

HSBC ETFs plc (the “Company”)

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This document has not been reviewed by the Central Bank of Ireland (the “Central Bank”) and it is possible that changes thereto may be necessary to meet the Central Bank’s requirements. The board of directors of the Company (the “Directors”) accepts responsibility for the information contained in this document.

Capitalised terms used in this letter and not defined shall have the meaning given to those terms in the Company’s prospectus (the “Prospectus”).

2 January 2025

Dear Shareholder,

We refer to the HSBC World ESG Biodiversity Screened Equity UCITS ETF (the “**Fund**”) (ISIN: IE0002UTLE51), of which you are a shareholder.

Closure of the Fund

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of the decision taken by the Directors to close the Fund. This is due to take place on 19 February 2025 (the “**Closure Date**”).

In accordance with the provisions of the Company’s prospectus and the articles of association, the Directors have the discretion to review and, if deemed appropriate, redeem all of the shares and close a fund where the total net asset value (the “**NAV**”) of the relevant fund falls below USD50 million.

As of the date of this letter, the NAV of the Fund is below this level and, therefore, the Directors have determined it is in the best interest of shareholders to redeem the outstanding shares and to close the Fund with effect from the Closure Date.

In making this decision, the Directors considered the low level of investor demand for the Fund and deemed it unlikely that the NAV of the Fund would increase sufficiently in the future to commercially justify the continuation of the Fund.

Registered in Ireland as an open ended umbrella fund, with segregated liability between sub funds.

Registration Number: 467896

Directors: Eve Finn, Feargal Dempsey, Peter Blessing, Olga de Tapia (Spanish), Suzanne Williams (British), Xavier Baraton (French)

The Company is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland.

Procedure for closure

For secondary market orders, the last day for trading on each relevant stock exchange on which the shares of the Fund are listed is 14 February 2025 (the “**Final Exchange Trading Date**”).

For primary market orders, the last day on which applications for subscriptions and redemptions for Shares of the Fund by Authorised Participants may be made is 17 February 2025 (the “**Final Dealing Date**”).

The Fund will be de-listed from the stock exchanges on which the shares of the Fund are listed on 17 February 2025 (the “**Delisting Date**”).

On the Closure Date, all Shares will be compulsorily redeemed in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus and the redemption proceeds, calculated as of the Closure Date, will be returned to Shareholders within 10 Business Days.

Shareholders buying and selling Shares through a broker, market maker or Authorised Participant and Shareholders who hold Shares through a nominee or clearing agent, may not appear in the Company’s register of Shareholders. Such Shareholders should deal directly with the relevant broker, market maker, Authorised Participant, nominee or clearing agent (as relevant) in respect of their holding.

Costs

All legal and administrative costs in relation to the closure of the Fund will be borne by the Investment Manager. The transaction costs associated with disposing of the assets of the Fund will be paid for by the Fund.

Tax considerations

The redemption of Shares may be deemed a disposal for capital gains tax purposes and may give rise to a capital gains tax liability. If you are in any doubt as to the tax consequences, you should contact your financial or tax advisor.

Actions to be taken

Should you wish to do so, you may redeem your Shares at any point prior to the Closure Date in accordance with the redemption process set out in the Prospectus. Should you decide not to redeem your Shares ahead of the Closure Date, your holdings will be automatically redeemed on the Closure Date, as detailed in the section of this letter named “Procedure for Closure”.

If you have any queries regarding the matters dealt with in this letter, please contact your sales representative or your professional advisor.

Yours sincerely,



Director
For and on behalf of
HSBC ETFs plc

Appendix – additional information

	Final Exchange Trading Date	Final Dealing Date	Closure Date	Expected Delisting Date	Expected Settlement Date
All exchanges	14 February 2025	17 February 2025	19 February 2025	17 February 2025	05 March 2025

	Euronext Paris Code (EUR)	SIX Exchange Code (CHF)	Bolsa Institucional de Valores (MXN)
Bloomberg Ticker	HBDS FP	HBDV SW	HBDVN MM