WisdomTree Launches Global SmallCap Dividend ETF (GSD)

GSD Offers Opportunity to Access “Big Dividends” of Global Small Caps

New York, NY – (GlobeNewswire) – November 12, 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 SmallCap Dividend Fund (GSD) on the BATS Exchange. GSD seeks to provide exposure to dividend-paying, small-capitalization companies in the U.S., developed and emerging markets. GSD has an expense ratio of 0.43%.

Small-Caps Tend to Outperform Over the Long Term

Global small-cap companies are leading the way across the globe. Global small caps have outperformed global large caps in major time periods for the past 20 years, providing excess returns that range from 1.41% to 4.82%, depending on the timeframe.¹

“Small-caps are a compelling asset class because they are typically the most sensitive to incremental changes in economic growth expectations—particularly in the region or country, in which they’re located. GSD offers investors the opportunity to access a broad cross-section of global small-cap, dividend-paying companies with the potential to capture a higher level of income,” said Jeremy Schwartz, WisdomTree Director of Research.

Global Small-Caps for Income Potential

Dividend-paying equities have become an attractive alternative source of income not only because of the current dividends they provide, but also because of their potential for growth. However, very few dividend funds focus on global small-cap companies.

Schwartz added, “When investors think of dividends, they tend to think of mature, large-cap companies, and as a result, they may wrongly overlook small-cap equities as a potential for income. However, many small-cap companies have proven business models with relatively stable earnings, and have the ability to pay out dividends to shareholders and grow them over time.”

WisdomTree: a Pioneer in International Small-Cap ETFs

WisdomTree was an early pioneer in international small-cap equities launching the first international small-cap ETF in 2006. In addition, WisdomTree was the first to launch Europe, Japan, and emerging markets small-cap ETFs.

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

¹ Source: 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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