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FLEXSHARES EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS

The FlexShares Global Quality Real Estate Index Fund, or GQRE, attempts to provide investors with a quality equity portfolio that provides exposure to the long-term capital growth potential of global real estate. We built the GQRE Fund through a three step process.

First, we develop a composite score ranking. We take real estate assets in developed US and international markets, including rates and real estate operating companies and assess their momentum, valuation, and quality score, to develop an enhanced quality score. We then divide the securities into regional quintiles. One for the highest ranked stocks to five for the lowest ranked ones, which are then excluded from the fund.

Next, we apply diversification controls, with the goal for the fund to be properly diversified. This includes overweight, underweight, maximums for single securities, industry groups, region, country, and style exposure. We also minimize style exposure and rebalance on a quarterly basis with a maximum targeted turnover of 12% to 15%.

Finally, using our internal optimization process, we seek to optimize the fund, evaluating the enhanced quality score, portfolio guidelines, tracking error, benchmark comparisons, and other optimization measures. To learn more about the FlexShares Global Quality Real Estate Index Fund, visit FlexShares.com/funds/gqre.



Before investing consider the Fund's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses. Go to flexshares.com for a prospectus containing this information. Read it carefully. Foreside Fund Services, LLC, distributor.

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