

Omnigence Releases Research on Middle-Class Compression and Structural Investment Implications

CALGARY, AB, CANADA, March 23, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Omnigence Asset Management ("Omnigence") has released a new research paper, *The Socioeconomic Barbell: Middle-Class Compression, Pension Fragility, and the Case for Real Assets*, examining the structural forces reshaping developed economies and their implications for long-term portfolio construction.



The paper argues that the defining economic shift across the G7 is the gradual compression of the middle class and the emergence of a "barbell" distribution: a growing cohort of asset-rich households at one end and a widening group of economically vulnerable households at the other. Income polarization, housing affordability deterioration, labor market bifurcation, demographic pressures, and rising sovereign debt burdens are reinforcing this trend.

Omnigence's analysis highlights the interaction between middle-class erosion and fiscal fragility, including widening pension funding gaps and elevated sovereign interest costs. The report suggests that these dynamics are structural rather than cyclical and may contribute to persistent inflationary pressure and higher sovereign risk premia over time.

From an investment perspective, the research outlines the potential implications for asset allocation, including the relative positioning of real assets, essential infrastructure, private credit, and long-duration sovereign bonds in a regime characterized by fiscal constraints and demographic headwinds.

The full report is available at <https://omnigenceam.com/insights/socioeconomic-barbell-middle-class-compression-pension-fragility-and-the-case-for-real-assets>.

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has grown to over CA\$1 billion in platform assets by focusing on what it describes as the neglected middle, investment opportunities that are too small or too operationally complex for large institutions and traditional alternative managers.

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