



Artisan Emerging Markets Debt Opportunities Fund

QUARTERLY
Commentary

Artisan Partners Global Funds plc

As of 30 September 2022

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Investment Process

We employ in-depth fundamental research and robust operational capabilities across a broad opportunity set to uncover knowledge gaps that can lead to idiosyncratic opportunities with compelling risk-adjusted return potential.

Organizational Structure

We have a flat and collaborative organization where portfolio managers and analysts communicate daily and share the responsibility of idea generation. Portfolio managers and analysts determine their own focus areas and pursue them from an idea generation perspective. Trading and implementation is embedded within the investment team, as trading capabilities and infrastructure are considered important components of our investment process.

Idea Generation Through Broad Investment Universe

Our team covers a broad spectrum of global markets comprising investable assets across more than 100 countries. We constantly perform fundamental country research and monitor financial markets in order to understand each countries' policy environments and how important policy moments may alter their investment environment. Our corporate analysis includes decomposing yields and examining corporate liquidity and solvency risks. We integrate environmental, social and governance (ESG) analysis at the country and corporate levels.

Portfolio Implementation

We analyze investment opportunities from a risk factor perspective—the forces that drive securities and instruments prices. The investment team and trading and implementation team work together to consider which instruments may provide optimal risk-adjusted returns. The trading and implementation team expands our investment universe by understanding and overcoming investment barriers.

Team Overview

We are a seasoned investment team with strong continuity across decision makers. Our group's core has been together for more than 10 years prior to its evolution at Artisan Partners, and our group's leadership has been investing in emerging markets since 2005. Our coverage areas are generally defined geographically, with some PM/Analysts and research associates focused on corporates.

Portfolio Management



Michael A. Cirami, CFA
Portfolio Manager



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Portfolio Manager

Investment Results (%)

As of 30 September 2022	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Average Annual Total Returns	
							Inception	0.50
Class I USD—Inception: 28 Jul 2022	0.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
J.P. Morgan EMB Hard Currency / Local Currency 50/50 (USD)	-4.58	—	—	—	—	—	—	-4.58

Annual Returns (%) 12 months ended 30 September

2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

Class I USD

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

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Performance Discussion

The portfolio trended higher in the third quarter even as risk assets continued to face headwinds. The portfolio outperformed the J.P. Morgan EMB Hard Currency/Local Currency 50/50 Index, the J.P. Morgan GBI-EM Global Diversified Index, the J.P. Morgan CEMBI Broad Diversified Index and the J.P. Morgan EMBI Global Diversified Index in the third quarter.

Investing Environment

High inflation, tighter financial conditions and concerns over slower global economic growth weighed on financial markets in Q3. In the US, price pressure proved to be more persistent than investors initially anticipated as data released in August showed consumer prices rose 8.3% year over year. In the euro zone, inflation hit a fresh record of 9.1% year over year. Likewise, inflation accelerated in many EM countries, including Hungary, Nigeria and Mexico. Globally, commodity and energy prices have been key inflation drivers, despite commodities declining -4.75% during the quarter, measured by the Bloomberg Commodity Index.

Many central banks around the world continue to tighten monetary policy as a means of curbing inflation. In September, the US Federal Reserve raised interest rates by 75 basis points for the third consecutive time, bringing the Fed funds rate to a range of 3% to 3.25% and to the highest level since before the 2008 financial crisis. Ultimately, the Fed forecasts rates will reach 4.6% in 2023. Recent Fed action is taking place against the backdrop of tightening monetary policy by other central banks in developed and emerging markets, including the ECB, which raised rates again in September to 0.75%. Several EM central banks were particularly hawkish, including Hungary, Indonesia and the Philippines.

Portfolio Positioning

We believe higher prices, rising rates, fractured supply chains, COVID-19 and geopolitical risks are tilting global economies toward slowdowns, including the US and Europe. In July, the International Monetary Fund lowered its 2022 outlook for global economic growth to 3.2%, compared with a 6.1% expansion in 2021. A surging US dollar, which reached its highest level since 2002, also creates downside risks for many emerging markets and some developing countries, as it tightens financial conditions and pressures central banks for rate hikes to prevent drops in their own currencies. Against a backdrop of volatile commodity prices, rising inflation and our belief that many central banks will need to hike rates further to temper inflation, we have positioned our portfolio with moderate risk in countries that benefit from higher commodity prices and are running prudent fiscal programs.

We maintained our cautious positioning for the portfolio throughout the quarter on the back of unpredictable market conditions. We used market selloffs to add select positioning where prices underperformed fundamentals. The portfolio is overweight credit in select Eastern European, African and Latin American countries where fundamentals remain supportive. The portfolio is underweight local rates, holding positions in countries where central banks have taken an aggressive stance, inflation has been well behaved, or yields have adjusted sufficiently to local inflation

levels. We remain void of Eastern European rates. The portfolio holds active currency exposures in countries that have tightened monetary policy sufficiently and/or international reserves are strong, including Eastern Europe, select countries in Latin America and limited positioning in Asia.

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