

# Cardano Staking ETP by Liqwid (CASL)

## Investment Strategy

The Cardano Staking ETP by Liqwid (CASL) investment strategy is to invest in Cardano (ADA). CASL enables investors to **gain exposure to the price movement of ADA through a traditional investment vehicle while capturing staking rewards**. The issuer aims to add 0.75% incremental staking rewards to the ETP through the staking rewards earned.

- ❖ CASL is an institutional-grade, low cost, and liquid vehicle to leverage ADA staking for maximum investor outcome.
- ❖ The ETP is 100% physically backed with Cardano (ADA) held in cold storage custody.

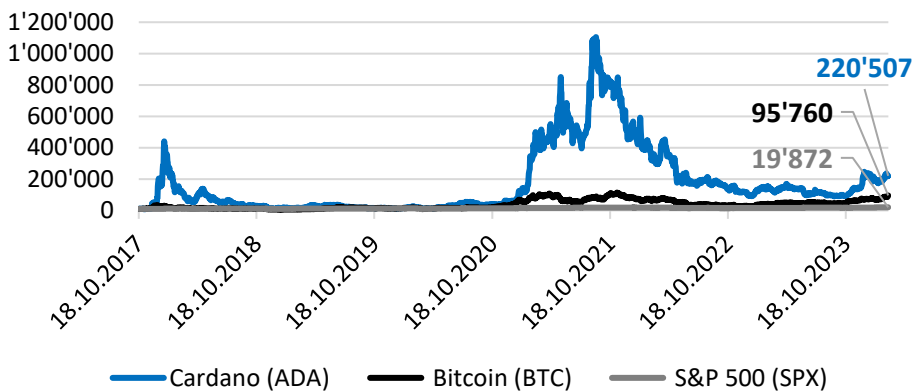
Primary Ticker	CASL
ISIN	CH1327686056
Valor	132768605
Management fee	1.5%
Asset Class	Digital Assets
Underlying Exposure	Cardano (ADA)

### Composition



100% Staked  
Cardano (ADA)

## Growth of \$10'000 since inception



The line graph represents the cumulative performance of a hypothetical \$10,000 investment in 3 different assets (Cardano - ADA, Bitcoin - BTC, S&P 500 (SPX)).

The returns are not incorporating any management fees or staking revenues.

## Why CASL?



### Strong value proposition

Very competitive management fees (1.5%), a direct exposure to Cardano (ADA) while earning staking rewards.



### Participate to the decentralization

The ADA tokens from the ETP are staked on a Liqwid validator node with a proven track record to secure the Cardano network.

[Link](#)



### Liquidity

Investors in CASL benefit from instantaneous liquidity without any constraints, courtesy of the innovative Cardano technology.



### Secure and effortless

Buy and sell ADA like any stock. You do not need a crypto wallet or any specific knowledge.



### 100% Physical ETP

All the ADA tokens are held securely in cold storage. During the staking mechanisms, the assets are not leaving the custodian's wallet.



### Institutional-grade custody

The ETP wallets are operated by Copper, which is a renowned custodian for digital assets.

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## Cardano Investment Thesis

### Solving the blockchain trilemma

Cardano is layer-1 blockchain (smart contract platform) backed with peer-reviewed academic research.

- 1. Decentralization:** Its consensus protocol has allowed Cardano to have one of the best Proof-of-Stake (PoS) mechanism for maximum decentralization ([Currently #1 decentralized protocol!](#)).
- 2. Security:** Haskell, Cardano's coding language, is commonly employed in the banking and defense sectors for maximum security. Thus, it is also allowing a high degree of composability within applications.
- 3. Scalability:** Cardano's scaling solution, known as Hydra, boasts the potential to achieve over 1 million Transactions Per Second (TPS), surpassing traditional payment processors like Mastercard/VISA, which typically operate at 5-24 k TPS.

In essence, Cardano's leading technology is not just groundbreaking; it's a catalyst for ushering in a new era of inclusivity and accessibility in the world of blockchain.

### Key differentiators



**Built with Haskell code** and has proven to be one of the most reliable codes.



**Never failed in 5 years.** The Cardano network has until today always been delivered while other had crashed.



**+3'100 Validators** are hosting the network, making it one of the most decentralized of all.



**Fixed supply of 45 billion ADA**, with 35 billion already issued. Currently, 62% of the issued ADA is staked.



Ideal solution for **banking the unbanked** and has the potential to propel blockchain adoption to billions of people.

## Cardano Staking 101

### No locking period

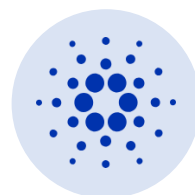


Cardano does not have any waiting period for staked assets to be returned. This ensures this ETP 100% liquidity.



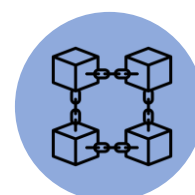
ETP ADA

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ADA deposited on Cardano

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ADA Network Reward (PoS)

### No slashing risk



On Cardano blockchain, no slashing penalties are incurring, and the staked assets cannot be lost.

- **Proof of stake (PoS)** is a type of [consensus mechanism](#) or protocol that uses the amount of stake held in the system to determine consensus. **Consensus is a ruleset that each network participant adheres to.**
- As blockchains are not controlled by any single, central authority, a **consensus protocol is used instead to allow distributed network participants to agree on the history of the network** captured on the blockchain – to reach consensus.
- Stake pools ensure that everyone can participate in the protocol and are rewarding the stakeholders for their ADA delegations.\*

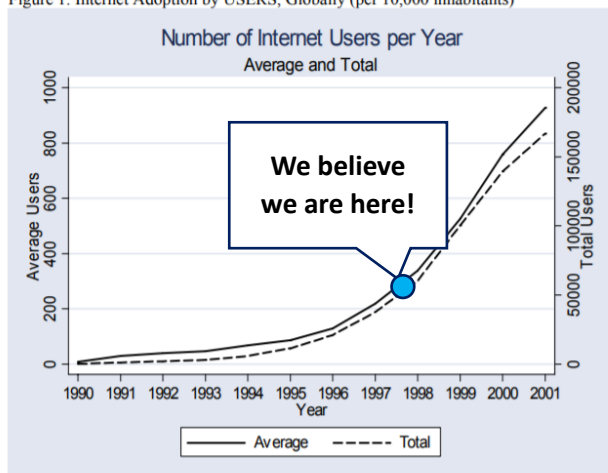
*\*The issuer will use its complete discretion to deploy the underlying assets to the fullest extent allowed under the legislation. The goal is to capture up to 100% of the eligible rewards in an operational risk-controlled environment without introducing additional risks. This may vary depending on market conditions, but the objective is to give yearly 0.75% of the staked ADA backed into the CASL assets.*

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## Blockchain, a “Once in a Generation” Opportunity

Blockchain adoption will take time but is here to stay! The internet adoption took 10 years to take off!

Figure 1: Internet Adoption by USERS, Globally (per 10,000 inhabitants)



Nasdaq – Period 1990 -2020 (log scale)



There are two key reasons we consider this to be an opportune time for investment:

- 1) **Early Stage Potential:** Digital assets within the blockchain realm are poised to seize market share from established asset classes as usage and adoption of the technology continue to expand. Presently, the blockchain market remains relatively small in comparison to the industries it aims to disrupt, presenting substantial growth opportunities in the trillions of dollars.
- 2) **Banking the Unbanked:** Approximately 2 billion individuals lack access to financial services, and 850 million do not possess a valid Identity Document (ID). Addressing these two issues holds the potential for significant social impact on a global scale. It is noteworthy that the World Bank has aimed to achieve this goal since 2012, but we believe that only through a technological shift powered by blockchain can this objective be realized.

### Fund details

#### Key Service Providers

Issuer	issuance.swiss AG
Custodian	Copper Markets (Switzerland) AG
Administration	Apex Corporate Services (Schweiz) GmbH
Paying agent	ISP Securities AG
Representative	Homburger AG
Clearing	SIX SIS AG

#### ETP structure

Domicile	Switzerland
Issue Date	14 March 2024
Primary Listing Venue	SIX Swiss Exchange
Primary listing Date	14 March 2024
Settlement currency	USD / EUR / CHF
Physical Settlement	100% Cardano (ADA)
Minimum investment	CHF 25

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