

# Rubrics Emerging Markets Fixed Income UCITS Fund (Class F GBP)

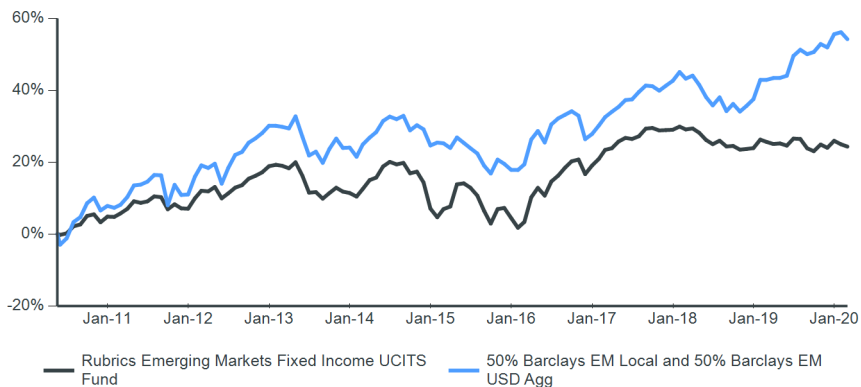
## Objective

The Rubrics Emerging Markets Fixed Income UCITS Fund (the "Fund") aims to maximise risk-adjusted returns by investing in emerging markets government and corporate bonds. It is a total return, non-benchmarked fund with a strong capital preservation emphasis. The Fund's use of dynamic risk budgeting and active allocation processes to sub-asset classes in both local and hard currency emerging markets debt should allow the fund the flexibility to create alpha across different market conditions.

## Performance

Past performance is no guarantee of future returns. Source: Rubrics Asset Management and Bloomberg. All performance is calculated on a NAV-to-NAV basis and is as at the last business day of the month.

### Cumulative performance since (19 May 2010)



### Monthly performance since 2017

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Year	Primary Index
2017	1.57	2.06	0.39	1.49	0.80	-0.24	0.59	1.67	0.15	-0.53	0.08	0.08	<b>8.38</b>	11.58
2018	0.67	-0.61	0.22	-0.94	-1.57	-0.92	0.78	-1.29	0.12	-0.83	0.15	0.19	<b>-3.96</b>	-3.58
2019	1.90	-0.50	-0.47	0.13	-0.49	1.57	-0.09	-2.05	-0.65	1.51	-0.74	1.58	<b>1.65</b>	13.16
2020	-0.78	-0.51											<b>-1.29</b>	-0.90

### Net performance

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years*	5 years*	10 years*	Since launch*
Fund	-0.51%	0.27%	0.38%	-1.04%	0.25%	3.07%	n/a	2.25%
Primary Index	-1.25%	1.50%	2.78%	7.93%	5.19%	4.26%	n/a	4.54%

\* Annualised returns are period returns re-scaled to a period of 1 year

### Rolling 12-month performance to most recent quarter end (31 December 2019)

	Q4 2018 - Q4 2019	Q4 2017 - Q4 2018	Q4 2016 - Q4 2017	Q4 2015 - Q4 2016	Q4 2014 - Q4 2015
Fund	1.65%	-3.96%	8.38%	13.96%	-2.44%
Primary Index	13.16%	-3.58%	11.58%	8.46%	-5.44%

### Risk factors you should consider before investing

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\*\* Minimum investments and fees may vary according to currency and share class

## Fund facts

Entity name	Rubrics Global UCITS Funds PLC
Inception date	19 May 2010
Index	50% Barclays EM Local and 50% Barclays EM USD Agg
Minimum investment (GBP)	500
Subscription	Daily
Redemption	Daily
Other available currencies	CHF, EUR, USD

## Key data †

Fund assets (USD)	\$25 million
NAV (GBP)	124.3200
Total return since inception	24.32%
Annualised return since inception	2.25%
Annualised standard deviation	3.67%
Number of securities	49
Average coupon	2.82%
Average duration (years)	1.58
Average yield to maturity	2.72%
Average rating	B

## Fees\*\*

Management fee	1.25%
Performance fee	None

## Fund codes

ISIN	IE00B618H921
SEDOL	B618H92
Bloomberg	RGEMFIF
CUSIP	GB107B 142

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† The values stated are calculated based on the fund inception date as of 19/05/2010

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## Fund commentary

The Rubrics Emerging Markets Fixed Income UCITS Fund (GBP Class F) returned -0.51% in February. EM currencies continued to trade poorly as the risk off sentiment and concerns over the corona virus impact weighed on the asset class. The Bloomberg Barclays EM Local Currency Liquid Government index returned -2.29%\* for the month and the hard currency Bloomberg Barclays EM USD Aggregate index returned -0.20%\*. In terms of contribution to Fund performance, exposure to local currency denominated securities returned -0.48%\* whilst hard currency bonds returned +0.22%\*.

As the virus spread in February, the market's attempts to brush off the impact failed and EM risk traded very poorly over the month. The JP Morgan EM currency index was 2.6% for the period. Commodity currencies remained under pressure as oil dropped by 13.2%. The Russian Ruble reversed much of its recent strength and ended the month lower by 4.6% against the USD. Latin American currencies were weak as the Brazilian Real hit record lows against the USD and ended lower by 4.4%, with the Mexican Peso and Colombian Peso lower by 4.2% and 3.2% respectively. In Asian currencies the Korean Won outperformed, having seen weakness in January and managing to strengthen slightly on the month. The Indonesian Rupiah also reversed this year's strength and weakened by 3.9% while the Indian Rupee was helped by weaker oil and only declined by 1.5%. For South Africa the prospect of a Moody's downgrade continues to weigh on the country, with the budget released in late February doing little to allay the rating agency's fears. Eastern European currencies outperformed other regions with HUF down 1.0%, CZK down 1.5% and PLN down 1.3%. The Czech central bank went against the grain and hiked rates to combat higher inflation. Lebanon's March bond maturity remains a coin toss with the bond trading around 52c at the end of February. The Bloomberg Barclays EM Hard Currency began to show some real weakness as spreads widened 43bp on the month. EM assets remain under pressure as the market assesses the implication of the corona virus, while the prospect of easier monetary policy globally makes the asset class potentially attractive. The Fund reduced its local currency exposure to 14% due to the virus concerns and maintains a significant allocation to highly rated liquid securities in order to be in position to take advantage of opportunities that may arise in the EM space.

\* Source: Bloomberg. Attribution is gross of fees and in USD

## Market commentary

The corona virus and its spread across the globe dominated news flow in February. As more countries announced confirmed cases and the number of deaths rose, markets attempted to price in the impact of reduced economic activity. Chinese Lunar New Year factory closures were extended in many cases. Chinese equities reopened at the beginning of the month and fell substantially, only to recover as the month wore on thanks to renewed stimulus measures in response to the virus. Other equity markets also recovered, with the S&P 500 setting new highs up until the 19th February. For the last week of the month however, the spread of the virus became too much to ignore and risk off moves took hold. Equities sold off sharply, havens such as treasuries were well bid and EM currencies were weak. Most economic data released during the month is not recent enough to give an indication of the virus' impact. Some of the PMI surveys did show some significant weakness, with China's manufacturing PMI falling to 35.7 and the US services PMI falling below 50. Italy emerged as the European centre of the virus, with the spread across the continent linked to travel from Northern Italy in many cases. Equities entered correction territory as the S&P 500 fell 13% from its highs and ended the month down 8.4%. Chinese equities were relatively stronger with the Shanghai composite down 3.2%. In Europe the German DAX was down 8.4% and in the UK the FTSE 100 lost 9.7%. Government bonds continued their strong 2020 performance with US 10y yields 36bp lower at 1.15% and German yields down 17bp to -0.61%. Oil also remained under pressure, trading 13.2% lower on the month. The USD was stronger by 0.8% as measured by the DXY index. The Japanese Yen didn't see the same level of haven flows as it has in the past, although it was still 0.4% stronger against the USD. The EUR finished the month 0.6% lower against the USD, although this was significantly off its worst levels as the EUR's use as a funding currency resulted in unwinding flows benefitting the currency during the month. EM currencies were weak again, down by 2.6%. The market remains very concerned over the impact of the virus on the global economy and corporate profits, while also wary of the impact of monetary and fiscal responses. This makes for volatile trading conditions as expectations are constantly updated.

## Top five issuers (ex cash equivalents)

People's Republic of China	4.1%
Federative Republic of Brazil	3.6%
Republic of India	2.9%
European Bank for Reconstructi	2.6%
Commonwealth of the Bahamas	2.2%

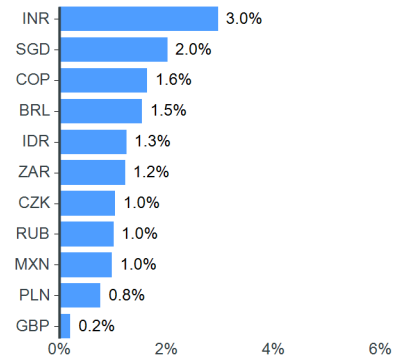
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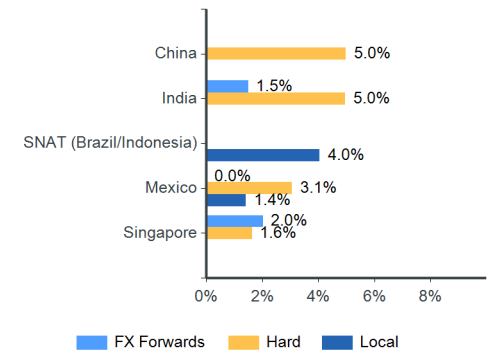
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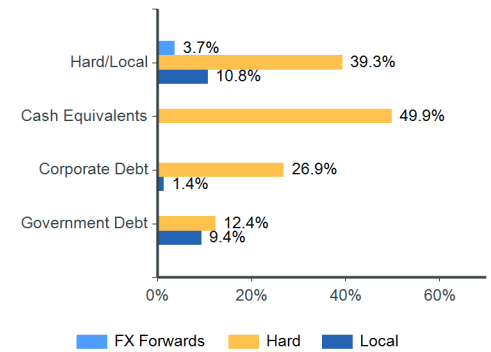
## NON-US dollar FX exposure



## Top five countries\* (ex cash equivalents)



## Hard/Local currency exposure\*



\*Totals may not equal 100% due to rounding