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# News Release

# **UBS Announces Successor Index to the Wells Fargo Business Development Company Index**

New York, April 26, 2021 – Wells Fargo Securities LLC as index sponsor (the "Index Sponsor") of the **Wells Fargo® Business Development Company Index** (the "Original Index"), previously announced that the Original Index will be terminated after the close of trading on July 30, 2021.

The two ETRACS ETNs highlighted in Table-1 below (the "ETNs") are currently linked to the performance of the Original Index. Effective after market close on July 30, 2021 (the "Effective Date"), the Original Index will be replaced with a successor index, the **MVIS US Business Development Companies Index** (the "Successor Index"). Pursuant to the terms of the ETNs, UBS Securities LLC, as security calculation agent for the ETNs, has determined that the Successor Index is comparable to the Original Index and approved the Successor Index as the successor index for the ETNs following the discontinuation of publication of the Original Index.

#### Table-1

ETN Ticker	ETN Name	ETN CUSIP	Original Index Bloomberg Ticker	Successor Index Bloomberg Ticker
BDCZ	ETRACS Wells Fargo BDC Index ETN Series B	90274D416	WFBDCPX	MVBIZD
BDCX	ETRACS Quarterly Pay 1.5X Leveraged Wells Fargo BDC Index ETN	90269A260	WFBDCPX	MVBIZD

In addition, the below adjustments will be made after market close on the Effective Date.

### BDCZ ETN:

- the Initial Index Level of the ETN will be adjusted to be equal to the Index Closing Level of the Successor Index on the Effective Date, times an Adjustment Factor. The Adjustment Factor will be equal to the original Initial Index Level divided by the Index Closing Level of the Original Index on the Effective Date

#### BDCX ETN:

- the Last Reset Index Closing Level of the ETN will be adjusted to be equal to the Index Closing Level of the Successor Index on the Effective Date

UBS has been advised by its tax counsel that the change in the Index that is referenced by the ETNs should not trigger a disposition of the ETNs for US federal income tax purposes, and therefore a holder of ETNs should not be subject to any US federal income tax consequences as result of such change. UBS is not providing tax advice to holders of ETNs and such holders should consult with their tax advisors regarding the tax treatment of the ETNs.



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#### About the Wells Fargo® Business Development Company Index

The Wells Fargo Business Development Company Index is a float-adjusted, capitalization-weighted Index that is intended to measure the performance of all Business Development Companies ("BDC") that are listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE AMEX") or NASDAQ and satisfy specified market capitalization and other eligibility requirements. To qualify as a BDC, the company must be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and have elected to be regulated as a BDC under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("1940 Act"). **The Original Index was publicly disseminated starting from January 2011 and has no live performance history prior to that date.** 

#### About the MVIS US Business Development Companies Index

The MVIS US Business Development Companies Index is a modified market cap-weighted index that tracks the performance of the largest and most liquid companies which are treated as Business Development Companies (BDC) and are incorporated in the United States. To qualify as a BDC, a company must be organized under the law of and have its principal place of business in the United States, be registered with the SEC and have elected to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. **The Successor Index was publicly disseminated starting from August 4, 2011 and has no live performance history prior to that date.** 

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