Goldman Sachs Asset Management

Investment Commentary

1Q 2012

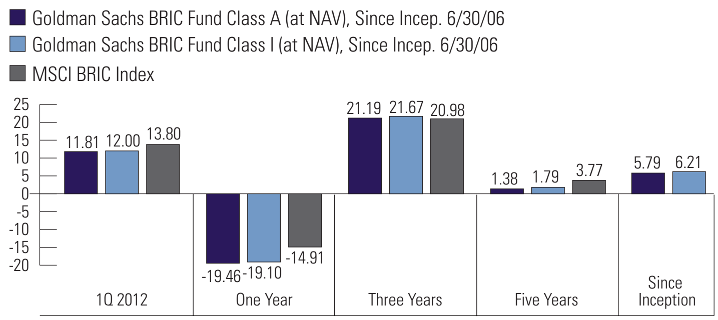
Class A: GBRAX
Class I: GBRIX
Class C: GBRCX

Goldman Sachs BRIC Fund

Market Overview

Growth and Emerging Markets ended the first quarter with strong gains, despite a pull back in March led by the large BRIC markets. The MSCI EM and MSCI BRIC Indexes declined 3.3% and 6.3%, respectively, in March, though they returned 14.1% and 13.8% for the quarter, boosted by strong currency gains against the dollar. All country markets made gains during the quarter, with some of last year's weakest performers, such as Egypt, Hungary and India, posting amongst the highest returns for the quarter. The Thai equity market also rallied during the quarter, as many economists believe the recovery from last year's flooding is well under way. Chinese equities lagged the broader market as the government officially announced in March that it would target economic growth of 7.5% this year, the first time in recent years that it has been under 8%. Indonesia significantly underperformed during the quarter, as market participants feared that its central bank's surprise interest rate cut, amid strong growth, could lead to inflation. All sectors made gains in the quarter, led by significant returns in the Information Technology and Industrials sectors, which benefitted from strong trends worldwide.

Performance History as of March 31, 2012 (%)



For periods one year or greater, performance is annualized.
The returns represent past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The Fund's 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 quoted above.
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Goldman Sachs BRIC Fund – Standardized Total Returns for period ended 3/31/12. Reflects a maximum sales charge of 5.5% for Class A shares. Class I shares do not reflect a sales charge.

	Class A Shares	Class I Shares
One Year	-23.87%	-19.10%
Five Years	0.24%	1.79%
Since Inception (6/30/06)	4.75%	6.21%

The Standardized Total Returns are average annual total returns or cumulative total returns (only if the performance period is one year or less) as of the most recent calendar quarter-end. They assume reinvestment of all distributions at net asset value. These returns reflect the maximum initial sales charge of 5.5% for Class A Shares. Because Institutional shares do not include a sales charge, such a charge is not included in the standardized total returns.

Goldman Sachs BRIC Fund – Expense Ratio

	Current Expense Ratio (net)	Expense Ratio Before Waivers (gross)
Class A Shares	1.78%	1.92%
Class I Shares	1.38%	1.52%

The expense ratios of each Fund, both current (net of any fee waivers or expense limitations) and before waivers (gross of any fee waivers or expense limitations) are as set forth above. Each Fund's waivers and/or expense limitations will remain in place through at least February 28, 2013, and prior to such date the investment adviser may not terminate the arrangements without the approval of the Fund's Board of Trustees.

All index returns in USD.

Performance Attribution

The Goldman Sachs BRIC Fund underperformed its benchmark, the MSCI BRIC Index, during the first quarter of 2012. Our holdings in India contributed to the fund's relative performance, while the fund's positioning in Brazil detracted from relative returns.

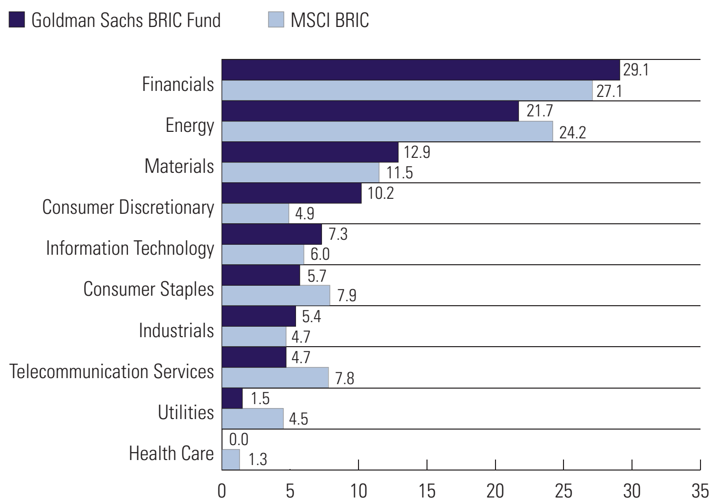
At the country level, India was the largest contributor to the fund's relative performance, driven by strong stock selection in the Financials and Information Technology sectors. The fund's holding in Indusind Bank, the Mumbai-based mid-sized private sector bank, was the top contributor to performance during the quarter. Since the start of the year, the Financials sector has outperformed the broader market as the interest rate cycle has peaked and concerns over asset quality deterioration have receded. In addition, the stock showed strong performance as the bank continues to demonstrate good profitability and asset quality. Within the Information Technology sector, our holding in Cognizant Technology Solutions (1.8%), a leading IT services company headquartered in the US, but with almost all of its operations based in India, contributed to the fund's relative performance. The stock performed well as the market acknowledged the strong fundamentals of the company, which has been growing faster than the overall IT services industry. Cognizant's strong growth has been driven by its ability to provide delivery excellence at a lower cost, leadership positions in Financial Services and Health Care sectors, as well as investment in building stronger marketing capabilities.

At the stock level, Etalon Group (0.8%), one of Russia's largest homebuilders focused on real estate development in St. Petersburg, was one of the top contributors to the fund's performance during the quarter. The stock rallied as the company reported stronger than expected full year results. Furthermore, Etalon's outlook for 2012 was positive as the company pre-sold the majority of its projects. We believe that the stock is undervalued and has upside potential given its defensive balance sheet and strong business model.

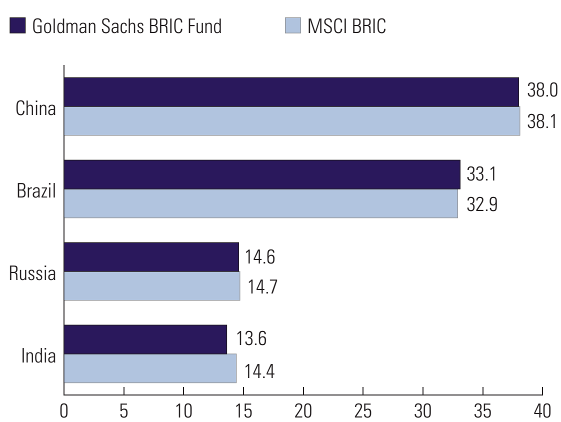
Top Ten Holdings (%)

Company	Portfolio
PetroBras	6.5
Vale	6.4
China Construction Bank	4.0
Banco Bradesco	3.7
China Mobile	3.6
ICBC	3.5
Itaú / Itaúsa	2.9
CNOOC	2.8
Lukoil	2.6
Ambev	2.5

Sector Weights (%)



Country Weights (%)



Data as of 3/31/12

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Our positioning in China detracted from relative performance, as some of our holdings in the Industrials sector underperformed during the quarter. The fund's holding in Dongfang Electric (0.9%), a company involved in production of power-generation equipment and nuclear energy projects, underperformed as nuclear equipment orders did not pick up during the first quarter of 2012, contrary to the market's expectation. In addition, the company's stock declined as the expectations of power tariff increases diminished. We maintain strong conviction in Dongfang Electric, as we think the company will benefit from China's growing demand for electricity and its diversified product mix. Our holding in ZTE Corporation (1.0%), a Chinese manufacturer of telecommunications equipment, detracted from relative performance during the quarter. The company's stock sold off in January as they reported weak results for the second half of 2011 due to a one-off valuation loss on their Euro cash holdings following currency depreciation. We believe the company continues to have a strong ability to generate returns and improve its margins over the longer-term.

Brazil was the largest detractor, as our positioning in the Energy sector underperformed during the first quarter. Our holding in Petrobras (6.5.%), the Brazilian state-controlled energy company, was the largest detractor from performance during February. The stock underperformed after the company reported weaker than expected results for fourth quarter of 2011. As the company's refineries have been running at full capacity, the company had to increase fuel imports to supply the domestic market, which led to margin compression over the period.

Positioning

During the quarter, we elected to switch our positioning within the Consumer Staples sector in Russia. We sold out of our position in X5 Retail Group (0.5%), Russia's largest retailer by revenue and initiated a position in Magnit (1.0%), the second largest retailer, which mainly operates convenience stores. We believe that given Magnit's strong track record of organic store expansion and sales growth, they are well positioned to benefit from positive macro-economic environment for the consumer sector, especially low inflationary pressures, real wage growth and low unemployment. Furthermore, in addition to reporting strong gross margin expansion during the fourth quarter of last year, Magnit's management has taken some steps to improve its margins on a sustainable basis, which will contribute to the company's strong position in the market. Magnit also started expansion into cosmetics stores, which may develop into a growth driver for the company, given the underpenetrated nature of the industry and Magnit's ability to leverage its existing distribution system. We decided to sell out of our position in X5 Retail Group as the retailer is in the process of switching to a different business model, which may have negative effect on X5's margin recovery. Furthermore, X5's position in the largest cities has been challenged as competitors have started gaining market share at the expense of X5.

In India we elected to eliminate our position in Indraprastha Gas (0.0%), company involved in gas supply to the domestic and commercial sectors. We decided to sell out of our positions on the back of recent reports about a potential cap on compressed natural gas marketing margins earned by gas utilities such as Indraprasthan Gas, which led to greater uncertainty about the company's earning growth trajectory going forward. We initiated a position in Bombay Dyeing (0.3%), one of India's largest producers of textiles, which owns large amounts of land in Central Mumbai area. We believe that the company's current market capitalization does not reflect the underlying value of the land assets. We decided to initiate this position as Bombay Dyeing started developing and marketing these assets.

Outlook

Growth and Emerging Markets have started the year off very strongly, with the MSCI Emerging Markets Index up 14% during the first quarter of 2012.[1] This came as the outlook for global growth and global macroeconomic sentiment improved, and investors started to rotate into risk assets. During March weaker than expected economic data from China did, however, renew the market's concerns about an economic slowdown in Asia, which weighed on equity markets. Despite recent uncertainties about the sustainability of economic momentum, we maintain our positive outlook for the Growth and Emerging Market economies.

While we have a positive outlook for corporate earnings growth in 2012, we think first quarter earnings results could be weaker than expected by the market. We do, however, believe economic activity and corporate earnings will rebound sharply during the second half of the year. Currently, the market expects Growth and Emerging Markets' earnings to grow by 14.6% this year, in comparison to 11.0% expected in developed markets , offering investors the potential for healthy equity returns. Despite the recent recovery of capital flows into developing markets,[2] the year to date inflows have only reached a half of the outflows seen during 2011.[3] Valuations remain attractive relative to the long-term average and to developed markets, with Growth and Emerging Market equities trading at a10% discount to their 5 year average and a 15% discount to developed markets.[4]

Despite our positive outlook for the second half of 2012, we remain aware of some of the risks that the current economic environment poses. Although investors' concerns about the state of European economies have been somewhat alleviated since the start of the year, we do not dismiss the possibility of a new escalation of the European debt crisis, which we believe would have a negative impact on market sentiment. While inflationary pressures across Growth and Emerging Markets have eased significantly from their peak in 2011, we are cautious about a potential renewal of inflationary concerns in the near-term driven by a combination of monetary easing and robust commodity prices.

[1] Source: Factset, as at 30-Mar-2012.

[2] Source: Bank of America Merrill Lynch, April 2012.

[3] Source: Morgan Stanley, April 2012.

[4] Source: Factset, as at 30-Mar-2012. Refers to the MSCI EM

Risk Considerations

The Goldman Sachs BRIC Fund invests primarily in equity investments in Brazil, Russia, India and China or in issuers that substantially participate in these markets and is subject to market risk so that the value of the securities in which it invests may go up or down in response to the prospects of individual companies, particular industry sectors and/or general economic conditions. The securities markets of these countries and other emerging countries are volatile, less liquid and are subject to substantial currency fluctuations and sudden economic and political developments. The securities markets of emerging countries have less government regulation and are subject to less extensive accounting and financial reporting requirements than the markets of more developed countries. At times, the Fund may be unable to sell certain of its portfolio securities without a substantial drop in price, if at all. The Fund is also subject to the risk of the concentration of investments in issuers located in a particular country or region which may be susceptible to adverse securities markets, exchange rates and social, political, regulatory or economic events which may occur in that country or region.

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The MSCI BRIC (Net, Unhedged, USD) Index (the "MSCI BRIC Index") is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of the following four emerging market country indices: Brazil, Russia, India and China.

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