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## **Vontobel Emerging Markets Debt Strategy**

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### Investment objective

This bond strategy aims to generate the best possible investment returns over a full economic cycle, while respecting risk diversification.

### **Key features**

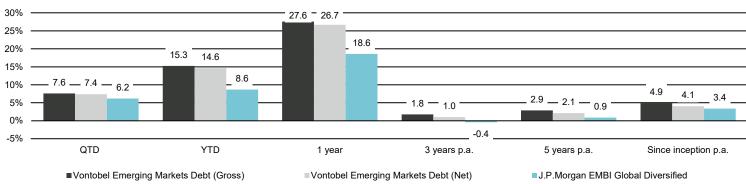
The strategy invests across emerging markets mainly in government and quasi-sovereign bonds of diverse qualities with different maturities in various hard currencies. In addition, the strategy may have limited exposures to emerging market corporate bonds as well as emerging market currencies. The strategy uses derivative financial instruments, primarily for hedging purposes.

### Approach

The compact and agile investment team of experienced emerging market specialists focuses on spread optimization for a given level of risk. Based on in-depth research and using a proprietary valuation model, the portfolio managers continuously compare the levels of remuneration potential available across issuer qualities, countries, interest rates, currencies, and maturities within the investment universe to help identify the most rewarding opportunities, which may be contrarian to mainstream views. To seize them, the team aims to flexibly adapt the portfolio while keeping credit, interest rate and currency risks in check.

Representative account <sup>1</sup>	Benchmark <sup>3</sup>
7.44%	6.31%
7.93%	6.14%
5.86%	5.52%
425.61	263.08
6.81	6.74
219	985
BB+	BBB-
5.41%	5.24%
51%, 69%, 88%	
nposite account <sup>2</sup>	Benchmark <sup>3</sup>
15.47	11.76
0.03	-0.13
5.18	
1.27	
0.39	
	account¹   7.44%   7.93%   5.86%   425.61   6.81   219   BB+   5.41%   51%, 69%, 88%   nposite account²   15.47   0.03   5.18   1.27

<sup>1</sup>Based on a representative portfolio and shown as supplemental information to the Composite's GIPS presentation provided as part of this communication. The basis upon which the representative portfolio was selected is that the portfolio is the oldest and most representative account. Active Share is calculated by taking the sum of the absolute value of the differences of the weight of each holding in the manager's portfolio versus the weight of each holding in the benchmark index and dividing by two. <sup>2</sup>Based on gross performance of the Composite. <sup>3</sup>J.P. Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index (EMBI) Global Diversified Total Return



### Emerging Markets Debt Composite Returns in USD as of 09.30.2024

### Past performance not an indication of future results.

Benchmark: J.P. Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index (EMBI) Global Diversified Total Return

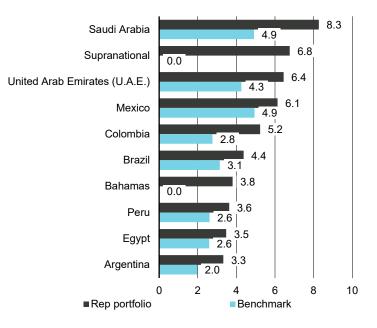
The composite's gross rates of return are presented before the deduction of investment management fees, other investment-related fees, and after the deduction of foreign withholding taxes, brokerage commissions and transaction costs. An investor's actual return will be reduced by investment advisory fees. The composite's net rates of return are presented after the deduction of investment management fees, brokerage commissions, transaction costs, other investment-related fees and foreign withholding taxes. Results portrayed reflect the reinvestment of dividends and other earnings. The comparison to an index is provided for informational purposes only and should not be used as the basis for making an investment. There may be significant differences between the composite and the index, including but not limited to the risk profile, liquidity, volatility and asset composition. The J.P. Morgan EM (EMBI) Global Diversified index is a uniquely weighted US dollar-denominated emerging markets sovereign index. It has a distinct diversification scheme which constrains a country's weight by first adjusting the face amount outstanding and then applying an additional layer of maximum weight cap of 10%. Index rebalancing occurs monthly on the last US business day of each month. Returns more than one year are annualized. For additional information, please refer to the Composite Disclaimer and other Important Information. \*Inception date: 6.1.2013

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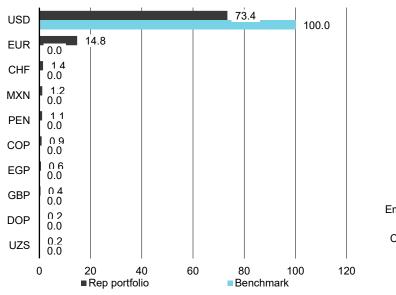
### Top 10 Major positions (in %)

6.097% Gabon Blue 01.08.2038 Reg-S Senior 6% Bahamas 21.11.2028 Reg-S Senior	1.6
8.25% Transnet SOC 06.02.2028 Reg-S Senior	1.6
5.5% ADQ 08.05.2034 Reg-S Senior	1.6
5.125% ADNOC Murban 11.09.2054 Reg-S Senior	1.7
4.625% Gov of Sharjah 17.01.2031 Senior	1.7
7.25% MC BRAZIL DOWN 30.06.2031 Reg-S Senior	2.0
4.7% BOAD 22.10.2031 Reg-S Senior	2.0
8.375% Ecopetrol 19.01.2036 Senior	2.2
2% Romania 14.04.2033 Reg-S Senior	2.4

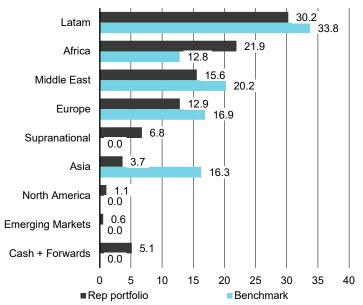
### Top 10 Geographical breakdown (in %)



# Top 10 Currency breakdown, before hedging (in %)



### Regional exposure (in %)

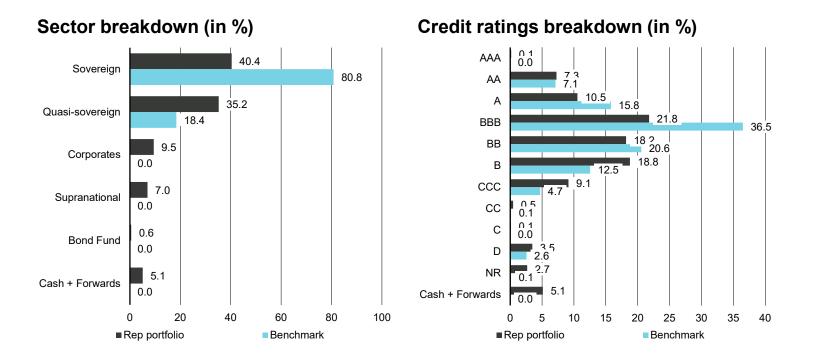


Source: Vontobel, as of 9.30.2024.

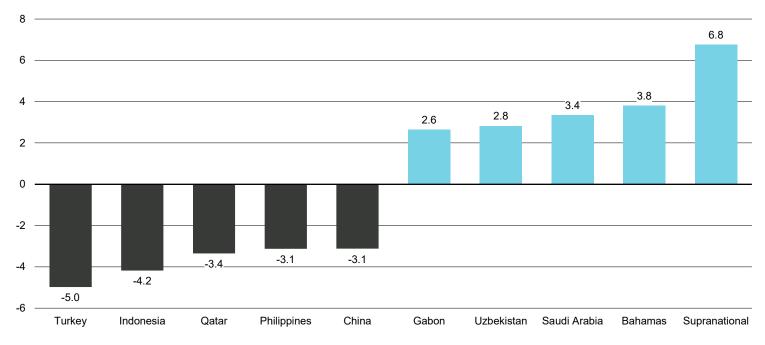
Benchmark Index Name: J.P. Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index (EMBI) Global Diversified Total Return

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### Major country overweights/underweights (in %)



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## **Composite Disclaimer Vontobel Emerging Markets Debt Strategy**

### **Composite description**

The composite includes all share classes of pooled funds and segregated accounts that mainly invest in bonds denominated in hard currency and similar fixed or floating-rate debt securities of private and public issuers domiciled in emerging markets. The term "hard currency" refers to currencies of developed and politically stable countries that are members of the OECD.

### **Benchmark Description**

J.P. Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index (EMBI) Global Diversified Total Return (since inception)

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