# Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity Insights Fund

1Q 2025

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### **Market Review**

In Q1 2025, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index rose by 2.93%. EM equities experienced notable volatility. This instability was primarily driven by recent tariff announcements from the Trump administration, which disproportionately impacted East and Southeast Asian economies, leading to significant sell-offs. Market reactions were largely expected due to the substantial trade surpluses these countries maintain with the US. However, the unexpected scale of China's tariffs prompted immediate retaliatory actions, exacerbating the flight from these developing Asian markets.

# **Performance Review**

In the first quarter of 2025, the Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity Insights Fund underperformed its benchmark, the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, by approximately 3 basis points (net, I-share). Across the board, challenged stock selection in India was the primary detractor in the period.

Our **Fundamental Mispricings** pillar was the most significant detractor from performance, with our suite of signals seeking to gauge attractively valued names posting notable challenges. Positioning in certain Indian Banks, which performed strongly amid solid credit growth and a supportive policy environment, detracted.

The **High-Quality Business Models** pillar also detracted from performance across the period, in large part due to challenged positioning in Korean Industrials. Global trading tensions, particularly US-imposed levies on steel and aluminum, negatively impacted the nation's export-dependent firms. An underweight positioning to certain Aerospace & Defense names, which stood to benefit from continuing geopolitical instability, further exacerbated underperformance.

Our **Sentiment Analysis** pillar also underperformed, with our suite of signals gauging analyst sentiment driving this underperformance. These guided an overweight positioning in Indian real estate names, which ultimately detracted from performance given the nation's evolving monetary policy and an overall decline in housing sales.

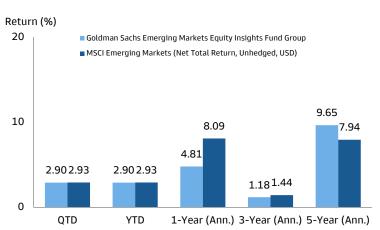
From a factor attribution lens, our **Themes & Trends** investment pillar modestly detracted from performance across the period. Our signals seeking to identify cross-stock economic linkages faced challenges in India. This was, in large part, offset by an overweight to Saudi Arabian Financials.

**Country Tilts** proved additive. Going into the tariff announcement period, our underweight towards Southeast Asia, and overweight towards Latin America, which was comparatively spared from the worst of US tariffs, proved additive.

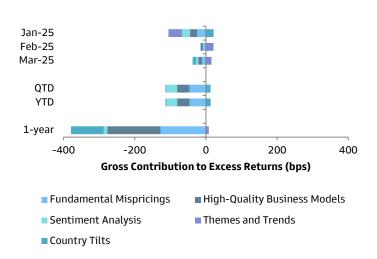
# **Summary Statistics**

AUM (All Share Classes, \$M)	\$2,239  Diversified Emerging Markets		
Morningstar Category			
Inception Date	October 5, 2007		
Number of Holdings	331		
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets (Total Return, Unhedged, USD)		
Expense Ratios (Inst'l Share Class), Net/Gross	0.98% / 1.15%		

### **INSTITUTIONAL CLASS PERFORMANCE**



### **PILLAR CONTRIBUTIONS TO EXCESS RETURNS (GROSS)**



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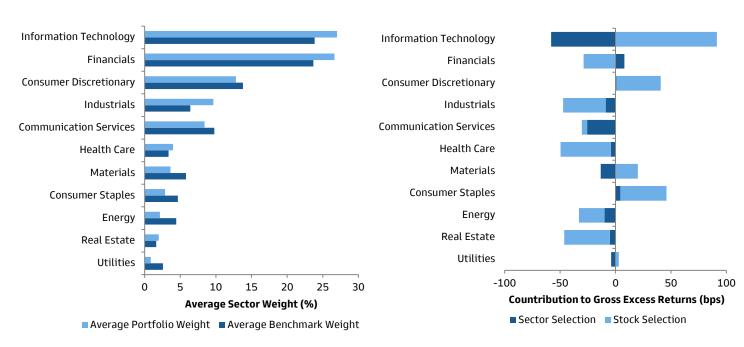
#### Standardized Total Returns (%, annualized) as of 3.31.2025

	Inception Date	1-Year	5-Years	10-Years
I-Share Class	80ct2007	4.81	9.65	4.51

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# **AVERAGE SECTOR WEIGHTS (1Q 2025)**

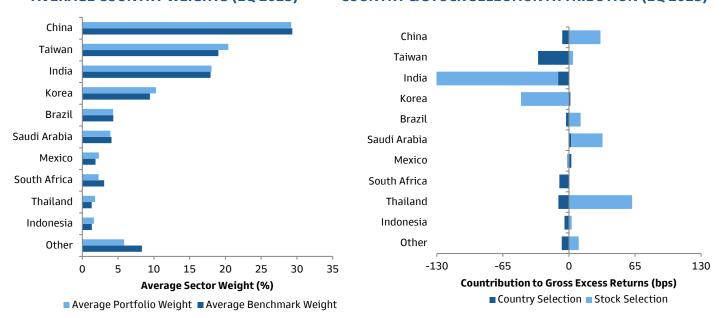
# **SECTOR & STOCK SELECTION ATTRIBUTION (1Q 2025)**



# **AVERAGE COUNTRY WEIGHTS (1Q 2025)**

# **COUNTRY & STOCK SELECTION ATTRIBUTION (1Q 2025)**

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