

## Evolve Innovation Index ETF

EDGE provides investors with access to global companies that are involved in innovative or disruptive trends across a broad range of industries.

As at December 31, 2018



**TICKER:** EDGE (Hedged)

### MACROECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS:

- Launched on May 2, 2018, EDGE tracks a benchmark index designed to expose investors to returns in six sectors: big data and cloud computing, robotics and automation, cyber security, automotive innovation, social media, and genomics.
- While each of these sectors continued to grow during the year on the back of innovation and increasing demand, market volatility weighed heavily on their performance.
- Over the year, big data and cloud computing remained the lifeblood for businesses, enabling digital transformation and storage of data; robotics and automation benefited from the growing use of artificial intelligence and its application across a growing range of sectors; and cyber security remained a huge threat on the back of increasing cybercrime, resulting in higher levels of spending by businesses.
- The automotive sector was dominated by electric cars, with innovation supporting the emergence of autonomous cars; while genomics benefited from innovative developments in technology. On the other hand, social media was faced with serious challenges stemming from privacy issues and cybercrime.

### PORTFOLIO ATTRIBUTION:

Workday Inc. Class A was the best performing stock in the ETF with a gain of 34.6%, followed by Qualcomm Inc. which returned 22.2%.

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