

# Fundsmith Emerging Equities Trust 2019 Annual General Meeting







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# Why Fundsmith Emerging Equities Trust ("FEET")?



- The same strategy at the Fundsmith Equity Fund
- Focused on the attractive demographics and growing spending power of middle class consumers in developing countries
- Higher volatility and lower liquidity in emerging markets not compatible with open-end fund structure



### 1. Buy good companies

- 2. Don't overpay
- 3. Do nothing



### What makes a good company?



Returns

High returns on operating capital employed in cash

Growth

Growth driven from reinvestment of their cash flows at high rates of return

**Predictability** 

Make money from a large number of everyday, small-ticket, repeat, predictable transactions

Sustainability

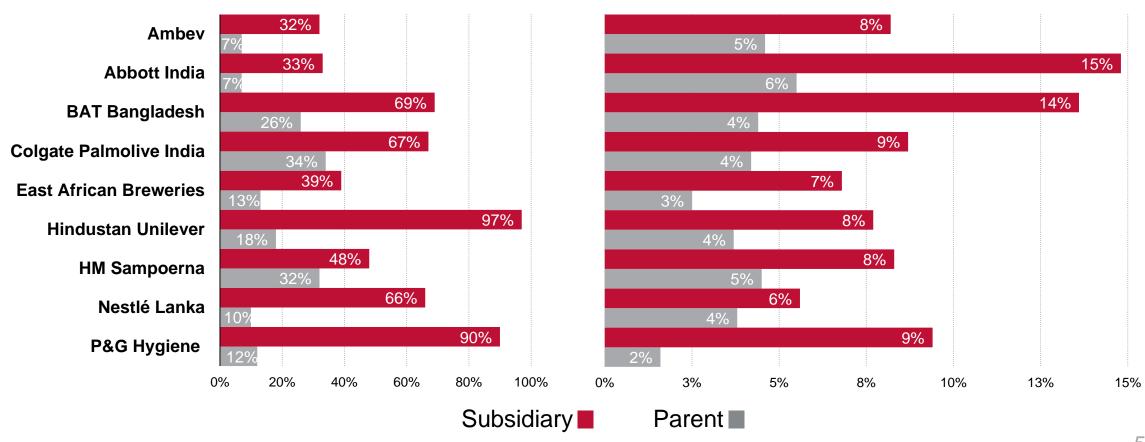
Able to protect returns against competition

### EM subsidiaries generate higher returns and growth than parents



### **Return on Capital Employed (ROCE)**

### 5-Year Revenue CAGR







As at 31.12.18	FEET (LTM)	MSCI EM + FM (ex-financials)
Quality		
ROCE	46%	15%
Gross Margin	50%	31%
Operating Margin	21%	18%
Cash Conversion	106%	84%
Growth		
Free Cash Flow Growth	12%	9%
Valuation		
Free Cash Flow Yield	3.5%	5.3%
Dividend Yield	1.8%	2.5%

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All data as at 31.12.18, normalised for outliers.



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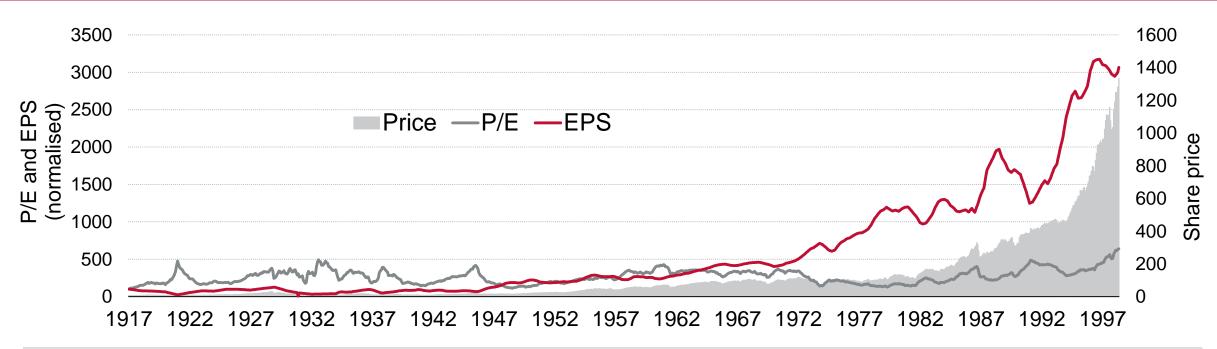
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### S&P 500 1917-1999





	01/12/1917	01/05/1999	<b>Annualised CAGR</b>	% of return
Return from P/E growth	5.3x	34.0x	2.3%	20%
Return from EPS and EPS growth			9.3%	80%
S&P 500 total return			11.6%	





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### Sell discipline



- Ideal holding period is forever
- Exit position only if:
  - Management makes bad capital allocation decisions
  - -Fundamental reappraisal of investment case
  - Valuation becomes indefensible
- Sometimes we will have to involuntarily, e.g. in the event of a takeover

FEET Shares	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Value of stocks sold	£4m	£19m	£43m	£44m	£28m
Portfolio turnover rate	n/a	67%*	38%	34%	19%
OCF	1.7%	1.7%	1.73%	1.65%	1.52%
Voluntary dealing costs	0.06%	0.27%	0.52%	0.18%	0.18%

\*FEET was still 45% cash at 31.12.14. Source: Fundsmith.



### **Performance**







	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014*	Since inception	Annualised
FEET NAV <sub>1</sub>	-3.0	+21.2	+12.0	-7.0	+0.1	+22.7	+4.6
FEET Share Price <sub>2</sub>	-9.4	+24.5	+10.5	-10.9	+7.2	+19.0	+3.9
Emerging Markets <sub>3</sub>	-9.3	+25.3	+32.4	-10.0	+0.5	+36.1	+7.1
UK Bonds <sub>4</sub>	+1.2	+1.4	+6.5	+1.0	+7.4	+18.5	+3.8
UK Cash <sub>5</sub>	+0.7	+0.4	+0.5	+0.6	+0.3	+2.5	+0.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Net of fees, priced at UK market close (source: Fundsmith)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> At LSE close (source: Fundsmith)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> MSCI Emerging & Frontier Markets Index (£ Net) priced at close of business US EST (source: www.msci.com)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Bloomberg/EFFAS Bond Indices UK Govt 5-10yr (source: Bloomberg)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 3m £ LIBOR Interest Rate (source: Bloomberg)

<sup>\*</sup> From 25.6.14.





FEET country breakdown	Weight
India	43.3%
China (incl. Hong Kong)	15.9%
Egypt	7.0%
South Africa	4.7%
Indonesia	3.9%
Turkey	3.6%
Other Emerging Markets	9.5%
Frontier Markets	11.8%
Cash	0.3%

MSCI EM + FM country breakdown	Weight
China (incl. Hong Kong)	29.7%
South Korea	13.5%
Taiwan	11.1%
India	9.2%
Brazil	7.3%
Other Frontier + Emerging Markets	29.2%

Source: www.msci.com, data as at 31.12.18

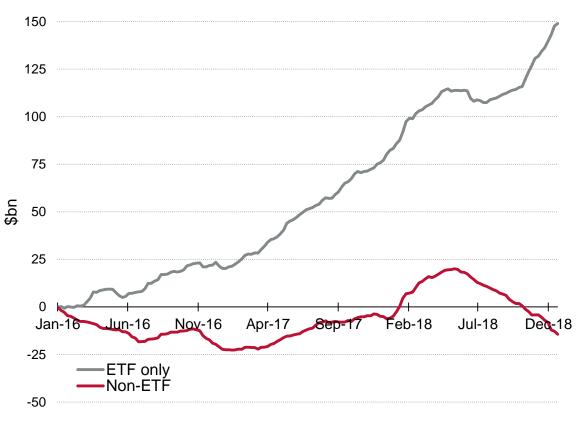
## **ETF fund flows into Emerging Markets**



#### **Cumulative EM fund flows since 2012**



#### **Cumulative EM fund flows since 2016**



Source: EPFR Global. Data to 31.12.18





<b>Top 10 FEET portfolio holdings</b>	Weight	ROCE
Vitasoy	5.5%	34%
Britannia	4.9%	43%
Godrej Consumer Products	4.1%	38%
Foshan Haitian Flavouring	4.1%	36%
Eastern Tobacco	4.0%	59%
Marico	3.9%	46%
TravelSky Technology	3.7%	17%
Hindustan Unilever	3.4%	97%
Asian Paints	3.3%	33%
Hypera	3.3%	31%
Total	40%	
Average		43%

Top 10 MSCI EM constituents	Weight	ROCE
Tencent	4.7%	24%
Taiwan Semiconductor	3.7%	22%
Alibaba	3.6%	13%
Samsung Electronics	3.4%	24%
Naspers	1.8%	-1%
China Construction Bank	1.6%	8%
China Mobile	1.2%	12%
ICBC	1.0%	8%
Ping An Insurance	0.9%	18%
Reliance Industries	0.9%	3%
Total	23%	
Average		13%

### **Stock attribution**



Top 5	2018
Vitasoy	1.8%
Nestle India	0.9%
Foshan Haitian	0.9%
Hindustan Unilever	0.9%
Ceylon Tobacco	0.8%

Bottom 5	2018
Emami	-1.2%
DP Eurasia	-1.0%
Vietnam Dairy	-1.0%
Fan Milk	-0.6%
Tiger Brands	-0.6%

# **Currency attribution**



Top 5	2018
Egypt	0.3%
Hong Kong	0.3%
Nigeria	0.1%
Mexico	0.1%
Kenya	0.1%

Bottom 5	2018
India	-1.0%
South Africa	-0.4%
Brazil	-0.4%
Sri Lanka	-0.2%
Pakistan	-0.2%





Top 5	Since inception to 31.12.18
Eastern Tobacco	5.9%
Britannia	4.4%
Godrej	4.3%
Vitasoy	4.2%
Marico	3.8%

Bottom 5	Since inception to 31.12.18
Edita	-1.8%
Guinness Nigeria	-1.6%
Magnit	-1.3%
Want Want	-1.1%
DP Eurasia	-1.1%





Top 5	Since inception to 31.12.18
India	2.7%
Hong Kong	1.6%
Philippines	0.7%
Russia	0.5%
Kenya	0.3%

Bottom 5	Since inception to 31.12.18	
Brazil	-2.1%	
Nigeria	-1.8%	
Egypt	-0.8%	
South Africa	-0.4%	
Colombia	-0.3%	



### Changes to portfolio management and fee structure

- Adopting the same structure as the Smithson Investment Trust
- Michael O'Brien and Sandip Patodia to become Portfolio Managers
- Terry Smith remains as CIO
- AMC reduced from 1.25% to 1.0%



### **Appendices**

Same Fund Manager

Same Unique Investment Process

Same No Nonsense

Same Discipline

Same Sectors

Same Methodology

**Same Inactivity** 

**Same Total Alignment of Interest** 

Same High Conviction

# What protects high returns against competition?





















## Some examples of growth trends



#### **Formalisation**



#### **Premiumisation**



#### **Digitisation**



#### **Market consolidation**



#### **Innovation**



#### **Demographics**



#### **Preventative diagnostics**



#### **Market share gains**



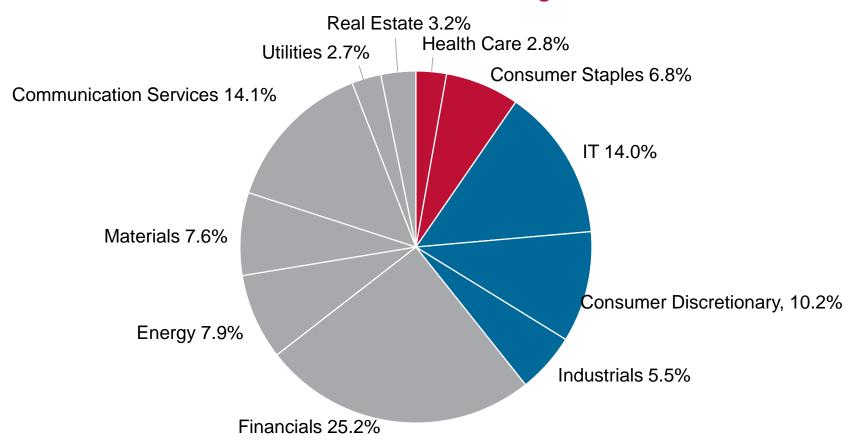
#### **Chinese travel**



### **MSCI** index composition by sector



#### **MSCI EM + FM sector weights**



- Sectors we invest in
- Sectors we might invest in
- Sectors we don't invest in

% of index in IU:	1.3%
% of index in portfolio:	0.8%
Active share:	99.2%

Source: www.msci.com. Data as at 31.12.18.





GICS sector split	Weight
Consumer Staples	69.7%
Health Care	13.8%
Consumer Discretionary	6.3%
Information Technology	3.7%
Materials	3.3%
Industrial	2.8%
Cash	0.3%

FEET sector split	Weight
Food & Beverage	30.1%
FMCG	22.0%
Health Care	13.8%
Retail	10.6%
Tobacco	9.0%
IT	5.0%
Chemicals	3.3%
Industrial	2.8%
Fast Food	1.7%
Auto	1.3%
Cash	0.3%

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