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# VALUE PARTNERS ETFS TRUST (the "Trust")

a Hong Kong umbrella unit trust authorised under Section 104 of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of the laws of Hong Kong

# VALUE CHINA A-SHARE ETF

(the "Sub-Fund")

RMB Counter Stock Code: 83095 HKD Counter Stock Code: 03095

# DISTRIBUTION ANNOUNCEMENT

Further to the Announcement and Notice dated 24 July 2020 and titled "Announcement and Notice of the Proposed Cessation of Trading, Termination, Voluntary Deauthorisation and

Delisting and Non-Applicability of Certain Provisions of the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds" (the "**First Announcement**"), this Announcement and Notice is to inform Relevant Investors of the Distribution per Unit of the Sub-Fund as follows:

	Distribution (in RMB)	Distribution per Unit (in RMB) (Rounded down to 4 Decimal Places)
HKD counter and RMB counter	RMB 57,156,902.89	RMB 7.1446

The Distribution for the Sub-Fund will be paid to the accounts maintained with CCASS of the relevant financial intermediaries and stockbrokers through whom the Relevant Investors held Units on 31 August 2020 (i.e. the Distribution Record Date). It is expected that the Relevant Investors will receive the Distribution on or around 25 September 2020, but the exact timing may vary between different stockbrokers and financial intermediaries. Each Relevant Investor should therefore contact his stockbrokers or financial intermediaries in relation to the payment of the Distribution from them.

The Manager will also update investors by further announcements as and when appropriate in accordance with the applicable regulatory requirements, including: (a) an announcement by 7 December 2020 if (i) a Further Distribution will be paid upon PRC tax clearance (and the amount per Unit and the further distribution date, if applicable), or (ii) PRC tax clearance is not obtained by such date (and an update on this); (b) an announcement prior to Further Distribution (if any) to inform the investors the amount of Further Distribution per Unit; and (c) an announcement on or shortly before the Termination Date to inform investors about the Termination Date, the dates for the deauthorisation and the delisting.

IMPORTANT NOTES: Stockbrokers and financial intermediaries are urged to forward a copy of this Announcement and Notice to their clients holding Units in the Sub-Fund, and inform them of the contents of this Announcement and Notice as soon as possible. Relevant Investors should contact their stockbrokers and financial intermediaries in relation to the payment of the Distribution from them. Investors should exercise caution and consult with their professional and financial advisers before dealing in the Units or otherwise deciding on the course of actions to be taken in relation to their Units.

Reference is made to the Announcement and Notice dated 24 July 2020 titled "Announcement and Notice of the Proposed Cessation of Trading, Termination, Voluntary Deauthorisation and Delisting and Non-Applicability of Certain Provisions of the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds" (the "**First Announcement**") issued by Value Partners Hong Kong Limited (the "**Manager**"), the manager of the Trust and the Sub-Fund.

Capitalised terms not defined in this Announcement and Notice shall have the same meanings as defined in the First Announcement.

The purpose of this Announcement and Notice is to inform the Relevant Investors of the Distribution. Relevant Investors, as defined in the First Announcement, mean those investors who remain invested in the Sub-Fund as of 31 August 2020, being the Distribution Record Date.

# 1. <u>Distribution amount</u>

As disclosed in the First Announcement, the Manager will, after having consulted the Trustee and the Sub-Fund's auditors, declare a Distribution for the Sub-Fund in respect of the Relevant Investors (i.e. those investors remain so as at the Distribution Record Date).

On the above basis, the Manager, after having consulted the Trustee and the Sub-Fund' auditors, has resolved to approve that Distribution of the following amount shall be paid in cash by the Sub-Fund in the form of a Distribution to the Relevant Investors of the Sub-Fund:

	Distribution (in RMB)	Distribution per Unit (in RMB) (Rounded down to 4 Decimal Places)
HKD counter and RMB counter	RMB 57,156,902.89	RMB 7.1446

The amount of Distribution equals the value of net proceeds from the realisation of the assets of the Sub-Fund as at 1 September 2020, excluding (i) the amount of PRC tax payable as determined by the Manager in accordance with the Sub-Fund's current tax provisioning policy and in consultation with the PRC tax advisers (the final amount is subject to the discretion of the PRC tax authorities); (ii) the Provision; (iii) any other taxes payable; and (iv) any expenses payables.

The Distribution per Unit for the Sub-Fund was determined on the basis of the total amount of Distribution (as described above) and rounded down to 4 decimal places. Each Relevant Investor will be entitled to the amount of Distribution in proportion to the Relevant Investor's Units in the Sub-Fund as at the Distribution Record Date.

The Manager expects to obtain PRC tax clearance in around November 2020. Upon obtaining PRC tax clearance, should the final PRC tax amount be lower than that as determined by the Manager in consultation with the PRC tax advisers, the surplus will be paid to Relevant Investors in around December 2020 ("**Further Distribution**"). The Manager will make a further announcement by 7 December 2020:

- (i) if a Further Distribution is payable, to inform the Relevant Investors of the amount of Further Distribution per Unit and the further distribution date; or
- (ii) if PRC tax clearance is not obtained by such date, to inform the Relevant Investors of this fact and to provide an estimated time of PRC tax clearance and/or refund (as the case may be).

If the final PRC tax amount is higher than that as determined by the Manager in consultation with the PRC tax advisers, the shortfall will be borne by the Manager. Investors should note that the termination and deauthorisation of the Trust and the Sub-Fund and the delisting of the Sub-Fund is subject to PRC tax clearance.

Notwithstanding the above, the Manager does not expect or anticipate there will be a Further Distribution after the Distribution and in the event that no Further Distribution is payable, a statement to this effect will be included in the announcement informing investors about the Termination Date, Deauthorisation Date and the date for the delisting of the Sub-Fund to be published on or shortly before the Termination Date.

# 2. <u>Distribution Payment</u>

The Distribution for the Sub-Fund will be paid to the accounts maintained with CCASS of the relevant financial intermediaries and stockbrokers through whom the Relevant Investors held Units on 31 August 2020 (i.e. the Distribution Record Date). It is expected that the Relevant Investors will receive the Distribution on or around 25 September 2020, but the exact timing may vary between different stockbrokers and financial intermediaries. Each Relevant Investor should contact his stockbrokers or financial intermediaries in relation to the payment arrangements, including payment procedures and settlement date, of the Distribution from them.

Distribution to the extent of distribution of profits and/or capital of the Trust and the Sub-Fund should generally not be subject to Hong Kong profits tax by investors in Hong Kong (whether by way of withholding or otherwise). For investors carrying on a trade, profession or business in Hong Kong, profits derived in redemption or disposal of Units in the Sub-Fund may be subject to Hong Kong profits tax if the profits in question arise in or are derived from such trade, profession or business, sourced in Hong Kong, as well as the Units of the Sub-Fund are revenue assets of the investors.

Investors should consult their professional tax advisers for tax advice.

IMPORTANT NOTES: Stockbrokers and financial intermediaries are urged to forward a copy of this Announcement and Notice to their clients holding Units in the Sub-Fund, and inform them of the contents of this Announcement and Notice as soon as possible. Relevant Investors should contact their stockbrokers and financial intermediaries in relation to the payment arrangements, including payment procedures and settlement date, of the Distribution from them.

Investors are strongly advised to read and consider the First Announcement together with the Prospectus, for further details in relation to the Sub-Fund, the termination, Deauthorisation and Delisting and the applicable risk factors and their implications to investors.

#### 3. Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund

Each of the Manager and the Trustee confirms that, the Net Asset Value and Net Asset Value per Unit of the Sub-Fund as at 1 September 2020 were RMB 57,156,902.89 and RMB 7.1446, respectively.

A simple breakdown of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-Fund is as follows:

	As at 1 September 2020
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	RMB 57,754,066.95
Total assets	RMB 57,754,066.95
Liabilities	RMB 597,164.06
Accrued expenses and other payables Total liabilities	RMB 597,164.06
Net Asset Value	RMB 57,156,902.89
Number of Units in issue	8,000,000.00
Net Asset Value per Unit (rounded down to 4 decimal places)	RMB 7.1446
Distribution per Unit (i.e. Net Asset Value per Unit) (rounded down to 4 decimal places)	RMB 7.1446

#### 4. Expenses in relation to the Sub-Fund

On 24 July 2020, Provision in the amount as shown in the first column in the table below were set aside, to discharge part of the costs and expenses associated with the termination of the Sub-Fund:

Amount set aside	Actual Future Costs	Excess
RMB879,000	RMB 779,689.14	RMB 99,310.86

# (the "**Provision**")

As mentioned in the First Announcement, any Future Costs, i.e. any future costs, charges, expenses, claims and demands (including but not limited to any regulatory maintenance costs and the fees payable to any service provider to the Sub-Fund, including the Trustee) that the Trustee and the Manager may incur, during the period commencing immediately following publication of the First Announcement up to and including the Termination Date, in connection with or arising out of the ongoing maintenance of the Trust and the Sub-Fund, to the extent not covered by the Provision, will be borne by the Manager. Conversely, where the Provision is in excess of the actual amount of Future Costs until the Termination Date, such excess will be refunded to the Relevant Investors as part of a further distribution in proportion to the Relevant Investor's interests in the Sub-Fund as at the Distribution Record Date. For the avoidance of doubt, the Future Costs do not include transaction costs and any taxes relating to the realisation of assets of the Sub-Fund.

The actual Future Costs incurred and borne by the Sub-Fund during the period from the time after the First Announcement has been published up to 1 September 2020 are shown in the second column in the table above. Each of the Manager and the Trustee confirms that, as of 1 September, all Future Costs in respect of the Trust and the Sub-Fund (including the amount expected to be incurred up to the Termination Date) have been fully accounted for and there will be no further liabilities accruing to the Sub-Fund.

Taking into account the best interests of the Unitholders, the Manager has decided that the Provision in excess of the actual amount of Future Costs from the time after the First Announcement has been published up to 1 September 2020 (as shown in the last column in the table above) will be refunded to the Relevant Investors as part of the Distribution (rather than as part of a further distribution) in proportion to the Relevant Investor's interests in the Sub-Fund as at the Distribution Record Date. The Trustee does not have any objection to such an arrangement.

In the unlikely event that there are additional Future Costs, the Manager will continue to bear the shortfall.

#### 5. <u>Further announcements</u>

The Manager may also update investors by the following further announcements:

- (by 7 December 2020, if PRC tax clearance is not obtained by end of November 2020) an announcement to inform the investors of this fact and to provide an estimated time of PRC tax clearance and/or refund (as the case may be);
- (prior to Further Distribution, if any) an announcement to inform the investors the amount of Further Distribution per Unit and the further distribution date; and
- (on or shortly before the Termination Date) an announcement informing investors about the Termination Date, Deauthorisation Date and the date for the delisting of the Sub-Fund,

in accordance with the applicable regulatory requirements. If there is any change to the dates mentioned in the First Announcement, the Manager will issue an announcement to inform the Relevant Investors of the revised dates.

Investors should exercise caution and consult with their professional and financial advisers before dealing in the Units or otherwise deciding on the course of actions to be taken in relation to their Units.

# 6. Enquiries

If you have any questions in relation to the contents of this Announcement and Notice, please direct them to your stockbrokers or financial intermediaries or contact the Manager by calling (852) 2143 0628 during office hours which are from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (except Hong Kong statutory holidays), or visiting the website <a href="https://www.valueETF.com.hk/eng/value-china-a-share-etf.html">https://www.valueETF.com.hk/eng/value-china-a-share-etf.html</a><sup>1</sup>.

# Value Partners Hong Kong Limited

as Manager of the Trust and the Sub-Fund

# 24 September 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The website has not been reviewed by the SFC.