

GemAsia

Sustainable Investors - Asian Equities

Uncertainty creates opportunities

FUND PERFORMANCE

In September, the MSCI Asia ex Japan TR Index took a break and fell 1.5% in \$ but rose 0.45% in €. Performance of global indices was contrasted with S&P 500 at -2.1% in €, Stoxx600 at -1.5% and TOPIX at +2.6%. Over the same period, **GemAsia gained 1.3%, outperforming its benchmark index by 87bp**. The "back to school" was marked by a new wave of COVID19 contaminations in several European countries. The situation remains under control in China, Korea and Taiwan, while in India the first wave has not yet passed. Negotiations on a new fiscal stimulus in the United States keep the market on hold. And in the run-up to the American elections, new restrictions on Chinese companies have been dropped. The TikTok application is subject to be forcibly sold to American companies under threat of a ban; the fate of WeChat on American soil is in the hands of a federal judge, while the sky is darkening over SMIC, China's leading semiconductor foundry. For the moment, the company has avoided being blacklisted (unlike Huawei), but American companies must apply for licenses to work with SMIC. Our selection in North Asia and especially in the internet, tech and industrial sectors continues to contribute positively. A good number of our companies benefit from Huawei's misadventure by gaining market share, following the example of Samsung Electronics. Our underweight position in financial and energy sectors is also a winning strategy. However, our underweight position in India had a negative impact on performance.

EURO

	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Annualized since inception
I share	+1.3%	+12.2%	+22.3%	n/a	n/a	+6.6%
R share	+1.3%	+11.5%	+21.2%	n/a	n/a	+5.6%
Index	+0.5%	+0.9%	+9.5%	n/a	n/a	+3.2%
Category (*)	-0.1%	+0.9%	+6.2%	n/a	n/a	+3.2%

DOLLAR

	1 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Annualized since inception
I share	-0.6%	16.9%	31.2%	n/a	n/a	5.6%
R share	-0.7%	16.4%	30.4%	n/a	n/a	4.7%
Index	-1.5%	5.4%	17.8%	n/a	n/a	2.3%
Category (*)	-2.0%	5.4%	14.2%	n/a	n/a	2.3%

Outperformance in 2020 : +11.3% o/w Stock selection : +10% and Country allocation : +1.3%

FUND POSITIONING

North Asia remains our preferred region. Our Chinese exposure remains unchanged at 49.4%. Over the month, our selection in the internet, consumer discretionary and healthcare continues to perform well. On the one hand, **Kingsoft Cloud** (one of the leading cloud providers) and **Ping An Healthcare & Technology** (telemedicine services), two companies benefiting from structural growth, were added to the portfolio. On the other hand, we took partial profit on various positions such as **Li Ning, Feihe, SK Hynix**. Our **Guangzhou Auto** were reduced (from 2% to 1%), in anticipation of a slow recovery in sales. Following the strengthening of **Samsung Electronics** (from 6.6% to 8.5%) and increased position in **LG Chem** (from 1% to 1.7%), Korean exposure was increased (from 12.9% to 14.6%). The weight of Indian banking stocks was cut (ICICI Bank from 1% to 0%, **HDFC Bank** from 1.5% to 1%) in favor of **Reliance Industries** (from 1.4% to 2.5%). This conglomerate has successfully completed its strategic turnaround and is positioned as the prime winner of Indian digitalization. Elsewhere in Asia, Vietnamese Vincom Retail (shopping centers) was reduced and Taiwanese Giant (bicycle manufacturer) were sold off due to lack of short-term catalysts. As a result, our cyclical exposure was reduced from 31.1% to 30.5% and remains well below benchmark (38.7%).

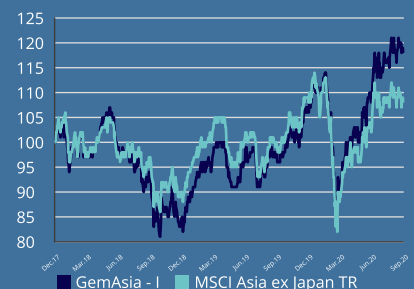
MACRO VIEW

China continues to surprise on the economic front. **September manufacturing PMI came out at 51.5 compared to 51 in August**. Profit growth in the industrial sector is positive and has been accelerating over the last five months. This creates a solid foundation for a potential recovery in private investments. In addition, it should be noted that, unlike a number of countries, China has not initiated drastic plan to support consumption. Industrial activity has surpassed pre-COVID level, unlike consumption. The economic situation is therefore much healthier. We also see this through the currency. The CNY has appreciated against USD by +5% since May and remains strong. As the Chinese Central Bank has not opened its valves as much as the FED or the ECB did, the carry trade remains favorable. In India, the economy has been slowly normalizing. The pandemic outcome is not glorious (nb2 after the United States) but people have no choice but returning to work. The government has not provided any COVID related aid. A key land reform has however been passed in parliament. The month was also marked by a revival of the technology names. The price of memory went up again, supporting **SK Hynix (3.5%)** and **Samsung Electronics (8.5%)**. The latter is particularly winning against Huawei in smartphones and telecom equipment. 3Q20 should be strong. In addition, Intel's announcement this summer that it is gradually phasing out in-house production of semiconductor chips favors both **Samsung** and **TSMC (6.6% of the fund)**. It should be remembered that these two companies are the only ones to offer cutting-edge technologies in the foundry industry. Overall, we continue to seize market correction opportunities to strengthen our conviction positions. The profit growth will be strong in 2021.



**AUM
\$66M**

PERFORMANCE



COUNTRY

	Fund	Benchmark
Korea	14.6%	13.0%
Taiwan	13.1%	14.0%
China	49.4%	47.1%
Hong Kong	7.5%	7.8%
Singapore	2.8%	2.5%
Malaysia	00.0%	1.9%
Thailand	0.0%	2.1%
Philippines	0.0%	0.8%
Indonesia	0.8%	1.6%
Vietnam	0.6%	0.0%
India	7.1%	9.3%
Pakistan & Sri Lanka	0.0%	0.0%
Others	3.3%	
Cash	0.8%	

SECTOR

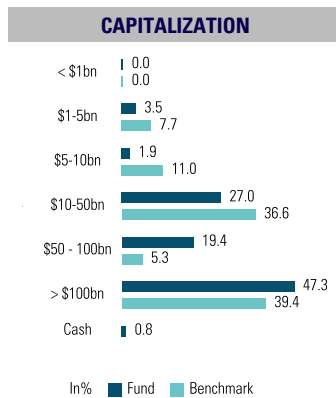
	Fund	Benchmark
Energy	3.5%	3.3%
Basic Materials	2.9%	3.9%
Industrials	4.9%	5.4%
Banks	1.9%	9.5%
Other Financials	7.9%	8.4%
Real Estate	0.6%	4.4%
Technology	27.1%	19.6%
Media & Internet	13.4%	10.5%
Telecom	0.0%	2.9%
Consumer Durables	25.5%	20.2%
Consumer Non-durables	5.0%	5.3%
Healthcare Services	6.5%	4.5%
Utilities	0.0%	2.3%
Cash	0.8%	



GEMWAY
ASSETS

Data as of 30/09/2020. Sources : Gemway Assets, Bloomberg

ASSET ALLOCATION



REGION		
	Fund	Benchmark
Korea & Taiwan	27.6%	27.0%
China & Hong Kong	56.9%	54.9%
ASEAN	4.2%	8.9%
India & Pakistan	7.1%	9.3%
Others	3.3%	0.0%
Cash	0.8%	
Median Market Capitalisation (M\$)	44,581	
Total number of holdings	44	
THEMATIC		
Thematic	Fund	Benchmark
Structural Growth	68.7%	61.3%
Cyclicals	30.5%	38.7%

10 TOP HOLDINGS			
		Fund	Benchmark
Alibaba	China	9.6%	9.1%
Samsung Electronics	Korea	8.5%	4.4%
Tencent	China	8.3%	7.0%
TSMC	Taiwan	6.6%	6.4%
Ping An Insurance	China	4.1%	1.2%
Techtronic	Hong Kong	3.7%	0.3%
SK Hynix	Korea	3.5%	0.6%
Mediatek	Taiwan	3.5%	0.5%
Jiangsu Hengrui	China	3.0%	0.1%
Sea Ltd.	Singapore	2.8%	0.0%
Total		53.6%	29.6%

MAIN CONVICTIONS (BY STOCK)

Stock Active Share (Σ of stock overweights - stock by stock) : 57.1%

Positive Convictions			
	Country	Fund	+/-
Samsung Electronics	Korea	8.5%	+4.1%
Techtronic	Hong Kong	3.7%	+3.4%
Mediatek	Korea	3.5%	+3.0%
SK Hynix	China	3.5%	+2.9%
Ping An Insurance	China	4.1%	+2.9%

Negative Convictions			
	Country	Fund	+/-
China Construction Bank	China	0.0%	-1.2%
China Mobile	China	0.0%	-0.8%
Infosys	India	0.0%	-0.7%
HDPC	India	0.0%	-0.7%
ICBC	China	0.0%	-0.6%

MAIN CONVICTIONS (COUNTRY/SECTOR)

Matrix Active Share (Σ of country/sector overweights) : 32.7%

Positive Convictions		
	Fund	+/-
Korea Technology	12.9%	+7.1%
China Healthcare	6.5%	+4.0%
Hong Kong Consumer Durables	3.7%	+3.0%
China Consumer Durables	19.3%	+2.6%
Singapore Communication	2.8%	+2.6%

Negative Convictions		
	Fund	+/-
China Financial Services	4.1%	-2.4%
China Property	0.0%	-1.9%
Taiwan Financial Services	0.0%	-1.9%
Hong Kong Property	0.0%	-1.6%
India Technology	0.0%	-1.5%

PERFORMANCE ATTRIBUTION YTD

Major Contributors					
Stocks held			Stocks not held		
Sea Ltd	ASEAN	2.61	CCB	China	0.34
Techtronic	Hong Kong	1.61	ICBC	China	0.27
Tencent	China	1.32	Axis Bank	India	0.20
Meituan Dianping	China	1.22	CK Hutchison	Hong Kong	0.19
China Tourism Group	China	1.12	Singtel	Singapore	0.16

Major Detractors					
Stocks held			Stocks not held		
CNOOC	Korea	-1.38	NIO	China	-0.28
Guangzhou Auto	China	-0.93	Naver	Korea	-0.21
SK Hynix	China	-0.90	Xiaomi	China	-0.19
Largan	Taiwan	-0.64	TAL Education	China	-0.18
ICICI Bank	India	-0.61	Kakao Corp	Korea	-0.17

VALUATION

PER 2020 (X) :	29.6	2020 EPS growth (e) :	21.5%
PER 2021 (X) :	25.6	2021 EPS growth (e) :	43.5%
Dividend Yield :	1.3%		

(Based on Bloomberg consensus)

ESG CONVICTIONS - SRI LABEL

ESG investment is fully integrated into our investment process through a best-in-class approach, in order to reduce the portfolio risk.

Early 2020, Gemway Assets obtained French ISR Label for its entire range of funds (o/w GemAsia).

Semi-annual ESG Investment report (impact report, carbon footprint, etc...) and Transparency Code are available on request or on the website www.gemway.com.



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SICAV under French law

Compartment of GemFunds SICAV

Benchmark :

MSCI Asia Ex Japan

(net dividends reinvested)

Quote currencies :

EUR and USD

NAV 30/09/2020:

€119.29 (I)

€116.39 (R)

\$117.88 (I USD)

\$128.74 (R USD)

I-Share ISIN : FR0013291879

R-Share ISIN : FR0013291861

I USD-Share ISIN : FR0013291895

R USD-Share ISIN : FR0013291887

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