

## The UBS Tech Edge Index

A cutting-edge systematic strategy designed to provide exposure to four equity ETFs known for their focus on innovation and technology.

The UBS Tech Edge Index is a rules-based multi-asset index that offers a risk-balanced exposure to U.S. techand biotech- focused companies.

In an attempt to generate consistent returns over time, the Index implements a strategy that combines U.S. equities and fixed income.

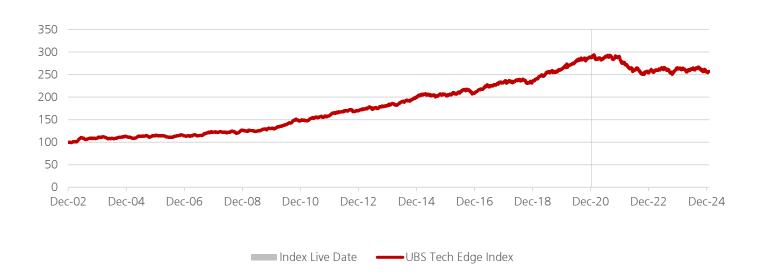
Additionally, the Index applies a bespoke volatility control mechanism designed by Salt Financial to identify changing market conditions using intraday data.

#### The Index at a glance

- Balanced: a diversified range of components across equities and fixed income affording exposure to multi-asset opportunities
- Technological Edge: an equity focus on the potential further growth of the technology and biotech sectors
- Risk Focus: a risk-balanced equity strategy and a daily risk control mechanism intended to stabilize the overall level of risk of the Index
- Innovative: a state-of-the-art technology relying on intraday analysis to dynamically adjust the exposure to equity, aiming at navigating changing market conditions

#### **Backtested and Live Performance**

Actual and simulated performances for the UBS Tech Edge Index



Source: UBS. Bloomberg. Data collected from December 31, 2002 to January 31, 2025. The UBS Tech Edge Index went live on January 14, 2021. Any data shown prior to the live date is simulated. Prior to, and including, December 31, 2006, a proxy was used for the FDN ETF. Prior to, and including, August 31, 2006, a proxy was used for the XBI ETF. Until January 3, 2022, the 3-month USD LIBOR rate was used in the construction of the Index. After January 3, 2022, and in connection with the discontinuation of the 3-month USD LIBOR rate (set to occur immediately after June 30, 2023), the 3-month USD LIBOR rate was replaced with the Secured Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR) plus a spread that will progress from 0.10% to 0.26% through June 30, 2023. After July 3, 2023, SOFR will be complemented by a spread of 0.26%. Past performance is no indication or guarantee of future performance. The return results provided herein are illustrative only and were derived by means of a retroactive application of a back-casted model designed with the benefit of hindsight. These back-casted, hypothetical, historical annualized Index returns have inherent limitations. No representation is made that in the future the Index will have the returns shown. Alternative modeling techniques or assumptions might produce significantly different results and may prove to be more appropriate. Actual annualized returns may vary materially from this analysis. The Index returns are net of a 0.5% p.a. index calculation fee. The Index could underperform hypothetical investment in them.

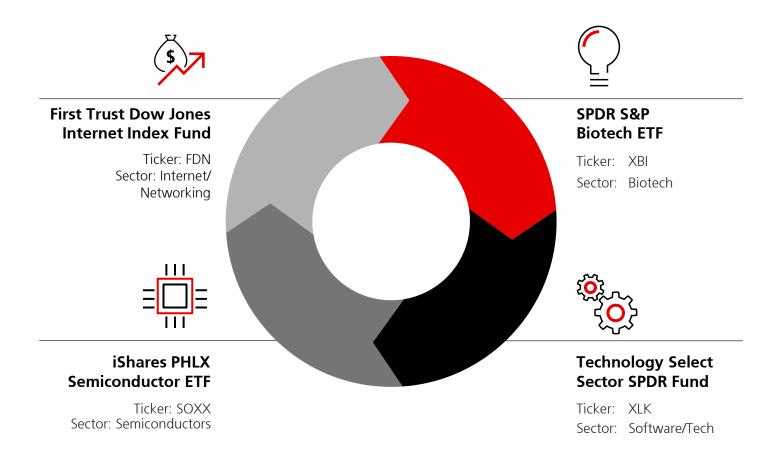


# Access to over 250 stocks<sup>1</sup> through four ETFs that focus on different segments of the technology and biotech sectors

The technology and biotech sectors have experienced strong growth over the past years, and particularly in 2020.

The COVID-19 pandemic intensified the ongoing technological and digital transformation of the economy, thereby highlighting new challenges and opportunities for the technology and biotech sectors.

The equity portion of the Index intends to capture growth opportunities in technology and biotech stocks and is distributed across four different ETFs.



<sup>1.</sup> The number of stocks held across the ETFs can fluctuate through time, and the potential overlap in holdings across the ETFs could mitigate diversification.



## Diversification across asset classes for a balanced index

An equity exposure to four U.S. tech- and biotech-focused ETFs based on an evaluation of their risk to ensure that more weight is assigned to components with perceived lower risk.

Each month, the four ETFs are weighted in reverse rank order according to their 6-month realized volatility:

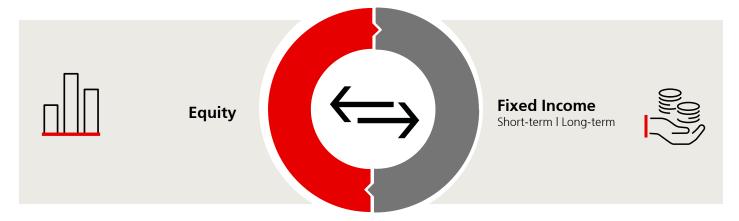
- · Highest rank receives 40% weight
- 2nd highest receives 30% weight
- 3rd highest receives 20% weight
- · 4th highest receives 10% weight

#### What is volatility?

Volatility refers to the amount of variation in a component's price over time. It is also an indicator of market risk: in most cases, the greater the volatility of a component, the higher the price fluctuations and perceived risk of that component.

The reverse ranking of the ETFs is intended to increase exposure to less volatile components and reduce exposure to more volatile components.

### A dynamic multi-asset allocation



The UBS Tech Edge Index systematically rotates between the equity strategy and two fixed income components.

Every day, the allocation to the equity strategy is scaled to target a 4.5% volatility level for equities, based on a risk measure that incorporates intraday data provided by Salt Financial.

The remaining allocation is then dynamically distributed between short-term and long-term U.S. Treasury indices based on the recent performance of long-term U.S. Treasury future contracts.

The inclusion of the adaptive fixed income component (providing exposure to ten-year U.S. Treasury note futures contracts or both ten- and two-year U.S. Treasury note futures contracts) may help mitigate equity risk and therefore enable more stable returns.



## A state-of-the-art daily risk control mechanism

The UBS Tech Edge Index is rebalanced on a daily basis to maintain volatility near 4.5%<sup>1</sup> in order to mitigate the impacts of market fluctuations and stabilize the performance of the Index.

To that end, the Index utilizes an advanced volatility target mechanism powered by Salt Financial's innovative truVol® Risk Control Engine (RCE).

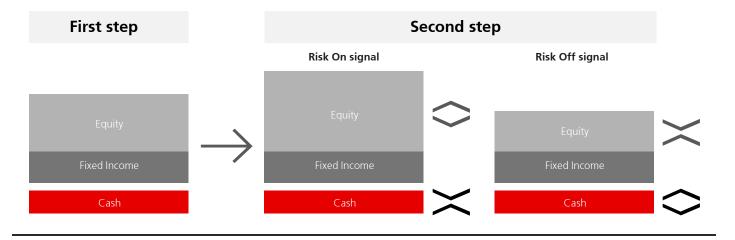


## Focus on the mechanism

Step 1: In an effort to attain a consistent level of volatility, the Index systematically adjusts its exposure to the multi-asset allocation (up to 125%) according to a daily measure of volatility that incorporates intraday data from the truVol® RCE.

If volatility exceeds 4.5%, the Index will reduce its exposure to the multi-asset allocation, shifting to non-interest-bearing cash<sup>2</sup> instead.

Step 2: Additionally, the allocation may be further refined daily to help the Index maintain its target risk level: the amount of equity risk within the multi-asset allocation is adjusted up or down based upon a Risk On/Off signal provided by Salt Financial which aims at categorizing volatility regimes using intraday volatility data.



In certain circumstances, the Index's exposure to the multi-asset allocation may be partially or entirely reduced in favor of a non-interest-bearing hypothetical cash position. In such instances, the performance of the Index will deviate from the performance of its components.

<sup>2.</sup> Any exposure to cash is non-remunerating, meaning it does not earn interest. The greater the exposure to cash, the smaller the impact on the Index from market fluctuations and, consequently, the lower the potential for gains or losses. In addition, the Index is an excess return index: it reflects the return of the Index components net of the cost of funding a hypothetical investment in them. As such, the Index returns could be negatively affected if this cost of funding were to increase. The Index also has a 0.5% p.a. index calculation fee deducted on a daily basis.



<sup>1.</sup> Although the Index employs a mechanism designed to limit its volatility, no assurance can be given that it will achieve its volatility target. The actual realized volatility may differ from the Index's volatility target, which could negatively impact the performance of the Index, and the volatility-limiting mechanism may reduce the performance of the Index in rising markets.

## What is different from a traditional volatility target mechanism?

Salt Financial uses higher frequency data by looking at the realized volatility of benchmark equities throughout the trading day.

By using a combination of intraday data and end-of- day data, this cutting-edge mechanism intends to achieve a closer representation of the market behavior.

This technology has been designed to adapt faster to changing markets, and therefore more efficiently control the realized volatility of the Index compared to traditional volatility measures.

## Salt Financial

Salt Financial LLC is a leading provider of index solutions and risk analytics, powered by the patent pending truVol® Risk Control Engine (RCE) and proprietary truBeta™ portfolio construction tools.

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## **Index Key Characteristics**

| Bloomberg Ticker           | CSEATEDG Index  |
|----------------------------|---|
| Asset Class                | Multi-Asset   |
| Geographical Focus         | United States   |
| Currency                   | USD   |
| Launch Date                | January 14, 2021  |
| Type of Return             | Excess Return (it reflects the return of the Index components net of the hypothetical costs of funding)   |
| <b>Equity Components</b>   | First Trust Dow Jones Internet Fund (FDN) SPDR S&P Biotech ETF (XBI) iShares PHLX Semiconductor ETF (SOXX) Technology Select Sector SPDR Fund (XLK) |
| Fixed Income<br>Components | UBS 10Y US Treasuries Excess Return Index<br>UBS 2Y US Treasuries Excess Return Index   |
| Index Sponsor              | UBS AG  |
| Calculation Agent          | MerQube, Inc  |
| Index Fees                 | 0.5% p.a. deducted daily  |

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1. Source: UBS Global Markets – an overview (published July 2023)



## Selected Risk Considerations

- The Index is rules-based and cannot be invested in directly.
- There is no assurance that the strategy on which the Index is based will be successful in producing positive returns. The Index may not rise in value and may not outperform any alternative portfolio or strategy that tracks the Index components.
- The Index utilizes components that reference futures contracts.
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- Funds investing in a single sector may be subject to more volatility than funds investing in a diverse group of sectors.
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