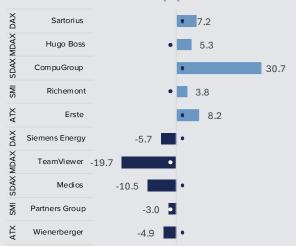


Capital Markets Weekly

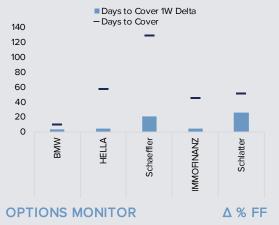
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EVENTS CALENDAR	Where	Date
Baader Helvea Swiss Conference	SG	8-Jan
Oddo Forum Lyon	LYS	9-Jan
43rd JPM Healthcare Conference	SFO	13-Jan
Oddo & Commerzbank German	NYC	13-Jan
Citi European Insurance	NYC	16-Jan
Kepler German Conference	FRA	21-Jan
ERSTE Wr Börse London	LON	30-Jan
RBI Wr Börse Zurich	ZUR	5-Feb

BEST & WORST DACH (%)



Short Interest



Barry Callebaut	Puts	6.7%
Swisscom	Puts	4.5%
Givaudan	Puts	3.5%
Tecan	Puts	2.6%

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Market wrap last week

Last week, the STOXX 600 rose modestly, gaining approximately 0.4%, reflecting resilience in European equities despite ongoing economic uncertainties. The European Central Bank cut interest rates for the fourth time this year on Thursday, bringing the main refinancing rate to a new low, and signaled openness to further easing as inflation approaches its 2% target and the broader economy continues to show signs of weakness. In contrast, U.S. equity markets had a mixed performance. While the Nasdaq Composite hit a milestone by closing above 20,000 for the first time and gained 0.3% for the week, other indices declined. The S&P 500, Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA), and Russell 2000 fell by 0.6%, 1.8%, and 2.6%, respectively, as valuation concerns weighed on stocks, and investors engaged in profit-taking. Meanwhile, U.S. Treasury yields rose sharply. The 10-year yield climbed 25 basis points to 4.40%, and the 2-year yield increased 14 basis points to 4.24%.

What you should know

Embera Partners will roll out our "market connect" series on January 9th, 2025, bringing together capital markets stakeholders on important and relevant topics. We start with a session on "AI Leadership", from a company and capital markets perspective. We are pleased to have won an absolute leader in the field, Dr. Christine Chow, a buy-side professional with more than +25years of experience in investment management. Christine has focused on AI for more than a decade and is currently Chairman of the Board of Governors of the International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN), an organization led by investors responsible for assets under management of around \$US 77 trillion from over 39 countries and territories, where AI also is a key focus area. The event is for corporate executives and members from the buy- and sell-side only. Register <a href="https://example.com/hem-example.com/

MARKET UPDATE	<u>link</u>
Porsche SE to take up to \$21 billion impairment on Volkswagen stake	ଚ
France downgraded by Moody's after Le Pen derails deficit push	ଚ
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Vanguard: How an international small cap fund is managed	Ø
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Railpen's 2025 policy: High standards for governance and ESG	Ô
Switzerland steps up climate reporting and governance standards	ල

M&A, IPO & ACTIVIST WATCH	
Stonepeak reaches deal for Carlyle's €1.5 billion Forgital	ଚ
Zalando to buy retail competitor About You	Ø
CVC to acquire CompuGroup Medical	Ø

Climate inaction could cost companies up to 25% of EBITDA by 2050

MARKETS	Close	YTD %	QTD %	P/E (T12M)	P/B
DAX	20 406	21.8%	5.6%	17.0	1.8
MDAX	26 528	-2.2%	-1.2%	15.6	1.4
SDAX	14 070	0.8%	-0.6%	17.6	1.1
SMI	11 694	8.4%	-3.9%	18.6	4.0
ATX	3 648	11.6%	-0.2%	9.5	1.0

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