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# S&P Dow Jones Indices Appointed by Korea Exchange and Taiwan Index Plus to Calculate a New Custom Index

HONG KONG, SEP 8, 2017: S&P Dow Jones Indices ("SPDJI"), one of the world's leading index providers, today announced that it has been appointed by Korea Exchange and Taiwan Index Plus Corporation as the custom calculation agent for the Korea/Taiwan IT Premier Index. The Index is a thematic, rules-based allocation strategy that tracks high capital gain and dividend yield in the Korea and Taiwan IT markets respectively.

"We are proud to support Korea Exchange and Taiwan Index Plus in calculating this custom benchmark," said **Marius Baumann, Global Head of Custom Indices at S&P Dow Jones Indices.** "S&P Dow Jones Indices has extensive experience as a custom calculation agent, and we are excited to bring this level of knowledge to the new Korea/Taiwan IT Premier Index."

The Korea /Taiwan IT Premier index comprises of GICS<sup>®</sup> 45 Information Technology common stocks that have stock future contract listed in the Korea Exchange or Taiwan Futures Exchange. This is the first cross-border index jointly complied by the Korea Exchange and Taiwan Index Plus.

"The Korea/Taiwan IT Premier Index is the first IT index that represents major players in the IT industries in Asia," said **Matt Juyong Kim, Head of Index Research and Development of Korea Exchange**. "We have established a working relationship with S&P Dow Jones Indices since 2008 and we are very happy to work with SPDJI to bring this innovative index to market participants in Asia."

"We are delighted to select S&P Dow Jones Indices as the calculation agent for the Korea-Taiwan IT Premier Index. With Korea's high capital gains along with Taiwan's high dividend yield, this IT index can achieve high performance while diversifying risks," said **William Chen, Head of Index Research and Development of Taiwan Index Plus.** 

S&P Dow Jones Indices provides unparalleled services in the design, construction, management and distribution of custom indices. Drawing on our knowledge and a global database of tens of thousands of individual stocks, S&P Dow Jones Indices provides an independent and flexible service, enabling clients to purposefully design an index to meet their specific requirements across equity, commodity, and fixed income asset classes.

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