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STORY FOCUS

- Trends and dynamics in emerging and frontier markets
- Interplay between politics, economic and market movements
- Russia and the former Soviet Union (Central Asia, Ukraine, Caucasus)
- Markets/countries recently visited – Zimbabwe, Kazakhstan, Iran, Kyrgyzstan
- Relationship between U.S./developed markets and emerging markets
- Global investor sentiment and risk perception

ABOUT KIM ISKYAN

Kim has spent 20 years focused on emerging and frontier markets as a sell-side analyst, hedge-fund manager, and political-risk analyst. He can talk about markets, politics, macroeconomics – and how all of these interact. Kim has lived in Russia, Kyrgyzstan, Armenia, Mexico, and Sri Lanka, and grew up in Spain, and currently lives in Washington, D.C. Kim started his career focused on Latin American markets on Wall Street in the early 1990s. He subsequently spent nine years as a sell-side analyst (for Renaissance Capital and other banks) and hedge-fund manager in Moscow; helped develop the capital markets of Kyrgyzstan and Armenia; consulted for global investment banks and the Economist Intelligence Unit in Sri Lanka; and pitched emerging-market fund management products in Dublin. Kim was also a director at Eurasia Group, a global political-risk consulting firm, for nearly three years, where he advised Fortune 100 companies and global portfolio investors on the political dynamics of investment in Russia and the former Soviet Union. Kim now travels the world in search of insight and the real stories behind the countries and markets that are in the news every day.

PUBLICATIONS

S&A Global Contrarian focuses on global markets that have been beaten up and left for dead by investors... markets where sentiment is terrible and valuations are low, but where there are discernible but under-appreciated catalysts. *S&A Global Contrarian* emphasizes on-the-ground insight and analysis, to put the investment environment and investment opportunities into a local political, macroeconomic, and social context. In recent months, Kim has visited and written about Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Zimbabwe, South Africa, and Iran. www.globalcontrarian.com

RECENT MEDIA APPEARANCES

Kim has appeared in a wide-range of print, TV, and radio media. He has contributed a number of opinion pieces to the *Wall Street Journal* and the *Moscow Times*, and written for Slate, TheStreet.com, and Foreign Policy magazine, and Global Finance magazine.

Bloomberg TV - Putin Seeks 'Sufficiently Volatile' Ukraine: Iskyan
www.bloomberg.com

Wall Street Journal (2001-present)
<http://online.wsj.com>

Newsmax TV
Ukraine Crisis Affects World Markets
stansberryresearch.com/news

Fox Business News
Breaking Down Emerging Markets
stansberryresearch.com/news/fox

Business News Network
Tensions in Ukraine
www.youtube.com/watch

The Moscow Times (2001-present)
www.themoscowtimes.com

Kim Iskyan is the editor of The *S&A Global Contrarian*, published by Stansberry and Associates Investment Research.

Before joining Stansberry & Associates in 2013, Kim spent more than 20 years as a finance professional in emerging and frontier markets. He spent nine years in Moscow, Russia as a sell-side research analyst and deputy head of research for Renaissance Capital, a global emerging-markets investment bank, and two Russian investment banks.

During his time in Moscow, Kim also managed a hedge fund focused on opportunities in the markets of the former Soviet Union. On another front, he worked for a global asset management firm in Dublin, Ireland. Most recently, he consulted for a securities-research outsourcing firm in Colombo, Sri Lanka for two years. Kim also worked for a political-risk consulting firm in Washington, DC, where he lives now.