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## VanEck to Launch Australia Floating Rate ETF

**Sydney, 20 June 2017 –** VanEck, a world leading provider of exchange traded products, today announced that it is in the final stages of preparations to launch a new ETF on ASX, the VanEck Vectors Australian Floating Rate ETF. The new ETF will trade on ASX under trading code 'FLOT'.

The new ETF is the only one that will offer investors exposure to a diversified portfolio of Australian floating rate notes (FRNs). FLOT will track the market benchmark for Australian FRNs, the Bloomberg AusBond Credit FRN 0+ Yr Index. The Index includes around 200 Australian-issued FRNs from over 80 issuers. A FRN is a type of short-term bond that pays a variable coupon linked to an interest-rate benchmark, usually the bank bill swap rate (BBSW). FRNs are generally investment grade debt which provide investors with returns above cash and term deposit rates.

**Arian Neiron, Managing Director, VanEck Australia, said**, "We are delighted to shortly be offering a passive FRN option for Australian investors. FLOT is designed to be a potential solution for investors who are seeking a defensive source of income with a higher yield than cash investments in an easy-to-access and easily tradeable ETF.

"The strategy may suit investors such as retirees and self-managed superannuation funds who wish to preserve their capital but diversify out of very low yielding term deposits. Concerns about rising interest rates have prompted many investors to consider moving out of longer-term bonds where duration risk, or the risk that bond prices will fall if interest rates rise, is greater," Neiron said. "In contrast, returns on FRN coupons are designed to rise with short-term interest rates, which will benefit investors, while their capital stays relatively intact.

"We expect to see strong demand for this ETF, which will give broad exposure to investment grade quality short-terms bonds for a very low management cost."

Fund	ASX	Features	Management
	code		Cost
VanEck Vectors	FLOT	Invests in a portfolio of Australian FRNs	0.22% p.a.
Australian		Minimum investment grade credit quality	
Floating Rate		Tracks an index which includes around 200 Australian-	
ETF		issued FRNs from over 80 issuers	
		Higher yielding than cash investments	
		Running yield of 2.74% as at 31 May 2017	
		Only ETF of its kind in Australia	

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