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Vitaliy Vavryshchuk has been with ICU Investment Group since 2021. From March 2015 to September 2021, Vitaliy served as a Director of Financial Stability Department of the NBU also was a member of the NBU Monetary Policy Committee.

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#### TIM ASH RBC BlueBay Asset Management

Timothy joined BlueBay in January 2017 as EM Senior Sovereign Strategist within the Emerging Markets Team. Prior to joining BlueBay, Timothy was Head of CEEMEA Credit Strategy at Nomura International. Before this he was Head of EM Research (ex-Africa) at ICBC-Standard Bank until May 2015; Head of Emerging Markets Research at the Royal Bank of Scotland until June 2012; and Head of EMEA fixed income research at Bear Stearns International (later JPMorgan Chase) until April 2008. Timothy has also held a number of Economist positions at West Merchant Bank, Caspian Securities, ABN Amro, the Economist Intelligence Unit and Euroconsult, where he worked on international development projects.

Timothy started covering Russia as a Soviet studies specialist in 1989 on a Leverhulme research project looking at technological change in Soviet agriculture. He first visited Russia in the Soviet era in 1987. He has advised the US and U.K. governments on policy towards Russia, Ukraine and sanctions policy, and has written extensively on these subjects, including regular opinion pieces in the Kyiv Post which invariably touch on Russia.

Timothy holds a first class BA honours degree in Economics and an MA in Agricultural Economics, both from the University of Manchester, and was a research fellow at the Centre for Economic Reform & Transformation at Herriot-Watt University and a Leverhulme Research Fellow at Exeter University.

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Rachel Ziemba is a geopolitical risk expert. She an advisory business Ziemba Insights in New York and is an adjunct Fellow at the Center for a New American Security.

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