2-Year Anniversary

Artisan Emerging Markets Debt Opportunities Strategy



Inception
1 May 2022

EMsights Capital Group

17 Investment Professionals

Platform/Strategy AUM \$1,244/\$116 Million (as of 30 April 2024)

Conducted on the Ground Research in 63 Countries

The Artisan Emerging Markets Debt Opportunities Strategy celebrated its two-year anniversary on May 1, 2024.

In the last two years, the EMsights Capital Group continued to implement its time-tested investment philosophy and process that combines in-depth fundamental research with robust operational capabilities. As we celebrate this milestone, we reflect on the success of the strategy and the growth of the EMsights Capital Group.

Since inception, the Artisan Emerging Markets Debt Opportunities Strategy generated 864 bps of excess returns relative to the J.P. Morgan EMB Hard Currency/Local Currency 50/50 Index (25% hard currency sovereign/25% hard currency corporates/50% local currency sovereign).

A lot has transpired since the launch of the strategy that has added to an already unsettled geopolitical landscape: The Fed embarked on its most aggressive tightening cycle in decades, the war between Russia-Ukraine endured, a war in the Middle East emerged, ultra-loose monetary and fiscal policies fueled inflation, and numerous transitions of power took place ranging from peaceful transfers to more tumultuous ones. This growing uncertainty has continued to present investment opportunities for the team to take advantage of.

Strategy

The Artisan Emerging Markets Debt Opportunities Strategy is a blended portfolio that invests in a broad range of emerging market fixed income securities and currencies including sovereign and corporate hard currency and local debt. The strategy is benchmark agnostic with respect to investment positions and utilizes the investment team's opportunistic approach to idea generation.

Team

The EMsights Capital Group invests across a broad universe that spans more than 100 countries and has an emphasis in emerging markets. The team constantly performs fundamental country research and monitors financial markets to identify investment opportunities across sovereign and corporate credit, local bonds and currencies. The team aims to identify countries poised for strong economic growth or structural changes, such as political, legislative and/or economic reforms. Over the past two years, the EMsights Capital Group has grown to include 17 investment professionals. Additional resources have also been allocated to distribution, operations, and technology.

The Artisan Partners business model has provided the EMsights Capital Group with both the resources and operational support to invest without distractions, allowing the team to focus on producing differentiated returns for investors.

Composite—Net	_	_	_	12.47	13.03
Annual Returns (% USD) Trailing 12 months ended 30 April	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
J.P. Morgan EMB Hard Currency / Local Currency 50/50		-1.81	-1.79	4.80	4.09
Composite—Net		-0.18	3.79	13.03	12.73
Composite—Gross		-0.11	4.05	13.88	13.59
(% USD) As of 30 April 2024		QTD	YTD	1 Yr	Inception
Investment Results	Average Annual Total Returns				

Source: ArtisanPartners/J.P.Morgan. Composite Inception: 1 May 2022. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized.

Past performance does not guarantee and is not a reliable indicator of future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance shown. Composite performance has been presented in both gross and net of investment management fees.

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