

Trusts In Focus Up Date EM: What Went Wrong? A Contrarian View What I'm Buying Today

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What is "Markets Now"?

A Lively Forum for Sharing Investment Ideas

- 1. <u>Big Picture Strategy (DF, BA)</u>
- 2. "Private client" high quality, long term ideas (IL)





• Our promise:

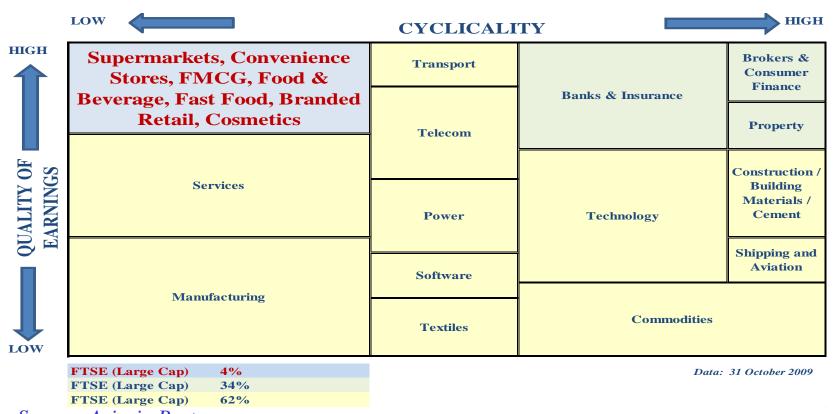
- INDEPENDENT, GLOBAL INVESTMENT ADVICE
- NO SALES, NO HYPE, NO MARKETING
- NO PRODUCT PUSHING
- Please contribute with:
 - QUESTIONS
 - CONCERNS

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What Is The Biggest Risk for Private Investors? Don't believe a word of it! Your number is of it! Your no00+ **THE ENEMY** 2009 1979 1994 2013 That's inflation RPI 357 413 100 240 Man BAR~ 494 (51g) 315 (58g) 100 (57g) 192 (65g) 00 SCHOOL FEES 100 491 1145 1319 **HOUSE PRICES*** 100 307 729 784 (M) 13 14 17 21 **UK LIFE** $45 \times £50,000 pa = £2.25mn$ EXPECTANCY 50% healthcare costs last 2 yrs of life AT 65# 17 18 20 24 (F) 21+24= ~ Adjusted for weight (g) * Nationwide Building Society Index # Office for National Statistics 22

What Is The Perfect Investment (Equities)?



Source: Arisaig Partners

 Quality Private Client investments mainly found <u>Top Left Hand</u> <u>Corner</u>: simple businesses, high cash flow, investor friendly

What Is The Perfect Investment (Funds)?

- **1.** Long-term (does better than....)
- 2. Leverage, but only if needed
- 3. Discounts to real asset value («Leverage at a discount»)
- 4. Governance: proper auditing, proper board, transparency
- 5. Know-How proven over 100+ years
- 6. Liquid, but... (real time trading on SE)
- 7. Low management costs (1/4 to 1/2 the cost of rivals)
- 8. New money non-dilutive (if successful /at discount)
- 9. Global but can be specialist?
- 10. Daily valuations, daily reporting
- **11. Yield**. Growing dividend stream *payable out of «Reserves»*
- 12. Elected management, retail participation, proper AGMs
- **13. Information inefficiencies**. Hated by brokers

Trusts In Focus (TIF) SERVICE

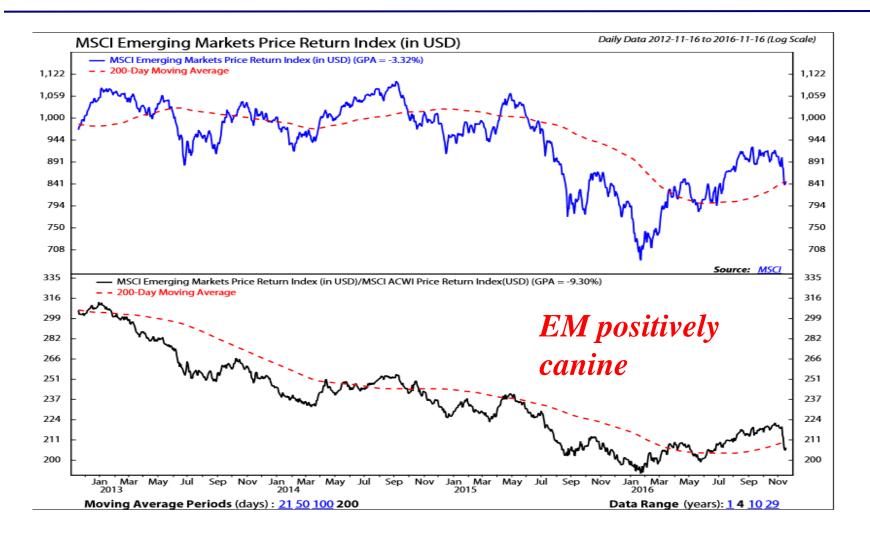
- Universe c300 closed end (mainly UK) investment trusts monitored
 Up to <u>15 equally-weighted trusts</u> held in Trusts In Focus (TIF)
 If we sell an investment trust, we must replace it
 Changes to trusts recorded (<u>1.25% trading costs B/S</u>)
 Research available to «Markets Now» attendees
 3rd party adviser research referenced FullerTreacy Money one of 20+ 3rd party advisers In-House Cooking/ P&C research
- Performance review / indecent striptease every «Markets Now»

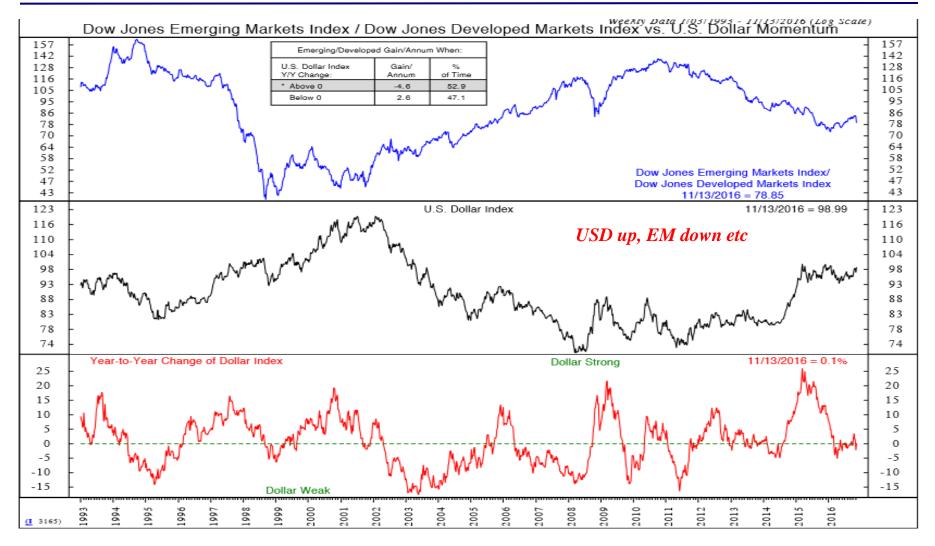
How Are We Doing: Trusts In Focus? Performance So Far (since 7/3/14)

Name	<u>Ticker</u>	Sector	<u>Core/</u> Satellite	<u>Date</u>	<u>Price</u> <u>then</u>	<u>Price</u> <u>Now</u>	<u>Pr/(Disc)</u> <u>NAV</u>	<u>Yield</u> (%)	<u>GBP</u> <u>Performance</u>
eneral equities 07/10/2016									
Scottish American Inv Trust	SCAM:LN	General, global	Core	09/05/2014	2.49	3.13	4.0%	3.6%	25.9%
BlackRock Income Strategies Tr	BIST:LN	UK + Rest of Wld	Core	09/05/2014	1.40	1.04	-12.6%	6.3%	-25.8%
British Empire Trust	BTEM:LN	General, global	Core	09/05/2014	4.95	6.25	<u>-9.3%</u>	1.9%	26.3%
Scottish Mortgage Inv Trust	SMT:LN	General, global	Core	09/05/2014	1.93	3.18	3.2%	1.0%	65.0%
European Assets Trust	EAT:LN	Europe (mid/small)	Core	23/02/2015	10.25	10.00	<u>-6.4%</u>	7.6%	-2.4%
Baillie Gifford Shin Nippon Tr	BGS:LN	Japanese Small equ	Satellite	10/11/2014	3.11	5.81	<u>4.9%</u>	0.0%	86.8%
Emerging, Frontier, Growth									
JP Morgan Emerging Mkts Tr	JMG:LN	Developing markets	Satellite	07/03/2014	5.05	6.75	<u>-12.5%</u>	1.3%	33.7%
New India Investment Trust	NII:LN	India	Satellite	07/03/2014	2.00	3.63	<u>-10.0%</u>	0.0%	81.7%
Aberdeen Asian Smaller Cos Tr	AAS:LN	Asian smaller cos	Satellite	07/03/2014	8.02	9.45	<u>-12.6%</u>	1.5%	17.8%
<u>Mines, Gold, Res, Hard Assets</u>									
Blackrock World Mining Trust	BRWM:LN	Mining companies	Satellite	07/03/2014	4.92	3.40	<u>-12.1%</u>	5.3%	-31.0%
<u> Alternative/ thematic / sectoral</u>									
Personal Assets Trust	PNL:LN	General, gold bias	Core	09/05/2014	332	387	<u>1.2%</u>	1.5%	16.6%
Polar Capital Technology	PCT:LN	Global technology	Satellite	08/01/2015	5.85	8.27	<u>-0.5%</u>	0.0%	41.4%
Impax Environmental Mkts	IEM:LN	Water and Ecology	Satellite	07/03/2014	1.50	2.11	<u>-11.9%</u>	0.7%	40.3%
				Average Yield (not inc in perf): 2.4%					
				% Performance (before dividends):					28.9%
TRUSTS IN FOCUS % Performance (before dividends): % Estimated performance (after dividends):								32.5%	
				% FTSE 100 (7/3/14 to now);					1.9%

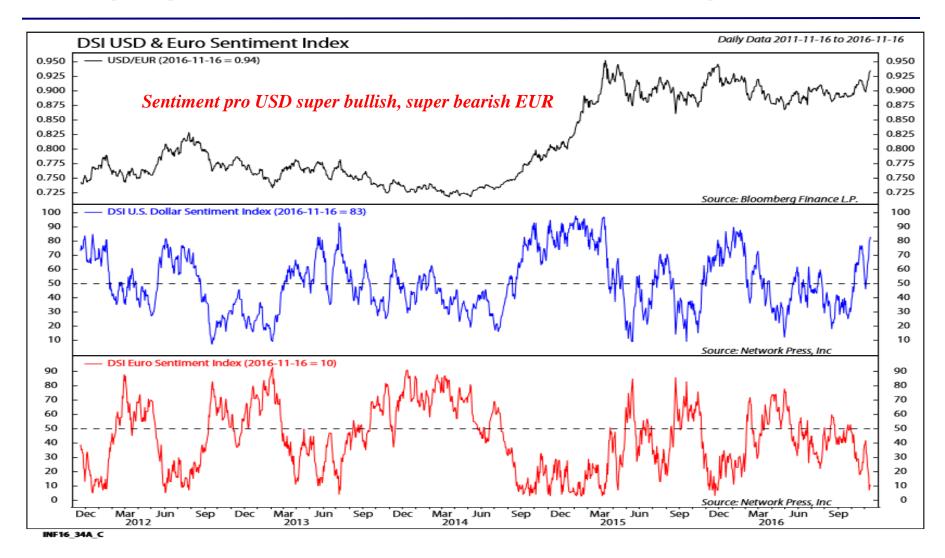


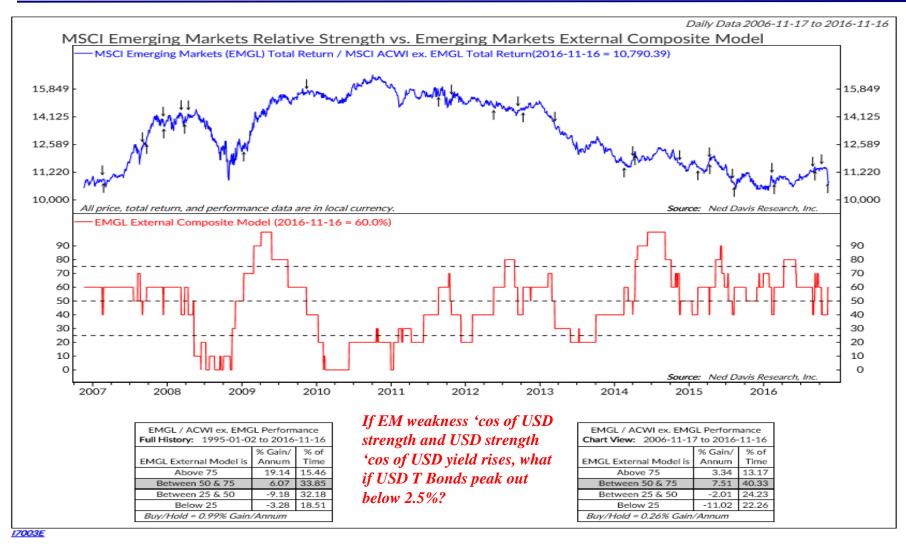
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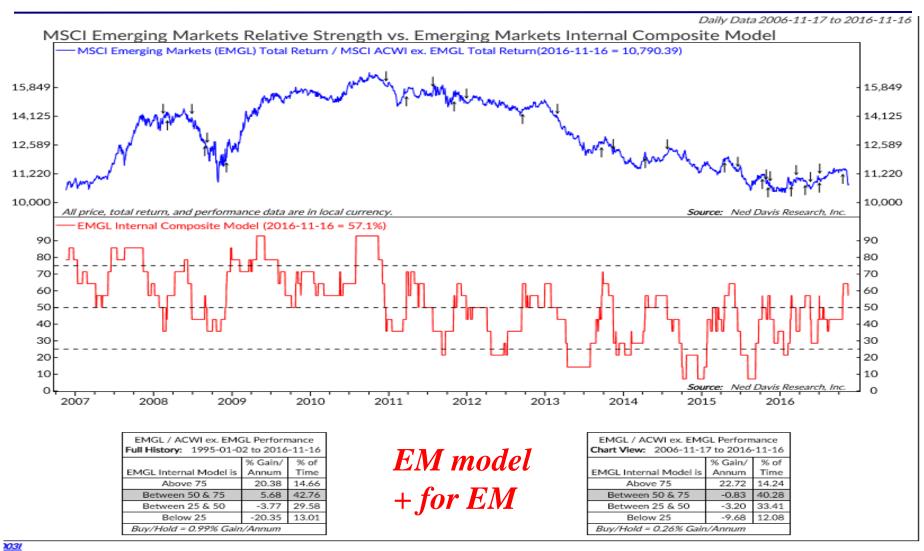


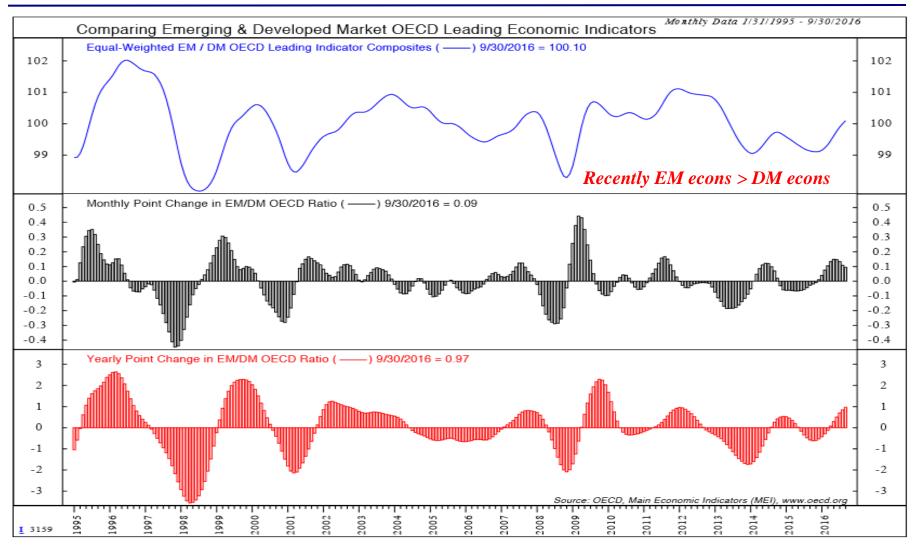


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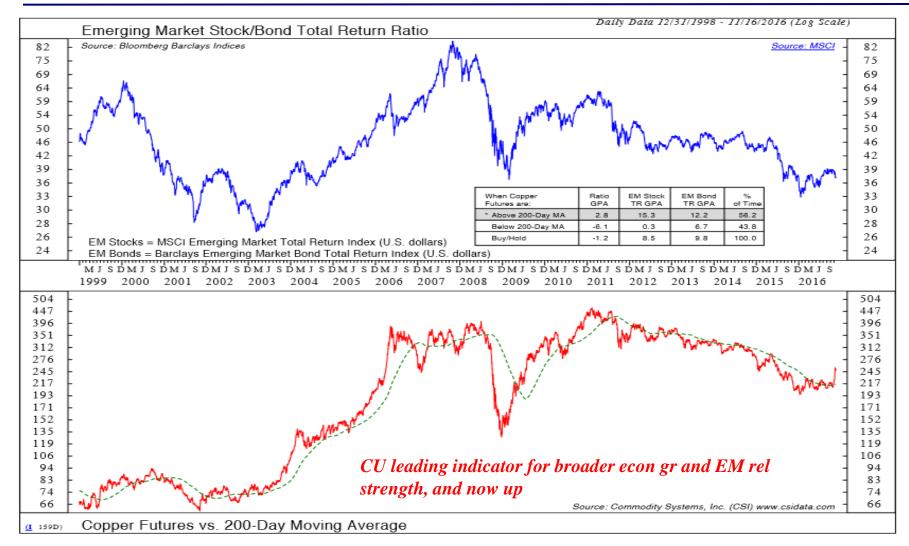


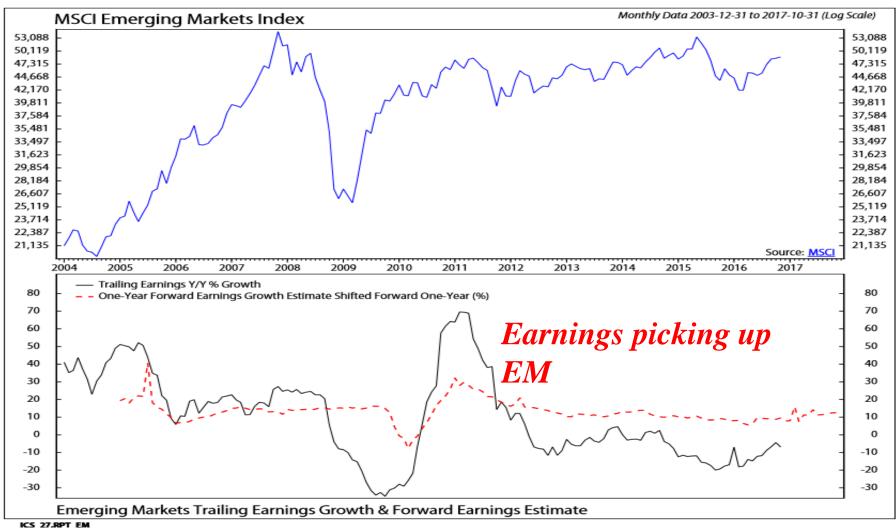


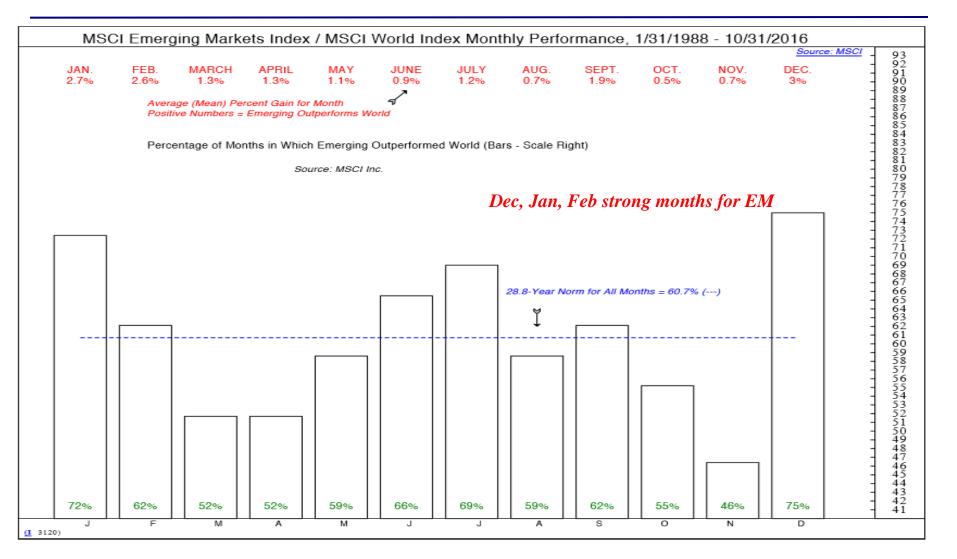




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What I'm Buying Today JP Morgan EM Inv Trust (680p)



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Review Geiger (rec 17.5p)

Geiger Counter Ltd (UK) (GCL LN EQUITY) 18.125 0.12 2016-11-24 Daily 90% falls are always interesting -70 1<u>1.0</u> MA

Review

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- -8% discount NAV, GBP 14mn Mkt Cap, 0% yield, 118% gearing
- New City Inv Mgrs (Robert Crayfourd + Keith Watson), fee 1.375%
- Uranium and uranium exploration stocks, 30% «other»
- 45 holdings, top 5 =>52%
- Nexgen Energy 10%, Uranium Participation 17%, Cameco 7%, Fission Uranium 9%, UR-Energy_9%

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