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# ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY 4666 Faries Parkway, Decatur, Illinois 62526-5666

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

#### To All Stockholders:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, a Delaware corporation, will be held at the JAMES R. RANDALL RESEARCH CENTER, 1001 BRUSH COLLEGE ROAD, DECATUR, ILLINOIS, on Thursday, November 3, 2005, at 11:00 A.M., for the following purposes:

- (1) To elect Directors to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified;
- (2) If properly presented, to consider and act upon the Stockholders proposal set forth in the accompanying Proxy Statement; and
  - (3) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

    By Order of the Board of Directors

D. J. Smith, Secretary

September 22, 2005

## ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND COMPANY 4666 Faries Parkway, Decatur, Illinois 62526-5666 September 22, 2005

#### PROXY STATEMENT

#### **General Matters**

The accompanying proxy is SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of Archer-Daniels-Midland Company (the Company ) for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company to be held at the JAMES R. RANDALL RESEARCH CENTER, 1001 BRUSH COLLEGE ROAD, DECATUR, ILLINOIS, on Thursday, November 3, 2005 at 11:00 A.M. This Proxy Statement and the enclosed form of proxy are first being mailed to Stockholders on or about September 22, 2005.

The cost of solicitation of proxies will be borne by the Company. Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc. has been retained by the Company to assist in solicitation of proxies at a fee of \$21,000, plus reasonable out-of-pocket expenses. Solicitation other than by mail may be made by officers or by other employees of the Company or by employees of Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc. by personal, telephone, mail or internet solicitation, the cost of which is expected to be nominal. The Company will reimburse brokerage firms and other securities custodians for their reasonable expenses in forwarding proxy materials to their principals.

As a matter of policy, the Company keeps confidential proxies, ballots and voting tabulations that identify individual Stockholders. Such documents are available for examination only by the inspectors of election, the Company s transfer agent and certain employees who are associated with processing proxy cards and tabulating the vote. The vote of any Stockholder is not disclosed except in a contested proxy solicitation or as may be necessary to meet legal requirements.

Only holders of shares of Common Stock of record at the close of business on September 16, 2005 will be entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting and at all adjournments thereof. At the close of business on September 16, 2005, the Company had 653,235,293 outstanding shares of Common Stock, each share being entitled to one vote.

Admittance to the Annual Meeting will be limited to Stockholders. If you are a Stockholder of record and plan to attend, please detach the admission ticket from the top of your proxy card and bring it with you to the Annual Meeting. The number of people admitted will be determined by how the shares are registered, as indicated on the admission ticket. If you are a Stockholder whose shares are held by a broker, bank or other nominee, please request an admission ticket by writing to our principal executive offices at: Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Shareholder Relations, 4666 Faries Parkway, Decatur, IL 62526-5666. Evidence of your stock ownership, which you can obtain from your broker, bank or nominee, must accompany your letter. Stockholders who are not pre-registered will only be admitted to the meeting upon verification of stock ownership. The number of tickets sent will be determined by the manner in which shares are registered. If your request is received by October 20, 2005, an admission ticket will be mailed to you. All other admission tickets can be obtained at the registration table located at the James R. Randall Research Center lobby beginning at 9:30 A.M. on the day of the Annual Meeting.

Shares represented by proxies in the form enclosed, properly executed, will be voted. Proxies may be revoked at any time prior to being voted by delivering written notice or a proxy bearing a later date to the Secretary of the Company or by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person. Attendance at the Annual Meeting will not, by itself, revoke a proxy.

With the exception of the election of directors, the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote is required for approval of each proposal presented in the Proxy Statement. A plurality of the votes of outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Company present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the election of directors is required for the election of directors. For the election of directors, withheld votes do not affect whether a nominee has received sufficient votes to be elected. For purposes of determining whether the Stockholders have approved matters other than the election of directors, abstentions are treated as shares present or represented and voting and have the same effect as negative votes. Broker non-votes are counted toward a quorum, but are not counted for any purpose in determining whether a matter has been approved.

## **Principal Holders of Voting Securities**

The following Stockholders are known to the Company to be beneficial owners of more than 5% of the outstanding Common Stock of the Company (based upon filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission):

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Amount	Percent of Class
Barclays Global Investors, NA	69,132,190(1)	10.58
and Related Entities		
45 Fremont St., 17th Floor		
San Francisco, CA 94105		
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company	56,777,213(2)	8.69
and Related Entities		
One State Farm Plaza		
Bloomington, Illinois 61701		

- (1) Based on a Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 11, 2005, Barclays Global Investors, NA and related entitles have sole dispositive power with respect to 69,132,190 shares and sole voting power with respect to 55,801,467 shares.
- (2) Based on a Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 13, 2005, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and related entities have shared dispositive power with respect to 244,921 shares, sole dispositive power with respect to 56,532,292 shares, shared voting power with respect to 244,921 shares and sole voting power with respect to 56,532,292 shares.

#### **Election of Directors**

The Board of Directors has fixed the size of the Board at nine (9). It is intended that proxies solicited by the Board of Directors will, unless otherwise directed, be voted to elect the nominees named below. The nominees proposed for election to the Board of Directors are all presently members of the Board.

The proxies (unless otherwise directed) will be voted for the election of the nominees named herein as Directors to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. In the event any nominee for Director becomes unable to serve as a Director, it is intended that the persons named in the proxy may vote for a substitute who will be designated by the Board of Directors. The Board has no reason to believe that any nominee will be unable to serve as a Director. All present members of the Board have served continuously as Directors from the year stated in the table below.

The nominees, their age, position with the Company, principal occupation, directorships of other publicly-owned companies, the year in which each first became a Director, and the number of shares of Common Stock of the Company beneficially owned as of September 1, 2005, directly or indirectly, by each are shown in the following table. Unless otherwise indicated in the footnotes to the following table, and subject to community property laws where applicable, the Company believes that each of the nominees named in the following table has sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares indicated as beneficially owned. Unless otherwise indicated, all of the nominees have been executive officers of their respective companies or employed as otherwise specified below for at least the last five years.

	Year First		
Name, Age, Principal Occupation or	Elected	Common	Percent
Position, Directorships of Other	as	Stock	of
<b>Publicly-Owned Companies</b>	Director	Owned	Class
G. Allen Andreas, 62	1997	5,779,507(1)(3)	*
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive of the			
Company			
Alan L. Boeckmann, 57	2004	5,065(2)	*
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Fluor			
Corporation (an engineering and construction firm)			
since February, 2002, Chief Operating Officer of Fluor			
Corporation from December, 2000 - February, 2002,			
Chief Executive Officer of Fluor Daniel Engineers &			
Constructors from March, 1999 - December, 2000,			
Director of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation			
Mollie Hale Carter, 43	1996	11,687,428(2)(4)	1.79
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President,			
Sunflower Bank and Vice President, Star A, Inc. (a			
farming and ranching operation), Director of Westar			
Energy			
Roger S. Joslin, 69	2001	38,833(2)	*
Former Vice Chairman of the Board of State Farm			
Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, Director of			
Amlin PLC		4-0-040	
Patrick J. Moore, 51	2003	17,979(2)	*
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of			
Smurfit-Stone Container Corporation (a producer of			
paperboard and paper-based packaging products)	4002	<b>-1</b> (10( <b>0</b> )	
M. Brian Mulroney, 66	1993	71,610(2)	*
Senior Partner in the law firm of Ogilvy Renault,			
Director of Barrick Gold Corporation, Trizec Properties			
Inc., Cendant Corporation, Quebecor Inc. and			
Quebecor World, Inc.	2004	2.07((2)	ale.
Thomas F. O Neill, 58	2004	2,876(2)	*
Principal, Sandler O Neill & Partners, L.P. (an			
investment banking firm), Director of The Nasdaq			
Stock Market, Inc. and Misonix, Inc.	1001	27.021(0)	*
O. G. Webb, 69	1991	37,231(2)	4

Farmer. Former Chairman of the Board and President, GROWMARK, Inc. (a farmer-owned cooperative)

Kelvin R. Westbrook, 50 2003 13,922(2) \*

President and Chief Executive Officer of Millennium Digital Media, L.L.C. (a broadband services company), Director of Angelica Corporation

- \* Less than 1% of outstanding shares
- (1) Includes shares allocated as a beneficiary under the Company s Tax Reduction Act Stock Ownership Plan (TRASOP) and ADM Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

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- (2) Includes stock units allocated under the Company s Stock Unit Plan for Nonemployee Directors that are deemed to be the equivalent of outstanding shares of Common Stock for accounting and valuation purposes.
- (3) Includes 2,901,617 shares, in which Mr. Andreas disclaims any beneficial interest, in trust for members of his family of which he is a trustee or has sole or shared voting power. Includes 1,263,370 shares that are unissued but are subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days from the date of this Proxy Statement.
- (4) Includes 4,865,687 shares owned by or in trust for members of Ms. Carter s family in which Ms. Carter disclaims beneficial interest in 526,679 shares. Includes 6,645,882 shares held in family corporations with respect to which Ms. Carter disclaims any beneficial interest in 6,047,753 shares.

#### **Executive Stock Ownership Policy**

The Board of Directors believes that it is important for each member of the Company s senior management to acquire and maintain a significant ownership position in shares of Common Stock of the Company to further align the interests of senior management with those of the Stockholders. Accordingly, the Company has adopted a policy regarding ownership of shares of Company Common Stock by senior management. Such policy calls for members of Company senior management to own shares of Common Stock with a fair market value within a range of one to three times that individual s base salary, depending on such individual s level of responsibility with the Company.

## **Executive Officer Stock Ownership**

The following table shows the number of shares of Common Stock of the Company beneficially owned as of September 1, 2005, directly or indirectly, by each of the Executive Officers, other than the Chief Executive, named in the Summary Compensation Table on page 8.

		Options		
Name	Common Stock Owned(1)	Exercisable Within 60 Days	Percent of Class	
P. B. Mulhollem	692,297	43,146	*	
D. J. Smith	314,460	136,953	*	
W. H. Camp	319,542	31,613	*	
J. D. Rice	267,311	25,432	*	

- \* Less than 1% of outstanding shares
- (1) Includes shares allocated under the Company s ESOP and 401(k).

Common Stock beneficially owned by all Directors and Executive Officers as a group, numbering 39 persons including those listed above, is 22,768,729 shares representing 3.49% of the outstanding shares, of which 2,188,889 shares are unissued but are subject to stock options exercisable within 60 days from the date of this Proxy Statement.

#### **Independence of Directors**

The listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) require companies listed on the NYSE to have a majority of independent directors. Subject to certain exceptions and transition provisions, the NYSE standards generally provide that a director will not be independent if (1) the director or a member of the director s immediate family is, or in the past three years has been, an executive officer of the Company or, in the case of the director, an employee of the Company; (2) the director or a member of the director s immediate family has received more than \$100,000 per year in direct compensation from the Company other than for service as a director, provided that compensation received by an immediate family member for service as an employee of the Company is not, under the NYSE standards, considered in determining independence; (3) the director is employed by the Company s

independent auditors, a member of the director s immediate family is employed by the Company s independent auditors in a specified capacity, or the director or a member of the director s immediate family was within the last three years (but is no longer) an employee of the Company s independent auditors and personally worked on the Company s audit; (4) the director or a member of the director s immediate family is, or in the past three years has been, employed as an executive officer of a company where an executive officer of the Company serves on the compensation committee; or (5) the director is a current employee of, or a member of the director s immediate family is an executive officer of, a company that makes payments to, or receives payments from, the Company in an amount which, in any twelve-month period during the past three years, exceeds the greater of \$1 million or two percent of such other company s consolidated gross revenues.

The Company s Bylaws also provide that a majority of the Board of Directors be comprised of independent directors. Under the Company s Bylaws, an independent director means a director who (a) is not a current employee or a former member of senior management of the Company or an affiliate of the Company, (b) is not employed by a provider of professional services to the Company, (c) does not have any business relationship with the Company, either personally or through a company of which the director is an officer or a controlling shareholder, that is material to the Company or to the director, (d) does not have a close family relationship, by blood, marriage or otherwise with any member of senior management of the Company or an affiliate of the Company, (e) is not an officer of a company of which the Company s chairman or chief executive is also a board member, (f) is not personally receiving compensation from the Company in any capacity other than as a director, and (g) does not personally receive or is not an employee of a foundation, university, or other institution that receives grants or endowments from the Company, that are material to the Company or to either the recipient and/or the foundation, university or institution.

The Board of Directors has reviewed business and charitable relationships between the Company and each non-employee Director and Director nominee to determine compliance with the NYSE and Bylaw standards described above and to evaluate whether there are any other facts or circumstances that might impair a Director s or nominee s independence. Based on that review, the Board has determined that seven of its nine current members are independent. Mr. Andreas is not independent under the NYSE or Bylaw standards because of his employment with the Company. Mr. Mulroney is not independent under the Company s Bylaw standards because he is the senior partner of a law firm that provides professional services to the Company.

## **Corporate Governance Guidelines**

The Board has adopted Corporate Governance Guidelines that govern the structure and functioning of the Board and set out the Board s policies on governance issues. The Guidelines, along with the written charters of each of the committees of the Board, are posted on the Company s internet site, *www.admworld.com*, and are available free of charge on written request to Secretary, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, 4666 Faries Parkway, Decatur, Illinois, 62526-5666.

#### **Executive Sessions**

In accordance with the Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines, the non-management Directors meet in executive session at least annually. If the non-management Directors include any Directors who are not independent pursuant to the Board s determination of independence, at least one executive session includes only independent Directors. The Vice Chairman of the Board, or in his or her absence, the Chairman of the Nominating/ Corporate Governance Committee, presides at such meetings.

## **Board Meetings and Attendance at Annual Meetings of Stockholders**

During the last fiscal year, the Board of Directors of the Company held five regularly scheduled meetings. All incumbent Directors attended 75% or more of the combined total meetings of the Board and the committees on which they served during the last fiscal year. The Company expects all nominees to

serve as a Director to attend the Annual Meeting of Stockholders. All Director nominees standing for election at the Company s last Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on November 4, 2004 attended that meeting.

## **Information Concerning Committees and Meetings**

The Board s committee structure consists of Audit, Compensation/ Succession, Nominating/ Corporate Governance, and Executive Committees. Each of such Committees operates pursuant to a written charter adopted by the Board.

The Audit Committee consists of Mr. Joslin, Chairperson, Messrs. Moore, O Neill and Westbrook, and Ms. Carter. The Audit Committee met eleven times during the fiscal year. All of the members of the Audit Committee were determined by the Board to be independent directors, as that term is defined in the Company s Bylaws and in the applicable listing standards of the NYSE. No Director may serve as a member of the Audit Committee if such Director serves on the audit committees of more than two other public companies unless the Board determines that such service would not impair such Director s ability to serve effectively on the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee reviews the (1) overall plan of the annual independent audit, (2) financial statements, (3) scope of audit procedures, (4) performance of the Company s independent auditors and internal auditors, (5) auditors evaluation of internal controls, and (6) matters of legal compliance.

The Compensation/ Succession Committee consists of Mr. Webb, Chairperson, Ms. Carter, and Messrs. Boeckmann and Moore. The Compensation/ Succession Committee met five times during the fiscal year. All of the members of the Compensation/ Succession Committee were determined by the Board to be independent directors, as that term is defined in the Company s Bylaws and in the applicable listing standards of the NYSE. The Compensation/ Succession Committee (1) establishes and administers a compensation policy for senior management, (2) reviews and approves the compensation policy for all employees of the Company and its subsidiaries other than senior management, (3) reviews and monitors the Company s financial performance as it affects the compensation policies of the Company or the administration of such policies, (4) establishes and reviews a compensation policy for non-employee Directors, and (5) reviews and monitors the Company s succession plans. All of its actions are either reported to the Board or submitted to the Board for ratification.

The Nominating/ Corporate Governance Committee consists of Ms. Carter, Chairperson, and Messrs. Joslin, O Neill, Webb and Westbrook. The Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee met four times during the fiscal year. All of the members of the Nominating/ Corporate Governance Committee were determined by the Board to be independent directors, as that term is defined in the Company s Bylaws and in the applicable listing standards of the NYSE. The Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee (1) identifies individuals qualified to become members of the Board, including evaluating individuals appropriately suggested by Stockholders in accordance with the Bylaws of the Company, (2) recommends individuals to the Board for nomination as members of the Board and Board committees, (3) develops and recommends to the Board a set of corporate governance principles applicable to the Company, and (4) leads the evaluation of the Directors, the Board and Board Committees. In assessing an individual s qualifications to become a member of the Board, the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee may consider various factors including education, experience, judgment, independence, integrity, availability and such other factors as the Nominating/ Corporate Governance Committee deems appropriate. The Nominating/ Corporate Governance Committee strives to recommend candidates that compliment the current members of the Board and other proposed nominees so as to further the objective of having a Board that reflects a diversity of background and experience with the necessary skills to effectively perform the functions of the Board and its committees. The Nominating/ Corporate Governance Committee will consider nominees recommended by a Stockholder provided the Stockholder submits the nominee s name in a written notice delivered to the Secretary of the Company at the principal executive offices of the Company not less than sixty nor more than ninety days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding Annual Meeting of Stockholders; provided that, in the event that the Annual Meeting is called for a date that is not within thirty days before or after

such anniversary date, the notice must be so received not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which such notice of the date of the Annual Meeting was mailed or public disclosure of the date of the Annual Meeting was made, whichever first occurs (different notice delivery requirements may apply if the number of Directors to be elected at an Annual Meeting is being increased, and there is no public announcement by the Company naming all of the nominees or specifying the size of the increased Board at least one hundred days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year s Annual Meeting). Any such notice must set forth the information required by Section 1.4(c) of the Company s Bylaws, and must be accompanied by the written consent of the proposed nominee to being named as a nominee and to serve as a Director if elected. All candidates, regardless of the source of their recommendation, are evaluated using the same criteria.

The Executive Committee consists of Mr. Andreas, Chairperson, Ms. Carter and Messrs. Mulroney and Webb. The Executive Committee did not meet during the fiscal year. The Executive Committee acts on behalf of the Board to determine matters which, in the judgment of the Chairman of the Board, do not warrant convening a special meeting of the Board but should not be postponed until the next scheduled meeting of the Board. The Executive Committee exercises all the power and authority of the Board in the management and direction of the business and affairs of the Company except for those matters which are expressly delegated to another Committee of the Board and matters which, under applicable law, or the Company s Certificate of Incorporation or Bylaws, cannot be delegated by the Board.

#### **Communications with Directors**

The Company has approved procedures for Stockholders to send communications to individual Directors or the non-employee Directors as a group. All such communications should be in writing and addressed to the applicable Director or Directors in care of the Secretary, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, P.O. Box 1470, Decatur, Illinois, 62525-1820. All correspondence will be forwarded to the intended recipient(s).

#### **Code of Conduct**

The Board of Directors has adopted a Business Code of Conduct and Ethics that sets forth standards regarding, among other things, honest and ethical conduct, compliance with law, and full, fair, accurate and timely disclosure in reports and documents that the Company files with the Securities and Exchange Commission and in other public communications. The Business Code of Conduct and Ethics applies to all employees, officers and directors of the Company, including the Company s principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer. The Business Code of Conduct and Ethics is available on the Company s internet site, www.admworld.com and is available free of charge on written request to Secretary, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, 4666 Faries Parkway, Decatur, Illinois 62526-5666. Any amendments to certain provisions of the Business Code of Conduct and Ethics or waivers of such provisions granted to certain executive officers will be promptly disclosed on this internet site.

#### **Executive Compensation**

The following table sets forth information concerning the Company s Chief Executive and the four other most highly-compensated Executive Officers of the Company.

## **Summary Compensation Table**

	<b>Annual Compensation</b>			Long Term Con	mpensation		
	Fiscal		BonusCo	Other Annual ompensation	Restricted Stock Awards	Securities Underlying Options	All Other Compensation
Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(#)(1)	(\$)(2)
G. A. Andreas	2005	2,960,005	0	105,907(3)	8,000,000(4)	474,430	10,500
Chairman and Chief	2004	2,901,667	0	119,658(3)	2,749,219(5)	290,650	10,000
Executive	2003	2,795,833	0	153,909(3)	2,314,761(6)	288,866	10,000
P. B. Mulhollem	2005	1,667,042	0		4,749,088(4)	127,665	10,500
President and Chief	2004	1,593,227	0		1,499,575(5)	158,537	10,000
Operating Officer(7)	2003	1,528,206	0		1,262,595(6)	157,563	12,226(8)
D. J. Smith	2005	813,294	0		1,769,296(4)	65,228	10,500
Executive Vice President,	2004	770,833	0		540,717(5)	57,165	10,000
Secretary and General Counsel	2003	691,667	0		410,339(6)	51,208	10,000
W. H. Camp	2005	776,063	0		1,658,512(4)	49,680	10,500
Executive Vice President	2004	720,833	0		504,668(5)	53,354	10,000
	2003	670,833	0		410,339(6)	51,208	10,000
J. D. Rice	2005	760,221	0		1,603,344(4)	55,416	10,500
Executive Vice President	2004	697,583	0		488,807(5)	51,677	10,000
	2003	661,667	0		410,339(6)	51,208	10,000

- (1) Number of options granted in fiscal year indicated and adjusted for all stock dividends paid and stock splits effected to date.
- (2) Except with respect to Mr. Mulhollem in 2003, these amounts represent only the Company s matching contribution under the Company s Employee Stock Ownership and 401(k) plans in calendar years 2005, 2004 and 2003.
- (3) Includes \$62,540, \$58,533 and \$92,473 for personal use of company-owned aircraft in 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively; and \$35,552 and \$35,513 for personal use of company-owned vehicle in 2005 and 2004, respectively. Amounts for Other Annual Compensation are reported on a calendar year basis.

(4) On August 19, 2004, Mr. Andreas was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 500,000 shares valued at \$8,000,000 on the date of grant; Mr. Mulhollem was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 296,818 shares valued at \$4,749,088 on the date of grant; Mr. Smith was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 110,581 shares valued at \$1,769,296 on the date of grant; Mr. Camp was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 103,657 shares valued at \$1,658,512 on the date of grant; and Mr. Rice was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 100,209 shares valued at \$1,603,344 on the date of grant. Such restricted stock vests on August 19, 2007. Each of such grantees is entitled to vote, and to receive all dividends paid with respect to, such restricted stock.

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The number and value of holdings of restricted stock at the end of the Company s fiscal year (based on the closing price of the Company s Common Stock on June 30, 2005) were as follows:

Name	Number	Value
G. A. Andreas	903,218	\$ 19,310,801
P. B. Mulhollem	516,755	\$ 11,048,221
D. J. Smith	185,969	\$ 3,976,017
W. H. Camp	176,404	\$ 3,771,518
J. D. Rice	171,794	\$ 3,672,955

- (5) On October 14, 2003, Mr. Andreas was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 201,408 shares valued at \$2,749,219 on the date of grant; Mr. Mulhollem was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 109,859 shares valued at \$1,499,575 on the date of grant; Mr. Smith was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 39,613 shares valued at \$540,717 on the date of grant; Mr. Camp was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 36,972 shares valued at \$504,668 on the date of the grant; and Mr. Rice was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 35,810 shares valued at \$488,807 on the date of grant. Such restricted stock vests on October 14, 2006. Each of such grantees is entitled to vote, and to receive all dividends paid with respect to, such restricted stock.
- (6) On August 8, 2002, Mr. Andreas was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 201,810 shares valued at \$2,314,761 on the date of grant; Mr. Mulhollem was granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 110,078 shares valued at \$1,262,595 on the date of grant; and Messrs. Smith, Camp and Rice were each granted a restricted stock award in the amount of 35,775 shares valued at \$410,339 on the date of grant. Such restricted stock vested on August 8, 2005. Each of such grantees is entitled to vote, and to receive all dividends paid with respect to, such restricted stock.
- (7) Mr. Mulhollem retired from the Company effective September 15, 2005.
- (8) Includes \$2,226 paid pursuant to the Company s program for expatriates relating primarily to reimbursement of amounts paid with respect to foreign taxes; also includes \$10,000 for the Company s matching contribution under the Company s Employee Stock Ownership and 401(k) plans.

During the last fiscal year, compensation for nonemployee Directors consisted of an annual retainer of \$200,000, at least one-half of which is paid in stock units pursuant to the Company s Stock Unit Plan for Nonemployee Directors. The remaining one-half of such retainer is paid in cash, stock units or a combination of cash and stock units, at the election of each nonemployee Director.

#### **Stock Option Grants in Last Fiscal Year**

Individua	l Grants			
				Potential Realizable
Number of				Value at Assumed Annual
Securities	Percent of			Rates of Stock Price
Underlying	Total Options	Exercise		Appreciation for
Options	Granted to	or Base		Option Term
Granted		Price	Expiration	

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Name	(#)(1)	Employees in Fiscal Year	(\$/Sh)	Date	5%(\$)(2)	10%(\$)(2)
G. A. Andreas	474,430	15.45	15.73	08/19/2014	4,847,864	12,139,865
P. B. Mulhollem	127,665	4.16	15.73	08/19/2014	1,304,518	3,266,733
D. J. Smith	65,228	2.12	15.73	08/19/2014	666,519	1,669,075
W. H. Camp	49,680	1.62	15.73	08/19/2014	507,645	1,271,228
I D Rice	55 416	1.80	15 73	08/19/2014	566 257	1 418 002

<sup>(1)</sup> For the period July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005, the executive officers named above were granted non-qualified stock options which become exercisable in five equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date of such options. The options are subject to certain forfeiture

provisions. The exercise price may be paid in cash or by delivering shares of Company Common Stock which are already owned by the optionee and have been held for at least six months. Tax withholding obligations resulting from the exercise may be paid by surrendering a portion of the shares being acquired, subject to certain conditions. All options not already exercisable will become exercisable (i) upon the death of the optionee, or (ii) upon a change of control of the Company, as defined in the applicable stock option agreement.

(2) The hypothetical potential appreciation shown in these columns reflects the required calculations at annual rates of 5% and 10% set by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and is not intended to represent either historical appreciation or anticipated future appreciation of the Company s Common Stock price.

Aggregated Option Exercises in Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year-End Option Values(1)

			Unde Unexo Options	f Securities orlying ercised at Fiscal End(#)		Value of Unexercised In-the-Money Options at Fiscal Year-End(\$)	
Name	Shares Acquired on	Value Realized(\$)	Evercisahl <b>a</b>	Jnexercisable	-Evercisable	Unexercisable	
1 (uiiic	Exercise(#)	Τταπετα (ψ)	LACI CISUSIE	THE MET CISURAL	Exci cisubic	Chexereisable	
G. A.							
Andreas	42,209	203,958	966,099	1,421,945	9,201,101		11,053,886
P. B. Mulhollem	132,008	1,008,159	17,774	494,784	171,576		3,993,041
D. J. Smith	76,737	927,503	88,243	238,252	896,837	Fees are paid by the Trust to the Sponsor as compensation for services performed under the Depositary Trust Agreement. The Sponsor s fee accrues daily at an annual nominal rate of 0.40% of the euro in the Trust. Additionally, Authorized Participants will pay a variable fee to the Sponsor for creation orders and redemption orders of two or more Baskets to compensate the Sponsor for costs associated with the registration of Shares. The variable fee paid to the Sponsor by an Authorized Participant will not exceed \$2,000 for each creation or redemption order, as set	

forth in the Participant Agreement.

Precidian Investments, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, provided product development support and consulting to the Sponsor in connection with the initial registration of the Shares and is expected to provide support and consulting services to the Sponsor for the duration of the Trust. Precidian and the Sponsor have also agreed to collaborate with one another relative to the development and offering of other related currency products. Precidian has invested significant resources in the development of the Shares. In consideration of Precidian s past and future efforts, the Sponsor has agreed to pay Precidian a recurring fee for the duration of the Trust. Precidian and the Sponsor have agreed to maintain the confidentiality of all confidential and proprietary information that they share with one another. Precidian has agreed not to solicit, initiate or encourage any inquiries, proposals or offers from anyone other than the Sponsor regarding the development of the Trust or of any other related currency products.

#### The Trustee

The Bank of New York Mellon, a banking

corporation with trust powers organized under the laws of the State of New York, serves as the Trustee. The Bank of New York Mellon has a trust office at 2 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, New York 11217. The Bank of New York Mellon is subject to supervision by the New York State Banking Department and the Board of Governors of the U.S. Federal Reserve System. Information regarding creation and redemption Basket composition, the NAV of the Trust, transaction fees and the names of the parties that have executed Participant Agreements may be obtained from The Bank of New York Mellon. A copy of the Depositary Trust Agreement is available for inspection at The Bank of New York Mellon s trust office identified above and on the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. Under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, the Trustee may be removed if it fails to maintain capital, surplus and undivided profits of \$500 million.

The Trustee earns a monthly fee that is paid by the Sponsor.

The Trustee is generally responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Trust, including keeping the Trust s operational records. The Trustee s principal responsibilities include

withdrawing the Trust s euro as needed to pay the Trust s expenses, calculating the NAV of the Trust and the NAV per Share, receiving and processing orders from Authorized Participants to create and redeem Baskets and coordinating the processing of such orders with the Depository and DTC. See The Depository. The Trustee is not responsible for the overall performance of the Trust.

The Trustee did not select the Depository and is not responsible for the terms, validity or enforceability of the Deposit Account Agreement. The Trustee reviews statements of the Depository relating to the Trust s deposit accounts and arranges for inspections and audits of the Trust s deposit accounts and operations of the Depository when instructed by the Sponsor. The Trustee does not otherwise monitor the Depository and is not liable for any loss or damage resulting from any act, omission, insolvency or other failure of the Depository.

Following payment of the Sponsor's fee and other Trust expenses, if any, the Trustee will direct that any interest on the primary deposit account that exceeds the Trust's expenses be converted into USD and the Trustee will distribute the USD as

promptly as practicable to Shareholders. See Investment Attributes of the Trust Interest on Deposited Euro.
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The Trustee communicates regularly with the Sponsor regarding administration of the Trust. The Trustee, along with the Sponsor, consults with the Trust s legal, accounting and other professional service providers as needed. The Trustee assists and supports the Sponsor with the preparation of all periodic reports required to be filed with the SEC on behalf of the Trust.

Affiliates of the Trustee may from time to time act as Authorized Participants or purchase or sell euro or Shares for their own account.

#### The Depository

JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., London Branch, is the Depository. The Depository accepts euro deposited with it as a banker by Authorized Participants in connection with the creation of Baskets. The Depository facilitates the transfer of euro into and out of the Trust through the primary and secondary deposit accounts maintained with it as a banker by the Trust.

The Depository may pay interest on the primary deposit account. Interest on the primary deposit account, if any, accrues daily and is paid by the Depository monthly

through a deposit into the secondary deposit account. If the Depository does not pay interest on the primary deposit account, the Trust may be required to utilize the principal in the account to cover its expenses, which would lead to dilution for the Shareholders. The Sponsor does not contemplate changing depositories in order to prevent Shareholders from experiencing dilution of the amount of euro composing a Share, as the inconvenience to **Authorized Participants** that deliver currency to and receive currency from the present depository would be considerable and, in the experience of the Sponsor, other depositories are unlikely to be able to pay interest at an increased rate on a consistent basis so as to prevent such dilution. The Depository is not paid a fee for its services to the Trust. The Depository earns a spread or margin over the rate of interest it pays to the Trust on the euro deposit balances.

The Depository is not a trustee for the Trust or the Shareholders. For further information about the function of the Depository, see Description of the Deposit Account Agreement.

The Depository and its affiliates may from time to time act as Authorized

Participants or purchase or sell euro or Shares for their own account, as agent for their customers and for accounts over which they exercise investment discretion.

#### The Distributor

Guggenheim Funds
Distributors, LLC, a
Delaware limited liability
company, is the
Distributor. The
Distributor is a registered
broker-dealer with the SEC
and is a member of the
Financial Industry
Regulatory Authority, Inc.

The Distributor assists the Sponsor in developing an ongoing marketing plan for the Trust, preparing marketing materials regarding the Shares, including the content on the Trust s website, www.currencyshares.com, executing the marketing plan for the Trust, and providing strategic and tactical research on the global foreign exchange market. The Distributor and the Sponsor are affiliates of one another. There is no written agreement between them, and no compensation is paid by the Sponsor to the Distributor in connection with services performed by the Distributor for the Trust. For more information about the distribution of the Shares. see Plan of Distribution.

## Related Party Transaction

The Sponsor and the Trust are both parties to the **Depositary Trust** Agreement. Under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, the Trust is obligated to pay the Sponsor, monthly in arrears, a fee that accrues daily at an annual nominal rate of 0.40% of the euro in the Trust. For further information about the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, see Description of the **Depositary Trust** Agreement.

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The following chart illustrates the relationships between the Trust and various service providers to the Trust, as well as investors in the Shares issued by the Trust.

CurrencyShares Euro Trust® Organizational Chart

## **Description of the Shares**

The Trustee is authorized under the Depositary Trust Agreement to create and issue an unlimited number of Shares. The Trustee creates Shares only in Baskets (a Basket being a block of 50,000 Shares) and only upon the order of an Authorized Participant. The Shares represent units of fractional undivided beneficial interest in, and ownership of, the Trust and have no par value. Any creation and issuance of Shares above the amount registered with the SEC on the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part will require registration with the SEC of the additional Shares.

#### LIMITED RIGHTS

The Shares are not a traditional investment.

They are dissimilar from the shares of a corporation

operating a business enterprise, with management and a board of directors. Trust Shareholders do not have rights normally associated with owning shares of a business corporation, including, for example, the right to bring oppression or derivative actions. Shareholders have only those rights explicitly set forth in the Depositary Trust Agreement. All Shares are of the same class with equal rights and privileges. Each Share is transferable, is fully paid and non-assessable and entitles the holder to vote on the limited matters upon which Shareholders may vote under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement. The Shares do not entitle their holders to any conversion or pre-emptive rights or, except as provided below, any redemption or distribution rights.

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Distributions. Each month the Depository deposits into the secondary deposit account accrued but unpaid interest payable to the Trust, if any, and the Trustee withdraws euro from the secondary deposit account to pay the accrued Sponsor s fee for the previous month plus other Trust expenses, if any. In the event that the interest deposited exceeds the sum of the Sponsor s fee for the prior month plus other Trust expenses, if any, then the Trustee will direct that the excess be converted into USD at a prevailing market rate and the Trustee will distribute the USD as promptly as practicable to Shareholders on a pro-rata basis (in accordance with the number of Shares that they own). If the Trust incurs expenses in USD (which is not anticipated), euro will be converted to USD at a prevailing market rate at the time of conversion to pay these expenses. The payment of expenses in euro and the conversion of euro to USD, if required to pay expenses of the Trust, are taxable events to Shareholders. See United States Federal Tax Consequences Taxation of U.S. Shareholders.

Voting and Approvals. Shareholders have no voting rights under the Depositary Trust

Agreement, except in limited circumstances. If the holders of at least 25% of the Shares outstanding determine that the Trustee is in material breach of its obligations under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, they may provide written notice to the Trustee (or require the Sponsor to do so) specifying the default and requiring the Trustee to cure such default. If the Trustee fails to cure such breach within 30 days after receipt of the notice, the Sponsor, acting on behalf of the Shareholders, may remove the Trustee. The holders of at least 66-2/3% of the Shares outstanding may vote to remove the Trustee. The Trustee must terminate the Trust at the request of the holders of at least 75% of the outstanding Shares.

Redemption of Shares. The Shares may be redeemed only by or through an Authorized Participant and only in Baskets. See
Creation and Redemption of Shares for details on the redemption of Shares.

#### **BOOK-ENTRY FORM**

All Shares are evidenced by global certificates issued by the Trustee to DTC and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. The global certificates evidence all of the Shares outstanding at any time. In order to transfer Shares

through DTC, Shareholders must be DTC Participants. The Shares are transferable only through the book-entry system of DTC. A Shareholder that is not a DTC Participant is able to transfer its Shares through DTC by instructing the DTC Participant holding its Shares to transfer the Shares. Transfers are made in accordance with standard securities industry practice.

## Description of the Deposit Account Agreement

The Deposit Account Agreement between the Trust and the Depository, governed by the laws of England, establishes the Deposit Accounts. The Depository, as instructed by the Trustee, is authorized to accept euro deposits for the account of the Trust. The Depository is not a trustee for the Trust or the Shareholders. The Depository, as a banker, is obligated to repay the balance of the Deposit Accounts to the Trust on demand and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Deposit Account Agreement. The following is a description of other material terms of the Deposit Account Agreement.

#### **DUAL ACCOUNTS**

The Depository maintains two deposit accounts for the Trust, a primary deposit account which may earn interest and a secondary deposit account which does not earn interest. The secondary deposit account is used to account for any interest that may be received and paid on creations and redemptions of Baskets. The secondary deposit account is also used to account for interest earned, if any, on the primary deposit account, pay Trust expenses and distribute any excess interest to Shareholders on a monthly basis.

#### **REPORTS**

The Depository provides the Trustee with account reports identifying the credits and debits of euro to the Deposit Accounts, including the credit of interest in euro to the secondary deposit account. The Trustee is required to examine the reports and account statements it receives from the Depository within a reasonable time of receipt and promptly notify the Depository of any discrepancy of which it becomes aware.

The Depository s records of all deposits and withdrawals of euro to the Deposit Accounts and all credits of interest in euro to the secondary deposit account that may occur on

a business day, and the end-of-business-day account balances in the Deposit Accounts, are stated as of the close of the Depository s business (usually 4:00 PM, London time / London fixing) on that business day.

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#### **FEES AND EXPENSES**

Under the Deposit Account Agreement, the Depository is entitled to invoice the Trustee or debit the secondary deposit account for out-of-pocket expenses. The Trust has also agreed to reimburse the Depository for any taxes, levies, imposts, deductions, charges, stamp, transaction and other duties and withholdings in connection with the Deposit Accounts, except for such items imposed on the overall net income of the Depository. Except for the reimbursable expenses just described, the Depository is not paid a fee for its services to the Trust. The Depository earns a spread or margin on the euro deposit balances it holds.

# DEPOSIT ACCOUNT BALANCES

The euro received by the Trust upon the creation of Baskets are deposited, in each case, into the primary deposit account; a small portion of the euro may be deposited in the secondary deposit account to account for interest, if any, that has been earned on the primary deposit account during the month but not yet paid. If the Sponsor believes that the interest rate paid by the Depository is not adequate, the Sponsor s sole recourse

will be to remove the Depository by terminating the Deposit Account Agreement and closing the accounts. Neither the Trustee nor the Sponsor has the power or authority to deposit the Trust s euro with any other person, entity or account. Resignation or removal of the Depository for any reason will cause termination of the Trust. See Description of the **Depositary Trust** Agreement. Interest earned on the balance of the primary deposit account, if any, is used primarily to pay the Trust s expenses.

#### **INTEREST**

If a positive interest rate is being paid by the Depository, interest will begin to be earned on the day Baskets are created (i.e., the date the trade settles). Baskets are created three days after funds are transferred by an Authorized Participant to the primary deposit account held by the Depository. Interest on the primary deposit account, if any, accrues daily and is paid monthly. Interest does not compound, and therefore interest will not be earned on interest accrued but not yet paid by the Depository. Each month the Depository deposits into the secondary deposit account accrued but unpaid interest payable to the Trust, if any. Interest earned on the balance of

the primary deposit account, if any, is used primarily to pay the Trust s expenses; any interest remaining after payment of the Sponsor s fee and other expenses, if any, will be distributed by the Trustee to the Shareholders approximately ten days after the end of the month.

#### MAXIMUM BALANCE

The Depository reserves the right not to accept, and to return without interest to the remitter of funds, the amounts received for deposit to the Deposit Accounts if the aggregate deposit liability of the Depository exceeds the euro equivalent of 8 billion USD.

# EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY

The Depository will be responsible only for direct loss or damage that the Trust suffers resulting from the Depository s gross negligence or willful misconduct. Unless such loss or damages are due to the Depository s fraud, the Depository will not be liable for loss of business, profits or goodwill or any indirect, consequential, punitive or special damages, whether or not reasonably foreseeable, even if the Depository has been advised of the likelihood of such loss and even if such loss is the result of negligence, breach of contract or

otherwise.

#### **INDEMNITY**

The Trust will, solely out of the Trust s assets, indemnify the Depository and each of its officers, directors, employees, subsidiaries and affiliates on demand against all costs and expenses, damages, claims, liabilities and losses (including legal fees) which the Depository or any such officer, director, employee, subsidiary or affiliate may suffer or incur directly or indirectly because of the Trust s breach of the Deposit Account Agreement, because the Depository acted on what it believed (in good faith and without gross negligence) to be the Trustee s communication or because of anything done under or as contemplated by the Deposit Account Agreement.

#### **FORCE MAJEURE**

The Depository is not liable for any damage, loss, expense or liability caused by acts of God, fire, flood, civil or labor disturbance, war or terrorism, act of any governmental authority or other act or threat of any authority, legal

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constraint, fraud or forgery (other than on the part of the Depository or any of its directors, officers or employees), malfunction of equipment (including any computer or related software) except where such malfunction is primarily attributable to the Depository s gross negligence in maintaining the equipment or software, failure of or the effect of rules or operations of any funds transfer system, inability to obtain or interruption of communications facilities, or any cause beyond the reasonable control of the Depository.

#### **TERMINATION**

The Depository may terminate the Deposit Account Agreement for any reason whatsoever upon 90 business days prior written notice to Trustee. Before the expiration of such notice, the Depository will transfer any cleared balance in the Deposit Accounts in accordance with the Trustee s reasonable instructions. Any termination of the Deposit Account Agreement will cause the termination of the Trust. In the event of the termination of the Trust, the Trustee will provide written notice of termination to the

Depository, and the Depository thereafter will not accept any deposits of Euro for creation of Baskets.

#### GOVERNING LAW; JURISDICTION

The Deposit Account
Agreement is governed by
the laws of England and
the Depository is subject to
the laws of England. The
Trust and the Depository
consent to the
non-exclusive jurisdiction
of the courts of England to
settle any dispute relating
to the Deposit Account
Agreement.

# Creation and Redemption of Shares

The Trust creates and redeems Shares in Baskets on a continuous basis. A Basket is a block of 50,000 Shares. The creation and redemption of Baskets requires the delivery to the Trust or the distribution by the Trust of the amount of euro represented by the Baskets being created or redeemed. This amount is based on the combined NAV per Share of the number of Shares included in the Baskets being created or redeemed, determined on the day the order to create or redeem Baskets is accepted by the Trustee.

Authorized Participants are the only persons that may place orders to create and redeem Baskets. An

Authorized Participant is a DTC Participant that is a registered broker-dealer or other securities market participant such as a bank or other financial institution that is not required to register as a broker-dealer to engage in securities transactions and has entered into a Participant Agreement with the Sponsor and the Trustee. Only Authorized Participants may place orders to create or redeem Baskets. Before initiating a creation or redemption order, an Authorized Participant must have entered into a Participant Agreement with the Sponsor and the Trustee. The Participant Agreement provides the procedures for the creation and redemption of Baskets and for the delivery of euro required for creations and redemptions. The Participant Agreements may be amended by the Trustee, the Sponsor and the relevant Authorized Participant. Authorized Participants pay a transaction fee of \$500 to the Trustee for each order that they place to create or redeem one or more Baskets. In addition to the \$500 transaction fee paid to the Trustee, Authorized Participants will pay a variable fee to the Sponsor for creation orders and redemption orders of two or more Baskets to compensate the Sponsor for costs associated with the registration of Shares.

The variable fee paid to the Sponsor by an Authorized Participant will not exceed \$2,000 for each creation or redemption order, as set forth in the Participant Agreement. Authorized Participants who make deposits with the Trust in exchange for Baskets receive no fees, commissions or other form of compensation or inducement of any kind from either the Sponsor or the Trust. No Authorized Participant has any obligation or responsibility to the Sponsor or the Trust to effect any sale or resale of Shares.

Authorized Participants are cautioned that some of their activities will result in their being deemed participants in a distribution in a manner which would render them statutory underwriters and will subject them to the prospectus-delivery and liability provisions of the Securities Act, as described in Plan of Distribution.

Certain Authorized
Participants are expected
to have the facility to
participate directly in the
global foreign exchange
market. In some cases, an
Authorized Participant
may acquire euro from, or
sell euro to, an affiliated
foreign exchange trading
desk, which may profit in
these instances. The
Sponsor believes that the
size and operation of the

foreign exchange market make it unlikely that an Authorized Participant s direct activities in the foreign exchange and securities markets will impact the price of the euro or the price of Shares. Each Authorized Participant will be registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and will be regulated by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., or else will be exempt from being (or otherwise will not be required to be) so registered or regulated, and will be qualified to act as a broker or dealer in the states or other jurisdictions where the nature of its business so requires. Certain Authorized Participants may be regulated under

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federal and state banking laws and regulations. Each Authorized Participant will have its own set of rules and procedures, internal controls and information barriers as it determines to be appropriate in light of its own regulatory regime.

**Authorized Participants** may act for their own accounts or as agents for broker-dealers, depositaries and other securities or foreign currency market participants that wish to create or redeem Baskets. An order for one or more Baskets may be placed by an Authorized Participant on behalf of multiple clients. As of the date of this prospectus, ABM **AMRO Clearing Chicago** LLC (f/k/a Fortis Clearing Americas LLC), Citadel Securities LLC, CitiGroup Global Markets, Inc., **Credit Suisse Securities** LLC, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., EWT LLC, Goldman, Sachs & Co., Goldman Sachs Execution & Clearing, L.P., JPMorgan Securities, Inc., Knight Clearing Services, LLC, Merrill Lynch Professional Clearing Corp., Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, Newedge USA, LLC, Nomura Securities International, Inc., RBC Capital Markets, LLC, SG Americas Securities, LLC, Timber

Hill LLC and Virtu Financial BD LLC have each signed a Participant Agreement with the Trustee and the Sponsor and may create and redeem Baskets. Persons interested in purchasing Baskets should contact the Sponsor or the Trustee to obtain the contact information for the Authorized Participants. A Shareholder that is not an **Authorized Participant** may redeem Shares only through an Authorized Participant.

The following description of the procedures for the creation and redemption of Baskets is only a summary. For more detail, refer to the relevant provisions of the forms of the **Depositary Trust** Agreement and Participant Agreement, each of which is an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. See Where You Can Find More Information for information about where you can obtain the registration statement.

### CREATION PROCEDURES

The following chart is intended to help you understand the creation process:

#### **Creation Process**

**Summary**: In order to create a Basket, the **Authorized Participant** deposits the Basket Euro Amount with the Depository and orders Shares from the Trustee. The Authorized Participant pays the Trustee a \$500 transaction fee, which will not be contributed to the Trust, for each purchase order. In addition to the \$500 transaction fee paid to the Trustee, Authorized Participants will pay a variable fee to the Sponsor for creation orders of two or more Baskets to compensate the Sponsor for costs associated with the registration of Shares. The variable fee paid to the Sponsor by an Authorized Participant will not exceed \$2,000 for each creation order, as set forth in the Participant Agreement. The Trustee directs DTC to credit Shares to the Authorized Participant. The Authorized Participant will then be able to sell Shares to Purchasers directly or on NYSE Arca or any other market in which the Shares may trade.

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On any business day, an Authorized Participant may place an order with the Trustee to create one or more Baskets. For purposes of processing both purchase and redemption orders, a business day means any day other than a day when NYSE Arca is closed for regular trading.

By placing a purchase order, an Authorized Participant agrees to deposit euro with the Trust, as described below. Before the delivery of Baskets for a purchase order, the Authorized Participant must also have paid the non-refundable transaction fees due for the purchase order.

### Determination of required deposits

The total deposit required to create each Basket, called the Basket Euro Amount, is an amount of euro bearing the same proportion to the number of Baskets to be created as the total assets of the Trust (net of estimated accrued but unpaid expenses) bears to the total number of Baskets outstanding on the date that the purchase order is accepted by the Trustee. The amount of the required deposit is determined by dividing the amount of euro held by the Trust (net of estimated

accrued but unpaid expenses) by the number of Baskets outstanding. All questions as to the composition of a Basket Euro Amount are finally determined by the Trustee. The Trustee s determination of the Basket Euro Amount shall be final and binding on all persons interested in the Trust.

### Delivery of required deposits

An Authorized Participant who places a purchase order is responsible for delivering the Basket Euro Amount to the Trust s primary deposit account with the Depository as directed in the Authorized Participant s Participant Agreement. Authorized Participants will use the SWIFT system to make timely deposits through their bank correspondents in London. Upon receipt of the deposit of euro from an Authorized Participant, the Trustee directs DTC to credit the number of Baskets ordered to the Authorized Participant s DTC account on the third business day after the purchase order date. The expense and risk of delivery, ownership and safekeeping of euro until such euro have been received by the Depository shall be borne solely by the Authorized Participant.

## Rejection of purchase orders

The delivery of the Shares against deposits of euro may be suspended generally, or refused with respect to particular requested deliveries, during any period when the transfer books of the Trustee are closed, if the deposit would exceed the Depository s deposit limits, or if any such action is deemed necessary or advisable by the Trustee or the Sponsor for any reason at any time or from time to time. None of the Trustee, the Sponsor or the Depository will be liable for the rejection or acceptance of any purchase order or Basket Euro Amount.

### REDEMPTION PROCEDURES

The following chart is intended to help you understand the redemption process:

#### **Redemption Process**

Summary: In order to redeem Shares, an Authorized Participant must send the Trustee a redemption order specifying the number of Baskets that the Authorized Participant wishes to redeem. The Authorized Participant pays the Trustee a \$500 transaction fee, which will not be contributed to the Trust, for each redemption

order. In addition to 27

the \$500 transaction fee paid to the Trustee, **Authorized Participants** will pay a variable fee to the Sponsor for redemption orders of two or more Baskets to compensate the Sponsor for costs associated with the registration of Shares. The variable fee paid to the Sponsor by an Authorized Participant will not exceed \$2,000 for each redemption order, as set forth in the Participant Agreement. The Trustee then instructs the Depository to send the **Authorized Participant** euro and directs DTC to cancel the Authorized Participant s Shares that were redeemed.

The procedures by which an Authorized Participant can redeem one or more Baskets mirror the procedures for the creation of Baskets. On any business day, an **Authorized Participant** may place an order with the Trustee to redeem one or more Baskets. A redemption order so received is normally effective on the date it is received in satisfactory form by the Trustee. The redemption procedures allow Authorized Participants to redeem Baskets and do not entitle an individual Shareholder to redeem any Shares in an amount less than a Basket

or to redeem Baskets other than through an Authorized Participant.

By placing a redemption order, an Authorized Participant agrees to deliver the Baskets to be redeemed through DTC s book-entry system to the Depository as directed in the Authorized Participant s Participant Agreement. Before the delivery of the redemption distribution for a redemption order, the **Authorized Participant** must also have paid the non-refundable transaction fees due for the redemption order.

## **Determination of redemption distribution**

The redemption distribution from the Trust is a wire transfer, to an account of the redeeming **Authorized Participant** identified by the Authorized Participant, in the amount of the euro held by the Trust evidenced by the Shares being redeemed, giving effect to all estimated accrued but unpaid interest and expenses. Redemption distributions are subject to the deduction of any applicable tax or other governmental charges that may be due. All questions as to the amount of a redemption distribution are finally determined by the Trustee. The Trustee s determination of the amount shall be final and binding on all persons

interested in the Trust.

### Delivery of redemption distribution

The redemption distribution due from the Trust is delivered to the Authorized Participant as directed in the Authorized Participant s Participant Agreement.

The Depository wires the redemption amount from the Trust s primary deposit account with the Depository to an account of the redeeming **Authorized Participant** identified by the Authorized Participant. The Authorized Participant and the Trust are each at risk in respect of euro credited to their respective accounts in the event of the Depository s insolvency. See Risk Factors If the Depository becomes insolvent . . . on page 9 of this prospectus.

### Suspension or rejection of redemption orders

The Trustee will reject a redemption order if the order is not in proper form as described in the Participant Agreement or if the fulfillment of the order, in the opinion of its counsel, might be unlawful. The Trustee may suspend redemption orders only if the Trust holds surplus property that has not been distributed in accordance with the Depositary Trust

Agreement, the Depository is unable to process withdrawal instructions or the Sponsor determines, in its sole discretion, that a suspension is necessary or desirable. Suspension of redemption orders at any time and for any reason may well have adverse effects on the market for and market price of the Shares.

### CREATION AND REDEMPTION FEES

To compensate the Trustee for services in processing the creation and redemption of Baskets, an Authorized Participant is required to pay a transaction fee to the Trustee of \$500 per order to create or redeem Baskets. An order may include multiple Baskets. The transaction fee may be reduced or, with the consent of the Sponsor, increased. The Trustee shall notify DTC of any agreement to change the transaction fee and will not implement any increase in the fee for the redemption of Baskets until 30 days after the date of the notice.

In addition to the \$500 transaction fee paid to the Trustee, Authorized Participants will pay a variable fee to the Sponsor for creation orders and redemption orders of two or more Baskets to compensate the Sponsor for costs associated with the registration of Shares.

The variable fee paid to the Sponsor by an Authorized Participant will not exceed \$2,000 for each creation or redemption order, as set forth in the Participant Agreement.

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#### TAX RESPONSIBILITY

Authorized Participants are responsible for any transfer tax, sales or use tax, recording tax, value added tax or similar tax or governmental charge applicable to the creation or redemption of Baskets, regardless of whether or not such tax or charge is imposed directly on the Authorized Participant, and agree to indemnify the Sponsor, the Trustee and the Trust if they are required by law to pay any such tax, together with any applicable penalties, additions to tax or interest thereon.

#### Description of the Depositary Trust Agreement

The Trust operates in accordance with the terms of a Depositary Trust Agreement among the Sponsor, the Trustee, the registered holders and beneficial owners of Shares and all persons depositing euro for the creation of Shares. The following is a description of the material terms of the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, which has been filed with the SEC as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

#### THE SPONSOR

This section summarizes some of the important provisions of the Depositary Trust Agreement that apply to the Sponsor. For a general description of the Sponsor s role concerning the Trust, see The Sponsor.

### **Limitation on Sponsor** s liability

The Sponsor is not subject to any liability under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement to any Shareholder or Authorized Participant, except that the Sponsor agrees to perform its duties specifically set forth in the Depositary Trust Agreement without negligence or bad faith. The Sponsor is not obligated to prosecute any action, suit or other proceeding with respect to the Trust property. The Sponsor is entitled to rely on advice received from legal counsel, accountants, any Authorized Participant, any Shareholder or any other person that the Sponsor in good faith believes is competent to give such advice. The Sponsor shall not be liable for any acts or omissions made by a successor sponsor. The Sponsor is not obligated to comply with any direction or instruction from any Shareholder or Authorized Participant regarding the Shares except to the extent specifically provided in the **Depositary Trust** Agreement.

## **Indemnification of the Sponsor**

The Trustee indemnifies the Sponsor Indemnified Parties against, and holds each of them harmless from, any loss, liability, cost, expense or judgment caused by the negligence or bad faith of the Trustee or arising out of any information furnished in writing to the Sponsor by the Trustee expressly for use in this registration statement or any amendment hereto.

Each Sponsor Indemnified Party is indemnified by the Trust and held harmless against any loss, liability or expense incurred without (1) negligence, bad faith, willful misconduct or willful malfeasance on the part of the Sponsor Indemnified Party arising out of or in connection with the performance of its obligations under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement or (2) reckless disregard on the part of the Sponsor Indemnified Party of its obligations and duties under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement. Such indemnity includes payment from the Trust of the costs and expenses of the Sponsor Indemnified Party in defending itself against any claim or liability in its capacity as a Sponsor Indemnified Party. Any amounts payable to the Sponsor

Indemnified Party may be payable in advance or secured by a lien on the Trust. The Sponsor may, in its discretion, undertake any action that it may deem necessary or desirable in respect of the Shareholders and, in such event, the legal expenses and costs of such actions shall be expenses and costs of the Trust and the Sponsor shall be entitled to reimbursement by the Trust.

# Resignation of the Sponsor; successor sponsor

The Sponsor may resign its position as sponsor at any time by delivering to the Trustee a written resignation. Upon receipt of the Sponsor s resignation, the Trustee may do any one or more of the following: (1) appoint a successor sponsor to assume, with such compensation from the Trust as the Trustee may deem reasonable under the circumstances, the duties and obligations of the Sponsor; (2) agree to act as sponsor without appointing a successor sponsor; or (3) terminate the Trust. The Trustee has no obligation to appoint a successor sponsor or to assume the duties of the Sponsor and will have no liability to any person because the Trust is terminated as described in the preceding sentence. The Sponsor s resignation

is not effective until the Trustee appoints a successor sponsor and the successor sponsor accepts that appointment or the Trustee itself agrees to act as sponsor or the Trust is terminated. Upon effective resignation, the Sponsor will be discharged and will no longer be liable in any manner except as to acts or omissions occurring before its resignation, and the new sponsor will then undertake and perform all duties and be entitled to all rights and compensation as sponsor under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement.

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If the Sponsor fails to undertake or perform or becomes incapable of undertaking or performing any of its duties under the Depositary Trust Agreement or becomes bankrupt or its affairs are taken over by public authorities, the effect of that event shall be the same as if the Sponsor had given a notice of resignation.

The Sponsor may transfer all or substantially all of its assets to an entity which carries on the business of the Sponsor if at the time of the transfer the successor assumes all of the obligations of the Sponsor under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement. In such an event, the Sponsor will then be relieved of all further liability under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement.

#### THE TRUSTEE

This section summarizes some of the important provisions of the Depositary Trust Agreement that apply to the Trustee. For a general description of the Trustee s role concerning the Trust, see The Trustee.

**Qualifications of the Trustee** 

The Trustee and any successor trustee may be removed if it ceases to be a bank, trust company, corporation or national banking association organized and doing business under the laws of the United States or any of its states, and authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers and be a DTC Participant or a participant in another securities depository then acting on behalf of the Trust. The Trustee and any successor trustee may be removed if it fails to maintain capital, surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$500 million.

### **Limitation on Trustee s liability**

The Trustee is not subject to any liability under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement to any Shareholder or Authorized Participant, except that the Trustee agrees to perform its duties specifically set forth in the Depositary Trust Agreement without negligence or bad faith. The Trustee is not obligated to prosecute any action, suit or other proceeding with respect to the Trust property. The Trustee is entitled to rely on advice received from legal counsel, accountants, any Authorized Participant, any Shareholder or any other person that the Trustee in good faith believes is

competent to give such advice. The Trustee shall not be liable for any acts or omissions made by a successor trustee. The Trustee is not obligated to comply with any direction or instruction from any Shareholder or Authorized Participant regarding the Shares except to the extent specifically provided in the Depositary Trust Agreement.

### **Indemnification of the Trustee**

The Sponsor will indemnify the Trustee, its directors, employees and agents against, and hold each of them harmless from, any loss, liability, cost, expense or judgment (including, but not limited to, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) that is incurred by any of them and that arises out of or is related to (1) any offer or sale by the Trust of Baskets, (2) acts performed or omitted pursuant to the Depositary Trust Agreement, and (3) any filings with or submissions to the SEC in connection with or with respect to Shares. However, the Sponsor is not obligated to indemnify the Trustee for losses attributable to (1) the negligence or bad faith of, or material breach of the terms of the Depositary Trust Agreement by, the Trustee, (2) written information furnished in writing from the Trustee to

the Sponsor expressly for use in this registration statement or any amendment hereto filed with the SEC, or (3) any misrepresentations or omissions made by an Authorized Participant (other than the Sponsor) in connection with the offer and sale of Shares.

#### **Taxes**

If any tax or other governmental charge becomes payable by the Trustee with respect to any transfer or redemption of Shares, such tax or other governmental charge will be payable by the Shareholders to the Trustee. The Trustee will refuse to effect any registration of transfer of such Shares or any withdrawal of Trust property represented by such Shares until such payment is made, and may withhold any distributions, or may sell for the account of the Shareholder thereof Trust property or Shares, and may apply such distributions or the proceeds of any such sale in payment of such tax or other governmental charge, and the Shareholder will remain liable for any deficiency. The Trustee shall distribute any net proceeds of a sale made under the preceding sentence that remain, after payment of the tax or other governmental charge, to the Shareholders entitled thereto as in the case of a

distribution in cash. 30

### Protection for amounts due to Trustee

The Trustee withdraws from the secondary deposit account amounts necessary to pay the Trust expenses provided for in the **Depositary Trust** Agreement and any otherwise unpaid expenses thereunder. In the event that the Sponsor s fee for the prior month plus other Trust expenses, if any, exceed the balance of the secondary deposit account, the Trustee will withdraw euro from the primary deposit account to pay the excess. If requested by the Sponsor and agreed to by the Trustee, the Trustee will advance amounts out of its own funds for the payment of Trust expenses, up to \$20,000. The Trustee will have a lien on the Deposit Accounts to the extent of all amounts advanced by it at the Sponsor s request. This lien will be superior to the interest of the beneficial owners of the Shares.

# Resignation, discharge or removal of Trustee; successor trustees

Resignation. The Trustee may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the Sponsor. The Trustee s resignation will take effect upon the appointment of a successor trustee and its

acceptance of such appointment.

Removal by the Sponsor. If the Trustee is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or a receiver of the Trustee or of its property is appointed, or a trustee or liquidator or any public officer takes charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purposes of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation, then the Sponsor is required to remove the Trustee, and such removal will take effect upon the appointment of a successor trustee and its acceptance of such appointment.

Removal by Shareholders. The holders of at least two-thirds (66-2/3%) of the Shares then outstanding may at any time remove the Trustee by written instrument or instruments delivered to the Trustee and Sponsor.

Removal for Material Breach. If at any time the Trustee ceases to be a qualified bank under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement or is in material breach of its obligations under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement and the Trustee fails to cure such breach within 30 days after receipt by the Trustee of written notice specifying such default from the Sponsor or Shareholders acting on behalf of at least 25% of

the outstanding Shares specifying, the Sponsor may remove the Trustee.

Appointing Successor *Trustees*. If the Trustee resigns or is removed, the Sponsor will use its reasonable efforts to appoint a successor trustee that meets the requirements set forth in the Depositary Trust Agreement. Every successor trustee is required to execute and deliver to its predecessor and to the Sponsor a written acceptance of its appointment. The successor trustee will then become fully vested with all the rights, powers, duties and obligations of the Trustee. Nevertheless, the predecessor trustee, upon payment of all sums due it and on the written request of the Sponsor is required to execute and deliver an instrument transferring to the successor trustee all rights and powers of such predecessor hereunder, is required to duly assign, transfer and deliver all right, title and interest in the Trust property to such successor, and is required to deliver to such successor a list of the Shareholders of all outstanding Shares. The Sponsor or any such successor trustee is required to promptly mail notice of the appointment of such successor trustee to the Shareholders.

Trustee s liability for successor trustee. The Trustee will not be liable for any acts or omissions made by a successor trustee whether in connection with a previous act or omission of the Trustee or in connection with any matter arising wholly after the resignation of the Trustee, provided that in connection with the issue out of which such potential liability arises the Trustee performed its obligations without negligence or bad faith while it acted as Trustee.

#### **DISTRIBUTIONS**

Each month the Depository deposits into the secondary deposit account accrued but unpaid interest payable to the Trust, if any, and the Trustee withdraws euro from the secondary deposit account to pay the accrued Sponsor s fee for the previous month plus other Trust expenses, if any. In the event that the Sponsor s fee and any other Trust expenses exceed the interest earned on the primary deposit account, additional euro will be withdrawn from the primary deposit account as required to cover the expenses. In the event that the interest deposited exceeds the sum of the Sponsor s fee for the prior month plus other Trust expenses, if any, then the Trustee will direct that the excess be converted into

USD at a prevailing market rate and the Trustee will distribute the USD as promptly as practicable to Shareholders on a pro-rata basis (in accordance with the number of Shares that they own).

### ACTIONS TAKEN TO PROTECT THE TRUST

The Trustee and the Sponsor may each, in their own discretion, undertake any action that they consider necessary or desirable to protect the Trust or the interests of the Shareholders. The expenses incurred by the Trustee or the Sponsor in connection therewith (including the fees and disbursements of legal counsel) will be expenses of the

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Trust, and the Trustee and the Sponsor will be entitled to be reimbursed for those expenses by the Trust. The Trustee and Sponsor are, however, required to notify and consult with each other before undertaking any protective action or if the Trustee or Sponsor become aware of any development or event that affects the administration of the Trust but is not contemplated or provided for in the **Depositary Trust** Agreement.

#### VALUATION OF EURO; DEFINITION OF NET ASSET VALUE

The Trustee calculates, and the Sponsor publishes, the Trust s NAV each business day. To calculate the NAV, the Trustee adds to the amount of euro in the Trust at the end of the preceding day accrued but unpaid interest, if any, euro receivable under pending purchase orders and the value of other Trust assets, and subtracts the accrued but unpaid Sponsor s fee, euro payable under pending redemption orders and other Trust expenses and liabilities, if any.

The Trustee also divides the NAV of the Trust by the number of Shares outstanding for the date of the evaluation then being

made, which figure is the NAV per Share. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the number of Shares deemed outstanding includes Shares to be delivered under purchase orders having order dates on or before the preceding business day and excludes Shares to be surrendered under redemption orders having order dates on or before the preceding business day.

### EXPENSES OF THE TRUST

The Trust s only ordinary recurring expense is the Sponsor s fee. The Sponsor is obligated under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement to pay the following administrative and marketing expenses of the Trust: the Trustee s monthly fee, typical maintenance and transaction fees of the Depository, NYSE Arca listing fees, printing and mailing costs, audit fees and expenses, up to \$100,000 per annum in legal fees and expenses, and applicable license fees.

The Sponsor s fee accrues daily at an annual nominal rate of 0.40% of the euro in the Trust. Each month, the Trust first withdraws euro the Trust has earned as interest, if any, to pay the Sponsor s fee and any other Trust expenses that have been incurred. If that interest is not sufficient to fully pay the Sponsor s fee

and Trust expenses, then the Trustee withdraws euro from the primary deposit account as needed. If the Trust incurs expenses in USD (which is not anticipated), euro will be converted to USD at a prevailing market rate at the time of conversion to pay expenses. The Trustee will direct that the smallest amount of euro required to purchase amounts of USD sufficient to pay Trust expenses and the costs of currency conversion be withdrawn from the Trust. Neither the Trustee nor the Sponsor is liable for depreciation or loss incurred by reason of any conversion. See United States Federal Tax Consequences Taxation of U.S. Shareholders for information on the tax treatment of euro sales.

In certain exceptional cases the following expenses may be charged to the Trust in addition to the Sponsor s fee: (1) expenses and costs of any extraordinary services performed by the Trustee or the Sponsor on behalf of the Trust or action taken by the Trustee or the Sponsor to protect the Trust or interests of Shareholders; (2) expenses, fees and indemnification claims of the Trustee that the Sponsor failed to pay to the Trustee; (3) indemnification of the Sponsor; (4) taxes and

other governmental charges; and (5) expenses of the Trust other than those the Sponsor is obligated to pay pursuant to the Depositary Trust Agreement, including legal fees and expenses over \$100,000. If these additional expenses are incurred, the Trust will be required to pay these expenses by withdrawing deposited euro and the amount of euro represented by a Share will decline at such time. Accordingly, the Shareholders will effectively bear the cost of these other expenses, if incurred. Although the Sponsor cannot definitively state the frequency or magnitude of such expenses, the Sponsor predicts that they will occur infrequently, if at all.

THE SECURITIES DEPOSITORY; BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM; GLOBAL SECURITY

DTC is the securities depository for the Shares. DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a member of the U.S. Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York **Uniform Commercial** Code and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold

securities of DTC Participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of transactions in such securities among the DTC Participants through electronic book-entry changes. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of whom (and/or their representatives) own DTC. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant, either directly or indirectly. DTC has agreed to administer its book-entry system in accordance with its rules and by-laws and the requirements of law.

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Because the Shares are eligible for book-entry settlement with DTC, individual certificates will not be issued for the Shares. Instead, global certificates have been signed by the Trustee and the Sponsor on behalf of the Trust, registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC, and deposited with the Trustee on behalf of DTC. The global certificates evidence all of the Shares outstanding at any time. The representations, undertakings and agreements made on the part of the Trust in the global certificates are made and intended for the purpose of binding only the Trust and not the Trustee or the Sponsor individually.

Upon the settlement date of any creation, transfer or redemption of Shares, DTC credits or debits, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the amount of the Shares so created, transferred or redeemed to the accounts of the appropriate DTC Participants. The Trustee and the Authorized Participants designate the accounts to be credited and charged in the case of creation or redemption of Shares.

Beneficial ownership of the Shares is limited to

DTC Participants, Indirect Participants and persons holding interests through DTC Participants and Indirect Participants. Ownership of beneficial interests in the Shares will be shown on, and the transfer of ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC (with respect to DTC Participants), the records of DTC Participants (with respect to Indirect Participants) and the records of Indirect Participants (with respect to Shareholders that are not DTC Participants or Indirect Participants). A Shareholder is expected to receive a written confirmation relating to the purchase from or through the DTC Participant maintaining the account through which the Shareholder purchased its Shares.

A Shareholder that is not a **DTC** Participant may transfer its Shares through DTC by instructing the DTC Participant or **Indirect Participant** through which the Shareholder holds its Shares to transfer the Shares. A Shareholder that is a DTC Participant may transfer its Shares by instructing DTC in accordance with the rules of DTC. Transfers are made in accordance with standard securities industry practice.

DTC may discontinue providing its service with respect to the Shares by giving notice to the Trustee and the Sponsor. Under such circumstances, the Trustee and the Sponsor would either find a replacement for DTC to perform its functions at a comparable cost or, if a replacement is unavailable, terminate the Trust.

The rights of the Shareholders generally must be exercised by DTC Participants acting on their behalf in accordance with the rules and procedures of DTC. Because it is anticipated that the Shares will only be held in book-entry form through DTC and DTC Participants, investors will rely on DTC, DTC Participants and any other financial intermediary through which they hold the Shares to receive the benefits and exercise the rights described in this section of the prospectus. Investors should consult with their brokers or banks to find out about procedures and requirements for securities held in book-entry form through DTC.

#### SHARE SPLITS

If the Sponsor believes that the per-Share price on NYSE Arca is outside a desirable trading range, then the Sponsor may direct the Trustee to declare a split or reverse

split in the number of Shares outstanding and to make a corresponding change in the number of Shares constituting a Basket.

# BOOKS AND RECORDS

The Trustee keeps books for the registration of Shares that are open to inspection by any person who establishes to the Trustee s satisfaction that such person is a registered Shareholder upon reasonable advance notice at all reasonable times during the usual business hours of the Trustee.

The Trustee keeps a copy of the Depositary Trust Agreement on file in its office which is available for inspection on reasonable advance notice at all reasonable times during its usual business hours by any registered Shareholder. A copy of the **Depositary Trust** Agreement has also been filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is part and is available on the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. Under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, the Trustee may be removed if it fails to maintain capital, surplus and undivided profits of \$500 million.

STATEMENTS, FILINGS AND REPORTS

After the end of each fiscal year and within the time period required by applicable law, the Sponsor will cause to be prepared an annual report for the Trust containing audited financial statements. The annual report will be in such form and contain such information as is then required by applicable laws, rules and regulations and shall contain such additional information as the Sponsor deems appropriate. The annual report is filed with the SEC and NYSE Arca and distributed to DTC and to such other persons, as required by applicable laws, rules and regulations.

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The Sponsor is responsible for the registration and qualification of the Shares under the federal securities laws. The Sponsor prepares, or causes to be prepared, and files any periodic reports or current reports required under the Securities Exchange Act. The Trustee assists and supports the Sponsor in the preparation of such reports.

The Deposit Accounts are audited, as required by law and as may be directed by the Sponsor, by independent certified public accountants designated from time to time by the Sponsor. The accountants report will be furnished by the Trustee to Shareholders upon request.

The costs incurred in connection with such statements, filings and reports are expenses of the Sponsor. If, however, legal fees and expenses exceed \$100,000 per year, the excess will be expenses of the Trust. See Investment Attributes of the Trust Trust Expenses.

# TERMINATION OF THE TRUST

The Trustee will set a date on which the Depositary Trust Agreement will terminate and mail notice of that termination to the registered holders of

Shares at least 30 days prior to the date set for termination if any of the following occur:

the Sponsor resigns or is unable to perform its duties or becomes bankrupt or insolvent and the Trustee does not appoint a successor and does not agree to act as sponsor;

Shareholders holding at least 75% of the outstanding Shares notify the Trustee that they elect to terminate the Trust:

the Depository resigns or is removed; or

the Trustee receives notice from the IRS or from counsel for the Trust or the Sponsor that the Trust fails to qualify for treatment, or will not be treated, as a grantor trust under the Internal Revenue Code.

In addition, if any of the following events occurs, the Trustee will set a date on which the Depositary Trust Agreement will terminate and mail notice of that termination to the registered holders of Shares at least 30 days prior to the date set for termination if the Sponsor, having been notified by the Trustee of the occurrence

of any such event, has notified the Trustee in writing that it has determined, in its sole discretion, to terminate the Depositary Trust Agreement:

the Trustee is notified that the Shares are delisted from NYSE Arca and have not been approved for listing on another national securities exchange within five business days of their delisting;

the SEC determines that the Trust is an investment company under the Investment Company Act, as amended, and the Trustee has actual knowledge of the determination;

the NAV of the Trust remains less than \$100 million for 30 consecutive business days at any time;

all of the Trust s assets are sold;

the aggregate market capitalization of the Trust, based on the closing price for the Shares, remains less than \$300 million for five consecutive trading days; or

DTC stops providing book-entry settlement services for the Shares. The Trustee may set a date on which the Trust will terminate and mail notice of that termination to the Shareholders at least 30 days prior to the date set for termination if 60 days have elapsed since the Trustee gave the Sponsor notice of its election to resign and no successor trustee appointed by the Sponsor has accepted appointment as Trustee.

The Trust will terminate on December 5, 2045 if it has not been terminated prior to that date.

#### **AMENDMENTS**

Subject to certain limitations prohibiting any amendment of certain sections of the Depositary Trust Agreement, the Trustee and the Sponsor may amend most provisions of the agreement without the consent of any Shareholders. Any amendment that imposes or increases any fees or charges (other than taxes and other governmental charges, registration fees or other such expenses) or that otherwise prejudices any substantial existing right of the Shareholders will not become effective as to outstanding Shares until 30 days after written notice of such amendment is given to the registered Shareholders. Every

registered Shareholder, at the time any amendment so 34

becomes effective, will be deemed, by continuing to hold any Shares or an interest therein, to consent and agree to such amendment and to be bound by the Depositary Trust Agreement as amended thereby. In no event will any amendment impair the right of the registered Shareholders to surrender Baskets and receive the amount of Trust property represented by the Baskets, except in order to comply with mandatory provisions of applicable law.

# GOVERNING LAW; CONSENT TO NEW YORK JURISDICTION

The Depositary Trust Agreement, and the rights of the Sponsor, the Trustee and DTC (as registered owner of the Trust s global certificates for Shares) and the Shareholders under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement, are governed by the laws of the State of New York. The Sponsor, the Trustee and DTC and, by accepting Shares, each DTC Participant and each Shareholder, consents to the jurisdiction of any state or federal court in The City of New York, State of New York, in which any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to Shares, the Trust property or the **Depositary Trust** Agreement may be

instituted. 35

# **United States Federal Tax Consequences**

The following discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences that generally apply to the purchase, ownership and disposition of Shares by a U.S. Shareholder (as defined below), and certain U.S. federal income, gift and estate tax consequences that may apply to an investment in Shares by a Non-U.S. Shareholder (as defined below), represents, insofar as it describes conclusions as to U.S. federal tax law and subject to the limitations and qualifications described therein, the opinion of Foley & Lardner LLP, special United States federal tax counsel to the Sponsor. The discussion below is based on the Internal Revenue Code, Treasury Regulations promulgated under the Internal Revenue Code and judicial and administrative interpretations of the Internal Revenue Code, all as in effect on the date of this prospectus and all of which are subject to change either prospectively or retroactively. The tax treatment of Shareholders may vary depending upon their own particular circumstances. Certain Shareholders (including broker-dealers, traders or

other investors with special circumstances) may be subject to special rules not discussed below. Moreover, the discussion below does not address the effect of any state, local or foreign tax law on an owner of Shares. Purchasers of Shares are urged to consult their own tax advisors with respect to all federal, state, local and foreign tax law considerations potentially applicable to their investment in Shares.

For purposes of this discussion, a U.S. Shareholder is a Shareholder that is:

An individual who is treated as a citizen or resident of the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes;

A corporation created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof;

An estate, the income of which is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or

A trust, if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the

administration of the trust and one or more United States persons (within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 7701(a)(30)) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or if the trust has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person. For purposes of this discussion, a Non-U.S. Shareholder is a Shareholder that is not a U.S. Shareholder as defined above and that is classified for U.S. federal income tax purposes as being neither a partnership nor a disregarded entity. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the treatment of any beneficial owner of an interest in an entity classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes will generally depend upon the status of the partner and upon the activities of the partnership. Partnerships and partners in partnerships should consult their tax advisors about the U.S. federal income tax consequences of purchasing, owning and disposing of Shares. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the assets held by any entity that is classified as a disregarded entity and that has a single member are generally deemed to be held directly by such member.

# TAXATION OF THE TRUST

The Trust is classified as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, the Trust itself is not subject to U.S. federal income tax. Instead, the Trust s income and expenses flow through to the Shareholders. The Trust s income, gains, losses and deductions will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service on that basis.

# TAXATION OF U.S. SHAREHOLDERS

Shareholders generally will be treated, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as if they directly owned a pro-rata share of the assets held in the Trust. Shareholders also will be treated as if they directly received their respective pro-rata portion of the Trust s income, if any, and as if they directly incurred their respective pro-rata portion of the Trust s expenses. In the case of a U.S. Shareholder that acquires Shares as part of a creation of a Basket, the delivery of euro to the Trust in exchange for the Shares will not be a taxable event to the Shareholder. With respect to the increase in the amount of the U.S. Shareholder s share of the euro held in the Trust that results from such a delivery, the Shareholder s aggregate tax basis (as

determined immediately after such delivery) in those euro that are held in the Trust and that are attributable to such increase, and the Shareholder s aggregate tax basis in the Shares received upon such delivery, will each be the same as the Shareholder s aggregate tax basis (as determined immediately prior to such delivery) in the euro that are delivered by the Shareholder to the Trust.

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Any Shares that are received by a U.S. Shareholder to evidence the Shareholder s pro-rata share of any interest earnings of the Trust generally will have a tax basis equal to the USD-equivalent of the amount of the Shareholder s pro-rata share of the interest earnings.

When the Trust converts euro to USD for example, to pay expenses incurred in USD (which is not anticipated) or to make distributions to Shareholders or when the Trust pays expenses in euro, a U.S. Shareholder generally will recognize gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between (1) the Shareholder s pro-rata share of the amount realized by the Trust upon the conversion, or the Shareholder s pro-rata share of the USD-equivalent of the euro used to pay expenses, and (2) the Shareholder s tax basis for its pro-rata share of the euro that were converted or used to pay expenses. As described in Investment Attributes of the Trust Trust Expenses and Description of the **Depositary Trust** Agreement Expenses of the Trust , each month the Trustee will first withdraw euro the Trust has earned

as interest to pay expenses. It is anticipated that the conversion of euro (for purposes of paying expenses and making distributions) and the payment of expenses in euro will occur on the same day that the Trust receives euro earned as interest. The Trust will use a last in first out method to determine the tax basis of the euro that are converted to USD or used to pay expenses. Accordingly, U.S. Shareholders will recognize interest income at the time that euro are received by the Trust as interest earnings, but will generally recognize no further gain or loss if the euro received are, on the date of receipt, either converted to USD or used to pay expenses.

The Sponsor s fee accrues daily and is payable monthly. For U.S. federal income tax purposes, an accrual-basis U.S. Shareholder generally will be required to take into account as an expense its allocable share of the USD-equivalent of the amount of the Sponsor s fee that is accrued on each day, with such USD-equivalent being determined by the currency exchange rate that is in effect on the respective day. To the extent that the currency exchange rate on the date of payment of the accrued amount of the Sponsor s fee differs from the currency exchange rate

in effect on the day of accrual, the U.S. Shareholder will recognize a currency gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Redemption of some or all of a U.S. Shareholder s Shares in exchange for the underlying euro represented by the Shares redeemed generally will not be a taxable event to the Shareholder. The Shareholder s tax basis for the euro received in the redemption generally will be the same as the Shareholder s tax basis for its pro-rata portion of euro held in the Trust immediately prior to the redemption that is attributable to the Shares redeemed. In determining the portion of the U.S. Shareholder s total tax basis in the euro held in the Trust that is attributable to the Shares redeemed, the U.S. Shareholder generally will be required to use the method, if any, that it has used previously to determine the tax basis of nonfunctional currency amounts withdrawn from accounts with a bank or other financial institution. A subsequent sale of the euro received by the Shareholder will be a taxable event.

U.S. Shareholders that hold multiple lots of Shares, or that are contemplating acquiring multiple lots of Shares, are urged to consult their own

tax advisers as to the determination of the tax basis for the underlying euro related to such Shares. In the case of a U.S. Shareholder that uses the USD as its functional currency, any gain or loss recognized by such U.S. Shareholder upon the sale of Shares, or upon the sale of euro by the Trust, generally will be treated under Internal Revenue Code section 988 as ordinary income or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The share of any interest income earned by the Trust that is allocable to a U.S. Shareholder will be treated as ordinary income for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

# BROKERAGE FEES AND TRUST EXPENSES

Any brokerage or other transaction fee incurred by a Shareholder in purchasing Shares will be treated as part of the Shareholder s tax basis in the underlying assets of the Trust. Similarly, any brokerage fee incurred by a Shareholder in selling Shares will reduce the amount realized by the Shareholder with respect to the sale.

Shareholders will be required to recognize gain or loss upon a sale of euro by the Trust (as discussed above), even though some or all of the proceeds of such sale are used by the

Trustee to pay Trust expenses. Shareholders may deduct their respective pro-rata portion of each expense incurred by the Trust to the same extent as if they directly incurred the expense. Shareholders who are individuals, estates or trusts, however, may be required to treat some or all of the expenses of the Trust as miscellaneous itemized deductions. Individuals may deduct certain miscellaneous itemized deductions only to the extent they exceed 2% of adjusted gross income. In addition, such deductions may be subject to phase-outs and other limitations under applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

# INVESTMENT BY REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Mutual funds and other investment vehicles which are regulated investment companies within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 851 should consult with their tax advisors concerning (1) the likelihood that an

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investment in Shares, although they are a security within the meaning of the Investment Company Act, may be considered an investment in the underlying euro for purposes of Internal Revenue Code section 851(b) and (2) the extent to which an investment in Shares might nevertheless be consistent with preservation of the qualification of such vehicles under Internal Revenue Code section 851.

UNITED STATES INFORMATION REPORTING AND BACKUP WITHHOLDING FOR U.S. AND NON-U.S. SHAREHOLDERS

Certain information returns will be filed with the IRS, and certain tax-related information will be provided to Shareholders, in connection with the Trust. Regulations require that each Shareholder be provided with information regarding its allocable portion of the Trust s annual income (if any) and expenses, and sales of Trust assets, including, in the case of a sale of euro, the amount of proceeds attributable to each Share. Each Shareholder, however, would be required to determine for itself the amount of gain or loss recognized with

respect to such sales.

A U.S. Shareholder may be subject to U.S. backup withholding tax in certain circumstances unless it provides its taxpayer identification number and complies with certain certification procedures. A Non-U.S. Shareholder may have to comply with certification procedures to establish that the Shareholder is not a U.S. person in order to avoid the information reporting and backup withholding tax requirements.

The amount of any backup withholding will be allowed as a credit against a Shareholder s U.S. federal income tax liability and may entitle such a Shareholder to a refund, provided that the required information is furnished to the IRS.

# INCOME TAXATION OF NON-U.S. SHAREHOLDERS

The Trust does not expect to generate taxable income except for gain (if any) upon the sale of euro and interest income. A Non-U.S. Shareholder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax with respect to gain recognized upon the sale or other disposition of Shares, or upon the sale of euro by the Trust, unless: (1) the Non-U.S. Shareholder is an individual and is present in

the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of the sale or other disposition, and the gain is treated as being from United States sources; or (2) the gain is effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Shareholder of a trade or business in the United States.

A Non-U.S. Shareholder s share of any interest income earned by the Trust generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax unless the Shares owned by such Non-U.S. Shareholder are effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Shareholder of a trade or business in the United States.

ESTATE AND GIFT TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR NON-U.S. SHAREHOLDERS

An individual who is neither a citizen nor a resident (as specially defined for U.S. federal estate and gift tax purposes) of the United States is generally subject to U.S. estate tax on all property that has a U.S. situs. An individual who is neither a citizen nor a resident (as specially defined for U.S. federal estate and gift tax purposes) of the United States is generally subject to U.S. federal gift tax on gifts of tangible personal

property or real property having a U.S. situs. In addition, the U.S. federal generation-skipping transfer tax may apply in certain circumstances if an individual who is neither a citizen nor a resident (as specially defined for U.S. federal estate and gift tax purposes) of the United States makes a transfer of property that has a U.S. situs. Neither the Shares nor the euro underlying the Shares should be considered to have a U.S. situs for purposes of the U.S. federal estate tax, gift tax, and generation-skipping transfer tax.

Shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisers regarding the possible application of U.S. federal estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer taxes in their particular circumstances.

# TAXATION IN JURISDICTIONS OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES

Prospective purchasers of Shares that are based in or acting out of a jurisdiction other than the United States are advised to consult their own tax advisers as to the tax consequences, under the laws of such jurisdiction (or any other jurisdiction not being the United States to which they are subject), of their purchase, holding, sale and redemption of or

any other dealing in Shares and, in particular, as to whether any value added tax, other consumption tax or transfer tax is payable in relation to such purchase, holding, sale, redemption or other dealing.

# FBAR REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Each U.S. Shareholder should consult with its tax advisor as to the tax filing and reporting obligations that may arise in connection with an investment in a Share, including whether the Shares need to be reported on Treasury

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Form TD F 90-22.1 (Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts, the FBAR form). A Shareholder that is obligated and fails to file the FBAR form may be subject to civil penalties in an amount equal to the greater of (1) \$100,000 or (2) 50 percent of the value of the unreported foreign account, and may face possible criminal penalties as well.

## ERISA and Related Considerations

The fiduciary investment rules of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA) generally apply to private employee benefit plans and to certain investment funds in which such plans participate (ERISA Plan Investors). These rules are generally not applicable to individual retirement accounts or individual retirement annuities (IRAs), plans covering only self-employed individuals, governmental plans, church plans or foreign plans (Non-ERISA Plan Investors). Consequently, much of the following discussion of the fiduciary issues arising under ERISA is generally not applicable to such investors. Non-ERISA Plan Investors may be subject to various other

fiduciary requirements under state law or other applicable law, however, which they should consider before investing in the Shares.

ERISA Plans are also subject to the prohibited transaction rules of Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code that need to be considered before purchasing Shares. IRAs and plans covering only self-employed individuals are not subject to Section 406 of ERISA, but are subject to Section 4975 of the Code.

#### FIDUCIARY ISSUES

A fiduciary of an ERISA Plan Investor should consider its fiduciary responsibilities under ERISA before investing in the Shares. These duties require the fiduciary to act solely in the interests of the ERISA plan s participants and beneficiaries. These duties also obligate the fiduciary to consider the appropriateness of any one given investment in light of the ERISA plan s entire portfolio.

Before investing in the Shares, fiduciaries of ERISA Plan Investors should review and determine (1) ERISA s fiduciary standards, (2) whether an investment in the Shares would be consistent with ERISA s prudence and

diversification requirements, including consideration of the Risk Factors disclosed elsewhere in this prospectus, (3) whether such an investment would constitute a direct or indirect non-exempt prohibited transaction and (4) whether the fiduciaries have the appropriate authority to make the investment under the governing ERISA plan documents and investment policies, as well as under Title I of ERISA.

Fiduciaries of ERISA Plan Investors should also consider prohibitions in ERISA and in the Internal Revenue Code relating to an ERISA Plan Investor engaging in certain transactions involving plan assets with persons who are parties in interest under ERISA or disqualified persons under the Internal Revenue Code with respect to such plan. As noted above, the prohibited transaction provisions of the Internal Revenue Code also apply to some Non-ERISA Plan Investors and such investors also should consider these provisions prior to investing in the Shares. These prohibited transaction rules are complex and may prohibit an investment in the Shares by certain ERISA Plan Investors and Non-ERISA Plan Investors.

ERISA Plan Investors may currently maintain relationships with the Trustee, Sponsor or Depository or their principals or affiliates. Such entities may be deemed parties in interest with respect to an ERISA Plan Investor. ERISA prohibits the use of plan assets for the benefit of a party in interest and also prohibits a fiduciary with respect to an ERISA Plan Investor from using its position to cause an ERISA Plan Investor to make an investment from which it or certain third parties related to the fiduciary would receive a fee or other consideration. Similar provisions are imposed by the Internal Revenue Code with respect to IRAs and retirement plans covering only self-employed individuals. In certain cases, exemptions apply with respect to certain transactions that might otherwise be prohibited by ERISA.

Each IRA or plan covering only self-employed individuals should consult with its counsel to determine whether investment in the Shares may be a prohibited transaction for purposes of Section 4975 of the Code and Section 406 of ERISA.

#### PLAN ASSET ISSUES

It is anticipated that the Shares will constitute

publicly offered securities as defined in Section 2510.3-101(b)(2) of the U.S. Department of Labor regulations. Accordingly, Shares purchased by an ERISA Plan Investor will constitute plan assets, but the assets of the Trust will not be considered plan assets for purposes of ERISA.

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#### **Plan of Distribution**

The Trust issues Shares in Baskets to Authorized Participants in exchange for deposits of the amount of euro represented by the Baskets being created on a continuous basis. Because new Shares are created and issued on an ongoing basis, throughout the life of the Trust a distribution (as such term is used in the Securities Act) will be occurring. Authorized Participants, other broker-dealers and other persons are cautioned that some of their activities will result in their being deemed participants in a distribution in a manner that would render them statutory underwriters and will subject them to the prospectus-delivery and liability provisions of the Securities Act. For example, an Authorized Participant, other broker-dealer firm or its client will be deemed a statutory underwriter if it purchases a Basket from the Trust, breaks the Basket down into the constituent Shares and sells the Shares to its customers; or if it chooses to couple the creation of a supply of new Shares with an active selling effort involving solicitation of secondary market demand for the Shares. When an **Authorized Participant acts** as an underwriter, it will

be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act with respect to the customers purchasing Shares from it. A determination of whether one is an underwriter must take into account all the facts and circumstances pertaining to the activities of the broker-dealer or its client in the particular case, and the examples mentioned above should not be considered a complete description of all the activities that would lead to categorization as an underwriter.

A Shareholder who buys or sells Shares from, to, or through a broker-dealer should expect to be charged a commission by the broker-dealer for effecting the transaction. Investors are encouraged to review the terms of their brokerage accounts for details on applicable commissions or charges.

Dealers who are neither **Authorized Participants** nor underwriters but are nonetheless participating in a distribution (as contrasted to ordinary secondary trading transactions), and thus dealing with Shares that are part of an unsold allotment within the meaning of section 4(3)(C)of the Securities Act, would be unable to take advantage of the prospectus-delivery

exemption provided by section 4(3) of the Securities Act and therefore will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act with respect to their clients who purchase Shares from them.

The Distributor assists the Sponsor in developing an ongoing marketing plan for the Trust, preparing marketing materials regarding the Shares, including the content of the Trust s website, executing the marketing plan for the Trust and providing strategic and tactical research on the foreign exchange markets, in each case in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Note to Secondary Market Investors: The Shares can be purchased or redeemed directly from the Trust only in Baskets. Each Basket consists of 50,000 Shares and is expected to be worth several million dollars. Most individual investors, therefore, will not be able to purchase or redeem Shares directly from the Trust. Some of the information contained in this prospectus, including information about buying and selling Shares directly from and to the Trust, is not relevant to most investors. The Shares are listed and traded on NYSE Arca and may be purchased and sold in lots

of Shares. Individuals interested in purchasing Shares in the secondary market should contact their broker-dealers. Shares purchased or sold through a broker-dealer can be expected to carry a mark-up, mark-down or commission.

#### **Legal Proceedings**

There are no legal proceedings against the Sponsor, the Trust, the Trustee or the Depository relating to the operation of the Trust or the offering of the Shares.

#### **Legal Matters**

The validity of the Shares has been passed upon for the Sponsor by Foley & Lardner LLP, which, as special United States tax counsel to the Trust, also rendered an opinion regarding the material federal income tax consequences relating to the Shares. In addition to receiving customary legal fees, Foley & Lardner LLP is paid an annual fee for the life of the Trust, which is borne by Precidian Investments, LLC and based on the NAV of the Trust, for its assistance in developing the structure of the Trust and this offering. The fee paid by Precidian Investments, LLC to Foley & Lardner LLP is separate from and not included in the up to \$100,000 per annum in legal fees and expenses

paid by the Sponsor.
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#### License

Without conceding that the operation of the Trust or the marketing of or trading in the Shares would infringe any intellectual property owned by The Bank of New York Mellon, an affiliate of the Sponsor has entered into a License Agreement with The Bank of New York Mellon granting the Sponsor s affiliate a non-exclusive, personal and non-transferable license under The Bank of New York Mellon s patent application covering systems and methods for securitizing a commodity. The license grant is limited to only allow the Sponsor s affiliate to establish, operate and market a currency-based securities product based solely on the securitization, in whole or in part, of a single non-U.S. currency. The Sponsor s affiliate has the right to sublicense affiliates, partners, co-sponsors, joint ventures, trustees, depositaries and agents, but the license cannot be transferred without The Bank of New York Mellon s prior written consent. The Sponsor s affiliate has sublicensed the license to the Sponsor. As consideration for the license, The Bank of New York Mellon has been appointed as trustee of the

Trust. If The Bank of New York Mellon is terminated as trustee of the Trust it will be paid an annual royalty fee. Any royalty fee incurred will be an expense payable by the Sponsor under the **Depositary Trust** Agreement. The Sponsor has also agreed to not initiate, directly or indirectly, any legal action against The Bank of New York Mellon for The Bank of New York Mellon s or any of The Bank of New York Mellon s affiliates use of any improvement, enhancement, modification, derivative work or upgrade made by the Sponsor to the rights sublicensed to it.

#### **Experts**

Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our financial statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the years ended October 31, 2014, and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of October 31, 2014, as set forth in their reports, which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus and the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. Our financial statements and our management s assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of October 31,

2014 are incorporated by reference in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP s reports, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

# Where You Can Find More Information

The Sponsor has filed on behalf of the Trust a registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC under the Securities Act. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement (including the exhibits to the registration statement), parts of which have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC. For further information about the Trust or the Shares, please refer to the registration statement, which you may read and copy at the public reference facilities of the SEC at the below address. The SEC maintains an Internet site that contains reports and other information regarding issuers at www.sec.gov. Information about the Trust and the Shares also can be obtained from the Trust s website. The internet address of the Trust s website is www.currencyshares.com. This internet address is only provided here as a convenience to you to allow you to access the Trust s website. The information contained on or connected to the Trust s

website is not part of this prospectus or the registration statement of which this prospectus is part.

The Trust is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act. The Sponsor, on behalf of the Trust, files quarterly and annual reports and other information with the SEC. The reports and other information can be read and copied at the public reference facilities of the SEC located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549-4561 and can also be found online at www.sec.gov. You may obtain more information concerning the operation of the public reference facilities of the SEC by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 or visiting online at www.sec.gov.

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# Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference

The SEC allows the incorporation by reference of certain information into this prospectus, which means that important information can be disclosed to you by referring you to other documents which have been, or will be, filed with the SEC. The documents listed below and all amendments or supplements to these documents are incorporated by reference into this prospectus:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2014.

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended January 31, 2015.

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended April 30, 2015.

All documents filed on behalf of the Trust with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act prior to the termination

or completion of this offering of the Shares, including all such documents we may file with the SEC after the date of the initial registration statement and prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement, but excluding any information furnished to, rather than filed with, the SEC, as of the date of the filing of each such report.

Certain statements in and portions of this prospectus update and replace information in the above listed documents incorporated by reference. Likewise, statements in or portions of a future document incorporated by reference in this prospectus may update and replace statements in and portions of this prospectus or the above-listed documents.

You may request a copy of these documents at no cost by writing or telephoning the Sponsor at the following address and telephone number:

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Rockville, Maryland 20850

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