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Templeton Emerging Markets Fund

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1. As of 12/31/14. Clients are represented by the total number of shareholder accounts.

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Semiannual Report

Templeton Emerging Markets Fund

Dear Shareholder:

This semiannual report for Templeton Emerging Markets Fund covers the period ended February 28, 2015.

Your Fund's Goal and Main Investments

The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its net assets in emerging country equity securities.

Economic and Market Overview

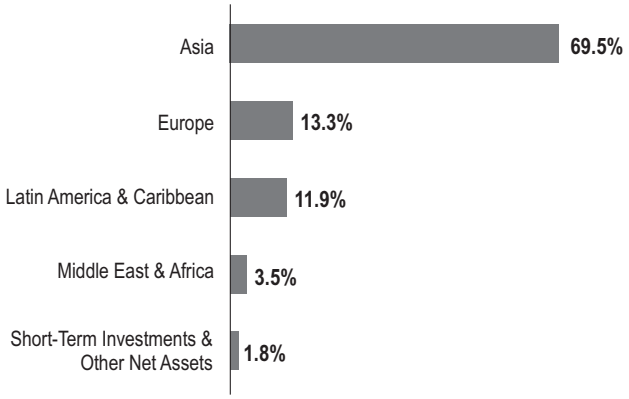
The global economy expanded moderately during the six months under review amid a generally accommodative monetary policy environment. Although several emerging market countries faced headwinds such as soft domestic demand, weak exports and geopolitical crises, emerging market economies overall continued to grow faster than developed market economies. China's economy appeared to stabilize as fiscal and monetary stimulus measures implemented in 2014's second half began to gain traction. Strength in production and consumer spending helped offset weakness in fixed-asset investment. Domestic demand continued to account for a greater portion of China's gross domestic product, as the government's market-friendly policies supported new economic drivers. Emerging market countries showing signs of economic improvement included Thailand, India and Mexico, while others, including South Korea, Indonesia and Malaysia, showed signs of moderation. Brazil exited recession as government spending drove third-quarter economic growth and consumer spending supported fourth-quarter expansion, but it continued to face headwinds such as lower commodity prices and a severe drought.

Central bank actions varied across emerging markets. Some central banks, including those of Russia and Brazil, raised interest rates in response to rising inflation and weakening currencies. In contrast, the central banks of India, Turkey and South Korea lowered interest rates to promote economic growth. In addition to cutting its benchmark interest rate, the People's Bank of China provided short-term liquidity, extended its medium-term lending facility and cut the reserve requirement ratio for commercial banks.

Emerging market stocks experienced volatility during the six-month period amid concerns about global economic growth, the future course of U.S. monetary policy and Greece's debt negotiations. Also weighing on investor sentiment was a sharp decline in crude oil prices, which pressured several oil-producing countries' financial positions and currencies. However, China's fiscal and monetary stimulus measures, the European Central Bank's monetary easing and the U.S. Federal Reserve Board's accommodative policy provided investors with some optimism. A temporary solution to Greece's dispute with the country's international creditors and a Russia-Ukraine ceasefire agreement also bolstered emerging market stocks near period-end.

The dollar value, number of shares or principal amount, and names of all portfolio holdings are listed in the Fund's Statement of Investments (SOI). The SOI begins on page 8.

Geographic Breakdown
Based on Total Net Assets as of 2/28/15



For the six months ended February 28, 2015, emerging market stocks, as measured by the MSCI Emerging Markets Index, rose 0.42% in local currency terms, as many investors seemed to focus on the relatively attractive valuations of many emerging market stocks.[1] However, weak local currencies led to a decline of 8.20% in U.S. dollar terms, as all major regions had negative returns.[1]

Investment Strategy

Our investment strategy employs a fundamental, value-oriented, long-term approach. We focus on the market price of a company's securities relative to our evaluation of the company's long-term earnings, asset value and cash flow potential. As we look for investments, we focus on specific companies and undertake in-depth research to construct an action list from which we make our buy decisions. Before we make a purchase, we look at the company's potential for earnings and growth over a five-year horizon. During our analysis, we also consider the company's position in its sector, the economic framework and political environment.

Performance Overview

The Fund had cumulative total returns of -10.79% based on market price and -10.18% based on net asset value for the six months under review.

Performance data represent past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may differ from figures shown.

Top 10 Countries
Based on Equity Investments as of 2/28/15

	% of Total Net Assets
China	22.4%
Thailand	16.5%
Brazil	9.6%
Hong Kong	8.6%
South Korea	6.3%
India	6.3%
Indonesia	5.4%
Russia	4.6%
Turkey	4.2%
Pakistan	3.6%

Manager's Discussion

During the six months under review, key detractors from the Fund's absolute performance included Brazilian companies Petrobras (Petroleo Brasileiro), Vale and Banco Bradesco.

Brazilian stocks were among the worst-performing emerging market stocks, as measured by the MSCI Brazil Index's 33.73% decline for the six months ended February 28, 2015.[1] Brazil's stock and currency markets weakened during the period partly due to the large price declines of oil and other commodities. Further hurting the country's stocks was the fallout from an ongoing corruption investigation into state oil company Petrobras, the country's main oil and gas producer, refiner and distributor.

Lower oil prices in 2014's second half pressured share prices of energy companies globally, including Petrobras. The decision by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries in late 2014 to maintain oil production levels despite global oversupply led prices to fall more than 40% in 2014's fourth quarter. Further hurting Petrobras was the scrutiny of its links with government and political figures amid accusations of bribery and corrupt practices. Delays in the company's release of third-quarter earnings results also weighed on investor sentiment.

Vale is a major global mining company that owns vast reserves of iron ore and nickel, as well as transport and logistics assets. A decline in iron ore prices hindered Vale's share price, as somewhat subdued steel industry demand kept the market from

1. Source: Morningstar.
The index is unmanaged and includes reinvested dividends. One cannot invest directly in an index and an index is not representative of the Fund's portfolio.

fully absorbing increased supply, notably from Australian producers. Further impacting Vale's share performance were weak fourth-quarter corporate results stemming from increased costs and record-high iron ore, nickel and copper production levels amid an environment of lower commodity prices and weak demand.

Banco Bradesco is one of Brazil's largest financial conglomerates, providing a full range of banking and financial services. Bradesco reported strong 2014 corporate results, with continued improvement in earnings helped by lower loan-loss provisions, higher interest rates on loans and successful cost-cutting measures. However, the Petrobras contagion and the country's weak economic environment led investors to adopt a more cautious stance and raise concerns about the possibility of an increase in non-performing loans.

In contrast, key contributors to the Fund's absolute performance included Brilliance China Automotive Holdings, Hyundai Development and MCB Bank.

Brilliance China Automotive, one of China's major automobile manufacturers, has a joint venture with BMW for the production and sale of BMW vehicles in China. Resilient sales of luxury vehicles in China drove Brilliance's strong first-half 2014 earnings, with BMW increasing its market share. Continued strong sales volume into early 2015, BMW's popularity in China and Brilliance's improving cost competitiveness, partly driven by euro weakness, supported investors' positive view of the company. We sought to take advantage of price appreciation and trimmed our position in Brilliance China Automotive, which reduced concentration in the Fund's largest holding.

Hyundai Development is one of South Korea's major residential property developers. With its strong IPARK brand name, the company has a market-leading position in the country's residential construction business. The company reported solid corporate earnings for fourth quarter 2014, supported by better-than-expected operating profits amid a recovery in South Korea's housing market. Also aiding investor sentiment during the period were government measures to stimulate the housing market by easing mortgage lending regulations, encouraging the redevelopment of older apartment complexes and reducing the role of the state-owned housing company in favor of private developers.

MCB Bank, one of Pakistan's largest banks, has a very high proportion of low-cost deposits, providing it with low-cost funds. Supporting the bank's share price were solid 2014 earnings results, driven by robust loan growth, higher net interest margins and strengthening asset quality. In recent years, the bank benefited from an improving economic environment, an International Monetary Fund program and investment flows that contributed to the stabilization of the country's external accounts.

Top 10 Holdings
2/28/15

Company *Sector/Industry, Country*	% of Total Net Assets
Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Ltd. *Automobiles, China*	9.9%
Kasikornbank PCL, fgn. *Banks, Thailand*	4.8%
Hyundai Development Co. *Construction & Engineering, South Korea*	4.5%
Dairy Farm International Holdings Ltd. *Food & Staples Retailing, Hong Kong*	4.4%
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd. *IT Services, India*	3.8%
Astra International Tbk PT *Automobiles, Indonesia*	3.7%
MCB Bank Ltd. *Banks, Pakistan*	3.6%
Unilever PLC *Food Products, U.K.*	3.6%
Siam Commercial Bank PCL, fgn. *Banks, Thailand*	3.5%
PetroChina Co. Ltd., H *Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels, China*	3.4%

It is important to recognize the effect of currency movements on the Fund's performance. In general, if the value of the U.S. dollar goes up compared with a foreign currency, an investment traded in that foreign currency will go down in value because it will be worth fewer U.S. dollars. This can have a negative effect on Fund performance. Conversely, when the U.S. dollar weakens in relation to a foreign currency, an investment traded in that foreign currency will increase in value, which can contribute to Fund performance. For the six months ended February 28, 2015, the U.S. dollar rose in value relative to most currencies. As a result, the Fund's performance was negatively affected by the portfolio's investment predominantly in securities with non-U.S. currency exposure.

During the period, our continued search for stocks with fundamentals we considered to be attractive led us to increase the Fund's investments largely in South Africa and Thailand and initiate exposure to Singapore. Additionally, we made some purchases in Brazil. In sector terms, we increased holdings

largely in consumer staples and made some of our biggest purchases in energy, consumer discretionary and industrials.[2] Key purchases included a new position in Cia Hering, one of Brazil's largest apparel manufacturers and retailers, as well as additional shares in Kumba Iron Ore, a South African iron ore mining company, and Univanich Palm Oil, one of Thailand's leading producers of crude palm oil.

Conversely, we conducted some sales to raise funds for income and capital gain distributions and to seek to take advantage of opportunities we considered to be more attractively valued within our investment universe. We eliminated the Fund's exposure to Qatar and made some of the largest sales in Russia, Indonesia, India and China via Red Chip shares.[3] In sector terms, we made some of the biggest sales in materials, financials and information technology.[4] In addition to reducing the Fund's holding in Brilliance China Automotive, key sales included closing positions in Norilsk Nickel (Mining and Metallurgical Co. Norilsk Nickel), a Russian producer of nickel, copper, platinum and palladium, and Bank Central Asia, an Indonesian commercial bank.

Thank you for your continued participation in Templeton Emerging Markets Fund. We look forward to serving your future investment needs.

Mark Mobius
Executive Chairman
Templeton Emerging Markets Group

The foregoing information reflects our analysis, opinions and portfolio holdings as of February 28, 2015, the end of the reporting period. The way we implement our main investment strategies and the resulting portfolio holdings may change depending on factors such as market and economic conditions. These opinions may not be relied upon as investment advice or an offer for a particular security. The information is not a complete analysis of every aspect of any market, country, industry, security or the Fund. Statements of fact are from sources considered reliable, but the investment manager makes no representation or warranty as to their completeness or accuracy. Although historical performance is no guarantee of future results, these insights may help you understand our investment management philosophy.

2. The consumer staples sector comprises food and staples retailing and food products in the SOI. The energy sector comprises energy equipment and services; and oil, gas and consumable fuels in the SOI. The consumer discretionary sector comprises automobiles; specialty retail; and textiles, apparel and luxury goods in the SOI. The industrials sector comprises construction and engineering, machinery and transportation infrastructure in the SOI.

3. "Red Chip" denotes shares of Hong Kong Stock Exchange-listed companies substantially owned by Chinese mainland entities, with significant exposure to China.

4. The materials sector comprises chemicals and metals and mining in the SOI. The financials sector comprises banks and real estate management and development in the SOI. The information technology sector comprises communications equipment and IT services in the SOI.

See www.franklintempletondatasources.com for additional data provider information.

Performance Summary as of February 28, 2015

Your dividend income will vary depending on dividends or interest paid by securities in the Fund's portfolio, adjusted for operating expenses. Capital gain distributions are net profits realized from the sale of portfolio securities. Total return reflects reinvestment of the Fund's dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, and any unrealized gains or losses. Total returns do not reflect any sales charges paid at inception or brokerage commissions paid on secondary market purchases. The performance table does not reflect any taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund dividends, capital gain distributions, if any, or any realized gains on the sale of Fund shares.

Share Prices

Symbol: EMF	2/28/15	8/31/14	Change
Net Asset Value (NAV)	$17.55	$20.91	-$3.36
Market Price (NYSE)	$15.85	$19.13	-$3.28

Distributions (9/1/14–2/28/15)

Dividend Income	Short-Term Capital Gain	Long-Term Capital Gain	Total
$0.3084	$0.0116	$0.8621	$1.1821

Performance[1]

	Cumulative Total Return[2]		Average Annual Total Return[2]		Average Annual Total Return (3/31/15)[3]	
	Based on NAV[4]	Based on market price[5]	Based on NAV[4]	Based on market price[5]	Based on NAV[4]	Based on market price[5]
6-Month	-10.18%	-10.79%	-10.18%	-10.79%		
1-Year	+6.47%	+3.68%	+6.47%	+3.68%	-1.77%	-3.13%
5-Year	+15.45%	+9.15%	+2.92%	+1.77%	+0.26%	-0.86%
10-Year	+126.67%	+93.77%	+8.53%	+6.84%	+8.72%	+7.64%

Performance data represent past performance, which does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares. Current performance may differ from figures shown.

All investments involve risks, including possible loss of principal. Special risks are associated with foreign investing, including currency volatility, economic instability, and social and political developments of countries where the Fund invests. Emerging markets are subject to all of the risks of foreign investing generally and involve heightened risks due to these markets' smaller size and lesser liquidity, and lack of established legal, political, business and social frameworks to support securities markets. Some of these heightened risks may include political and social uncertainty (for example, regional conflicts and risk of war); pervasiveness of corruption and crime in these countries' economic systems; delays in settling portfolio securities transactions; risk of loss arising out of the system of share registration and custody used in these countries; greater sensitivity to interest rate changes; currency and capital controls; currency exchange rate volatility; and inflation, deflation or currency devaluation. The Fund is actively managed but there is no guarantee that the manager's investment decisions will produce the desired results.

The Fund may invest a portion of its assets in Russian securities. The U.S. and other nations have imposed and could impose additional sanctions on certain issuers in Russia due to regional conflicts. These sanctions could result in the devaluation of Russia's currency, a downgrade in Russian issuers' credit ratings, or a decline in the value and liquidity of Russian stocks or other securities. The Fund may be prohibited from investing in securities issued by companies subject to such sanctions. In addition, if the Fund holds the securities of an issuer that is subject to such sanctions, an immediate freeze of that issuer's securities could result, impairing the ability of the Fund to buy, sell, receive or deliver those securities. There is also the risk that countermeasures could be taken by Russia's government, which could involve the seizure of the Fund's assets. Such sanctions could adversely affect Russia's economy, possibly forcing the economy into a recession. These risks could affect the value of the Fund's portfolio.

1. The Fund has a fee waiver associated with its investments in a Franklin Templeton money fund, contractually guaranteed through at least its current fiscal year-end. Fund investment results reflect the fee waiver, to the extent applicable; without this reduction, the results would have been lower.
2. Total return calculations represent the cumulative and average annual changes in value of an investment over the periods indicated. Six-month return has not been annualized.
3. In accordance with SEC rules, we provide standardized average annual total return information through the latest calendar quarter.
4. Assumes reinvestment of distributions based on net asset value.
5. Assumes reinvestment of distributions based on the dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan.

Important Notice to Shareholders

Share Repurchase Program

The Fund's Board previously authorized the Fund to repurchase up to 10% of the Fund's outstanding shares in open-market transactions, at the discretion of management. This authorization remains in effect.

In exercising its discretion consistent with its portfolio management responsibilities, the investment manager will take into account various other factors, including, but not limited to, the level of the discount, the Fund's performance, portfolio holdings, dividend history, market conditions, cash on hand, the availability of other attractive investments and whether the sale of certain portfolio securities would be undesirable because of liquidity concerns or because the sale might subject the Fund to adverse tax consequences. Any repurchases would be made on a national securities exchange at the prevailing market price, subject to exchange requirements, Federal securities laws and rules that restrict repurchases, and the terms of any outstanding leverage or borrowing of the Fund. If and when the Fund's 10% threshold is reached, no further repurchases could be completed until authorized by the Board. Until the 10% threshold is reached, Fund management will have the flexibility to commence share repurchases if and when it is determined to be appropriate in light of prevailing circumstances.

In the Notes to Financial Statements section, please see note 2 (Shares of Beneficial Interest) for additional information regarding shares repurchased.

Financial Highlights

	Six Months Ended February 28, 2015 (unaudited)	Year Ended August 31, 2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Per share operating performance (for a share outstanding throughout the period)						
Net asset value, beginning of period	$20.91	$18.98	$19.24	$21.97	$19.65	$15.68
Income from investment operations:						
Net investment income[a]	0.06	0.29[b]	0.26	0.28	0.22	0.15
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	(2.24)	3.33	(0.06)	(2.67)	2.25	3.96
Total from investment operations	(2.18)	3.62	0.20	(2.39)	2.47	4.11
Repurchase of shares	—	—[c]	—[c]	—	—	—
Less distributions from:						
Net investment income	(0.31)	(0.44)	(0.29)	(0.28)	(0.15)	(0.14)
Net realized gains	(0.87)	(1.25)	(0.17)	(0.06)	—	—
Total distributions	(1.18)	(1.69)	(0.46)	(0.34)	(0.15)	(0.14)
Net asset value, end of period	$17.55	$20.91	$18.98	$19.24	$21.97	$19.65
Market value, end of period[d]	$15.85	$19.13	$17.27	$17.50	$20.57	$18.79
Total return (based on market value per share)[e]	(10.79)%	21.47%	0.96%	(13.34)%	10.17%	26.00%
Ratios to average net assets[f]						
Expenses	1.37%[g]	1.36%[g]	1.37%	1.37%	1.46%	1.55%[h]
Net investment income	0.68%	1.49%[b]	1.25%	1.42%	0.93%	0.78%
Supplemental data						
Net assets, end of period (000's)	$315,985	$376,574	$342,418	$347,999	$397,288	$355,286
Portfolio turnover rate	5.66%	12.42%	6.21%	2.10%	2.62%	1.94%

[a]Based on average daily shares outstanding.

[b]Net investment income per share includes approximately $0.04 per share received in the form of special dividends paid in connection with certain Fund's holdings. Excluding these amounts, the ratio of investment income to average net assets would have been 1.27%.

[c]Amount rounds to less than $0.01 per share.

[d]Based on the last sale on the New York Stock Exchange.

[e]Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

[f]Ratios are annualized for periods less than one year.

[g]Benefit of waiver and payments by affiliates rounds to less than 0.01%.

[h]Benefit of expense reduction rounds to less than 0.01%.

Statement of Investments, February 28, 2015 (unaudited)

	Industry	Shares/ Warrants	Value
Common Stocks and Other Equity Interests 89.3%			
Austria 0.9%			
OMV AG	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	97,112	$ 2,798,167
Brazil 0.7%			
Cia Hering	Specialty Retail	352,100	2,208,841
China 22.4%			
[a] Aluminum Corp. of China Ltd., H	Metals & Mining	11,634,000	5,625,109
Anhui Tianda Oil Pipe Co. Ltd., H	Energy Equipment & Services	7,714,000	1,223,363
Brilliance China Automotive Holdings Ltd.	Automobiles	15,954,900	31,350,874
China Petroleum and Chemical Corp., H	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	7,033,000	5,894,196
Guangzhou Automobile Group Co. Ltd., H	Automobiles	8,792,034	8,445,322
Inner Mongolia Yitai Coal Co. Ltd., B	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	1,018,956	1,385,780
PetroChina Co. Ltd., H	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	9,248,000	10,731,513
Shenzhen Chiwan Wharf Holdings Ltd., B	Transportation Infrastructure	2,126,967	4,267,179
Win Hanverky Holdings Ltd.	Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods	16,750,000	1,986,887
			70,910,223
Hong Kong 8.6%			
Dairy Farm International Holdings Ltd.	Food & Staples Retailing	1,606,800	14,011,296
Victory City International Holdings Ltd.	Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods	34,412,476	4,969,406
VTech Holdings Ltd.	Communications Equipment	568,600	8,115,683
			27,096,385
India 6.3%			
Infosys Ltd.	IT Services	85,118	3,127,790
Oil & Natural Gas Corp. Ltd.	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	916,880	4,829,097
Peninsula Land Ltd.	Real Estate Management & Development	43,169	23,874
Tata Consultancy Services Ltd.	IT Services	278,310	12,017,059
			19,997,820
Indonesia 5.4%			
Astra International Tbk PT	Automobiles	19,328,000	11,672,037
Bank Danamon Indonesia Tbk PT	Banks	14,841,785	5,480,465
			17,152,502
Jordan 0.1%			
Arab Potash Co. PLC	Chemicals	17,446	442,217
Pakistan 3.6%			
MCB Bank Ltd.	Banks	3,741,810	11,314,337
Peru 2.3%			
Compania de Minas Buenaventura SA, ADR	Metals & Mining	617,685	7,152,792
Russia 4.6%			
Gazprom OAO, ADR	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	928,744	4,634,433
[b] LUKOIL Holdings, ADR	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	101,006	4,888,690
[b] LUKOIL Holdings, ADR (London Stock Exchange)	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	89,660	4,339,544
[c] TMK OAO, GDR, Reg S	Energy Equipment & Services	165,233	517,179
			14,379,846

	Industry	Shares/ Warrants	Value
Common Stocks and Other Equity Interests (continued)			
Singapore 0.4%			
SembCorp Marine Ltd.	Machinery	528,000	$ 1,158,481
South Africa 3.4%			
[a] Impala Platinum Holdings Ltd.	Metals & Mining	561,550	3,451,213
Kumba Iron Ore Ltd.	Metals & Mining	269,011	5,279,698
Truworths International Ltd.	Specialty Retail	271,614	2,068,997
			10,799,908
South Korea 6.3%			
Hyundai Development Co.	Construction & Engineering	310,080	14,080,337
SK Innovation Co. Ltd.	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	63,020	5,923,632
			20,003,969
Thailand 16.5%			
Kasikornbank PCL, fgn.	Banks	2,251,200	15,026,551
Kiatnakin Bank PCL, fgn.	Banks	8,084,600	9,805,950
Land and Houses PCL, fgn.	Real Estate Management & Development	8,514,132	2,736,310
[a] Land and Houses PCL, wts., 5/05/17	Real Estate Management & Development	1,702,826	355,194
PTT Exploration and Production PCL, fgn.	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	1,466,747	5,121,830
PTT PCL, fgn.	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	578,000	6,126,514
Siam Commercial Bank PCL, fgn.	Banks	2,140,700	11,212,875
Univanich Palm Oil PCL, fgn.	Food Products	5,236,000	1,747,491
			52,132,715
Turkey 4.2%			
Akbank TAS	Banks	2,507,307	8,195,284
Tupras-Turkiye Petrol Rafinerileri AS	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	244,420	5,163,631
			13,358,915
United Kingdom 3.6%			
Unilever PLC	Food Products	253,876	11,232,093
Total Common Stocks and Other Equity Interests (Cost $191,832,169)			282,139,211
Preferred Stocks 8.9%			
Brazil 8.9%			
Banco Bradesco SA, ADR, pfd.	Banks	729,138	9,610,039
Itau Unibanco Holding SA, ADR, pfd.	Banks	580,619	7,420,311
Petroleo Brasileiro SA, ADR, pfd.	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	670,320	4,497,847
Vale SA, ADR, pfd., A	Metals & Mining	1,015,950	6,573,197
Total Preferred Stocks (Cost $24,291,373)			28,101,394
Total Investments before Short Term Investments (Cost $216,123,542)			310,240,605

	Shares/ Warrants	Value
Short Term Investments (Cost $6,078,382) 1.9%		
Money Market Funds 1.9%		
United States 1.9%		
[a,d] Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio	6,078,382	$ 6,078,382
Total Investments (Cost $222,201,924) 100.1%		316,318,987
Other Assets, less Liabilities (0.1)%		(334,329)
Net Assets 100.0%		$315,984,658

See Abbreviations on page 18.

[a]Non-income producing.

[b]At February 28, 2015, pursuant to the Fund's policies and the requirements of applicable securities law, the Fund may be restricted from trading these securities for a limited or extended period of time.

[c]Security was purchased pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, which exempts from registration securities offered and sold outside of the United States. Such a security cannot be sold in the United States without either an effective registration statement filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, or pursuant to an exemption from registration. This security has been deemed liquid under guidelines approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees. At February 28, 2015, the value of this security was $517,179, representing 0.16% of net assets.

[d]See Note 3(c) regarding investments in Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio.

Financial Statements

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

February 28, 2015 (unaudited)

Assets:	
Investments in securities:	
Cost - Unaffiliated issuers	$216,123,542
Cost - Sweep Money Fund (Note 3c)	6,078,382
Total cost of investments	$222,201,924
Value - Unaffiliated issuers	$310,240,605
Value - Sweep Money Fund (Note 3c)	6,078,382
Total value of investments	316,318,987
Receivables:	
Investment securities sold	1,229,851
Dividends	893,396
Foreign tax	14,597
Total assets	318,456,831
Liabilities:	
Payables:	
Investment securities purchased	1,692,591
Management fees	298,436
Deferred tax	390,412
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	90,734
Total liabilities	2,472,173
Net assets, at value	$315,984,658
Net assets consist of:	
Paid-in capital	$211,064,984
Distributions in excess of net investment income	(2,337,295)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	93,719,437
Accumulated net realized gain (loss)	13,537,532
Net assets, at value	$315,984,658
Shares outstanding	18,009,460
Net asset value per share	$17.55

Statement of Operations

for the six months ended February 28, 2015 (unaudited)

Investment income:	
Dividends (net of foreign taxes of $253,633)	$3,364,411
Expenses:	
Management fees (Note 3a)	2,051,183
Transfer agent fees	35,377
Custodian fees (Note 4)	76,910
Reports to shareholders	20,134
Registration and filing fees	13,743
Professional fees	29,558
Trustees' fees and expenses	12,706
Other	11,808
Total expenses	2,251,419
Expenses waived/paid by affiliates (Note 3c)	(5,172)
Net expenses	2,246,247
Net investment income	1,118,164
Realized and unrealized gains (losses):	
Net realized gain (loss) from:	
Investments	20,129,584
Foreign currency transactions	(7,927)
Net realized gain (loss)	20,121,657
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Investments	(60,186,053)
Translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies	(1,304)
Change in deferred taxes on unrealized appreciation	(352,484)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(60,539,841)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(40,418,184)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	$(39,300,020)

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

	Six Months Ended February 28, 2015 (unaudited)	Year Ended August 31, 2014
Increase (decrease) in net assets:		
Operations:		
Net investment income	$ 1,118,164	$ 5,204,680
Net realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions	20,121,657	21,289,014
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments, translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies and deferred taxes	(60,539,841)	38,629,901
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(39,300,020)	65,123,595
Distributions to shareholders from:		
Net investment income	(5,554,117)	(7,902,936)
Net realized gains	(15,734,865)	(22,581,364)
Total distributions to shareholders	(21,288,982)	(30,484,300)
Capital share transactions - Repurchase of shares (Note 2)	—	(483,963)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	(60,589,002)	34,155,332
Net assets:		
Beginning of period	376,573,660	342,418,328
End of period	$315,984,658	$376,573,660
Undistributed net investment income (distributions in excess of net investment income) included in net assets:		
End of period	$ (2,337,295)	$ 2,098,658

Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited)

1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Templeton Emerging Markets Fund (Fund) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, (1940 Act) as a closed-end management investment company and applies the specialized accounting and reporting guidance in U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP).

The following summarizes the Fund's significant accounting policies.

a. Financial Instrument Valuation

The Fund's investments in financial instruments are carried at fair value daily. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Fund calculates the net asset value (NAV) per share at the close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), generally at 4 p.m. Eastern time (NYSE close) on each day the NYSE is open for trading. Under compliance policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees (the Board), the Fund's administrator has responsibility for oversight of valuation, including leading the cross-functional Valuation and Liquidity Oversight Committee (VLOC). The VLOC provides administration and oversight of the Fund's valuation policies and procedures, which are approved annually by the Board. Among other things, these procedures allow the Fund to utilize independent pricing services, quotations from securities and financial instrument dealers, and other market sources to determine fair value.

Equity securities listed on an exchange or on the NASDAQ National Market System are valued at the last quoted sale price or the official closing price of the day, respectively. Foreign equity securities are valued as of the close of trading on the foreign stock exchange on which the security is primarily traded or as of the NYSE close, whichever is earlier. The value is then converted into its U.S. dollar equivalent at the foreign exchange rate in effect at the NYSE close on the day that the value of the security is determined. Over-the-counter (OTC) securities are valued within the range of the most recent quoted bid and ask prices. Securities that trade in multiple markets or on multiple exchanges are valued according to the broadest and most representative market. Certain equity securities are valued based upon fundamental characteristics or relationships to similar securities. Investments in open-end mutual funds are valued at the closing NAV.

The Fund has procedures to determine the fair value of financial instruments for which market prices are not reliable or readily available. Under these procedures, the VLOC convenes on a regular basis to review such financial instruments and considers a number of factors, including significant unobservable valuation inputs, when arriving at fair value. The VLOC primarily employs a market-based approach which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, book values, and other relevant information for the investment to determine the fair value of the investment. An income-based valuation approach may also be used in which the anticipated future cash flows of the investment are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the investments. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations of such investments, the fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had an active market existed. The VLOC employs various methods for calibrating these valuation approaches including a regular review of key inputs and assumptions, transactional back-testing or disposition analysis, and reviews of any related market activity.

Trading in securities on foreign securities stock exchanges and OTC markets may be completed before the daily NYSE close. In addition, trading in certain foreign markets may not take place on every NYSE business day. Occasionally, events occur between the time at which trading in a foreign security is completed and the close of the NYSE that might call into question the reliability of the value of a portfolio security held by the Fund. As a result, differences may arise between the value of the Fund's portfolio securities as determined at the foreign market close and the latest indications of value at the close of the NYSE. In order to minimize the potential for these differences, the VLOC monitors price movements following the close of trading in foreign stock markets through a series of country specific market proxies (such as baskets of American Depositary Receipts, futures contracts and exchange traded funds). These price movements are measured against established trigger thresholds for each specific market proxy to assist in determining if an event has occurred that may call into question the reliability of the values of the foreign securities held by the Fund. If such an event occurs, the securities may be valued using fair value procedures, which may include the use of independent pricing services.

When the last day of the reporting period is a non-business day, certain foreign markets may be open on those days that the NYSE is closed, which could result in differences between the

value of the Fund's portfolio securities on the last business day and the last calendar day of the reporting period. Any significant security valuation changes due to an open foreign market are adjusted and reflected by the Fund for financial reporting purposes.

b. Foreign Currency Translation

Portfolio securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars based on the exchange rate of such currencies against U.S. dollars on the date of valuation. The Fund may enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to facilitate transactions denominated in a foreign currency. Purchases and sales of securities, income and expense items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the transaction date. Portfolio securities and assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies contain risks that those currencies will decline in value relative to the U.S. dollar. Occasionally, events may impact the availability or reliability of foreign exchange rates used to convert the U.S. dollar equivalent value. If such an event occurs, the foreign exchange rate will be valued at fair value using procedures established and approved by the Board.

The Fund does not separately report the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from changes in market prices on securities held. Such changes are included in net realized and unrealized gain or loss from investments in the Statement of Operations.

Realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions and the difference between the recorded amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in foreign exchange rates on foreign denominated assets and liabilities other than investments in securities held at the end of the reporting period.

c. Income and Deferred Taxes

It is the Fund's policy to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code. The Fund intends to distribute to shareholders substantially all of its taxable income and net realized gains to relieve it from federal income and excise taxes. As a result, no provision for U.S. federal income taxes is required.

The Fund may be subject to foreign taxation related to income received, capital gains on the sale of securities and certain foreign currency transactions in the foreign jurisdictions in which it invests. Foreign taxes, if any, are recorded based on the tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign markets in which the Fund invests. When a capital gain tax is determined to apply the Fund records an estimated deferred tax liability in an amount that would be payable if the securities were disposed of on the valuation date.

The Fund recognizes the tax benefits of uncertain tax positions only when the position is "more likely than not" to be sustained upon examination by the tax authorities based on the technical merits of the tax position. As of February 28, 2015, and for all open tax years, the Fund has determined that no liability for unrecognized tax benefits is required in the Fund's financial statements related to uncertain tax positions taken on a tax return (or expected to be taken on future tax returns). Open tax years are those that remain subject to examination and are based on each tax jurisdiction statute of limitation.

d. Security Transactions, Investment Income, Expenses and Distributions

Security transactions are accounted for on trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on a specific identification basis. Estimated expenses are accrued daily. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except for certain dividends from foreign securities where the dividend rate is not available. In such cases, the dividend is recorded as soon as the information is received by the Fund. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date and are determined according to income tax regulations (tax basis). Distributable earnings determined on a tax basis may differ from earnings recorded in accordance with U.S. GAAP. These differences may be permanent or temporary. Permanent differences are reclassified among capital accounts to reflect their tax character. These reclassifications have no impact on net assets or the results of operations. Temporary differences are not reclassified, as they may reverse in subsequent periods.

e. Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

1. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

f. Guarantees and Indemnifications

Under the Fund's organizational documents, its officers and trustees are indemnified by the Fund against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. Currently, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

2. Shares of Beneficial Interest

At February 28, 2015, there were an unlimited number of shares authorized (without par value). During the periods ended February 28, 2015 and August 31, 2014 there were no shares issued; all reinvested distributions were satisfied with previously issued shares purchased in the open market.

Under the Board approved open-market share repurchase program, the Fund may purchase, from time to time, Fund shares in open-market transactions, at the discretion of management. Since the inception of the program, the Fund has repurchased a total of 75,647 shares. Transactions in the Fund's shares were as follows:

	Six Months Ended February 28, 2015		Year Ended August 31, 2014	
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount
Shares repurchased	—	$ —	(29,655)	$(483,963)
Weighted average discount of market price to net asset value of shares repurchased		—		7.20%

3. Transactions with Affiliates

Franklin Resources, Inc. is the holding company for various subsidiaries that together are referred to as Franklin Templeton Investments. Certain officers and trustees of the Fund are also officers and/or directors of the following subsidiaries:

Subsidiary	Affiliation
Templeton Asset Management Ltd. (TAML)	Investment manager
Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FT Services)	Administrative manager

a. Management Fees

The Fund pays an investment management fee to TAML based on the average daily net assets of the Fund as follows:

Annualized Fee Rate	Net Assets
1.250%	Up to and including $1 billion
1.200%	Over $1 billion, up to and including $5 billion
1.150%	Over $5 billion, up to and including $10 billion
1.100%	Over $10 billion, up to and including $15 billion
1.050%	Over $15 billion, up to and including $20 billion
1.000%	In excess of $20 billion

b. Administrative Fees

Under an agreement with TAML, FT Services provides administrative services to the Fund. The fee is paid by TAML based on the Fund's average daily net assets, and is not an additional expense of the Fund.

c. Investments in Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio

The Fund invests in Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio (Sweep Money Fund), an affiliated open-end management investment company. Management fees paid by the Fund are waived on assets invested in the Sweep Money Fund, as noted in the Statement of Operations, in an amount not to exceed the management and administrative fees paid directly or indirectly by the Sweep Money Fund. Prior to September 1, 2013, the waiver was accounted for as a reduction to management fees.

4. Expense Offset Arrangement

The Fund has entered into an arrangement with its custodian whereby credits realized as a result of uninvested cash balances are used to reduce a portion of the Fund's custodian expenses. During the period ended February 28, 2015, there were no credits earned.

5. Income Taxes

At February 28, 2015, the cost of investments and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for income tax purposes were as follows:

Cost of investments	$225,259,020
Unrealized appreciation	$124,594,661
Unrealized depreciation	(33,534,694)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	$ 91,059,967

Differences between income and/or capital gains as determined on a book basis and a tax basis are primarily due to differing treatment of corporate actions.

6. Investment Transactions

Purchases and sales of investments (excluding short term securities) for the period ended February 28, 2015, aggregated $18,287,574 and $30,552,545, respectively.

7. Concentration of Risk

Investing in foreign securities may include certain risks and considerations not typically associated with investing in U.S. securities, such as fluctuating currency values and changing local and regional economic, political and social conditions, which may result in greater market volatility. In addition, certain foreign securities may not be as liquid as U.S. securities.

8. Fair Value Measurements

The Fund follows a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and the Fund's own market assumptions (unobservable inputs). These inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's financial instruments and are summarized in the following fair value hierarchy:

- Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments
- Level 2 – other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar financial instruments, interest rates, prepayment speed, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3 – significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of financial instruments)

The input levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with financial instruments at that level.

For movements between the levels within the fair value hierarchy, the Fund has adopted a policy of recognizing the transfers as of the date of the underlying event which caused the movement.

A summary of inputs used as of February 28, 2015, in valuing the Fund's assets carried at fair value, is as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:				
Investments in Securities:				
Equity Investments:[a]				
Russia	$ 4,856,723	$9,523,123	$ —	$ 14,379,846
All Other Equity Investments[b]	295,860,759	—	—	295,860,759
Short Term investments	6,078,382	—	—	6,078,382
Total Investments in Securities	$306,795,864	$9,523,123	$ —	$316,318,987

[a]Includes common and preferred stocks as well as other equity investments.
[b]For detailed categories, see the accompanying Statement of Investments.

9. Subsequent Events

The Fund has evaluated subsequent events through the issuance of the financial statements and determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

Abbreviations

Selected Portfolio

ADR American Depositary Receipt
GDR Global Depositary Receipt

Annual Meeting of Shareholders, March 2, 2015 (unaudited)

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Fund was held at the Fund's offices, 300 S.E. 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on March 2, 2015. The purpose of the meeting was to elect four Trustees of the Fund and to ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2015 and to consider a shareholder proposal. At the meeting, the following persons were elected by the shareholders to serve as Trustees of the Fund: Ann Torre Bates, David W. Niemiec, Larry D. Thompson and Robert E. Wade.* Shareholders also ratified the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2015. Sufficient votes were not received to pass the shareholder proposal. No other business was transacted at the meeting.

The results of the voting at the Annual Meeting are as follows:

1. The election of five Trustees:

Term Expiring 2018	For	% of Outstanding Shares	% of Shares Present and Voting	Withheld	% of Outstanding Shares	% of Shares Present and Voting
Ann Torre Bates	12,751,169	70.80%	89.51%	1,494,767	8.30%	10.49%
David W. Niemiec	12,734,548	70.71%	89.39%	1,511,388	8.39%	10.61%
Larry D. Thompson	12,733,953	70.70%	89.39%	1,511,983	8.40%	10.61%
Robert E. Wade	12,745,439	70.77%	89.47%	1,500,497	8.33%	10.53%

2. Ratification of the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2015:

	Shares Voted	% of Outstanding Shares	% of Shares Present and Voting
For	13,904,515	77.20%	97.60%
Against	133,388	0.74%	0.94%
Abstain	208,032	1.16%	1.46%
Total		79.10%	100.00%

3. Shareholder Proposal requesting the Fund's Board of Trustees institute transparent procedures to avoid holding investments in companies that, in management's judgment, substantially contribute to genocide or crimes against humanity:

	Shares Voted	% of Outstanding Shares	% of Shares Present and Voting
For	1,613,150	8.95%	25.61%
Against	4,479,919	24.88%	71.13%
Abstain	205,209	1.14%	3.26%

There were approximately 7,947,658 broker non-votes received with respect to this item (44.13% of outstanding shares).

*Harris J. Ashton, Frank J. Crothers, Edith E. Holiday, Gregory E. Johnson, Rupert H. Johnson, Jr,. J. Michael Luttig, Frank A. Olson and Constantine D. Tseretopoulos are Trustees of the Fund who are currently serving and whose terms of office continued after the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan

The Fund offers a Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan (the "Plan") with the following features:

Shareholders must affirmatively elect to participate in the Plan. If you decide to use this service, share dividends and capital gains distributions will be reinvested automatically in shares of the Fund for your account.

Whenever the Fund declares dividends in either cash or shares of the Fund, if the market price is equal to or exceeds net asset value at the valuation date, the participant will receive the dividends entirely in new shares at a price equal to the net asset value, but not less than 95% of the then current market price of the Fund's shares. If the market price is lower than net asset value or if dividends and/or capital gains distributions are payable only in cash, the participant will receive shares purchased on the New York Stock Exchange or otherwise on the open market.

A participant has the option of submitting additional cash payments to the Plan Administrator, in any amounts of at least $100, up to a maximum of $5,000 per month, for the purchase of Fund shares for his or her account. These payments can be made by check payable to American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC (the "Plan Administrator") and sent to American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC, P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, NY 10269-0560 Attention: Templeton Emerging Markets Fund. The Plan Administrator will apply such payments (less a $5.00 service charge and less a pro rata share of trading fees) to purchases of Fund shares on the open market.

The automatic reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains does not relieve the participant of any income tax that may be payable on dividends or distributions.

Whenever shares are purchased on the New York Stock Exchange or otherwise on the open market, each participant will pay a pro rata portion of trading fees. Trading fees will be deducted from amounts to be invested. The Plan Administrator's fee for a sale of shares through the Plan is $15.00 per transaction plus a $0.12 per share trading fee.

A participant may withdraw from the Plan without penalty at any time by written notice to the Plan Administrator sent to American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC, P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, NY 10269-0560. Upon withdrawal, the participant will receive, without charge, share certificates issued in the participant's name for all full shares held by the Plan Administrator; or, if the participant wishes, the Plan Administrator will sell the participant's shares and send the proceeds to the participant, less a service charge of $15.00 and less trading fees of $0.12 per share. The Plan Administrator will convert any fractional shares held at the time of withdrawal to cash at the current market price and send a check to the participant for the net proceeds.

For more information, please see the Plan's Terms & Conditions located at the back of this report.

Transfer Agent

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Cash distributions can now be electronically credited to a checking or saving account at any financial institution that participates in the Automated Clearing House ("ACH") system. The Direct Deposit service is provided for registered shareholders at no charge. To enroll in the service, access your account online by going to www.amstock.com or or dial (800) 416-5585 (toll free) and follow the instructions. Direct Deposit will begin with the next scheduled distribution payment date following enrollment in the service.

Direct Registration

If you are a registered shareholder of the Fund, purchases of shares of the Fund can be electronically credited to your Fund account at American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC through Direct Registration. This service provides shareholders with a convenient way to keep track of shares through book entry transactions, electronically move book-entry shares between broker-dealers, transfer agents and DRS eligible issuers, and eliminate the possibility of lost certificates. For additional information, please contact American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC at (800) 416-5585.

Shareholder Information

Shares of Templeton Emerging Markets Fund are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "EMF." Information about the net asset value and the market price is published each Monday in the *Wall Street Journal,* weekly in *Barron's* and each Saturday in *The New York Times* and other newspapers. Daily market prices for the Fund's shares are published in the "New York Stock Exchange Composite Transactions" section of newspapers.

For current information about dividends and shareholder accounts, call (800) 416-5585. Registered shareholders can access their Fund account on-line. For information go to American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC's web site at www.amstock.com and follow the instructions.

The daily closing net asset value as of the previous business day may be obtained when available by calling Franklin Templeton Fund Information after 7 a.m. Pacific time any business day at (800) DIAL BEN/342-5236. The Fund's net asset value and dividends are also listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc.'s Mutual Fund Quotation Service ("NASDAQ MFQS").

Shareholders not receiving copies of reports to shareholders because their shares are registered in the name of a broker or a custodian can request that they be added to the Fund's mailing list, by writing Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, 100 Fountain Parkway, P.O. Box 33030, St. Petersburg, FL, 33733-8030.

Shareholder Information

Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures

The Fund's investment manager has established Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures (Policies) that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities. Shareholders may view the Fund's complete Policies online at franklintempleton.com. Alternatively, shareholders may request copies of the Policies free of charge by calling the Proxy Group collect at (954) 527-7678 or by sending a written request to: Franklin Templeton Companies, LLC, 300 S.E. 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, Attention: Proxy Group. Copies of the Fund's proxy voting records are also made available online at franklintempleton.com and posted on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's website at sec.gov and reflect the most recent 12-month period ended June 30.

Quarterly Statement of Investments

The Fund files a complete statement of investments with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for the first and third quarters for each fiscal year on Form N-Q. Shareholders may view the filed Form N-Q by visiting the Commission's website at sec.gov. The filed form may also be viewed and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information regarding the operations of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.

Certifications

The Fund's Chief Executive Officer – Finance and Administration is required by the New York Stock Exchange's Listing Standards to file annually with the Exchange a certification that she is not aware of any violation by the Fund of the Exchange's Corporate Governance Standards applicable to the Fund. The Fund has filed such certification.

In addition, the Fund's Chief Executive Officer – Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer are required by the rules of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to provide certain certifications with respect to the Fund's Form N-CSR and Form N-CSRS (which include the Fund's annual and semi-annual reports to shareholders) that are filed semiannually with the Commission. The Fund has filed such certifications with its Form N-CSR for the 12 months ended August 31, 2014. Additionally, the Fund expects to file, on or about April 27, 2015, such certifications with its Form N-CSRS for the six months ended February 28, 2015.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND CASH PURCHASE PLAN

1. American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC ("AST"), will act as Plan Administrator and will open an account for participating shareholders ("participant") under the Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan (the "Plan") in the same name as that in which the participant's present shares are registered, and put the Plan into effect as of the first record date for a dividend or capital gains distribution after AST receives the authorization duly executed by such participant.

2. Whenever Templeton Emerging Markets Fund (the "Fund") declares a distribution from capital gains or an income dividend payable in either cash or shares of the Fund ("Fund shares"), if the market price per share on the valuation date equals or exceeds the net asset value per share, participants will receive such dividend or distribution entirely in Fund shares, and AST shall automatically receive such Fund shares for participant accounts including aggregate fractions. The number of additional Fund shares to be credited to participant accounts shall be determined by dividing the equivalent dollar amount of the capital gains distribution or dividend payable to participating holders by the net asset value per share of the Fund shares on the valuation date, provided that the Fund shall not issue such shares at a price lower than 95% of the current market price per share. The valuation date will be the payable date for such distribution or dividend.

3. Whenever the Fund declares a distribution from capital gains or an income dividend payable only in cash, or if the Fund's net asset value per share exceeds the market price per share on the valuation date, AST shall apply the amount of such dividend or distribution payable to participants to the purchase of Fund shares on the open market (less their pro rata share of trading fees incurred with respect to open market purchases in connection with the reinvestment of such dividend or distribution). If, before AST has completed its purchases, the market price exceeds the net asset value per share, the average per share purchase price paid by AST may exceed the net asset value of the Fund's shares, resulting in the acquisition of fewer shares than if the dividend or capital gains distribution had been paid in shares issued by the Fund at net asset value per share. Such purchases will be made promptly after the payable date for such dividend or distribution, and in no event more than 30 days after such date except where temporary curtailment or suspension of purchase is necessary to comply with applicable provisions of the Federal securities laws.

4. A participant has the option of submitting additional payments to AST, in any amounts of at least $100, up to a maximum of $5,000 per month, for the purchase of Fund shares for his or her account. These payments may be made electronically through AST at www.amstock.com or by check payable to "American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC" and sent to American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC, P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, NY 10269-0560, Attention: Templeton Emerging Markets Fund. AST shall apply such payments (less a $5.00 service charge and less a pro rata share of trading fees) to purchases of Fund shares on the open market, as discussed below in paragraph 6. AST shall make such purchases promptly on approximately the 15th of each month or, during a month in which a dividend or distribution is paid, beginning on the dividend payment date, and in no event more than 30 days after receipt, except where necessary to comply with provisions of the Federal securities laws. Any voluntary payment received less than two business days before an investment date shall be invested during the following month unless there are more than 30 days until the next investment date, in which case such payment will be returned to the participant. AST shall return to the participant his or her entire voluntary cash payment upon written notice of withdrawal received by AST not less than 48 hours before such payment is to be invested. Such written notice shall be sent to AST by the participant, as discussed below in paragraph 14.

5. For all purposes of the Plan: (a) the market price of the Fund's shares on a particular date shall be the last sale price on the New York Stock Exchange on that date if a business day and if not, on the preceding business day, or if there is no sale on such Exchange on such date, then the mean between the closing bid and asked quotations for such shares on such Exchange on such date, and (b) net asset value per share of the Fund's shares on a particular date shall be as determined by or on behalf of the Fund.

6. Open market purchases provided for above may be made on any securities exchange where Fund shares are traded, in the over-the-counter market or in negotiated transactions and may be on such terms as to price, delivery and otherwise as AST shall determine. Participant funds held by AST uninvested will not bear interest, and it is understood that, in any event, AST shall have no liability in connection with any inability to purchase Fund shares within 30 days after the payable date for any dividend or distribution as herein provided, or with the timing of any purchases effected. AST shall have no responsibility as to the value of the Fund shares acquired for participant accounts. For the purposes of purchases in the open market, AST may aggregate purchases with those of other participants, and the average price (including trading fees) of all shares purchased by AST shall be the price per share allocable to all participants.

7. AST will hold shares acquired pursuant to this Plan, together with the shares of other participants acquired pursuant to this Plan, in its name or that of its nominee. AST will forward to participants any proxy solicitation material and will vote any shares so held for participants only in accordance with the proxies returned by participants to the Fund. Upon written request, AST will deliver to participants, without charge, a certificate or certificates for all or a portion of the full shares held by AST.

8. AST will confirm to participants each acquisition made for an account as soon as practicable but not later than ten business days after the date thereof. AST will send to participants a detailed account statement showing total dividends and distributions, date of investment, shares acquired and price per share, and total shares of record for the account. Although participants may from time to time have an undivided fractional interest (computed to three decimal places) in a share of the Fund, no certificates for a fractional share will be issued. However, dividends and distributions on fractional shares will be credited to participant accounts. In the event of termination of an account under the Plan, AST will adjust for any such undivided fractional interest in cash at the market price of the Fund's shares on the date of termination.

9. Any share dividends or split shares distributed by the Fund on shares held by AST for participants will be credited to participant accounts. In the event that the Fund makes available to its shareholders transferable rights to purchase additional Fund shares or other securities, AST will sell such rights and apply the proceeds of the sale to the purchase of additional Fund shares for the participant accounts. The shares held for participants under the Plan will be added to underlying shares held by participants in calculating the number of rights to be issued.

10. AST's service charge for capital gains or income dividend purchases will be paid by the Fund when shares are issued by the Fund or purchased on the open market. AST will deduct a $5.00 service charge from each voluntary cash payment. Participants will be charged a pro rata share of trading fees on all open market purchases.

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11. Participants may withdraw shares from such participant's account or terminate their participation under the Plan by notifying AST in writing. Such withdrawal or termination will be effective immediately if notice is received by AST not less than two days prior to any dividend or distribution record date; otherwise such withdrawal or termination will be effective after the investment of any current dividend or distribution or voluntary cash payment. The Plan may be terminated by AST or the Fund upon 90 days' notice in writing mailed to participants. Upon any withdrawal or termination, AST will cause a certificate or certificates for the full shares held by AST for participants and cash adjustment for any fractional shares (valued at the market value of the shares at the time of withdrawal or termination) to be delivered to participants, less any trading fees. Alternatively, a participant may elect by written notice to AST to have AST sell part or all of the shares held for him and to remit the proceeds to him. AST is authorized to deduct a $15.00 service charge and a $0.12 per share trading fee for this transaction from the proceeds. If a participant disposes of all shares registered in his name on the books of the Fund, AST may, at its option, terminate the participant's account or determine from the participant whether he wishes to continue his participation in the Plan.

12. These terms and conditions may be amended or supplemented by AST or the Fund at any time or times, except when necessary or appropriate to comply with applicable law or the rules or policies of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or any other regulatory authority, only by mailing to participants appropriate written notice at least 90 days prior to the effective date thereof. The amendment or supplement shall be deemed to be accepted by participants unless, prior to the effective date thereof, AST receives written notice of the termination of a participant account under the Plan. Any such amendment may include an appointment by AST in its place and stead of a successor Plan Administrator under these terms and conditions, with full power and authority to perform all or any of the acts to be performed by AST under these terms and conditions. Upon any such appointment of a Plan Administrator for the purpose of receiving dividends and distributions, the Fund will be authorized to pay to such successor Plan Administrator, for a participant's account, all dividends and distributions payable on Fund shares held in a participant's name or under the Plan for retention or application by such successor Plan Administrator as provided in these terms and conditions.

13. AST shall at all times act in good faith and agree to use its best efforts within reasonable limits to ensure the accuracy of all services performed under this Agreement and to comply with applicable law, but shall assume no responsibility and shall not be liable for loss or damage due to errors unless such error is caused by AST's negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct or that of its employees.

14. Any notice, instruction, request or election which by any provision of the Plan is required or permitted to be given or made by the participant to AST shall be in writing addressed to American Stock Transfer and Trust Company LLC, P.O. Box 922, Wall Street Station, New York, NY 10269-0560, Attention: Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, or www.amstock.com or such other address as AST shall furnish to the participant, and shall have been deemed to be given or made when received by AST.

15. Any notice or other communication which by any provision of the Plan is required to be given by AST to the participant shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given for all purposes by being deposited postage prepaid in a post office letter box addressed to the participant at his or her address as it shall last appear on AST's records. The participant agrees to notify AST promptly of any change of address.

16. These terms and conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, as they may be amended from time to time.

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