

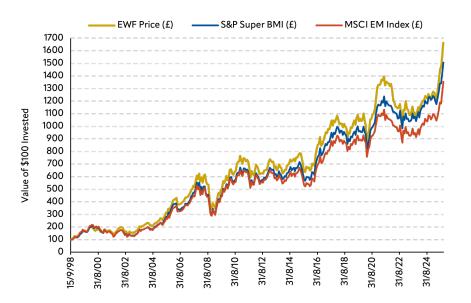
The Emerging World Fund (Retail)

October 2025 Month-End Report

Summary

During October, the share price of The Emerging World Fund (EWF) rose 5.71%, net of fees, compared to a 6.08% rise in its benchmark index, the sterling-adjusted S&P Emerging Frontier Super Composite Net Total Return Broad Market Index (S&P Super BMI). Additionally, and for comparative purposes only, the sterling-adjusted MSCI Emerging Markets Net Total Return Index (MSCI EM Index) rose 6.75% over the month. Since its inception in September 1998, the Fund has outperformed its benchmark index on an annualised basis by 0.4 of a percentage point and outperformed the MSCI EM Index on an annualised basis by 0.83 of a percentage point, net of fees.

EWF Performance* Compared to the S&P Super BMI** and MSCI EM Index (£) Since Inception (Rebased from inception, where 15th September 1998 = 100)



*Historical net of fees performance is based on an investment management fee of 1.5% per annum; as of 7 February 2022, the investment management fee is 1.45%. Returns are quoted in GBP for the convenience of shareholders, however the base currency of the Fund is USD.

**The benchmark was changed from the S&P Emerging BMI Plus on January 1, 2009 to better reflect the investment strategy of the Fund. The S&P Emerging BMI Plus was the successor index to the S&P/IFC Global Composite Index, the benchmark for the Fund prior to September 1, 2008, which has been discontinued. Benchmark changes have not been applied retroactively and therefore historical benchmark performance is a blend of the BMI and IFC indices.

The MSCI Emerging Markets Net Total Return Index (MSCI EM Index) is shown for comparative purposes.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Source: BNY Mellon, S&P, MSCI

Portfolio Data

Fund Size	£87.25m
Number of Shares in Issue	792,699.686
Number of Portfolio Holdings	45
Size Weighted Portfolio Discount of closed-end funds	13.95%*
Size Weighted Average Life of Portfolio	2.02 years**
Excluding 50.53% of the portfolio with unlimited life.	

^{*} Size Weighted Portfolio Discount represents the see-through discount of the underlying closed-end funds. It is calculated by multiplying the percentage position sizes of the underlying closed-end funds by their respective discounts. These calculations are then added together to determine the size weighted portfolio discount for the portfolio. The size weighted portfolio discount is a measure of value within the portfolio, with a higher value representing wider discounts, and accordingly more value within the portfolio.

Source: CLIM, BNY Mellon

Performance Figures (£)

	EWF*	S&P Super BMI	MSCI EM Index
1 Month	+5.71%	+6.08%	+6.75%
3 Months	+14.53%	+12.34%	+13.88%
6 Months	+37.68%	+27.97%	+29.53%
12 Months	+34.91%	+22.12%	+25.17%
Since Inception	+1563.27%	+1406.51%	+1255.51%
Inception (Annualised)	+10.92%	+10.52%	+10.09%

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Volatility*

	EWF Price	S&P Super BMI	MSCI EM Index
12 Months	+12.42%	+11.19%	+12.41%
Inception	+18.08%	+18.29%	+19.17%

*Annualised standard deviation of monthly returns over the period (£).

Price

Price	US\$130.19
	£99.09
	EURO 112.80
Exchange Rate	£1 = US\$1.31385
	EURO 1 = US\$1.15420
Yield	NIL

Source: CLIM, BNY Mellon, S&P, MSCI

^{**}Some of the closed-end funds have either fixed maturities or continuation votes that allow shareholders to vote on a restructuring of the underlying closed-end fund. The size weighted portfolio life is calculated by taking the percentage position sizes of the relevant holdings on the portfolio and multiplying them by their respective time periods remaining to the corporate event. These calculations are then added together to determine the minimum size weighted portfolio life for the portfolio. A lower size weighted portfolio life is beneficial for the portfolio as it may equate to potentially more corporate activity in the near term.

Investment Commentary

Economic Overview* (Macroeconomics)

Global equities moved higher in October as positivity around artificial intelligence (AI) continued to buoy the market. The sharp rally in stocks associated with AI has led to growing concerns about a bubble forming, with the IMF's October World Economic Outlook noting that "Markets could reprice sharply, especially if AI fails to justify lofty profit expectations". The Fed cut rates by 25 bps, as widely expected. Fed Chair Powell, however, pushed back against market expectations of another cut at the December FOMC meeting. The likelihood of a December cut implied by the futures market fell from 88% at the start of October to 68% by the end of the month. The 2-year and 10-year US Treasury yields fell by 3 bps and 7 bps, respectively, over the month. The US government shutdown continued throughout October, impacting the release of key economic indicators such as CPI and the non-farm payrolls report.

Emerging market (EM) equities (as measured by the MSCI EM Net TR Index) gained 4.2% in US dollar terms, outperforming developed market (DM) equities (as measured by the MSCI World Net TR Index) by 2.2 percentage points. The US dollar (as measured by the DXY Index) rose by 2.1%, while the MSCI EM Currency Index was flat (-0.1%). The US dollar was supported by the Fed's perceived hawkish tone at its October FOMC

The worst performing major EM in October was China, with the MSCI China Index falling by 3.8% in US dollar terms. Chinese equities dropped at the start of October following President Trump's threats of an additional 100% tariffs and export controls. They subsequently recovered after the US and China agreed to a one-year truce on tariffs and export controls at a summit in South Korea. The 20% fentanyl-related US tariffs on China were halved to 10%. The 15th Five-Year Plan communiqué focused on high-quality development, tech self-sufficiency and domestic consumption. The MSCI Mexico Index, another weak performer, nudged down by 0.8% in US dollar terms despite an extension to the tariff truce between the US and Mexico. The Mexican peso dropped by 1.3%. Other equity markets that recorded falls in their respective MSCI indices were Greece (-4.4%), Turkey (-3.8%), Qatar (-0.8%), and Kuwait (-0.1%).

The best performing equity markets were concentrated in Asia, led by Korea (+22.7%), and Taiwan (+9.8%). Both stock markets were driven higher by the AI rally. The US and Korea also agreed to a trade deal that would reduce US auto tariffs and see Korea invest \$350 billion in the US. Emerging Asia outperformed the aggregate EM by 0.8 percentage points. As a result of the strong performance in Korea and Taiwan, the best performing EM sector was Information Technology (+14.1%).

The Bloomberg Commodity TR Index rose by 2.9%, with gains across the commodity complex. Industrial metals (+4.8%) were the best-performing sector, followed by agriculture (+4.6%), precious metals (+3.5%) and energy (+0.7%). The price of gold breached \$4,000/oz before retreating, ending the month up 3.7%. Gold prices were supported by the US government shutdown and the escalation in US-China trade tensions. The price of Brent crude oil fell by 2.9% as additional sanctions on Russian oil were offset by signs of oversupply in the market.

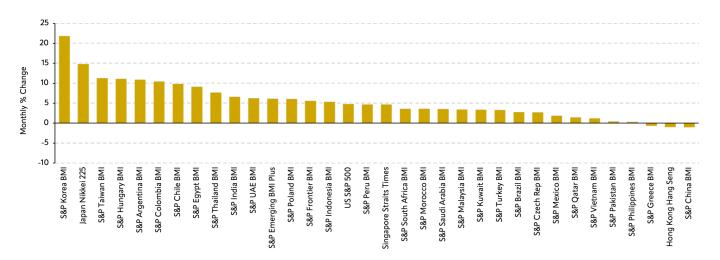
Portfolio Commentary* (Investment Management)

In October, emerging markets generalist exposure was reduced as we sold shares of **abrdn Emerging Markets ex China Fund Inc** and **Templeton Emerging Markets Investment Trust** at a 9% discount.

In Asia, generalist exposure was adjusted as shares of abrdn Asian Income Fund were sold at an average discount of 8.5%, while shares of Pacific Horizon Investment Trust and Scottish Oriental Smaller Companies Trust were purchased at discounts ranging from 11.5% to 15%. Exposure to China was adjusted as we sold shares of Fidelity China Special Situations and Prosus at average discounts of 8% and 25%, respectively, while shares of Baillie Gifford China Growth Trust, JPMorgan China Growth & Income, Naspers and Templeton Dragon Fund Inc were purchased at average discounts of 10.5%, 11%, 37.5% and 14.5%, respectively. Exposure to Korea was adjusted as shares of Samsung C&T were sold into strength at an average discount of 56%, while shares of Korea Fund Inc, LG Corp and SK Inc were purchased at discounts averaging 14%, 57% and 67%, respectively. Exposure to Taiwan was reduced as we sold shares of Taiwan Fund Inc on outperformance at an average discount of 12.5%. Exposure to India was increased as we purchased shares of India Fund Inc, India Capital Growth Fund and Morgan Stanley India Investment Fund Inc at discounts ranging from 7% - 12.5%. Additionally, shares of Ashoka India Equity Investment Trust, which offers an annual redemption facility, were purchased at an average discount of 4%. Exposure to Vietnam was reduced as we sold shares of Vietnam Enterprise Investments at a 15% discount. Exposure to the Philippines was increased as we initiated a position in Ayala Corp at an average discount of 40%.

In Latin America, exposure to Mexico was reduced as we sold share of **Grupo Mexico SAB de CV** on strong price performance at an average discount of 41%.

Index Performances During October 2025 (£)



The countries and other indices included in this graph are not benchmarks for EWF, they are included to provide an indication as to how the underlying countries themselves have performed over the period.

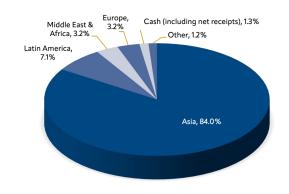
Source: Bloomberg, S&P

^{*}The portfolio section includes major transactions undertaken over the period.

Fund Objective & Background

The objective of The Emerging World Fund (EWF) is to invest for capital growth in a portfolio of closed-end funds whose investment policy is directed mainly towards emerging markets. This approach allows great flexibility in asset allocation, a wider diversification of investments, participation in the performances of high quality fund managers and potentially enhanced performance when the discounts to net asset value at which closed-end funds tend to trade narrows. EWF is a sub-fund of The World Markets Umbrella Fund plc. \Diamond

Portfolio Breakdown



Source: CLIM

Fund Portfolio

Тор	Holdings	Fund (%)	Discount* (%)
1	Templeton Emerging Markets Investment Trust	8.7	9.3
2	Invesco Asia Dragon Trust	7.2	8.3
3	Taiwan Fund Inc	6.4	14.3
4	JPMorgan Emerging Markets Investment Trust	5.8	8.9
5	Fidelity China Special Situations	4.8	9.8
6	Schroder AsiaPacific Fund	4.4	12.0
7	iShares MSCI Taiwan UCITS ETF	4.1	-0.1
8	abrdn Asia Focus	4.0	13.6
9	Fidelity Emerging Markets	4.0	9.1
10	Utilico Emerging Markets Trust	3.5	12.1
		52.9	

^{*}Based upon NAV estimate.

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Source: CLIM

EWF and EM Indices Country Weightings

	September 2025		October 2025			
Asia	Fund	S&P Super BMI*	MSCI EM Index*	Fund	S&P Super BMI*	MSC EM Index
Australia	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
Bangladesh	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
China	25.9	30.3	31.2	26.1	28.3	28.8
Hong Kong	3.0	0.0	0.0	2.7	0.0	0.0
India	12.3	15.9	15.2	12.3	16.0	15.3
Indonesia	1.6	1.3	1.1	1.6	1.3	1.1
	0.1	1.6	1.2	0.1	1.5	1.1
Malaysia	1.0	0.5	0.4	1.1	0.4	0.4
Philippines						0.4
Singapore South Korea	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	12.9
Sri Lanka	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Taiwan	19.2	17.9	19.5	19.4	18.8	20.5
Thailand	0.8	1.2	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.0
Vietnam	4.4	0.4	0.0	3.8	0.4	0.0
Other Asia	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0
Europe	82.9	79.7	80.6	84.0	80.0	81.1
Czech Republic	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Greece	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.6
Hungary	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
Iceland	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Kazakhstan	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0
Poland	0.4	1.0	1.0	0.4	1.0	1.0
Romania	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0
Slovenia	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Turkey	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.4
Other Europe	1.1	0.2	0.0	1.3	0.2	0.0
Latin America & Caribbean	3.0	3.4	2.5	3.2	3.5	2.4
Argentina	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.0
Brazil	3.0	3.7	4.3	3.1	3.6	4.2
Chile	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.5
Colombia	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1
Mexico	3.7	1.7	2.0	3.0	1.6	1.9
	0.0	0.1			0.1	0.0
Panama Peru	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0
Other Lat Am	0.0	0.3	0.0		0.0	0.0
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Middle East & Africa	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.1	7.3	7.0
Egypt	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Kuwait	0.0	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.7
Morocco	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0
	0.0	0.2				0.0
Oman	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0
Qatar Saudi Arabia			0.7	0.0		
Saudi Arabia	0.6	2.9	3.3	0.6	2.9	3.2
South Africa	1.4	2.9	3.5	1.3	2.8	3.4
UAE	0.7	1.5	1.4	0.7	1.5	1.4
Other Middle East & Africa	0.5 3.3	0.3 9.3	0.0 9.7	0.5 3.2	0.3 9.2	0.0 9.5
Other	1.1	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0
Cash (including net receipts)	1.9	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0

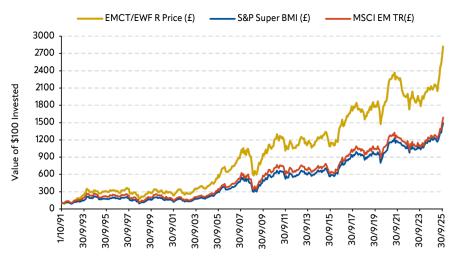
Values as at month-end

*Index allocation may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Source: CLIM, S&P, MSCI

EWF Performance (EMCT Transfer) Compared to the S&P Super BMI and MSCI EM Index (£)

Rebased from where 1 October 1991 = 100

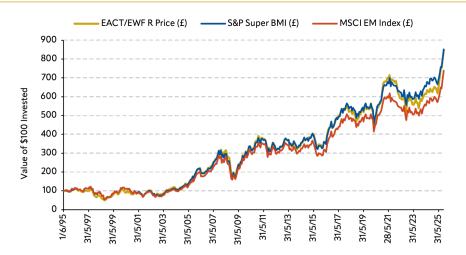


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Rebased from where 1 June 1995 = 100



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Risk Profile

- There is no capital guarantee or protection on the value of the Fund. Investors can lose all capital invested in the Fund.
- Some emerging markets in which the Fund invests may have less developed political, economic and legal systems. Such markets may carry a higher than average risk to investment and may lead to large fluctuations in the value of the Fund.
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 due to their leveraged nature and therefore have higher volatility.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and any income is not guaranteed and can go down as well as up and may be affected by exchange rate fluctuations. This means that an investor may not get back the amount invested. Index returns assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains and unlike fund returns do not reflect fees or expenses. The indices are unmanaged and cannot be invested directly. All data: Bloomberg, BNY Mellon, CLIM, S&P, MSCI

All values and calculations in this report are as at 31 October 2025 unless otherwise stated.

Fund Details

The Emerging World Fund is a sub-fund of The World Mark	kets Umbrella Fund plc
Domicile	Dublin
Status	UCITS
Inception	15th September 1998
Income	Reporting status
Investment Management Charge	1.45%
Ongoing Charges including Investment Management Charge	1.90%
Dealing Daily (Excl. Bank Holidays in UK and Ireland)
Valuation	Daily at 4:00 p.m. EST
Sedol	IE0009039169
Bloomberg Ticker	



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