

# Independent Auditor's Report

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Unitholders of Hang Seng FTSE/Xinhua China 25 Index ETF (the "Fund")

We have audited the financial statements of the Fund set out on pages 8 to 22, which comprise the statement of assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2008, and the revenue statement, the statement of changes in net assets attributable to unitholders, the distribution statement and the cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

## Manager's and Trustee's responsibilities for the financial statements

The Manager and the Trustee are responsible for the preparation and the true and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and for ensuring that the financial statements comply with the relevant disclosure provisions of the Trust Deed, as amended, and the relevant disclosure requirements set out in Appendix E to the Hong Kong Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds ("the Code") issued by the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and the true and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

## Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. This report is made solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Fund's preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 Fund's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Manager and the Trustee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

## Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2008 and of its transactions and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant disclosure provisions of the Trust Deed, as amended, and the relevant disclosure requirements of the Code.

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