

European Equity Strategy

ECB Corporate Bond buying – Impact on Equities

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Europe including UK

How big might the ECB corporate bond buying program be and will it matter?

Our Credit Strategy team estimate the size of the addressable market as c.€726bn and potential ECB purchases (if in line with those of covered bonds) at c.€8bn or 1% of that universe per month. Additionally, the intention to buy out to 30yrs maturity and up to 70% of an issue suggests a serious commitment. They believe the program will be meaningful and will likely lead to further spread tightening, particularly in lower rated IG and also generate more supply and longer dated issuance ([see link](#)).

What does it mean for European Equities?

As credit spreads tighten, this tends to lead to higher P/E multiples (Figure 1). We see a "real world" impact on the ability for corporates to borrow. European companies (BBB) can now borrow at c.1.5% and some significantly lower. The gap between the dividend yield and BBB corporate credit yield has almost doubled in 2yrs (Figure 2). To date, European companies have not followed the US lead for large scale buybacks; this is in part due to a weaker earnings backdrop, differing regulation and a preference for dividends. But this may change at the margin if underlying earnings turn and given the effect of the ECB purchasing program.

Which sectors are the most exposed?

The most leveraged sectors are Telecoms and Utilities. Utilities also have the largest amount of eligible bonds for purchase (23% of total). But we also highlight the sectors that have high leverage combined with exposure to the economic cycle – such as Transport, Cap Goods and Materials. Although the ECB is not buying Bank debt, Banks are also highly correlated and have lagged the recent tightening in credit spreads.

Which stocks are likely to be beneficiaries?

We screen for European stocks most correlated to tightening credit spreads (ING and Renault) and separately, those most leveraged (EDP, TEF, KPN), full list pg. 10-11.

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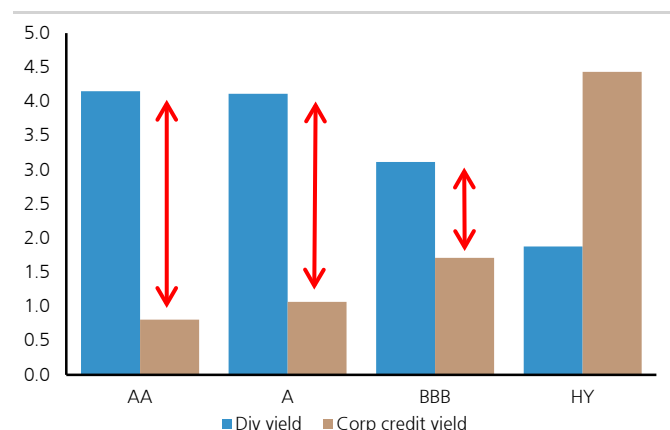
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Figure 1: MSCI Europe: 12m fwd P/E ratio vs iTraxx Crossover (inverse)



Source: Thomson Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Figure 2: Europe: Dividend Yield vs Credit Yield Gap



Source: Bloomberg, Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

What does ECB buying corporate bonds mean for Equities?

ECB corporate bond buying program: What are they going to buy?

For more details please see our Credit Strategy team's report written by Kathleen Middlemiss and Ramin Nakisa: [Global Credit Comment - ECB CSPP: Additional details](#) 26 April 2016

Last week the ECB provided more clarity around the Corporate Sector Purchase Program (CSPP) which is to begin in June. They will buy Investment Grade credit issued by euro zone entities with a maturity of 6 months to 30 years. Work done by our Credit Strategy team suggest this means an addressable market of c.€726bn of over 1,000 individual bonds. Although they will not include Bank debt they will be able to buy Insurance company debt.

How much might they buy?

Our Credit Strategy team suggest that they might spend around 10% of the monthly €80bn purchases on corporate bonds (a similar amount to the ratio spent on covered bonds). That would suggest c.1% per month of the €726bn addressable market. The fact that they can go up to 70% in a single issue is another sign that this is likely to be a meaningful program.

What might be the impact on credit markets?

The week after the announcement at the March ECB meeting there was the highest Euro IG issuance on record at c. €30bn and we expect issuance to continue to be strong. The inclusion of bonds out to 30 years could also push issuers to print paper at the longer end of the maturity curve.

Lower-rated IG issues are likely to be more positively impacted in the near term as investors reach further down the credit curve for yield. Even high-yield funds have benefited strongly.

Below we highlight the implications for European equities at a market, sector and stock level:

(i) Higher risk appetite, lower volatility and higher P/E multiples...

There has been a reasonable correlation between the P/E multiple the market has been prepared to pay for European equities and the inverse of the iTraxx crossover (CDS index for sub-investment grade credit in Europe). The indirect effect of higher risk appetite as credit spreads tighten has been helpful for equities.

Just looking at the historic relationship between the iTraxx and the P/E suggests that all else equal 100bps fall in the iTraxx adds close to 1 point to the P/E multiple (although this may not be a linear relationship – see Appendix for more details).

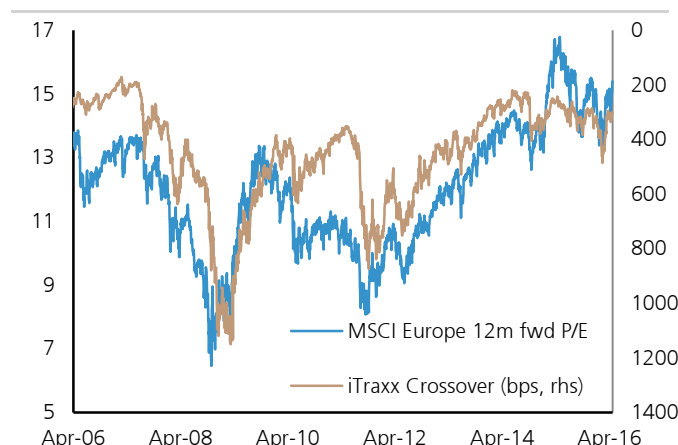
Our Credit Strategy team think that the addressable market of IG bonds for purchase is c.€726bn

...they estimate the ECB might buy c.1% of that market per month...

...putting further downward pressure on yields (particularly lower-rated IG issues) and also attracting new supply

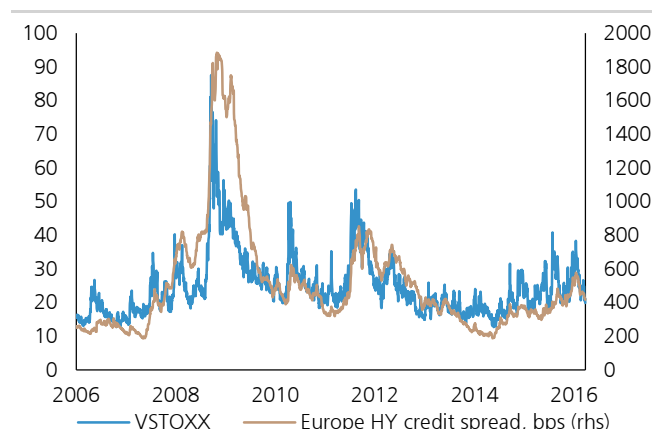
Lower credit spreads have tended to drive higher P/E multiples...

Figure 3: MSCI Europe: 12m fwd P/E ratio vs iTraxx Crossover (inverse)



Source: Thomson Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Figure 4: VSTOXX vs EU High Yield Credit spread



Source: Thomson Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

(ii) Cheaper funding for corporates

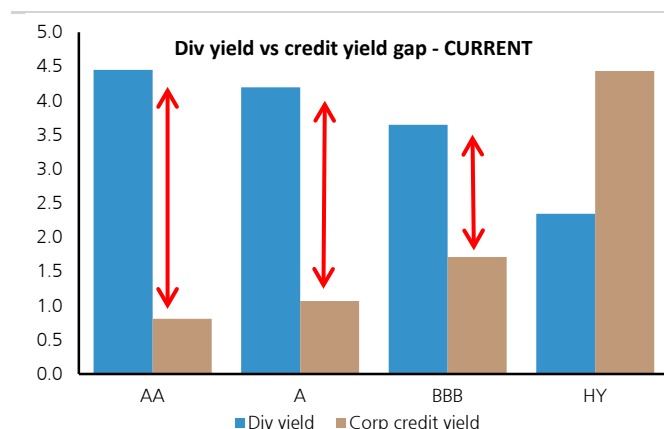
There is another impact on the equity market via the ability for corporates to raise funding at a cheaper level. Whilst the impact of using current sovereign bond yields as a lower risk free rate in a long term DCF model is fraught with complexities and contradictions, the ability of companies to issue debt today at an incredibly low cost is a very real one. Recent examples include Unilever issuing a 4 years zero coupon bond with a yield to maturity of 8bps, Telefonica issuing a 6yr maturing with a 75bps coupon and also longer-dated bonds – such as Sanofi borrowing €700m at 1.20% for 12 years.

We have run bottom-up analysis of where companies have higher dividend yields relative to their corporate credit yields, splitting the universe by credit rating. We have taken the average 12m fwd DY for the Stoxx 600 stocks in that credit rating and compared it to the iBoxx EUR corporates all maturities yield.

There is also a very real impact on the cost of funding for corporates

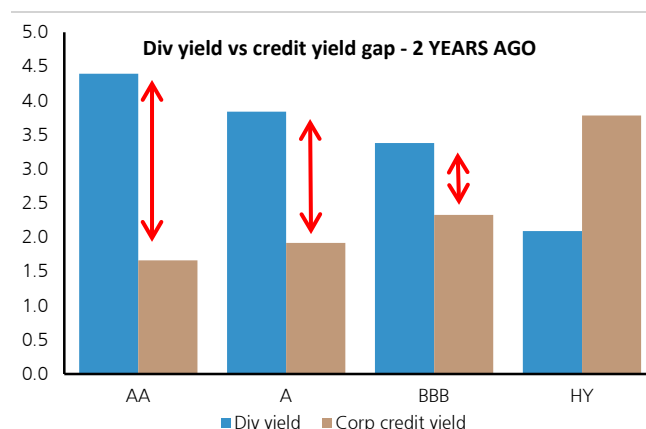
The gap between BBB dividend yields and credit yields has almost doubled from 100bps 2 years ago to 190bps now.

Figure 5: European Dividend yield vs credit yield gap - CURRENT



Source: Bloomberg, Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Figure 6: European Dividend yield vs credit yield gap - 2 YEARS AGO

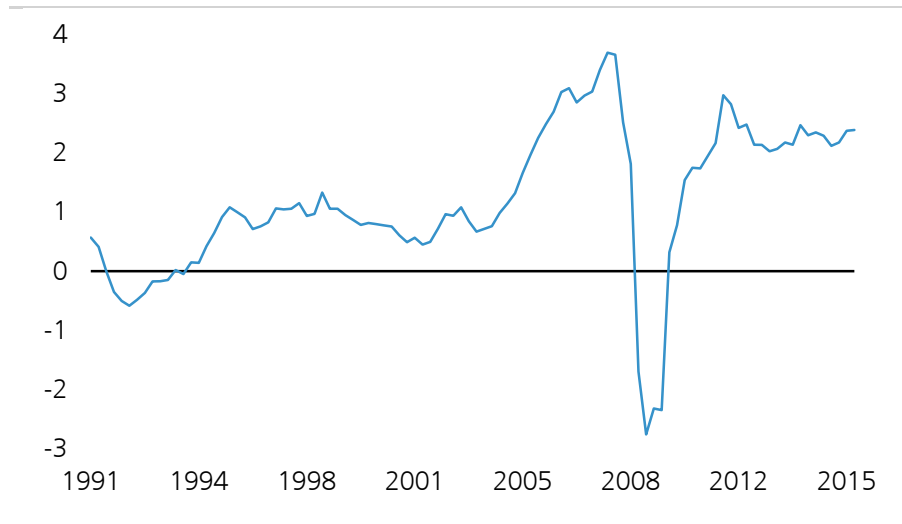


Source: Bloomberg, Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Why are European companies not buying back more shares?

One thing that many international investors ask is why don't European companies buy back more shares? In contrast to the US, European companies have not yet embarked upon an aggressive buyback campaign to shrink the outstanding shares and enhance earnings per share growth. Data below from our US Equity Strategy team shows the sustained and high level of buybacks in the US running at 2.4% of market cap at the end of last year, net of issuance. In Europe we estimate that number was close to 0%.

Figure 7: S&P 500 Net Buyback Yield (%)



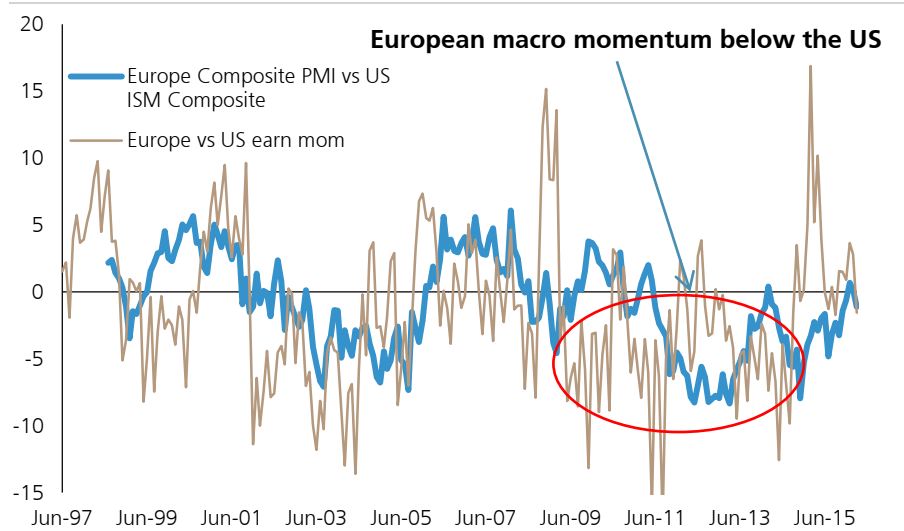
Source: UBS US Equity Strategy, FactSet

In contrast with the US, European companies are not buying back shares aggressively

We believe there are three reasons for this:

(1) Less confidence in the cycle in Europe. The US economy recovered earlier than the Eurozone and avoided the second recession and Eurozone debt crisis. Corporate management don't want to leverage up balance sheets just ahead of another downturn. But this may be turning, and certainly relative to the US the gap seems to be closing.

Figure 8: Europe Composite PMI minus US ISM Composite Index and relative earnings momentum



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

(1) Europe has lagged behind the US on macro and earnings momentum

This also fits with less enthusiasm for investing in capex – our recent proprietary Evidence Lab survey of 600 Eurozone companies suggested relative limited appetite for the re-gearing balance sheets and expanding capex. *For more details please see our joint Evidence Lab report we published with our Economics team earlier this year: [Evidence Lab: Is Eurozone investment turning?](#) 10 March 2016*

(2) The process in Europe and regulations surrounding buybacks vary from country to country but in many cases seem to be significantly more onerous and restrictive than those in the US. *For more details please see Appendix 2.*

(2) More regulation in Europe surrounding buybacks

(3) Culturally in Europe dividends appear to be very important. There is a reliance by income funds, retirees, individuals, for yield and in the past this has tended to come from dividends rather than share buybacks. The 2016 dividend yield for the Stoxx 600 is 3.7% vs 2.2% for the S&P 500. But if we add together the dividend yield and the buyback yield for the US and Europe they are roughly similar.

(3) A higher dividend yield in Europe

But some of these factors may be changing: the European macro momentum and underlying earnings may be stabilising. At the same time, given that the ECB are likely to include bonds up to 30yrs in the program, this may lead to European corporates extending the duration and locking in low rates for the future to give themselves options.

But a turn in underlying earnings growth and ability to borrow out to 30yrs may change this...

Which Sectors benefit?

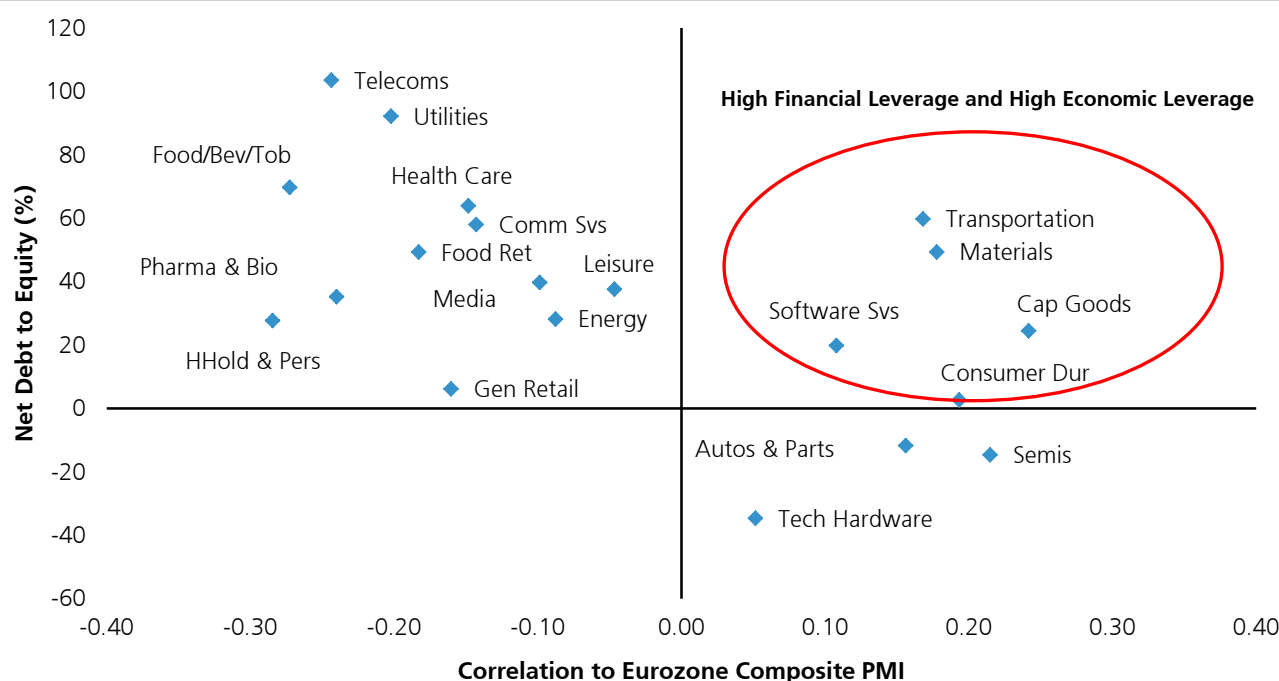
In general, the less cyclical the sector the more leverage the sector can carry. This means that the most leveraged sectors are defensives - Utilities and Telecoms. But there are also sectors where there is high leverage *combined* with cyclicity, such as Transport, Materials and Cap Goods. These are also the sectors that tend to correlate best with the move in credit spreads (see Figure 9).

Cross-checking this with the work our Credit Strategy team have done on the addressable market, suggests that the sectors where the ECB is likely to do the most buying are the Utilities, Consumer Non-Cyclical and Telecoms. Combining the credit quality with the sector, BBB corporate bonds issued by Utilities make up the biggest percentage of the bonds available for purchase. Please see Figure 18 in Appendix for the detailed breakdown.

The most leveraged sectors are Telcos and Utilities...

...but the biggest beneficiaries may be sectors that are leveraged *and* cyclical – such as Transport, Materials and Cap Goods

Figure 9: European Sectors: Financial Leverage (Net Debt / Equity) vs Economic Leverage (correlation to PMIs)



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy, UBS European Market Map

Banks – A Special Mention

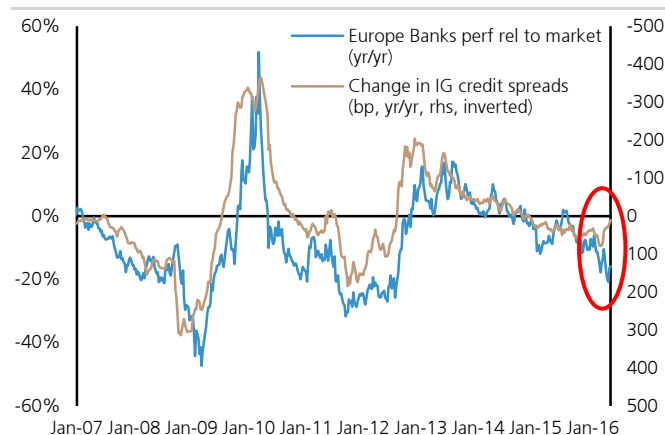
Although the Banks sector does not appear in the scatter chart above given no comparable data for leverage, clearly the sector is one of the most if not the most geared sectors and in many ways is tied to credit yields. Indeed, the relative performance has recently lagged behind that suggested by the move in credit markets.

Banks credit spreads peaked at the market low (February 11). Since then Banks subordinated debt spreads have come in sharply - from 270bps to 190bps.

Banks have had a high correlation to the move in credit spreads...

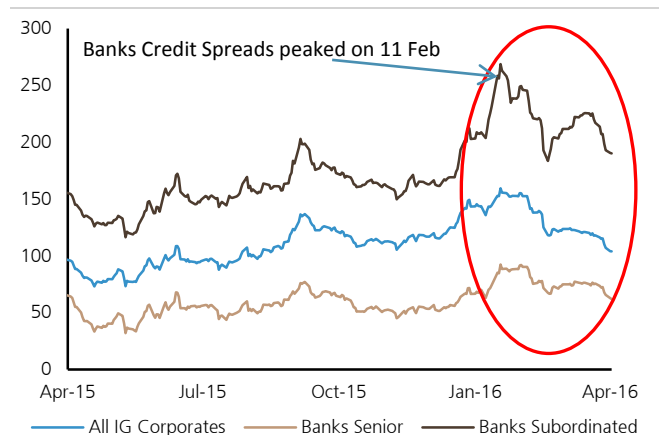
...and cost of borrowing has fallen sharply since Feb 11

Figure 10: European Banks: Relative performance vs the market (% , yoy) vs the Change in IG corporate credit spreads (% , yoy)



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

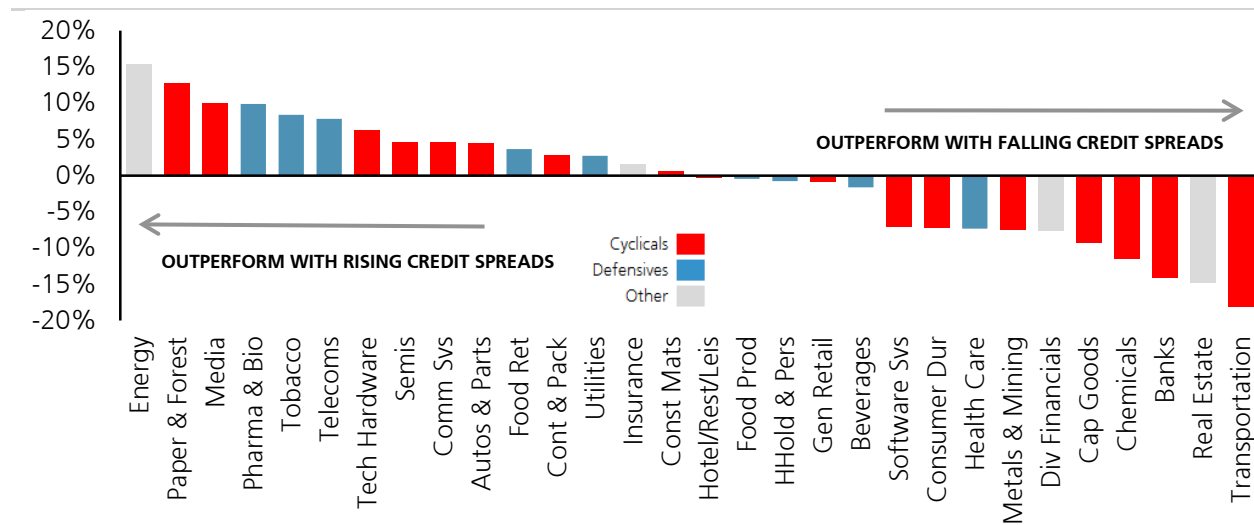
Figure 11: European Banks: Credit Spreads (bp) – tightening since Feb 11



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Sectors that are both financially leveraged *and* economically cyclical tend to be the best performers as credit spreads tighten: Transport, Real Estate, Banks, Chemicals and Cap Goods.

Figure 12: European Sectors: Correlation to IG corporate credit spreads (since 1999)



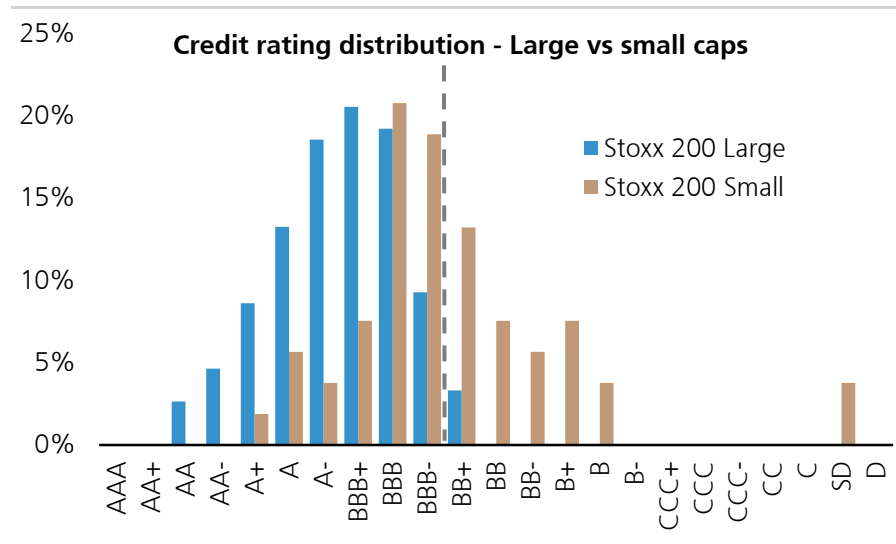
Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Are Small Caps likely winners?

Small Caps are more leveraged....

At first sight Small Caps appear to be likely winners: they are more leveraged than large caps, tend to be more cyclical and are more domestically exposed.

Figure 13: European Small Caps vs Large Caps Credit Ratings



Source: Bloomberg, UBS European Equity Strategy

Small caps are more leveraged than large caps

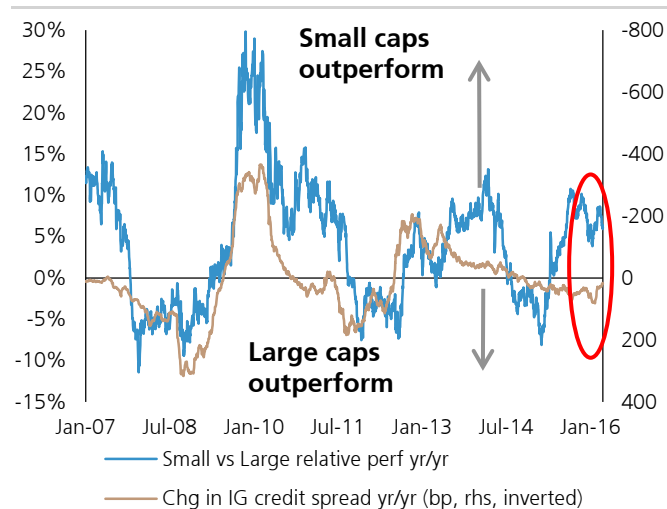
But Small Caps have already outperformed...

But small cap outperformance has already moved ahead of the tightening in credit spreads – see Figure 14 - and may have been driven more by sector effects (low weights in energy, commodities and financials) which could now be reversing.

Additionally the valuation of small caps relative to large caps is somewhat stretched at 1 standard deviation above the 10 year average, but with better earnings momentum (again likely due much to sector mix).

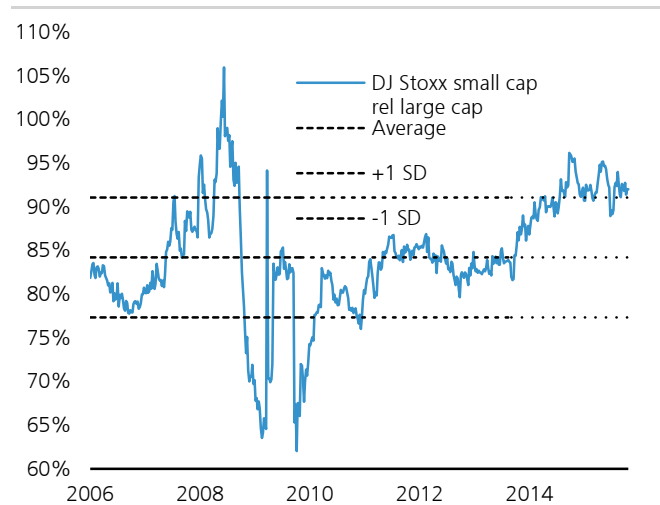
But they have already outperformed relative to credit spreads and valuations are at a premium

Figure 14: Small Caps vs Large Caps relative performance and change in IG Credit



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Figure 15: Small Caps vs Large Caps: 12m fwd P/E relative



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Stock Screens:

(1) Most correlated to tightening of credit spreads

We screen for European stocks that have had a high correlation to the move in credit spreads. Whilst this is purely a quantitative screen, it highlights some interesting names. In general, this reflects sectors that are leveraged and also exposed to the economy.

Figure 16: European Stocks most correlated to tighter credit spreads

Name	Sector	Mkt Cap (EUR bn)	Price (p)	Upside to PT	UBS rating	P/E 2016	DY 2016	P/E rel to sector (%) 2016	12m relative performance (% EUR)	Correlation with credit spreads
ING	Banks	43.2	11.2	30%	Buy	9.5	6.4	59.9	-14.6	-0.30
KBC	Banks	20.8	49.8	-6%	Neutral	10.8	5.6	77.3	-11.9	-0.27
Renault	Autos	23.9	87.7	25%	Buy	6.9	3.7	36.1	4.8	-0.24
ThyssenKrupp	Metals & Mining	11.9	21.0	-3%	Neutral	21.9	0.7	85.1	-2.8	-0.23
Voestalpine	Metals & Mining	5.5	31.6	-8%	Buy	9.3	4.5	63.7	-6.6	-0.22
Faurecia	Autos	5.1	37.1	-14%	Sell	13.7	2.2	75.1	-3.4	-0.21
Infineon	Semiconductors	14.5	13.0	7%	Buy	17.1	2.1	89.6	32.8	-0.21
Swedbank	Banks	21.2	175.3	11%	Buy	10.7	7.0	103.8	-0.2	-0.21
Boliden	Metals & Mining	4.2	141.3	13%	Buy	21.8	1.5	148.6	-14.4	-0.21
Metso	Capital Goods	3.2	21.1	-15%	Sell	15.9	4.5	113.5	-8.7	-0.21
Hydro	Metals & Mining	7.6	34.5	-4%	Neutral	22.0	2.9	115.3	-3.1	-0.20
Fiat Chrysler	Autos	8.9	7.2	-3%	Neutral	5.8	0.0	34.3	-39.8	-0.20
Commerzbank	Banks	9.6	8.4	-11%	Neutral	9.3	3.6	55.9	-22.5	-0.20
Old Mutual	Insurance	13.2	187.9	6%	Buy	9.8	3.4	118.5	-12.5	-0.19
Erste Bank	Banks	10.8	25.1	25%	Buy	10.3	3.2	28.0	11.8	-0.19
Deutsche Bank	Diversified Financials	23.9	17.3	-11%	Neutral	22.8	0.0	137.2	-32.3	-0.19
Rio Tinto Plc	Metals & Mining	54.9	2312.0	17%	Buy	25.4	3.4	139.4	-14.0	-0.18
AXA	Insurance	55.4	22.7	3%	Neutral	9.3	5.1	25.4	12.5	-0.18
Bank of Ireland	Banks	8.8	0.3	0%	Neutral	10.0	2.8	120.7	-23.4	-0.18
ProSiebenSat.	Media	9.7	44.9	-11%	Sell	17.7	4.8	85.2	8.5	-0.18
RBS Group	Banks	36.5	243.6	27%	Buy	12.6	0.0	85.5	-24.4	-0.18
SEB	Banks	19.1	78.5	8%	Neutral	10.4	6.8	50.8	-18.7	-0.17
Continental	Autos	39.0	195.0	26%	Buy	12.1	2.2	117.3	1.5	-0.17
Volvo B	Capital Goods	21.5	97.1	-2%	Buy	16.6	3.1	91.0	-5.9	-0.17
DnB ASA	Banks	18.6	105.6	8%	Buy	8.9	4.7	24.2	-19.8	-0.16
Weir	Capital Goods	3.3	1215.0	7%	Buy	18.8	3.9	98.2	-28.2	-0.16
Aviva	Insurance	22.7	436.7	4%	Neutral	8.5	5.5	51.2	-8.9	-0.16
Valeo	Autos	11.2	141.2	22%	Buy	13.1	2.5	89.3	8.5	-0.16
Danske	Banks	23.3	177.9	2%	Neutral	10.1	5.0	122.7	-6.9	-0.16
Randstad	Commercial Services	8.7	47.3	6%	Neutral	12.5	3.6	74.5	-7.5	-0.16

Source: UBS European Equity Strategy

(2) Leveraged Stock Screen

We screen for the Eurozone stocks that are most leveraged looking at: Net Debt / EBITDA. Real Estate, Transport / Infrastructure stocks, Utilities and Telcos make up the bulk of the list.

Figure 17: Eurozone stocks with highest net debt to EBITDA

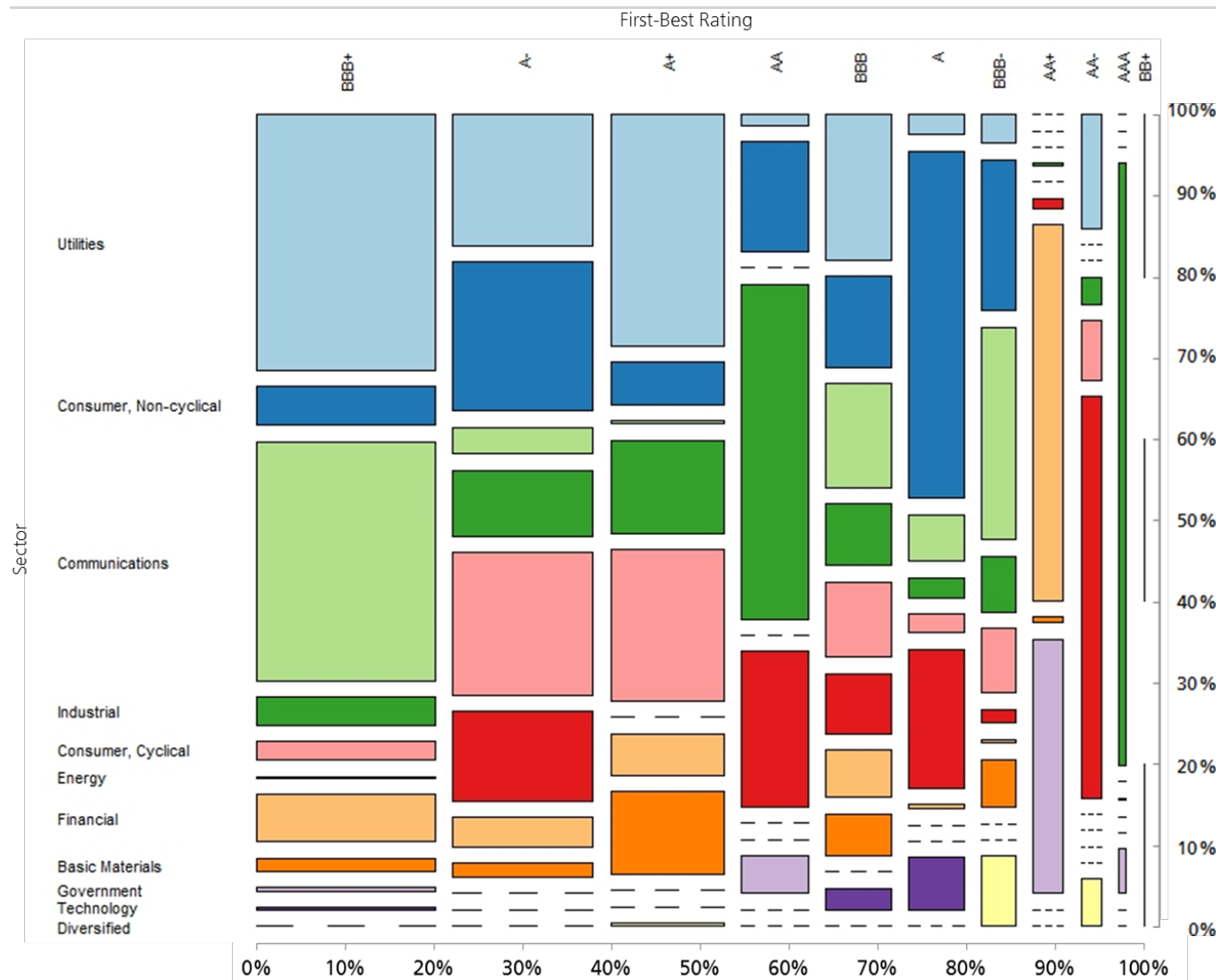
Name	Sector	Mkt Cap (EUR bn)	Price (p)	Upside to PT	UBS rating	P/E 2016	DY 2016	P/E rel to sector (%) 2016	12m relative performance (% EUR)	Net Debt to Equity 2015	Net Debt to EBITDA 2015
Klepierre	Real Estate	12.8	41.1	-3%	Neutral	18.3	4.4	88.1	6.3	96%	9.4
Unibail-Rodamco	Real Estate	23.9	237.2	-3%	Neutral	22.2	4.1	107.1	5.7	85%	8.4
Snam	Utilities	18.7	5.3	-1%	Neutral	16.7	4.7	113.8	34.1	184%	4.9
Abertis	Transportation	13.8	14.7	-1%	Buy	17.8	5.0	121.2	16.8	444%	4.7
AENA	Transportation	18.8	125.4	-1%	Buy	21.2	2.4	144.3	88.1	218%	4.5
EDP	Utilities	11.4	3.1	16%	Buy	12.1	5.9	82.6	-4.7	186%	4.5
Red Eléctrica	Utilities	10.5	77.3	2%	Neutral	16.0	4.4	108.9	26.2	237%	4.0
Telecom Italia	Telecommunications	15.5	0.9	11%	Neutral	19.5	0.0	102.1	-4.4	162%	3.5
Pernod	Beverages	25.3	95.3	7%	Neutral	18.6	2.8	77.8	-4.6	64%	3.4
Atlantia	Transportation	20.1	24.4	-4%	Neutral	20.9	3.9	142.1	15.6	166%	3.4
Telefonica	Telecommunications	45.0	9.9	42%	Buy	14.9	7.5	78.0	-9.6	230%	3.3
Iberdrola	Utilities	39.0	6.3	-1%	Neutral	16.6	4.6	113.3	28.0	46%	3.3
Veolia Environ	Utilities	11.8	21.5	2%	Neutral	20.0	3.5	136.4	25.9	102%	3.1
KPN	Telecommunications	14.3	3.4	25%	Buy	52.7	11.8	275.9	10.5	108%	2.8
Gas Natural Fenosa	Utilities	18.4	18.4	-5%	Sell	13.5	5.2	92.4	3.4	101%	2.8
Fresenius Medical	Health Care Equipment	23.4	77.8	29%	Buy	21.8	1.3	96.7	15.2	79%	2.7
Engie	Utilities	34.5	14.3	15%	Buy	14.1	6.9	96.1	-15.6	59%	2.6
Heineken	Beverages	47.0	81.6	13%	Buy	20.7	1.8	86.6	25.6	87%	2.6
Anheuser-Busch	Beverages	181.1	112.0	19%	Buy	26.8	3.3	111.8	9.1	101%	2.5
Grifols	Pharmaceuticals	10.5	19.4	-28%	Sell	17.7	1.7	105.6	25.5	109%	2.5
Fresenius SE	Health Care Equipment	34.9	64.6	8%	Buy	21.1	1.0	93.7	40.3	106%	2.5
Aéroports de Paris	Transportation	10.9	110.2	0%	Neutral	22.7	2.6	154.4	10.3	67%	2.4
Deutsche Telekom	Telecommunications	72.5	15.7	16%	Buy	18.4	3.8	96.2	6.2	162%	2.3
Kering	Consumer Durables	19.0	149.9	18%	Buy	15.9	2.8	99.1	-2.3	43%	2.3
Enel	Utilities	37.9	4.0	24%	Buy	13.5	4.5	92.1	12.2	113%	2.2
Vinci	Capital Goods	36.5	65.8	6%	Buy	15.2	3.3	91.3	32.8	82%	2.2
HeidelbergCement	Construction Materials	14.7	78.5	-3%	Neutral	16.8	1.8	97.5	26.9	35%	2.2
Siemens	Capital Goods	77.3	93.9	6%	Buy	13.6	3.8	82.1	7.4	57%	2.2
EDF	Utilities	23.2	12.5	-36%	Sell	7.2	8.8	49.3	-39.7	102%	2.1
Kerry Group	Food Products	13.7	77.9	12%	Buy	23.7	0.7	101.8	15.1	59%	2.0

Source: UBS European Equity Strategy

Appendix

Below we show the "mosaic" table from our Credit Strategy team's publication. They show the addressable market broken down by Sector and also the credit rating. The sector breakdown is slightly different from the equity sectors – right at the bottom "Government" is mostly Deutsche Bahn and "Diversified" is holding companies or venture capital.

Figure 18: CSPP eligible bonds



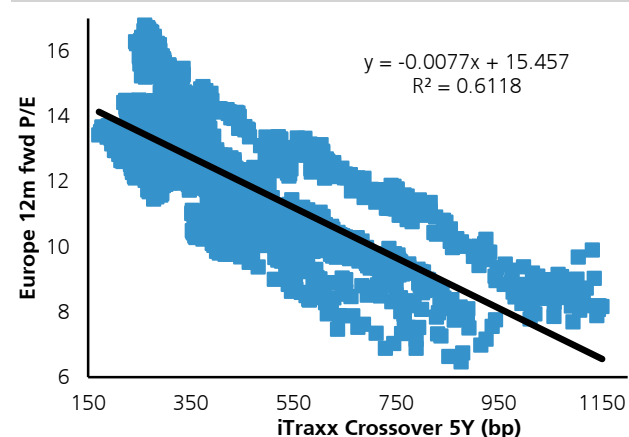
Source: UBS Global Macro Strategy, UBS Global Credit Strategy

Figure 19: Regional buyback rules

Region	Country	Regulatory restrictions on Buybacks	Tax considerations on Buybacks
North America	Canada	No shareholder approval required but buy-back limited to 10% of public float or 5% of total market share. Buyback price is capped at the most recent market price.	
	US	No shareholder approval is required and no limits on quantity or price of buybacks are in place.	Shareholder relief system - Reduced tax rates on dividends received or exclusion of a proportion of dividend income from taxation.
Europe	France	Shareholder approval is required and expires after 18 months. Buy-back quantity is limited at 10% of total market share or 25% of daily volume. Buy-back price is capped at the daily highest price.	Shareholder relief system - Reduced tax rates on dividends received or exclusion of a proportion of dividend income from taxation.
	Germany	Shareholder approval is required and expires after 18 months. Buy-back quantity is limited at 10% of total market share and the allowed price range (min and max) for buy-backs is set as part of the shareholder approval process.	Shareholder relief system - Reduced tax rates on dividends received or exclusion of a proportion of dividend income from taxation.
	Italy	Shareholder approval required and in place for 18 months. Buy-back limited to 10% of total shares or 25% of monthly volume. Buy-back price is capped at the most recent market price.	Shareholder relief system - Reduced tax rates on dividends received or exclusion of a proportion of dividend income from taxation.
	Netherlands	Shareholder approval is required and expires after 18 months. Buy-back quantity is limited at 10% of total market share and the allowed price range (min and max) for buy-backs is set as part of the shareholder approval process.	Classical corporate taxation - double taxation of corporate profits. Income, before it is distributed as dividends, is taxed at the corporate level, and later taxed again as dividend income at the individual shareholder level.
	Spain	Shareholder approval is required.	Shareholder relief system - Reduced tax rates on dividends received or exclusion of a proportion of dividend income from taxation.
	Switzerland	No shareholder approval is required. Buy-back is limited to 10% of total shares.	
	UK	Shareholder approval is required and expires after 18 months. Buy-back quantity is limited at 15% of total market share. Buy-back price is capped at 5% above the average closing price over the past 5 days.	
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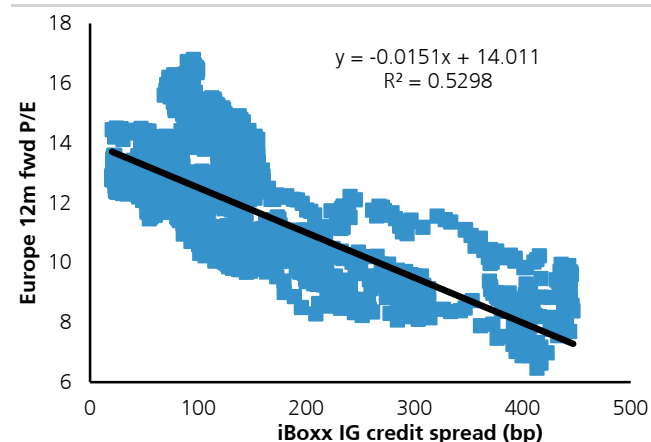
Source: Kim, Schremper and Varaiya, 2013, Survey on Open Market Repurchase Regulations, Corporate Finance Review; Manconi, Peyer and Vermaelen, 2014, Buybacks Around the World, European Corporate Governance Institute

Figure 20: Crossover CDS spreads vs P/E



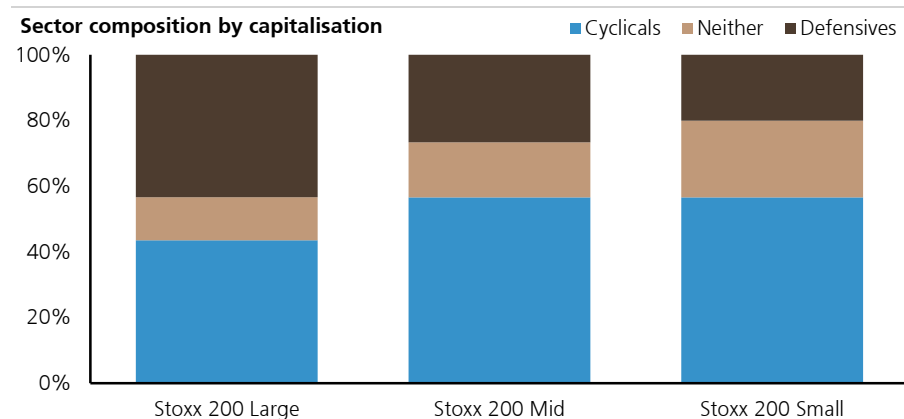
Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Figure 21: IG credit spreads vs P/E



Source: Datastream, UBS European Equity Strategy

Figure 22: Sector composition by market cap



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Aéroports de Paris ²²	ADP.PA	Neutral	N/A	€111.35	28 Apr 2016
Anheuser-Busch InBev ^{3a, 3d, 16}	ABI.BR	Buy	N/A	€112.60	28 Apr 2016
Atlantia	ATL.MI	Neutral	N/A	€24.39	28 Apr 2016
Aviva ^{5, 7, 13, 16}	AV.L	Neutral	N/A	437p	28 Apr 2016
AXA ^{5, 7}	AXAF.PA	Neutral	N/A	€22.83	28 Apr 2016
Bank of Ireland ^{2, 4, 7, 14}	BKIR.I	Neutral	N/A	€0.27	28 Apr 2016
Boliden	BOL.ST	Buy	N/A	SKr143.10	28 Apr 2016
Commerzbank ^{2, 4, 5, 7, 14}	CBKG.DE	Neutral	N/A	€8.41	28 Apr 2016
Continental	CONG.DE	Buy	N/A	€195.95	28 Apr 2016
Danske Bank ^{2, 4, 5, 7}	DANSKE.CO	Neutral	N/A	DKr177.20	28 Apr 2016
Deutsche Bank ^{2, 4, 5, 7, 16}	DBGn.DE	Neutral	N/A	€17.36	28 Apr 2016
Deutsche Telekom	DTEGn.F	Buy	N/A	€15.78	28 Apr 2016
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Engie ^{5, 7}	ENGIE.PA	Buy	N/A	€14.42	28 Apr 2016
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Faurecia	EPED.PA	Sell	N/A	€37.20	28 Apr 2016
Fiat Chrysler ^{2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 16}	FCHA.MI	Neutral	N/A	€7.33	28 Apr 2016
Fresenius Medical Care ¹⁶	FMEG.DE	Buy	N/A	€78.26	28 Apr 2016
Fresenius SE & Co KGaA	FREG.DE	Buy	N/A	€65.36	28 Apr 2016
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HeidelbergCement ¹³	HEIG.DE	Neutral	N/A	€79.00	28 Apr 2016
Heineken	HEIN.AS	Buy	N/A	€82.15	28 Apr 2016
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ProSiebenSat.1 Media SE	PSMGn.DE	Sell	N/A	€45.10	28 Apr 2016

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Renault ⁷	RENA.PA	Buy	N/A	€88.26	28 Apr 2016
Rio Tinto Plc ^{7, 16}	RIO.L	Buy	N/A	2,330p	28 Apr 2016
SEB Group ^{2, 4, 5, 7}	SEBa.ST	Neutral	N/A	SKr78.70	28 Apr 2016
Siemens ^{4, 5, 7}	SIEGn.DE	Buy	N/A	€94.27	28 Apr 2016
Snam ⁷	SRG.MI	Neutral	N/A	€5.32	28 Apr 2016
Swedbank ^{2, 4, 5, 7}	SWEDa.ST	Buy	N/A	SKr175.60	28 Apr 2016
Telecom Italia ^{1, 4, 5, 7, 16}	TLIT.MI	Neutral	N/A	€0.87	28 Apr 2016
Telecom Italia Saving shares ^{1, 4, 5, 7, 16}	TLITn.MI	Neutral	N/A	€0.70	28 Apr 2016
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ThyssenKrupp	TKAG.DE	Neutral	N/A	€20.97	28 Apr 2016
Unibail-Rodamco ^{2, 4, 5, 7}	UNBP.AS	Neutral	N/A	€238.25	28 Apr 2016
Valeo ¹³	VLOF.PA	Buy	N/A	€141.70	28 Apr 2016
Veolia Environnement	VIE.PA	Neutral	N/A	€21.67	28 Apr 2016
Vinci	SGEF.PA	Buy	N/A	€66.00	28 Apr 2016
Voestalpine AG	VOES.VI	Buy	N/A	€31.80	28 Apr 2016
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Weir ^{4, 5, 7, 14}	WEIR.L	Buy	N/A	1,213p	28 Apr 2016

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