

VanEck expands proven dividend strategy with new ex-US dividend ETF

- The *VanEck Morningstar Developed Markets ex-US Dividend Leaders UCITS ETF* provides access to companies outside the United States with potentially high dividend yields.¹
- The new ETF is based on the methodology of the established globally investing VanEck Dividend Leaders ETF.
- The new ex-US variant excludes U.S. companies and reinvests dividends directly as an accumulating ETF.
- VanEck's dividend ETFs apply strict criteria regarding dividend stability and sustainability.
- High returns are not guaranteed, and capital losses are possible.

London, UK – April 22, 2026 – VanEck is expanding its range of dividend ETFs with the launch of the *VanEck Morningstar Developed Markets ex-US Dividend Leaders UCITS ETF*. The new ETF invests in 100 dividend stocks from developed markets worldwide (excluding the United States). However, dividend yield is not the only factor considered: the selection of individual companies is also based on criteria such as dividend stability, expected dividend growth, global diversification, and ESG considerations.

“For many investors, dividends are a sign of quality. High dividend payouts can, for example, help discipline management,”² said Martijn Rozemuller, CEO of VanEck Europe. “Our already established *VanEck Morningstar Developed Markets Dividend Leaders UCITS ETF*, which is based on the same methodology and factor strategy as the new ETF, has been very successful in recent years and has attracted strong investor interest with a total return of 12.63% per annum due to its careful stock selection.”³ Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

In light of political uncertainty and pressure under the new U.S. administration, investors are increasingly seeking investment opportunities outside the United States. The concentration of returns in the U.S. among a small group of mega-cap stocks has made portfolios more vulnerable, while ongoing budget debates, shifting regulatory priorities, and tensions between the U.S. Federal Reserve and the U.S. President add further uncertainty.

¹ „US-Exposure“ refers to the fund's investment in U.S. securities and the associated opportunities and risks.

² Source: <https://www.vaneck.com/uk/en/dividenden-etf/>

³ Source: Performance of the VanEck Morningstar Developed Markets Dividend Leaders UCITS ETF: <https://www.vaneck.com/uk/en/anlagen/dividend-etf/performance/>, data for the period from May 2016 (ETF Inception) to March 2026 in Euro terms

Strict stock selection criteria

“With the new *VanEck Morningstar Developed Markets ex-US Dividend Leaders UCITS ETF*, we want to give investors the opportunity to invest in global dividend equities in a diversified way without U.S. exposure,” explained Dmitrii Ponomarev, Product Manager at VanEck Europe. “As with our established dividend ETF, we place great emphasis on careful stock selection in the new ex-US strategy.” The ETF tracks the *Morningstar Developed Markets ex-US Large Cap Dividend Leaders Screened Select Index*. For this index, the research firm Morningstar identifies 100 securities from the broad universe of developed market equities, excluding the United States. High returns are not guaranteed and capital losses are possible.

The strict selection criteria include companies’ dividend policies, forecasts for future payouts, and stock liquidity. ESG filters are also applied to exclude, for example, violations of the UN Global Compact and involvement in controversial products. A maximum weighting of 40% per sector and 5% per individual stock is intended to ensure a high level of portfolio diversification.

ETF	VanEck Morningstar Developed Markets ex-US Dividend Leaders UCITS ETF
Index Name	Morningstar Developed Markets ex-US Large Cap Dividend Leaders Screened Select Index (MSDMXLN)
ISIN	IE000QYDXKV5
Management Company	VanEck Asset Management B.V.
Domicile	Ireland
Base Currency	USD
Index Provider	Morningstar
Reconstitution Frequency	Semi-Annually
Product Structure	Physical (Full Replication) ⁴
Inception Date	17.04.2026
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	0,38%
Income Treatment	Accumulating

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⁴ The fund invests directly in all securities included in the underlying index in their respective weightings in order to replicate the index’s performance as closely as possible.

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* As of: 14.04.2026

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