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How to Approach Emerging Sovereign Debt Investing with a Sustainable Lens?

For over a decade, bonds have been priced at untenably expensive levels. However, throughout 2022 we have seen Fixed Income undergo a renaissance. Increasingly, investors are being compensated for the risk they are taking which presents a great opportunity for the asset class.

For the first time since 2002, yields on EM sovereign debt are nearing 10% and 80% of emerging market yields are higher than those in the US*. Part of that relative strength is down to the fact that emerging market central banks have been ahead of the inflationary curve, acting **acting in a more decisive and timely manner relative to their G7 peers to anchor inflation expectations**.

As US interest rates start to stabilize, the dollar should also begin to edge back from its current highly overvalued state, which would be a tailwind for emerging market local currency debt. In this workshop Adriana Cristea will review the current landscape and show you how we identify opportunities in emerging sovereign debt markets. She will also discuss with you why considering ESG factors is increasingly important for successful investing in this asset class and how it can be implemented.

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