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By: Emerging Markets Team | August 25, 2021

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[Serbia's new inclusion in index highlights benefits of investing outside indexes](#)

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For the Eaton Vance emerging markets team, Serbia represents a case study in the tremendous potential that we see in countries outside the major EM benchmarks for managers willing to devote the time, resources and expertise required for such investments. We believe it is useful to recap some of the milestones of Serbia's journey as a guide to investors seeking value in the sector.



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[Economic policy's critical role for shaping ESG outcomes in emerging markets](#)

By: Marshall L. Stocker, Ph.D., CFA | & David Doggett, CFA | August 6, 2021

In this paper, the Emerging Markets team analyze which factors drive environmental, social and governance (ESG) changes in emerging markets and discuss how this informs their approach to ESG integration.

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