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# BRICS

Bridging communities. Guiding Investors. Leading Nations.



Media Kit

## What is BRICS Magazine?



BRICS Magazine is a bookazine – a book-like magazine – addressed to global investors, businessmen, politicians, and experts. A business and humanitarian publication on rapid-growth markets, it is issued four times a year and explains **how to understand others**. The goal of this project is to organize a direct information exchange between the BRICS countries and other emerging markets.

We define a bookazine as a thick magazine with complex printing which is designed for slow reading and filled not in accordance with a constant set of sections, but rather in accordance with the topics chosen. Our bookazine includes (with occasional exceptions) three main kinds of data:

- essays and columns that would fit into "Opinions" or "Recommendations" sections
- indices, ratings, and rankings
- business cases

Industry and event projects as well as investment guides are featured as special add-ons.

Ruben Vardanyan is the Editorial Board Chairman of BRICS Magazine.



## **The Origins**

The original idea behind the project was to create a magazine and subsequently – a media platform for developing markets. But more importantly – to create a publication that would in essence support these markets. The concept was based on research into the coverage of emerging markets in international media. Having studied the issue we reached two principal conclusions:

There is no single sizeable media project that would be fully dedicated to emerging markets. Such prominent business publications as The Economist, Financial Times and the Wall Street Journal feature regular articles covering selected countries from this group. They, however, tend to focus on isolated aspects or publish special editions, in blogs and on various websites at best. Only commercial and analytical entities that are not in magazine publishing business tend to adopt a systemic approach toward BRICS and other emerging markets viewing them as an integral trend. Hence the ubiquitous distortions and confusion in describing the challenges that need to be addressed.

2 The second conclusion relates to the expert community in this area. The vast majority of emerging markets specialists in international media are from Europe and the United States. In an American publication a development in Indonesia is almost always likely to be covered by an American expert and not a native of Indonesia. Outside views tend to prevail over domestic opinions, and to this day Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa much like other developing markets did not have a media channel that would consolidate their own perspectives.

This status quo has been galvanised in the phrase "London is the capital of BRICS" often used by Western journalists. We remain deeply convinced that the real centres of knowledge, regional and industrial expertise and advice are found inside the BRICS countries and other emerging markets.



## Why BRICS?

Back in 2001, in his report entitled "Building Better Global Economic BRICs" Jim O'Neal, the former chairman of the Asset Management department at Goldman Sachs coined the term BRIC to describe the four largest developing economies in the world – Brazil, Russia, India and China. Since that time the acronym has evolved from a mere investment idea to become a geopolitical reality.

The initial meaning hinted at the gradual transition of influence from the developed to the developing economies – a phenomenon that is well underway today. O'Neal emphasised that by 2027 the aggregate GDP of the BRIC countries would surpass that of the G7.

With the arrival of South Africa BRIC turned into **BRICS** ultimately moulding itself into a political and economic club that was prepared to offer the international community its own agenda and promote the interests of what reached far beyond several dozens of other developing markets.

The real impact of BRICS on the world economy and the fact that this acronym has become synonymous with High-Growth Markets helped us pick the right name for the magazine. Today BRICS is a well-known, respected and popular international brand that requires no further explanation. It appeals not only to the five nations in question but also to all other developing countries.

The BRICS grouping may soon represent even a larger share of global economy and land, as Argentina, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates have been invited to join as full members from January 1, 2024.



## What Does BRICS Magazine Write About?

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**BRICS Magazine** finds itself inside the developing world and therefore it is uniquely positioned to effectively extract new knowledge from it. The content of the magazine would be best described by its slogan: "Bridging communities. Guiding Investors. Leading Nations".

#### **Bridging Communities**

BRICS stands for a community of people united by their various goals and interests. They serve as the main generator of ideas, concepts and social, cultural and economic trends that directly impact the global agenda. The magazine is a meeting point for business and professional communities of the BRICS countries. Here they can find the entire spectrum of best practices, share their experience in managing various issues and create a blueprint for the new post-Western world in social and business commentaries, case studies, interviews and editorials.

#### **Guiding Investors**

BRICS represent the most promising and dynamically developing part of the world economy. The magazine offers a platform where modern day global investors can find the information they need to operate on the target markets and the skills enabling them to understand, predict and act in uncharted territories. The real experience of reaching out to new markets, coverage of specific incountry and regional trends, insider tips and "cheat sheets" from members of governments would inform the most balanced, educated and by extension most effective investment decisions.

#### **Leading Nations**

BRICS is a leading club in the developing world, which stands ready to revamp the global financial architecture, tackle global security issues and claim its rightful place in the world that would reflect its growing economic power.

The magazine provides a platform where politicians and their closest aides, global and local think tanks and authors of fundamental publications dedicated to the fates of entire countries and civilisations engage in a discourse in interviews and articles.



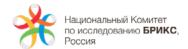
## **Analytical Support and Partners**



















## **BRICS Magazine languages**

In 2012 the magazine is published in English and Russian. Subsequently, it will be expanded to include versions in Chinese, Portuguese, Spanish and French. BRICS Magazine in English will remain the primary international issue and the project's core. Issues released for Russia, China, Brazil, Africa will be different but they will still share the same structure and sets of key materials translated from the English-language edition.

#### **Audience**

You would be able to form an accurate picture as to who the readers of the BRICS Magazine are if you look at the list of the **Davos Forum** participants. In Russia, the magazine's readers are the attendees of the **St. Petersburg Economic Forum**. Copies of the magazine are also delivered to S.D. Shibulal, Viktor Vekselberg, Jean-Pierre Raffarin, Mark Mobius and Jim O'Neal, just to name a few masterminds.

#### The audience can be classified into three categories:

**POLITICIANS** representing high-growth economies who are willing to speak out on vital issues on the BRICS agenda and want their voices to be heard in these countries and the rest of the world.

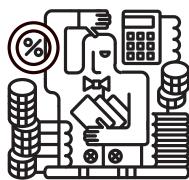
GLOBAL INVESTORS,
HEADS OF CORPORATIONS
and new entrepreneurs on a
mission to find growth points.

**ECONOMISTS AND POLITICAL SCIENTISTS** whose job is to describe the current situation and identify trends.



# **BRICS Magazine: Geography & Audience Profile**

Geography		Gender		Age	
Russia	68%	Men	66%	30-44 y.o.	28%
United Kingdom	7%	Women	34%	45-55 y.o.	61%
China	5%			Over 55 y.o.	7%
Brazil	4%				
Kazakhstan	4%				
Germany	3%	Occupation			
India	3%	Investors & Entrepreneurs (business owners,		64%	
USA	3%	top executives, CEOs of investment funds)			
South Africa	2%	Experts & Academia (scientists, business school			17%
Switzerland	1%	professors, political and business consultants, art and culture figures, journalists)			
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#### Income Level

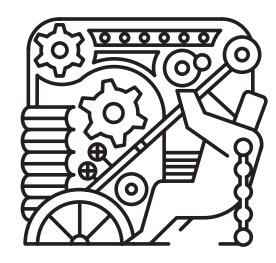
UHNWI	68%
HNWI	32%



## **BRICS Magazine: Frequency & Circulation**

In 2024 we are planning to release one issue of the magazine in line with the BRICS Summit in Kazan scheduled for October. The issue is produced in partnership with the School of World Politics of Lomonosov Moscow State University.

For each BRICS Magazine issue circulation is range from 21,000 to 25,000 copies (separately for the English and Russian editions) depending on the scale of the forum where they are to be presented.



## **BRICS Magazine: Distribution System**

45% Subscription & Direct Mail (Chairman of the Editorial Board Ruben Vardanyan database)

**39%** International Business Forums (see next page)

7% Moscow International Business School SKOLKOVO

5-Star Hotels in Russia (Hyatt, Kempinski, Lotte, Marriott, Radisson Royal, Metropol, Swissotel, Belmond Grand Hotel Europe etc.)

**2%** Other Channels



#### **Information for Advertisers**

#### **PUBLICATION SCHEDULE**

ISSUE AD CLOSE RELEASE

#1 23 August 2024 6 September 2024

#### **AD RATES\***

Full page	\$16,900
Special page	.\$23,400
Full Page (first 1/3 of the magazine)	\$21,000
First DPS (Double Page Spread)	\$43,900
Second DPS	.\$35,200
Third DPS	\$32,000
Double Page Spread (DPS)	\$30,000
	Special page Full Page (first 1/3 of the magazine) First DPS (Double Page Spread) Second DPS Third DPS Double Page Spread (DPS)

<sup>\*</sup> All indicated advertising rates are valid in case of provision by the advertiser of the apostilled Certificate of Residence proving residence outside of Russia. Otherwise, the Russian VAT of 20% will apply on top of indicated rates.

#### **TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Trim size: 200 x 265 mm.

Advertising packages are accepted in TIFF and EPS formats.

Halftone illustrations must meet size requirements and come with the minimum resolution of 250 dpi (300 dpi for cover pages).

Total ink limit is 300% (330% for cover pages).

Color printouts of advertising materials are obligatory.

The printouts must be signed into print with the issue date indicated. Printouts must correspond to their electronic versions.

Colors of printouts may differ from those in color tests.

Full technical requirements are available upon request.



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