WisdomTree Launches Global Hedged SmallCap Dividend ETF (HGSD)

HGSD Offers Opportunity to Access Dividends of Global Small Caps while Neutralizing Currency Exposure

New York, NY – (GlobeNewswire) – November 19, 2015 – WisdomTree (NASDAQ: WETF), an exchange-traded fund (“ETF”) and exchange-traded product (“ETP”) sponsor and asset manager, today announced the launch of the WisdomTree Global Hedged SmallCap Dividend Fund (HGSD) on the BATS Exchange. HGSD seeks to provide exposure to dividend-paying, small-capitalization companies in the U.S., developed and emerging markets while neutralizing exposure to fluctuations of foreign currency movements relative to the U.S. dollar. HGSD has an expense ratio of 0.43%.

Capturing Global Small-Cap Dividends

Approximately 50% of the world’s investment opportunities are outside the U.S.—for investors seeking income, international investments in dividend-paying companies offer a new horizon. Leading the way are global small-cap companies that have outperformed their larger counterparts in major time periods for the past twenty years.¹ Small caps are often tied to local economic prospects and therefore, more responsive to shifts in local economic cycles and incremental changes in growth expectations.

Currency Adds Risk, Not Returns

“Global dividend-paying equities can offer investors income and growth potential and downside support, but currency is typically a source of added volatility. For investors without an opinion on currency direction, currency-hedged strategies may serve as a better strategic baseline exposure for global equities. HGSD offers investors the opportunity to benefit from a broad array of global small-cap dividend payers while neutralizing exposure to currency,” said Jeremy Schwartz, WisdomTree Director of Research.

WisdomTree: a Leading Innovator in Currency-Hedged & International Small-Cap ETFs

WisdomTree is a pioneer in both international small-cap and currency-hedged equities. With the recent launch of the WisdomTree Global SmallCap Dividend Fund (GSD), investors now have the option to accept or hedge currency exposure when investing in dividend funds focused on global small-cap companies.

Hedging can help returns when a foreign currency depreciates against the U.S. dollar, but can hurt when the foreign currency appreciates against the U.S. dollar.

To learn more about global small-caps, listen to our podcast, Is It Time for Small Caps?

¹Source: WisdomTree, Bloomberg, 1/31/95-9/30/15. Referencing the return difference between the MSCI ACWI Small Cap Index and the MSCI ACWI Large Cap Index.
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Dividends are not guaranteed and a company currently paying dividends may cease paying dividends at any time.

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