

Emerging markets face volatility amid AI stock reversal

- Korea's market experiences sharp declines but rebounds quickly
- Balanced exposure to several factor premiums
- Advanced sustainability integration in the investment process

In July 2026, the fund experienced a decline of 4.6%, underperforming the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, which fell by 3.7%. This resulted in an excess return of -1.0% for the month.

Table 1 – Performance of Robeco QI Emerging Markets 3D Active Equities I-share ("Fund") (inception January 2015 - gross of fees)

Performance (EUR)	Last month	YTD	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since inception
Fund	-4.6%	31.0%	45.0%	24.4%	14.4%	11.0%
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	-3.7%	22.5%	35.7%	17.6%	8.7%	7.9%
Excess return	-1.0%	8.4%	9.3%	6.8%	5.7%	3.2%
Information ratio	-	-	2.16	2.03	1.51	0.95

Source: Robeco Performance Measurement. All figures are gross of fees. Inception is January 2015. In reality, costs such as management fees and other costs are charged. These have a negative effect on the returns shown. These figures are preliminary based on the most recent month's performance results. These numbers may deviate from the final performance figures. The value of your investment may fluctuate. Results obtained in the past are no guarantee of future performance.

1. Market developments

The sharp reversal in AI-related stocks weighed heavily on emerging markets after a record-breaking second quarter for the EM tech sector. Once again, Korea was at the center of the volatility, with the market plunging 33% before recovering roughly half those losses in a single day just before month-end. Index heavyweight SK hynix epitomized the turmoil, losing half its market value during the month before rebounding 26% on the final trading day. By month-end, the Korean market was down 17% in July, although it remains up 81% year to date.

Elsewhere, several trends reversed as this year's laggards, China and Indonesia, emerged as July's strongest-performing markets. Chinese equities were lifted by a sharp rebound in platform stocks such as Alibaba (+26%), Meituan (+35%) and JD.com (+28%), as investors rotated out of AI hardware names into beaten-down internet stocks. Alibaba also benefited from expectations that it will gain from the growing adoption of Moonshot AI's high-performing, low-cost models.

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As market leadership shifted, the momentum factor struggled. That said, the MSCI EM Momentum Index is currently a poor proxy for the factor itself, given its extraordinary concentration in technology (72%) and Korea (48%). High-dividend and value stocks significantly outperformed the broader market during the volatile month.

Table 2 – Market dashboard

Market dashboard	1M	YTD	USD return	1M	YTD	USD sector returns	1M	YTD	Factors (USD)	1M	YTD
MSCI World Equal USD	2.0%	10.7%	Indonesia	11.2%	-34.9%	Consumer Discretionary	14.4%	-9.1%	High Dividend	4.9%	20.2%
MSCI Europe USD	1.6%	9.5%	China	9.0%	-7.3%	Energy	8.5%	8.4%	Value	4.1%	23.3%
MSCI Europe EUR	1.0%	11.8%	Brazil	6.4%	16.3%	Communication Services	6.4%	-13.3%	Equal-weighted	-1.1%	6.8%
MSCI World USD	0.5%	10.3%	Malaysia	4.0%	4.7%	Financials	5.7%	8.7%	Quality	-3.0%	19.4%
MSCI World local	0.2%	10.6%	Mexico	1.9%	13.0%	Health Care	5.1%	1.9%	Market	-3.1%	20.0%
S&P 500 USD	-0.1%	10.1%	India	1.7%	-8.3%	Consumer Staples	4.6%	-1.8%	MinVol	-3.2%	13.2%
MSCI World EUR	-0.1%	12.5%	Thailand	0.2%	25.4%	Real Estate	3.2%	-0.6%	Growth	-5.3%	18.1%
S&P 500 EUR	-0.7%	12.2%	South Africa	-0.4%	-5.6%	Materials	2.4%	-1.9%	Small caps	-6.7%	5.3%
MSCI EM USD	-3.1%	20.0%	Saudi Arabia	-0.5%	4.4%	Utilities	1.9%	5.5%	Momentum	-15.2%	39.3%
MSCI EM EUR	-3.7%	22.5%	Taiwan	-5.4%	53.6%	Industrials	-7.5%	10.4%			
MSCI EM Local	-4.3%	21.3%	South Korea	-17.1%	81.2%	Information Technology	-12.7%	68.4%			

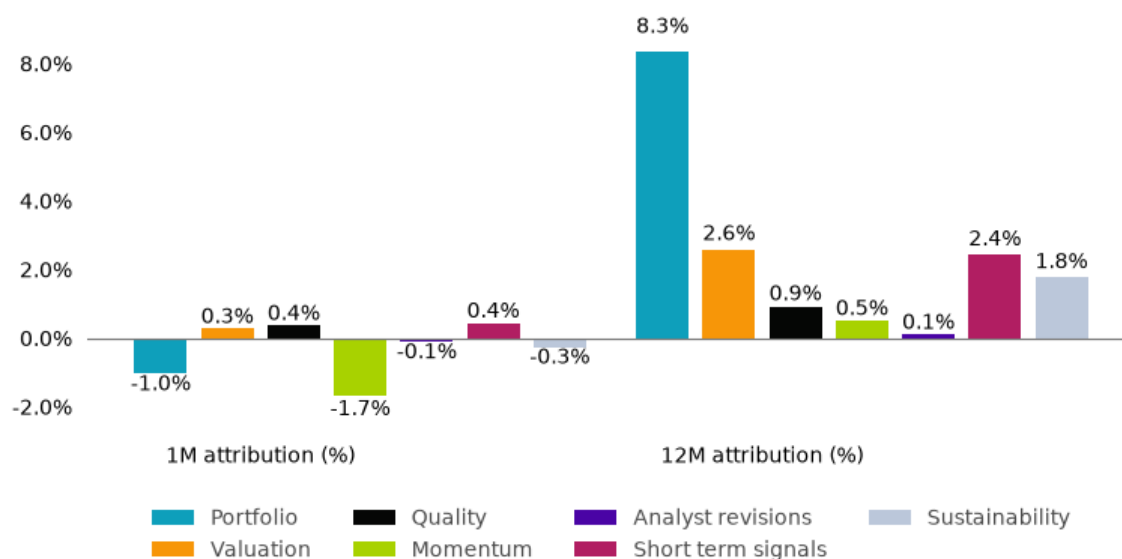
Source: Robeco Performance Measurement and MSCI.

2. Performance attribution

Last month, our portfolio underperformed the benchmark. Momentum was the largest detractor from the fund's relative performance, while short-term signals, quality, and valuation contributed positively. Analyst revisions remained neutral, and sustainability also detracted from returns.

Over the past 12 months, the strategy has demonstrated solid outperformance. Valuation led the contributions, followed closely by short-term signals and sustainability, which also added positively. Quality and momentum contributed positively as well, showcasing the strength of the strategy across multiple factors.

Figure 1 – Factor attribution



Source: Robeco Performance Measurement. The figures show relative portfolio returns versus the index. The relative portfolio return is gross of fees, and after transaction costs. It is the sum of the allocation effect and stock selection contribution, excluding cash & others. The relative portfolio return is fully attributed to underlying Robeco factors. In January 2018, the short term signals factor was added to the stock selection model. All stocks in the portfolio and index are ranked on Robeco factors and grouped into five market value-weighted quintiles. The portfolio factor exposures are averages over the previous month. The returns are over the whole period.

Table 3 – Top contributors – Top detractors

Name	Effect	Country	Sector	Active Weight	Return	Index Return
SK hynix	0.19%	Korea	Information Technology	-0.45%	-29.55%	-29.55%
Samsung Electronics	0.19%	Korea	Information Technology	-0.90%	-14.59%	-14.59%
TAL Education	0.18%	China	Consumer Discretionary	0.62%	30.62%	30.62%
Tech Mahindra	0.12%	India	Information Technology	0.63%	18.89%	18.89%
Hana Financial	0.12%	Korea	Financials	0.58%	18.91%	18.91%

Name	Effect	Country	Sector	Active Weight	Return	Index Return
Montage Technology	-0.21%	China	Information Technology	0.56%	-33.43%	-33.43%
Alibaba	-0.24%	China	Consumer Discretionary	-0.92%	26.02%	26.02%
Yageo	-0.27%	Taiwan	Information Technology	0.36%	-56.60%	-56.60%
Giga Device Semiconductor	-0.40%	China	Information Technology	0.56%	-53.31%	-53.31%
SK Square	-0.41%	Korea	Industrials	1.00%	-33.53%	-33.53%

Source: Robeco Performance Measurement and MSCI.

3. Positioning

Stock selection is the main driver of the Active Quant model. All position deviations from the benchmark are based in the relative attractiveness of these stocks from a multi-factor perspective as compared to their regional/sector peers. The resulting portfolio is well-diversified with small deviations on sector and country levels, as shown in the figure below.

Figure 2 – Sector and country positioning matrix

	China	Thailand	Mexico	Korea	India	United Arab Emirates	Poland	South Africa	Brazil	Saudi Arabia	Taiwan	Total
Positioning												
Financials	1.6	1.4	0.5	1.7	-1.4	-0.3	0.3		0.4		-1.1	2.5
Health Care	1.1			-0.3	1.5							2.3
Information Technology	1.0	0.6			2.6						-2.5	1.5
Industrials	0.8				0.4						0.4	0.9
Consumer Discretionary	-0.4			0.9								
Real Estate						0.4						
Consumer Staples	-0.6		0.3									-0.6
Communication Services	-1.1		0.5		-0.6			0.9	0.5		-0.3	-0.6
Utilities	-0.4											-1.0
Materials	0.7		0.3					-0.9	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-1.7
Energy	-0.7				-1.0				-0.6	-0.4		-3.3
Total	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.4			-0.3	-0.5	-1.3	-3.8	

Source: Robeco. Figures show relative portfolio positioning versus the index. Only the largest countries are shown. Sector totals include all countries. Only deviations bigger/smaller than 0.3%/-0.3% are shown. The portfolio is rebalanced periodically to its maximum over/under weights.

The fund remains well-positioned towards the model factors. A comparison of various characteristics of the portfolio versus those of its benchmark – the MSCI Emerging Markets Index – shows a consistent picture: the portfolio offers a lower valuation and better quality, momentum and revisions.

To illustrate, the current P/E of the fund is 15.7 compared to 17.9 for the MSCI Emerging Markets Index. Additionally, the portfolio demonstrates a stronger quality characteristic with a net buyback yield of 0.5%, while the benchmark shows a yield of 0.1%. From a momentum perspective, the portfolio's 12-minus-1 month momentum stands at 190.4%, which is higher than the MSCI Emerging Markets Index at 173.6%. Furthermore, the earnings revisions ratio for the portfolio is 79.9%, exceeding the benchmark's 65.7%.

Given these characteristics, we firmly believe the strategy is well-positioned to continue harvesting the model factor premiums in Emerging Markets.

Table 4 – Portfolio characteristics

30 June 2026	Portfolio	MSCI EM		Portfolio	MSCI EM
Valuation			Market capitalization		
Price/Earnings	15.7	17.9	Market cap >5 bln USD	97.0%	98.4%
Quality			Market cap 2-5 bln USD	2.8%	1.6%
Net buyback yield	0.5%	0.1%	Market cap <2 bln USD	0.2%	0.0%
Momentum			Positioning		
Price Momentum (12-1m)	190.4%	173.6%	Active share	53.8%	
Analyst Revisions			Number of securities	211	1178
Earnings revisions (3M, % net positive)	79.9%	65.7%	ESG Risk rating	17.7	19.9

Source: Robeco, FactSet, MSCI. Figures are holdings-based. The fund aims for a better sustainability profile compared to the benchmark by promoting certain sustainability characteristics within the meaning of Article 8 of the European Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation and integrating sustainability in the investment process. More specifically, the binding elements as per the prospectus and sustainability disclosure (SFDR disclosure) pertain to applying the Robeco Level 2 exclusion list, targeting a Sustainalytics ESG risk rating that is 10% better than the benchmark (the Sustainalytics ESG risk rating offers insight into company-level ESG risk by measuring the size of an organization's unmanaged ESG risk, a lower score refers to a better overall sustainability profile), excluding companies with Severe ESG risk (those with a Sustainalytics ESG Risk Rating of greater than 40) unless an investment in a stock with severe ESG risk has been explicitly approved by the dedicated committee comprising sustainable investment, compliance, and risk management specialists overseeing the bottom-up sustainability assessment, and pursuing 30% better carbon footprint than the benchmark (as measured by greenhouse gas emissions) as well as 20% better waste and water footprints than the benchmark.

Table 5 below shows the current main over- and underweights as a result of our bottom-up stock-selection process.

The portfolio's most significant overweight positions were Samsung Electronics at 1.28% and SK Square at 1.0%. Conversely, the largest underweights were in Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing at -5.76% and Tencent at -0.92%.

Table 5 – Main active over and underweights of the fund

Name	Sector	Country	Active Weight
Samsung Electronics	Information Technology	Korea	1.28%
SK Square	Industrials	Korea	1.00%
Infosys	Information Technology	India	0.64%
Kasikornbank Public	Financials	Thailand	0.64%
Tech Mahindra	Information Technology	India	0.63%
Novatek Microelectronics	Information Technology	Taiwan	0.63%
Krung Thai Bank Public	Financials	Thailand	0.62%
TAL Education	Consumer Discretionary	China	0.62%
ASE Technology	Information Technology	Taiwan	0.61%
Shinhan Financial	Financials	Korea	0.61%

Name	Sector	Country	Active Weight
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Information Technology	Taiwan	-5.76%
Tencent	Communication Services	China	-0.92%
Alibaba	Consumer Discretionary	China	-0.92%
Samsung Electronics	Information Technology	Korea	-0.90%
HDFC Bank	Financials	India	-0.79%
MediaTek	Information Technology	Taiwan	-0.77%
Hon Hai Precision Industry	Information Technology	Taiwan	-0.74%
Reliance Industries	Energy	India	-0.69%
ICICI Bank	Financials	India	-0.66%
Xiaomi	Information Technology	China	-0.48%

Source: Robeco.

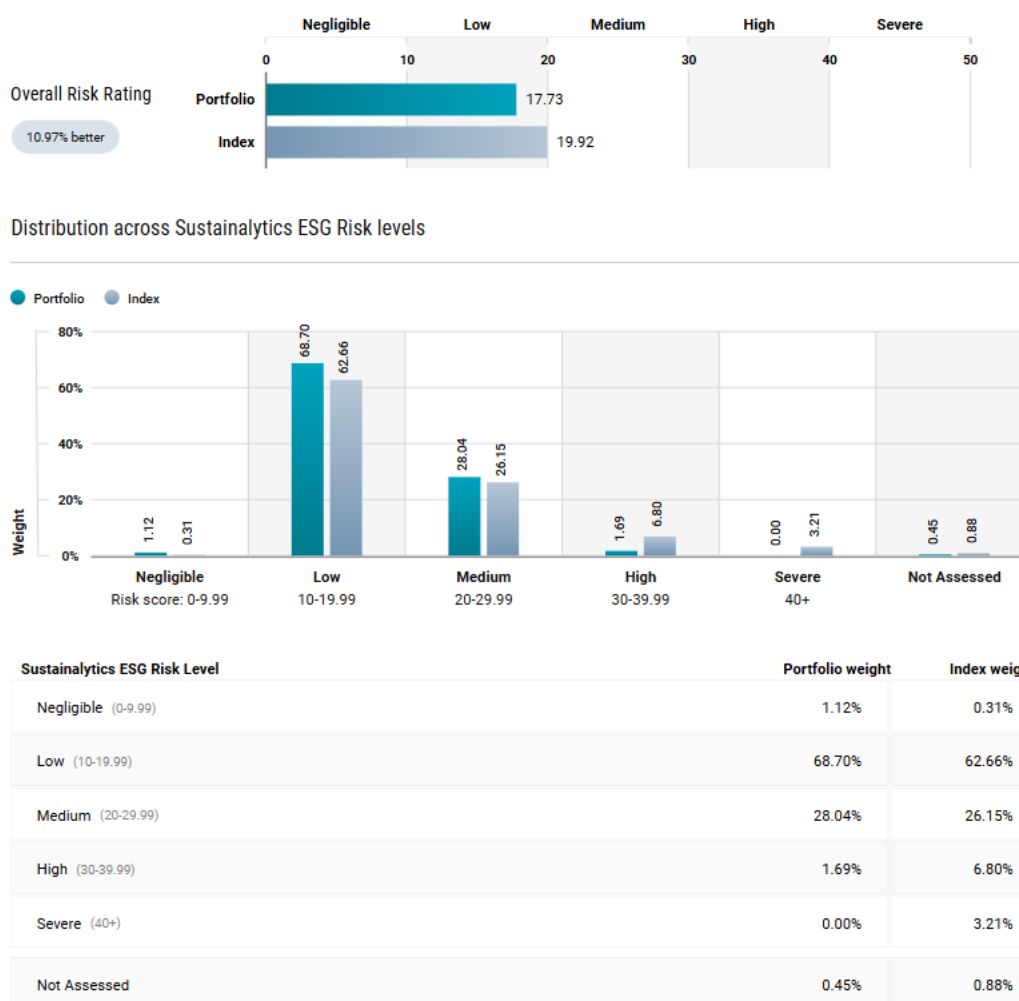
4. Sustainability profile

The strategy aims to deliver better risk-adjusted returns than the benchmark and simultaneously deliver a better sustainability profile than the benchmark based on specific sustainability characteristics. We integrate sustainability across the investment process, including the binding elements that are discussed below as per the prospectus and sustainability disclosure (SFDR disclosure). The exception to this is within active ownership activities, where voting is a binding element and engagement is a non-binding element.

a. Sustainability integration – a superior risk profile

The Sustainalytics ESG risk rating of the portfolio is aimed to be at least 10% better than that of the index, and this is a binding element in the prospectus of the strategy as described by SFDR. The graph below shows how the portfolio and benchmark score on various levels of ESG risk. In addition to aiming for a 10% lower Sustainalytics ESG risk rating, stocks with a ESG risk rating >40 (labelled as severe risk) are also excluded from the eligible investment universe. The sustainability integration applied in the investment process significantly improves the sustainability risk profile of the portfolio versus the index.

Figure 3 – ESG risk rating

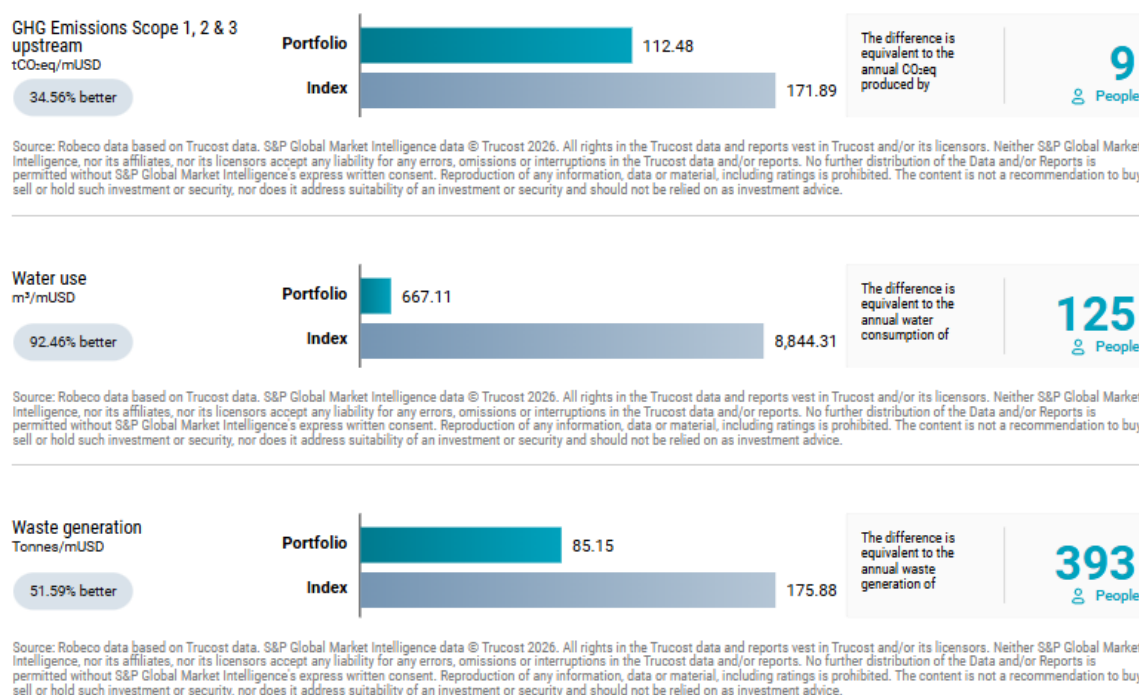


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b. Sustainability integration – environmental footprint reduction

The strategy targets environmental footprint reduction. The portfolio footprint for greenhouse gas emissions is aimed to be at least 30% lower than the index at rebalancing. The footprint on waste generation and water use is aimed to be 20% lower than the index at rebalancing. Environmental footprint is a binding element in the prospectus of the strategy as described by SFDR. Depicted below is the environmental footprint ownership per million USD invested in the portfolio on each of these three dimensions, as well as that of the benchmark.

Figure 4 – Environmental footprint reductions



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c. Sustainability integration – active ownership: engagement and voting

In addition to environmental footprint reduction, the fund participates in Robeco's voting and engagement programs. Last year, Robeco's Active Ownership team actively voted on more than 7,800 shareholders' meetings. Voting is a binding element in the prospectus of the strategy as described by SFDR. Engagement is the process of exercising our shareholders' rights to improve company behavior for the companies we invest in. Our values-based engagement focuses on financially material sustainability themes with the aim to improve the risk-return profile of the company. Examples of themes are Sound Environmental Management, Environmental Challenges in the Oil & Gas sector, Sound Social Management, Data Privacy, and Good Governance.

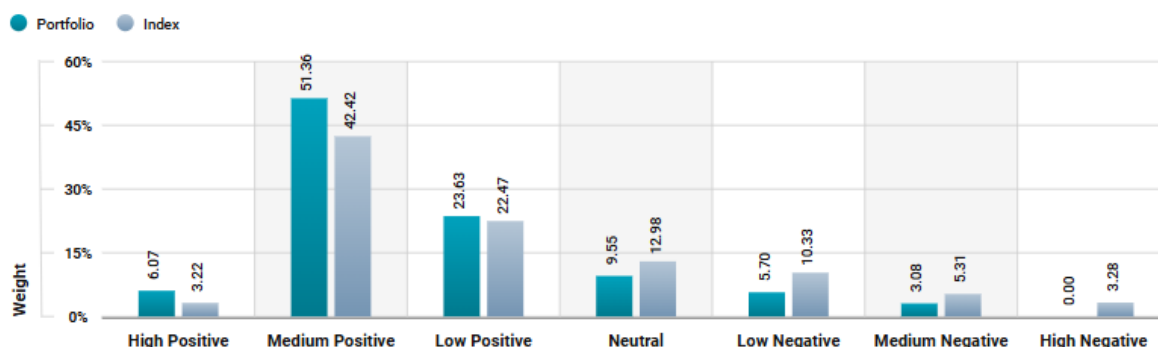
d. Sustainability integration – avoiding controversial practices

An extensive values-based exclusions list is implemented according to broad ethical norms. Criteria for exclusion are Controversial weapons, Military contracting, Firearms, Controversial behaviour, Good governance, Anti-money laundering and Counter-terrorism financing, Tobacco, Thermal coal, Oil sands, Arctic drilling, Palm oil, and Climate standards. Currently, approximately 85 stocks are excluded representing approximately 3.3% of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index.

e. Sustainability integration – contributing to UN's SDG

Furthermore, we do not invest in stocks that have a high negative score on our proprietary UN Sustainable Development Goals framework, however this sustainability element is not defined as binding in the prospectus of the strategy as described by SFDR. On the contrary, the strategy aims to invests in stocks that have a positive SDG score in a higher proportion than the index, being also a binding element according to SFDR. The portfolio positioning towards the UN SDGs can be seen in Figure 5 below.

Figure 5 – UN SDGs positioning



Source: Robeco.

Robeco Emerging Markets 3D Active strategy

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