

## **PORTFOLIO UPDATE**

# **Emerging Europe Fund - I Class**

As of March 31, 2024



Portfolio Manager: Ulle Adamson Managed Fund Since: 2017 Joined Firm: 2002

## **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

The fund seeks long-term growth of capital through investments primarily in the common stocks of companies located (or with primary operations) in the emerging market countries of Europe.

### **FUND INFORMATION**

Symbol	TTEEX
CUSIP	77956H245
Inception Date of Fund	March 06, 2017
Benchmark	MSCI Emerging Markets Europe Index Net
Expense Information (as of the most recent Prospectus)*	2.13% (Gross) 1.09% (Net)
Fiscal Year End	October 31
12B-1 Fee	-

<sup>\*</sup>The I Class operates under a contractual operating expense limitation that expires on February 28, 2026.

#### MARKET COMMENTARY

Emerging European equities had a strong start to the year, outperforming both the broader emerging markets universe and their developed peers in the first quarter of 2024.

Türkiye led the region amid a generally positive corporate earnings season. The policy changes that were introduced last year also continued to support stocks in this market. Investors remain encouraged by the adoption of more orthodox economic and monetary policies by the government of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan since his re-election in May 2023. Sentiment was further boosted by data showing that GDP growth accelerated to 1.0% on a quarter-on-quarter basis in the fourth quarter of 2023 although inflation remained stubbornly high. The country's central bank raised interest rates twice over the review period to 50% while the lira depreciated versus the U.S. dollar. On the political front, President Erdogan's AK Party came second to the main opposition part, the CHP, in the municipal elections held on 31 March, including in the country's biggest cities, Istanbul and Ankara.

Elsewhere, Poland delivered a more modest but still positive return. Since the end of 2023, the country has been run by a pro-EU coalition government. In February 2024, the European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen announced that Poland will gain access to as much as EUR €137 billion in EU funds as a result of the new government implementing reforms to restore judicial independence. The Hungarian market posted modest gains over the review period despite a weak macroeconomic backdrop. Investors were encouraged by the National Bank of Hungary's bid to tackle inflation by cutting its policy rate by 175 basis points over the course of the quarter to 8.25%.

The equity market in Greece was also buoyant, mirroring the broader gains in global stocks. As they did throughout 2023, banking names continued to outperform at a sector level on the back of better-than-expected quarterly results and updates. The country's GDP grew by 0.2% quarter-on-quarter in the final quarter of 2023 and is forecast to accelerate over the year and into 2025, driven in part by private consumption growth.

Annualized

### **PERFORMANCE**

(NAV, total return)

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	One Three Month Months		One Year	Three Years	Five Years				
Emerging Europe Fund - I Class	-0.21%	11.22%	54.17%	-30.46%	-17.78%	-10.05%	-1.53%		
MSCI Emerging Markets Europe Index Net	-0.27	5.78	35.30	-23.51	-13.48	-7.80	-0.91		

Performance data quoted represents past performance and is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. To obtain the most recent month-end performance, visit troweprice.com. The Fund's total return figures reflect the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains, if any.

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The T. Rowe Price Fund shares the portfolio of an existing fund (the original share class of the fund referred to as the "investor class"). The total return figures for the I Class shares have been calculated using the performance data of the investor class up to the inception date of the I Class (3/6/17) and the actual performance results of the I Class since that date. Because the I Classes are expected to have lower expenses than the Investor Classes, the I Class performance, had it existed over the periods shown, would have been higher.

### Investors should note that the Fund's short-term performance is highly unusual and unlikely to be sustained.

Share prices are subject to market risk, including loss of the money you invest. In addition, there are risks associated with unfavorable currency exchange rates and political or economic uncertainty abroad.

The fund(s) may have other share classes available that offer different investment minimums and fees. See the prospectus for details.

### **RISK RETURN CHARACTERISTICS**

(Five Years ended March 31, 2024)

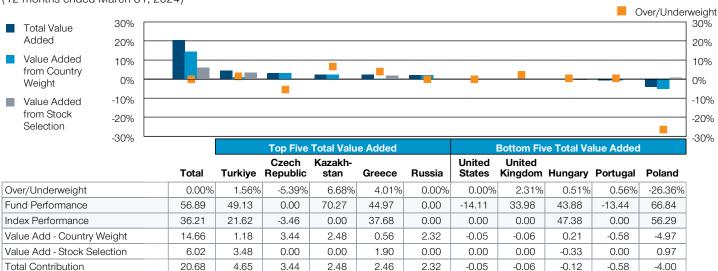
	Active Share* (as of 3/31/24)	Annualized Std. Deviation	Alpha	Beta	R-Squared	Information Ratio	Sharpe Ratio	Tracking Error
Emerging Europe Fund - I Class	60.9%	45.02%	1.27%	1.12	0.92	-0.32	-0.44	13.57%
MSCI Emerging Markets Europe Index Net	-	38.53	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	-0.40	0.00

<sup>\*</sup>Active Share is a snapshot in time as of the indicated date.

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Figures are calculated using monthly data and are net of fees.

# COUNTRY ATTRIBUTION DATA VS. MSCI EMERGING MARKETS EUROPE INDEX (TOP AND BOTTOM 5 BY TOTAL VALUE ADDED)

(12 months ended March 31, 2024)



## SECTOR ATTRIBUTION DATA VS. MSCI EMERGING MARKETS EUROPE INDEX

15.96

4.72

20.68

4.07

0.31

4.37

2.92

-0.13

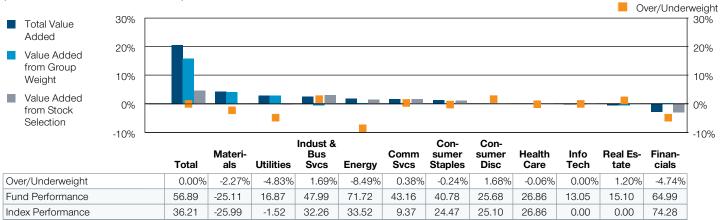
2.79

-0.42

3.07

2.65

(12 months ended March 31, 2024)



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. All numbers are percentages. Analysis represents the total performance of the portfolio as
calculated by the FactSet attribution model and is inclusive of other assets. Non-equity positions are excluded from structure shown. Returns will not match official
T. Rowe Price performance because FactSet uses different exchange rate sources and does not capture intra-day trading. Performance for each security is obtained
in the local currency and, if necessary, is converted to USD using an exchange rate determined by an independent third party. Figures are shown with gross
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Rowe Price. T. Rowe Price uses the current MSCI/S&P Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) for sector and industry reporting. Figures are shown gross of
fees. Returns would be lower as a result of the deduction of such fees. Performance returns are in USD.

0.38

1.61

1.99

0.01

1.75

1.76

0.27

1.10

1.37

0.13

0.02

0.15

0.02

0.00

0.02

-0.07

0.00

-0.07

-0.53

0.00

-0.53

0.35

-3.00

-2.65

Value Add - Group Weight

**Total Contribution** 

Value Add - Stock Selection

# **TOP 10 ISSUERS**

Comprising 56.0% of total net assets.

	Country	Industry	% of Fund
National Bank of Greece	Greece	Banks	13.2%
OTP Bank	Hungary	Banks	7.7
Koc Holding	Türkiye	Industrial Conglomerates	6.2
D-Market Elektronik Hizmetler Ve Ticaret	Türkiye	Broadline Retail	6.1
BIM Birlesik Magazalar	Türkiye	Consumer Staples Distribution & Retail	5.3
Halyk Savings Bank of Kazakhstan	Kazakhstan	Banks	4.2
Powszechny Zaklad Ubezpieczen	Poland	Insurance	3.7
Eurobank Ergasias Services & Holdings	Greece	Banks	3.5
Inpost	Poland	Air Freight & Logistics	3.5
Turk Hava Yollari AO	Türkiye	Passenger Airlines	2.6

Issuers are as of the date indicated and are subject to change.

# **PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS**

	Emerging Europe Fund - I Class	MSCI Emerging Markets Europe In- dex Net
Number of Issuers	42	47
Investment Weighted Median Market Cap (mm)	\$7,168	\$7,882
Price to Earnings (Current Fiscal Year)*° †	6.0X	8.2X
Price to Book (trailing)°	1.4X	1.6X
Projected Earnings Growth Rate (3 - 5 Years)*° †	12.6%	12.6%
Return on Equity (Current Fiscal Year)° †	26.8%	20.4%
Top 20 Issuers as Percent of Total	76.3%	65.5%
Total Assets (all share classes)	55,579,265	-
Percent of Portfolio in Cash	16.0%	-

<sup>°</sup>Statistics are based on investment-weighted median.  $^*$  I/B/E/S  $\circledcirc$  2024 Refinitiv. All rights reserved.

# **GEOGRAPHICAL DIVERSIFICATION**

	Türkiye	Greece	Poland	Hungary	Kazakh- stan	Lithuania	Georgia	Portugal	United Kingdom	Czech Re- public
Emerging Europe Fund - I Class	27.1%	24.3%	11.6%	10.0%	6.7%	1.8%	1.7%	0.6%	0.5%	0.0%
MSCI Emerging Markets Europe Index Net	26.9	20.3	38.0	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4
Over/Underweight	0.2	4.0	-26.4	0.5	6.7	1.8	1.7	0.6	0.5	-5.4

# **SECTOR DIVERSIFICATION**

	Financials	Indust & Bus Svcs	Cons Disc	Cons Stpls	Comm Svcs	Energy	Health Care	Materials	Real Es- tate	Utilities
Emerging Europe Fund - I Class	40.4%	13.2%	12.3%	5.8%	4.3%	2.5%	1.9%	1.8%	1.2%	0.6%
MSCI Emerging Markets Europe Index Net	45.3	11.6	10.6	6.1	3.9	11.0	1.9	4.1	0.0	5.4
Over/Underweight	-4.9	1.6	1.6	-0.3	0.4	-8.5	-0.1	-2.3	1.2	-4.8

<sup>†</sup>These statistics are based on the Fund's underlying holdings and are not a projection of future portfolio performance. Actual results may vary.

### **Definitions**

Active Share is a holdings based measure of active management representing the percentage of a portfolio's holdings that differ from those in its benchmark. Compared to tracking error, which measures the standard deviation of the difference in a manager's returns versus the Benchmark returns, Active Share allows investors to get a clearer understanding of what a manager is doing to drive performance, rather than drawing conclusions from observed returns. The greater the difference between the asset composition of a product and its benchmark, the greater the active share is.

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