

## Media Information

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### **Rise into the MDAX – DWS moves into major German Mid Cap Index**

After exceeding the one-trillion-euro threshold in Assets under Management in the fourth quarter of 2024, DWS' shares have now also made a leap into the MDAX. Yesterday late, Deutsche Börse announced that DWS will be promoted to the Index for medium-sized companies as part of the regular review of the indices. The first trading day of DWS shares in the MDAX will be 24 March 2025.

“The promotion to the MDAX is the result of hard work and disciplined performance by the entire DWS team worldwide. In recent years, DWS has become one of the fastest growing international asset managers in terms of organic growth. We are on track to achieve our financial targets and have set ourselves further ambitious goals for the coming years. This is reflected in the positive development of our share price – and also in our promotion to the next stock exchange league. This is how we take investment expertise to where it belongs,” said Stefan Hoops, CEO of DWS.

In recent years, DWS has delivered more total shareholder return than most traditional asset managers. DWS' special dividend in 2024 also contributed to this. Since its Capital Markets Day in December 2022, DWS delivered a total shareholder return (share price development plus dividend) of 92 percent. During the same period, the DAX rose by 56 percent, the MDAX by 9 percent, the SDAX by nearly 20 percent and the MSCI World by 46 percent.

“We create added value – as fiduciaries for our clients' assets and for our shareholders' investments. Our aspiration is to connect perspectives. We call this #ConnectingTheDots. As one of the most global and diversified asset managers, we are better at this than many others,” explains Hoops on DWS' recipe for success.

The move into the MDAX is likely to lead to further funds and indices including DWS in their portfolio, which empirically should attract even more attention to the share.

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### **About DWS Group**

DWS Group (DWS) with EUR 1,012bn of assets under management (as of 31 December 2024) aspires to be one of the world's leading asset managers. Building on more than 60 years of experience, it has a reputation for excellence in Germany, Europe, the Americas and Asia. DWS is recognized by clients globally as a trusted source for integrated investment solutions, stability and innovation across a full spectrum of investment disciplines.

We offer individuals and institutions access to our strong investment capabilities across all major liquid and illiquid asset classes as well as solutions aligned to growth trends. Our diverse expertise in Active, Passive and Alternatives asset management – as well as our deep environmental, social and governance focus – complement each other when creating targeted solutions for our clients. Our expertise and on-the-ground knowledge of our economists, research analysts and investment professionals are brought together in one consistent global CIO View, giving strategic guidance to our investment approach.

DWS wants to innovate and shape the future of investing. We understand that, both as a corporate as well as a trusted advisor to our clients, we have a crucial role in helping to navigate the transition to a more sustainable future. With approximately 4,700 employees in offices all over the world, we are local while being one global team. We are committed to acting on behalf of our clients and investing with their best interests at heart so that they can reach their financial goals, no matter what the future holds. With our entrepreneurial, collaborative spirit, we work every day to deliver outstanding investment results, in both good and challenging times to build the best foundation for our clients' financial future.

### **Important Note**

This release contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts; they include statements about our beliefs and expectations and the assumptions underlying them. These statements are based on plans, estimates and projections as they are currently available to the management of DWS Group GmbH & Co. KGaA. Forward-looking statements therefore speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update any of them publicly in light of new information or future events.

By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could therefore cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Such factors include the conditions in the financial markets in Germany, in Europe, in the United States and elsewhere from which we derive a substantial portion of our revenues and in which we hold a substantial portion of our assets, the development of asset prices and market volatility, the implementation of our strategic initiatives, the reliability of our risk management policies, procedures and methods, and other risks.