

Guggenheim Investments Launches NDR Thematic Opportunities Portfolio, Series 1 with Ned Davis Research, Inc. as Portfolio Consultant

UIT is most recent example of Guggenheim's ongoing commitment to provide clients with innovative investment opportunities created with new approaches and resources

NEW YORK, NY – August 24, 2017 – Guggenheim Investments, the global asset management and investment advisory business of Guggenheim Partners, announced today that it has partnered with Ned Davis Research, Inc. (NDR), a leading independent research firm, as portfolio consultant, to introduce an addition to Guggenheim Investments' lineup of Unit Investment Trusts (UITs), the NDR Thematic Opportunities Portfolio, Series 1 (Trust).

The Trust seeks to maximize total return primarily through capital appreciation. It provides investors access to NDR's proprietary 360-degree research approach which combines both fundamental and technical analysis to identify forward-looking investment themes¹ they believe will be strong drivers of performance over the life of the Trust based on timeliness, investability, and diversification.

"Because thematic investing is highly dependent on the ability to isolate timely trends that have not already been priced into the stock prices of companies that will benefit from these trends, extensive research is essential," said Douglas Mangini, Senior Managing Director and Head of Intermediary Distribution. "With nearly 40 years of global research experience, NDR's objective, data-driven process makes them uniquely qualified to identify investment themes for the trust."

The Trust will focus on these four prominent investment themes that have been identified by NDR. NDR's outlook on these themes are outlined below:

- *"Trump-onomics"* — Often-mentioned proposals in federal government policies during the early stages of President Donald Trump's administration include increased spending on infrastructure, such as highways, airports, and energy, as well as national defense.
- *Rising Interest Rate Environment* — NDR believes that the Fed will continue to raise rates in 2017 in response to higher wages and low unemployment that policymakers equate with increases in future inflation. Rising rates typically point to a strengthening economy.
- *Aging of the Millennials* — The largest generation ever, millennials (those born between 1982 and 2000), represent approximately 25% of the U.S. population² and should have a larger impact on the economy compared to older generations. Trends driven by aging millennials include increased spending on homes, household products, cars and select retailers. Potential tax cuts could also lead to increased discretionary spending.
- *Rising Oil Prices* — NDR believes demand will be robust in a relatively strong global economy, but that production may struggle to keep up because of cutbacks in oil exploration and production during the most recent oil bear market. The potential for an oil shortage should cause prices to rise until the oil and gas industries can adequately ramp up their production levels.

¹ There can be no guarantee that the forward-looking investment themes identified will come to fruition, that any security held by the trust will benefit directly from the current thematic opportunity or that the trust will meet its investment objective.

² NDR 2014 National Population Projections, (U.S. Census Bureau)

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“NDR is thrilled to partner with Guggenheim on this innovative thematic UIT, providing investors with a unique opportunity to take advantage of our quantitative rigor through a timely new approach offered through the Guggenheim UIT. This Trust highlights one of NDR’s core strengths, our ability to identify macroeconomic themes and capture the performance potential with robust industry and security selection,” said Paul Jakubowicz, Director of Custom Research at NDR.

UITs offer a defined portfolio with a scheduled maturity, focused exposure, and an efficient way to gain market exposure. They can be a powerful way for investors to gain exposure to timely opportunities as part of their overall investment plan.

Guggenheim manages a broad UIT lineup, offering more than 65 products, covering a variety of asset classes and investment themes. We provide equity and multi-asset UITs, as well as fixed-income options that include taxable, municipal, and laddered strategies.

For more information, please visit <http://www.guggenheiminvestments.com>.

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¹Guggenheim Investments total asset figure is as of 6.30.2017. The assets include \$11.7bn of leverage for assets under management and \$0.4bn for assets for which Guggenheim provides administrative services. Guggenheim Investments represents the following affiliated investment management businesses: Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC, Security Investors, LLC, Guggenheim Funds Investment Advisors, LLC, Guggenheim Funds Distributors, LLC, Guggenheim Real Estate, LLC, GS GAMMA Advisors, LLC, Guggenheim Partners Europe Limited and Guggenheim Partners India Management.

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Read the trust's prospectus carefully before investing. It contains the Trust's investment objectives, risks, charges, expenses and other information, which should be considered carefully before investing. Obtain a prospectus at GuggenheimInvestments.com.

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