

CHINA LEADERS ETF

Seize the opportunity with 80* China leaders.

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*Based on the underlying Index Securities of the Hang Seng Stock Connect China 80 Index

INTRODUCTION

- The Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF was listed on the Singapore stock market on 2 August 2021.
- This ETF is a well-diversified portfolio containing industry leaders across multiple
- It is passively managed to fully replicate the Hang Seng Stock Connect China 80 Index.

KEY FACTS

- Trading currencies: SGD and RMB
- Total AUM: SGD 93.1 million as of 30 September 2024
- Management fee: 0.45% p.a.
- SGX tickers: YYY (SGD), YYR (RMB)

KEY FEATURES



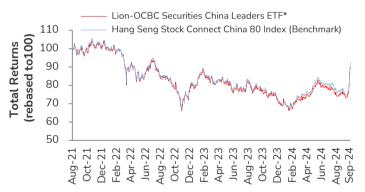
80 largest Chinese companies listed on HKEX, SZSE and SSE1

Capped at 8% and 40% weightage for individual stocks and sectors respectively during rebalancing²

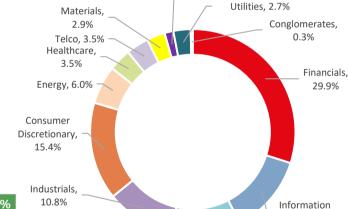
Composition

Rebalanced quarterly (every March, June, September and December)

Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF Performance³



From Bloomberg as of 30 September 2024	2024 YTD return	2023 return	Annualized % return since Fund's inception*
Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF	26.7%	-12.8%	-3.2%
Benchmark Index	29.8%	-13.0%	-2.4%



Properties & Construction, 1.4%

Source: Lion Global Investors, 30 September 2024

Consumer Staples, 11.0% Technology, 12.5%

^{*} Returns are based on NAV-NAV basis in SGD and assuming all dividends are reinvested net of all charges payable upon reinvestment. Performance is calculated in SGD. The Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF was listed on 2 August 2021. Opinions and estimates constitute our judgment and along with other portfolio data, are subject to change without notice. Past performance, as well as any prediction, projection, or forecast are not necessarily indicative of future or likely performance

¹ Based on the underlying Index Securities of the Hang Seng Stock Connect China 80 Index.

² Weightage of individual stocks within the index will be reviewed semi-annually and rebalanced quarterly by the index provider (Hang Seng Indexes Co Ltd). The weights of each Index Security and industry might fluctuate above 8% and 40% respectively due to market movements in between the rebalancing period

³ Source: Bloomberg, Lion Global Investors, Hang Seng Indexes Company, as of 30 September 2024

CHINA – Q3 2024 OVERVIEW

In Q3 2024, China equities went through a period of correction as investors adjust their expectations around China's growth outlook. While exports remain robust, we believe geopolitical risks could rise in the coming months due to the US elections.

With pressures mounting, Chinese policymakers unleashed a raft of stimulus measures aimed at stabilizing the property market and supporting the stock market with swap facilities for asset managers and insurance companies to buy stocks, as well as relending facilities for corporates to do share buybacks. Monetary policy will be supportive with interest rate cuts and Reserve Requirement Ratio (RRR) cuts, while fiscal policy is widely expected to address income and consumption as well as local government indebtedness.

This resulted in a powerful rally, as ownership of Chinese stocks remains low among global investors.

We expect more policy focus to steer China's economy. By providing exposure to 80 industry leaders across 12 sectors, the Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF is well-positioned to ride on China's long-term growth story.

Figure 1: Valuation and consensus earnings forecast

	12-month Forward P/E ratio			Earnings growth (%)	
Market	Current	10-year average	Premium	2023 Actual	2024F
US	21.1	18.2	16%	2.5	9.8
Singapore	11.3	12.5	-9%	14.2	7.4
China	8.7	11.5	-24%	11.4	14.7
Japan	13.1	13.9	-6%	0.0	18.1

Source: Thomson Reuters, as of September 2024. The respective benchmark indices are S&P 500 (US), Straits Times Index (Singapore), MSCI China Index (China), and TOPIX (Japan).

Note: F – Consensus Forecast, P/E – Price to Earnings

All data are sourced from Lion Global Investors and Bloomberg as of 30 September 2024 unless otherwise stated



HOW DOES THE BENCHMARK INDEX AND ETF COMPARE WITH OTHER CHINA-FOCUSED INDICES AND ETFS SINCE INCEPTION?

Despite the overall Chinese market volatility in Q3 2024, the Hang Seng Stock Connect China 80 Index (the Benchmark Index) had stable performance relative to other China-focused indices. Between 2 August 2021 (ETF's listing date) and 30 September 2024, the Index cumulatively outperformed⁴ other China-focused indices (Figure 2) such as the MSCI China Index and the Shanghai Shenzhen CSI 300 Index as of 30 September 2024.

Between 2 August 2021 and 30 September 2024, the Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF also cumulatively outperformed⁵ other China-focused ETFs listed in SGX (Figure 3), such as the Xtrackers MSCI China UCITS ETF and United SSE 50 China ETF as of 30 September 2024. The cumulative outperformance (as of 30 September 2024) can be attributed to the Index's exclusion of American Depositary Receipts (ADRs).

The exclusion of ADRs is thus expected to reduce the Index's exposure to foreign regulatory risks, that can adversely affect US-listed Chinese firms. By providing diversified exposure to industry leaders listed only in HKSE, SSE and SZSE⁶, the Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF is less vulnerable to foreign regulatory risks and better cushioned against the broader market volatility.

Figure 2: Benchmark Index performance relative to other China-focused indices

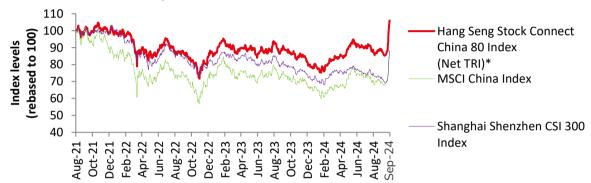


Figure 3: ETF performance* relative to other China-focused ETFs



From Bloomberg as of 30 September 2024	2024 YTD return	2023 return	Annualized % return since Fund's inception*
Lion-OCBC Securities China Leaders ETF	26.7%	-12.8%	-3.2%
Xtrackers MSCI China UCITS ETF	25.5%	-16.4%	-9.3%
United SSE 50 China ETF	16.6%	-15.5%	-7.2%

Note: Each ETF currently adopts a direct replication strategy in tracking their respective indices. The Xtrackers MSCI China UCITS ETF tracks the MSCI China Index while the United SSE 50 China ETF tracks the SSE 50 Index.

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^{4, 5} Source: Bloomberg, September 2024

⁶ HKSE, SSE and SZSE refer to Hong Kong Stock Exchange, Shanghai Stock Exchange and Shenzhen Stock Exchange respectively.

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