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# Frontier Markets Equity Fund

As at 28 February 2022

Total Fund Assets:\$87.2 million

Figures shown in U.S. Dollars



Portfolio Manager: Johannes Loefstrand

Managed Fund Since: 2020

Joined Firm: 2015

# **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

To increase the value of its shares, over the long term, through growth in the value of its investments. The fund is actively managed and invests mainly in a diversified portfolio of shares of frontier markets companies.

#### Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

PERFORMANCE								Annualised			
(NAV, total return)	Inception Date	One Month	Three Months	Year-to-Date	One Year	Three Y	ears Fiv	e Years	Since Inception		
Class I	24 Jun 2014	-5.38%	-8.80%	-9.75%	15.46%	10.13	%	7.20%	4.37%		
Linked Performance Net Benchmark CALENDAR YEARS		-4.36%	-6.33%	-7.70%	10.29%	8.269	% 6	6.80%	1.98%		
(NAV, total return)			2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021		
Class I			-12.019	6 10.04%	31.28%	-20.19%	14.47%	-1.50%	38.15%		
Linked Performance Net Benchmark			-14 469	6 2.66%	31.86%	-16 41%	1799%	2.85%	19.63%		

## Performance for additional share classes is shown later in this document.

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# **KEY FUND RISKS**

Currency risk - changes in currency exchange rates could reduce investment gains or increase investment losses. Emerging markets risk - emerging markets are less established than developed markets and therefore involve higher risks. Frontier markets risk - small market nations that are at an earlier stage of economic and political development relative to more mature emerging markets typically have limited investability and liquidity. Sector concentration risk - the performance of a fund that invests a large portion of its assets in a particular economic sector (or, for bond funds, a particular market segment), will be more strongly affected by events affecting that sector or segment of the fixed income market. Small and mid-cap risk - stocks of small and mid-size companies can be more volatile than stocks of larger companies.

# **TOP 10 ISSUERS**

Issuer	Country/Industry	% of Fund
Mobile World Investment	Vietnam/Specialty Retail	7.0
FPT	Vietnam/IT Services	6.2
Banca Transilvania	Romania/Banks	5.5
Marel HF	Iceland/Machinery	5.3
Safaricom	Kenya/Wireless Telecommunication Services	4.6
BRAC Bank	Bangladesh/Banks	4.5
Bank for Foreign Trade of Vietnam	Vietnam/Banks	4.3
Kaspi.KZ JSC	Kazakhstan/Consumer Finance	3.9
Phu Nhuan Jewelry JSC	Vietnam/Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods	3.8
Vietnam Dairy Products	Vietnam/Food Products	3.5

The information shown does not reflect any ETFs that may be held in the portfolio.

# **GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSIFICATION (TOP 15)**

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Country	% of Fund	Fund vs. Comparator Benchmark
Vietnam	34.2	3.8
Kazakhstan	8.6	3.1
Bangladesh	8.5	3.7
Morocco	6.5	-3.8
Romania	6.3	0.2
Kenya	6.1	0.2
Iceland	5.3	-2.1
Pakistan	4.9	3.6
United Kingdom	4.5	4.5
Egypt	3.6	3.6
Slovenia	3.1	-0.2
Australia	1.8	1.8
Philippines	1.4	1.4
Peru	0.9	0.9
United States	0.7	0.7
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The comparator benchmark data is for the MSCI Frontier Markets 10/40 Net Index.

# SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION

Sector	% of Fund	Fund vs. Comparator Benchmark				
Communication Services	8.2	-3.4				
Consumer Discretionary	12.2	12.0				
Consumer Staples	9.6	-0.1				
Energy	2.3	-2.7				
Financials	35.4	-0.9				
Health Care	4.3	-1.3				
Industrials & Business Services	8.3	0.2				
Information Technology	15.7	15.7				
Materials	0.0	-9.8				
Real Estate	1.2	-10.9				
Utilities	0.3	-1.2				

T. Rowe Price uses the current MSCI/S&P Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) for sector and industry reporting. T. Rowe Price will adhere to all updates to GICS for prospective reporting.

# **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

	Fund	Comparator Benchmark
Price to Earnings (Current Fiscal Year)	15.8X	15.8X
Return on Equity (Current Fiscal Year)*	19.0%	17.1%
Price to Book	3.5X	2.5X
Investment Weighted Median Market Cap (mm)	\$3,712	\$4,708
Investment Weighted Average Market Cap (mm)	\$4,723	\$6,323
Number of Holdings	52	90
Top 20 Holdings as % of Total	74.5%	57.2%
Percent of Portfolio in Cash	2.0%	-
Projected Earnings Growth Rate (3-5 Years)	19.8	14.4

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Investment Weighted Median. I/B/E/S  $\circledcirc$  2022 Refinitiv. All rights reserved.

# RISK/RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (Five Years as of Month End)

	Fund	Comparator Benchmark
Annualised Standard Deviation	17.59%	15.42%
Alpha	0.20%	0.00%
Beta	1.09	1.00
R-Squared	0.91	1.00
Information Ratio	0.07	0.00
Sharpe Ratio	0.34	0.37
Tracking Error	5.64%	0.00%

Statistics based on monthly returns of Class I shares.

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							Annualised				
										Since Cla	ass Inception
(NAV, total return)	Inception Date	One Month	Three Months	Year-to- Date	One Year	Three Years	Five Years	Ten Years	Fifteen Years	Fund	Comparator Benchmark
Class A	24 Jun 2014	-5.50%	-9.04%	-9.93%	14.18%	8.98%	6.14%	-	-	3.35%	1.98%
Class Q	24 Jun 2014	-5.41%	-8.85%	-9.80%	15.29%	9.99%	7.11%	-	-	4.28%	1.98%
Class S	18 May 2017	-5.32%	-8.59%	-9.63%	16.65%	11.28%	-	-	-	6.51%	5.88%
Linked Performance Net Benchmark		-4.36%	-6.33%	-7.70%	10.29%	8.26%	6.80%	-	-	-	-
Class I (EUR)	19 Feb 2018	-5.66%	-7.48%	-8.75%	24.74%	10.60%	-	-	-	4.63%	4.56%
Linked Performance Net Benchmark (EUR)		-4.54%	-6.13%	-6.55%	19.19%	8.76%	-	-	-	-	-
Class Q (GBP)	24 Jun 2014	-5.31%	-9.19%	-9.10%	19.81%	9.68%	5.51%	-	-	7.54%	5.15%
Linked Performance Net Benchmark (GBP)		-4.36%	-7.63%	-6.83%	14.92%	7.95%	5.21%	-	-	-	-

#### **CALENDAR YEARS**

(NAV, total return)	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Class A	-	-	-	-12.80%	8.99%	30.08%	-21.04%	13.42%	-2.52%	36.71%
Class Q	-	-	-	-12.02%	9.93%	31.24%	-20.24%	14.42%	-1.69%	38.09%
Class S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-19.34%	15.81%	-0.56%	39.68%
Linked Performance Net Benchmark	-	-	-	-14.46%	2.66%	31.86%	-16.41%	17.99%	2.85%	19.63%
Class I (EUR)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.71%	-10.02%	49.43%
Linked Performance Net Benchmark (EUR)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.16%	-5.65%	28.71%
Class Q (GBP)	-	-	-	-7.44%	31.43%	20.12%	-15.79%	10.86%	-4.90%	39.55%
Linked Performance Net Benchmark (GBP)	-	-	-	-9.50%	22.46%	20.44%	-11.21%	13.44%	-0.33%	20.73%

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#### **FUND INFORMATION**

Class	ISIN Code	Bloomberg Code	Comparator Benchmark	Inception Date	Ongoing Management Charge
Α	LU1079763535	TRPFMEA LX	Linked Performance Net Benchmark	24 Jun 2014	2.17%
I	LU1079765662	TRPFMEI LX	Linked Performance Net Benchmark	24 Jun 2014	1.06%
I (EUR)	LU1777971620	TRPFMIE LX	Linked Performance Net Benchmark (EUR)	19 Feb 2018	1.05%
Q	LU1079764939	TRPFMEQ LX	Linked Performance Net Benchmark	24 Jun 2014	1.13%
Q (GBP)	LU1079768849	TRPFMQG LX	Linked Performance Net Benchmark (GBP)	24 Jun 2014	1.13%
S	LU1607940118	TRPFMES LX	Linked Performance Net Benchmark	18 May 2017	0.10%

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