**SIMPLIFIED PROSPECTUS** 

# Tracker Certificate

Underlying: Asian Prosperity Redemption: Open-ended

This product is not a collective investment within the meaning of the Swiss Federal Investment Fund Act and is not subject to the authorization or supervision of the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA). Investors are also exposed to the risk of insolvency of the issuer. This certificate is actively managed on a discretionary basis and has a dynamic structure.

## 1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

# Certificate details

Sec. No. / ISIN / Symbol

38 311 088 / CH0383110886 / No listing planned

Issuer and Lead Manager

Banque Cantonale Vaudoise, Lausanne, Switzerland (S&P AA/stable)

Prudential supervision

BCV, Lausanne, Switzerland is subject to prudential supervision by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA).

Paying agent

Banque Cantonale Vaudoise, Lausanne

Calculation agent

Banque Cantonale Vaudoise, Lausanne

**Investment Manager** 

Piguet Galland & Cie SA, 41 Avenue Peschier 1206 Genève. Piguet Galland & Cie SA is subject to prudential supervision by FINMA.

See the basket composition section on page three for details on the securities included in the basket.

Underlying asset Management method

Discretionary and Dynamic

**Conversation Ratio** 

1 Certificate = 1 basket

Issue volume

200 000 Certificates (includes an increase and reopening clause)

Minimum Investment

1 Certificate

Base currency USD

USD 100.00

Issue price Reference price

USD 100.00

Distribution fees

No distribution fees

Initial fixing date

04 October 2017 (05 October 2017 for Asia and Oceania)

Payment date

11 October 2017

Effective termination date/

Final fixing date

Open End

Redemption date

The 6th business day following the termination date set by either the investor or the Issuer (barring extraordinary market situations and emergencies).

Product description

This USD-denominated Certificate comprises a selection of min 7 stocks, together with a cash component in USD (see definition below). The selection reflects the Investment Manager's investment strategy.

The Certificate is open-ended, which means that the maturity date is not fixed at issue. The Certificate matures when either the issuer or the investor exercises his/her termination rights ("effective termination date"), subject to the notice periods set out herein.

Definition of the "cash component"

The cash component is denominated in USD and is an integral part of the underlying basket.

The cash component does not pay out interest, but it could generate negative interest.

SSPA category

Investment product - Tracker Certificate (1300), according to the Swiss Derivative Map available at www.svsp-verband.ch

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Management fees

1.00% p.a. (between 0.65% p.a. and 0.75% p.a. for the Issuer and between 0.35% p.a. and 0.25% p.a. for the Investment Manager) to be deducted on a pro rata basis from the cash component. If the amount available in the cash component is insufficient to cover the management fee, the weightings of the securities will be adjusted in order to cover this fee. Adjusting the weighting of a security, either up or down, counts as a rebalancing.

Transaction costs at rebalancing 0.10% by rebalancing calculated on the rebalanced nominal amount (including currency swap transactions) and 0.15% for the portion of the rebalancing processed in CNY.

Roles and responsibilities

The Investment Manager selects the securities in the basket, as well as the weighting of the securities and any cash component, in accordance with the investment universe and rules (see below).

The Certificate's performance therefore depends on the quality of the Investment Manager's investment decisions. The Investment Manager takes full responsibility for the composition of the basket and its impact on the Certificate's performance.

The Issuer shall execute the buy and/or sell orders necessary to issue or rebalance the Certificate on a best effort basis.

Investment universe

The securities in the basket may belong to the following asset classes: equities or ETFs on equities. The securities must be listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange or a foreign stock exchange with equivalent regulations.

Investors can obtain information about the investment strategy free of charge from the Investment Manager.

Management rules

- 1. The Investment Manager may rebalance the basket no more than 30 times per year.
- The basket shall contain at least 7 stocks but no more than 40 stocks and a USD cash
- Stocks in the basket shall be denominated in CHF, GBP, USD, EUR, AUD, NZD, JPY, SGD, HKD, KWR, THB, MYR or CNY.
- 4. A currency hedge can be taken out (default 3 months for swaps) or wound up during the lifetime of the product, as the Investment Manager sees fit. Non-deliverable currencies cannot be hedged.
- 5. The minimum market capitalization of the companies must be USD 0.5bn.
- 6. The cash component may not exceed 50% of the total nominal amount invested. The cash component does not pay out interest, but it could generate negative interest.
- The weighting of collective investments (such as an investment fund or an ETF) not authorized for distribution in Switzerland, or reserved for qualified investors, must not exceed 1/3 of the overall value of the Certificate at each rebalancing
- During a rebalancing event, the weighting of a new stock may not exceed more than half of the average daily volume traded during the last 5 days.
- During the Certificate's lifetime, dividends (net of any taxes and fees) will be reinvested in the respective stocks.
- 10. Any technique intended to create a leverage in the basket is prohibited.

Investment restrictions

If a stock cannot be traded for liquidity reasons or if it is impossible to execute a transaction for technical reasons, it may take the Issuer some days to implement the Investment Manager's investment decisions. Based on these elements only, no guarantee can be made as to whether investment decisions will be implemented on the same day that instructions are received.

The Issuer reserves the right to refuse to execute a buy order if the security in question is subject to an investment restriction. Securities with an investment restriction include companies that represent a reputational risk for the Issuer and companies that are not in keeping with the Issuer's code of conduct (for instance, the Issuer does not currently invest in any company involved in cluster

If a selected security no longer complies with the investment restrictions set by the Issuer, the security must be replaced at the next rebalancing.

Basket composition

The current composition of the basket is on the last page of this document.



# Terms and conditions

Changes that are unplanned or not agreed Information about any changes that are unplanned or not agreed contractually (e.g.,capital transactions that affect the underlying assets such as splits, par-value reimbursements or conversions) shall be provided at www.bcv.ch/invest.

To be informed of these changes directly, you can sign up on the website and add this product to your favorites. You will then receive alerts concerning the product by email.

Redemption of Certificate

The redemption amount in USD will be calculated by:

- Multiplying the average price of each security at the final fixing by the quantity of each security in the basket;
- Converting securities not denominated in USD at the exchange rate set by the Issuer at the final fixing; and
- Adding the total amount remaining in the cash component.

The formula is as follows:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} n_i \times P_i \times X_i + C$$

where  $P_i$  is the average sale price of security i during the final fixing period on the reference exchange

 $n_i$  is the number of security  $_i$  in the basket during the final fixing period

X<sub>i</sub> is the exchange rate between the currency of security i and USD

N is the total number of securities in the basket

C is the amount of the cash component per Certificate

Liquidity risk at the moment of redemption

If daily liquidity strongly influences the sale of the component stocks of the Certificate, the issuer reserves the right to place sale orders over several days in order to prevent repercussions on the redemption price of the Certificate.

Issuer's right of termination

The Issuer has the right to terminate all Tracker Certificates in circulation at any time, but no earlier than 9 months after the issue date (please note that if the total number of Certificates in circulation falls below 2,000, the Issuer will automatically undertake redemption of all Certificates). The termination must be announced at least 1 month prior to the effective termination date. The redemption amount will be calculated on the effective termination date.

If during the product's lifetime the Certificate's price drops to 25% or below, the Issuer may also immediately terminate the Tracker Certificates without prior notice. The effective termination date shall be announced as soon as possible.

Investor's right of termination

Investors may sell their Tracker Certificates on the secondary market. They also have the right to terminate any or all of the Certificates they hold provided that the Issuer has not already exercised its right of termination. The investor may do so once per quarter, on the last Tuesday of the quarter, but no earlier than 9 months after the issue date. The notice of termination must be sent to the calculation agent at least 1 month before the effective termination date, in line with the termination procedure set out below. The redemption amount will be calculated on the effective termination date.

Termination procedure for investors

For the investor's termination to be valid, the Issuer must not have already exercised its right of termination, and the termination notice must be received by the calculation agent at least 1 month before the effective termination date. This notice may be made via mail or email to the addresses provided under "Contact information: product redemption."

The investor's custodian bank must include the following information in its message to the calculation

- name, address and clearing number
- the Tracker Certificate's security number
- the number of Tracker Certificates involved
- the effective termination date (must be at least 1 month after the notice is received by the Issuer)

The calculation agent will confirm the termination to the investor's custodian bank, specifying in particular the effective termination date.

# Secondary market, Listing and Clearing

Listing, market segment Secondary market No listing on the SIX Swiss Exchange.

Reuters BCVINDEX <BCVDERIVATIVES>, SIX Telekurs 38311088, BCV (the price is calculated once per business day).

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# Secondary market

Subject to the investment restrictions, trading in the Certificate takes place once a day. Orders placed before 11am (on day T) will be processed starting at 11am, as the various markets open (Europe and the USA on day T, Asia and Oceania on day T+1). Orders placed after 11am will be processed the following day in accordance with the same procedure.

# Clearing

SIX SIS SA

#### Certification

The security takes the form of a book-entry security registered in the SIX SIS SA clearing system. It is not materialized, and individual securities will therefore not be printed or delivered.

#### **Taxation**

#### Tax disclaimer

This tax information provides only a general overview of possible tax consequences related to this product on its issue date. Laws and tax practices can change with retroactive effect.

Investors should always consult with their tax advisor for a specific evaluation of their profile before carrying out any transaction.

#### Switzerland

For individuals whose tax domicile is in Switzerland and who hold these investments as part of their private assets, any gains resulting from the sale of certificates are considered capital gains. Capital gains do not currently constitute taxable income.

Reinvested dividends do constitute taxable income.

The product is not subject to Swiss withholding tax, Swiss federal stamp duty or stamp duty at issue.

#### US tax regulations

Any income that is generated by this product and considered a "dividend equivalent payment" within the meaning of Section 871(m) of the US Internal Revenue Code may be subject to a withholding tax, pursuant in particular to the Qualified Intermediary (QI) Agreement and Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA). BCV shall levy the tax in accordance with the terms of the legislation, and all payments arising from this product will then be made to investors net of the withheld amount. Neither BCV, nor a paying agent, nor any other third party shall be required to refund the amounts withheld on interest payments, redemptions, or any other payments arising from this product, as a result of applying Section 871(m) of the Internal Revenue Code. Investors will therefore generate less income than they would have generated without such a deduction.

# Legal information

## Applicable law and jurisdiction

Lausanne, Swiss law.

## Prospectus

This document is not an issue prospectus within the meaning of Articles 652a and 1156 of the Swiss Code of Obligations. This document serves as a simplified prospectus pursuant to the provisions of Article 5.2 of the Swiss Federal Investment Fund Act and can be obtained free of charge from BCV at the web and mailing addresses below.

# **Investment Manager**

The Investment Manager is not an agent, representative or associate of BCV, BCV is not an agent, representative, associate or guarantor of the Investment Manager, and BCV cannot be held liable to any third party on the basis of the Investment Manager's activities.

# 2. PROFIT AND LOSS EXPECTATIONS

Market forecast

This Certificate is designed to take advantage of a rise in the valuation of companies included in the basket.

Potential profit

During the product's lifetime, holders of the Certificate can earn a profit if the product's market price is greater than its issue price. The potential return on the Certificate at the final fixing is comparable to the return on the underlying assets and directly depends on the quality of the investment decisions made by the Investment Manager.

Potential loss

A loss may be realized if the product is sold during its lifetime or if it is redeemed at less than the issue price at the final fixing.

If underlying securities are not denominated in the Certificate's reference currency, and if the Investment Manager decides to not fully hedge the exchange-rate risk, an unfavorable movement in exchange rates may decrease the price of the Certificate.

The Investment Manager assumes full responsibility for selecting the initial composition of the basket and for the subsequent rebalancings. The Issuer is not in any way responsible for the impact that these choices may have on the value of the Certificate or any losses that may affect investors.

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Scenario

Basket Performance in USD (net of product fees)	Redemption amount (per Certificate)
25.00%	125.00
10.00%	110.00
0.00%	100.00
-5.00%	95.00
-10.00%	90.00
-25.00%	75.00

#### 3. SIGNIFICANT RISKS INCURRED BY THE INVESTOR

Risk tolerance

The risks are comparable to those of a direct investment in the underlying basket of securities: price movements, holding-period risk, price volatility, etc.

The risks inherent in certain investments, particularly derivatives, may not be suitable for all Investors. Before conducting any transaction, investors should evaluate their risk profile and seek information from their advisor on inherent risks, and are urged to read the Swissbanking brochure "Special Risks in Securities Trading."

Issuer risk: Investors are exposed to the risk of insolvency of the Issuer, which could lead to a partial or total loss of the invested capital.

Whether an investment product retains its value does not depend solely on the performance of the underlying asset(s) but also on the solvency of the Issuer, which may change during the product's lifetime.

The rating stated in this document for the Issuer was valid at the time of issuance and may change during the product's lifetime.

Market liquidity

Under special market conditions, if the Issuer is unable to enter into hedging transactions, or if such transactions prove difficult, the spread between bid and ask prices may be temporarily expanded in order to limit the economic risks for the Issuer.

Market risk

Investors are exposed to the risks of underlying adjustment, non-convertibility, extraordinary market situations, and emergencies, such as the suspension of listing of the underlying, trading restrictions, and any other measures materially restricting the tradability of the underlying securities.

Investors are subject to the legal and contractual obligations of the markets on which the underlying is traded and on the markets that the Issuer designates or is subject to. Such market events could affect the dates and other terms and conditions contained in this document.

Currency risk

Investors whose reference currency is not the base currency for the product should be aware of the exchange-rate risk.

Adjustments

The Issuer reserves the right to adjust the composition of the Certificate in case of special events affecting one or more of the securities in the basket, including but not limited to a merger, acquisition or severe restriction on tradability. In the interests of investors, adjustments will be made in accordance with current market practices.

# Important information

General information

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upon request.



