

Robeco Emerging Markets Bonds Local Currency IH GBP

Robeco Emerging Market Bonds Local Currency is an actively managed fund investing in assets such as government bonds, asset backed securities and other fixed income securities of emerging countries mainly denominated in Local currencies (local currency refers to currency of the relevant country in which the fund invests). The selection of these assets is based on fundamental analysis. The fund's objective is to achieve a better return than the index and provide long-term capital growth.



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Fund manager since 25-09-2024

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J.P. Morgan GBI-EM Global Diversified (Total Return, hedged into GBP)

General facts

Type of fund	Bonds
Currency	GBP
Total size of fund	GBP 31,832,930
Size of share class	GBP 89,718
Outstanding shares	833
1st quotation date	25-09-2024
Close financial year	31-12
Ongoing charges	0.82%
Daily tradable	Yes
Dividend paid	No
Ex-ante tracking error limit	5.00%
Management company	Robeco Institutional Asset Management B.V.

Market development

August was a positive month for emerging markets, but FX faced some mixed results among trade policy developments and shifting rate expectations. The trade-weighted dollar depreciated about 2%, opening the door for EM FX performance toward the end of the month. The Colombian peso was the strongest performer in August, followed by the Hungarian forint, and the South African rand. The Indian rupee was one of the worst FX performers included in the benchmark, following ramped-up US trade tariffs.

Expectation of fund manager

Heading into the second half of 2025, the team expects continued uncertainty around US monetary policy and political developments. The former having been reenforced by Fed chair Powell's Jackson Hole speech. The dollar strength may face limitations, given elevated US valuations and potential policy shifts post-election. Within EM, the managers maintain a constructive view on frontier and European emerging market currencies, particularly where valuations are attractive and fundamentals are improving. The fund remains positioned for selective opportunities in high real yield and steep curves.

Sustainability profile

- Exclusions+
- ESG Integration
- ESG Target

For more information on exclusions see <https://www.robeco.com/exclusions/>

Fund price

31-08-25	GBP	107.70
High Ytd (13-08-25)	GBP	108.12
Low Ytd (13-01-25)	GBP	91.56

Fees

Management fee	0.65%
Performance fee	None
Service fee	0.16%

Characteristics

	Fund
Rating	BAA1/BAA2
Option Adjusted Duration (years)	5.84
Maturity (years)	7.6
Yield to Worst (% , Hedged)	8.0
Green Bonds (% , Weighted)	0.7

Legal status

Investment company with variable capital incorporated under Luxembourg law (SICAV)

Issue structure	Open-end
UCITS V	Yes
Share class	IH GBP

This fund is a subfund of Robeco Capital Growth Funds, SICAV.

Registered in

Luxembourg, Singapore, Switzerland, United Kingdom

Currency policy

Active currency positions are part of the fund's investment strategy. This share class hedges currency risk between the base currency of the fund (USD) to the currency in which this share class is denominated. Consequently, active currency positions in the fund will influence the performance of the share class.

Risk management

Risk management is fully embedded in the investment process to ensure that positions always meet predefined guidelines.

Dividend policy

The fund does not distribute a dividend. The income earned by the fund is reflected in its share price. This means that the fund's total performance is reflected in its share price performance.

Fund codes

ISIN	LU2895059389
Bloomberg	ROEBLIG LX
Valoren	138903210

Sector allocation

The portfolio remains primarily allocated to local currency sovereign bonds while also holding some hard currency sovereign, supranational, and agency bonds, along with a small allocation to cash and other instruments. The non-treasury allocation is largely driven by valuation opportunities in supranationals and select hard currency issuers.

Sector allocation		Deviation index	
Treasuries	84.3%	-15.7%	
Supranational	3.3%	3.3%	
Agencies	3.1%	3.1%	
Sovereign	1.9%	1.9%	
Cash and other instruments	7.4%	7.4%	

Currency allocation

At the end of August, the fund's main overweight positions versus the benchmark were in Colombia, Hungary, Turkey, and Egypt. The fund was also overweight in US dollar at the end of the month, after some EM exposure reduction in the later weeks of the month. Underweights remain in China, Thailand, and South Africa. Currency positioning continues to favor economies that are less vulnerable to global growth headwinds, with positive views on frontier and higher-yielding markets.

Currency allocation		Deviation index	
U.S. Dollar	-118.9%	-218.9%	
Pound Sterling	100.0%	200.0%	
Indonesian Rupiah	15.3%	5.4%	
Mexico New Peso	10.0%	0.0%	
Indian Rupee	9.7%	-0.3%	
Malaysian Ringgit	9.3%	-0.6%	
Brasilian Real	8.9%	2.2%	
Poland New Zloty	7.5%	-0.3%	
Colombian Peso	6.9%	3.2%	
New Turkish Lira	5.5%	4.2%	
Kazakhstan Tenge	4.8%	4.8%	
Czech Koruna	4.8%	-0.1%	
Other	36.2%	0.4%	

Duration allocation

At 6.0 years, the fund's overall duration was slightly above the benchmark. Duration overweights were focused in Colombia, Indonesia, and Hungary, where valuations remain attractive. China and Thailand remain underweight in duration terms, due to unattractive real yields and limited upside. CEE markets, such as the Czech Republic and Hungary were both overweight relative to Poland, given the extent of cuts priced in Poland relative to both markets.

Duration allocation		Deviation index	
Colombian Peso	0.7	0.5	
Indonesian Rupiah	0.7	0.2	
Mexico New Peso	0.7	0.2	
Malaysian Ringgit	0.7	0.0	
Hungarian Forint	0.6	0.5	
Indian Rupee	0.6	0.0	
Brasilian Real	0.6	0.4	
Czech Koruna	0.5	0.2	
South African Rand	0.2	-0.2	
Romanian New Leu	0.1	0.0	
New Turkish Lira	0.1	0.1	
U.S. Dollar	0.1	0.1	
Other	0.2	-1.6	

Rating allocation

The fund's overall credit rating remains at BAA2/BAA3. The largest underweights remain in the single A and BAA-rated categories, especially among more defensive and lower-yielding sovereigns. Instead, the fund emphasizes higher yielding credit risk, with overweight exposure in the BA, B, and CAA buckets – especially through frontier markets and selected high yield sovereign issuers.

Rating allocation		Deviation index	
AAA	5.0%	5.0%	
AA	10.1%	5.2%	
A	5.7%	-22.8%	
BAA	31.9%	-14.3%	
BA	32.1%	12.6%	
B	6.5%	6.5%	
NR	1.4%	0.4%	
Cash and other instruments	7.4%	7.4%	

Country allocation

The most significant overweights relative to the benchmark were in Colombia, Hungary, Turkey, Egypt, and Uzbekistan. Colombia remains a core position due to favorable yield and curve dynamics. India, China, and Thailand were underweight in both cash and duration terms.

Country allocation		Deviation index
Colombia	11.4%	7.7%
Hungary	9.7%	7.5%
Indonesia	9.7%	-0.2%
Mexico	8.8%	-1.2%
United States	8.1%	8.1%
Brazil	6.6%	-0.1%
Turkey	5.9%	4.6%
Malaysia	5.7%	-4.2%
Egypt	4.6%	4.6%
Uzbekistan	4.2%	4.2%
Supra-National	3.3%	3.3%
Other	14.5%	-41.7%
Cash and other instruments	7.4%	7.4%

ESG Important information

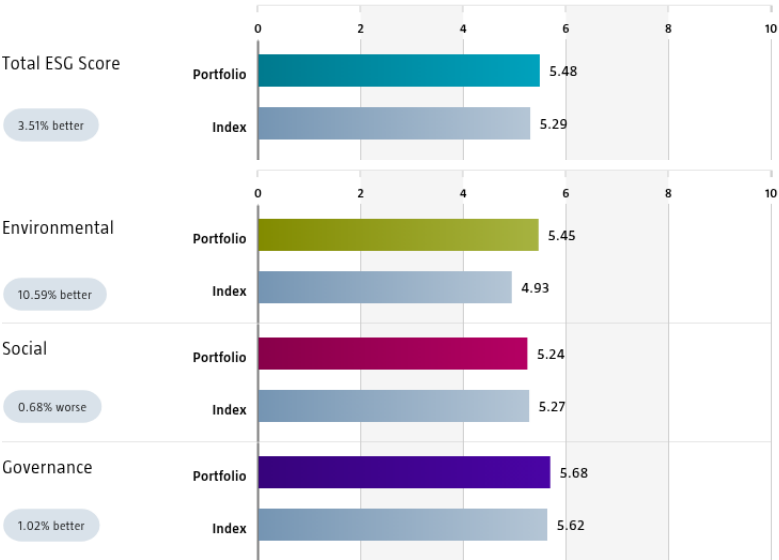
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Sustainability

The fund incorporates sustainability in the investment process via exclusions, negative screening, ESG integration and a minimum average country sustainability ranking score as well as a minimum allocation to ESG-labeled bonds. The fund complies with Robeco's exclusion policy for countries and does not invest in countries where serious violations of human rights or a collapse of the governance structure take place, or if countries are subject to UN, EU or US sanctions. In addition, the fund excludes the 15% worst ranked countries following the World Governance Indicator 'Control of Corruption'. ESG factors of countries are integrated in the bottom-up country analysis. In the portfolio construction the fund ensures a minimum weighted average score that is better than that of the index, following Robeco's proprietary Country Sustainability Ranking. The Country Sustainability Ranking scores countries on a scale from 1 (worst) to 10 (best) based on 40 environmental, social, and governance indicators. Lastly, the fund invests in a minimum of 5% in green, social, sustainable and/or sustainability-linked bonds. For more information please visit the sustainability-related disclosures. The index used for all sustainability visuals is based on J.P. Morgan GBI-EM Global Diversified.

Country Sustainability Ranking

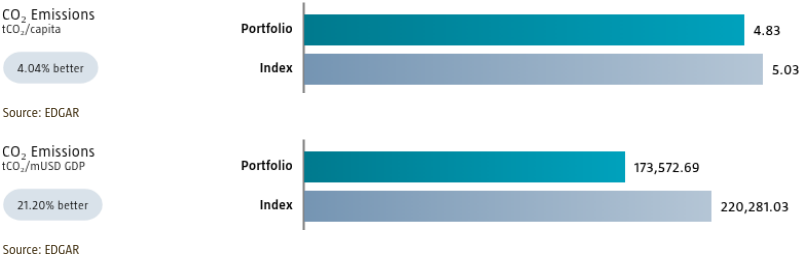
The charts displays the portfolio's Total, Environmental, Social and Governance scores following Robeco's Country Sustainability Ranking methodology. These are calculated using the portfolio components' weights and respective country's scores. The scores includes considerations of more than 50 separate indicators, each capturing a unique sustainability feature across environmental, social and governance dimensions at the country level. Index scores are provided alongside the portfolio scores, highlighting the portfolio's relative ESG performance. Only holdings mapped as sovereign bonds are included in the figures.



Source: Robeco. Certain underlying data is sourced from third parties (such as e.g. IMF, OECD and World Bank including Worldwide Governance Indicators Control of Corruption, as well as content from ISS and SanctiO).

Environmental Intensity

Environmental intensity expresses a portfolio's aggregate environmental efficiency. The portfolio's aggregate carbon intensity is based on the related country emissions. We divide each country's carbon emissions, measured in tCO2, by the population size or gross domestic product to obtain the country's carbon intensity. The portfolio's aggregate intensity figures are calculated as a weighted average by multiplying each assessed portfolio component's intensity figure with its respective position weight. Index intensities are provided alongside the portfolio intensities, highlighting the portfolio's relative carbon intensity. Only holdings mapped as sovereign bonds are included in the figures.

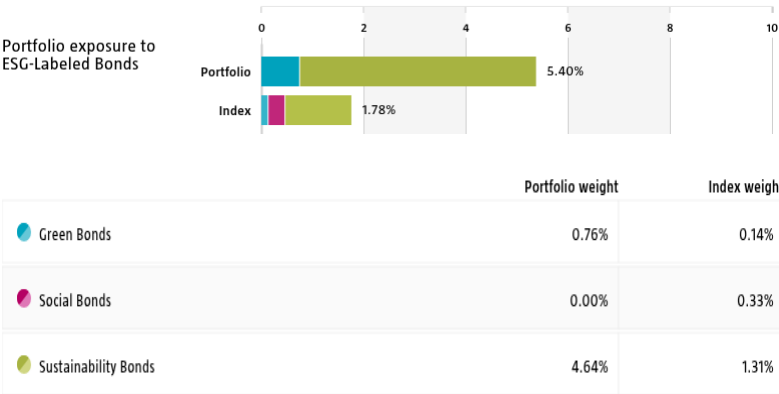


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ESG Labeled Bonds

The ESG-labeled bond chart displays the portfolio's exposure to ESG-labeled bonds. Specifically, green bonds, social bonds, sustainability bonds, and sustainability-linked bonds. This is calculated as a sum of weights for those bonds in the portfolio that have one of above mentioned labels. Index exposure figures are provided alongside the portfolio exposure figures, highlighting the difference with the index.



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The fund promotes E&S (i.e. Environmental and Social) characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of the European Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation integrates sustainability risks in the investment process and applies Robeco's Good Governance policy. The fund applies sustainability indicators, including but not limited to, normative, activity-based and region-based exclusions.

Fund manager's CV

Richard Briggs is a Portfolio Manager covering Emerging Market Debt and a member of the Global Macro team. He joined Robeco in 2024. Previously, he was a portfolio manager focused on Emerging Market Debt at Candriam. Prior to joining Candriam in 2022, he worked at GAM Investments as a portfolio manager covering EMD and prior to that he led emerging market credit strategy at CreditSights. He joined the industry in 2011. He holds a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Economics from the University of Strathclyde and a Master's in Financial Economics from the University of Glasgow. He is a CFA® Charterholder and holds the CFA ESG certificate. Diliانا Deltcheva is Head of Emerging Market Debt and member of the Global Macro team. She joined Robeco in 2024. Previously, she was Head of Emerging Market Debt at Candriam. She has also worked at ING Investment Management in various roles, including portfolio manager Emerging Market Debt. She joined the industry in 2002 at ING Investment Management and worked in various roles, including portfolio manager Emerging Market Debt. She holds a Bachelor's in Business Administration/ Political Science & International Relations at the American University in Bulgaria and a Master's in International Finance from the University of Amsterdam. She is a CFA® Charterholder. Nicholas Sauer is Portfolio Manager Emerging Market Debt and member of the Global Macro team. He joined Robeco in 2024. Previously, he was portfolio manager Emerging Market Debt at Candriam. Prior to joining Candriam in 2019, he worked in various roles at BMO Global Asset Management, including as portfolio manager EMD and analyst EMD. Nicholas Sauer joined the industry in 2011. He holds a Master's in Finance and Investments from the Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University Rotterdam and is a CFA® Charterholder.

Fiscal product treatment

The fund is established in Luxembourg and is subject to the Luxembourg tax laws and regulations. The fund is not liable to pay any corporation, income, dividend or capital gains tax in Luxembourg. The fund is subject to an annual subscription tax ('tax d'abonnement') in Luxembourg, which amounts to 0.01% of the net asset value of the fund. This tax is included in the net asset value of the fund. The fund can in principle use the Luxembourg treaty network to partially recover any withholding tax on its income.

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