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BRETT DIMENT (MODERATOR)
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Brett Diment is the Head of Global Emerging Markets on the fixed income team. Brett joined abrdn via the acquisition of Deutsche Asset Management's London and Philadelphia fixed income businesses in 2005 where he previously held the same role since 1999. Brett joined Deutsche Asset Management in 1991 as a graduate and began researching Emerging Markets in 1995.

Brett graduated with a BSc from the London School of Economics.

ROBERT TANCSA
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Robert Tancsa is a Senior Research Analyst on the Investment Team in GoldenTree Asset Management’s London office, covering Emerging Markets.

Prior to joining GoldenTree, Mr. Tancsa spent 9 years at Morgan Stanley, most recently as an Executive Director in the Research department. As an Emerging Markets Fixed Income Strategist, he published regularly on EM sovereign external debt globally, with special focus on stressed and distressed sovereigns. In addition to his Emerging Markets responsibilities, Mr. Tancsa had an active coverage of the smaller European Peripheral countries throughout the European debt crisis.

Mr. Tancsa holds both a MSc in Business Administration and a Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Pecs.

L. BRYAN CARTER
HSBC Asset Management

Bryan is an experienced investor with 18 years in the industry with eight years in managing portfolios with advanced ESG integration. Before joining HSBC in 2020, he was the lead portfolio manager for Emerging Market Debt at BNP Paribas Asset Management for over $6 billion of assets under management, covering hard currency, local currency, Asian fixed income and total return. He hired and managed a team of 16 portfolio managers, analysts, and investment specialists.

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For nine years prior to that, Bryan managed EMD and Global Absolute Return Bond capabilities at Acadian Asset Management and directed Acadian's quantitative fixed income research effort including directional rates and yield curve models for over 30 countries. Bryan started his career as a global economist at the US Treasury Department as well as at T. Rowe Price.

Bryan was a founding volunteer for the non-profit Emerging Markets Investors Alliance, and has held leadership roles in this leading advocacy and social impact organization focused on emerging markets since 2014. EMIA provides investors with knowledge and intelligence about ESG issues in emerging markets and compels them to advocate for change in the countries and companies in which they invest.

Bryan earned a Master of International Development Economics at Harvard University, as well as a double Bachelor degree in Economics and Spanish from Georgetown University. He is a CFA Charterholder.

ISHITAA SHARMA
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Ishitaa Sharma is a senior portfolio manager on the EM Local Currency Funds at JPM Asset Management.

Formerly at BlackRock, she managed local currency funds as part of the EM debt team. Ishitaa has global EM coverage across debt & FX. She started her career as an EMEA strategist with Citibank.

Ishitaa has a Master's degree in Mathematical and Computational Finance from Oxford University, and a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics from LSR, Delhi University.

SERGEY DERGACHEV
Union Investment

Sergey Dergachev joined Union Investment´s fixed income portfolio management team in April 2008. As Functional Head Emerging Markets Corporate Debt, he is responsible for the emerging markets corporate bonds unit, which he has built up at Union Investment since 2009. In addition to that, Sergey plays a vital role in developing and promoting ESG themes and integration for EM debt portfolios at Union Investment.

Prior to joining Union Investment, he worked at Frankfurt Trust from 2006 till 2008, as portfolio manager managing emerging markets fixed income debt portfolios (sovereign and corporate debt).

Sergey studied international business administration at the European Business School in Oestrich-Winkel, as well as at the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce in Rouen and the University of Westminster in London. In addition to that, Sergey is a certified chartered financial analyst (CFA), financial risk manager (FRM) chartered alternative investment analyst (CAIA), EFFAS certified ESG analyst (CESGA) and holds CFA UK Certificate in ESG Investing. He also holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from the University of Durham.