

» Fund Objective

This exchange-traded fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield (before the fund's fees and expenses) of an equity index called the NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index.

» Fund Facts

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| Fund Ticker | FGM |
| CUSIP | 33737J190 |
| Intraday NAV | FGMIV |
| Fund Inception Date | 2/14/12 |
| Expense Ratio | 0.80% |
| Rebalance Frequency | Semi-Annual |
| Primary Listing | Nasdaq |

» Index Facts

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| Index Ticker | NQDXDEN |
| Index Inception Date | 12/15/14 |

» Index Description

- » The NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index is an “enhanced” index created and administered by Nasdaq, Inc. (“Nasdaq”) which employs the AlphaDEX® stock selection methodology to select stocks from the NASDAQ Germany Index that meet certain criteria.
- » Nasdaq constructs the NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index by ranking the eligible stocks from the NASDAQ Germany Index on growth factors including 3-, 6- and 12- month price appreciation, sales to price and one year sales growth, and separately on value factors including book value to price, cash flow to price and return on assets. All stocks are ranked on the sum of ranks for the growth factors and, separately, all stocks are ranked on the sum of ranks for the value factors. A stock must have data for all growth and/or value factors to receive a rank for that style.
- » Each stock receives the best style rank from the previous step as its selection score.
- » The top 40 stocks based on the selection score determined in the previous step comprise the “selected stocks”. The selected stocks are divided into quintiles based on their rankings and the top ranked quintiles receive a higher weight within the index. The stocks are equally-weighted within each quintile.
- » Each stock is then tested in order of its selection score rank to check if the weight assigned to that stock is outside the sector weighting constraints, which are set at 15% above the benchmark weight.
 - If the weight assigned to the stock, when added with the weight assigned to all higher ranking stocks in its sector, is greater than the constraint, then the stock's weight is lowered to the highest rank in the next quintile. Stocks previously lower in rank then move up one rank. Such stocks in the lowest quintile that violate a constraint are removed from the portfolio and replaced by the highest scoring stock not originally selected, subject to sector constraints. This process continues until all the sector weightings meet the constraint.
- » The index is reconstituted and rebalanced semi-annually.

» Performance Summary (%)¹

| | Quarter | YTD | 1 Year | 3 Years | 5 Years | 10 Years | Since Inception |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------|
| Fund Performance* | | | | | | | |
| Net Asset Value (NAV) | -18.96 | -25.40 | -25.40 | 2.97 | -0.32 | — | 5.11 |
| After Tax Held | -18.96 | -25.94 | -25.94 | 2.17 | -1.03 | — | 4.36 |
| After Tax Sold | -11.22 | -14.97 | -14.97 | 1.95 | -0.53 | — | 3.67 |
| Market Price | -18.47 | -25.02 | -25.02 | 3.25 | -0.55 | — | 5.15 |
| Index Performance** | | | | | | | |
| NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index | -19.04 | -25.36 | -25.36 | 3.15 | — | — | — |
| MSCI Germany Index | -15.48 | -22.17 | -22.17 | 0.70 | -2.13 | — | 4.33 |
| NASDAQ Germany Index | -16.47 | -23.57 | -23.57 | -0.07 | -2.17 | — | — |

» Calendar Year Total Returns (%)¹

| | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|--------|-------|------|-------|--------|
| FGM | — | — | — | — | — | 26.61 | -11.60 | 1.94 | 1.67 | 43.96 | -25.40 |
| MSCI Germany Index | — | — | — | — | — | 31.37 | -10.36 | -1.89 | 2.75 | 27.70 | -22.17 |
| NASDAQ Germany Index | — | — | — | — | — | 30.92 | -9.89 | -0.37 | 2.38 | 27.53 | -23.57 |

» 3-Year Statistics¹

| | Standard Deviation (%) | Alpha | Beta | Sharpe Ratio | Correlation |
|----------------------|------------------------|-------|------|--------------|-------------|
| FGM | 16.22 | 3.10 | 0.99 | 0.20 | 0.96 |
| MSCI Germany Index | 15.38 | 0.73 | 0.98 | 0.06 | 1.00 |
| NASDAQ Germany Index | 15.65 | — | 1.00 | 0.01 | 1.00 |

Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results and current performance may be higher or lower than performance quoted. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate and shares when sold or redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. You can obtain performance information which is current through the most recent month-end by visiting www.ftportfolios.com.

¹On July 14, 2015, the fund's underlying index changed from the Defined Germany Index to the NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index. Therefore, the fund's performance and historical returns shown for the periods prior to this date are not necessarily indicative of the performance that the fund, based on its current index, would have generated.

*NAV returns are based on the fund's net asset value which represents the fund's net assets (assets less liabilities) divided by the fund's outstanding shares. **After Tax Held** returns represent return after taxes on distributions. Assumes shares have not been sold. **After Tax Sold** returns represent the return after taxes on distributions and the sale of fund shares. Returns do not represent the returns you would receive if you traded shares at other times. **Market Price** returns are based on the midpoint of the bid/ask spread on the stock exchange on which shares of the fund are listed for trading as of the time that the fund's NAV is calculated. Returns are average annualized total returns, except those for periods of less than one year, which are cumulative. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on the investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. The after-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements such as 401(k) plans or individual retirement accounts.

**Performance information for the NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index is for illustrative purposes only and does not represent actual fund performance. Indexes do not charge management fees or brokerage expenses, and no such fees or expenses were deducted from the performance shown. Indexes are unmanaged and an investor cannot invest directly in an index.

>> Portfolio Information

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| Number Of Holdings | 40 |
| Maximum Market Cap. | \$119.16 Billion |
| Median Market Cap. | \$9.48 Billion |
| Minimum Market Cap. | \$2.22 Billion |
| Price/Earnings | 9.25 |
| Price/Book | 1.39 |
| Price/Cash Flow | 6.55 |
| Price/Sales | 0.81 |

>> Top Holdings (%)

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|------------------------------|------|
| LEG Immobilien AG | 4.88 |
| Wirecard AG | 4.80 |
| Deutsche Lufthansa AG | 4.77 |
| Porsche Automobil Holding SE | 4.72 |
| Grand City Properties S.A. | 4.25 |
| MorphoSys AG | 4.22 |
| Volkswagen AG | 3.90 |
| Deutsche Wohnen AG | 3.85 |
| MTU Aero Engines AG | 3.84 |
| Nemetschek AG | 3.70 |

>> Top Sector Exposure (%)

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Consumer Discretionary | 22.57 |
| Industrials | 18.24 |
| Real Estate | 15.94 |
| Health Care | 11.85 |
| Materials | 10.34 |
| Information Technology | 9.41 |
| Financials | 3.95 |
| Communication Services | 3.87 |
| Utilities | 3.83 |

You should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing. Contact First Trust Portfolios L.P. at 1-800-621-1675 or visit www.ftportfolios.com to obtain a prospectus or summary prospectus which contains this and other information about the fund. The prospectus or summary prospectus should be read carefully before investing.

ETF Characteristics

The fund lists and principally trades its shares on The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC.

The fund's return may not match the return of the NASDAQ AlphaDEX® Germany Index. Securities held by the fund will generally not be bought or sold in response to market fluctuations.

Investors buying or selling fund shares on the secondary market may incur customary brokerage commissions. Market prices may differ to some degree from the net asset value of the shares. Investors who sell fund shares may receive less than the share's net asset value. Shares may be sold throughout the day on the exchange through any brokerage account. However, unlike mutual funds, shares may only be redeemed directly from the fund by authorized participants, in very large creation/redemption units. If the fund's authorized participants are unable to proceed with creation/redemption orders and no other authorized participant is able to step forward to create or redeem, fund shares may trade at a discount to the fund's net asset value and possibly face delisting.

Risk Considerations

The fund's shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the fund. One of the principal risks of investing in the fund is market risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular stock owned by the fund, fund shares or stocks in general may fall in value. There can be no assurance that the fund's investment objective will be achieved.

The fund may invest in securities issued by companies concentrated in a particular sector which involves additional risks including limited diversification. The fund may invest in small capitalization and mid capitalization companies. Such companies may experience greater price volatility than larger, more established companies.

An investment in a fund containing securities of non-U.S. issuers is subject to additional risks, including currency fluctuations, political risks, withholding, the lack of adequate financial information, and exchange control restrictions impacting non-U.S. issuers.

Investing in securities of German companies involves risks, including significant demographic challenges to sustained long-term growth, low fertility rates and declining net immigration putting pressure on the country's social welfare system, and the costly and time-consuming modernization and integration of the eastern German economy. Additionally, the European sovereign-debt crisis has resulted in a weakened Euro and has put into question the future financial prospects of Germany and the surrounding region.

The fund may invest in depositary receipts which may be less liquid than the underlying shares in their primary trading market. The fund may effect a portion of creations and redemptions for cash, rather than in-kind securities. As a result, the fund may be less tax-efficient.

Changes in currency exchange rates and the relative value of non-US currencies may affect the value of a fund's investments and the value of a fund's shares.

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Definitions

Standard Deviation is a measure of price variability (risk). **Alpha** is an indication of how much an investment outperforms or underperforms on a risk-adjusted basis relative to its benchmark. **Beta** is a measure of price variability relative to the market. **Sharpe Ratio** is a measure of excess reward per unit of volatility. **Correlation** is a measure of the similarity of performance. The **MSCI Germany Index** measures the performance of the German equity market. The **NASDAQ Germany Index** is a float adjusted market capitalization-weighted index designed to track the performance of securities assigned to Germany.

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