



# Commodity ETPs Back in Favor as Sentiment Turns

*Commodities moved back into favor with commodity prices as measured by the Benckiser Roth Commodity Index rising by 7%*

SAMSEONG-DONG , GANGNAM-GU , SOUTH KOREA, May 22, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Commodity ETPs seeing their first quarterly inflows after four consecutive quarters of outflows.

Total assets invested in commodity ETPs increased with precious metals, agriculture and industrial metals seeing the bulk of the inflows. Silver saw the largest inflows as investors looked to the metal as a leveraged play on improved sentiment towards gold.

Chan Shaowu, Head of research and investment strategy at Benckiser Roth said:

“After seeing selling, gold ETPs moved strongly back into favor as investors revised down their highly bullish growth assumptions and revised up the global risk outlook. Broad commodity ETPs also saw a turn in sentiment, with asset allocators rotating into the asset class as an alternative to overstretched developed market equities.

Platinum ETPs saw strong demand as an extended strike raised supply concerns. Coffee and natural gas ETPs, on the other hand, saw aggressive profit-taking as prices of both commodities surged on weather-related supply issues. Oil ETPs also saw strong investor profit taking as the oil price rallied on strong demand for oil products early in the year.”

Broad commodities ETPs see strong inflows as asset allocators increase commodity allocations. Broad diversified commodity ETPs saw the strongest inflows after silver and gold ETPs. With China having recently announced a new fiscal stimulus program and further easing likely on the way, the sentiment shift towards commodities has the potential to gather further momentum as long as the US economic recovery remains on track.

Agriculture sees strong investor interest as prices rebound. The largest inflows were into broad diversified agriculture ETPs indicating that the bulk of buying was by asset allocators wishing to gain broad exposure to the sector rather than tactical single commodity bets.

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