

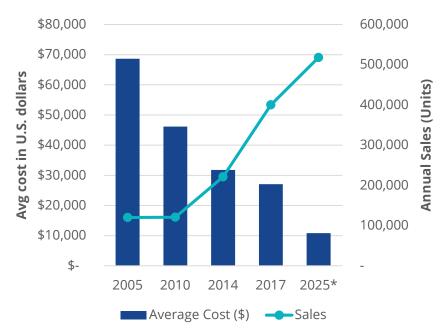
# Invest in the Rise of the Machines



### Cost decline leads to widespread adoption

The average cost of industrial robots has been in a steady decline since the mid-2000s. Advances in technology and efficiency continue to drive down cost as well as make robots much more capable. More companies are finding it advantageous to implement robots because of the reduced cost and improved capabilities.

#### **Average Cost and Worldwide Sales of Industrial Robots**



<sup>\*</sup>Data for 2025 is forecasted. Source: Statista, 2022. Not intended as a prediction of future results.

#### **Invest in the Early Adoption Phase**

Robotics are still in the early adoption phase. The companies who have not yet adopted robotics are concerned about indentifying and achieving return on investment. This concern is becoming much easier to address as average cost lowers and wages rise simultaneously, Worldwide robotics sales have increased significantly as cost has fallen.

#### Why IBOT?

#### Innovation

Technological advancements have lowered costs, rapidly increasing adoption

#### Growth

Strong and growing revenues supported by a global market, expected to double by 2026\*

#### Global Scope

Exposure to high-growth companies, driving the future of industrial automation

Source: BCC Publishing, 2022.

## **VanEck Robotics ETF (IBOT)** seeks to replicate as closely as possible, before fees and expenses, the price and yield performance of the **BlueStar Robotics** Index (BRBTNTR) which tracks the

performance of those companies that are involved in robotics.

Fund Details	
Fund Ticker	IBOT
Commencement Date	4/5/2023
Net Expense Ratio (%)*	0.47
Gross Expense Ratio (%)*	0.47

<sup>\*</sup>Expenses are unitary fees. Van Eck Associates Corporation (the "Adviser") will pay all expenses of these Funds, except for the fee payment under the investment management agreement, acquired fund fees and expenses, interest expense, offering costs, trading expenses, taxes and extraordinary expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Adviser has agreed to pay the offering costs until at least February 1, 2025.

Index returns are not Fund returns and do not reflect any management fees or brokerage expenses. Certain indices may take into account withholding taxes. Investors cannot invest directly in the Index. Index returns assume that dividends have been reinvested.

IBOT Total Return (%)	as of 3/31/2024	IBOT	BRBTNTR
YTD*	NAV	10.93	10.76
	Share Price	10.78	
1 Yr	NAV		
	Share Price		
3 Yr	NAV		
	Share Price		
5 Yr	NAV		
	Share Price		
10 Yr	NAV		
	Share Price		
*Since Fund inception 4/5/2023	NAV	30.57	30.84
	Share Price	30.60	

<sup>\*</sup>Returns less than one year are not annualized.

The performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results. Investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Performance may be lower or higher than performance data quoted. Please call 800.826.2333 or visit vaneck.com for performance current to the most recent month ended.

The "Net Asset Value" (NAV) of a Fund is determined at the close of each business day, and represents the dollar value of one share of the fund it is calculated by taking the total assets of the fund, subtracting total liabilities, and dividing by the total number of shares outstanding. The NAV is not necessarily the same as the ETF's intraday trading value. Investors should not expect to buy or sell shares at NAV. Index returns assume reinvestment of all income and do not reflect any management fees or brokerage expenses associated with fund returns. Returns for actual fund investors may differ from what is shown because of differences in timing, the amount invested and fees and expenses. You cannot invest directly in an index.

BlueStar® Robotics Index (BRBTNTR): seeks to track the overall performance of companies involved in robotics.

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