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Performance Overview:

• The fund underperformed its benchmark, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, over the quarter.

• MSCI EM ended the quarter with -0.5% return, outperforming DM (-3.9%). MSCI EM ended a volatile Q1 sharply lower after a strong January-February rally was reversed by a severe risk-off in March. The quarter began with EM delivering its best start to a year in over a decade, driven by IT outperformance on AI-related memory demand, supportive commodity prices, and early USD weakness. February extended gains as EM continued to outperform DM despite a firmer US dollar and growing uncertainty around US trade policy following the Supreme Court ruling on tariffs. However, geopolitical escalation in the Middle East triggered EM's worst monthly drawdown since March 2020, as energy prices surged, the dollar strengthened, and EM FX weakened. Korea remained the best-performing market year-to□date despite a sharp March correction, while LatAm was the strongest region over the quarter. EM Asia and CEEMEA both underperformed amid higher sensitivity to the oil shock and global risk aversion.

Drivers of Performance:

• Selection in India, China stood out as contributors to relative returns, whilst weakness was concentrated in Taiwan, Hungary, and Korean positioning. Having an average net exposure above 100% also hurt the fund, as market beta turned negative amid escalating tensions in the Middle East. We have been taking advantage of heightened market volatility to add risk to names we have strong conviction in and have meaningfully pulled back.

• At the sector level, consumer discretionary, energy, and short precious metals mining exposure performed well, whilst IT, industrials, and utilities exposure detracted.

• Taiwanese IT hardware manufacturer Lotes, was another area of strength, supported by the company's deepening role in the AI server supply chain. ASP growth has come from product spec-upgrades across connectors and liquid cooling solutions, which helped the company beat on revenues and margins.

• A short Chinese consumer name worked well for the fund. We have been cautious on the retail hype surrounding the name, particularly as management has slowed the new model release cadence of key products, whilst also deliberately increasing supply in 4Q to bring down resale prices and artificial scarcity. The knock on effects to growth came through in FY25 results, with weaker sequential momentum overseas and softer 2H25 growth overall.

• A new position in 2026, Thai oil and gas company PTT EP, helped provide some resilience in the portfolio clear beta to oil in a scenario where Middle East tensions elevate the risk of supply disruptions.

• A lack of exposure to large Chinese internet names like Tencent and Alibaba also helped relative performance. The broader segment pulled back triggered by a mis-reported VAT hike for online gaming, headlines around potential inclusion on the US DoD's Chinese Military Companies list, and competitive pressures from ByteDance. On the other hand long exposure in the space ended up at the bottom of the table. Kuaishou in particular continued to underperform through 1Q as 2026 revenue growth guidance was stepped down, whilst costs were higher, and scepticsim surrounding their core business picked up (particularly on slowing ad growth, and pressure on livestream and e-commerce.

• Wizz Air was the period's worst performer as the company issued a profit warning, cutting FY26 guidance on the back of Middle East flight suspensions, higher jet fuel costs, and weaker FX dynamics in the face of a stronger Dollar.

• IT services was another area that weighed on the book in 1Q as Anthropic's "Claude/Cowork" release in February intensified fears of AI disrupting software business models and sparked a broad software sell-off. Long exposure to EPAM was among the worst hit positions.

Changes:

• Gross and net increased in 1Q26 driven by increases in the long book. The fund ended the period at 181.3% and 114.6% respectively. Beta remained stable at 0.96.

• We neutralised our underweight to energy notably initiating a position in Thai E&P name PTT EP given its liquidity and efficient exposure to energy price upside amid elevated risks of supply disruptions. We also added some petrochemical exposure through Saudi Arabia' SABIC to introduce convexity and potential downside protection should oil prices remain elevated.

• We have been adding to China, as the market can show resilience in an environment with higher for longer energy prices. Consumer discretionary has been a sector of relative preference given consensus bearishness and, in our view, asymmetric risk/return.

• More recently we added exposure to Taiwan, initiating a position in Evergreen Aviation Technologies. The stock benefits from strong supply/demand dynamics from its aviation MRO (maintenance, repair, and operations) business, whilst also being a key supplier for Airbus used LEAP engines.

• On the short side, we closed a longstanding Indian industrial position following very strong returns for the portfolio. Whilst this was amplified by India's underperformance to EM, we have been slowly increasing net to the market as improving conditions and relative attractiveness paving the way for some flow driven mean reversion. Elsewhere, we trimmed some short precious metals exposure following strong returns to the fund.

Key Positioning:

• The fund is most overweight Brazil, Turkey, and China whilst being underweight Taiwan, Korea and net short Greece.

• At the sector level we are overweight consumer sectors and industrials, whilst being most underweight IT and materials.

Omvang fonds

Waarde begin van de periode	€ 1,551,279
Waarde eind van de periode	€ 1,475,151

Rendement

%	Kwartaal	Jaar tot op heden	3-Jaars Ann.	5-Jaars Ann.	10-Jaars Ann.
Fonds	-2.46%	14.55%	8.16%	2.26%	7.81%
Benchmark	4.37%	30.95%	13.91%	3.60%	8.38%