

FTSE South Korea RIC Capped Index futures

South Korea is a strategic equity market at the heart of Asia's technology, manufacturing and export ecosystem and is now a core allocation for global investors.

The **FTSE South Korea RIC Capped Index futures** (FTSE Korea futures) provide U.S. regulated investors with diversified, benchmark-like exposure to Korean equities. They also aim to mitigate certain concentration and regulatory considerations often associated with traditional market-cap-weighted indexes.

The contract is based on the **FTSE South Korea RIC Capped Net Tax Index (USD)**, a purpose-built index designed to preserve regulated investment company (RIC) eligibility and ensure stable, broad-based classification by limiting stock concentration.

As a result, investors can access Korean equities within a better-defined regulatory framework, along with improved diversification, USD denominated exposure and capital efficiency through ICE Futures U.S.

Key benefits

- **Regulatory confidence** – supports broad-based classification and RIC compliance, with features that help address regulatory, operational and reclassification considerations.
- **Diversified exposure** – the index methodology limits single-stock concentration (20% max per constituent), reducing reliance on mega-caps while maintaining broad market exposure.
- **Portfolio continuity** – the index exhibits high correlation and low tracking error relative to standard Korea equity indexes, enabling effective portfolio substitution for hedging.
- **Global accessibility** – USD-denominated and traded during both European and U.S. hours, supporting real-time risk management.
- **Capital efficiency** – centrally cleared with margin offsets across ICE Futures U.S. Equity Index futures, improving capital utilization and enhancing overall portfolio efficiency.



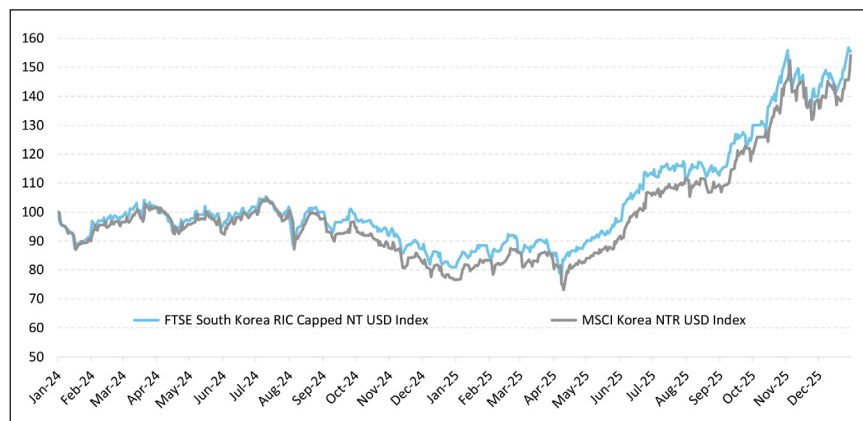
Index in focus

The FTSE South Korea RIC Capped Net Tax Index (USD) is a rules-based benchmark that offers diversified, regulation-aligned exposure to South Korea's equity market.

The index applies a 20/4.5/48 RIC capping framework to meet U.S. RIC requirements. This ensures that no single stock exceeds 20% of the index, and the combined weight of all constituents above 4.5% stays below 48%. As a result, the index offers greater diversification and less concentration than traditional market-cap-weighted indexes.

In accordance with FTSE Global Equity Index Series (GEIS) standards, dividends are reinvested after withholding tax, and all constituents are converted to USD using the WM/Reuters 4:00 p.m. London closing spot FX rate. This approach ensures a transparency and consistency for global investors.

Two-year performance comparison*



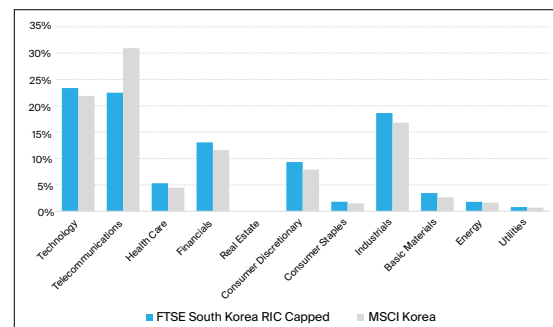
High correlation and low tracking error support portfolio continuity

FTSE South Korea RIC Capped vs. MSCI Korea:
5-year correlation 99.4% /
5-year tracking error 2.8%

Top 5 components*

Security	FTSE South Korea RIC capped	MSCI Korea
Samsung Electronics	19.7%	26.9%
SK Hynix	17.0%	16.4%
Samsung Electronics Pfd.	2.6%	3.6%
KB Financial Group	2.5%	2.5%
Hyundai Motor	2.2%	2.1%
Total weight top 10	53%	60%

Sector profile*



Summary contract specifications

Contract specifications	FTSE South Korea RIC Capped Net Tax Index Futures (USD)
Underlying index	FTSE South Korea RIC Capped Net Tax Index (USD)
Contract size	U.S. \$10 per Index Point
Delivery months	Five (5) months in the March, June, September and December quarterly cycle.
Trading tick size	0.10 Index points, equal to \$1.00 per contract; (Block Trades can be done at 0.001 Index points)
Last trading day	3rd Friday of the delivery month. Ceases at 4:15 p.m. (ET)
Final settlement	Cash settlement to the Official Closing Index value on the last trading day
Delivery date	Second business Day after the LTD
Trading hours	3:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (ET)
Exchange / clearing	ICE Futures U.S. / ICE Clear U.S.
Real time index RIC / ticker	<TRIFTCRKORN> / FTKORN1 Index
Futures code / RIC / Ticker	SKO / O#FSKO: / KORA index

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