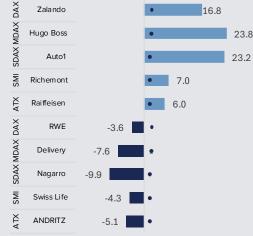


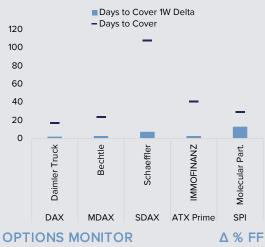
Capital Markets Weekly

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



Swisscom	Puts	2.3%
Zurich	Puts	1.8%
Tecan	Calls	1.3%

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Market wrap last week

European markets rallied despite political and economic shifts. The STOXX 600 posted its best weekly gain in 10 weeks (+0.11%), led by the DAX reaching record highs above 20,000 (+4%). French equities rebounded as political tensions eased, boosting Retail (+5.77%) and Travel & Leisure (+4.14%). UK equities lagged, with FTSE rising modestly amid cautious BoE policy signals. ECB discussions signaled a likely 25bps rate cut in December, while German economic data showed continued weakness, including a 1.0% drop in industrial production. Auto stocks gained as BMW (+10.1%) was upgraded, while Volkswagen (+3%) faced strike threats. Looking ahead, next week will bring ECB and SNB rate decisions, regional inflation updates, and earnings from British American Tobacco, Ashtead, and Inditex.

What you should know

The worlds second most influencial proxy adviser is hosting an update call in ist UK and European benchmark policies to facilite a conversation, engage with stakeholders and answer questions in relation to the recent changes to the proxy voting guidelines.

For UK and European issuers, board level diversity will be in the focus for 2025, as well as a focus on meeting formats as well as performance-based incentivization. AI was also integrated into the policy framework for the very first time exposing European boards to new challenges leading up to the 2025 AGM Season. The guideline updates can be found <u>here</u>, to register for the webinar please submit your registration <u>here</u> in order to participate and also submit questions.

MARKET UPDATE	<u>link</u>
Inflation report poses test for stocks rally as Fed meeting looms	Ø
Iron-fisted Assad under threat as Syrian rebels draw closer	ଡ
Shocked Romanians watch their country go into political meltdown	Ø

BUY-SIDE AND INVESTOR RELATIONS NEWS

BlackRock: Al, infrastructure & political fragmentation key for 2025	
Schroders: Monthly review - November, domianted by US election	
Shangai Stock Exchange and Deutsche Borse cooperation	

SUSTAINABILITY & GOVERNANCE CORNER

How investors are actually voting on sustainability?	
Morgan Stanley reports a green shift among institutional investors	
MSCI: Sustainability and climate trends to watch for 2025	Ø

M&A, IPO & ACTIVIST WATCH

ADNOC reaches threshold in acquisition of Covestro on last day	
Investors vote on Vivendi's breakup after court rejects CIAM bid	
Einhorn's Greenlight Capital suffers loss despite significant long-gains	

MARKETS	Close	YTD %	QTD %	P/E (T12M)	P/B
DAX	20 385	21.7%	5.5%	17.0	1.8
MDAX	27 311	0.6%	1.7%	16.1	1.5
SDAX	13 999	0.3%	-1.1%	17.5	1.1
SMI	11 781	9.2%	-3.2%	18.8	4.0
ATX	3 584	9.7%	-2.0%	9.3	1.0

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