



Artisan Global Unconstrained Fund

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Performance Discussion

The portfolio declined modestly in Q2, underperforming the ICE BofA 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index for the period, but remains ahead of the index since inception.

Investing Environment

The conflict in the Middle East remained one of the dominant themes driving capital markets in Q2 2026. The quarter started with ongoing missile exchanges and drone strikes across the region, but the conflict generally moved toward de-escalation as the quarter proceeded. A temporary ceasefire was brokered by Pakistan in mid-April, and a memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed in late June. However, downside risk remains given the ceasefire's fragile nature. The MoU is non-binding, and many key points regarding the nuclear program, sanctions relief, frozen assets and the Strait of Hormuz still need to be agreed upon.

Given the severe disruptions to shipping through the Strait of Hormuz, this regional conflict continued to have global implications for energy prices and, by extension, inflation. Oil prices remained elevated for most of the quarter but declined sharply after the MoU was signed.

All segments of the emerging markets (EM) debt universe generated positive returns during the period, despite geopolitical uncertainty and elevated inflationary risks. EM sovereign bonds returned 4.63%, outperforming both their local currency and corporate bond counterparts. EM local currency bonds returned 3.85%, while EM corporate bonds gained 2.42%.

Sovereign and corporate credit spreads narrowed over the period. Sovereign spreads outperformed corporate spreads, with high yield sovereigns tightening more than their investment-grade counterparts during the quarter.

Strong demand for EM debt supported healthy sovereign and corporate issuance, bringing the year-to-date total to \$435.6 billion, a 10.5% increase year over year. Corporate issuance outpaced sovereign issuance during the quarter, totaling \$259.7 billion and \$175.9 billion, respectively. Investment-grade borrowers drove primary market activity, led by Poland's and Brazil's sizable deals in April. While high yield issuance was comparatively limited, notable transactions included the Democratic Republic of Congo's debut eurobond and Pakistan's return to capital markets after a four-year hiatus. Inflows into the asset class were positive in Q2, totaling \$13.5 billion.

In developed market economies, central banks differed in the direction of their respective monetary policies. The ECB and BOJ hiked interest rates in an effort to fend off energy-related inflationary pressures, and the BOE held rates steady. The US Federal Reserve also left rates unchanged. Market participants tended to view the new chair, Kevin Warsh, as a hawkish development for US monetary policy.

EM central banks showed even more divergence in their interest rate decisions. Several countries, such as Indonesia, Philippines and South Africa, raised rates to stave off growing inflationary threats. Others, such as Mexico, Nigeria and India, left rates unchanged but indicated they would closely monitor cost pressures. Brazil and Hungary were dovish outliers, lowering rates during the period.

The US dollar strengthened again in Q2, in part due to the new Federal Reserve chair's perceived hawkishness. There was broad dispersion in EM currencies during the period. Top-performing currencies were largely driven by idiosyncratic tailwinds: the Egyptian pound was bolstered by reserve accumulation and IMF support for the country's flexible exchange rate policy; Peter Magyar's victory over Viktor Orban imbued optimism for the Hungarian forint; and the Zambian kwacha was supported by strong copper prices and a bumper maize harvest. Currencies of oil-importing countries facing elevated inflationary pressures, such as Sri Lanka, Indonesia and Turkey, tended to be the worst performers during the period.

Ukraine was among the top-performing sovereign credits in Q2. Substantial financial support from the IMF, the EU and other bilateral partners, coupled with improved expectations of a negotiated settlement, drove meaningful tightening in credit spreads from distressed levels. Conversely, India was among the worst performing sovereign credits. The relative underperformance reflected its strained fiscal situation and the central bank’s limited scope for additional rate cuts amid elevated energy prices.

While EM debt remains highly sensitive to macroeconomic and geopolitical factors, local developments continued to drive idiosyncratic performance across countries. The politically right shift in South America continued, as Abelardo “El Tigre” De La Espriella won Colombia’s presidency and Keiko Fujimori eked out a narrow presidential victory in Peru. Widespread protests plagued Bolivia amid growing dissatisfaction with the country’s economy. Demonstrators nationwide erected road blockades and called for President Paz’s resignation, but agreements between labor groups and the government largely ended the near-term unrest. Ukraine demonstrated pockets of military success, recapturing territory and striking key oil refineries ever deeper into Russian territory.

Portfolio Positioning

In our view, the portfolio has remained conservatively positioned given continued geopolitical uncertainty that characterized Q2. This investing environment, however, continues to offer unique and interesting investment opportunities that the team is seeking to take advantage of on both the long and short sides of the market. The portfolio has remained net short sovereign credit across all regions. The team continues to favor high yield issuers exhibiting strong fundamentals with spread tightening potential, while the portfolio remains short tight-spread investment grade names. Throughout the quarter, the team reduced the portfolio’s duration across emerging and developed markets. Within emerging markets, the portfolio holds long rates positions in Central Asia, Latin America and Africa while maintaining neutral positions in Asia and the Middle East. The team increased the portfolio’s net long currency exposure in Q2, adding to long positions in countries where strong macro fundamentals and attractive carry dynamics remain in place. Overall, the portfolio maintains net long currency positions across Eastern Europe, Africa and Latin America, while retaining net short positions in Asia, where enduring energy-related inflationary pressures pose downside risk. In the Middle East, positioning remains selective—favoring high-carry currencies while maintaining short exposure to countries with what we believe have less attractive valuations and are more exposed to a resurgence in geopolitical volatility in the region.

The EMSights Capital Group continues to search for countries with improving storylines where market prices are not fully reflecting fundamentals. The team continues to seek out idiosyncratic events in the sovereign and corporate space that can shape the market landscape and drive divergence between the regions and countries, while maintaining a cautious stance on emerging markets debt looking toward subsequent quarters. The global economy remains characterized by elevated geopolitical volatility, which we believe can present attractive opportunities in emerging markets debt.

Exhibit 1: Q2 2026 Absolute Contribution to Return

Contributors
Long Egyptian FX
Long Bahamian sovereign credit
Long Zambian FX and sovereign credit
Detractors
Short South African sovereign credit and FX
Long Colombian equity
Short Pakistani sovereign credit

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Investment Results (%)		Average Annual Total Returns					
As of 30 June 2026	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Inception
Investor Class: APFPX—Inception: 31 Mar 2022	-0.02	3.91	11.13	9.49	—	—	9.52
Advisor Class: APDPX—Inception: 31 Mar 2022	-0.08	3.86	11.25	9.54	—	—	9.61
Institutional Class: APHPX—Inception: 31 Mar 2022	-0.07	3.89	11.19	9.61	—	—	9.68
ICE BofA 3-month Treasury Bill Index	0.89	1.74	3.84	4.64	—	—	4.14

Source: Artisan Partners/ICE BofA. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized. On January 2, 2025, the fair value methodology used to value emerging markets debt held by the Artisan Partners Funds was changed from using bid pricing to using the midpoint between the bid and ask price. The change resulted in a one-time increase of less than 0.35% in the net asset value for Artisan Global Unconstrained Fund.

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Expense Ratios (%)*	APFPX	APDPX	APHPX
Semi-Annual Report	2.35/2.21	2.16/2.11	2.06/2.03
Prospectus	2.14/1.69	1.83/1.59	1.80/1.54
Adjusted	1.69/1.24	1.38/1.14	1.35/1.09

*Unsubsidized/subsidized. Semi-annual Report: 31 Mar 2026. Prospectus: 30 Sep 2025. Net expenses reflect a contractual expense limitation agreement in effect through 31 Jan 2027. See prospectus for further details. Semi-Annual Report Figures: Unaudited, annualized for the six-month period. Includes interest expense and dividend payments for securities sold short and/or interest on reverse repurchase agreements. Adjusted Expense Ratio Figures: Excludes certain investment expenses such as interest expense from borrowings and repurchase agreements, dividend expenses from short sales, and acquired fund fees and expenses. Excludes Acquired Fund Fees and Expenses as described in the prospectus.

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