

U ACCESS (IRL) TREND MACRO

Quarterly Comment

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Market Comment

- Over the fourth quarter of 2021, DM equities, except for Japan, were broadly positive, ending the third year in a row with strong calendar year returns, driven by strong earnings growth. Small cap underperformed large cap, as the fears about weaker growth going forward weighed on their performance. EM equities suffered, mainly dragged down by higher inflation and expectation of more interest hikes, as well as the continually negative news on China, in particular on the real estate sector front.
- The emergence of the Omicron variant in November initially led to a strong increase in equity volatility. However, markets were quick to recover as initial data indicated a lower risk of severe disease. On the fixed income side, uncertainties about future growth due to less accommodative central bank policy led to a flattening of the US yield curve. The front end of the curve moved higher, while the back end remained flat.
- The current market environment provides a very interesting set of opportunities for our U Access (IRL) Trend Macro fund, which offers access to diversifying risk drivers and exposures by seizing long and short investment opportunities across mainly interest rates, credit and currencies, both in Developed and Emerging Markets. It has historically shown a low correlation to traditional assets.

Sources: UBP, Bloomberg Finance LP, BofA Merrill Lynch

Performance Review

- For the fourth quarter of 2021, U Access (IRL) Trend Macro returned -0.95%, bringing YTD returns to +2.71% (Class B USD, net of fees). In terms of contribution by asset class: Rates and Currencies each provided positive contributions in the quarter, but they were more than offset by the pullback in Credit and Equity indices. Looking at performance by region: EEMA and Asia sovereign exposures provided positive contributions which were more than offset by Emerging Market Corporate Credit and Developed Market exposures.
- The fund declined from falling bond prices in Emerging Market Corporate Credit (-575bps), short US Real Rates (-104bps), and CDX HY (-102).
- Positive performance in the quarter came from Short Polish 5 year and 10-year rates (485bps), Chinese sovereign credit (183bps), short Czech 5 year rates (159bps), short front end of the US yield curve (131bps), and short Turkish lira (126bps).

Portfolio Activity

- Net credit exposure started the quarter at -32% and ended at -35%. The main change to the credit exposure in the 4th quarter was closing the short Emerging Market Debt Index exposure and increasing the CDX HY by a slightly higher amount. The investment team used the December rally in US rates to increase hedges.



- The portfolio's net short rates exposure increased during the final quarter of the calendar year. The strategy increased its short positions in Polish 5 year and 10 year rates which were established in the 3rd quarter. The short position on the front end of the US yield curve also increased during the quarter. The team eliminated its short positions on US 10 year and 30 year rates during the quarter. A new position was established in the 4th quarter on short US 10 year Real Rates
- FX exposure during the quarter increased on the long side in Russian ruble, Norwegian krone, and Ukrainian hryvnia. A short position in South African rand was established in the quarter. The funding currencies for the portfolio's long exposures continue to be primarily Swiss franc and the euro.
- Equity hedges were covered during the quarter.

Outlook

- In the first week of 2022, the market became more concerned about inflation. Fuelling the inflationary flames were the Fed minutes in which the Fed signalled it may be warranted to increase the federal funds rate sooner and potentially at a faster pace than the market previously anticipated. While the portfolio was positioned for the unprecedented move in rates in such a short time, the team anticipates that there is more to go. Core Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) in the US over the last decade averaged 1.7%. The team anticipates it to average 2-3% over the next decade. Meanwhile the markets are expecting Core PCE to return to its historical average.
- The US annual inflation rate at the end of December accelerated to 7%. The last time it hit that level was in 1982. Meanwhile the US unemployment rate dropped to 3.9%, the lowest since February 2020. A fast recovering economy and strong demand for labor should push the unemployment rate even lower in the coming months as companies continue to fill widespread vacancies.
- Asian High Yield bonds are towards the end of their forced liquidity crunch in which a few companies ran into trouble. Under the Chinese government's guidance, Chinese banks have eased financing for property developers and reduced the time it takes an individual to receive a mortgage. The team continues to be interested in companies that have sold assets, worked with lenders to roll over maturities and raised equity.
- As markets never move in a straight line, the investment team anticipates choppy markets for 2022 as investors continue to digest the impact of higher than expected inflation on their portfolios for at least the first half of this year.

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