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By: *Emerging Markets Team* | July 2, 2021

Boston - On June 30, Serbia officially became a part of the JPMorgan Government Bond Index - Emerging Markets (JPM GBI-EM) index family — a substantive acknowledgment of the large strides the country has made over the past decade in taming inflation, fiscal consolidation and other major reform initiatives.

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By: *Emerging Markets Team* | June 16, 2021

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