

HORIZONS ETFs EXPANDS THEMATIC LINE-UP WITH CYBER SECURITY AND DIGITAL HEALTH ETFs

Two new thematic ETFs will invest in popular U.S.-listed ETF strategies offered by its US sister company Global X ETFs

TORONTO – December 2, 2021 – Horizons ETFs Management (Canada) Inc. (“**Horizons ETFs**”) is pleased to announce the launches of the Horizons GX Cybersecurity Index ETF (“**HBUG**”) and the Horizons GX Telemedicine and Digital Health Index ETF (“**HDOC**” and together, the “**ETFs**”). Units of the ETFs will begin trading today on the Toronto Stock Exchange (“**TSX**”) under the ticker symbols HBUG:TSX and HDOC:TSX, respectively.

Thematic investing seeks to capture opportunities created by structural trends. Two major thematic trends in technology are the ever-growing need to improve and expand cybersecurity, and the rapid increase of digital health solutions. Global X Management Company LLC (“**Global X ETFs**”) is one of the fastest growing ETF providers based in the United States with more than US \$42 billion in assets under management, primarily focused on thematic ETFs. Global X ETFs has built leading products in both cybersecurity and digital health themes; HBUG and HDOC are ETFs of ETFs and will seek to replicate their respective indices by investing in the underlying U.S.-listed ETFs as well as optimizing exposure for Canadian investors by adding a currency hedge.

“Both Horizons ETFs and Global X ETFs have strong reputations as leaders in innovation. With HBUG and HDOC, we had a great opportunity to work with the amazing team at our corporate partner Global X ETFs and bring two-best-in-class thematic mandates to the Canadian market, with each of them covering an important technological growth trend,” said Steve Hawkins, President and CEO of Horizons ETFs.

Horizons ETFs and Global X ETFs are both subsidiaries of Mirae Asset Global Investments Co. Ltd. (“**Mirae Asset**”). This is the first direct partnership of the two corporate entities to bring these Global X ETFs products to the Canadian marketplace through an ETF wrapper.

“Through this partnership, Horizons ETFs and Global X ETFs have been able to leverage their collective ETF industry and thematic investing expertise,” said Luis Berruga, CEO of Global X ETFs. *“We’re thrilled to be working with the top-notch team at Horizons ETFs to offer Canadian investors locally-listed access to two disruptive and growing themes that are driving the future forward.”*

ETF Name and Ticker	Summary of Investment Objective	Management Fee*
Horizons GX Cybersecurity Index ETF (HBUG:TSX)	HBUG seeks to replicate, to the extent possible and net of expenses, the performance of an index that is designed to provide exposure to the performance of global, publicly listed companies that stand to potentially benefit from the increased adoption of cybersecurity technology, such as those whose principal business is generally engaged in the development and management of security protocols	0.45%



	preventing intrusion and attacks to systems, networks, applications, computers and mobile devices. Currently, HBUG seeks to replicate, directly or indirectly, the performance of Indxx Cybersecurity Index, net of expenses, by investing primarily in the Global X Cybersecurity ETF (BUG:NASDAQ). HBUG seeks to hedge any U.S. dollar portfolio exposure back to the Canadian dollar at all times.	
Horizons GX Telemedicine and Digital Health Index ETF (HDOC:TSX)	HDOC seeks to replicate, to the extent possible and net of expenses, the performance of an index that is designed to provide exposure to the performance of global, publicly listed companies generally engaged in the field of telemedicine and digital health, as well as applications thereof. Currently, HDOC seeks to replicate, directly or indirectly, the performance of the Solactive Telemedicine & Digital Health Index, net of expenses, by investing primarily in the Global X Telemedicine & Digital Health ETF (EDOC:NASDAQ). HDOC seeks to hedge any U.S. dollar portfolio exposure back to the Canadian dollar at all times.	0.60%

*Plus applicable sales taxes.

HORIZONS GX CYBERSECURITY INDEX ETF

HBUG provides exposure to companies positioned to benefit from the increasing adoption of cybersecurity technology, including those offering protection against intrusion and attacks on systems, networks, applications, computers and mobile devices.

“If data is the most important resource of the digital economy, protecting it is absolutely vital,” said Mr. Hawkins. *“HBUG provides global exposure to the leading cybersecurity companies that are building the tools necessary to protect companies from key threats, such as hacking, malware, cyber-crime and other forms of digital extortion – all of which threaten our transition to a truly digitally-focused economy. BUG, the U.S.-listed ETF offered by Global X ETFs on this theme, has been a clear leader with more than US\$1 billion in assets under management.”*

HORIZONS GX TELEMEDICINE AND DIGITAL HEALTH INDEX ETF

The global healthcare industry is not exempt from digital disruption. The advantage of being able to deliver remote healthcare engagement and diagnostics has become crucial in expanding and providing healthcare services. Digital healthcare could be revolutionary in allowing broader access to care while potentially reducing the overall cost, as demand increases globally with aging populations in the developed world.

HDOC provides exposure to a global portfolio of companies that are heavily focused on providing digital healthcare and telemedicine services.

The global telemedicine market increased 35% from 2019 to 2020, exceeding \$55 billion. According to Grand View Research, the market could reach nearly \$300 billion by 2028 as more

healthcare providers seek to engage their patients virtually reducing the cost of more expensive in-person care, as well as potentially increasing the reach of crucial healthcare services globally.

“HDOC provides exposure to a global portfolio of companies that are leading the way in building vital digital and remote healthcare infrastructure,” said Mr. Hawkins. *“The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted that many proactive and diagnostic healthcare services don’t have to be in-person to be effective. A strong, global and digital healthcare system, which may also rely upon the growing metaverse, can potentially increase the breadth and depth of healthcare services available to patients across the world.”*

The ETFs closed their initial offering of units to their designated broker at the close of business on December 1, 2021, and will begin trading today on the TSX.

For more information about HBUG, please visit: www.HorizonsETFs.com/HBUG

For more information about HDOC, please visit: www.HorizonsETFs.com/HDOC

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About Global X ETFs (www.GlobalXETFs.com)

Global X ETFs was founded in 2008. For more than a decade, their mission has been empowering investors with unexplored and intelligent solutions. Their product line-up features more than 80 ETF strategies and over \$40 billion in assets under management. While Global X is distinguished for Thematic Growth, Income and International Access ETFs, the firm also offers Core, Commodity, Alpha and Risk Management funds to suit a wide range of investment objectives.

Both Horizons ETFs and Global X ETFs are a part of the Mirae Asset Financial Group, a global leader in financial services, with more than \$620 billion in assets under management worldwide. Mirae Asset has an extensive global ETF platform ranging across the US, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Europe, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Korea and Vietnam with over \$70 billion in assets under management.

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