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## Ashmore Emerging Markets Short Duration Fund

Share class: Class I

**Reporting period** 

# 022025

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<sup>\*</sup> The Definitions page details certain risks and terms that may or may not be stated in each Quarterly Investment Review. Please refer to the Definitions page for additional information.

#### 1. Performance summary

# Ashmore

#### Period performance - Class I as of 06/30/2025

| Net returns % | 3M    | YTD   | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years | 10 years | SI    |
|---------------|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-------|
| Fund          | -1.39 | 3.65  | 11.59  | 8.50    | -0.89   | 0.97     | 0.98  |
| Benchmark     | 1.47  | 3.66  | 7.78   | 7.50    | 3.67    | 3.64     | 3.54  |
| Excess        | -2.85 | -0.01 | 3.81   | 1.00    | -4.56   | -2.68    | -2.55 |

#### **Performance inception**

JP Morgan CEMBI BD (1-3

Jun 24, 2014

**Fund facts** 

Benchmark

vr)

Fund size

#### **Dividend frequency**

**Operating expenses** 

Class I

Trustees.

Monthly

Symbol

**ESFIX** 

Ashmore has contractually agreed to waive or reimburse certain fees

arrangement may only be terminated prior to that date by the Board of

and expenses until February 28, 2026. The expense limitation

Total

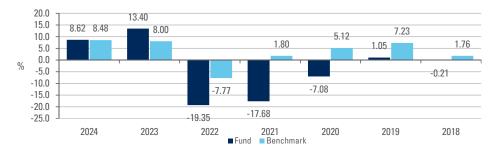
1.37

USD 32.7 million

#### Fund objective and strategy

The Fund seeks to maximize total return. Investing principally in short-term debt instruments of, and derivative instruments related to, Sovereign, Quasi-Sovereign and Corporate issuers of Emerging Markets Countries denominated exclusively in Hard Currencies (i.e., the U.S. dollar or any currency of a nation in the G-7). The Fund normally seeks to maintain a weighted average portfolio duration of between 1 and 3 years. The Fund has no restrictions on individual security duration.

Calendar year performance - Class I as of 06/30/2025



<sup>1</sup>The JP Morgan CEMBI (Corporate Emerging Markets Bond Index) Broad Diversified consists of an investable universe of corporate bonds and tracks total returns of U.S. dollar-denominated debt instruments issued by corporate entities in Emerging Markets countries. The JP Morgan CEMBI Broad Diversified 1-3 Year Index is a sub index which contains instruments that have a maturity greater than 1 year and less than 3. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Net

0.88

Past performance does not guarantee future results. The performance data quoted represents past performance and current returns may be lower or higher. The investment return and net asset value will fluctuate so that shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than the original cost. To obtain performance current to the most recent month-end, please call 1-866-876-8294. Periods greater than one year are annualized. Returns are calculated as the movement in net price over the specified performance period, assuming full dividend reinvestment. Changes in rates of exchange between currencies may cause the value of investments to decrease or increase. The information above shows only the performance of the Fund's Institutional Class Shares. Although Class A and Class C shares would have similar annual returns (because all the Fund's shares represent interests in the same portfolio of securities), Class A and Class C performance would be lower than Institutional Class performance because of the lower expenses paid by Institutional Class Shares. The performance shown above would be lower if it reflected sales charges applicable to Class A and Class C shares.

#### 1. Performance summary

| Performance statistics | Fund  | Benchmark |
|------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Standard Deviation     | 9.82% | 2.56%     |
| Tracking Error         | 8.83% | -         |
| Information Ratio      | 0.11  | -         |
| Beta                   | 1.89  | -         |
| Alpha                  | -0.24 | -         |
| R-Squared              | 0.25  | -         |

| Fund statistics                | Fund  | Benchmark |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Yield to maturity              | 5.52% | 5.99%     |
| Average coupon                 | 6.33% | 4.59%     |
| Current yield                  | 2.98% | 4.70%     |
| Option adjusted spread         | 98    | 202       |
| Modified duration              | 1.19  | 1.66      |
| Average life                   | 1.36  | 1.90      |
| 30 SEC Day Yield: Unsubsidized | 1.61% | -         |
| 30 SEC Day Yield: Subsidized   | 2.21% | -         |

SEC 30 Day Yield: computed under a SEC standardized formula based on net income earned over the past 30 days. It is a 'subsidized' yield, which means it includes contractual expense reimbursements and it would be lower without those reimbursements.

Unsubsidized SEC 30 Day Yield: computed under a SEC standardized formula based on net income earned over the past 30 days. It excludes contractual expense reimbursements, resulting in a lower yield.

Average Life: The average time to maturity across all relevant securities in the fund expressed in years.

Modified Duration: The average modified duration value provided is a measure expressed in years of the fund's sensitivity that would result from a 1% change in interest rates.

Yield to Maturity: The rate of return anticipated on a bond if held until the end of its life.

Standard Deviation: A measure of the investment's volatility. A higher standard deviation implies greater risk.

Information Ratio: A ratio of fund returns above the returns of a benchmark to the volatility of those returns.

Beta: A measure of the volatility, or systematic risk, of a security or a fund in comparison to the market as a whole.

Alpha: The risk-adjusted excess return of the fund relative to the return of the benchmark.

R-Squared: A statistical measure that represents the percentage of a fund or security's movements that can be explained by movements in a benchmark.

Average Coupon: The average interest rate stated on the held bonds at issuance.

Current Yield: Annual income (interest or dividends) divided by the current price of the security.

Option Adjusted Spread: The difference in yield between the fund versus the yield on US Treasuries (representing the risk-free rate of return). Expressed in basis points.

Tracking Error: The active risk of the fund. It determines the annualized standard deviation of the excess returns between the portfolio and the benchmark.

## 2. Performance analysis



## Country contribution and attribution

|                     | Fund a         | and Benchmark v     | /eights       | Total re             | turn contribution         | analysis            |                     | Relative return at | tribution analysis |       |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 3M Country %        | Fund<br>weight | Benchmark<br>weight | Active weight | Fund<br>contribution | Benchmark<br>contribution | Excess contribution | Asset<br>allocation | Security selection | Currency<br>effect | Total |
| Top 10 contributors |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                     |                     |                    |                    |       |
| Mexico              | 8.09           | 1.02                | 7.07          | 0.31                 | 0.03                      | 0.28                | 0.10                | 0.08               | -                  | 0.18  |
| Ghana               | -              | 1.20                | -1.20         | -                    | -0.06                     | 0.06                | 0.07                | -                  | -                  | 0.07  |
| Uzbekistan          | 3.22           | 0.20                | 3.02          | 0.10                 | 0.01                      | 0.09                | 0.03                | 0.02               | -                  | 0.05  |
| Philippines         | -              | 0.45                | -0.45         | -                    | -0.03                     | 0.03                | 0.05                | -                  | -                  | 0.05  |
| India               | 7.43           | 6.71                | 0.72          | 0.18                 | 0.13                      | 0.04                | 0.01                | 0.03               | -                  | 0.04  |
| Hong Kong           | 1.28           | 4.49                | -3.21         | 0.02                 | 0.04                      | -0.02               | 0.02                | 0.01               | 0.00               | 0.03  |
| Ukraine             | -              | 1.17                | -1.17         | -                    | 0.00                      | 0.00                | 0.01                | -                  | -                  | 0.01  |
| Nigeria             | 1.20           | 1.90                | -0.71         | 0.03                 | 0.03                      | 0.00                | 0.00                | 0.02               | -                  | 0.01  |
| Czech Republic      | -              | -                   | -             | 0.01                 | 0.01                      | 0.00                | 0.01                | 0.00               | -                  | 0.01  |
| Guatemala           | 1.60           | 0.53                | 1.08          | 0.04                 | 0.01                      | 0.03                | 0.01                | 0.01               | -                  | 0.01  |
| Top 10 detractors   |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                     |                     |                    |                    |       |
| Venezuela           | 35.04          | -                   | 35.04         | -2.34                | -                         | -2.34               | -2.91               | -                  | -                  | -2.91 |
| Brazil              | 6.31           | 2.36                | 3.95          | -0.06                | 0.02                      | -0.08               | -0.02               | -0.09              | 0.00               | -0.12 |
| Macau               | -              | 4.30                | -4.30         | -                    | 0.10                      | -0.10               | -0.03               | -                  | -                  | -0.03 |
| Israel              | -              | 4.35                | -4.35         | -                    | 0.10                      | -0.10               | -0.03               | -                  | -                  | -0.03 |
| Jamaica             | -              | 0.87                | -0.87         | -                    | 0.04                      | -0.04               | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| Thailand            | 1.54           | 1.64                | -0.09         | 0.00                 | 0.02                      | -0.01               | 0.00                | -0.01              | -                  | -0.01 |
| Panama              | -              | 0.85                | -0.85         | -                    | 0.02                      | -0.02               | -0.01               | -                  | -                  | -0.01 |
| Morocco             | 2.30           | 0.23                | 2.07          | 0.03                 | 0.00                      | 0.02                | 0.00                | -0.01              | -                  | -0.01 |
| Chile               | 2.24           | 2.16                | 0.08          | 0.02                 | 0.03                      | 0.00                | 0.00                | 0.00               | -                  | -0.01 |
| Jordan              | 2.79           | -                   | 2.79          | 0.03                 | -                         | 0.03                | -0.01               | -                  | -                  | -0.01 |
|                     |                |                     | Fund USD      | -1.22                | 1.47                      | -2.69               | -2.76               | 0.07               | 0.00               | -2.69 |

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## 2. Performance analysis



#### Sector contribution and attribution

|                        | Fund and Benchmark weights |                     |               | Contribution analysis |                           |                        | Attribution analysis |                    |                    |       |
|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 3M Sector %            | Fund<br>weight             | Benchmark<br>weight | Active weight | Fund<br>contribution  | Benchmark<br>contribution | Excess<br>contribution | Asset<br>allocation  | Security selection | Currency<br>effect | Total |
| Financial              | 22.72                      | 41.69               | -18.97        | 0.40                  | 0.57                      | -0.17                  | 0.02                 | 0.11               | 0.00               | 0.13  |
| Basic Materials        | 8.63                       | 6.84                | 1.80          | 0.12                  | 0.10                      | 0.02                   | 0.00                 | 0.03               | -                  | 0.03  |
| Industrial             | 5.99                       | 3.12                | 2.87          | 0.12                  | 0.06                      | 0.06                   | 0.01                 | 0.01               | -                  | 0.02  |
| Utilities              | 3.46                       | 8.17                | -4.71         | 0.06                  | 0.12                      | -0.05                  | 0.00                 | 0.01               | -                  | 0.00  |
| Diversified            | -                          | 0.72                | -0.72         | -                     | 0.01                      | -0.01                  | 0.00                 | -                  | -                  | 0.00  |
| Technology             | 0.59                       | 4.98                | -4.38         | 0.00                  | 0.07                      | -0.07                  | 0.00                 | -0.01              | -                  | 0.00  |
| Consumer, Non-Cyclical | 5.46                       | 5.12                | 0.34          | 0.07                  | 0.09                      | -0.01                  | 0.00                 | -0.01              | -                  | -0.01 |
| Government             | 4.80                       | 1.68                | 3.12          | 0.05                  | 0.01                      | 0.04                   | 0.00                 | -0.01              | -                  | -0.01 |
| Consumer, Cyclical     | 1.60                       | 9.44                | -7.84         | 0.03                  | 0.17                      | -0.14                  | -0.02                | 0.01               | -                  | -0.02 |
| Communications         | 4.33                       | 8.38                | -4.05         | -0.03                 | 0.16                      | -0.19                  | -0.02                | -0.11              | 0.00               | -0.13 |
| Energy                 | 41.90                      | 9.86                | 32.04         | -2.05                 | 0.10                      | -2.15                  | -0.10                | -2.57              | -                  | -2.67 |
|                        |                            |                     |               |                       |                           | Fund USD               | -0.14                | -2.54              | 0.00               | -2.69 |

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## 2. Performance analysis



#### Issuer contribution and attribution

|                                                | Fund a         | and Benchmark w     | /eights       | Total re             | turn contribution         | analysis               |                     | Relative return at | tribution analysis |       |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 3M Issuer %                                    | Fund<br>weight | Benchmark<br>weight | Active weight | Fund<br>contribution | Benchmark<br>contribution | Excess<br>contribution | Asset<br>allocation | Security selection | Currency<br>effect | Total |
| Top 10 contributors                            |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                        |                     |                    |                    |       |
| Petroleos Mexicanos                            | 5.59           | -                   | 5.59          | 0.26                 | -                         | 0.26                   | 0.18                | -                  | -                  | 0.18  |
| Fantasia Holdings Group Co Ltd                 | 0.81           | -                   | 0.81          | 0.08                 | -                         | 0.08                   | 0.07                | -                  | -                  | 0.07  |
| VLL International Inc                          | -              | 0.22                | -0.22         | -                    | -0.05                     | 0.05                   | 0.05                | -                  | -                  | 0.05  |
| Kosmos Energy Ltd                              | -              | 0.44                | -0.44         | -                    | -0.04                     | 0.04                   | 0.04                | -                  | -                  | 0.04  |
| Jscb Agrobank                                  | 1.32           | -                   | 1.32          | 0.05                 | -                         | 0.05                   | 0.03                | -                  | -                  | 0.03  |
| Sunac China Holdings Ltd                       | 0.39           | -                   | 0.39          | 0.03                 | 0.00                      | 0.04                   | -0.01               | 0.04               | -                  | 0.03  |
| Tullow Oil PLC                                 | -              | 0.76                | -0.76         | -                    | -0.02                     | 0.02                   | 0.03                | -                  | -                  | 0.03  |
| Turkiye Is Bankasi AS                          | 1.26           | 0.22                | 1.04          | 0.04                 | -                         | 0.04                   | 0.03                | -                  | -                  | 0.03  |
| Delhi International Airport Ltd                | 1.98           | 0.14                | 1.84          | 0.05                 | 0.00                      | 0.05                   | 0.01                | 0.02               | -                  | 0.03  |
| Navoi Mining & Metallurgical Combinat          | 1.90           | -                   | 1.90          | 0.04                 | -                         | 0.04                   | 0.02                | -                  | -                  | 0.02  |
| Top 10 detractors                              |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                        |                     |                    |                    |       |
| Petroleos de Venezuela SA                      | 35.04          | -                   | 35.04         | -2.33                | -                         | -2.33                  | -2.91               | -                  | -                  | -2.91 |
| OI S.A.                                        | 0.24           | -                   | 0.24          | -0.12                | -0.01                     | -0.12                  | -0.01               | -0.10              | 0.00               | -0.12 |
| Yuzhou Group Holdings Co Ltd                   | 1.20           | -                   | 1.20          | -0.05                | -                         | -0.05                  | -0.06               | -                  | -                  | -0.06 |
| CSN Inova Ventures                             | -              | 0.21                | -0.21         | -0.06                | 0.00                      | -0.06                  | -0.04               | 0.00               | -                  | -0.04 |
| Digicel Intermediate Holdings Ltd / Digicel    | -              | -                   | -             | -                    | 0.04                      | -0.04                  | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands III BV | -              | 1.92                | -1.92         | -                    | 0.06                      | -0.06                  | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| China SCE Group Holdings Ltd                   | 0.49           | -                   | 0.49          | -0.01                | -                         | -0.01                  | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| United States Treasury Bill                    | 4.80           | -                   | 4.80          | 0.05                 | -                         | 0.05                   | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| Central China Real Estate Ltd                  | 0.51           | -                   | 0.51          | -0.01                | -                         | -0.01                  | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| Vanke Real Estate Hong Kong Co Ltd             | -              | 0.11                | -0.11         | -                    | 0.02                      | -0.02                  | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
|                                                |                |                     | Fund USD      | -1.22                | 1.47                      | -2.69                  | -2.68               | 0.00               | 0.00               | -2.69 |

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## 2. Performance analysis



## Country contribution and attribution

|                     | Fund a         | nd Benchmark w      | veights       | Total ret            | turn contribution         | analysis            |                     | Relative return at | tribution analysis |       |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| YTD Country %       | Fund<br>weight | Benchmark<br>weight | Active weight | Fund<br>contribution | Benchmark<br>contribution | Excess contribution | Asset<br>allocation | Security selection | Currency<br>effect | Total |
| Top 10 contributors |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                     |                     |                    |                    |       |
| Venezuela           | 35.04          | -                   | 35.04         | 1.95                 | -                         | 1.95                | 0.69                | -                  | -                  | 0.69  |
| Ghana               | -              | 1.20                | -1.20         | 0.40                 | 0.02                      | 0.38                | 0.30                | 0.07               | -                  | 0.37  |
| Mexico              | 8.09           | 1.02                | 7.07          | 0.55                 | 0.06                      | 0.48                | 0.13                | 0.11               | -                  | 0.24  |
| Philippines         | -              | 0.45                | -0.45         | -                    | -0.02                     | 0.02                | 0.07                | -                  | -                  | 0.07  |
| Uzbekistan          | 3.22           | 0.20                | 3.02          | 0.15                 | 0.02                      | 0.14                | 0.04                | 0.02               | -                  | 0.06  |
| South Korea         | -              | 9.08                | -9.08         | -                    | 0.29                      | -0.29               | 0.04                | -                  | -                  | 0.04  |
| Israel              | -              | 4.35                | -4.35         | -                    | 0.12                      | -0.12               | 0.03                | -                  | -                  | 0.03  |
| Taiwan              | -              | 3.77                | -3.77         | -                    | 0.11                      | -0.11               | 0.03                | -                  | -                  | 0.03  |
| India               | 7.43           | 6.71                | 0.72          | 0.29                 | 0.23                      | 0.05                | 0.00                | 0.03               | -                  | 0.03  |
| Qatar               | -              | 2.93                | -2.93         | -                    | 0.14                      | -0.14               | 0.03                | -                  | -                  | 0.03  |
| Top 10 detractors   |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                     |                     |                    |                    |       |
| China               | 6.86           | 12.80               | -5.94         | -0.48                | 0.45                      | -0.93               | -0.01               | -0.75              | 0.00               | -0.76 |
| Brazil              | 6.31           | 2.36                | 3.95          | 0.05                 | 0.06                      | -0.01               | -0.02               | -0.14              | 0.02               | -0.15 |
| Ukraine             | -              | 1.17                | -1.17         | -                    | 0.14                      | -0.14               | -0.10               | -                  | -                  | -0.10 |
| Jamaica             | -              | 0.87                | -0.87         | -                    | 0.07                      | -0.07               | -0.04               | -                  | -                  | -0.04 |
| Macau               | -              | 4.30                | -4.30         | -                    | 0.20                      | -0.20               | -0.02               | -                  | -                  | -0.02 |
| South Africa        | 2.45           | 2.74                | -0.28         | 0.09                 | 0.13                      | -0.04               | 0.00                | -0.02              | -                  | -0.02 |
| Jordan              | 2.79           | -                   | 2.79          | 0.08                 | -                         | 0.08                | -0.02               | 0.00               | -                  | -0.02 |
| Thailand            | 1.54           | 1.64                | -0.09         | 0.03                 | 0.03                      | -0.01               | 0.00                | -0.02              | -                  | -0.02 |
| Morocco             | 2.30           | 0.23                | 2.07          | 0.07                 | 0.02                      | 0.05                | 0.00                | -0.02              | -                  | -0.02 |
| Chile               | 2.24           | 2.16                | 0.08          | 0.05                 | 0.08                      | -0.03               | -0.01               | -0.01              | -                  | -0.02 |
|                     |                |                     | Fund USD      | 4.00                 | 3.66                      | 0.34                | 1.01                | -0.68              | 0.02               | 0.34  |

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## 2. Performance analysis



#### Sector contribution and attribution

|                        | Fund a         | and Benchmark w     | veights       | C                    | ontribution analys        | sis                 |                     | Attributio         | n analysis         |       |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| YTD Sector %           | Fund<br>weight | Benchmark<br>weight | Active weight | Fund<br>contribution | Benchmark<br>contribution | Excess contribution | Asset<br>allocation | Security selection | Currency<br>effect | Total |
| Energy                 | 41.90          | 9.86                | 32.04         | 2.77                 | 0.41                      | 2.36                | 0.15                | 1.04               | -                  | 1.19  |
| Basic Materials        | 8.63           | 6.84                | 1.80          | 0.33                 | 0.31                      | 0.01                | 0.00                | 0.02               | -                  | 0.02  |
| Technology             | 0.59           | 4.98                | -4.38         | 0.01                 | 0.16                      | -0.14               | 0.02                | 0.00               | -                  | 0.01  |
| Diversified            | -              | 0.72                | -0.72         | -                    | 0.02                      | -0.02               | 0.00                | -                  | -                  | 0.00  |
| Utilities              | 3.46           | 8.17                | -4.71         | 0.18                 | 0.30                      | -0.12               | -0.01               | 0.01               | -                  | 0.00  |
| Industrial             | 5.99           | 3.12                | 2.87          | 0.17                 | 0.17                      | 0.00                | 0.00                | 0.00               | -                  | 0.00  |
| Consumer, Cyclical     | 1.60           | 9.44                | -7.84         | 0.04                 | 0.37                      | -0.33               | -0.02               | 0.00               | -                  | -0.02 |
| Consumer, Non-Cyclical | 5.46           | 5.12                | 0.34          | 0.16                 | 0.22                      | -0.05               | 0.00                | -0.05              | -                  | -0.05 |
| Government             | 4.80           | 1.68                | 3.12          | 0.11                 | 0.03                      | 0.08                | -0.01               | -0.06              | -                  | -0.07 |
| Communications         | 4.33           | 8.38                | -4.05         | 0.02                 | 0.34                      | -0.32               | -0.01               | -0.19              | 0.01               | -0.19 |
| Financial              | 22.72          | 41.69               | -18.97        | 0.20                 | 1.34                      | -1.13               | 0.05                | -0.56              | 0.00               | -0.52 |
|                        |                |                     |               |                      |                           | Fund USD            | 0.12                | 0.21               | 0.01               | 0.34  |

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## 2. Performance analysis



#### Issuer contribution and attribution

|                                             | Fund           | and Benchmark w     | veights       | C                    | ontribution analy         | sis                    |                     | Attributio         | n analysis                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |       |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| YTD Issuer %                                | Fund<br>weight | Benchmark<br>weight | Active weight | Fund<br>contribution | Benchmark<br>contribution | Excess<br>contribution | Asset<br>allocation | Security selection | Currency<br>effect                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Total |  |  |
| Top 10 contributors                         |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                        |                     |                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |       |  |  |
| Petroleos de Venezuela SA                   | 35.04          | -                   | 35.04         | 1.97                 | -                         | 1.97                   | 0.72                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.72  |  |  |
| Tullow Oil PLC                              | -              | 0.76                | -0.76         | 0.40                 | 0.06                      | 0.34                   | 0.34                | 0.00               | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.34  |  |  |
| Petroleos Mexicanos                         | 5.59           | -                   | 5.59          | 0.40                 | -                         | 0.40                   | 0.20                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.20  |  |  |
| Fantasia Holdings Group Co Ltd              | 0.81           | -                   | 0.81          | 0.15                 | -                         | 0.15                   | 0.12                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.12  |  |  |
| VLL International Inc                       | -              | 0.22                | -0.22         | -                    | -0.05                     | 0.05                   | 0.06                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.06  |  |  |
| Jscb Agrobank                               | 1.32           | -                   | 1.32          | 0.09                 | -                         | 0.09                   | 0.05                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.05  |  |  |
| Kosmos Energy Ltd                           | -              | 0.44                | -0.44         | -                    | -0.04                     | 0.04                   | 0.05                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.05  |  |  |
| Altice Financing SA                         | -              | 0.65                | -0.65         | -                    | -0.03                     | 0.03                   | 0.04                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.04  |  |  |
| New Metro Global Ltd                        | -              | 0.05                | -0.05         | 0.06                 | 0.01                      | 0.05                   | 0.06                | -0.03              | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.03  |  |  |
| IHS Holding Ltd                             | 1.20           | -                   | 1.20          | 0.07                 | -                         | 0.07                   | 0.03                | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 0.03  |  |  |
| Top 10 detractors                           |                |                     |               |                      |                           |                        |                     |                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |       |  |  |
| Kaisa Group Holdings Ltd                    | 1.70           | -                   | 1.70          | -0.56                | -                         | -0.56                  | -0.63               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.63 |  |  |
| OI S.A.                                     | 0.24           | -                   | 0.24          | -0.18                | -0.01                     | -0.18                  | -0.04               | -0.19              | 0.01                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | -0.22 |  |  |
| China SCE Group Holdings Ltd                | 0.49           | -                   | 0.49          | -0.10                | -                         | -0.10                  | -0.12               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.12 |  |  |
| Yuzhou Group Holdings Co Ltd                | 1.20           | -                   | 1.20          | -0.05                | -                         | -0.05                  | -0.09               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.09 |  |  |
| Central China Real Estate Ltd               | 0.51           | -                   | 0.51          | -0.07                | -                         | -0.07                  | -0.09               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.09 |  |  |
| United States Treasury Bill                 | 4.80           | -                   | 4.80          | 0.11                 | -                         | 0.11                   | -0.07               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.07 |  |  |
| Metinvest BV                                | -              | 0.45                | -0.45         | -                    | 0.07                      | -0.07                  | -0.06               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.06 |  |  |
| Vanke Real Estate Hong Kong Co Ltd          | -              | 0.11                | -0.11         | -                    | 0.04                      | -0.04                  | -0.04               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.04 |  |  |
| Digicel Intermediate Holdings Ltd / Digicel | -              | -                   | -             | -                    | 0.07                      | -0.07                  | -0.04               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.04 |  |  |
| NGD Holdings BV                             | -              | 0.20                | -0.20         | -                    | 0.03                      | -0.03                  | -0.03               | -                  | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | -0.03 |  |  |
|                                             |                |                     |               |                      |                           | Fund USD               | 0.27                | 0.05               | -0.19         0.01         -0.22           -         -         -0.12           -         -         -0.09           -         -         -0.09           -         -         -0.09           -         -         -0.07           -         -         -0.06           -         -         -0.04           -         -         -0.03 |       |  |  |

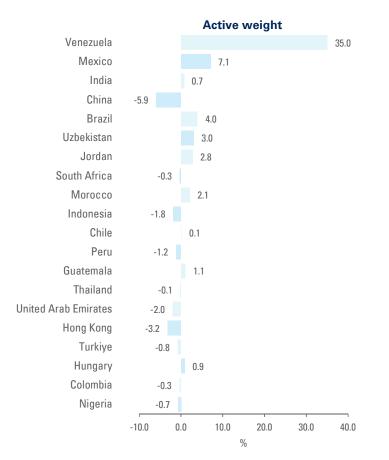
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#### 3. Fund positioning versus benchmark

## Largest country positions

| Top 20 Countries %        | Fund | Benchmark | Active weight |
|---------------------------|------|-----------|---------------|
| Venezuela                 | 35.0 | -         | 35.0          |
| Mexico                    | 8.1  | 1.0       | 7.1           |
| India                     | 7.4  | 6.7       | 0.7           |
| China                     | 6.9  | 12.8      | -5.9          |
| Brazil                    | 6.3  | 2.4       | 4.0           |
| Uzbekistan                | 3.2  | 0.2       | 3.0           |
| Jordan                    | 2.8  | -         | 2.8           |
| South Africa              | 2.5  | 2.7       | -0.3          |
| Morocco                   | 2.3  | 0.2       | 2.1           |
| Indonesia                 | 2.3  | 4.1       | -1.8          |
| Chile                     | 2.2  | 2.2       | 0.1           |
| Peru                      | 1.7  | 2.8       | -1.2          |
| Guatemala                 | 1.6  | 0.5       | 1.1           |
| Thailand                  | 1.5  | 1.6       | -0.1          |
| United Arab Emirates      | 1.3  | 3.2       | -2.0          |
| Hong Kong                 | 1.3  | 4.5       | -3.2          |
| Turkiye                   | 1.3  | 2.0       | -0.8          |
| Hungary                   | 1.3  | 0.3       | 0.9           |
| Colombia                  | 1.2  | 1.6       | -0.3          |
| Nigeria                   | 1.2  | 1.9       | -0.7          |
| Total number of countries | 24   | 50        |               |





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#### 3. Fund positioning versus benchmark



# **Corporate Debt - country deviations from benchmark and active duration**

|                              |                | Active weight       |                  |
|------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Country %                    | Fund<br>Weight | Benchmark<br>Weight | Active<br>Weight |
| Top 10 Overweight            |                |                     |                  |
| Brazil                       | 6.3            | 2.4                 | 4.0              |
| Jordan                       | 2.8            | -                   | 2.8              |
| Morocco                      | 2.3            | 0.2                 | 2.1              |
| Mexico                       | 2.5            | 1.0                 | 1.5              |
| Tanzania, United Republic Of | 1.2            | -                   | 1.2              |
| Uzbekistan                   | 1.3            | 0.2                 | 1.1              |
| Guatemala                    | 1.6            | 0.5                 | 1.1              |
| Hungary                      | 1.3            | 0.3                 | 0.9              |
| India                        | 7.4            | 6.7                 | 0.7              |
| Pakistan                     | 1.1            | 0.6                 | 0.5              |
| Top 10 Underweight           |                |                     |                  |
| South Korea                  | -              | 9.1                 | -9.1             |
| China                        | 6.9            | 12.8                | -5.9             |
| Singapore                    | -              | 4.7                 | -4.7             |
| Israel                       | -              | 4.3                 | -4.3             |
| Macau                        | -              | 4.3                 | -4.3             |
| Taiwan                       | -              | 3.8                 | -3.8             |
| Hong Kong                    | 1.3            | 4.5                 | -3.2             |
| Qatar                        | -              | 2.9                 | -2.9             |
| Kuwait                       | -              | 2.9                 | -2.9             |
| Malaysia                     | -              | 2.9                 | -2.9             |

#### Active duration





-0.2 -0.2 -0.1 -0.1 0.0 0.1 0.1 0.2

The active duration is the difference between the weighted fund modified duration and the weighted benchmark modified duration for each country (expressed in years).

#### 3. Fund positioning versus benchmark

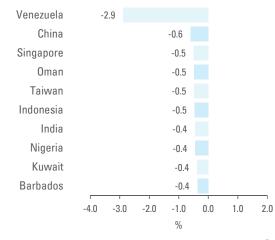


# Historical country deviations from benchmark (list based on latest quarter on quarter changes)

|                                    | Active weight |        |        |        |        |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Top 20 Changes in Active weight %  | Jun-24        | Sep-24 | Dec-24 | Mar-25 | Jun-25 |
| Top 10 changes in active weight    |               |        |        |        |        |
| Uzbekistan                         | -0.4          | -0.4   | 0.9    | 1.6    | 3.0    |
| Philippines                        | -1.3          | -1.5   | -1.9   | -1.5   | -0.5   |
| Chile                              | -0.4          | -0.4   | -1.0   | -0.8   | 0.1    |
| Israel                             | -2.9          | -3.3   | -3.4   | -5.2   | -4.3   |
| Qatar                              | -6.6          | -6.2   | -5.5   | -3.7   | -2.9   |
| United Arab Emirates               | -2.9          | -2.9   | -3.4   | -2.7   | -2.0   |
| Macau                              | -4.7          | -4.9   | -5.0   | -4.9   | -4.3   |
| Tanzania, United Republic Of       | 0.0           | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.6    | 1.2    |
| Colombia                           | -1.9          | -1.6   | -1.2   | -0.9   | -0.3   |
| Pakistan                           | 0.6           | 1.2    | 0.0    | -0.1   | 0.5    |
| Bottom 10 changes in active weight |               |        |        |        |        |
| Venezuela                          | 30.3          | 34.9   | 34.6   | 37.9   | 35.0   |
| China                              | -7.3          | -4.5   | -4.0   | -5.3   | -5.9   |
| Singapore                          | -4.9          | -3.7   | -3.3   | -4.2   | -4.7   |
| Oman                               | -0.3          | 0.3    | 0.3    | 0.3    | -0.2   |
| Taiwan                             | -3.9          | -4.1   | -4.2   | -3.3   | -3.8   |
| Indonesia                          | -0.3          | 0.0    | -1.6   | -1.4   | -1.8   |
| India                              | 2.5           | 2.5    | 2.8    | 1.2    | 0.7    |
| Nigeria                            | -2.7          | -2.8   | -0.9   | -0.3   | -0.7   |
| Kuwait                             | -2.7          | -2.9   | -2.4   | -2.5   | -2.9   |
| Barbados                           | 0.0           | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | -0.4   |

#### Movement over last quarter



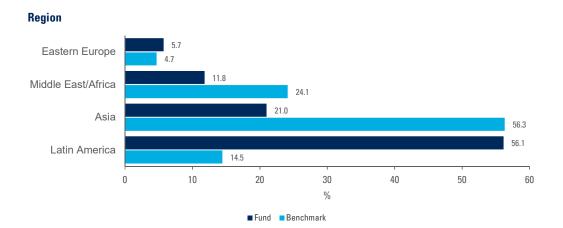


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#### 3. Fund positioning versus benchmark

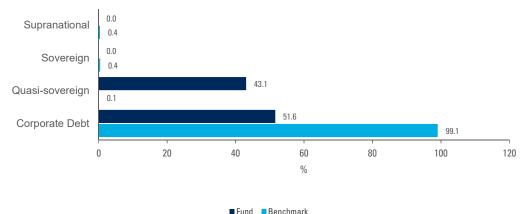




#### Rating

| Credit rating %                                      | Fund | Benchmark | Active weight |
|------------------------------------------------------|------|-----------|---------------|
| AAA                                                  | 0.0  | 0.6       | -0.6          |
| AA                                                   | 4.8  | 10.6      | -5.8          |
| A                                                    | 1.9  | 23.1      | -21.2         |
| BBB                                                  | 17.5 | 29.8      | -12.3         |
| BB                                                   | 25.4 | 18.0      | 7.4           |
| В                                                    | 8.5  | 10.1      | -1.6          |
| <b< td=""><td>0.2</td><td>5.3</td><td>-5.1</td></b<> | 0.2  | 5.3       | -5.1          |
| Not rated                                            | 41.6 | 2.5       | 39.2          |

#### lssuer type



| Credit rating %  | Fund | Benchmark | Active weight |
|------------------|------|-----------|---------------|
| Investment grade | 24.2 | 64.1      | -39.9         |
| High yield       | 34.1 | 33.4      | 0.7           |

About Credit Quality: Credit quality ratings are sourced from Standard & Poor's (the "S&P"), Moody's and Fitch's and based on issuers with ratings. Ratings values are based on the middle of three rating agencies S&P, Moody's and Fitch. If only two of the ratings are available then the lower rating of the two will be used. If none of the rating agencies have assigned a rating the Fund will assign a rating of NR (non-rated security). The ratings represent the agencies (S&P, Moody's, Fitch's) opinions as to the quality of the securities they rate. The ratings range from AAA (S&P, Fitch's) or Aaa (Moody's) (extremely strong capacity to meet its financial commitment) to D (S&P, Fitch's) or C (Moody's) (in default). Ratings are relative and subjective and are not absolute standards of quality. The ratings provided relate to the underlying securities within the fund and not the fund itself.

#### 3. Fund positioning versus benchmark



#### Instrument and sector exposure by NAV

| Top 10 holdings exposure %                      | Fund  | Benchmark | Active weight |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|---------------|
| Petroleos De Venezuela 8.5% 27/10/2020 (Regs)   | 35.0  | -         | 35.0          |
| Petroleos Mexicanos 5.35% 12/02/2028            | 5.6   | -         | 5.6           |
| United States Treasury Bill 0% 10/07/2025       | 4.8   | -         | 4.8           |
| Hikma Finance Usa Llc 3.25% 09/07/2025 (Regs)   | 2.8   | -         | 2.8           |
| Office Cherifien Des Pho 4.5% 22/10/2025 (Regs) | 2.3   | -         | 2.3           |
| Delhi Intl Airport 6.45% 04/06/2029 (Regs)      | 2.0   | -         | 2.0           |
| Prosus Nv 3.257% 19/01/2027 (Regs)              | 1.8   | 0.5       | 1.4           |
| Clean Renewable Power 4.25% 25/03/2027 (Regs)   | 1.8   | -         | 1.8           |
| Embraer Netherlands Fin 6.95% 17/01/2028 (Regs) | 1.6   | 0.1       | 1.6           |
| Suzano Austria Gmbh 6% 15/01/2029               | 1.6   | -         | 1.6           |
| Total number of issuers                         | 58    | 421       |               |
| Total number of holdings                        | 81    | 597       |               |
| Off benchmark holdings                          | 77.7% | -         |               |

| Top sectors %          | Fund | Benchmark | Active weight |
|------------------------|------|-----------|---------------|
| Energy                 | 41.9 | 9.9       | 32.0          |
| Financial              | 22.7 | 41.7      | -19.0         |
| Basic materials        | 8.6  | 6.8       | 1.8           |
| Industrial             | 6.0  | 3.1       | 2.9           |
| Consumer, non-cyclical | 5.5  | 5.1       | 0.3           |
| Other sectors          | 15.3 | 33.4      | -18.1         |
| Total                  | 10   | 11        |               |

Total number of holdings: The total number of instruments held by the fund.

Off benchmark holdings: The total percentage of net asset value in the fund from instruments that are not included in the benchmark.

Total number of issuers: Total number of issuers for the instruments held by the fund.

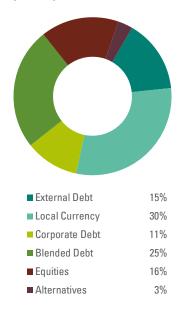
#### 4. Ashmore Group overview



Ashmore is a dedicated Emerging Markets (EM) investment manager. We focus on a number of investment themes including external debt, local currencies and local currency debt, corporate debt, blended debt, equities, alternatives (incorporating distressed debt, private equity, infrastructure and real estate), multi-asset and overlay/liquidity. We manage pooled funds, segregated accounts and white label products for a range of global institutional clients including central banks and sovereign wealth funds, government and corporate pension plans, banks, insurance companies and non-profit organisations as well as distributors and high net worth individuals.

- Ashmore Group plc, parent company, listed on the London Stock Exchange
- 280 staff employed globally
- Team based investment process, unchanged since 1992
- 102 member global investment team
- 29 dedicated in-house legal and compliance professionals
- 35-strong business development and client servicing team
- USD 47.6 billion\* in assets under management as at 30 June 2025.
- \*Estimated figure only

## AUM theme split - by primary fund theme



There can be no guarantee that any strategy (risk management or otherwise) will be successful. All investing involves risk, including potential loss of principal.

### 5. Definitions



#### Definitions

Fund Weight: The percentage of fund net assets represented by the position.
Benchmark: A financial index against which the performance of a fund or investment strategy can be measured.
Benchmark Weight: The percentage of the benchmark represented by the position.
Active Weight: The difference between the fund weight and the benchmark weight in the position.
Hard Currencies: Emerging market instruments that are denominated in USD and other G7 currencies.
Local Currency: Emerging market Instruments that are denominated in the currency of an emerging market country.
Foreign exchange (FX): A forex or currency contract is an agreement between two parties to deliver a set amount of currency at a set date, called the expiry, in the future.

#### Performance contribution

**Fund Contribution:** The amount of the aggregated fund total return that has come from the position or breakdown (for example country). **Benchmark contribution:** The amount of the aggregated benchmark total return that has come from the position or breakdown (for example country). **Excess Contribution:** The difference between the fund contribution and benchmark contribution.

Attribution analysis: Compares the performance of the fund to the benchmark, with respect to the differences in weights or holdings. This analysis quantifies both the positive and the negative impacts to selecting or heavily weighting different stocks or sectors.

Asset Allocation: Quantifies the performance impact from the difference in the fund weight compared to the benchmark weight, and how much of the excess return was derived from weight differences.

Security Selection: Quantifies the performance impact from the selection of different securities in the fund compared to the benchmark, and how much of the excess return was derived from the selection of securities.

Currency Effect: Quantifies the performance impact of the differences between the returns of the fund and benchmark from having different foreign currency positions.

#### 6. Investment considerations



#### **Investment Considerations**

The Fund holdings will change and the information provided should not be considered as a recommendation to purchase or sell a particular security. There is no assurance that the securities mentioned remain in the Fund's portfolio or that securities sold have not been repurchased. There can be no guarantee that any strategy will be successful. All investing involves risk, including the potential loss of principal. Certain risks related to an investment in the Funds are summarized below:

**Foreign Investment and Emerging Markets Risk:** Foreign investments can be riskier than U.S. investments. Potential risks include adverse political and legal developments affecting issuers located and/or doing business in foreign countries, currency risk that may result from unfavourable exchange rates, liquidity risk if decreased demand for a security makes it difficult to sell at the desired price, and risks that stem from substantially lower trading volume on foreign markets. These risks are generally greater for investments in emerging markets, which are also subject to greater price volatility, and custodial and regulatory risks.

Foreign Markets: Investments in foreign markets entail special risks such as currency, political, economic, and market risks. The risks of investing in emerging-market countries are greater than the risks generally associated with foreign investments. Frontier market countries generally have smaller economies and even less developed capital markets or legal and political systems than traditional emerging market countries. As a result, the risks of investing in emerging market countries are magnified in frontier market countries.

**Bond Funds** will tend to experience smaller fluctuations in value than stock funds. However, investors in any bond fund should anticipate fluctuations in price, especially for longer-term issues and in environments of rising interest rates. Interest rate risk is the risk that the values of the debt securities and other instruments in a fund's portfolio will decline because of increases in interest rates, which can adversely affect the fund's performance.

Non-Diversified Risk: The fund is non-diversified, so it may be more exposed to the risks associated with individual issuers than a diversified fund.

Derivatives Risk: Investments in derivatives can be volatile. Potential risks include currency risk, leverage risk (the risk that small market movements may result in large changes in the value of an investment), liquidity risk, index risk, pricing risk, and counterparty risk (the risk that the counterparty may be unwilling or unable to honor its obligations).

Ashmore Investment Management (US) Corp., a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, is the principal underwriter and distributor of the Funds' shares.

This material must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus. An investor should consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses before investing or sending money. This and other important information about the Ashmore Funds can be found in the fund's prospectus. To obtain more information, please call 1-866-876-8294 or visit www.ashmoregroup.com. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.