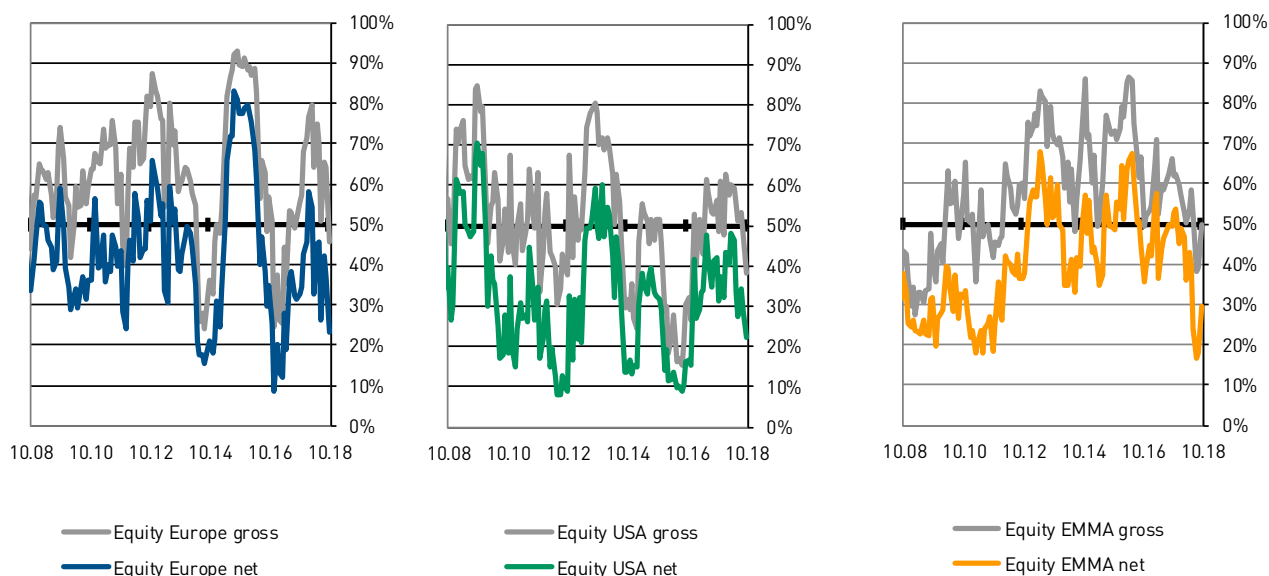


### A. fundinfo outperformance index: How many funds within a peer group are ahead of benchmark?



### Comment

Over a 12-month-rolling period, only 23% of Europe managers and only 22% of US managers as well as 29% of emerging markets managers outperformed their benchmarks net of fees.

In October, the performance of active managers across different regions differed considerably: while a thin majority of 52% of emerging markets managers outperformed their benchmarks, only 24% of Europe managers outperformed their respective indices net of fees. US managers performed in between; 30% outperformed their benchmarks.

In Europe as well as in the US, large caps outperformed small caps. In Europe, the US as well as in emerging markets, value stocks clearly outperformed growth stocks in October. Sector-wise and globally, particularly defensive sectors such as utilities and consumer staples outperformed. On the other side of the spectrum, industrials, energy and materials have been the main underperformers. This global sector performance also applied for the US, while in Europe, telecom has been the best performing sector and information technology the worst.

### Percentage of funds that have beaten their benchmark

net	Europe	USA	EmMa
<b>2018</b>	25%	20%	28%
<b>1 month</b>	24%	30%	52%
<b>3 months</b>	29%	25%	43%
<b>12 months</b>	23%	22%	29%

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gross	Europe	USA	EmMa
<b>2018</b>	43%	35%	47%
<b>1 month</b>	26%	32%	56%
<b>3 months</b>	37%	32%	50%
<b>12 months</b>	46%	38%	49%

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### Methodology

The fundinfo outperformance indices show the percentage of actively managed funds that have exceeded their official benchmark index (MSCI Europe, S&P 500, MSCI Emerging Markets, including net dividends), reporting on a rolling 12-month basis. The gross values show the added value that fund managers have generated before administration and distribution costs; the net values show the added value provided to investors.

### B. Manager meetings: Insights from our key meetings

Month	Manager / Fund	Conclusion
November	Sonal Desai <a href="#">Franklin Templeton – Global Total Return Fund</a>	Desai expects the ECB to hike rates rather later than sooner and therefore the USD/EUR interest differential to further increase. The fund's portfolio currently remains focussed on EM local government/agency debt with a considerable cash portion.
October	Hiren Dasani <a href="#">Goldman Sachs – India Equity</a>	The valuation is in line with the long-term average. It does trade at a premium to other emerging markets as the ROE is much higher.
October	Mark Burridge <a href="#">Bakersteal – Precious Metals Fund</a>	Burridge's positive outlook for gold is based on the economic growth and the return of inflation (with real interest rates likely to remain low). Demand for physical gold is robust and geopolitical tension and uncertainty is unlikely to subside.

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