



Monthly Investment Review

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The latter half of 2015 marked an inflection point in markets as the Federal Reserve hiked interest rates for the first time in almost a decade; investors are now focusing on the likely pace and scale of the US rate rise cycle. Economic weakness in China and the emerging markets as well as sharply lower oil prices have caused a significant pick-up in volatility levels although this should provide opportunities for investors. Although a number of key indices moved into bear market territory in early February, the dominant US S&P 500 Index remained resilient. Equities remain better value on a relative basis than either cash or bonds. However, concerns over global economic growth and the impact of negative interest rates on the financial sector have resulted in a scaling back of earnings growth expectations in 2016. Eurozone bonds do not appear to offer much upside potential from here.

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