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A SPAC Index Has Been Made, ETFs That Track It Could Come Next

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(Bloomberg) -- Investors can now watch the hottest trend in IPOs through an index tracking special purpose acquisition companies, or SPACs, making the possibility of an exchange-traded fund all the more likely.

- The IPOX SPAC Index quietly went live on July 31 focused on SPACs pre-business combinations
- Josef Schuster of IPOX indexes, which tracks traditional IPOs and spin-offs, created the new index
- It's designed to hold 30 to 50 of the most liquid SPACs based on daily equity turnover
 - Currently holds Churchill Capital Corp. II and III, Social Capital Hedosophia Holdings II and III, and Tortoise Acquisition Corp.
 - Only holds common stock, rather than equity units, which include warrants
- NOTE: Aug. 8, A Blank-Check ETF May Be Coming After 145% SPAC Issuance Surge
- SPAC index is up 8.2% since July vs the S&P 500 Index's +3.4%

Related tickers:

CCX/U US (Churchill Capital Corp II)

CCXX US (Churchill Capital Corp III)

IPOB US (Social Capital Hedosophia Holdings Corp II)

IPOC US (Social Capital Hedosophia Holdings Corp III)

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