

## ATTRIBUTION REPORT – EMERGING MARKETS

As of March 31, 2026

Economic prospects for emerging markets are mixed amid rising geopolitical tensions and differences in domestic conditions. The economic impact of the U.S./Israel-Iran war is expected to vary across countries, particularly through energy channels. Challenges and opportunities remain highly country-specific.

While real GDP growth in China reached 5.0% in 2025, momentum softened toward year-end before stabilizing more recently. Incoming data for early 2026 suggests some improvement, with retail sales, industrial production and investment indicators rebounding amid renewed policy support. Fiscal stimulus remains accommodative, including a record budget deficit target of 4% of GDP and expanded consumer subsidy programs. However, external risks persist. A high base for exports following last year's \$1.2 trillion trade surplus, along with potential trade frictions and ongoing geopolitical uncertainty, could weigh on growth. China's real GDP is expected to expand by around 4.5–5.0% in 2026, in line with IMF estimates.

In India, economic growth remains robust. Real GDP expanded 7.5% year-on-year in 2025, and leading indicators suggest continued strength despite rising energy costs. The HSBC Composite PMI remains firmly in expansionary territory, supported by resilient domestic demand and a pro-growth policy environment. While higher oil prices pose a risk given India's reliance on energy imports, strong consumer activity is expected to underpin growth. The IMF forecasts real GDP growth of 6.3% in 2026.

Prospects vary across other key emerging markets. In Mexico, real GDP growth is expected to improve following a modest 0.6% expansion in 2025. Financial conditions remain supportive, and a less restrictive fiscal stance should help bolster activity. Continued tariff exemptions for USMCA-compliant trade provide an additional buffer against external headwinds. The IMF projects Mexico's real GDP will increase by 1.5% in 2026. Elsewhere, Brazil's economy has been supported by strong domestic demand, underpinned by low unemployment and solid wage growth. While political uncertainty may weigh on sentiment, the potential for monetary easing is significant given elevated real interest rates. The IMF anticipates Brazil's real GDP growth will reach 1.6% in 2026.

Overall, the outlook for emerging markets is characterized by divergent growth paths and varying exposure to energy-related risks. While energy exporters may benefit from improved terms of trade, importers face potential headwinds from higher prices. In aggregate terms, however, regional activity is expected to remain broadly stable, with the IMF forecasting emerging market real GDP growth of 4.2% in 2026.

## FIRST QUARTER

From 01-JAN-2026 to 31-MAR-2026

	Total Return (%)			Average Weight (%)			Selection Effect (%)	Allocation Effect (%)*	Total Attribution (%)
	Port	Bmk	Diff	Port	Bmk	Diff			
<b>Utilities</b>	11.1	4.4	6.7	20.0	2.4	17.6	1.3	0.7	2.0
<b>Communication Services</b>	-14.5	-15.3	0.8	4.2	7.9	-3.7	0.1	0.8	0.9
<b>Consumer Discretionary</b>	-4.8	-11.6	6.9	11.4	10.2	1.2	0.9	0.0	0.9
<b>Real Estate</b>	10.0	-10.5	20.5	4.9	1.2	3.7	1.1	-0.4	0.7
<b>Consumer Staples</b>	2.3	-4.2	6.4	6.4	3.5	2.9	0.3	0.0	0.4
<b>Financials</b>	-3.9	-3.6	-0.4	17.7	21.5	-3.8	0.0	0.2	0.2
<b>Materials</b>	4.7	1.2	3.5	3.4	7.1	-3.8	0.1	0.0	0.1
<b>Energy</b>	6.9	10.8	-3.9	5.3	4.3	1.1	-0.2	0.1	-0.1
<b>Industrials</b>	-1.4	1.0	-2.4	10.4	7.1	3.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.2
<b>Short Term</b>	-8.7	0.0	-8.7	1.1	0.0	1.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.3
<b>Health Care</b>	-5.3	-4.1	-1.2	9.8	3.0	6.8	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4
<b>Information Technology</b>	40.1	11.3	28.8	5.4	31.8	-26.4	0.7	-2.4	-1.7
	2.4	-0.2	2.6	100.0	100.0		4.0	-1.4	2.6

\* Includes interaction: a mathematical consequence of the allocation and selection effects rather than an actively made investment decision.

\*\* "Short term" denotes the units held in cash and reflects the impact of Indian Capital Gains Taxes.

The LetkoBrousseau Emerging Markets Equity UCITS Fund (the "Fund") generated a return of 2.4% in the first quarter, compared with a -0.2% return for the MSCI Emerging Markets Total Return Net Index, resulting in relative outperformance of 2.6%. Performance was driven by strong stock selection in the Utilities sector and a favorable allocation to Communication Services, while an underweight position in Information Technology detracted from results.

### Utilities

The Fund's Utilities holdings returned 11.1% in the quarter, outperforming both the benchmark sector return of 4.4% and the Fund's overall return of 2.4%. With a 17.6% overweight relative to the benchmark, the sector also contributed positively through allocation.

Two holdings, Copel and Sabesp, accounted for 23.1% of the Fund's total gains during the quarter, with ending weights of 4.7% and 3.2%, respectively. Over the period, Copel and Sabesp delivered strong returns of +28.3% and +31.7%, respectively. We believe both companies remain well positioned to deliver continued growth going forward.

Sabesp is one of the largest water and sanitation utilities globally and the leading operator in Brazil, benefiting from a regulated framework that provides strong visibility on returns. The investment case is supported by Brazil's significant sanitation gap and the push toward universal access by 2033, driving sustained capex-led growth, alongside post-privatization efficiency gains. Copel is a Brazilian electric utility with operations across generation, transmission, and distribution, primarily in Paraná. Since its privatization, the company has focused on divesting non-core assets, streamlining operations, and reallocating capital toward its core regulated and higher-return businesses, supporting more stable and predictable earnings.

## Communication Services

Regarding Communication Services in emerging markets, we have identified few opportunities that offer both compelling growth and attractive valuation. The Fund's limited exposure reflects our stock-specific views and disciplined selection rather than a deliberate underweight. With a 4.2% allocation versus the benchmark's 7.9%, the Fund holds only three positions: IMAX China, Indosat, and Baidu. Despite a sector-wide pullback affecting both the benchmark (-15.3%) and our holdings (-14.5%) over the quarter, we believe these companies remain well positioned for growth.

IMAX China is a leading provider of premium cinema technology and the exclusive IMAX platform in Greater China, operating an asset-light, revenue-sharing model. The thesis is driven by structural growth in China's film market, improving local content, and an attractive valuation supporting steady earnings growth. Indosat is Indonesia's second-largest telecom operator, focused on mobile data services in a consolidated three-player market. The investment case is supported by rising data consumption, low ARPU with room for expansion, and operating leverage, driving revenue growth and margin expansion. Baidu is a leading Chinese internet company with core businesses in search and online advertising, alongside growing exposure to cloud, AI, and autonomous driving. The thesis is underpinned by the expansion of its AI-driven cloud business and emerging technologies, combined with steady growth in its core operations and a reasonable valuation.

We believe that, in contrast to the Communication Services companies in the index which tend to be more mature and dominated by larger, slower-growing platforms, these companies are well positioned for growth, with exposure to earlier-stage opportunities and clear monetization levers.

## Information Technology

During the past quarter, the Fund's Information Technology holdings delivered a 40.1% return, ahead of the benchmark's 11.3% gain. However, our significant underweight to the sector, 26.4% below the benchmark, created a negative allocation effect despite strong stock selection.

Our cautious approach to IT reflects concerns around valuation sensitivity and the structure of cash flows. Many companies in the sector rely on heavily assumption-driven earnings, making them more exposed to macroeconomic changes and shifts in investor sentiment. We therefore prioritize companies with robust fundamentals and attractive valuations.

Samsung Electronics, the Fund's largest IT holding, illustrates this approach. The stock gained 37.0% over the quarter and contributed 13.1% of the Fund's total gains. The company benefits from strong memory chip demand, recovering DRAM and NAND prices, and rising AI infrastructure needs. It is also expanding its foundry operations and maintains a strong net cash position, supporting ongoing growth. We believe Samsung's current discount to peers underestimates its long-term potential given its scale, diversified technology exposure, and strategic investments.

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