## **SOLUTION OVERVIEW**

# FTSE Emerging Markets Fixed Income Indices



#### **Overview**

FTSE Russell has developed a comprehensive suite of Emerging Market indices to support investors through these fast-evolving markets. The solution set covers a wide range of geographies across both frontier and emerging markets, delivering market-weighted indices, sustainable investment overlays and hold to maturity strategies.

Investors can be deliberate with their exposures to frontier versus mainstream emerging markets, balance various financial objectives with ESG overlays, target short duration exposures without forced-selling at the one-year to maturity mark, while being supported by a robust set of index-level and bond-level analytics.

## Comprehensive country coverage

FTSE Emerging Markets Government Bond Index		
Brazil	Peru	
Chile	Philippines	
China	Poland	
Colombia	Romania	
Hungary	Thailand	
Indonesia	Turkey	
Mexico	South Africa	
Malaysia	Saudi Arabia	

FTSE Frontier Emerging Markets Government Bond Index		
Bangladesh	Morocco	
Costa Rica	Nigeria	
Dominican Republic	Pakistan	
Egypt	Serbia	
Ghana	Ukraine	
Kenya	Vietnam	
Kazakhstan		
Sri Lanka		

Countries tracked as of January 2023. Country indices can be used as building blocks to deliver target custom exposures. FTSE Russell continually assesses nascent markets to expand coverage on an ongoing basis.

FTSE Russell produces universal tracker files in each regional package, to facilitate tracking of individual markets that may not be included in flagship aggregate Emerging Market indices, such as India and Qatar.

### **Features**

#### Transparency and objectivity

Based on transparent and objective rules, our emerging market indices strike a balance between comprehensiveness and replicability.

#### Ease of customization

A unified methodology across markets, granular sub-indexing capability and flexible datasets enable investors to use FTSE Russell indices as building blocks for customized benchmarks to meet their unique investment objectives.

#### Strong governance

FTSE Russell has a long history of implementing robust index governance practices. We are committed to leading global best practice standards in index governance.

#### Innovative core and ESG frameworks

FTSE Russell pioneered the first Frontier Emerging Markets Government Bond Index, and has launched a series of ESG Emerging Markets Government Bond Indices, calibrating to emerging market-specific ESG risks and considerations.

#### Quality pricing and reference data

LSEG Data & Analytics is a market leader in evaluated pricing, an independent third party pricing provider with a transparent, robust methodology.



## Breadth and depth of emerging market coverage

Our comprehensive range of indices offer broad emerging market coverage and extensive history for each index. In addition to standard benchmark solutions that track bonds with maturities greater than one year, 0+ versions of all market value-weighted indices are available. To support index users in volatile markets, the FTSE 0+ indices track the universe of securities that meet the eligibility criteria for existing emerging market indices through to maturity, providing both the short-term view, as well as hold-to-maturity functionality.

Index	Description	Base date
FTSE Emerging Markets Government Bond Index (EMGBI)	Local currency government bonds from EM as defined by the FTSE Fixed Income Country Classification Framework. A 10% per country capped version is available.	Dec 31, 2007
FTSE Frontier Emerging Markets Government Bond Index Series (FRNTEMGBI)	Local currency government bonds from frontier EM as defined by the FTSE Fixed Income Country Classification Framework. A 10% per country capped version is available.	Dec 31, 2017
FTSE Emerging Markets Inflation-Linked Securities Index (EMILSI)	Local currency inflation-linked government bonds from EM as defined by the FTSE Fixed Income Country Classification Framework.	Mar 31, 2008
FTSE Emerging Markets US Dollar Government Bond Index (EMUSDGBI)	Hard currency government bonds issued by governments in over 60 emerging markets.	Mar 31, 1995
FTSE Emerging Markets US Dollar Broad Bond Index (EMUSDBBI)	Investment-grade and high-yield US dollar-denominated debt issued by governments, regional governments, government-sponsored entities and corporations domiciled in over 60 emerging markets.	Dec 31, 2012
FTSE ESG Emerging Markets US Dollar Government Bond Index (ESG EMUSDGBI)	Incorporates a tilting methodology that adjusts index weights of the FTSE EMUSDGBI according to each country's relative ESG performance.	Dec 31, 2009
FTSE ESG Emerging Markets Government Bond Index – Capped (ESG EMGBI-C)	Incorporates a tilting methodology that adjusts index weights for the FTSE EMGBI-Capped according to each country's relative ESG performance.	Mar 31, 2011

## FTSE Fixed Income country classification framework

FTSE Russell adopts a formal fixed income country classification framework to assess local government bond markets' index eligibility in a consistent and logical way. We summarize the results in a scoring system that assigns an accessibility level of 0 (lowest), 1 or 2 (highest) to each local currency bond market. In conjunction with market size, quality, and other criteria, this level determines eligibility for the FTSE EMGBI (minimum level 1) and FTSE FRNTEMGBI (minimum level 0).

To help index users anticipate future changes in a country's foreign accessibility level, countries under review for potential reclassification are placed on a watch list. Every March and September, FTSE Russell announces the results of the review. The ensuing inclusion of a country in any index will be announced with at least six months' notice.

The transparent nature of this process allows for open engagement between FTSE Russell and local central banks or regulators, to pass on investor feedback or advising on the changes needed for a level upgrade, while simultaneously providing portfolio managers with a clear view of expected index evolution.

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