

## BEYOND CHINA

## OVERVIEW

The GMO Beyond China Strategy seeks to deliver total return by investing primarily in equities of companies GMO believes are positioned to benefit, directly or indirectly, from the expected trend of companies diversifying their supply chains. We believe this secular trend is an attractive investment opportunity driven by a combination of increasing labor costs in China, increasing geopolitical tensions, and increasing focus on supply chain diversification.

The Strategy will primarily invest in emerging market equities with the exception of Chinese securities. GMO uses a combination of proprietary quantitative and fundamental investment methods to identify emerging market equities that are well positioned to benefit from the expected trend of nearshoring. In addition, GMO will use investment methods that focus on growth, quality, valuation, and other drivers of fundamentals to further identify attractive securities.

## CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>MTD</i>	<i>QTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2025</i>
Composite	-13.05	1.44	1.44	30.94
Benchmark	-14.75	3.16	3.16	37.02

## ANNUALIZED TOTAL RETURNS (USD, NET OF FEES, %)

	<i>1 Year</i>	<i>3 Years</i>	<i>5 Years</i>	<i>10 Years</i>	<i>ITD</i>
Composite	33.30	-	-	-	29.93
Benchmark	41.30	-	-	-	37.61

## FACTS

Strategy Inception	12-Feb-25
Composite Inception	28-Feb-25
Total Assets	\$15mm USD
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China

## RISK PROFILE (SINCE INCEPTION 28-FEB-25)

Alpha (Jensen's)	-0.79
Beta	0.79
R Squared	0.93
Sharpe Ratio	1.43
Standard Deviation	18.02

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



**George Sakoulis**  
Joined GMO in 2020  
MA & PhD, University of Washington



**Warren Chiang, CFA**  
Joined GMO in 2015  
MBA, University of California, Berkeley

**Risks:** Risks associated with investing in the Strategy may include: (1) Market Risk - Equities: the market price of equities may decline due to factors affecting the issuer, its industries, or the economy and equity markets generally. Declines in stock market prices generally are likely to reduce the net asset value of the Fund's shares; (2) Non-U.S. Investment Risk: the market prices of many non-U.S. securities (particularly of companies tied economically to emerging countries) fluctuate more than those of U.S. securities. Many non-U.S. markets (particularly emerging markets) are less stable, smaller, less liquid, and less regulated than U.S. markets, and the cost of trading in those markets often is higher than it is in U.S. markets; and (3) Currency Risk: fluctuations in exchange rates can adversely affect the market value of the Fund's non-U.S. currency holdings and investments denominated in non-U.S. currencies. This is not a complete list of risks associated with investing in the Strategy. Please contact GMO for more information.

**Performance Returns:** Returns shown for periods greater than one year are on an annualized basis. To obtain performance information to the most recent month-end, visit [www.gmo.com](http://www.gmo.com). **Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not predictive of future performance.** Net returns are presented after the deduction of a model advisory fee and incentive fee if applicable. These returns include transaction costs, commissions and withholding taxes on foreign income and capital gains and include the reinvestment of dividends and other income, as applicable. Fees paid by accounts within the composite may be higher or lower than the model fees used. **GMO does not yet have a GIPS-compliant report for this composite since it has not managed accounts in this strategy for a full year.**

## BEYOND CHINA

## CHARACTERISTICS

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Price/Earnings - Forecast 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	15.2x	15.4x
Price/Earnings - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	22.0x	23.5x
Price/Book - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	2.3x	2.4x
Price/Cash Flow - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Mdn	13.4x	12.9x
Return on Equity - Hist 1 Yr Mdn	20.6%	19.3%
Debt/Equity - Wtd Mdn	0.3x	0.3x
Dividend Yield - Hist 1 Yr Wtd Avg	2.7%	2.3%
Market Cap - Wtd Mdn Bil	10.4 USD	23.9 USD
Number of Equity Holdings	97	595
Active Share	71.5%	N/A

## MARKET CAP BAND EXPOSURES (\$B)

	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Small (6.0 & Below)	33.3	16.1
Small - Medium (6.0 To 19.1)	29.4	26.0
Medium (19.1 To 49.7)	8.2	21.1
Medium - Large (49.7 To 135.7)	8.7	7.7
Large (135.7 & Above)	20.4	29.2

## TOP COUNTRIES (%)

<i>Country</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Taiwan	27.7	30.2
India	21.7	16.9
South Korea	12.2	20.8
Thailand	8.4	1.5
Mexico	8.3	2.8
Viet Nam	5.9	0.0
Indonesia	4.2	1.2
Poland	2.9	1.5
United Arab Emirates	2.9	1.8
Brazil	1.6	6.9

## REGIONS (%)

<i>Region</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
South Asia (Emerging)	41.2	21.3
East Asia (Emerging)	39.9	51.5
Latin/South America (Emerging)	9.9	11.2
Europe (Emerging)	5.4	3.4
Mideast/Africa (Emerging)	2.9	12.6
Cash Equivalents	0.7	0.0

## SECTORS (%)

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Portfolio</i>	<i>Benchmark</i>
Communication Services	0.0	3.9
Consumer Discretionary	11.3	4.6
Consumer Staples	2.1	3.6
Energy	0.0	4.6
Financials	20.8	22.3
Health Care	0.0	2.3
Industrials	13.4	7.8
Information Technology	36.0	39.7
Materials	10.8	7.7
Real Estate	5.2	1.1
Utilities	0.3	2.5

## TOP HOLDINGS

<i>Company</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Sector</i>	<i>%</i>
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd	Taiwan	Information Technology	11.2
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd	South Korea	Information Technology	9.2
Delta Electronics Inc	Taiwan	Information Technology	4.7
Krung Thai Bank PCL	Thailand	Financials	3.7
Cemex SAB de CV	Mexico	Materials	3.2
MediaTek Inc	Taiwan	Information Technology	3.1
Mobile World Investment Corp	Viet Nam	Consumer Discretionary	2.9
Bizlink Holding Inc	Taiwan	Industrials	2.8
Hero MotoCorp Ltd	India	Consumer Discretionary	2.7
Eicher Motors Ltd	India	Consumer Discretionary	2.4

<b>Total</b>	<b>45.9</b>
--------------	-------------

## BEYOND CHINA

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Benchmark(s):** The MSCI Emerging Markets ex China Index is an independently maintained and widely published index which captures large and mid cap representation within Emerging Markets (EM) countries, excluding China. MSCI data may not be reproduced or used for any other purpose. MSCI provides no warranties, has not prepared or approved this report, and has no liability hereunder.

The above information is based on a representative account in the Strategy selected because it has the fewest restrictions and best represents the implementation of the Strategy.

For private bank intermediaries in Singapore and Hong Kong, these materials are intended for institutional and Accredited/Professional Investors Use Only.

## GLOSSARY

**Risk Statistics:** Risk profile data is net of fees. Alpha is a measure of risk-adjusted return. Beta is a measure of a portfolio's sensitivity to the market. R-Squared is a measure of how well a portfolio tracks the market. Sharpe Ratio is the return over the risk free rate per unit of risk. Std Deviation is a measure of the volatility of a portfolio.

**Sector Exposures:** The Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) is the exclusive intellectual property of MSCI Inc. (MSCI) and Standard & Poor's, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (S&P). Neither MSCI, S&P, nor any third party makes any representations or warranties, express or implied, with respect to GICS or the results to be obtained by the use thereof, and expressly disclaim all warranties, including of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Neither MSCI, S&P, nor any third party shall have any liability for any damages of any kind relating to the use of GICS. **Top Holdings:** Portfolio holdings are percent of equity. Where applicable, the top holdings are derived by looking through to the underlying portfolios in which the asset allocation strategy invests and, where appropriate, individual security positions are aggregated. They are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy individual securities. The above information is based on a representative account in the Strategy selected because it has the fewest restrictions and best represents the implementation of the Strategy.

Please refer to <https://www.gmo.com/americas/glossary-of-terms/> for additional portfolio characteristic definitions.

## ABOUT GMO

Founded in 1977, GMO is a global asset manager committed to delivering superior performance and advice to our clients. We are privately owned, which allows us to singularly focus on our sole business – achieving outstanding long-term client investment outcomes. Offering multi-asset, equity, fixed income, and alternative strategies, we invest with a long-term, valuation-based philosophical approach.

AMSTERDAM

BOSTON

LONDON

SAN FRANCISCO\*

SINGAPORE

SYDNEY

TOKYO\*\*

\*GMO's West Coast Hub is comprised of members of Investment, Global Client Relations, and other teams located in and around the Greater San Francisco area

\*\*Representative Office