

EMERGING COUNTRY DEBT UCITS FUND

Quarterly Investment Review

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The GMO Emerging Country Debt UCITS Fund's objective is total return in excess of the J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global Diversified (EMBIG-D). Since its inception, the Fund has employed a broad opportunity set, investing across all forms of emerging market debt, including securities, derivatives, and private instruments, in both hard and local currencies. The investable universe covers a wide range of issuer types (sovereigns, corporates, project finance) and credit qualities defined by credit rating agencies, ranging from high credit quality (e.g., AA) to default (e.g., D), though the portfolio's overall duration, currency, country, and credit quality exposures are managed mindful of the EMBIG-D.

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MAJOR PERFORMANCE DRIVERS

The J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified (EMBIG-D) benchmark returned 4.6% for the period. The benchmark's spread over Treasuries (duration-weighted) tightened by 44 bps, finishing at 196 bps, resulting in a 4.5% spread return. Meanwhile, the 10-year Treasury yield rose by 15 bps, ending at 4.47%, with a corresponding interest rate return of 0.2%.

The portfolio experienced positive alpha from both country and security selection for the period. Key contributors to the positive country selection alpha included an overweight position in Ukraine (+25.9%, top performer within the benchmark), and overweight positions in Argentina (+10.6%) and Venezuela (+7.9%), both of which delivered strong returns. Additionally, underweight positions in Indonesia (+1.9%) and Malaysia (+1.6%) contributed positively to alpha due to their lower returns relative to the broader market. Conversely, overweight positions in Mexico (+3.1%) and Brazil (+2.2%) detracted slightly from the overall positive impact of country selection alpha.

In-index security selection saw significant positive impacts from Brazil, Venezuela, and Mexico, which helped drive overall alpha, despite notable negative contributions from Türkiye, Ukraine, and Bahrain. Among off-benchmark countries, supranational and Lao People's Democratic Republic provided positive contributions, while Israel and Tunisia detracted from alpha. Within the quasi-sovereign category, Brazil was the top contributor, whereas Türkiye was the largest detractor.

As of the end of the period, the portfolio's top three overweights are Venezuela, Turkey, and Argentina, while its top three underweights are Indonesia, China, and Malaysia. During the period, Azerbaijan's position shifted from underweight to overweight, reflecting an increased active weight. The United Arab Emirates also shifted from underweight to overweight. Indonesia remained an underweight position with its active weight further reduced. Notable decreases in active weight were observed for Venezuela and Colombia, both maintaining their overweight status.

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ANNUALIZED RETURNS (USD, %) (QUARTER-END)

	<i>Quarter-End</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>1-Year</i>	<i>3-Year</i>	<i>5-Year</i>	<i>10-Year</i>	<i>Since Inception</i>
Emerging Country Debt UCITS Fund (net)	6.95	9.16	22.95	18.21	7.61	-	9.87
Emerging Country Debt UCITS Fund (gross)	7.02	9.29	23.26	18.51	7.90	-	10.17
J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified	4.63	3.32	11.78	10.32	2.58	-	5.38
Value Add	+2.32	+5.84	+11.17	+7.89	+5.03	-	+4.49

Data Source: GMO

RISKS

Risks associated with investing in the Fund may include: (1) Credit Risk: the risk that the issuer or guarantor of a fixed income investment or the obligor of an obligation underlying an asset-backed security will be unable or unwilling to satisfy its obligation to pay principal and interest or otherwise to honor its obligations in a timely manner; (2) Market Risk - Fixed Income Investments: the market price of a fixed income investment can decline due to a number of market-related factors, including rising interest rates and widening credit spreads or decreased liquidity stemming from the market's uncertainty about the value of a fixed income investment (or class of fixed income investments); and (3) Illiquidity Risk: Low trading volume, lack of a market maker, large position size, or legal restrictions may limit or prevent the Fund from selling particular securities or closing derivative positions at desirable prices. For a more complete discussion of these and other risks, please consult the Fund's Prospectus.

Inception Date: 1-Apr-20

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<https://www.gmo.com/europe/product-index-page/fixed-income/emerging-country-debt-strategy/emerging-country-debt-ucits-fund/>

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