

## **Asia Credit: 2017 Outlook**

## Offense Wins Games, Defense Wins Championships

Global Markets Asia Ex-Japan

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## **Corporate Cash Credit Spreads – 5 year History**

#### **Spread comparison across EM Corporates** Asia vs US Corporate spreads ■Asia minus US (RHS) **Differential Spread Spread** -CEMB Asia -CEMB Global 750 250 -LUCI US -CEMB EMEA -CEMB LATAM 400 -CEMB Asia 200 300 550 150 200 100 350 100 50 0 150 Feb-16 Aug-16 Aug-13 Aug-15 Feb-16 Aug-16 Aug-15 Feb-13 Feb-15 Feb-17 Aug-12 Feb-13 Aug-13 Feb-15 Feb-17 Feb-14 Aug-14 Aug-14 **Asia Premium at** Almost at 5

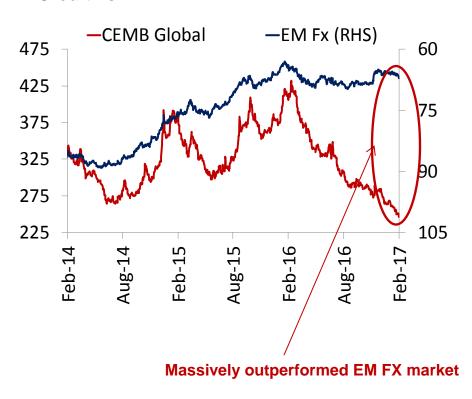
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### **Cross Asset Comparison**

#### **EM Credit vs EM FX**



### **EM Credit vs EM Equity**

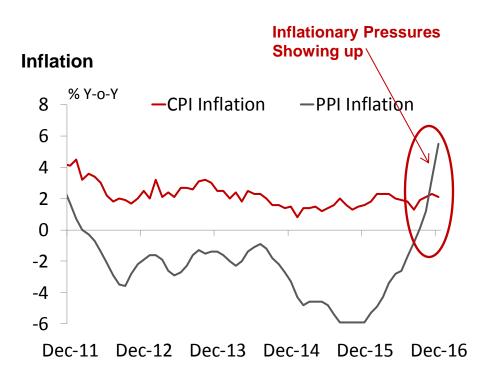


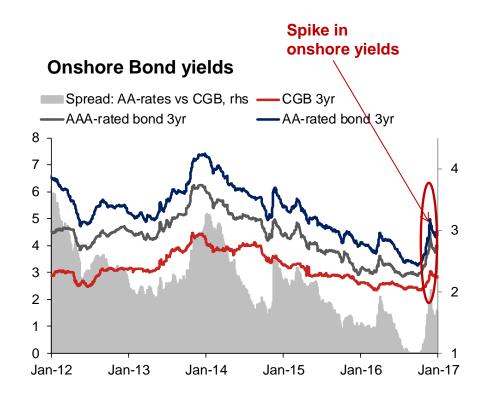
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## **Monetary Policy Environment**

- Fed Tighter Monetary Policy
- ECB / BOJ ??
- China Concerns on CNY, Capital Outflows, Overheating = Tighter monetary policy





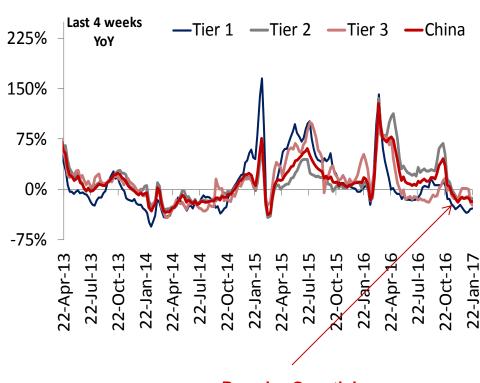


## **Peek into China Property Markets**

#### China MoM Price: No. of cities

#### Peaked / Plateaued again ?? less than -0.5% MoM Price greate than equal to -0.5% & less than 0 greater than 0.5% No. of cities 80 greater than equal to 0 & less than or equal to 0.5% 60 40 20 20 40 60 80 Apr-15 Aug-15 Aug-13 Aug-14

#### GFA Sales - 4 weeks YoY



Presales Growth has turned Negative



### **In Summary**

- Credit Valuation Full (if not Stretched)
- Monetary policy environment From Tailwind to Headwind
- Fundamentals Economic Outlook?, EPS?
- Technical Inflow Outlook for Fixed Income?, Supply Outlook?
  - Complacency VIX, Sentiment for Risk Assets?
  - M&A, Leverage Seeking Behaviour?

# **Credit strategy**

### We expect USD67bn of net supply in 2017

Supply Estimates	USDbn
Sovereigns	15
Financials	92
IG Corporates	56
HY Corporates	25
Gross Supply	188
Redemptions	121
Net supply	67

Please refer to our report "Offense Wins Games, Defense Wins Championships" dated November 28, 2016 for details.

Source: Nomura estimates



## **Trading strategy**

### **Financials**

 Underweight Chinese banks senior and AT1, Overweight senior of leasing companies and Korean and Singaporean T2

### **Investment Grade Corporates**

Switch from 10-yr to 5-yr bonds, Prefer commodities names, Switch from Korean to HK names,
Prefer Indian private corporates to state-owned corporates.

### High Yield Corporates

Prefer short-dated callable China property bonds, Overweight selected Indian and Indonesian names,
Underweight China HY industrials



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