

# RBC Emerging Market Tactical Equity Total Return Index

Performance Factsheet

# **Index Objectives:**

The RBC Emerging Market Tactical Equity Total Return Index is designed to meet or exceed riskadjusted returns relative to the benchmark by optimizing asset allocation between Emerging Markets equities and cash. This dynamic asset allocation is implemented by observing bullish or bearish trends in Emerging Markets equities, on a monthly basis, to determine the exposure until the next monthly observation.

#### **Index Ticker Symbols:**

Bloomberg: RBCEETUT Index Thomson Reuters: .RBCEETUT

Index Launch Date: February 18, 2019

Index Base Date: October 31, 2007

Asset Class: Equity Fixed Income (Cash)

#### **Allocations:**

MSCI Emerging Markets Futures contract Federal Funds Rate

Last Allocation Date: November 17, 2021

#### **Benchmark:**

MSCI EM Net Total Return USD Index Bloomberg: M1EF Index Thomson Reuters: .MIEF00000NUS

#### Liquidity:

The Index tracks equity futures and cash. The tracked futures contract averages significantly in excess of \$1bn in daily trading volume.

# Availability:

Investors cannot invest directly in the Index. The Index can be used as an underlying for various investment vehicles to provide exposure to investors.

### **Index Description**

The Index provides exposure to either Emerging Markets equities or cash (the Federal Funds rate). This allocation determination is based on monthly observations of a predefined Tactical Trigger: the 100 daily moving average (100 DMA) of the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF (Bloomberg: EEM US Equity; the ETF). The Index obtains exposure to Emerging Markets equities by tracking the performance of the futures contract.

On the specified monthly determination date, if the ETF is at or above its 100 DMA (a bullish trend), the Index will allocate to equity via the MSCI Emerging Markets futures contract plus the Federal Funds rate (to replicate the total return) <u>or</u> only to the Federal Funds rate if the ETF is below its relevant 100 DMA (a bearish trend).

Performance<sup>1, 2</sup> – Total Return (USD)



	Return (%) <sup>2</sup>			Return p.a. (%)				YoY Return (%)				
Index (USD)	<u>1M</u>	<u>3M</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>1Y</u>	<u>3Y</u>	<u>5Y</u>	Base	<u>'16</u>	<u>'17</u>	<u>'18</u>	<u>'19</u>	<u>'20</u>
Index (I)	0.0	0.0	2.6	10.1	-3.1	4.3	2.7	5.8	31.4	3.5	-2.0	-9.7
Benchmark (B)	-4.1	-7.0	-4.3	2.7	9.3	9.5	1.7	11.2	37.3	-14.6	18.4	18.3
Variation (I) - (B)	4.1	7.0	7.0	7.4	-12.4	-5.2	1.0	-5.4	-5.9	18.1	-20.5	-28.0

	Volatility p.a. (%) <sup>3</sup>		Sharpe Ratio <sup>4</sup>			12 Month Return	Worst Drawdown		Beta		
Index (USD)	<u>1Y</u>	<u>5Y</u>	Base	<u>1Y</u>	<u>5Y</u>	Base	Best Worst	<u>(%)</u>	<u>DUW⁵</u>	<u>1Y</u>	<u>5Y</u>
Index (I)	14.3	17.2	16.9	0.57	0.27	0.20	82.8 -36.8	-36.9	46	0.53	0.60
Benchmark (B)	15.2	16.0	20.2	0.11	0.61	0.15	113.5 -61.3	-65.2	117	1.00	1.00
Variation (I) - (B)	-0.9	1.2	-3.3	0.46	-0.34	0.05	-30.6 24.6	28.4	-70	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Daily data from October 31, 2007 to November 30, 2021. Index re-based to 100 on October 31, 2007. Please see the final page for important information about the presentation of the performance information set forth in this document

<sup>2</sup> Source: Solactive AG, Bloomberg, RBC Capital Markets

<sup>3</sup> Based on daily returns, annualized with a 252-day factor

<sup>4</sup> Based on the average of daily excess returns against Fed Funds, annualized with a 252-day factor

<sup>5</sup> Duration Under Water: number of months taken by the Index and the Benchmark to increase back to their respective previous highest level after a market decline

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## Allocation History<sup>1</sup> (over last 12 months)

Determination Date	Allocation Date	MSCI Emerging Markets Futures	Cash	Index Performance *	Benchmark Performance *
November 15, 2021	November 17, 2021	0%	100%	TBD**	TBD**
October 11, 2021	October 13, 2021	0%	100%	0.0%	2.2%
September 13, 2021	September 15, 2021	0%	100%	0.0%	-2.0%
August 16, 2021	August 18, 2021	0%	100%	0.0%	2.3%
July 12, 2021	July 14, 2021	0%	100%	0.0%	-5.5%
June 14, 2021	June 16, 2021	100%	0%	-0.7%	-1.9%
May 17, 2021	May 19, 2021	0%	100%	0.0%	3.4%
April 12, 2021	April 14, 2021	100%	0%	-0.4%	-0.5%
March 15, 2021	March 17, 2021	100%	0%	-1.2%	-0.3%
February 12, 2021	February 17, 2021	100%	0%	-6.2%	-6.9%
January 11, 2021	January 13, 2021	100%	0%	6.0%	6.0%
December 14, 2020	December 16, 2020	100%	0%	7.8%	8.1%

<sup>1</sup> Determination Date was two business days prior to Allocation Date

\* Performances between current and next Allocation Date; \*\* To be determined on the next Allocation Date (December 15, 2021)

# Allocation Snapshot (as of November 30, 2021)



#### Nov 17 May 18 Nov 18 May 19 Nov 19 May 20 Nov 20 May 21 Nov 21

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-4.0%

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#### Monthly Returns (%, as of November 30, 2021) Index Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Year 2021 2.9% 0.9% -0.9% 1.6% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 2.6% -0.7% 1.1% -2.2% 0.0% 2.9% 7.3% -9.7% 2020 -6.1% -3.8% -23.8% 0.0% 0.1% 8.5% -0.8% 1.2% 9.1% -6.1% -7.4% -2.0% -0.2% 7.7% 0.2% 1.0% 1.2% 2.4% 0.2% -2.2% 4.1% -2.0% 2019 -5.8% 0.2% 2018 8.2% 0.4% -0.2% 0.1% 0.1% 0.2% 0.2% 0.2% 0.2% 0.2% 3.5% 2017 2.4% 1.8% 3.4% 1.9% 2.6% 1.0% 5.7% 2.1% 0.1% 3.3% -0.3% 3.7% 31.4% 0.0% 0.0% 3.4% 0.6% -3.9% 4.4% 0.8% 2.9% 0.0% 5.8% 2016 5.6% -1.0% -6.7%

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-2.5%

Allocation

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Benchmark	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
2021	3.1%	0.8%	-1.5%	2.5%	1.1%	1.3%	-6.7%	2.6%	-4.0%	1.0%	-4.1%		-4.3%
2020	-4.7%	-5.3%	-15.4%	9.2%	0.8%	7.4%	8.9%	2.2%	-1.6%	2.1%	9.2%	7.4%	18.3%
2019	8.8%	0.2%	0.8%	2.1%	-7.3%	6.2%	-1.2%	-4.9%	1.9%	4.2%	-0.1%	7.5%	18.4%
2018	8.3%	-4.6%	-2.0%	-0.3%	-3.5%	-4.2%	2.2%	-2.7%	-0.5%	-8.7%	4.1%	-2.6%	-14.6%
2017	5.5%	3.1%	2.5%	2.2%	3.0%	1.0%	6.0%	2.2%	-0.4%	3.5%	0.2%	3.6%	37.3%
2016	-6.5%	-0.2%	13.2%	0.5%	-3.7%	4.0%	5.0%	2.5%	1.3%	0.2%	-4.6%	0.2%	11.2%
2015	0.6%	3.1%	-1.4%	7.7%	-4.0%	-2.6%	-6.9%	-9.0%	-3.0%	7.1%	-3.9%	-2.2%	-14.9%

#### **Characteristics Snapshot**

As of Last Determination Date (November 15, 2021)								
Indicator	Closing Level	Tactical Trigger						
Emerging Market (EEM)	51.83	0.2% BELOW 100 DMA						

As of Month End (November 30, 2021)							
Indicator	Closing Level	Distance from DMA					
Emerging Market (EEM)	48.84	-5.2%					
Date	Last	Next					
Determination	November 15, 2021	December 13, 2021					

November 17, 2021

-8.0%

December 15, 2021

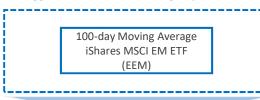
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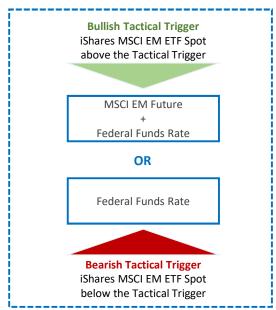
# Summary of Index Methodology:



# Tactical Trigger – Determined 2 Trading Days Before Allocation



# Monthly Allocation – Is Tactical Trigger Bullish or Bearish?





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