

Call for Papers: The New Geopolitical Reality

The world is changing rapidly. Geopolitical tensions, shifting power dynamics, and a renewed focus on national interests have created a new reality. These developments impact not only the global economy but also how investors, asset managers, and financial professionals shape their strategies. How can we navigate this complex environment, and what implications does it have for investment decisions and risk management?

For the autumn edition of the *VBA Journal*, the editorial board invites authors to share their insights on the theme "**The New Geopolitical Reality.**" We welcome both academic and practical contributions that help investment professionals understand and apply this dynamic in their work. Possible subtopics include:

- **Impact on Sustainable Investing from the Renewed Focus on Self-Defence:** How does the increased focus on national security and defence influence the application of sustainable investing criteria in investment processes?
- **Impact on Regional Allocation:** What role do geopolitical shifts play in reconsidering geographical diversification within portfolios?
- **Changes in Risk Management:** How are investors adapting their risk models to better integrate geopolitical uncertainties?
- **Changes in Execution:** What adjustments in trading strategies or operational processes are necessary in this new reality?
- **Changes in Asset Allocation:** How do geopolitical factors influence the allocation across asset classes such as equities, bonds, and alternative investments?
- **Other Relevant Perspectives:** Contributions on additional aspects within this theme are also welcome. Authors are encouraged to submit both theoretical analyses and practical case studies that can inspire and inform investment professionals.

Through this call for papers, we invite interested authors to submit a summary of their contribution to the editorial board (irma.willemsen@cfasociety.nl) by **May 15, 2025**. Submissions should be original work that has not been published elsewhere. Articles may be submitted in either **English** or **Dutch**.

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