

Focus on Execution Amid Uncertainty

- CMDs and conferences confirm solid fundamentals
- Ongoing strength in EM financials
- Digital assets price correction while mainstream adoption continues

Track record of Robeco New World Financials (EUR) – 30 November 2025

	Fund	Index*	Rel. perf.
Last month	0.3%	1.5%	-1.1%
Year to date	10.6%	10.0%	0.6%
1-year	8.7%	8.0%	0.7%
3-year (ann.)	15.8%	15.3%	0.5%
10-year (ann.)	10.7%	9.5%	1.2%

Track record of Robeco New World Financials (USD) – 30 November 2025

	Fund	Index*	Rel. perf.
Last month	0.9%	2.0%	-1.1%
Year to date	24.0%	23.3%	0.7%
1-year	19.4%	18.7%	0.7%
3-year (ann.)	20.6%	20.0%	0.5%
10-year (ann.)	11.8%	10.5%	1.3%

Source: Robeco

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Last month's overview

The MSCI AC World was flat while MSCI AC World Financials index rose 2.0% in USD in November. Post a solid 3Q earnings season the global earnings revision ratio improved further in November as diversified financials, banks and insurance continue to rank very favorably in a global sector context. November's heavy conference and capital markets day calendar underscored a common narrative: management teams remain focused on operational delivery and self-help levers amid lingering macro and geopolitical uncertainties.

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In **Aging Finance**, deal completion in capital markets was impacted by the U.S. federal government shutdown, with UBS flagging a 5-6% decline in the fee pool this current quarter. At the same time still-robust deal and issuance pipelines across several asset classes point to an acceleration into year-end as the shutdown has ended, laying the groundwork for a more active 2026 calendar. Similarly, several European alternative asset managers presented at the JP Morgan's Financials Conference had a constructive fundraising and realisations outlook for next year. Intermediate Capital (+8%) performed well following strong 1H26 results and the announcement of a 10-year partnership between Amundi to distribute private markets products in private wealth channels. The UK Autumn Budget removed a long-feared banking levy and signalled fiscal discipline, triggering a rebound in gilt markets and a relief-led advance in UK bank equities including Barclays (+6%). St James's Place (+8%) benefited from the UK government's plan to shift tax-advantaged saving from cash toward investment products with the new £12k Cash ISA cap and management's optimistic commentary about the long-term growth prospects for the business.

Emerging Finance continued to deliver in November. BBVA (+8%) recovered strongly as they commit to accelerate capital returns with the CFO suggesting at the JP Morgan's Financials Conference that "the exercise of return excess capital to shareholders being a question of months, not years". Similarly, Standard Chartered (+8%) maintained solid momentum on the back of continuous earnings upgrades and CFO's upbeat presentation at the JP Morgan conference with structural growth in wealth, sustainable returns and disciplined capital management. Bank Rakyat Indonesia (-8%) remains under pressure due to elevated credit costs with normalisation expected not earlier than 2027. During November we met with a large number of companies visiting India, Indonesia, Hong Kong and Singapore. First of all we were positively impressed meeting AIA, Prudential and Ping An Insurance. We see solid growth fundamentals in Chinese and Hong Kong life / health insurance businesses with AIA (+7%, November total return in HKD) best placed, though Prudential (+4%, HKD) and Ping An Insurance (+1%, HKD) should also continue to benefit from these trends in Q4 and 2026 while valuations remain attractive for all three companies. With regard to the banks we have met from Singapore, Hong Kong, South Korea, Indonesia, India, Vietnam, the Philippines and Japan, in general the conclusion is that net interest income is somewhat challenging going into 2026. Much depends on whether banks can generate lending growth, fee income growth and / or cost control. Preferred is all three! For now we remain most positive on Indian financials. Indonesian banks are subject to a bit of political uncertainty while new political leadership in Korea is also generating some uncertainty though early signals seem positive. We monitor developments closely, communicating regularly with our colleagues in Hong Kong about our investments across the region.

Digital Finance remained under pressure amid digital asset markets' price correction. Unlike previous corrections, the Crypto operating businesses look strong and are in the midst of executing transformative business model shifts. Coinbase (-21%) is making inroads in becoming the "Everything Exchange", adding new asset classes, such as tokenized stocks and prediction markets, enhancing its derivatives offering, and integrating decentralized exchanges. Additionally, Coinbase is accelerating stablecoin adoption by building vertically integrated payment solutions leveraging Base and USDC, and expanding its "Crypto-as-a-service" platform, with big banks such as JP Morgan, Citigroup and PNC Financial choosing Coinbase as their Crypto partner. Furthermore, payment stocks continued to face headwinds despite solid fundamentals highlighted at their capital markets days. Block's (-13%) first investor day since 2022 offered reassuring signals about the durability of profitable growth across both Square and Cash App, with both ecosystems moving in the right direction, and guidance in line to slightly ahead of Street. Adyen's (-10%) management outlined a compelling growth strategy showcasing a vast addressable market, and clear building blocks for future revenue growth, all underpinned by disciplined investment and strategic priorities. Adyen introduced Dynamic Identification as a new third foundational layer to its platform, in addition to their Single Global Platform and Banking Infrastructure. On the positive stock returns side, Fineco (+7%) share price was boosted by a solid 3Q25 and improved NII outlook as deposit net sales offset lower rates. In recent months Fineco accelerated its client growth leveraging on the changes in the technological landscape and the gradual ongoing evolution of clients' habits which look for more cost-efficient investment solutions vs the offering of the traditional Italian retail banks. The inaugural CMD on March 4, 2026 should provide further reassurance on growth acceleration with CEO seeing double digit customer growth in 2026 as "ambitious but achievable".

Performance

Robeco New World Financials had a return above the benchmark as the fund returned 0.3% (gross euro fund returns if not stated otherwise) versus the index return of 1.5% during November. Over the last three years, the annualized returns of the fund and the index are 15.8% and 15.3%, respectively. After two years of being rated Neutral due to a team change in early 2020, Morningstar changed the rating back to Bronze in February 2022. During February of this year, Morningstar did an annual review, and the bronze rating has been confirmed. Find more details at the Morningstar website (www.morningstar.com).

As shown in the table below two trends contributed positively to performance, Aging Finance and Emerging Finance. The best contributors to performance were Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria, Standard Chartered, FinecoBank, AIA Group, Itau Unibanco and NU Holdings. The biggest detractors to performance were Coinbase, Block and MercadoLibre. The industry groups Banks and IT Services had the best positive contribution to performance while Financial Services and Capital Markets detracted the most.

Figure 1 – Top / bottom company performance

Performance contribution November	
Aging Finance Positive contribution	
Top 3	Bottom 3
Barclays St James's Place Julius Baer	CVC Deutsche Bank Equitable
Emerging Finance Positive contribution	
Top 3	Bottom 3
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria Standard Chartered AIA Group	Hundsun Technologies Bank Rakyat Indonesia MercadoLibre
Digital Finance Negative contribution	
Top 3	Bottom 3
FinecoBank Visa EPAM	PayPal Block Coinbase

Source: Robeco, November 2025

Portfolio changes

The weight in Emerging Finance increased by 50bps to 34.1% in November. We increased our holdings in **Standard Chartered** and trimmed our position in **AIA Group**, realizing some profits but keeping a maximum overweight. The weight in Digital Finance decreased by 140bps to 24.5% also by reducing the position in **Wise**. Within Aging Finance, we increased our holdings in **Deutsche Bank**, **Bank of America**, and **Barclays** but trimmed our position in **Julius Baer**. At a private banking roundtable in Zurich, we learned that Julius Baer's new CEO is making several challenging yet necessary changes. These adjustments are causing some uncertainty and putting pressure on earnings, though the company's valuation remains highly appealing. We exited **Dai-ichi Life** to pursue stronger investment prospects in Japan, and sold **Macquarie** shifting focus to existing capital markets and alternative asset managers in portfolio. The weight in Aging Finance increased by 90bps to 41.4%. Our current active share is close to 75%, well above the Morningstar category Global Financials.

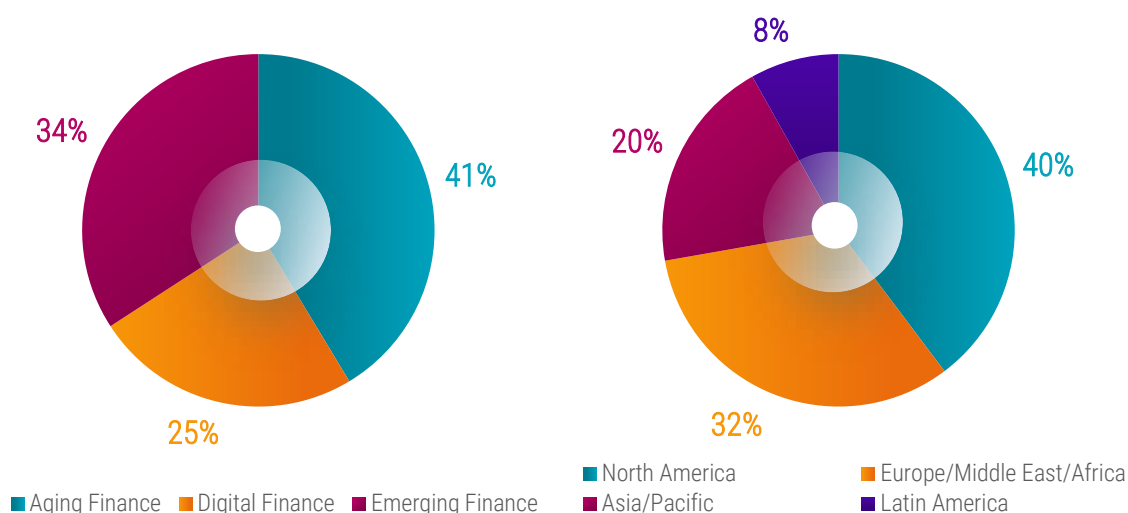
Figure 2 - Top 5 over- & underweights

Overweights		Underweights	
Prudential Plc	2.2%	JPMorgan Chase	-5.5%
AIA Group	2.2%	Berkshire Hathaway	-4.5%
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria	2.1%	Mastercard	-3.0%
Citigroup	2.1%	Visa	-2.0%
Itau Unibanco	2.0%	Wells Fargo	-1.7%

Source: Robeco, November 2025

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Figure 3 – Trend and regional breakdown



Source: Robeco, November 2025

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Outlook

As we are in the 2H25, we note that equity markets continue to be highly correlated with the direction of global liquidity indicators. The course of action in (real) interest rates, credit spreads and global central bank policies will continue to set the tone, especially for financials. Bond yields are sending strong signals worldwide that we are entering a new inflationary regime, but the peak in rates seems in. The Covid pandemic, the subsequent massive government stimulus, and rising geo-political risks have reset the global economy with higher structural inflation as a result. This aligns with our consistent view that the days of zero interest rates policies are behind us, and that new reality is positive for nearly all financials. On top of that, after 15 years of tightening regulation for financials post the Global Financial Crisis, we believe we entering a new phase where we start seeing a slow reversal of some of the more onerous aspects of the previous regime. It would be great news for the earnings outlook, return profile and cost of capital of many financials, but change will be slow and unevenly spread.

At the start of the year consensus was for a strong dollar, but that view clearly did not play out. Consensus is now for continued dollar weakness and we agree this is the path of least resistance. US dollar weakness is also eating into the total returns of non-dollar investors, and this jives with our view that non-US assets are relatively more attractive since valuations are cheap and positioning remains light, although not as underweight as compared to the start of the year. Having said that, there are plenty of strong US companies trading attractively so stock selection remains key.

In **aging finance**, we have seen a shifting of the retirement burden from the state or corporation to the individual and this provides a long-term structural growth opportunity for well positioned financial services companies. From 2023 to 2028 the entirety of asset management revenue growth is set to be driven by alternatives (private markets), which are expected to grow at a 11.5% CAGR and approach almost half of total revenues by 2028. Encouragingly, despite strong performance in 2024 there remain clear pockets of undervaluation, even as certain segments, such as alternative asset managers, retail brokers, and investment banks, have experienced a valuation re-rating. We see the pipeline for M&A deals and IPOs while especially the US is benefiting from a markedly pro-business climate, which augurs well for deal-making. This trend stands to benefit global **investment banks** in the US, but also Europe and Asia. **Alternative asset managers** are well-positioned to deliver robust growth in fee-related earnings over the next five years. Combined with an improving exit environment, this momentum is expected to facilitate new AuM gathering, further justifying premium valuations compared to traditional asset managers. After a year of lacklustre returns in 2024, **life insurers** are poised for much-improved performance. A notable trend driving this resurgence is the growing involvement of alternative asset managers, which have been acquiring assets and liabilities from life insurers or forming strategic partnerships with them. New business growth looks especially promising in Asia, where life insurers have been deeply discounted due to concerns surrounding China. However, Europe and the US also present strong growth opportunities, driven by rising demand for pre-retirement savings, post-retirement annuity income. Performance in 1H25 has been strong, and this should continue in the second half of the year.

The **emerging finance** trend focuses on the growth of the global middle class, especially in emerging markets, where financial penetration is still low. Emerging market economic growth has been resilient in 2024 with material progress on disinflation supporting emerging market central bank easing. However, relative equity market performance in 2024 was a different story. Policy uncertainty and implications for emerging market central banks' capacity to lower rates is weighing on emerging markets into 2025. Whereas uncertainty remains high, we note many emerging markets have proven to be resilient to significant shocks (Covid, Russia-Ukraine war, China's slowdown) in recent years partly owing to better macro policy management reflected in contained current account deficits. Finally, emerging market FX is already meaningfully cheaper today than at the outbreak of Trump's first trade war in 2018 and emerging market assets are attractively valued relative to global peers and history. This view is clearly paying off in 2025, and we are optimistic for the remainder of the year.

With the Magnificent Seven grabbing headlines, the outperformance of **digital finance** companies has flown under the radar in 2024. The fintech sector continues to demonstrate robust growth and innovation, driven by several key trends and developments. By focusing on key trends such as alternative payment methods, increased capital

market activity, and AI adoption, we can identify and capitalize on the most promising opportunities within the fintech landscape.

Digital wallets like PayPal, Apple Pay, Venmo, CashApp, and Shop Pay continue to grow transaction volumes. In the US, digital wallets accounted for 37% of total ecommerce transaction value and 15% of point-of-sale transaction value in 2023. The appeal lies in increased user convenience and reduced fraud risks, driving the shift away from manual card entries, card-on-file, and cash. Buy-now-pay-later providers like Afterpay, Affirm and Klarna represented 5% of ecommerce payments and just 1% of offline payments in 2023, but are gaining traction. Affirm grew its total platform portfolio 35% year-over-year to USD 11.8 billion at the end of September 2024. As a reference, card behemoth Capital One grew its gross loan book by 2% to USD 320 billion in that same period. Anecdotally, we have seen pay-by-bank payment options being promoted by merchants in recent months. It is a trend to watch as these volumes do not go over the card networks.

We also expect a resurgence in private fintech funding and a wave of initial public offerings (IPOs) in 2025. Notable companies like Klarna and Chime Financial have already submitted confidential filings for IPOs, signalling a strong pipeline of fintech companies ready to go public. This renewed interest in capital markets is likely to provide significant growth opportunities for fintech companies and investors alike.

One of the most transformative trends we are watching in 2025 is the adoption of **AI agents**. AI agents are capable of autonomously performing tasks on behalf of a user, and can enhance efficiency, reduce costs, and improve customer experiences by automating complex tasks. In a digital finance world, that means thousands of white-collar jobs at financial institutions are in line to be augmented by AI. We firmly believe that most incumbents will be slow to respond to these platform shifts and that digitally native or 'tech-first' companies are much better placed to adjust and benefit from the wave of incoming AI solutions. Having said that, as Enterprise GenAI adoption is still in early innings, we have to have an open mind when it comes to picking winners and losers.

Where we sit today, we see several of our holdings well placed to benefit from the AI revolution. Companies like nCino, Epam and Endava, which offer advanced financial infrastructure solutions, could benefit from this trend as AI agents integrate well within existing workflows. Data & Analytics behemoths like S&P Global have been plugging copilots to its customers to support with credit analysis, portfolio reporting and banking workflows. Credit agents can collect and interpret financial documents, handle transcripts, and manage legacy systems like a credit analyst. As the blockchain offers instant settlement, digital assets companies like Coinbase will likely see far more blockchain transactions between two AI agents. The first transaction was AI agents exchanging a piece of text for a micropayment.

General

Robeco New World Financials is a long-only equity capability that is available as a Luxembourg-listed capital growth fund. Assets under management are around EUR 500 million / USD 575 million from retail, wholesale, and institutional clients.

Investment Team

Patrick Lemmens (32 years of experience) started as the fund manager in 2008. Per March 2020, Koos Burema (18 years of experience) and Michiel van Voorst (29 years of experience) have complemented Patrick Lemmens. Mariia Semikhatova (18 years of experience) joined in 2023 as an analyst.

Investment Philosophy

- Our mission is to benefit from the increase in book value of financials that are well positioned in strong growth trends. We believe we can identify trends early and identify financial companies that will capture that growth. The team's experience and global approach are key to recognizing company management's superior execution skills required to benefit from growth in the global financial infrastructure, emerging markets, global wealth management and global capital markets.
- We combine our top-down allocation to these trends with stock-picking within these trends based on both fundamental and quantitative research techniques.

Investment themes

Aging Finance

- Aging Finance is about the need for financial lifecycle planning. An important part is how to build enough savings to retire comfortably.
- Absolute return investing is increasingly gathering flows as larger numbers of people retire. Many of our investments are pension or life insurance related. For example, we invest in wealth managers with exposure to alternative assets. The demand for smart beta and ETFs is behind our investment in for example S&P Global.



Digital Finance

- Digital Finance is first of all about changes in global payments. We are increasingly moving from paying with cash to paying with cards and electronic payments. Separately, mobile payments are growing very rapidly.
- More and more financials are outsourcing their IT including even the front office operations and software.

Emerging Finance

- The Emerging Finance trend focuses on the growth of the global middle class. In emerging markets, the middle class is growing fast while financial penetration is low.
- In developed markets we look for financials that can grow by providing often basic financial services in an innovative way or with limited competition.



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