



KKR Releases “Asia: Leaning In” by Henry H. McVey

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New Macro Report Says Now is the Time to ‘Lean In’ to Investment Opportunities in the Region

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- KKR today announced the release of Asia: Leaning In, a new macro Insights piece by [Henry H. McVey](#), KKR’s Head of Global Macro and Asset Allocation.

“Beyond compelling macroeconomic conditions that we now see creating a favorable environment for capital deployment, Asia has also emerged as an elegant play on some of our highest conviction investment themes, including corporate carve-outs, experiences over things, and the illiquidity premium,” Henry McVey said.

In his latest report, Henry McVey and his team outline the following investment conclusions from his most recent trip for the macro and asset allocation community:

1. Asia’s surging middle class, coupled with even stronger productivity trends, signal robust structural growth for the foreseeable future. Already, we estimate that China and its EM trading partners are on track to account for 60% or more of total global GDP growth.
2. From a cyclical growth perspective, China’s nominal GDP growth appears to have already bottomed, which has important and positive implications for the way we view the Asian emerging markets story during the next three to seven years.
3. We see Asia as a direct and compelling play on three of our global macro themes: de-conglomeratization, experiences over things, and the illiquidity premium within performing private credit.
4. The biggest changes in Asia we see are not only the continued migration up the value-added ‘food chain’ across a variety of domestic industries but also the impact that technology is having on delivery of these higher value-added goods and services.
5. Beyond strong growth in domestic demand stories, we also see more opportunities for allocators of capital to help Asian companies – both in developed and developing markets – expand abroad.

“To be sure, Asia is not without its macro and geopolitical concerns. Nonetheless, if we are right about the aforementioned trends, then now is the time for multi-asset class investors to be ‘leaning in,’” said McVey.

Links to access this note as well as an archive of Henry McVey’s previous publications follow:

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About Henry McVey

Henry H. McVey joined KKR in 2011 and is Head of the Global Macro and Asset Allocation team. Mr. McVey also serves as Chief Investment Officer for the Firm’s Balance Sheet and is Head of the Private Market and Balance Sheet Risk team. Prior to joining KKR, Mr. McVey was a managing director, lead portfolio manager and head of global macro and asset allocation at Morgan Stanley Investment Management (MSIM). Prior to that, he was a portfolio manager at Fortress Investment Group and chief U.S. investment strategist for Morgan Stanley. While at Morgan Stanley, Mr. McVey was also a member of the asset allocation committee, and the top ranked asset management and brokerage analyst by Institutional Investor for four consecutive years before becoming the firm’s strategist. He earned his B.A. from the University of Virginia and an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. McVey serves as co-chair of the TEAK Fellowship board of trustees and is a member of the Pritzker Foundation Investment Committee. He is also a member of the national advisory board for the Jefferson Scholarship at the University of Virginia and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations Corporate Leader Program.

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