



# AQR Emerging Defensive Style Fund

9/30/2018

Performance as of 9/30/2018

	Annualized Total Return					
	QTD	YTD	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	Since Inception (07/09/2012)
Class I Shares: AZEIX	3.32%	-3.41%	3.77%	7.85%	0.60%	1.09%
Class N Shares: AZENX	3.14%	-3.62%	3.39%	7.57%	0.38%	0.86%
Class R6 Shares: AZERX	3.22%	-3.32%	3.76%	7.90%	0.69%	1.23%
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	-1.09%	-7.68%	-0.81%	12.36%	3.61%	4.30%

The performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. Investment returns and principal value of an investment 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. Call 1-866-290-2688 or visit [www.aqrfunds.com](http://www.aqrfunds.com) for current month-end performance. Performance shown prior to a share class's inception date reflects the historical performance of the Fund's Class I shares, calculated using the fees and expenses of the Class N or Class R6 shares, respectively.

## Country Exposures (%)\*

	Emg Def Style Fund	MSCI Emerging	Fund - Index
Brazil	3.4%	6.2%	-2.8%
Chile	4.4%	1.1%	3.3%
China	18.9%	31.0%	-12.1%
Colombia	0.0%	0.5%	-0.5%
Czech Republic	0.0%	0.2%	-0.2%
Egypt	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1%
Greece	0.0%	0.3%	-0.3%
Hungary	0.0%	0.3%	-0.3%
India	8.4%	8.5%	-0.1%
Indonesia	3.1%	2.0%	1.2%
Malaysia	8.2%	2.4%	5.8%
Mexico	6.2%	3.2%	3.0%
Pakistan	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1%
Peru	0.0%	0.4%	-0.4%
Philippines	0.5%	1.0%	-0.5%
Poland	2.6%	1.2%	1.4%
Qatar	0.0%	0.9%	-0.9%
Russia	0.8%	3.7%	-2.9%
South Africa	6.5%	6.1%	0.4%
South Korea	13.5%	14.9%	-1.3%
Taiwan	15.5%	12.3%	3.2%
Thailand	7.0%	2.5%	4.5%
Turkey	0.9%	0.6%	0.3%
United Arab Emirates	0.0%	0.7%	-0.7%
<b>Total Equity Investments</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

\* Index holdings are subject to change and should not be considered a recommendation to buy or sell securities.

## Sector Exposure (%)\*

	Emg Def Style Fund	MSCI Emerging	Fund - Index
Communication Services	11.1%	4.5%	6.6%
Consumer Discretionary	8.8%	9.0%	-0.2%
Consumer Staples	17.5%	6.6%	10.9%
Energy	3.8%	8.2%	-4.4%
Financials	20.5%	23.2%	-2.7%
Health Care	7.5%	3.0%	4.5%
Industrials	7.6%	5.4%	2.2%
Information Technology	11.7%	26.9%	-15.2%
Materials	3.1%	7.9%	-4.8%
Real Estate	0.0%	2.8%	-2.8%
Utilities	8.2%	2.4%	5.7%
<b>Total Equity Investments</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

## Top Ten Holdings (%)\*

Security	% of Net Assets
Wal-Mart Mexico	1.6%
China Mobile	1.6%
TSMC	1.6%
PCSC	1.5%
Reliance	1.5%
CHT	1.5%
Public Bank	1.4%
Infosys	1.3%
Guangdong Inv	1.3%
Airports TH	1.3%
<b>Total Fund</b>	<b>14.6%</b>

## Portfolio Statistics\*\*

	Emg Def Style Fund	MSCI Emerging
# of stocks	268	1151
EPS Growth (5 Year)	9.88	15.06
P/B	2.28	1.69
P/E (trailing 12 months)	15.88	12.80
Debt/Equity	0.33	0.51

	Emg Def Style Fund	MSCI Emerging
Median Market Cap (\$MM)	8,506	6,190
Average Market Cap (\$MM)	33,542	90,372
Predicted Beta	0.68	1.00
<b>Total Fund Assets (\$MM)</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>N/A</b>

\*\* All Portfolio Statistics are subject to change.

## About the Fund

### Investment Objective:

Seeks total return.

### Reasons to Invest:

The Fund seeks to provide exposure to Emerging stock markets with lower volatility than its stock market benchmark.

The Fund's strategy seeks to provide downside protection with upside potential through active stock selection, risk management and diversification.

### Key Advantages:

#### Experienced Management Team

AQR's core investment and research team has been together since the early 1990s.

#### Trading Infrastructure

Customized liquidity-providing algorithms help minimize transaction costs.

#### Cutting Edge Research

AQR is a thought leader on low-risk, high-quality investing with an ongoing commitment to research and development.

## Investment Approach

- The Fund pursues a “defensive” strategy that provides exposure to Emerging stock markets with lower volatility and draw-downs relative to its stock market benchmark through active stock selection, risk management and diversification.
- The investment universe for the Fund is comprised of Emerging equities, including large-cap, mid-cap and small-cap companies.
- The Fund seeks to invest in lower beta stocks of companies with stable businesses, high profitability, low operating and financial leverage, lower earnings-per-share variability and other measures of quality.
- These stocks generally are less volatile than the market average, and are expected to produce higher risk-adjusted returns over a full market cycle than market indexes.
- The Fund utilizes a proprietary optimization process and a number of sophisticated trading techniques to manage transaction costs.

## Definitions

The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is an index that is designed to measure equity market performance in global emerging markets. The Emerging Markets Index is a float-adjusted market capitalization index that consists of indices in 26 emerging economies.

**Beta:** A measure of systematic risk of a stock or a portfolio.

**Debt/Equity:** A leverage measure of a company's net debt to book value of equity ratio.

**P/B (Price to Book Ratio):** A valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its book value.

**P/E (Price to Earnings Ratio):** A valuation ratio of a company's current share price compared to its per-share earnings.

**EPS Growth (5 Year):** The growth of the earning per share over the last five years.

**Volatility:** Annualized standard deviation of the past 12 month daily returns of a given security or index.

## Fund Facts

	Ticker	CUSIP	Inception Date	Investment Minimum*	12b-1 Fee	Gross Expense Ratio	Net Expense Ratio**
Class I Shares	AZEIX	00203H685	7/9/12	\$5 Million	None	1.08%	0.71%
Class N Shares	AZENX	00203H735	7/9/12	\$1 Million	0.25%	1.29%	0.96%
Class R6 Shares	AZERX	00191K203	9/2/14	\$50 Million	None	0.98%	0.61%

\*Investment minimums are waived to fee-based advisors and certain other investors. Some financial intermediaries may impose different or additional eligibility and minimum requirements for Class R6 shares. See the Prospectus for additional details.

\*\*The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive its management fee and/or to reimburse expenses of the Fund at least through January 28, 2019.

## PRINCIPAL RISKS:

*Past performance is no guarantee of future results. An investment in the Funds involves risk, including loss of principal.*

*Foreign and Emerging Market investing involves special risks such as currency fluctuations and political uncertainty. Funds that emphasize investments in small and mid-cap companies generally will experience greater price volatility. The Adviser from time to time employs various hedging techniques, it is not possible to hedge fully or perfectly against any risk, and hedging entails its own costs.*

*This Fund is not suitable for all investors. An investor considering the Funds should be able to tolerate potentially wide price fluctuations. The Funds may attempt to increase its income or total return through the use of securities lending, and they may be subject to the possibility of additional loss as a result of this investment technique.*

*An investment in the Fund is subject to risks, including the possibility that the value of the Fund's portfolio holdings may fluctuate in response to events specific to the companies in which the Fund invests, as well as economic, political or social events in the United States or abroad.*

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