



# Artisan Emerging Markets Local Opportunities Strategy

## QUARTERLY Fact Sheet

As of 31 December 2023

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### Investment Process Highlights

The team applies in-depth fundamental research and employs robust operational capabilities across a broad opportunity set to uncover knowledge gaps in global markets. By exploiting knowledge gaps, the team is well positioned to discover idiosyncratic opportunities that provide compelling risk-adjusted return potential.

#### Organizational Structure

- Flat and collaborative structure
- Portfolio managers and analysts focus on idea generation
- Trading and implementation are embedded within the investment team

#### Idea Generation Through Broad Investment Universe

- Constantly perform fundamental country research and monitor financial markets
- Country research seeks to understand policy environment and how important policy moments may alter the investment environment
- Corporate analysis includes decomposing yields and examining corporate liquidity and solvency risks
- Integrated environmental, social and governance (ESG) analysis at the country and corporate levels
- Broad spectrum of global markets with investable assets from more than 100 countries

#### Portfolio Implementation

- Investment opportunities analyzed from a risk factor perspective—the forces that drive securities and instruments prices
- Investment team and trading consider which instruments provide optimal risk-adjusted return
- Trading and implementation expands the investment universe by understanding and overcoming investment barriers

### Portfolio Details

Composite Inception	1 August 2022
Total AUM (USD Millions)	\$450

### Portfolio Statistics

Yield to Worst	9.64%
Effective Duration (yrs)	4.96
IG/HY/Not Rated Composition (%) <sup>1</sup>	53/24/22
Number of Issuers <sup>2</sup>	48

Source: Artisan Partners. Based on market value of the total portfolio, including US securities, cash and cash equivalents. <sup>1</sup>Not Rated includes unrated positions, derivatives and cash equivalents. <sup>2</sup>Equals the number of risk positions, defined by the investment team as the number of emerging markets sovereign and corporate issuers to which the portfolio is exposed directly or via derivative instrument (treating hard currency credit and interest rates exposures distinctly), as well as the number of emerging markets currencies to which the portfolio is exposed.

### Asset Types (Duration-years)

Rates Exposure <sup>1</sup>	4.94
EM Sovereign Credit <sup>2</sup>	0.22
EM Corporate Credit <sup>2</sup>	—

<sup>1</sup>Securities and other instruments issued in local currencies, excluding short-term currency forwards and hard currency denominated instruments. <sup>2</sup>Credit positions payable in hard currencies.

### Investment Results (% USD)

As of 31 December 2023	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Composite—Gross	8.19	16.16	16.16	—	—	—	14.05
Composite—Net	8.00	15.36	15.36	—	—	—	13.24
J.P. Morgan GBI-EM Global Diversified Index (USD)	8.07	12.70	12.70	—	—	—	11.12

Source: Artisan Partners/J.P. Morgan. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

### Annual Returns (% USD) Trailing 12 months ended 31 December

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Composite — Net	—	—	—	—	15.36

Past performance does not guarantee and is not a reliable indicator of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance shown. Composite performance has been presented in both gross and net of investment management fees.

**Investment Risks:** Investments will rise and fall with market fluctuations and investor capital is at risk. Investors investing in strategies denominated in non-local currency should be aware of the risk of currency exchange fluctuations that may cause a loss of principal. These risks, among others, are further described on the next page, which should be read in conjunction with this material.

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## Team Leadership

Portfolio Managers	Years of Investment Experience
Michael A. Cirmi, CFA	25
Sarah C. Orvin, CFA	16

## Top 5 Emerging Markets Currency Exposures (%)

Indonesian Rupiah	11.9
Brazil Real	11.1
Polish Zloty	10.3
Hungarian Forint	9.7
Mexican Peso	9.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52.4%</b>

Reflects the aggregate net exposure from securities and other instruments issued in local currencies, other than hard currencies. Market value of derivative positions are included.

## Top 5 Emerging Markets Interest Rate Exposures by Country (years)

Indonesia	0.86
Malaysia	0.48
Mexico	0.48
Thailand	0.42
Peru	0.42
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2.65</b>

Reflects the contribution to duration from aggregated securities and other instruments issued in local currencies. Excludes short-term currency forwards and hard currency denominated instruments.

## Foreign Currency Exposures by Region (%)

Asia	34.4
Developed Markets	—
Eastern Europe	52.5
LATAM	40.9
MENA	—
Sub-Saharan Africa	2.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>130.0%</b>

Reflects exposures from positions denominated in regional currencies, other than hard currency exposures. Market value of derivative positions are included.

## Interest Rates Exposures by Region (years)

Asia	2.22
Developed Markets	—
Eastern Europe	0.95
LATAM	1.46
MENA	—
Sub-Saharan Africa	0.31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4.94</b>

Reflects the contribution to duration from securities and other instruments issued in local currencies, excluding short-term currency forwards and hard currency denominated instruments.

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