

IMPORTANT NOTICE

BEWARE OF FRAUDULENT INVESTMENT OFFERS

VanEck has become aware of attempts by unaffiliated third parties to misrepresent themselves as VanEck or acting on its behalf in connection with fraudulent investment schemes.

This activity may include unsolicited communication via electronic means, online platforms, or other channels, and may involve the misuse of VanEck's name, branding, or employee information. Please note that all VanEck employee email addresses end in

@vaneck.com

The official VanEck website is www.vaneck.com

VanEck does not contact retail investors directly, does not solicit investments, and does not request deposits, payments, or personal information through unsolicited communications.

Investors should exercise extreme caution when responding to unsolicited investment proposals or requests for information and should independently verify the authenticity of any communication claiming to be associated with VanEck.

Warning Signs of a Scam

This list is not exhaustive, but common red flags include:

- Unsolicited communications promoting investment opportunities
- Requests to make payments to bank accounts held in the name of individuals, unfamiliar entities, or through payment intermediaries, cryptocurrency, or digital wallets
- Promises of high, guaranteed, or unusually attractive returns
- Pressure or urgency to make a payment or investment decision
- Requests for additional payments to "release" or "unlock" funds already invested

VanEck Will Never Do

- Contact retail investors directly to solicit investments
- Request money, deposits, or fees via email, text message, phone call, or social media
- Conduct business through third-party messaging apps or social media platforms
- Ask for personal, financial, or identification documents through unsolicited outreach

What You Should Do

If you believe you may have been targeted by or fallen victim to a scam:

- Stop all communication with the suspected fraudster immediately
- Contact your bank or financial institution without delay
- Report the matter to local law enforcement and relevant public or regulatory authorities

If you have any concerns about communications purporting to be from VanEck, rely only on official VanEck websites (www.vaneck.com). Please be vigilant and contact us via the email address provided on the Contact page.