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Marketing Communication

VanEck Lists First UCITS ETF Focused on China's Semiconductor Industry

- **Launch of Europe's first UCITS ETF dedicated to Chinese semiconductor companies, selected on a pure-play basis.**
- **China is building its own chip supply chain to support its AI and technology ambitions.**
- **A portfolio of 25 holdings with limited overlap with existing semiconductor funds.**

London, 28 October 2026 – As of today, asset manager VanEck is listing the VanEck China Semiconductor UCITS ETF (ISIN: IE000TS4B6Y3) on the London Stock Exchange, the first UCITS ETF designed to give investors pure-play exposure to China's domestic semiconductor industry, a segment that sits outside conventional semiconductor allocations. The new ETF extends VanEck's semiconductor franchise, which includes the VanEck Semiconductor UCITS ETF, launched in 2020 as Europe's first semiconductor ETF and now with more than $8 billion one of the largest sector ETFs in Europe[1] . Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

Semiconductors are the backbone of AI and advanced technologies. "China is building a completely independent supply chain in this area, from design to manufacturing to packaging. Yet these Chinese companies are not represented at all in a conventional semiconductor or broad China allocation," explains **Martijn Rozemuller, CEO Europe at VanEck.** "With the VanEck China Semiconductor UCITS ETF, we aim to close this gap for investors." Investments in China and in the semiconductor sector are subject to specific risks, including concentration, political and regulatory risks.

China is among the world's largest chip consumers but has historically produced far less than it uses. Closing that gap has become a national priority, with Beijing channeling funds toward domestic suppliers. In 2025, China invested more than any other country in semiconductor manufacturing equipment[2]. "The result is a captive order book that lets Chinese companies grow before they have to compete on global cost and performance," added **Moritz Henkel, Product Manager at VanEck**.

In parallel, the U.S. has tightened its export controls on semiconductors.[3] Backed by strong political support, a new, protected market is emerging in China: every foreign supplier restricted from the Chinese market creates an opening for a domestic one. Chinese data centres that face restrictions on buying advanced Nvidia GPUs may turn to Cambricon, and Chinese fabs that face restrictions on sourcing tools from Applied Materials or Lam Research may turn to NAURA. The geopolitical pressure that creates uncertainty for investors may also support a more durable opportunity.

[1] ETF Book, Data as of 27 October
[2] SEMI, Data as of April 2026
[3] U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), interim 2022, subsequently expanded in 2023 and 2024

Pure-Play Principle as the Basis for Portfolio Selection

The new ETF aims to track the price and return performance of the MarketVector China Semiconductor 10% Capped Screened Index as closely as possible. The index follows a pure-play approach: to be included, a company must derive at least 50% of its revenue from semiconductors or semiconductor equipment.[4] This is intended to ensure that each constituent is a direct beneficiary of China's domestic chip build-out rather than a diversified conglomerate with incidental chip exposure. Political and regulatory changes, including trade restrictions, may adversely affect performance of the Fund. Investment values may fluctuate significantly, and investors may lose some or all of their invested capital.

Visit the VanEck China Semiconductor UCITS ETF (SMHC) fund page for more information.

Key Facts	
ETF	VanEck China Semiconductor UCITS ETF
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Inception Date	10/23/2026
Expense Ratio (TER)	0,65 % p.a.
Income Treatment	Reinvestment
Base Currency	USD
Domicile	Ireland
Product Structure	Physical (Full replication)
Index Name	MarketVector China Semiconductor 10% Capped Screened Index

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[4] Index guide, MarketVector™ China Semiconductor 10% Capped Screened Index: https://files.marketvector.com/index-guide/MVSMCC_Index_Guide.pdf (Version 1.01, 09.2026)

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