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Unaudited Interim Financial Report for the Six Months to 30 June 2019

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#### **Directors' Report**



The directors of ETFS Foreign Exchange Limited ("FXL" or the "Company") submit herewith the unaudited interim financial report and interim financial statements of the Company for the period ended 30 June 2019.

#### **Directors**

The names and particulars of the directors of the Company during or since the end of the financial period are:

Gregory Barton (resigned 15 March 2019) Hilary Jones Steven Ross Peter Ziemba

#### **Directors' Interests**

No director has an interest in the Ordinary Shares of the Company as at the date of this report.

#### **Principal Activities**

During the period there were no significant changes in the nature of the Company's activities.

#### **Review of Operations**

As at 30 June 2019, the Company had the following number of classes, in aggregate, of Currency Securities in issue and admitted to trading on the following exchanges:

	London Stock Exchange	Borsa Italiana	Deutsche Börse	NYSE- Euronext Paris
USD Currency Securities	59	-	7	-
EUR Currency Securities	-	42	20	6
GBP Currency Securities	32	-	-	-
Total Currency Securities	91	42	27	6

As at 30 June 2019, the fair value of assets under management amounted to USD 462.6 million (31 December 2018: USD 455.0 million). The Company recognises its financial assets ("Currency Transactions") and financial liabilities ("Currency Securities") at fair value in the Condensed Statement of Financial Position.

During the period, the Company generated income from management fees as follows:

	30 June 2019 USD	30 June 2018 USD
Management Fees	1,356,385	1,705,174
Total Fee Income	1,356,385	1,705,174

Under the terms of the service agreement with ETFS Management Company (Jersey) Limited ("ManJer"), the Company accrued expenses equal to the management fees and creation and redemption fees, which, after taking into account other operating income and expenses, resulted in an operating result for the period of USD Nil (30 June 2018: USD Nil).

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#### Directors' Report (Continued)



#### **Review of Operations (continued)**

The gain or loss on Currency Securities and the Currency Transactions is recognised in the Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income in line with the Company's accounting policy.

The Company has entered into contractual obligations with Authorised Participants to issue and redeem Currency Securities at set prices on each trading day, and these prices are based on agreed formulae published in the Prospectus.

IFRS 13 requires the Company to identify the principal market and to utilise the available market price within that principal market. The directors consider that the stock exchanges where the Currency Securities are listed to be the principal market and as a result the fair value of the Currency Securities is the on-exchange price as quoted on those stock exchanges demonstrating active trading. As a result of the difference in valuation methodology between Currency Transactions and Currency Securities there is a mis-match between accounting values, and the results of the Company reflect a gain or loss on the difference between the agreed formula price and the market price of Currency Securities. This gain or loss would be reversed on a subsequent redemption of the Currency Securities and the closing of corresponding Currency Transactions. This is presented in more detail in note 5 to these interim financial statements.

#### **Future Developments**

United Kingdom's ("UK's") withdrawal from the European Union ("EU")

The process for the UK's withdrawal from the EU is still ongoing, the UK's future relationship with the EU is still uncertain and the renegotiations of treaties and agreements, together with legislation changes, have yet to be completed.

The Company is domiciled in Jersey, outside of the EU, and the Currency Securities are distributed in the EU under the EU Prospectus Directive which requires their offering to the public to be approved by an EU Member State regulator. To date, the Company has chosen the UK Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") as its Member State regulator for these purposes. Request is then made to the FCA, as the chosen Member State regulator, for the passporting of the offering across the EU, once again, under the EU Prospectus Directive.

It is currently expected that, if necessary, the Company would select an alternate EU Member State regulator through which to seek approval and request passporting for its offering. As the Currency Securities already comply with the European wide requirements of the EU Prospectus Directive, this is not expected to cause any disruption or alteration to the terms or nature of the Currency Securities.

The Currency Securities continue to comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Continued assessment of the impact will be required throughout the withdrawal process.

The board of directors (the "Board") are not aware of any other developments that might have a significant effect on the operations of the Company in subsequent financial periods not already disclosed in this report or the attached interim financial statements.

#### **Directors' Remuneration**

No director has a service contract with the Company. The directors of the Company who were employees within the ETF Securities Limited group or are employees within the WisdomTree group do not receive separate remuneration in their capacity as directors of the Company. R&H Fund Services (Jersey) Limited ("R&H" or the "Administrator") receives a fee in respect of the directors of the Company who are employees of R&H.



#### **Directors' Remuneration (continued)**

The directors' fees which have been paid by ManJer on behalf of the Company for the period:

	30 June 2019 GBP	30 June 2018 GBP
Gregory Barton	Nil	Nil
Christopher Foulds	Nil	1,750
Hilary Jones	4,000	Nil
Steven Ross	4,000	4,000
Peter Ziemba	Nil	Nil

#### **Going Concern**

The nature of the Company's business dictates that the outstanding Currency Securities may be redeemed at any time by the holder and in certain circumstances may be redeemed by the Company. As the redemption of Currency Securities will coincide with the closure of an equal amount of Currency Transactions, no liquidity risk is considered to arise. All other expenses of the Company are met by ManJer; therefore the directors consider the Company to be a going concern and have prepared the interim financial statements on this basis.

#### **Directors Statement**

With regard to Regulation 2004/109/EC of the European Union (the "EU Transparency Directive"), the directors confirm that to the best of their knowledge that:

- the interim financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2019 give a true and fair view of the
  assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company as required by law and in
  accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting
  Standards Board; and
- the Directors' Report gives a fair view of the development of the Company's business, financial position and the important events that have occurred during the period and their impact on these interim financial statements.

On behalf of the directors

Hilary Jones
12 September 2019

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	Period ended 30 June		
		2019 Unaudited	2018 Unaudited
	Notes	USD	USD
Revenue	2	1,356,385	1,705,174
Expenses	2	(1,356,385)	(1,705,174)
Operating Result		-	-
Net Loss Arising on Contractual and Fair Value of Currency Transactions	3	(6,090,598)	(31,904,728)
Net Gain Arising on Fair Value of Currency Securities	4	5,876,266	33,021,075
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period	_	(214,332)	1,116,347
<sup>1</sup> Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Currency Securities	5	214,332	(1,116,347)
Adjusted Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period		<u> </u>	-

The directors consider the Company's activities as continuing.

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these condensed interim financial statements

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An explanation of the non-statutory adjustment is set out on pages 10 and 11. This represents the movement in the difference between the Contractual Value of the Currency Transactions and the market price of Currency Securities.



	As at		
		30 June 2019 Unaudited	31 December 2018 Audited
	Notes	USD	USD
Current Assets			
Trade and Other Receivables		457,956	477,967
Currency Transactions  Amounts Receivable on Currency Transactions	3	462,591,376	454,982,175
Awaiting Settlement Amounts Receivable on Currency Securities	3	890,068	-
Awaiting Settlement	4	3,902,537	-
Total Assets	_	467,841,937	455,460,142
Current Liabilities			
Currency Securities  Amounts Payable on Currency Securities Awaiting	4	461,961,270	454,137,737
Settlement	4	890,068	-
Amounts Payable on Currency Transactions			
Awaiting Settlement	3	3,902,537	-
Trade and Other Payables		456,172	476,183
Total Liabilities	_	467,210,047	454,613,920
Equity			
Stated Capital		3	3
Retained Earnings		1,781	1,781
Revaluation Reserve		630,106	844,438
Total Equity		631,890	846,222
Total Equity and Liabilities		467,841,937	455,460,142

The condensed interim financial statements on pages 4 to 13 were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors and signed on its behalf on 12 September 2019.

Hilary Jones
Director

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	Period ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	USD	USD
Operating Result for the Period	-	-
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities		
Decrease in Receivables	20,011	8,148
Decrease in Payables	(20,011)	(8,148)
Cash Generated from Operating Activities	-	-
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u> </u>	-
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the Beginning of the Period	-	-
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	-	-
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Period		-

Currency Securities are issued through a receipt of cash directly with the Currency Transaction Counterparty or redeemed by the transfer of cash directly by the Currency Transaction Counterparty. Cash flows in respect of the issue and redemption of Currency Securities and the creation and closure of Currency Transactions have been netted off in the Condensed Statement of Cash Flows.

# **Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity**



	Notes	Stated Capital USD	Retained Earnings USD	Revaluation Reserve <sup>2</sup> USD	Total Equity USD	Adjusted Total Equity USD
Audited Opening Balance at 1 January 2018		3	1,781	99,444	101,228	1,784
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period Transfer to Revaluation Reserve  3 Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Currency Securities		-	1,116,347 (1,116,347)	- 1,116,347	1,116,347	1,116,347 - (1,116,347)
Unaudited Balance at 30 June 2018	_	3	1,781	1,215,791	1,217,575	1,784
Unaudited Opening Balance at 1 July 2018	=	3	1,781	1,215,791	1,217,575	1,784
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period Transfer to Revaluation Reserve  3 Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as		- -	(371,353) 371,353	- (371,353)	(371,353)	(371,353)
set out in the Prospectus) of Currency Securities		-	-	-	-	371,353
Audited Balance at 31 December 2018	- -	3	1,781	844,438	846,222	1,784
Audited Opening Balance at 1 January 2019		3	1,781	844,438	846,222	1,784
Result and Total Comprehensive Income for the Period		-	(214,332)	-	(214,332)	(214,332)
Transfer to Revaluation Reserve  3 Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as	5	-	214,332	(214,332)	-	-
set out in the Prospectus) of Currency Securities	5	-	-	-	-	314,332
Unaudited Balance at 30 June 2019		3	1,781	630,106	631,890	1,784

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This represents the difference between the Contractual Value of the Currency Transactions and the market price of Currency Securities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> An explanation of the non-statutory adjustments is set out on pages 10 and 11.



#### 1. Accounting Policies

The main accounting policies of the Company are described below.

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The interim financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2019 have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee of the IASB. The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss.

The interim financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018. Except as described below under Changes in Accounting Standards the accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018. The changes in accounting policies are also expected to be reflected in the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The presentation of interim financial statements in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies.

The Company makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities. Estimates are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The only key accounting judgement required to prepare these interim financial statements is in respect of the valuation of Currency Transactions and Currency Securities held at fair value through profit or loss as disclosed in notes 3 and 4. Actual results could vary from these estimates.

This half yearly report has not been audited or reviewed by the Company's auditors.

#### **Changes in Accounting Standards**

On 1 January 2019 the Company adopted IFRS 16, IFRS 9, IAS 28, IAS 19 and annual improvements and have assessed that the adoption of these revised and amended accounting standards has not resulted in any changes to the accounting policies and disclosures within these financial statements.

#### 2 Operating Result

Operating result for the period comprised:

	Period ended 30 June		
	2019	2018	
	Unaudited	Unaudited	
	USD	USD	
Management Fees	1,356,385	1,705,174	
Total Revenue	1,356,385	1,705,174	
ManJer Fees	(1,356,385)	(1,705,174)	
Total Operating Expenses	(1,356,385)	(1,705,174)	
Operating Result		-	



#### 3 Currency Transactions

	Period end	ed 30 June
	2019	2018
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	USD	USD
Change in Fair Value	(6,090,598)	(31,904,728)
	As	at
	30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	Unaudited	Audited
	USD	USD
Currency Transactions at Fair Value	462,591,376	454,982,175

As at 30 June 2019, there were certain Currency Transactions awaiting settlement in respect of the creation or redemption of Currency Securities with transaction dates before the period end and settlement dates in the following period:

- The amount receivable on Currency Transactions as a result of unsettled redemptions of Currency Securities is USD 890,068 (31 December 2018: USD Nil).
- The amount payable on Currency Transactions as a result of unsettled creations of Currency Securities is USD 3,902,537 (31 December 2018: USD Nil).

### 4 Currency Securities

	Period ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	USD	USD
Change in Fair Value	5,876,266	33,021,075
	As	at
	30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	Unaudited	Audited
	USD	USD
Currency Securities at Fair Value	461,961,270	454,137,737

As at 30 June 2019, there were certain Currency Securities awaiting settlement in respect of creations or redemptions with transaction dates before the period end and settlement dates in the following period:

- The amount payable as a result of unsettled redemptions of Currency Securities is USD 890,068 (31 December 2018: USD Nil).
- The amount receivable as a result of unsettled creations of Currency Securities is USD 3,902,537 (31 December 2018: USD Nil).

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#### 5. Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value of Currency Securities

A single price is established for each Currency Transaction as at the end of each Pricing Day. Currency Transactions are priced by reference to the MSFXsm Indices. The Currency Indices are total return indices and are calculated and published by Morgan Stanley. The indices are calculated in accordance with the MSFXsm Indices Manual. This price is calculated based on the formulae set out in the Prospectus, and is referred to as the 'Contractual Value'.

The Company measures the Currency Securities at their market value than their Contractual Value (as described in the Prospectus) because IFRS 13 requires the Company to identify the principal market and to utilise the available market price within that principal market. The directors consider that the stock exchanges where the Currency Securities are listed to be the principal market and as a result the fair value of the Currency Securities is the on-exchange price as quoted on those stock exchanges demonstrating active trading. The Currency Securities are priced using the closing mid-market price on the Statement of Financial Position date.

Consequently a difference arises between the value of Currency Transactions (at Contractual Value) and Currency Securities (at market value) presented in the Condensed Statement of Financial Position. This difference is reversed on a subsequent redemption of the Currency Securities and closure of the corresponding Currency Transactions.

Whilst the Currency Securities are quoted on the open market, the Company's ultimate liability relates to its contractual obligations to issue and redeem Currency Securities at set prices on each trading day. These prices are based on agreed formulae, and are equal to the published net asset values ("NAV") of each Currency Security. Therefore, the actual contractual issue and redemption of Currency Securities occur at a price that corresponds to gains or losses on the Currency Transactions. As a result the Company has no net exposure to gains or losses on the Currency Securities and Currency Transactions.

The contractual redemption values and movements in unrealised gains/losses during the period/year based on the Contractual Values are:

	As at	
	30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	Unaudited	Audited
	USD	USD
Currency Securities at Contractual Value	462,591,376	454,982,175
	Period end	ed 30 June
	2019	2018
	Unaudited	Unaudited
	USD	USD
Change in Contractual Value of Currency Securities	6,090,598	(31,904,728)

Through the mis-matched accounting values, the results of the Company reflect a gain or loss which represents the movement in the cumulative difference between the Contractual Value (based on the formulae set out in the Prospectus) of the Currency Transactions and the market price of Currency Securities. This gain or loss is transferred to a Revaluation Reserve which is non-distributable. The results of the Company are adjusted through the presentation of a non-statutory movement entitled 'Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Currency Securities'.

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#### 5. Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value of Currency Securities (continued)

The mismatched accounting values are as shown below and represent the non-statutory adjustment presented in the Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income:

	Period ended 30 June	
	2019 Unaudited USD	2018 Unaudited USD
Net Loss Arising on Contractual and Fair Value of		
Currency Transactions	(6,090,598)	(31,904,728)
Net Gain Arising on Fair Value of Currency Securities	5,876,266	33,021,075
	(214,332)	1,116,347

The gain or loss on the difference between the Contractual Value of the Currency Transactions and the market price of Currency Securities would be reversed on a subsequent redemption of the Currency Securities and closure of the corresponding Currency Transactions. This gain or loss is transferred to a Revaluation Reserve which is non-distributable and a reconciliation of the movements throughout the period/year is detailed below.

	2019 Unaudited USD	2018 Audited USD
Balance brought forward at 1 January	844,438	99,444
Adjustment from Market Value to Contractual Value (as set out in the Prospectus) of Currency Securities: Period 1 January to 30 June Period 1 July to 31 December	(214,332)	1,116,347 (371,353)
Period 1 July to 31 December	(214,332)	744,994
Closing balance at 30 June / 31 December	630,106	844,438

#### 6. Fair Value Hierarchy

The levels in the hierarchy are defined as follows:

- Level 1 fair value based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.
- Level 2 fair values based on valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.
- Level 3 fair values based on valuation techniques using inputs that are not based on observable market data.

Categorisation within the hierarchy is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of each relevant asset/liability.

The Company is required to utilise the available market price as the Currency Securities are quoted and actively traded on the open market. Therefore Currency Securities are classified as Level 1 financial liabilities.

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#### 6. Fair Value Hierarchy (continued)

The Company's rights in respect of Currency Transactions relate to its contractual obligations to issue and redeem Currency Securities at set prices on each trading day. These prices are based on an agreed formula (set out in the Prospectus), and are equal to the published NAVs of each class of Currency Security. Therefore, Currency Transactions are classified as level 2 financial assets, as the Company's asset is calculated using third party pricing sources supported by observable, verifiable inputs.

The categorisation of the Company's assets and (liabilities) are as shown below:

	Period ended 30 June 2019 Unaudited USD	Year ended 31 December 2018 Audited USD
Level 1 Currency Securities	(461,961,270)	(454,137,737)
Level 2 Currency Transactions	462,591,376	454,982,175

The Currency Securities and the Currency Transactions are recognised at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition in line with the Company's accounting policy. There are no assets or liabilities classified in level 3. There were no reclassifications during the period.

#### 7. Related Party Disclosures

Entities and individuals which have a significant influence over the Company, either through ownership or by virtue of being a director of the Company, are related parties.

Fees charged by ManJer during the period:

	Period ended	Period ended 30 June	
	2019 Unaudited	2018 Unaudited	
	USD	USD	
ManJer Fees	1,356,385	1,705,174	

The following balances were due to ManJer at the period/year end:

As at	
30 June 2019	31 December 2018
Unaudited	Audited
USD	USD
456,173	476,183

At 30 June 2019, USD 3 is receivable from ManJer (31 December 2017: USD 3).

As disclosed in the Directors' Report, ManJer paid directors' fees in respect of the Company of GBP 8,000 (30 June 2018: GBP 5,750).

Hilary Jones and Steven Ross are directors of R&H Fund Services (Jersey) Limited ("R&H"), the administrator. During the period, R&H charged ManJer administration fees in respect of the Company of GBP 62,500 (30 June 2018: GBP 56,750), of which GBP 31,250 (30 June 2018: GBP 31,250) was outstanding at the period end.

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# 8. Events Occurring After the Reporting Period

There have been no significant events since the reporting period that require disclosure

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