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The top performing strategies over the month of January were Fixed Income Arbitrage (+4.19%), Special Situations (+4.08%) and CTAs Short Term (+3.30%).

The thematic Lyxor Emerging Markets Index is down -2.99% in January.

The 'Lyxor Hedge Indices' are investable, asset-weighted hedge fund indices. They are based on Lyxor's hedge fund platform that covers all the major hedge fund strategies and benefits from a high level of transparency and risk control, while ensuring weekly liquidity.

Lyxor Hedge Fund Indices	Bloomberg Ticker	January 2009 Performance*	YtD Performance*
<b>Global Index</b>			
Lyxor Hedge Fund Index	LYXRHFI	1.53%	1.53%
<b>Strategy Indices</b>			
Lyxor L/S Equity Long Bias Index	LYXRSLB	-2.06%	-2.06%
Lyxor L/S Equity Market Neutral Index	LYXRSMN	-0.16%	-0.16%
Lyxor L/S Equity Short Bias Index	LYXRSSB	-2.32%	-2.32%
Lyxor L/S Equity Statistical Arbitrage Index	LYXRSTAT	1.66%	1.66%
Lyxor L/S Equity Variable Bias Index	LYXRSLVR	0.73%	0.73%
Lyxor Convertible Bonds & Volatility Arbitrage Index	LYXRBCB	1.88%	1.88%
Lyxor Distressed Securities Index	LYXRDIST	-1.19%	-1.19%
Lyxor Merger Arbitrage Index	LYXRMNA	1.84%	1.84%
Lyxor Special Situations Index	LYXRSPEC	4.08%	4.08%
Lyxor L/S Credit Arbitrage Index	LYXRCDT	2.02%	2.02%
Lyxor Fixed Income Arbitrage Index	LYXRFIAR	4.19%	4.19%
Lyxor CTAs Long Term Index	LYXRCTAL	-0.52%	-0.52%
Lyxor CTAs Short Term Index	LYXRCTAS	3.30%	3.30%
Lyxor Global Macro Index	LYXRMACR	0.26%	0.26%
<b>Thematic Index</b>			
Lyxor Emerging Markets Index	LYXREMER	-2.99%	-2.99%

(\* ) MTD returns are based on performance from the last estimated NAV of the previous month until the last estimated NAV of the reported month. YTD returns are from December 31, 2008 through January 30, 2009.

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**Below is a brief description of the Lyxor Hedge Fund Strategy Indices:**

**Special Situations** is a strategy that encompasses a combination of investment processes targeting equities or bonds whose valuation is altered by a special situation such as spin-offs, industry consolidations, liquidations, reorganizations, share buybacks and other extraordinary corporate transactions that generate investment opportunities.

**Merger Arbitrage** is a strategy that primarily consists of investing in equities involved in merger/acquisition operations and aims to take advantage of the spread between the price bid for the takeover and the price observed in the market.

**Distressed Securities** is a strategy that consists of investing in (or selling short) securities of companies for which the price has been, or is expected to be, affected by a distressed situation (e.g., pre- or post- bankruptcy).

**Convertible Bonds and Volatility Arbitrage** are strategies that aim to take advantage of volatility arbitrage opportunities by investing in various financial instruments. Convertible Bonds funds primarily invest in convertible bonds and discretionarily hedge some of the underlying risk factors (interest rate risk, credit risk, market risk) in order to gain exposure to volatility and/or credit risk at a very attractive price.

**Fixed Income Arbitrage** is a strategy that aims to take advantage of pricing anomalies between fixed income securities, sectors, markets and yield curves.

**L/S Credit Arbitrage** strategy is a directional strategy that involves buying bonds and credit and fixed income derivative instruments that are expected to appreciate and selling the ones that are expected to depreciate.

**Global Macro** is a strategy that aims to take advantage of expected macroeconomic trends and may invest in all types of markets and instruments.

**CTAs Long Term** is a strategy that aims to capture price movements in fixed income, equity, currency and commodity markets with the use of systematic trading models.

**CTAs Short Term** is a strategy that aims to capture short term price movements in fixed income, equity, currency and commodity market with the use of systematic trading models.

**L/S Equity Variable Bias** is a directional strategy that primarily involves buying equities and equity derivatives that are expected to appreciate and selling those that are expected to depreciate. The portfolio's net exposure to the market (possibly net long, net short or market neutral) will be actively managed depending on the manager's expectations.

**L/S Equity Long Bias** is a directional strategy that primarily involves buying equities and equity derivatives that are expected to appreciate and selling those that are expected to depreciate, while structurally maintaining a net long exposure to the equity market.

**L/S Equity Short Bias** is a directional strategy that primarily involves buying equities and equity derivatives that are expected to appreciate and selling those that are expected to depreciate while structurally maintaining a net short exposure to the equity market.

**L/S Equity Market Neutral** is a strategy that primarily involves buying equities and equity derivatives that are expected to appreciate and selling those that are expected to depreciate while generally neutralizing broad equity market risks.

**L/S Equity Statistical Arbitrage** is a strategy that primarily consists of investing in some equities and selling short other equities. The security selection approach is typically based on quantitative analysis of either fundamentals, prices, or a combination of the two. This strategy typically seeks to offer limited exposure to equity market risks.

Each index is reviewed and rebalanced on a monthly basis in line with investment guidelines and reflecting the evolution of assets under management and liquidity constraints. Owned by Société Générale Index, the indices are calculated and published on a daily basis by Standard and Poors on Bloomberg and Reuters.

A dedicated website [www.lyxorhedgeindices.com](http://www.lyxorhedgeindices.com) provides monthly factsheets, valuations, performance and methodology and performance analyses.

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- $\alpha$ -research indices seek to deliver an excess return over traditional indices by reflecting the evolution of strategies based on systematic or discretionary investment processes.
- $\beta$ -research indices aim to provide an exposure to new investment themes, alternative markets and asset classes

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