

3 Reasons Why We Think the Time May Be Right for EM Equities

Quick Facts

Emerging market economies have grown at a faster pace than many of their developed country counterparts, and we believe that this asset class has meaningful opportunities for investors. While emerging market equities faced volatility in the past few years, we believe the environment will change in 2020. We think there are three key reasons why now may be the right time to revisit this asset class.



1 Structural Reform Across EM Will Fuel Growth



China

China's economy is going through a period of big structural transformation, coming off an extended period of extremely rapid growth, and is moving onto a more sustainable development track as it transitions to a consumption- and services-driven growth model. But even with growth at a slower pace of 5% annually over the long term, China will still account for 30%-40% of global GDP growth.



Brazil

The enthusiasm for new state leadership—with the prospect of reforms to address insufficient domestic savings and fiscal imbalances—has led to a recovery in the Brazilian real and equity markets. In our view, that presents opportunities for foreign investment.



India

New taxes, bankruptcy laws, and cyclical repair and recapitalization of bank balance sheets are already sowing the seeds for future growth. Additional labor reforms, if successful, could reap even more benefits.

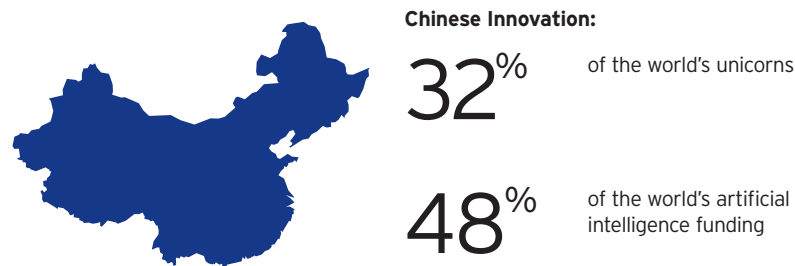


Turkey

A willingness by government and the public to undertake materially hard decisions, such as a retreat into recession to eliminate one of the world's biggest current account deficits, will help improve the country's growth potential structurally.

2 EM Is Growing Richer with Disruptive Opportunities¹

Lack of physical infrastructure in the emerging world has enabled it to leapfrog past traditional stages of development in areas like ride-hailing, e-commerce, and financial services.



3 EM Valuations Are at Very Attractive Levels²

EM companies are rarely cheap except during moments of controversy and broader investor anxiety. We believe we are in one of those unique opportunities.

12-Month Forward PE for EM Equities:



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¹ Source: CB Insights as of 10/31/18. Unicorns are defined as start-up companies that reach \$1 billion in market cap. Most recent data available.

² Source: FactSet Research Systems, Inc. as of 12/31/19. 12-month forward P/E is a measure of a price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio using forecasted earnings. Price-to-Earnings (P/E) Ratio: The valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its per-share earnings.

Active Management and Experience Can Make the Most of the EM Opportunity

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Investing in emerging market equities offers one of the most compelling examples of the value of active management. We believe the benchmarks and passively managed emerging market equity funds misalign investors with the growth of the asset class and are backward rather than forward-looking. Active managers have the flexibility to focus on sectors that are benefitting from structural growth trends and can also employ risk management techniques that aren't available to passive portfolios. Invesco's EM strategy is a leader in this asset class with strong long-term results.

Morningstar Rating™



Class A shares were rated 5 stars overall among 712 Diversified Emerging Markets funds. Morningstar measures risk-adjusted returns. The overall rating is a weighted average based on the fund's 3-, 5- and 10-year rating as of 12/31/19.³ Silver rating is based on **Morningstar Analyst Rating**.⁴



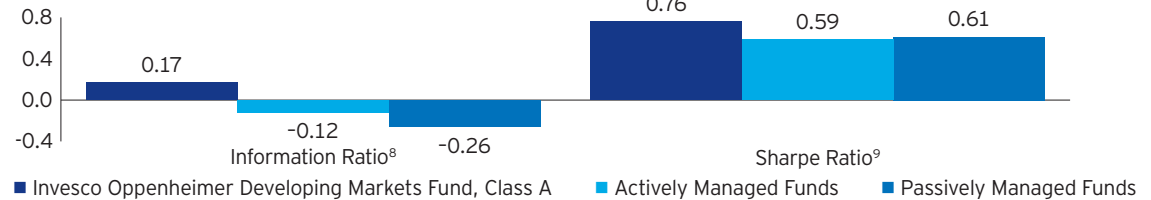
Actively managed funds have outperformed passively managed funds within the Morningstar Diversified Emerging Markets category, **3 out of the last 5** calendar years.*



93% of top quartile funds for the 5-year period were actively managed.⁵

*Period from 1/1/2015-12/31/2019.

5-Year Risk-Adjusted Performance as of December 31, 2019^{6,7}



Performance Data as of 12/31/19³

	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	15 year	20 year	Since Inception ⁸
Class A Shares Without Sales Charge	23.99%	13.65%	6.16%	5.75%	9.51%	10.63%	11.68%
Class A Shares With 5.50% Max Sales Charge	17.18	11.53	4.97	5.15	9.10	10.32	11.41
Class Y Shares	24.31	13.93	6.43	6.04	-	-	8.95
Class R6 Shares	24.53	14.13	6.62	-	-	-	7.21
MSCI EM Index**	18.42	11.57	5.61	3.68	7.48	-	-
Morningstar Percentile Ranking Diversified Emerging Markets Category (Class A Shares)	23rd	16th	27th	8th	3rd	-	-
Morningstar Peer Ranking Diversified Emerging Markets Category (Class A Shares)	#223/835	#130/712	#168/577	#24/242	#3/121	-	-

Annual Expense Ratios: A Shares Gross 1.24%, Y Shares Gross 1.01%, R6 Shares Gross 0.83%. Class Y Inception date: 9/7/05

*Inception date returns for the index are based on Class A share inception date of 11/18/96. Class Y share inception date as of 9/7/05. **Returns for the MSCI EM Index are NR USD for the 1-, 3-, 5-, 10- and 15-year periods. The GR USD return stream was used for the 20-year and since inception returns as the NR USD was not in existence on 11/18/96. GR stands for Gross Return. "NR" stands for Net Return.

Performance quoted is past performance and cannot guarantee comparable future results; current performance may be lower or higher. Visit invesco.com for the most recent month-end performance. Performance figures reflect reinvested distributions and changes in net asset value (NAV). Investment return and principal value will vary so that you may have a gain or a loss when you sell shares. Performance shown at NAV does not include the applicable front-end sales charge, which would have reduced the performance. Class Y shares have no sales charge; therefore, performance is at NAV. As the result of a reorganization on May 24, 2019, the returns of the fund for periods on or prior to May 24, 2019 reflect performance of the Oppenheimer predecessor fund. Share class returns will differ from the predecessor fund due to a change in expenses and sales charges. Class I shares were reorganized into Class R6 shares. R6 shares are primarily intended for retirement plans that meet certain standards and for institutional investors. Y shares are generally intended for certain investors, such as wrap-fee based programs or commissionable brokerage platforms that charge sales commission.

3 Morningstar ratings are based on a risk-adjusted return measure that accounts for variation in a fund's monthly performance, placing more emphasis on the downward variations and rewarding consistent performance. Open-end mutual funds and exchange-traded funds are considered a single population for comparison purposes. Ratings are calculated for funds with at least a three year history. The overall rating is derived from a weighted average of three-, five- and 10-year rating metrics, as applicable, excluding sales charges and including fees and expenses. Had fees not been waived and/or expenses reimbursed currently or in the past, the Morningstar rating would have been lower. Class A shares received 5 stars for the overall, 5 stars for the three years, 4 stars for the five years and 4 stars for the 10 years. The fund was rated among 712, 712, 577 and 242 funds within the Morningstar Diversified EM Category of the overall period, three, five and 10 years, respectively. 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For more detailed information about Morningstar's Analyst Rating, including its methodology, please go to <http://corporate.morningstar.com/us/documents/MethodologyDocuments/AnalystRatingforFundsMethodology.pdf>. **5** MSCI EM Quality Index aims to capture the performance of quality growth stocks by identifying stocks with high quality scores based on three main fundamental variables: high return on equity (ROE), stable year-over-year earnings growth and low financial leverage. **6** Actively managed funds and passively managed funds are represented by the US Fund Diversified Emerging Markets Equity Category. **7** As with any comparison, investors should be aware of the material differences between active and passive strategies. Unlike passive strategies, active strategies have the ability to react to market changes and the potential to outperform a stated benchmark. Other differences include, but are not limited to, expenses, management style and liquidity. Investors should consult their financial adviser before investing. **8** Information Ratio is defined as a measure of the consistency of a portfolio's performance relative to a benchmark. It is calculated by subtracting the benchmark return from the portfolio return, and dividing the result (the excess return) by the standard deviation (volatility) of this excess return. A positive information ratio indicates outperformance versus the benchmark, and the higher the information ratio, the more consistent the outperformance. **9** Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure that measures reward per unit of risk. The higher the Sharpe Ratio, the better. The numerator is the difference between the portfolio's annualized return and the annualized return of a risk-free instrument. The denominator is the portfolio's annualized standard deviation (population).

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