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## First Trust to Launch the First Trust NASDAQ CEA Cybersecurity ETF

An ETF that tracks an index focused on cybersecurity companies

WHEATON, IL – (BUSINESS WIRE) – July 6, 2015 – <u>First Trust Advisors L.P.</u> ("First Trust") expects to launch a new exchange-traded fund ("ETF"), the First Trust NASDAQ CEA Cybersecurity ETF (NASDAQ: CIBR), on July 7, 2015. The fund seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield (before the fund's fees and expenses) of an equity index called the Nasdaq CEA Cybersecurity Index<sup>SM</sup> (the "index").

Cybersecurity is gaining global attention following recent high profile security breaches. With the heightened need for cybersecurity solutions, First Trust believes this could be a favorable time to invest in cybersecurity companies. The index is designed to track the performance of companies engaged in the cybersecurity segment of the technology and industrials sectors. It includes companies primarily involved in the building, implementation, and management of security protocols applied to private and public networks, computers, and mobile devices in order to provide protection of the integrity of data and network operations.

"Along with the clear benefits of an increasingly interconnected world comes the growing need to ensure the security of cyberspace," said Ryan Issakainen, CFA, Senior Vice President, Exchange-Traded Fund Strategist at First Trust. "This presents significant opportunities for companies involved with this task, many of which are not represented in traditional index ETFs. We believe this ETF provides a diversified, efficient way for investors to gain exposure to this important theme."

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### **About First Trust**

First Trust Advisors L.P., along with its affiliate First Trust Portfolios L.P., are privately-held companies which provide a variety of investment services, including asset management and financial advisory services, with collective assets under management or supervision of approximately \$119 billion as of May 31, 2015 through unit investment trusts, exchange-traded funds, closed-end funds, mutual funds and separate managed accounts. First Trust is based in Wheaton, Illinois. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.ftportfolios.com">http://www.ftportfolios.com</a>.

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You should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing. Contact First Trust Portfolios L.P. at 1-800-621-1675 or visit <a href="https://www.ftportfolios.com">www.ftportfolios.com</a> to obtain a prospectus or summary prospectus which contains this and other information about the fund. The prospectus or summary prospectus should be read carefully before investing.

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### **ETF Characteristics**

The fund will list and principally trade its shares on The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC.

The fund's return may not match the return of the Nasdaq CEA Cybersecurity Index<sup>SM</sup>. Securities held by the fund will generally not be bought or sold in response to market fluctuations.

Investors buying or selling fund shares on the secondary market may incur customary brokerage commissions. Market prices may differ to some degree from the net asset value of the shares. Investors who sell fund shares may receive less than the share's net asset value. Shares may be sold throughout the day on the exchange through any brokerage account. However, unlike mutual funds, shares may only be redeemed directly from the fund by authorized participants, in very large creation/redemption units.

#### Risks

The fund's shares will change in value, and you could lose money by investing in the fund. One of the principal risks of investing in the fund is market risk. Market risk is the risk that a particular stock owned by the fund, fund shares or stocks in general may fall in value. There can be no assurance that the fund's investment objective will be achieved.

The fund may invest in small capitalization and mid capitalization companies. Such companies may experience greater price volatility than larger, more established companies.

An investment in a fund containing securities of non-U.S. issuers is subject to additional risks, including currency fluctuations, political risks, withholding, the lack of adequate financial information, and exchange control restrictions impacting non-U.S. issuers. These risks may be heightened for securities of companies located in, or with significant operations in, emerging market countries. The fund may invest in depositary receipts which may be less liquid than the underlying shares in their primary trading market.

The fund may hold investments that are denominated in non-U.S. currencies, or in securities that provide exposure to such currencies, currency exchange rates or interest rates denominated in such currencies. Changes in currency exchange rates and the relative value of non-U.S. currencies will affect the value of the fund's investment and the value of fund shares.

Information technology companies and cybersecurity companies are generally subject to the risks of rapidly changing technologies, short product life cycles, fierce competition, aggressive pricing and reduced profit margins, loss of patent, copyright and trademark protections, cyclical market patterns, evolving industry standards and frequent new product introductions. Cybersecurity companies may also be smaller and less experienced companies, with limited product lines, markets, qualified personnel or financial resources.

Industrials companies are subject to certain risks, including the general state of the economy, intense competition, consolidation, domestic and international politics, excess capacity and consumer demand and spending trends. In addition, they may also be significantly affected by overall capital spending levels, economic cycles, technical obsolescence, delays in modernization, labor relations, government regulations and e-commerce initiatives.

The fund is classified as "non-diversified" and may invest a relatively high percentage of its assets in a limited number of issuers. As a result, the fund may be more susceptible to a single adverse economic or regulatory occurrence affecting one or more of these issuers, experience increased volatility and be highly concentrated in certain issuers.

The fund currently has fewer assets than larger funds, and like other relatively new funds, large inflows and outflows may impact the fund's market exposure for limited periods of time.

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