Christopher Berlet on MineralFunds' "World Metal & Mining ETF Update — H1 2024"

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July 30, 2024 — Christopher Berlet, President and CIO of MineralFunds.com, unveiled compelling insights in his latest report, "World Metal & Mining ETF Update — H1 2024." As of July 2024, the market has expanded to 220 metal ETFs, miners ETFs, metal and miners hedged and leveraged ETFs worldwide, managing \$330 billion in assets. Berlet highlighted the dominance of metal ETFs, which account for 80% of these assets, encompassing gold, silver, platinum group metals, base metals, and uranium. He remarked, "The growth in this sector is remarkable, especially with gold ETFs leading the pack, managing around \$200 billion alone."

The report sheds light on notable new ETF launches, including China Asset Management Corporation's Gold Industry Equity ETF, which invests in both Chinese and international gold mining giants like Barrick Gold and Newmont. This ETF's launch signals a burgeoning interest in gold equities within the Chinese market. Performance analysis for H1 2024 revealed dramatic movements, particularly in the silver ETF segment. The top performer, WisdomTree Silver Bull 2X, surged by nearly 40%, reflecting the strong rally in silver prices, while the ProShares UltraShort Silver ETF plummeted by 37%. Berlet emphasized, "Silver ETFs were the most volatile, with substantial gains and losses highlighting the market's dynamism."

Intriguingly, the fund flows analysis highlighted a shift in gold accumulation from Western to Eastern markets. While major

Western ETFs like SPDR Gold Shares and iShares Gold Trust saw net redemptions, their Eastern counterparts, including ETFs in China, Japan, and India, experienced net purchases. "We're seeing a transfer of gold from West to East," Berlet explained, underscoring a pivotal trend in the global precious metals market. To delve deeper into these trends and understand their implications, watch the full video of Christopher Berlet's comprehensive analysis here.

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