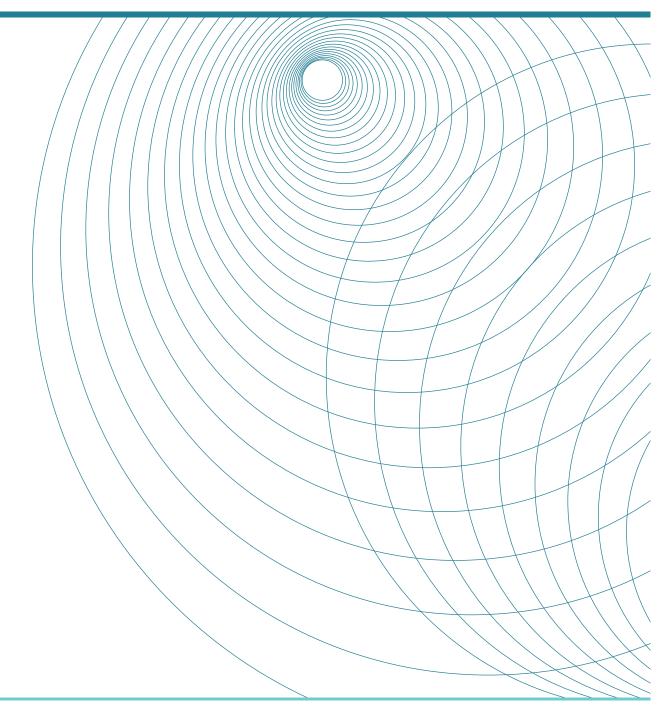






## SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC – NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

Financial period ending 30 June 2024



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#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Returns (%)	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception
NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF - SGD Share Class	-9.47	-18.98	-34.27	N/A	N/A	N/A	-32.60
MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index	-9.19	-18.50	-33.42	N/A	N/A	N/A	-31.82

Source: Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited & MSCI. Returns as at 30 June 2024. Returns are calculated on a NAV-NAV<sup>1</sup> basis, in SGD, and based on the assumption that all dividends and distributions are reinvested, if any. Returns for period in excess of 1 year are annualised. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

#### Note:

(1) Nil subscription fee or preliminary charge.

#### Inception date: 20 January 2022

The MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index is compiled and calculated by MSCI (the "**Index Licensor**") and aims to track the performance of Chinese companies listed in US, Hong Kong and China, and other markets from time to time, that are expected to derive significant revenues from energy storage technologies, autonomous vehicles, shared mobility and new transportation methods.

#### About NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

The NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund") is an authorised scheme under Section 286 of the Securities and Futures Act 2001. It is a sub-fund established under the Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company"), a variable capital company incorporated in Singapore on 18 October 2021 with variable capital and limited liability with the company registration number T21VC0223L, under the Variable Capital Companies Act (the "Act").

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**STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN** For the financial period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

	Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC		
	30 June 2024 S\$	30 June 2023 S\$	
<b>Income</b> Dividend income Interest on cash and cash equivalents	-	-	
Less: Expenses Management fee Expenses reimbursement Custody fee Transaction costs Administrator fee Registrar fee Directors' fee Audit fee Other expenses	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	
Net income			
<b>Net losses on value of investments</b> Net losses on investments Net losses on foreign exchange	- 	- - 	
Total deficit for the financial period before income tax Less: Income tax Total deficit for the financial period after income tax			

#### STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

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	30 June 2024 S\$	30 June 2023 S\$
<b>Income</b>	300,975	195,936
Dividend income		52
Interest on cash and cash equivalents	300,975	195,988
Less: Expenses	59,602	83,207
Management fee	(90,094)	(88,543)
Expenses reimbursement	11,795	14,295
Custody fee	10,844	14,635
Transaction costs	4,456	6,091
Administrator fee	5,090	7,580
Registrar fee	4,972	4,959
Directors' fee	8,951	8,927
Audit fee	78,495	79,759
Other expenses	94,111	130,910
Net income	206,864	65,078
<b>Net losses on value of investments</b>	(5,067,400)	(1,592,383)
Net losses on investments	(88,785)	(501,049)
Net losses on foreign exchange	(5,156,185)	(2,093,432)
Total deficit for the financial period before income tax Less: Income tax Total deficit for the financial period after income tax	(4,949,321) (24,710) (4,974,031)	(2,028,354) (14,707) (2,043,061)

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

#### Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC

	30 June 2024 S\$	31 December 2023 S\$
ASSETS		
Portfolio of investments	-	-
Receivables	-	-
Prepayment	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	1	1
Total assets	1	1
LIABILITIES		
Payables	-	-
Total liabilities	-	
EQUITY		
Management share	1	1
Net assets attributable to shareholders	-	-
Total equity	1	1

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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30 June 2024 S\$	31 December 2023 S\$
21,542,566	26,337,324
143,867	10,053
10,250	29,859
21,842	23,906
21,718,525	26,401,142
62,604	67,375
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-	-
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the financial period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

#### Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC

#### Management share and total equity

	30 June 2024 S\$	31 December 2023 S\$
At the beginning of financial period/year	1	1
Issuance during financial period/year	<u> </u>	
At the end of financial period/year	1	1

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#### Participating shares and total equity 30 June 2024 31 December 2023 S\$ S\$ Net assets attributable to shareholders at the beginning of financial period/year 26,333,767 33,469,316 Proceeds from shares issued 1,125,585 2,320,062 Redemption of shares (829, 400)(1,393,250)Net increase from share transactions 296,185 926,812 Decrease in net assets attributable to shareholders from operations (4,974,031)(8,062,361)Net assets attributable to shareholders at the end of financial period/year 21,655,921 26,333,767

## STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

By Industry (Primary)	Holdings at 30 June 2024	Fair value at 30 June 2024	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 30 June 2024
Quoted Equities		S\$	%
Automobiles AIMA Technology Group Co., Ltd. BYD Company Limited BYD Company Limited – H shares Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd. Geely Automobile Holdings Limited Huizhou Desay SV Automotive Co., Ltd. Li Auto Inc. Minth Group Limited NIO Inc. Seres Group Co., Ltd. Shenzhen Kedali Industry Co., Ltd. Xpeng Inc. Yadea Group Holdings Ltd.	17,900 21,372 41,000 63,806 959,000 17,400 171,700 44,000 215,756 20,300 12,800 119,100 194,000	91,246 997,563 1,651,144 2,142,533 1,463,256 282,643 2,095,263 92,722 1,216,398 345,009 182,352 610,917 332,378 11,503,424	0.42 4.61 7.62 9.89 6.76 1.31 9.68 0.43 5.62 1.59 0.84 2.82 1.53 53.12
Chemicals CNGR Advanced Material Co., Ltd. Guangzhou Tinci Materials Technology Co., Ltd. Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd. Shanghai Putailai New Energy Technology Co., Ltd. Tianqi Lithium Corp. Zangge Mining Co., Ltd.	36,460 89,800 230,600 100,965 70,200 28,500	210,746 294,118 750,543 266,093 391,629 127,951 2,041,080	0.97 1.36 3.47 1.23 1.81 0.59 9.43
<b>Commercial services and supplies</b> GEM Co., Ltd.	181,100	<u>215,169</u> 215,169	0.99 0.99
<b>Containers and packaging</b> Yunnan Energy New Material Co., Ltd.	40,112	236,793 236,793	<u>1.09</u> 1.09

## STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

By Industry (Primary) (continued)	Holdings at 30 June 2024	Fair value at 30 June 2024 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 30 June 2024 %
Quoted Equities (continued)		••	70
Electrical and energy equipment EVE Energy Co., Ltd. Goertek Inc. Gotion High-Tech Co., Ltd. Sieyuan Electric Co., Ltd. Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd. Sunwoda Electric Co., Ltd. Zhejiang Chint Electrics Co., Ltd.	97,600 73,250 84,851 15,500 68,888 79,400 63,200	726,710 266,554 303,073 193,410 797,015 224,661 224,678	3.36 1.23 1.39 0.89 3.68 1.04 1.04
		2,736,101	12.63
<b>Energy</b> Sichuan Chuantou Energy Co., Ltd.	89,900	<u>314,400</u> 314,400	<u>1.45</u> 1.45
Industrial conglomerates			
China Baoan Group Co., Ltd. China Merchants Expressway Network &	95,300	152,866	0.71
Technology Holdings Co., Ltd.	120,500	266,559	1.23
Guangdong Hec Technology Holding Co., Ltd.	138,700	<u>182,125</u> 601,550	0.84 2.78
<b></b>			
<b>Machinery</b> Chaozhou Three-Circle (Group) Co., Ltd. Shenzhen Inovance Technology Co., Ltd.	30,200 22,800	164,423 218,159 382,582	0.76 <u>1.01</u> 1.77
Metals and mining			
China Nonferrous Mining Corporation Limited	60,000	70,927	0.33
Ganfeng Lithium Co., Ltd. Ganfeng Lithium Co., Ltd. – H shares	76,940 64,080	411,148 169,297	1.90 0.78
Inner Mongolia Xingye Silver & Tin Mining Co., Ltd.	32,400	82,066	0.38
Jinduicheng Molybdenum Co., Ltd.	140,800	273,385	1.26
Pangang Group Vanadium Titanium &	262 000	460 470	0.70
Resources Co., Ltd.	362,800	169,172	0.78
Western Mining Co., Ltd.	47,200 67,439	158,026 216,981	0.73 1.00
Xiamen Tungsten Co., Ltd. Yunnan Chihong Zinc & Germanium Co., Ltd	170,100	169,421	0.78
Zhejiang Huayou Cobalt Co., Ltd.	79,722	329,064	1.52
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		2,043,407	J.40

## STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

By Industry (Primary) (continued) Quoted Equities (continued)	Holdings at 30 June 2024	Fair value at 30 June 2024 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 30 June 2024 %
Semiconductors GalaxyCore Inc. Jinko Solar Co., Ltd. LONGi Green Energy Technology Co., Ltd. SG Micro Corp. Western Superconducting Technologies Co., Ltd. Will Semiconductor Co., Ltd. Shanghai	93,939 205,825 136,858 6,135 18,620 21,125	212,183 272,570 357,882 94,724 133,084 <u>391,537</u> 1,461,980	0.98 1.26 1.65 0.44 0.61 <u>1.81</u> 6.75
Total Quoted Equities		21,542,566	99.47
Portfolio of investments Other net assets Net assets attributable to shareholders		21,542,566 113,355 21,655,921	99.47 0.53 100.00

#### **STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO**

As at 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

### By Industry (Summary)

By Industry (Summary)	Fair value at 30 June 2024 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders 30 June 2024 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2023 %
Automobiles	11,503,424	53.12	53.48
Chemicals	2,041,080	9.43	11.73
Commercial Services and Supplies	215,169	0.99	0.72
Containers and Packaging	236,793	1.09	1.67
Electrical and Energy Equipment	2,736,101	12.63	12.77
Energy	314,400	1.45	0.91
Industrial Conglomerates	601,550	2.78	0.83
Machinery	382,582	1.77	1.05
Metals and Mining	2,049,487	9.46	8.46
Semiconductors	1,461,980	6.75	8.39
Portfolio of investments	21,542,566	99.47	100.01
Other net assets/(liabilities)	113,355	0.53	(0.01)
Net assets attributable to			<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>
shareholders	21,655,921	100.00	100.00

The Sub-Fund invests wholly into equities which operations are based in China (including Hong Kong as a special administrative region of China).

#### **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

For the financial period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

The following contains additional information relating to the Sub-Fund.

## 1. Distribution of investments

Please refer to the Statement of Portfolio on pages 9 to 12.

## 2. Credit rating of debt securities

Nil.

#### 3. Top 10 holdings

10 largest holdings at 30 June 2024

	Fair value S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders %
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd.	2,142,533	9.89
Li Auto Inc.	2,095,263	9.68
BYD Company Limited – H shares	1,651,144	7.62
Geely Automobile Holdings Limited	1,463,256	6.76
NIO Inc.	1,216,398	5.62
BYD Company Limited	997,563	4.61
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	797,015	3.68
Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd.	750,543	3.47
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	726,710	3.36
Xpeng Inc.	610,917	2.82

10 largest holdings at 30 June 2023

	Fair value S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders %
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd.	3,060,759	9.63
NIO Inc.	2,915,365	9.17
Li Auto Inc.	2,386,832	7.51
BYD Company Limited – H shares	1,964,418	6.18
Geely Automobile Holdings Limited	1,613,002	5.07
BYD Company Limited	1,211,220	3.81
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	1,169,460	3.68
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	1,120,400	3.52
Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd.	944,668	2.97
Tianqi Lithium Corp.	936,482	2.95

#### **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

For the financial period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)

4. Exposure to derivatives

Nil.

5. Global exposure to financial derivatives

Nil.

6. Collateral

Nil.

7. Securities lending or repurchase transactions

Nil.

8. Investment in unit trusts, mutual funds and collective investment schemes

Nil.

9. Borrowings

Nil.

11.

10. Amount of participating shares issued and redeemed for the financial period ended 30 June 2024

			S\$
Shares issued Shares redeemed			1,125,585 (829,400)
Financial ratios			
Expense ratio			
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Total operating expenses	S\$	186,477	256,565
Average daily net asset value	S\$	26,575,857	36,579,996
Total expense ratio <sup>1</sup>	%	0.70	0.70

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The expense ratio has been computed based on the guidelines laid down by the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS"). The calculation of the expense ratio at financial period end was based on total operating expenses divided by the average net asset value for the year. The total operating expenses do not include (where applicable) brokerage and other transactions costs, performance fee, interest expense, distribution paid out to shareholders, foreign exchange gains/losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received. The Sub-Fund does not pay any performance fee. The average net asset value is based on the daily balances.

#### **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

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#### **11. Financial ratio** (continued)

Turnover ratio		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Lower of total value of purchases or sales	S\$	4,221,760	4,680,659
Average daily net asset value	S\$	23,921,230	33,496,544
Total turnover ratio <sup>2</sup>	%	17.65	13.97

<sup>2</sup> The portfolio turnover ratio is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the Code on Collective Investment Schemes. The calculation of the portfolio turnover ratio was based on the lower of the total value of purchases or sales of the underlying investments, divided by the average daily net asset value.

#### 12. Related party transactions

The Manager of the Sub-Fund is Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited, a subsidiary of Nikko Asset Management International Limited. The Custodian of the Fund is DBS Trustee Limited (the "Custodian").

Management fee is payable to the Manager. Custody fee is payable to the Custodian. Registrar fee and administrator fee are payable to a related company of the Custodian, DBS Bank Limited.

In addition to related party information shown elsewhere in the financial statements (including the Statement of Portfolio), the following significant transactions took place during the financial period between the Sub-Fund and a related party at terms agreed between the parties and within the provisions of the Deeds:

	30 June 2024 S\$	31 December 2023 S\$
Bank balances held with the Custodian	21,842	23,906

#### 13. Any other material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the Sub-Fund

Nil.

#### 14. Soft dollar commissions/arrangements

In its management of the Sub-Fund, the Manager, the Directors and their respective Associates currently do not receive or enter into any soft dollar commissions or arrangements, including any part of any brokerage charged to the Sub-Fund, or any part of any fees, allowances or other benefits received on purchases charged to the Sub-Fund.

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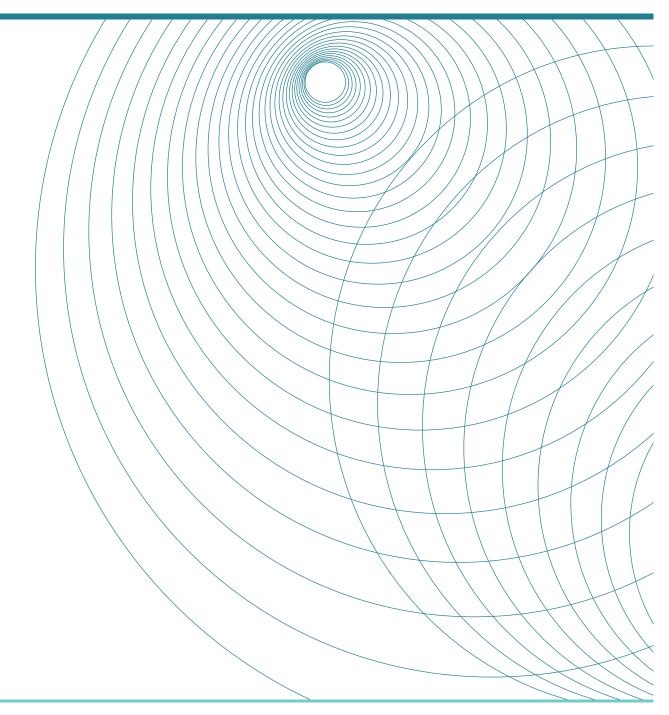






## ANNUAL REPORT Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC – NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

Financial year ended 31 December 2023



#### THE COMPANY

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#### MANAGER

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#### **INVESTMENT ADVISOR**

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#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Returns (%)	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Inception
NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF - SGD Share Class	-7.84	-18.87	-23.64	N/A	N/A	N/A	-32.12
MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index	-8.33	-18.31	-22.64	N/A	N/A	N/A	-31.33

Source: Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited & MSCI. Returns as at 31 December 2023. Returns are calculated on a NAV-NAV<sup>1</sup> basis, in SGD, and based on the assumption that all dividends and distributions are reinvested, if any. Returns for period in excess of 1 year are annualised. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

#### Note:

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#### Inception date: 20 January 2022

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### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

The Directors present their statement to the shareholders together with the audited financial statements of Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company") and NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund") for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

In the opinion of the Directors,

- (i) the financial statements as set out on pages 9 to 30 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2023 and the financial performance and changes in equity of the Company and the Sub-Fund for the financial year covered by the financial statements; and
- (ii) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Sub-Fund will be able to pay their debts as and when they fall due.

#### Directors

The Directors of the Company in office at the date of this statement are as follows:

Phillip Yeo Phuay Lik Yan Ying Ying Lee Ken Hoon

#### Arrangement to enable Directors to acquire shares or debentures

Neither at the end of the financial year nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object was to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate, save as disclosed in this statement.

#### Directors' interest in shares or debentures

According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the Directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company or its related corporations.

On behalf of the Directors

Authorised signatories 27 March 2024

## STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

In the opinion of Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited, the accompanying financial statements set out on pages 9 to 30, comprising the Statements of Total Return, Statements of Financial Position, Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders, Statement of Portfolio and Notes to the Financial Statements are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Sub-Fund and the portfolio holdings of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2023, and the financial performance and movements in shareholders' funds for the financial year then ended in accordance with the recommendations of Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice 7 "Reporting Framework for Investment Funds" issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Sub-Fund will be able to meet its financial obligations as and when they materialise.

For and on behalf of the Manager Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited

Authorised signatory 27 March 2024

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NIKKO AM ASIA LIMITED VCC

(Incorporated in Singapore)

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Our Opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company") and NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund") are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Variable Capital Companies Act 2018 (the "Act") and the recommendations of Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice 7 "Reporting Framework for Investment Funds" issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants ("RAP 7"), so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and of the Sub-Fund and portfolio holdings of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2023, and the financial performance and movements in shareholders' funds of the Company and of the Sub-Fund for the financial year ended on that date.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements of the Company and of the Sub-Fund comprise:

- the Statements of Total Return of the Company and of the Sub-Fund for the financial year ended 31 December 2023;
- the Statements of Financial Position for the Company and of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2023;
- the Statements of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders of the Company and of the Sub-Fund for the financial year then ended;
- the Statement of Portfolio of the Sub-Fund as at 31 December 2023; and
- the notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Company and the Sub-Fund in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code.

#### Our Audit Approach

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the accompanying financial statements. In particular, we considered where management made subjective judgements; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

#### Key Audit Matters

We have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NIKKO AM ASIA LIMITED VCC

(Incorporated in Singapore)

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all the sections of the annual report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### **Responsibilities of Management and Directors for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Act and RAP 7, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the ability of the Company and of the Sub-Fund to continue as going concerns, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company and the Sub-Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the financial reporting process of the Company and the Sub-Fund.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
  to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain
  audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of
  not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from
  error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the
  override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control of the Company and the Sub-Fund.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NIKKO AM ASIA LIMITED VCC

(Incorporated in Singapore)

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the Company and the Sub-Fund to continue as going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company and the Sub-Fund to cease to continue as going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and the Sub-Fund has been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Lim Kheng Wah.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants Singapore, 27 March 2024

## STATEMENTS OF TOTAL RETURN

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

		Nikko A	AM Asia Limited VCC
	Note	2023 S\$	For the financial period from 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation) to 31 December 2022 S\$
<b>Income</b> Dividend income Interest on cash and cash equivalents		- 	- 
Less: Expenses Management fee Expenses reimbursement Directors' fee Custody fee Administrator fee Audit fee Transaction costs Other expenses	2(c)	- - - - - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - - - -
Net income			
Net gains or losses on value of investments Net losses on investments Net losses on foreign exchange			
Total deficit for the financial year/period before income tax Less: Income tax Total deficit for the financial year/period after income tax	3	- 	

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

#### STATEMENTS OF TOTAL RETURN

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	2023 S\$	For the financial period from 20 January 2022 (date of inception) to 31 December 2022 S\$
<b>Income</b> Dividend income Interest on cash and cash equivalents		263,597 <u>90</u> 263,687	147,302 <u>133</u> 147,435
Less: Expenses Management fee Expenses reimbursement Directors' fee Custody fee Administrator fee Audit fee Transaction costs Other expenses	2(c)	156,497 (173,370) 10,001 24,717 12,140 18,000 33,349 <u>171,500</u> 252,834	193,644 (160,523) 12,055 16,599 7,958 18,000 93,041 <u>185,684</u> 366,458
Net income/(losses)		10,853	(219,023)
Net gains or losses on value of investments Net losses on investments Net losses on foreign exchange		(7,913,660) (148,358) (8,062,018)	(19,558,523) (363,854) (19,922,377)
Total deficit for the financial year/period before income tax Less: Income tax Total deficit for the financial year/period after income tax	3	(8,051,165) (11,196) (8,062,361)	(20,141,400) (10,267) (20,151,667)

# **STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION** *As at 31 December 2023*

#### Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC

	Note	31 December 2023 S\$	31 December 2022 S\$
ASSETS Portfolio of investments Receivables Prepayment Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	4	- - - 1 1	- - - 1 1
LIABILITIES Payables Total liabilities	5	<u> </u>	
<b>EQUITY</b> Management share Net assets attributable to shareholders <b>Total equity</b>	6 6	1 1	1 1

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2023

## NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

Note	31 December 2023 S\$	31 December 2022 S\$
		~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~
		33,324,246
4	10,053	117,093
	29,859	32,006
	23,906	48,548
	26,401,142	33,521,893
5	67,375	52,577
	67,375	52,577
6	-	-
6	26,333,767	33,469,316
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## The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

#### **STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS** For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC

#### Management share and total equity

	2023 S\$	For the financial period from 18 October 2021 (date of incorporation) to 31 December 2022 S\$
At beginning of financial year/period	1	1
Issuance during the year/period		
At financial year/period end	1	11

NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

#### Participating shares and total equity

	2023 S\$	For the financial period from 20 January 2022 (date of inception) to 31 December 2022 S\$
Net assets attributable to shareholders at the beginning of financial year/period	33,469,316	-
Proceeds from shares issued Redemption of shares Net increase from share transactions	2,320,062 (1,393,250) 926,812	55,941,013 (2,320,030) 53,620,983
Decrease in net assets attributable to shareholders from operations	(8,062,361)	(20,151,667)
Net assets attributable to shareholders at the end of financial year/period	26,333,767	33,469,316

## STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 31 December 2023

### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

By Industry (Primary)	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2023 %
Quoted Equities		00	70
Automobiles Bethel Automotive Safety Systems Co., Ltd. BYD Company Limited BYD Company Limited – H shares Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd. Geely Automobile Holdings Limited Huizhou Desay SV Automotive Co., Ltd. Li Auto Inc. Minth Group Limited Ningbo Joyson Electronic Corp. NIO Inc Seres Group Co., Ltd. Xpeng Inc. Yadea Group Holdings Ltd.	16,300 22,472 43,000 83,006 986,000 11,000 101,200 44,000 68,600 226,229 21,300 97,900 200,000	210,096 827,568 1,557,401 2,520,496 1,430,795 264,968 2,514,783 117,292 229,154 2,706,657 301,878 937,720 463,545 14,082,353	0.80 3.14 5.91 9.57 5.43 1.01 9.55 0.45 0.87 10.28 1.15 3.56 1.76 53.48
Chemicals			
CNGR Advanced Material Co., Ltd. Guangzhou Tinci Materials Technology Co., Ltd.	27,300 92,600	249,463 431,952	0.95 1.64
Ningbo Shanshan Co., Ltd.	110,200	279,161	1.04
Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd. Shanghai Putailai New Energy Tech	166,300	493,344	1.87
Co., Ltd.	98,365	382,919	1.45
Shenzhen Capchem Technology Co., Ltd.	35,500	312,310	1.19
Tianqi Lithium Corp.	72,200	749,187	2.84
Zangge Mining Co., Ltd.	40,700	191,821	0.73
	-	3,090,157	11.73
Commercial Services and Supplies			
GEM Co., Ltd.	186,800	189,699	0.72
	· .	189,699	0.72
Containara and Backaring			
Containers and Packaging Yunnan Energy New Material Co., Ltd.	41,512	438,704	1.67
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The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 31 December 2023

By Industry (Primary) (continued)	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2023 %
Quoted Equities (continued)		Οψ	70
Electrical and Energy Equipment China Zhenhua (Group) Science & Technology Co., Ltd. EVE Energy Co., Ltd. Ginlong Technologies Co., Ltd. Goertek Inc. Gotion High Tech Co., Ltd. Sieyuan Electric Co., Ltd. Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd. Sunwoda Electronic Co., Ltd Zhejiang Chint Electrics Co., Ltd	11,600 100,100 19,350 76,750 87,051 16,200 54,220 91,500 65,100	126,948 785,676 251,568 299,917 348,104 156,801 883,305 251,191 260,446 3,363,956	0.48 2.98 0.96 1.14 1.32 0.60 3.35 0.95 0.99 12.77
<b>Energy</b> Sichuan Chuantou Energy Co., Ltd.	85,600	240,726 240,726	0.91 0.91
<b>Machinery</b> Shenzhen Inovance Technology Co., Ltd.	23,600	277,149 277,149	<u>1.05</u> 1.05
Metals and Mining Ganfeng Lithium Co., Ltd. Ganfeng Lithium Co., Ltd. – H shares Jinduicheng Molybdenum Co., Ltd. Pangang Group Vanadium Titanium & Resources Co., Ltd. Sinomine Resource Group Co., Ltd. Western Mining Co., Ltd. Zhejiang Huayou Cobalt Co., Ltd.	78,840 65,880 144,300 367,900 27,520 48,900 77,222	627,606 328,309 253,627 224,440 190,972 129,787 472,966 2,227,707	2.38 1.25 0.96 0.85 0.73 0.49 1.80 8.46
Industrial Conglomerates China Baoan Group Co., Ltd.		218,574 218,574	0.83 0.83

# STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO

As at 31 December 2023

# NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

By Industry (Primary) (continued) Quoted Equities (continued)	Holdings at 31 December 2023	Fair value at 31 December 2023 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2023 %
Semiconductors Amlogic (Shanghai) Co.,Ltd. ASR Microelectronics Co., Ltd. Galaxycore Inc Jinko Solar Co., Ltd. LONGi Green Energy Technology Co., Ltd. SG Micro Corp. Western Superconducting Technologies Co., Ltd. Will Semiconductor Co., Ltd. Shanghai	12,648 11,851 80,539 155,562 142,558 6,435 24,190 19,625	147,333 155,264 306,635 256,350 607,189 106,533 239,491 389,504 2,208,299	0.56 0.59 1.17 0.97 2.31 0.40 0.91 1.48 8.39
Total Quoted Equities		26,337,324	100.01
Portfolio of investments Other net liabilities Net assets attributable to shareholders		26,337,324 (3,557) 26,333,767	100.01 (0.01) 100.00

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# **STATEMENT OF PORTFOLIO**

As at 31 December 2023

# NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

# By Industry (Summary)

	Fair value at 31 December 2023 S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders at 31 December 2023 %	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders 31 December 2022 %
Automobiles	14,082,353	53.48	43.93
Chemicals	3,090,157	11.73	14.30
Commercial Services and Supplies	189,699	0.72	0.69
Containers and Packaging	438,704	1.67	2.56
Electrical and Energy Equipment	3,363,956	12.77	19.42
Energy	240,726	0.91	0.50
Machinery	277,149	1.05	2.34
Metals and Mining	2,227,707	8.46	8.53
Industrial Conglomerates	218,574	0.83	0.54
Semiconductors	2,208,299	8.39	6.76
Portfolio of investments	26,337,324	100.01	99.57
Other net (liabilities)/assets	(3,557)	(0.01)	0.43
Net assets attributable to shareholders	26,333,767	100.00	100.00

The Sub-Fund invests wholly into equities which operations are based in China (including Hong Kong as a special administrative region of China).

# The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

#### 1. General

Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC (the "Company") is an open-ended umbrella variable capital company incorporated in Singapore on 18 October 2021 under the provisions of the Variable Capital Companies Act 2018 and governed by the laws of the Republic of Singapore.

The Company currently comprises of 1 sub-fund, i.e. the NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (the "Sub-Fund"). There is one class of shares established within the Sub-Fund, namely the SGD Class.

The Sub-Fund is an exchange-traded fund listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"). All assets and liabilities attributable to each sub-fund shall be segregated from the assets and liabilities of any other sub-funds and the Company, and shall not be used for the purpose of, or borne by the assets of, any other sub-fund.

The Company has appointed Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited (the "Manager") as the Manager to manage and invest the assets of the Company and each Sub-Fund of the Company and DBS Bank Ltd. as the administrator and registrar of the Company in respect of the Sub-Fund. DBS Trustee Limited (the "Custodian") has been appointed as custodian of the assets of the Sub-Fund.

Management shares were issued in respect of the Company only and participating shares were issued in respect of the Sub-Fund. Each management share will comprise one vote while each participating share of the Sub-Fund does not have the right to vote at the general meeting of the Company.

# 2. Material accounting policy information

#### (a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial instruments at fair value, and in accordance with the recommendations of Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice 7 "Reporting Framework for Investment Funds" ("RAP 7") issued and revised by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants in August 2023 for the financial year beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

The adoption of the revised RAP 7 did not result in substantial changes to the accounting policies of the Sub-Fund and had no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior years.

#### (b) <u>Recognition of income</u>

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest rate method.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

#### (c) <u>Expenses reimbursement</u>

As stipulated in the Sub-Fund's prospectus, the Company intends to cap the total expense ratio of the Sub-Fund at 0.70% per annum of the net asset value. Any fees and expenses that are payable by the Sub-Fund and are in excess of 0.70% per annum of the net asset value will be borne by the Manager and not the Sub-Fund.

#### (d) Foreign currency translation

#### *(i) Functional and presentation currency*

The Sub-Fund qualifies as an authorised scheme under the Securities and Futures Act 2001 ("SFA") of Singapore and is offered to retail investors in Singapore. The Sub-Fund's activities are substantially based in Singapore, with subscriptions and redemptions of the shares of the Sub-Fund being denominated in Singapore Dollar ("SGD").

The performance of the Sub-Fund is measured and reported to the investors in SGD. The Manager considers SGD as the currency which most faithfully represents the economic effects of the underlying transactions, events and conditions. The financial statements are expressed in SGD, which is the Sub-Fund's functional and presentation currency.

#### (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the reporting date are recognised in the Statements of Total Return. Translation differences on non-monetary financial assets and liabilities such as equities are also recognised in the Statements of Total Return within the net gains or losses on value of investments.

#### (e) Investments

Investments are classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

(i) Initial recognition

Purchases of investments are recognised on the trade date. Investments are recorded at fair value on initial recognition.

#### (ii) Subsequent measurement

Investments are subsequently carried at fair value. Net change in fair value on investments are included in the Statements of Total Return in the year in which they arise.

(iii) Derecognition

Investments are derecognised on the trade date of disposal. The resultant realised gains or losses on the sales of investments are computed on the basis of the difference between the weighted average cost and selling price gross of transaction costs and are taken up in the Statements of Total Return.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

#### (f) Basis of valuation of investments

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the reporting date. The quoted market price used for equities securities held by the Sub-Fund is the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within the bid ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid ask spread, the Manager will determine the point within the bid ask spread that is most representative of fair value.

#### (g) <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Receivables are initially recognised at their fair value and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less accumulated impairment losses.

#### (h) Sales and purchases awaiting settlement

Sales and purchases awaiting settlement represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet settled or delivered on the Statements of Financial Position date respectively. These amounts are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### (i) <u>Cash and cash equivalents</u>

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at banks which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

#### (j) Payables

Accrued expenses are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### (k) Expenses

Expenses are recognised in the Statement of Total Return as the related services are performed.

#### (I) Management fee

Management fee expense is recognised on an accrual basis and in accordance with the Prospectus. Management fee is recognised as an expense over the period for which the service is provided. The management fee charged on any investment in other unit trusts managed by the Manager is rebated back to the Sub-Fund, where applicable.

#### (m) Issuance and redemption of shares

Shares issued and redeemed at the prices based on the Sub-Fund's net asset value per share at the time of issue or redemption for each respective class. The Sub-Fund's net asset value per share is calculated by dividing the net asset attributable to the shareholders of each class of shares.

#### (n) <u>Management shares</u>

Management shares are issued in respect of the Company and are classified as equity. Management shares are not entitled to any share of the profits of the Company.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

# 3. Income tax

The Sub-Fund has been approved by the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("MAS") under Singapore Resident Fund (SRF) Scheme (section 13O of the Income Tax Act 1947 and the relevant Regulations). Subject to certain conditions being met on an annual basis, the Sub-Fund may enjoy Singapore corporate income tax exemption on "specified income" derived from "designated investments" for the life of the Sub-Fund. The tax exemption does not apply in the year when the relevant conditions are not met. Losses from "designated investments" are correspondingly disregarded. The terms "specified income" and "designated investments" are defined in the relevant income tax regulations. The Manager of the Sub-Fund will ensure that the Sub-Fund fulfills its reporting obligations under the S13O Tax Exemption Scheme.

	Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC		NikkoAM-StraitsTrac MSCI China Electri Vehicles and Futur Mobility ETF	
	2023 S\$	2022 S\$	2023 S\$	2022 S\$
Withholding tax		-	11,196	10,267

The withholding tax represents tax deducted at source on interest and dividend income.

#### 4. Receivables

	Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC		NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF	
	2023 S\$	2022 S\$	2023 S\$	2022 S\$
Amount due from the Manager		-	10,053	117,093

Amount due from the Manager comprises expenses reimbursement due from and management fee payable to Nikko Asset Management Asia Limited.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

## 5. Payables

	Nikko AM Asia Limited VCC		NikkoAM-Stra MSCI China Vehicles an Mobility	Electric
	2023 S\$	2022 S\$	2023 S\$	2022 S\$
Valuation fees payable Registrar fees payable Custody fees payable Provision for audit fee Other payables	- - - -		1,036 3,100 2,016 18,000 43,223 67,375	596 510 2,030 18,000 31,441 52,577

Custody fee is payable to DBS Trustee Limited. Valuation fee and registrar fee are payable to DBS Bank Limited.

# 6. Shares in issue

During the financial year ended 31 December 2023 and 2022, the number of shares issued, redeemed and outstanding were as follow:

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

SGD Class
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	2023	2022
Shares at beginning of the financial year/period Shares created Shares cancelled Shares at and of the financial year/period	56,731,903 4,225,000 (2,500,000) 58,456,903	- 59,481,903 (2,750,000) 56,731,903
Shares at end of the financial year/period Net assets attributable to shareholders – S\$ Net asset value per share – S\$	26,333,767 0.4505	33,469,316 0.5900

A reconciliation of the net asset value as reported in the Statement of Financial Position to the net asset value as determined for the purpose of processing share issuance and redemption is provided below:

#### SGD Class

	2023 S\$	2022 S\$
Net assets attributable to shareholders per financial statements	0.4505	0.5900
Effect for movement in the net assets value between the last dealing date and the end of the reporting year/period ^	_*	_*
Net assets attributable to shareholders for issuing/redeeming per share	0.4505	0.5900

<sup>^</sup> The net asset value for the purposes of processing share issuance and redemption was established in accordance with the methodology indicated in the Sub-Fund's Prospectus. This item reflects the movement in net asset value between the last dealing date and the end of reporting period.

\* Effect is less than 0.0001.

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#### 6. Shares in issue (continued)

There is 1 management share of SGD 1 issued in respect of the Company as at 31 December 2023 and 2022.

#### 7. Financial risk management

The Sub-Fund's activities expose it to a variety of risk, including but not limited to market risk (including price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), liquidity risk and credit risk. The Manager is responsible for the implementation of the overall risk management programme, which seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Sub-Fund's financial performance. Specific guidelines on exposures to individual securities and certain industries and/or countries are in place as part of the overall financial risk management to reduce the Sub-Fund's risk exposures to these risks.

The investment objective of the Sub-Fund is to achieve long term capital growth by replicating the returns of the MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index (the "Index").

The Sub-Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by investing all, or substantially all, of its assets in securities which are for the time being constituent securities of the Index ("Index Securities") in substantially the same weightings as reflected in the Index. The Manager may invest in certain securities that are not included in the Index ("non-Index Securities") but have aggregate characteristics (such as yield and duration) similar to those of the Index.

The financial instruments are held in accordance with the published investment policies of the Sub-Fund and managed accordingly to achieve the investment objectives.

#### (a) Market risk – Price risk

Price risk is the risk that arises from uncertainties about future prices of financial instruments.

The Sub-Fund's investment is substantially dependent on the changes of market prices. The Sub-Fund's overall market positions are monitored regularly so as to assess changes in fundamentals and valuation. However, events beyond reasonable control of the Manager could affect the prices of the underlying investments and hence the net asset value of the Sub-Fund.

The Sub-Fund's market price risk is managed through diversification of the investment portfolio across various industries in the China market. The MSCI China All Shares IMI Future Mobility Top 50 Index (the "Index") is the current benchmark for the Sub-Fund.

As at 31 December 2023, an increase/decrease of the Index by 25% (2022: 29%), with all other variables remaining constant, the net assets attributable to shareholders for the year would increase/decrease by approximately 25% (2022: 29%). The analysis was based on the assumptions that the index components within the Index increased/decreased by a reasonable possible shift, with all other variables held constant and that the fair value of Sub-Fund's investments moved according to the beta. Reasonable possible changes in market index percentage are revised annually depending on the Manager's current view on the market volatility and other relevant factors.

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## 7. **Financial risk management** (continued)

#### (b) Market risk – Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

Investment funds that invest in equity securities may be subject to interest rate risk as any interest rate change may affect the equity risk premium though at varying degrees. To manage this risk, the Manager analyses how interest rate changes may affect different industries and securities and then seeks to adjust the Sub-Fund's portfolio investments accordingly.

However, the effects of changes in interest rates on the Sub-Fund's portfolio may not be quantified as the relationship between the interest rates and the value of equity securities is indirect. Hence, no sensitivity analysis has been presented separately.

#### (c) Market risk – Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

To minimise currency risk, the Sub-Fund mainly holds its excess cash in its functional currency. For hedging purposes, the Sub-Fund may also enter into forward foreign exchange contracts.

The table below summarise the Sub-Fund's exposure to currency risk.

#### NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

As at 31 December 2023					
	CNY	HKD	USD	SGD	Total
	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$	S\$
Assets		·		·	
Portfolio of investments	16,280,822	7,349,844	2,706,658	-	26,337,324
Cash and cash	-, -,-	, -   - , -	, - ,		-,,-
equivalents	5,497	-	-	18,409	23,906
Receivables	-	-	-	10,053	10,053
Prepayment	-	-	25,089	4,770	29,859
Total assets	16,286,319	7,349,844	2,731,747	33,232	26,401,142
Liabilities					
Payables	17,193	_	6,002	44,180	67,375
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Total liabilities	17,193	-	6,002	44,180	67,375
Net currency exposure	16,269,126	7,349,844	2,725,745	(10,948)	-

#### As at 31 December 2023

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- 7. Financial risk management (continued)
- (c) Market risk Currency risk (continued)

NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF (continued)

# As at 31 December 2022

	CNY S\$	HKD S\$	USD S\$	SGD S\$	Total S\$
Assets					
Portfolio of investments	24,077,198	6,441,194	2,805,854	-	33,324,246
Cash and cash					
equivalents	27,670	-	-	20,878	48,548
Receivables	-	-	-	117,093	117,093
Prepayment	-	-	24,655	7,351	32,006
Total assets	24,104,868	6,441,194	2,830,509	145,322	33,521,893
Liabilities					
Payables	8,404	-	9,971	34,202	52,577
Total liabilities	8,404	-	9,971	34,202	52,577
Net currency exposure	24,096,464	6,441,194	2,820,538	111,120	_

Portfolio of investments, which is a significant item in the Statements of Financial Position is exposed to currency risk and other price risk. The Manager has considered the impact of currency risk sensitivity on non-monetary assets, which include listed equities, as part of the price risk sensitivity analysis.

As of 31 December 2023 and 2022, the Sub-Fund does not hold substantial monetary assets/liabilities denominated in foreign currencies. Changes in foreign exchange rates on monetary assets/liabilities will not result in a significant change in the net asset value of the Sub-Fund. Hence, no separate sensitivity analysis on foreign currency risk has been presented.

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# 7. **Financial risk management** (continued)

#### (d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk of loss arising from the inability of the Sub-Fund to meet its obligations as and when they fall due without incurring unacceptable cost or losses.

The Sub-Fund is exposed to daily cash redemptions from shareholders. However, in accordance with the Sub-Fund's prospectus, minimum redemption size is set.

To manage the liquidity risk, a cash buffer is maintained in the Sub-Fund and monitored for minimum cash balances to prevent any extensive disposition of assets which may occur at lower prices and overdraft situations to meet trade settlements and obligations.

The Sub-Fund's securities are considered readily realisable, as the majority of securities are listed on a recognised stock exchange.

The Sub-Fund's financial liabilities are analysed using contractual undiscounted cash flows for maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the Statements of Financial Position date to the contractual maturity date. As at 31 December 2023 and 2022, all liabilities are either payable upon demand or due in less than 3 months. The impact of discounting is not significant.

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Less than 3 months		
As at	As at	
31 December 2023	31 December 2022	
S\$	S\$	
67,375	52,577	
67,375	52,577	
	As at 31 December 2023 S\$ 67,375	

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# 7. **Financial risk management** (continued)

#### (e) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to fulfil its obligation to the Sub-Fund in part or in full as and when they fall due.

Concentrations of credit risk are minimised primarily by:

- ensuring counterparties as well as the respective credit limits are approved;
- ensuring there are controls in place to identify and assess the creditworthiness of counterparties and review such controls on a semi-annual basis; and
- ensuring that transactions are undertaken with a large number of counterparties.

The Sub-Fund is also exposed to counterparty credit risk on its financial assets held at amortised cost. As at 31 December 2023 and 2022, the Sub-Fund's financial assets held at amortised cost as disclosed in the Statements of Financial Position are realised within three months. The Manager considers the probability of default to be insignificant as the counterparties generally have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. Hence, no loss allowance has been recognised based on the 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be insignificant to the Sub-Fund.

All trade settlement with approved counterparties are on Delivery versus Payment and/or Receipt versus Payment basis, with the exception of initial public offerings, new issues and placement transactions.

Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents and outstanding and committed transactions with brokers (where applicable). The table below summarises the credit rating of bank and custodian in which the Sub-Fund's assets are held as at 31 December 2023 and 2022.

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	Credit rating as at 31 December 2023	Credit rating as at 31 December 2022	Source of credit rating
Bank and custodian - DBS Bank Limited	Aa1	Aa1	Moody's

The credit ratings are based on Long-Term Local Issuer Ratings published by the rating agency.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying amount of the financial assets.

#### (f) Capital management

The Sub-Fund's capital is represented by the net assets attributable to shareholders. The Sub-Fund strives to invest the subscriptions of redeemable participating shares in investments that meet the Sub-Fund's investment objectives while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet shareholder redemptions.

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# 7. **Financial risk management** (continued)

#### (g) Fair value estimation

The Sub-Fund classifies fair value measurements using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1).
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (Level 2).
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Sub-Fund's financial assets and liabilities (by class) measured at fair value at 31 December 2023 and 2022:

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	Level 1 S\$	Level 2 S\$	Level 3 S\$	Total S\$
As at 31 December 2023				
<b>Assets</b> Portfolio of investments: - Quoted equities	26,337,324	-	-	26,337,324
As at 31 December 2022	Level 1 S\$	Level 2 S\$	Level 3 S\$	Total S\$
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Assets Portfolio of investments: - Quoted equities	33,324,246	_	-	33,324,246

Investments whose values are based on quoted market prices in active markets, and therefore classified within Level 1, include active listed equities. The Fund does not adjust the quoted price for these instruments.

The assets and liabilities included in the Statement of Financial Position except portfolio of investments are carried at amortised cost; their carrying values are reasonable approximation of fair value.

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# 8. Related party transactions

In addition to related party information shown elsewhere in the financial statements, the following significant transactions took place during the financial year/period between the Sub-Fund and the related party at terms agreed between the parties and within the provisions of the prospectus:

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		For the financial period from 20 January 2022 (date of inception) to
	2023 S\$	31 December 2022 S\$
Bank balances held with the Custodian	23,906	48,548

#### 9. Financial ratios

Expense ratio

# NikkoAM-StraitsTrading MSCI China Electric Vehicles and Future Mobility ETF

SGD Class		2023	For the financial period from 20 January 2022 (date of inception) to 31 December 2022
Total operating expenses	S\$	219,485	273,417
Average daily net asset value	S\$	31,268,709	40,648,008
<b>Total expense ratio<sup>1</sup> (annualised)</b>	%	0.70	0.70
Turnover ratio		2023	For the financial period from 20 January 2022 (date of inception) to 31 December 2022
Lower of total value of purchases or sales	S\$	7,488,879	16,230,397
Average daily net asset value	S\$	31,268,709	40,648,008
<b>Total turnover ratio</b> <sup>2</sup>	%	23.95	39.93

<sup>1</sup> The expense ratio has been computed based on the guidelines laid down by the Investment Management Association of Singapore ("IMAS"). The calculation of the expense ratio at financial year/period end was based on total operating expenses divided by the average net asset value for the financial year/period. The total operating expenses do not include (where applicable) brokerage and other transactions costs, performance fee, interest expense, distribution paid out to shareholders, foreign exchange gains/losses, front or back end loads arising from the purchase or sale of other funds and tax deducted at source or arising out of income received. The Sub-Fund does not pay any performance fee. The average net asset value is based on the daily balances.

<sup>2</sup> The portfolio turnover ratio is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the Code on Collective Investment Schemes. The calculation of the portfolio turnover ratio was based on the lower of the total value of purchases or sales of the underlying investments, divided by the average daily net asset value.

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# 10. Comparatives figures

The prior period comparative figures are not comparable as the prior period's financial statements are prepared for the financial period from 20 January 2022 (date of inception) to 31 December 2022.

# 11. Authorisation of financial statements

These financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company on 27 March 2024.

# **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

The following contains additional information relating to the Sub-Fund.

# 1. Distribution of investments

Please refer to the Statement of Portfolio on pages 14 to 17.

# 2. Credit rating of equity securities

Nil.

# 3. Top 10 holdings

# 10 largest holdings at 31 December 2023

	Fair value S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders %
NIO Inc.	2,706,657	10.28
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd.	2,520,496	9.57
Li Auto Inc.	2,514,783	9.55
BYD Company Limited – H shares	1,557,401	5.91
Geely Automobile Holdings Limited	1,430,795	5.43
Xpeng Inc.	937,720	3.56
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	883,305	3.35
BYD Company Limited	827,568	3.14
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	785,676	2.98
Tianqi Lithium Corp.	749,187	2.84

10 largest holdings at 31 December 2022

	Fair value S\$	Percentage of total net assets attributable to shareholders %
	Οψ	70
Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Ltd.	3,595,525	10.74
NIO Inc.	2,805,854	8.38
Geely Automobile Holdings Limited	1,857,106	5.55
BYD Company Limited – H shares	1,770,653	5.30
BYD Company Limited	1,753,657	5.24
EVE Energy Co., Ltd.	1,511,016	4.52
Li Auto Inc.	1,276,178	3.81
LONGi Green Energy Technology Co., Ltd.	1,147,638	3.43
Qinghai Salt Lake Industry Co., Ltd.	1,115,415	3.33
Sungrow Power Supply Co., Ltd.	1,068,132	3.19

#### 4. Exposure to derivatives

Nil.

#### **REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### 5. Global exposure to financial derivatives

Nil.

# 6. Collateral

Nil.

# 7. Securities lending or repurchase transactions

Nil.

#### 8. Investment in unit trusts, mutual funds and collective investment schemes

Nil.

#### 9. Borrowings

Nil.

# 10. Amount of participating shares issued and redeemed for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	S\$
Shares issued	2,320,062
Shares redeemed	(1,393,250)

#### 11. Turnover ratio

Please refer to Note 9 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 29.

# 12. Expense ratio

Please refer to Note 9 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 29.

#### 13. Related party transactions

Please refer to Note 8 of the Notes to the Financial Statements on page 29.

#### 14. Any other material information that will adversely impact the valuation of the Sub-Fund

Nil.

# 15. Soft dollar commissions/arrangements

In its management of the Sub-Fund, the Manager, the Directors and their respective associates currently do not receive or enter into any soft dollar commissions or arrangements, including any part of any brokerage charged to the Sub-Fund, or any part of any fees, allowances or other benefits received on purchases charged to the Sub-Fund.

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