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This document is for information purposes only and does not constitute an offer, an advertisement or invitation to the public to subscribe for or to acquire the Warrants.

**The Warrants are complex products. Investors should exercise caution in relation to them. Investors are warned that the price of the Warrants may fall in value as rapidly as it may rise and holders may sustain a total loss of their investment. Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand the nature of the Warrants and carefully study the risk factors set out in the Base Listing Document (as defined below) and this document and, where necessary, seek professional advice, before they invest in the Warrants.**

The Warrants constitute general unsecured contractual obligations of us as the Issuer and of no other person and will rank equally among themselves and with all our other unsecured obligations (save for those obligations preferred by law) upon liquidation. If you purchase the Warrants, you are relying upon the creditworthiness of us, and have no rights under the Warrants against the Index Compiler or any other person. If we become insolvent or default on our obligations under the Warrants, you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the Warrants (if any). The Issuer is subject to the exercise of the bail-in powers under the German legislation for implementation of the Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (“**BRRD**”).

## **Non-collateralised Structured Products**

**Launch Announcement  
and  
Supplemental Listing Document for Warrants over Index  
to be issued by**



**Issuer: Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG**  
*(a stock corporation (Aktiengesellschaft) founded in Germany)*

**Sponsor: Citigroup Global Markets Asia Limited**

## Key Terms

Warrants Stock code	15604	15605
Liquidity Provider broker ID	9749	9749
Issue size	100,000,000 Warrants	100,000,000 Warrants
Style	European style cash settled	European style cash settled
Type	Call	Put
Index	Hang Seng TECH Index*	Hang Seng TECH Index*
Board Lot	10,000 Warrants	10,000 Warrants
Issue Price per Warrant	HKD 0.150	HKD 0.150
Strike Level	6,633	5,075
Cash Settlement Amount per Board Lot (if any) payable at expiry	<p><b>For a series of call Warrants:</b>  <math display="block">\frac{(\text{Closing Level} - \text{Strike Level}) \times \text{one Board Lot} \times \text{Index Currency Amount}}{\text{Divisor}}</math></p> <p><b>For a series of put Warrants:</b>  <math display="block">\frac{(\text{Strike Level} - \text{Closing Level}) \times \text{one Board Lot} \times \text{Index Currency Amount}}{\text{Divisor}}</math></p>	
Closing Level (for all series)	The final settlement price for settling the Hang Seng TECH Index Futures Contracts that are scheduled to expire during the month in which the Expiry Date of the relevant series of the Warrants is scheduled to fall (the “ <b>Index Futures Contracts</b> ”) <sup>1</sup>	
Index Exchange (for all series)	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited	
Index Currency Amount	HKD 1.00	HKD 1.00
Divisor	3,050	2,800
Launch Date (for all series)	1 April 2025	
Issue Date (for all series)	3 April 2025	
Listing Date <sup>2</sup> (for all series)	7 April 2025	
Valuation Date <sup>3</sup>	29 September 2025	29 September 2025
Expiry Date <sup>3</sup>	29 September 2025	29 September 2025
Settlement Date (for all series)	The third CCASS Settlement Day after the later of: (i) the Expiry Date; and (ii) the day on which the Closing Level is determined in accordance with the Conditions	
Settlement Currency	Hong Kong Dollars	Hong Kong Dollars
Implied Volatility <sup>4</sup>	52.60%	43.00%
Effective Gearing <sup>4</sup>	4.66x	4.26x
Gearing <sup>4</sup>	12.00x	13.08x
Premium <sup>4</sup>	29.11%	15.24%

\*Hang Seng TECH Index was launched on 27 July 2020. Please see further information about the Index under the section headed “Information on the Index” in this document.

<sup>1</sup> Determined pursuant to Regulation 012 of the Regulations for Trading Stock Index Futures Contracts and the Contract Specifications for Hang Seng TECH Index Futures (as amended from time to time) of the Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited (or its successor or assign), subject to our right to determine the Closing Level in good faith on the Valuation Date upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event as described further in Product Condition 1.

<sup>2</sup> During the period between the Launch Date and the scheduled Listing Date (both dates exclusive), if any severe weather occurs on any Business Day which either results in the Stock Exchange (i) being closed for trading for the entire day; or (ii) being closed prior to its regular time for close of trading for the relevant day, the Listing Date will be postponed (without any further notice or announcement) such that there is a period of two Business Days not affected by the aforementioned event(s) between the Launch Date and the postponed Listing Date (both dates exclusive).

<sup>3</sup> If such day is not the day on which the relevant Index Futures Contracts expire on Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited (or its successor or assign), the day on which the relevant Index Futures Contracts will expire on the Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited (or its successor or assign).

<sup>4</sup> This data may fluctuate during the life of the Warrants and may not be comparable to similar information provided by other issuers of derivative warrants. Each issuer may use different pricing models.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**The Warrants are listed structured products which involve derivatives. Do not invest in them unless you fully understand and are willing to assume the risks associated with them.**

### **What documents should you read before investing in the Warrants?**

You must read this document together with our base listing document dated 29 April 2024 (the “**Base Listing Document**”), as supplemented by any addendum thereto (together, the “**Listing Documents**”), in particular the sections headed “General Conditions of Structured Products” (the “**General Conditions**”) and “Product Conditions of Cash Settled Warrants over Index” (the “**Product Conditions**”) and, together with the General Conditions, the “**Conditions**”) set out in our Base Listing Document. This document (as read in conjunction with our Base Listing Document and each addendum referred to in the section headed “**Product Summary Statement**”) is accurate as at the date of this document. You should carefully study the risk factors set out in the Listing Documents. You should also consider your financial position and investment objectives before deciding to invest in the Warrants. We cannot give you investment advice. You must decide whether the Warrants meet your investment needs before investing in the Warrants.

### **Is there any guarantee or collateral for the Warrants?**

No. Our obligations under the Warrants are neither guaranteed by any third party, nor collateralised with any of our assets or other collaterals. When you purchase our Warrants, you are relying on our creditworthiness only, and of no other person. If we become insolvent or default on our obligations under the Warrants, you can only claim as an unsecured creditor of the Issuer. In such event, you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the Warrants (if any).

### **What are the Issuer’s credit ratings?**

The Issuer’s credit ratings are:

<i>Rating agency</i>	<i>Rating (outlook) as of the Launch Date</i>
Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.	A1 (stable outlook)
S&P Global Ratings	A+ (stable outlook)

Rating agencies usually receive a fee from the companies that they rate. When evaluating our creditworthiness, you should not solely rely on our credit ratings because:

- a credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold the Warrants;
- ratings of companies may involve difficult-to-quantify factors such as market competition, the success or failure of new products and markets and managerial competence;
- a high credit rating is not necessarily indicative of low risk. Our credit ratings as of the Launch Date are for reference only. Any downgrading of our ratings could result in a reduction in the value of the Warrants;
- a credit rating is not an indication of the liquidity or volatility of the Warrants; and
- a credit rating may be downgraded if the Issuer’s credit quality declines.

### **The Warrants are not rated.**

The Issuer’s credit ratings and credit ratings outlooks are subject to change or withdrawal at any time within each rating agency’s sole discretion. You should conduct your own research using publicly available sources to obtain the latest information with respect to the Issuer’s ratings and outlooks from time to time.

### **Is the Issuer regulated by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority referred to in Rule 15A.13(2) or the Securities and Futures Commission referred to in Rule 15A.13(3)?**

We are not regulated by any of the bodies referred to in Rule 15A.13(2) or (3). We are regulated by the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (*Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht*) (“**BaFin**”) in Germany, Deutsche Bundesbank and the European Central Bank.

### **Is the Issuer subject to any litigation?**

Save as disclosed in the Listing Documents, the Issuer and its subsidiaries are not aware of any litigation or claims of material importance pending or threatened against it or them.

### **Has our financial position changed since last financial year-end?**

Save as disclosed in Appendices 5 and 6 to the Base Listing Document and the first addendum to the Base Listing Document dated 30 September 2024 (the “**Addendum**”), there has been no material adverse change in the financial or trading position of the Issuer since the date of the most recently published audited financial statements of the Issuer.

## PRODUCT SUMMARY STATEMENT

*The Warrants are listed structured products which involve derivatives. This statement provides you with key information about the Warrants. You should not invest in the Warrants based on the information contained in this statement alone. You should read and understand the remaining sections of this document, together with the other Listing Documents, before deciding whether to invest.*

### Overview of the Warrants

- **What is a derivative warrant?**

A derivative warrant linked to an index is an instrument which tracks the performance of the underlying index. Derivative warrants may provide a leveraged return to you. Conversely, such leverage could also magnify your losses.

A call warrant is designed for an investor holding a view that the level of the underlying index will increase during the term of the warrant.

A put warrant is designed for an investor holding a view that the level of the underlying index will decrease during the term of the warrant.

- **How and when can you get back your investment?**

The Warrants are European style cash settled derivative warrants linked to the Index. European style warrants can only be exercised on the expiry date. When the Warrants are exercised, the holder is entitled to a cash amount called the “**Cash Settlement Amount**” net of any Exercise Expenses (as defined under the heading “Exercise Expenses” in the sub-section titled “What are the fees and charges?” below) according to the terms and conditions in the Listing Documents. **If the Cash Settlement Amount is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses, you will lose all of your investment in the Warrants.**

- **How do the Warrants work?**

The potential payoff at expiry for the Warrants is calculated by reference to the difference between the Strike Level and the Closing Level of the Index.

A call Warrant will be automatically exercised at expiry without the need for the holder to deliver an exercise notice if the Closing Level of the Index is above the Strike Level. The more the Closing Level is above the Strike Level, the higher the payoff at expiry. If the Closing Level is at or below the Strike Level, you will lose all of your investment in the call Warrant.

A put Warrant will be automatically exercised at expiry without the need for the holder to deliver an exercise notice if the Closing Level of the Index is below the Strike Level. The more the Closing Level is below the Strike Level, the higher the payoff at expiry. If the Closing Level is at or above the Strike Level, you will lose all of your investment in the put Warrant.

- **Can you sell the Warrants before the Expiry Date?**

Yes. We will make an application for listing of, and permission to deal in, the Warrants on the Stock Exchange. All necessary arrangements will be made to enable the Warrants to be admitted into the Central Clearing and Settlement System (“CCASS”). Issue of the Warrants is conditional upon listing approval being granted. From the Listing Date up to the last trading day of the Warrants (both dates inclusive), you may sell or buy the Warrants on the Stock Exchange. There shall be three CCASS Settlement Days between the last trading day of the Warrants and the Expiry Date. No application has been made to list the Warrants on any other stock exchange.

The Warrants may only be transferred in a Board Lot (or integral multiples thereof). Where a transfer of Warrants takes place on the Stock Exchange, currently settlement must be made not later than two CCASS Settlement Days after such transfer.

The Liquidity Provider will make a market in the Warrants by providing bid and/or ask prices. See the section headed “Liquidity” below.

- **What is your maximum loss?**

The maximum loss in the Warrants will be your entire investment amount plus any transaction costs.

- **What are the factors determining the price of a derivative warrant?**

The price of a derivative warrant generally depends on the level of the underlying index (being the Index for the Warrants). However, throughout the term of a derivative warrant, its price will be influenced by a number of factors, including:

- the strike level of the derivative warrants;
- the level and volatility of the underlying index (being a measure of the fluctuation in the level of the underlying index over time);
- the time remaining to expiry: generally, the longer the remaining life of the derivative warrant, the greater its value;
- the interim interest rates and expected dividend payments or other distributions on any components comprising the underlying index;
- the liquidity of the futures contracts relating to the underlying index;
- the supply and demand for the derivative warrant;
- our related transaction cost; and
- the creditworthiness of the issuer of the derivative warrant.

As the price of a derivative warrant is not only affected by the level of the underlying index, movements in the price of a derivative warrant may not be proportionate or may even be opposite to the movement of the level of the underlying index. For example:

- if the level of the underlying index increases (in respect of a call warrant) or decreases (in respect of a put warrant), but the volatility of the level of the underlying index decreases, the price of the warrant may decrease;
- if a warrant is deep-out-of-the-money (eg. when the fair market value is less than HK\$0.01), the price of the warrant may be insensitive to any increase (in respect of a call warrant) or decrease (in respect of a put warrant) in the level of the underlying index;
- if the outstanding volume of a series of warrants in the market is high, the supply and demand of the warrant may have a greater impact on the warrant price than the level of the underlying index; and/or
- the decrease in time value may offset any increase (in respect of a call warrant) or decrease (in respect of a put warrant) in the level of the underlying index, especially when the warrant is close to its expiry where the time value decreases at a faster pace.

#### **Risks of investing in the Warrants**

You must read the section headed “Key Risk Factors” in this document together with the risk factors set out in our Base Listing Document. You should consider all these factors collectively when making your investment decision.

#### **Liquidity**

- **How to contact the Liquidity Provider for quotes?**

Liquidity Provider: Citigroup Global Markets Asia Limited  
Address: 50th Floor, Champion Tower, Three Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong  
Telephone Number: + 852 2501 2638

The Liquidity Provider is regulated by the Stock Exchange and the Securities and Futures Commission. It is an affiliate of the Issuer and will act as our agent in providing quotes. You can request a quote by calling the Liquidity Provider at the telephone number above.

- **What is the Liquidity Provider’s maximum response time for a quote?**

The Liquidity Provider will respond within 10 minutes and the quote will be displayed on the Stock Exchange’s designated stock page for the Warrants.

- **Maximum spread between bid and ask prices: 20 spreads**

- **Minimum quantity for which liquidity will be provided: 20 Board Lots**

● **What are the circumstances under which the Liquidity Provider is not obliged to provide liquidity?**

There will be circumstances under which the Liquidity Provider is not obliged to provide liquidity. Such circumstances include:

- (i) during the first 5 minutes of each morning trading session or the first 5 minutes after trading commences for the first time on a trading day;
- (ii) during a pre-opening session or a closing auction session (if applicable) or any other circumstances as may be prescribed by the Stock Exchange;
- (iii) when the Warrants are suspended from trading for any reason;
- (iv) if there occurs or exists any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of options or futures contracts relating to the Index or if the Index level is not calculated or published as scheduled for any reason;
- (v) when there are no Warrants available for market making activities. In such event, the Liquidity Provider shall continue to provide bid prices. Warrants held by us or any of our affiliates in a fiduciary or agency capacity are not Warrants available for market making activities;
- (vi) when there are operational and technical problems beyond the control of the Liquidity Provider hindering the ability of the Liquidity Provider to provide liquidity;
- (vii) if the stock market experiences exceptional price movement and high volatility over a short period of time which materially affects the Liquidity Provider's ability to source a hedge or unwind an existing hedge; or
- (viii) if the theoretical value of the Warrants is less than HK\$0.01. If the Liquidity Provider chooses to provide liquidity under this circumstance, both bid and ask prices will be made available.

You should read the sub-section entitled "Possible limited secondary market" under the "Key Risk Factors" section for further information on the key risks when the Liquidity Provider is not able to provide liquidity.

**How can you obtain further information?**

● **Information about the Index**

You may obtain information on the Index by visiting the Index Compiler's website at [www.hsi.com.hk](http://www.hsi.com.hk).

● **Information about the Warrants after issue**

You may visit our website at <http://www.citiwarrants.com> to obtain information on the Warrants or any notice given by us in relation to the Warrants.

● **Information about us**

You should read the section "Updated Information about Us" in this document. You may visit [www.citigroup.com](http://www.citigroup.com) to obtain general corporate information about the group to which we belong.

*We have included references to websites in this document to indicate how further information may be obtained. Information appearing on those websites does not form part of the Listing Documents. We accept no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the information appearing on those websites. You should conduct your own due diligence (including without limitation web searches) to ensure that you are viewing the most up-to-date information.*

**What are the fees and charges?**

● **Trading Fees and Levies**

For each transaction effected on the Stock Exchange, the following trading fees and levies calculated on the value of the consideration for the Warrants will be payable by each of the seller and the buyer:

- (i) a trading fee of 0.00565 per cent. charged by the Stock Exchange;
- (ii) a transaction levy of 0.0027 per cent. charged by the Securities and Futures Commission; and
- (iii) a transaction levy of 0.00015 per cent. charged by the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council.

The levy for the investor compensation fund is currently suspended.

- **Exercise Expenses**

You are responsible for any Exercise Expenses. Exercise Expenses mean any charges or expenses including any taxes or duties which are incurred in respect of the exercise of the Warrants. Any Exercise Expenses will be deducted from the Cash Settlement Amount (if any). If the Cash Settlement Amount is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses, no amount is payable. As at the date of this document, no Exercise Expenses are payable for cash settled warrants (including the Warrants).

- **Stamp Duty**

No stamp duty is currently payable in Hong Kong on transfer of cash settled warrants (including the Warrants). You should note that any transaction cost will reduce your gain or increase your loss under your investment in the Warrants.

#### **What is the legal form of the Warrants?**

Each series of the Warrants will be represented by a global certificate in the name of HKSCC Nominees Limited who is the only legal owner of the Warrants. We will not issue definitive certificates for the Warrants. You may arrange for your broker to hold the Warrants in a securities account on your behalf, or if you have a CCASS Investor Participant securities account, you may arrange for the Warrants to be held in such account. You will have to rely on the records of CCASS and/or the statements you receive from your brokers as evidence of your beneficial interest in the Warrants.

#### **Can we adjust the terms or early terminate the Warrants?**

The occurrence of certain events (including, without limitation, a succession of the Index or Index Compiler, modification or cessation of calculation of the Index) may entitle us to adjust the terms and conditions of the Warrants. However, we are not obliged to adjust the terms and conditions of the Warrants for every event that affects the Index.

We may early terminate the Warrants if it becomes illegal or impracticable for us (i) to perform our obligations under the Warrants as a result of a change in law event, or (ii) to maintain our hedging arrangement with respect to the Warrants due to a change in law event. In such event, the amount payable by us (if any) will be the fair market value of the Warrants less our cost of unwinding any related hedging arrangements as determined by us, which may be substantially less than your initial investment and may be zero.

Please refer to General Condition 13 and Product Condition 3 for details about adjustments or early termination events. Such events may negatively affect your investment and you may suffer a loss.

#### **Mode of settlement for the Warrants**

The Warrants will be automatically exercised on the Expiry Date in integral multiples of the Board Lot if the Cash Settlement Amount is positive. If the Cash Settlement Amount is zero or negative, or is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses, you will lose all of your investment.

We will deliver a cash amount in the Settlement Currency equal to the Cash Settlement Amount net of any Exercise Expenses (if any) no later than the Settlement Date to HKSCC Nominees Limited (as the registered holder of the Warrants), which will then distribute such amount to the securities account of your broker (and if applicable, its custodian) or to your CCASS Investor Participant securities account (as the case may be). You may have to rely on your broker (and if applicable, its custodian) to ensure that the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) is credited to your account maintained with your broker. Once we make the payment to HKSCC Nominees Limited, who operates CCASS, you will have no further right against us for that payment, even if CCASS or your broker (and if applicable, its custodian) does not transfer your share of payment to you, or is late in making such payment transfer.

Payment of the Cash Settlement Amount (if any) may be delayed if a Settlement Disruption Event occurs on the Settlement Date, as a result of which we are unable to deliver such amount through CCASS on such day. See Product Condition 2 for further information.

#### **Where can you read the relevant documents of the Warrants?**

Copies of the following documents are available on the website of the HKEX at ([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk)) and our website at (<http://www.citiwarrants.com>):

- each of the Listing Documents (in separate English and Chinese versions), including:
  - this document
  - our Base Listing Document
  - the Addendum

which include our auditor's report and latest audited consolidated financial statements and any interim financial statements; and

- the consent letter of our Auditor.

以上各文件可於香港交易所披露易網站([www.hkexnews.hk](http://www.hkexnews.hk))以及本公司網站(<http://www.citiwarrants.com>)瀏覽。

**Are there any dealings in the Warrants before the Listing Date?**

It is possible that there may have been dealings in the Warrants before the Listing Date. If there are any dealings in the Warrants by us or any of our subsidiaries or associated companies from the Launch Date prior to the Listing Date, we will report those dealings to the Stock Exchange by the Listing Date and such report will be released on the website of the Stock Exchange.

**Has the auditor consented to the inclusion of its report to the Listing Documents?**

Our auditor (“**Auditor**”) has given and has not since withdrawn its written consent to the inclusion of its report dated 11 April 2024 and/or the references to its name in our Base Listing Document, in the form and context in which they are included. Its report was not prepared exclusively for incorporation into our Base Listing Document. The Auditor does not own any of our shares or shares in any member of our group, nor does it have the right (whether legally enforceable or not) to subscribe for or to nominate persons to subscribe for our securities or securities of any member of our group.

**Authorisation of the Warrants**

The issue of the Warrants was authorised by our management board on 27 March 2019.

**Selling restrictions**

The Warrants have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and will not be offered, sold, delivered or traded, at any time, indirectly or directly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person (as defined in the Securities Act).

The offer or transfer of the Warrants is also subject to the selling restrictions specified in our Base Listing Document.

**Capitalised terms and inconsistency**

Unless otherwise specified, capitalised terms used in this document have the meanings set out in the Conditions. If this document is inconsistent with our Base Listing Document, this document shall prevail.



## INFORMATION ON THE INDEX

*The information on the Index set out below is extracted from or based on publicly available information and, in particular, information from the Index Compiler. We do not give any representation whatsoever as to the truth, accuracy, completeness, adequacy or reasonableness of any of the information contained therein whether as at the date of this document or any other time, save that we have taken reasonable care to correctly extract, summarise and/or reproduce such information.*

### Who is the Index Compiler?

Hang Seng Indexes Company Limited. The Index is managed and compiled by the Index Compiler, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hang Seng Bank Limited.

### How is the Index level disseminated?

The Index level is disseminated through the website of the Index Compiler at <http://www.hsi.com.hk> and various information vendors. You should contact your stockbroker for further information.

### Description of the Index

The Index tracks the performance of the 30 largest technology companies listed in Hong Kong selected by the Index Compiler. The objective of the Index is to represent the 30 largest technology companies listed in Hong Kong which have high business exposure to the technology themes. It includes securities of companies that are listed on the Main Board of the HKEX, and excludes secondary-listed Foreign Companies and Investment Companies listed under Chapter 21 of HKEX's Listing Rules. As disclosed in the factsheet in respect of the Index published on the Index Compiler's website at [https://www.hsi.com.hk/static/uploads/contents/en/dl\\_centre/factsheets/hsteche.pdf](https://www.hsi.com.hk/static/uploads/contents/en/dl_centre/factsheets/hsteche.pdf) ("**Index Factsheet**"), the key features of the Index are as follows:

- The Index includes the 30 largest technology companies listed in Hong Kong that are:
  - classified under: Industrials, Consumer Discretionary, Healthcare, Financials or Information Technology industries;
  - with high business exposure to the selected technology themes: Autonomous, Cloud, Digital, E-Commerce, FinTech or Internet (including Mobile); and
  - considered innovative by operating a technology-enabled business, with strong Research & Development investment or exhibit high revenue growth.
- The Index is freefloat market capitalization weighted with 8% cap on individual constituent weighting for non-foreign companies, and 4% cap and 10% cap on individual and aggregate constituent weighting respectively for foreign companies.

As stated in the Index Factsheet:

- All information contained in the Index Factsheet is provided for reference only. The Index Compiler ensures the accuracy and reliability of the Index Factsheet to the best of its endeavours. However, the Index Compiler makes no warranty or representation as to the accuracy, completeness or reliability of any of the information contained therein and accepts no liability (whether in tort or contract or otherwise) whatsoever to any person for any damage or loss of any nature arising from or as a result of reliance on any of the contents of the Index Factsheet, or any errors or omissions in its contents and such contents may change from time to time without notice.
- Investors should also note that value of securities and investments can go down as well as up and past performance is not necessarily indicative of future performance. The information contained in the Index Factsheet does not constitute any express or implied advice or recommendation by the Index Compiler for any investments. Investment involves risks. Investors should not make any investment decision based solely on the information provided therein and should seek independent investment advice to ensure that any of their decisions is made with regard to their own investment objectives, financial circumstances and other particular needs.

### Constituent stocks of the Index

The Index represents the 30 largest technology companies listed in Hong Kong that have high business exposure to technology themes as selected by the Index Compiler and pass the Index's screening criteria.

An updated list of the constituent stocks comprising the Index is available at <https://www.hsi.com.hk/eng/indexes/all-indexes/hstech>. You may also review historical changes of the constituent stocks on this website.

Rebalancing review of the Index constituent stocks will be conducted on a quarterly basis based on data cut-off as of end of March, June, September and December each year.

### How is the Index calculated?

You may access the methodology document for the Index at:

[https://www.hsi.com.hk/static/uploads/contents/en/dl\\_centre/methodologies/IM\\_hsteche.pdf](https://www.hsi.com.hk/static/uploads/contents/en/dl_centre/methodologies/IM_hsteche.pdf), which should be read in conjunction with the Index Methodology General Guide on the Index Compiler's website at:

[https://www.hsi.com.hk/static/uploads/contents/en/dl\\_centre/methodologies/index\\_methodology\\_guide\\_e.pdf](https://www.hsi.com.hk/static/uploads/contents/en/dl_centre/methodologies/index_methodology_guide_e.pdf).

The Index Compiler has adopted a freefloat-adjusted market capitalisation weighting with a designated cap on each constituent stock for calculation of the Index level in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Current Index} = \frac{\sum (\text{Pt} \times \text{IS} \times \text{FAF} \times \text{CF} \times \text{AF})}{\sum (\text{Pt-1} \times \text{IS} \times \text{FAF} \times \text{CF} \times \text{AF})} \times \text{Yesterday's Closing Index}$$

Pt: Current Price at Day t

Pt-1: Closing Price at Day (t-1)

IS: Issued Shares

FAF: Freefloat Adjusted Factor, which is between 0 and 1

CF: Capping Factor, which is between 0 and 1

AF: Adjustment Factor

#### What are the arrangements if the Index is not published by the Index Compiler?

Under the licence granted by Hang Seng Data Services Limited for our use of the Index, if the Index Compiler ceases to calculate and publish the Index, the Index Compiler shall inform us as soon as practicable specifying whether or not a replacement or substitute index will be available, in which case, we shall have the right to use such replacement or substitute index in connection with the Warrants. If the Index Compiler does not offer any replacement or substitute index, we will have an option either to terminate the use of the Index or continue to use the formula of the Index and its constituent stocks existing immediately prior to such cessation for the sole purpose of calculating the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry and any related value of the Warrants.

#### What are the historic highs and lows of the Index since its launch date on 27 July 2020?

As at the Launch Date, the highest and lowest closing levels of the Index since its launch date of 27 July 2020 are:

Year/Period	Highest closing level	Lowest closing level
27 July 2020 – 31 December 2020	8,426.07	6,774.78
2021	10,945.22	5,471.87
2022	5,899.82	2,801.99
2023	4,813.23	3,548.05
2024	5,386.48	3,005.80
2025 (up to the Launch Date)	6,105.50	4,221.92

#### Simulated highs and lows of the Index disclosed by the Index Compiler \*

All information about the simulated closing levels of the Index compiled by the Index Compiler and published on its website (covering the 5 years period prior to the actual launch date of the Index) is back-tested and reflects hypothetical historical performance of the Index only. Please refer to the risk factor headed “Back-tested closing level information does not reflect the actual past performance of the Index” set out in the section headed “Key Risk Factors” in this document.

The simulated hypothetical highest and lowest closing levels of the Index\* from the years 2015 to 2019 and the period from 1 January to 26 July 2020 are:

Year/Period	Highest closing level	Lowest closing level
2015	4,719.87	2,697.35
2016	3,852.80	2,720.06
2017	6,247.36	3,651.91
2018	5,890.21	3,352.88
2019	4,738.77	3,253.45
1 January – 26 July 2020	7,776.77	3,988.02

\* The Index was launched on 27 July 2020 and does not have actual historic closing levels prior to its launch date. As stated on the Index Compiler’s website, all information for the Index prior to its launch date is back-tested, which performance reflects hypothetical historical performance.

#### What is the closing level of the Index on the latest practicable date?

According to information published on the Index Compiler’s website, the closing level of the Index as at the close of business on the Launch Date (being the latest practicable date prior to the date of this document) was 5,407.38.

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## KEY RISK FACTORS

You must read these key risk factors together with the risk factors set out in our Base Listing Document. These key risk factors do not necessarily cover all risks related to the Warrants. If you have any concerns or doubts about the Warrants, you should obtain independent professional advice.

### Non-collateralised structured products

The Warrants are not secured on any of our assets or any collateral.

### Credit risk

If you invest in the Warrants, you are relying on our creditworthiness and of no other person. If we become insolvent or default on our obligations under the Warrants, you can only claim as our unsecured creditor regardless of the performance of the Index and you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the Warrants (if any). You have no rights under the terms of the Warrants against the Index Compiler or any company which has issued any constituent securities of the Index.

### Warrants are not principal protected and may expire worthless

Given the gearing feature inherent in the Warrants, a small change in the Index level may lead to a substantial price movement in the Warrants.

Unlike stocks, the Warrants have a limited life and will expire on the Expiry Date. In the worst case, the Warrants may expire with no value and you will lose all of your investment. Derivative warrants may only be suitable for experienced investors who are willing to accept the risk that they may lose all their investment.

### The Warrants can be volatile

Prices of the Warrants may rise or fall rapidly. You should carefully consider, among other things, the following factors before dealing in the Warrants:

- (i) the prevailing trading price of the Warrants;
- (ii) the Strike Level of the Warrants;
- (iii) the level and volatility of the Index;
- (iv) the time remaining to expiry;
- (v) the probable range of the Cash Settlement Amount;
- (vi) the interim interest rates and expected dividend payments or other distributions on any components comprising the Index;
- (vii) the liquidity of the futures contracts relating to the Index;
- (viii) the related transaction costs (including the Exercise Expenses, if any);
- (ix) the supply and demand for the Warrants; and
- (x) the creditworthiness of the Issuer.

The price of a Warrant may be affected by all these factors in addition to the Index level. Therefore, movements in the price of the Warrants may not be proportionate or may even be opposite to the movement in the level of the Index. You should consider all these factors collectively when making your investment decision.

### Time decay

All other factors being equal, the value of a Warrant is likely to decrease over time. Therefore, the Warrants should not be viewed as a product for long term investments.

### Possible limited secondary market

The Liquidity Provider may be the only market participant for the Warrants and therefore the secondary market for the Warrants may be limited. The more limited the secondary market, the more difficult it may be for you to realise the value in the Warrants prior to expiry.

You should also be aware that the Liquidity Provider may not be able to provide liquidity when there are operational and technical problem hindering its ability to do so. Even if the Liquidity Provider is able to provide liquidity in such circumstances, its performance of liquidity provision may be adversely affected. For example:

- (i) the spread between bid and ask prices quoted by the Liquidity Provider may be significantly wider than its normal standard;
- (ii) the quantity for which liquidity will be provided by the Liquidity Provider may be significantly smaller than its normal standard; and/or
- (iii) the Liquidity Provider's response time for a quote may be significantly longer than its normal standard.

### Change of calculation methodology or failure to publish the Index

If there is a material change in the calculation of the Index level or a failure to publish the Index, we may determine the Closing Level on the basis of the method last in effect prior to such change or failure.

### Publication of Index level when component shares are not trading

The Index Compiler may publish the Index level at a time when one or more shares comprising the Index are not trading.

### Suspension of trading

If there is a disruption to normal index level dissemination in respect of the Index by the Index Compiler and that, upon the index level dissemination disruption, there is a failure by the Index Compiler to provide a periodic publication of index level with respect to the Index on its website under its contingency mode ("**Index Disruption Event**") and the Index Compiler publishes a notice ("**Disruption Notice**") regarding the occurrence of such Index Disruption Event, trading in the Warrants will be suspended as soon as practicable after the publication of such Disruption Notice ("**Index Disruption Trading Halt**"), and will be resumed as soon as practicable after the publication of a notice by the Index Compiler regarding the resumption of normal index level dissemination of the Index ("**Index Disruption Trading Resumption**"). In such case, the price of the Warrants may be subject to a significant impact of time decay due to such suspension and may fluctuate significantly upon resumption of trading, which may adversely affect your investment.

You should also note that all unmatched orders of the affected Warrants will remain in place during the Index Disruption Trading Halt and will not be automatically cancelled. Automatic order matching of the affected Warrants will be resumed on the Stock Exchange upon the Index Disruption Trading Resumption. You should contact your broker or agent as soon as possible before the Index Disruption Trading Resumption if you wish to cancel any unmatched order of the affected Warrants.

#### **Risks relating to the occurrence of an Index Disruption Event**

In connection with the occurrence of an Index Disruption Event, the Stock Exchange will implement the following trading arrangements in respect of the relevant series of structured products:

- (i) the Index Disruption Trading Halt; and
- (ii) following the Index Disruption Trading Halt, the Index Disruption Trading Resumption after publication of a notice by the Index Compiler regarding resumption of normal index level dissemination of the relevant index.

You should note that there are potential risks (including without limitation, any delay, failure, mistake or error) associated with the Stock Exchange's observation of the Index Disruption Event and/or the Stock Exchange's implementation of these trading arrangements, which may adversely affect your investment in the relevant structured products.

The Stock Exchange, the HKEX and their affiliates will not incur any liability (whether based on contract, tort, (including, without limitation, negligence), or any other legal or equitable grounds and without regard to the circumstances giving rise to any purported claim except in the case of willful misconduct on the part of the Stock Exchange, HKEX and/or their affiliates) for, any direct, consequential, special, indirect, economic, punitive, exemplary or any other loss or damage suffered or incurred by us or any other party arising from or in connection with the Index Disruption Event, Index Disruption Trading Halt and/or Index Disruption Trading Resumption, including without limitation, any delay, failure, mistake or error in the Stock Exchange effecting the trading arrangements.

We and our affiliates shall not have any liability to the holders of the relevant series of Warrants (whether based on contract, tort, (including, without limitation, negligence), or any other legal or equitable grounds and without regard to the circumstances giving rise to any purported claim except in the case of willful misconduct on the part of us and/or our affiliates) for, any direct, consequential, special, indirect, economic, punitive, exemplary or any other loss or damage suffered or incurred by you or any other party arising from or in connection with the Index Disruption Event, Index Disruption Trading Halt and/or Index Disruption Trading Resumption, including without limitation, any delay, failure, mistake or error in the Stock Exchange effecting the trading arrangements.

#### **Adjustment related risk**

The occurrence of certain events (including, without limitation, a succession of the Index or Index Compiler, modification or cessation of calculation of the Index) may entitle us to adjust the terms and conditions of the Warrants. However, we are not obliged to adjust the terms and conditions of the Warrants for every event that affects the Index. Any adjustment or decision not to make any adjustment may adversely affect the value of the Warrants. Please refer to Product Condition 3 for details about adjustments.

#### **Possible early termination**

We may early terminate the Warrants if it becomes illegal or impracticable for us (i) to perform our obligations under the Warrants as a result of a change in law event, or (ii) to maintain our hedging arrangement with respect to the Warrants due to a change in law event. In such event, the amount payable by us (if any) will be the fair market value of the Warrants less our costs of unwinding any related hedging arrangements as determined by us, which may be substantially less than your initial investment and may be zero. Please refer to General Condition 13 for details about our early termination rights.

#### **Time lag between exercise and settlement of the Warrants**

There is a time lag between exercise of the Warrants and payment of the Cash Settlement Amount net of Exercise Expenses (if any). There may be delays in the electronic settlement or payment through CCASS.

#### **Conflict of interest**

We and our subsidiaries and affiliates engage in a wide range of commercial and investment banking, brokerage, funds management, hedging, investment and other activities and may possess material information about the Index or issue or update research reports on the Index. Such activities, information and/or research reports may involve or affect the Index and may cause consequences adverse to you or otherwise create conflicts of interests in connection with the issue of the Warrants. We have no obligation to disclose such information and may issue research reports and engage in any such activities without regard to the issue of the Warrants.

In the ordinary course of our business, we and our subsidiaries and affiliates may effect transactions for our own account or for the account of our customers and may enter into one or more transactions with respect to the Index or related derivatives. This may indirectly affect your interests.

#### **No direct contractual rights**

The Warrants are issued in global registered form and are held within CCASS. You will not receive any definitive certificate and your name will not be recorded in the register of the Warrants. The evidence of your interest in the Warrants, and the efficiency of the ultimate payment of the Cash Settlement Amount net of Exercise Expenses (if any), are subject to the CCASS Rules. You will have to rely on your broker (or, if applicable, its direct or indirect custodians) and the statements you receive from it as evidence of your interest in the Warrants. You do not have any direct contractual rights against us. To assert your rights as an investor in the Warrants, you will have to rely on your broker (and, if applicable, its direct or indirect custodian) to take action on your behalf. If your broker or, if applicable, its direct or indirect custodian:

- (i) fails to take action in accordance with your instructions;
- (ii) becomes insolvent; or
- (iii) defaults on its obligations,

you will need to take action against your broker in accordance with the terms of arrangement between you and your broker to establish your interest in the Warrants first before you can assert your right of claim against us. You may experience difficulties in taking such legal proceedings. This is a complicated area of law and you should seek independent legal advice for further information.

### **The Listing Documents should not be relied upon as the sole basis for your investment decision**

The Listing Documents do not take into account your investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs. Nothing in the Listing Documents should be construed as a recommendation by us or our affiliates to invest in the Warrants or any futures contracts relating to the Index.

### **Not the ultimate holding company of the group**

We are not the ultimate holding company of the group to which we belong.

### **Risks due to the EU recovery and resolution regime**

At European Union (“EU”) level, the EU institutions have enacted Directive 2014/59/EU, as amended from time to time, which defines a framework for the recovery and resolution of certain entities (the so-called *Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive*, the “BRRD”) as well as Regulation (EU) No.806/2014 of the European Parliament and the Council of 15 July 2014, as amended from time to time, which establishes a uniform procedure for resolution of certain entities established within the euro area (the so-called Single Resolution Mechanism Regulation – “SRM Regulation”).

The BRRD has been implemented in the Federal Republic of Germany by the Restructuring and Resolution Act (*Sanierungs- und Abwicklungsgesetz* – “SAG”) while the SRM Regulation is directly applicable in Germany. Under the SRM Regulation, the Issuer – being a significant credit institution directly supervised by the European Central Bank – is subject to the resolution decisions that might be adopted by the European Single Resolution Board (the “Single Resolution Board”) and in close cooperation with the European Central Bank, the European Council, the European Commission and the national resolution authorities.

BaFin as the national resolution authority with competence over the Issuer, would implement such resolution decisions adopted by the Single Resolution Board by exercising its powers under the SAG and in accordance with the conditions laid down in national law.

Subject to certain conditions and exceptions, the competent resolution authority is, inter alia, empowered to permanently write down liabilities of the institutions, including those from Warrants issued by the Issuer, or to convert them into equity instruments. Furthermore, the debtor of the Warrants (therefore the Issuer) can obtain another risk profile than originally or the original debtor can be replaced by another debtor (who can possess a fundamental other risk profile or another solvency than the Issuer) following resolutions of the competent resolution authority with regard to the SRM Regulation, the SAG and other applicable rules and regulations. Any such regulatory measure can significantly affect the market value of the Warrants as well as their volatility and might significantly increase the risk characteristics of the investor’s investment decision. Investors in Warrants may lose all or part of their invested capital in a pre-insolvency scenario (risk of total loss).

### **Risk for newly launched Index**

The Index is a new index launched in July 2020 only. Financial products linked to the Index (including the Warrants) may be more volatile and riskier than other financial products linked to a more established index with a longer operating and actual trading history.

### **Back-tested closing level information does not reflect the actual past performance of the Index**

The Index was launched on 27 July 2020. All information about the historic closing levels of the Index prior to its launch date, including the simulated hypothetical historic highs and lows of the Index for the last 5 years as set out in the section headed “Information on the Index” in this document, does not reflect the Index’s actual past performance. Instead, such information is back-tested and reflects hypothetical historical performance of the Index only. In particular, a number of the constituent stocks of the Index have a trading history of less than five years. This may adversely affect the creditability and/or reliability of such back-testing to reflect the performance trends of the Index in the future. You should not rely on such hypothetical historical performance of the Index as the sole basis for your investment decision.

### **Updated Information about Us**

There is no supplemental information about the Issuer.

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