

Launch of Currency Hedged Physical Gold ETCs in Collaboration with The Royal Mint

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In a landmark development for gold investors, HANetf has unveiled a new range of three currency-hedged physical gold exchange-traded commodities (ETCs) in partnership with The Royal Mint. This initiative aims to provide investors with a robust, sustainable, and secure investment vehicle, enhancing their exposure to gold while mitigating currency risk.

Comprehensive Gold Backing and Custody

The newly launched ETCs are designed to be 100% backed by responsibly sourced gold bars that meet the stringent standards set by the London Bullion Market Association (LBMA). Specifically, these bars are classified as Good Delivery and have been sourced responsibly post-2019, with a growing number from 2022 onward. All gold backing the ETCs is custodied in The Royal Mint's highly secure vault located in Llantrisant, Wales. This secure storage provides an alternative to traditional banking custody arrangements commonly found in London, offering investors a chance for true diversification in their gold holdings.

Commitment to Sustainability

A distinctive feature of these ETCs is their commitment to sustainability. A portion of the gold bars backing the products will be comprised of 100% recycled gold, reflecting The Royal Mint's dedication to environmentally friendly practices. Recycled gold is recognized for being over 90% less carbon-intensive compared to mined gold, making it a significantly greener choice. As part of their ongoing sustainability efforts, The Royal Mint aims to increase the proportion of recycled gold in the ETCs over time. Importantly, all gold custodied within these products is sourced ethically, with no exposure to gold of Russian origin.

Currency Hedging Options

Investors in the new ETCs will have the advantage of currency hedging options, specifically in pound sterling (GBP) and euro (EUR), with plans to introduce a Swiss franc (CHF) option soon. Given that gold is primarily quoted in US dollars (USD), many traditional gold products expose investors to USD fluctuations. For those who wish to gain from rising gold prices without the added concern of US dollar depreciation, these currency-hedged products serve as an ideal solution. By canceling out US dollar positions, investors can focus solely on the performance of gold prices.

Daily FX hedging will be employed, ensuring that any profit or loss from currency fluctuations is converted into gold, thereby minimizing counterparty risks associated with foreign exchange hedging.

An Expanding Product Portfolio

HANetf, Europe's first and only independent full-service white-label UCITS ETF and ETC platform 2, and leading provider of digital asset ETPs, is delighted to announce the launch of three FX hedged responsibly sourced physical gold ETCs in partnership with The Royal Mint: The three new ETCs follow The Royal Mint Responsibly Sourced Physical Gold ETC (RMAU), HANetf's first listed financial product in partnership with The Royal Mint. RMAU has surpassed the \$1 billion assets under management (AUM) milestone.

Flexibility in Redemption

Investors will also benefit from the flexibility offered by the new ETCs, as they can redeem their investments for physical gold from The Royal Mint. The range of redemption options includes various gold bars and coins, reflecting The Royal Mint's extensive portfolio that features popular collections such as the Sovereign and Britannia ranges. This aspect adds an additional layer of value for investors who may wish to hold physical gold.

Conclusion

The launch of the currency-hedged physical gold ETCs in partnership with The Royal Mint represents a progressive step toward meeting the increasing demand for sustainable and ethically sourced investment products. With secure custody, stringent sustainability measures, and effective currency hedging options, these new ETCs provide a compelling opportunity for investors looking to diversify their portfolios and align their investments with modern ethical standards. For further information, interested parties can refer to the official press release.

