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- World's widest range of equity index
 derivatives stable liquidity pools in
 EURO STOXX 50®, DAX® and
 SMI®, European equity options and
 home of the Euro interest rate
 curve
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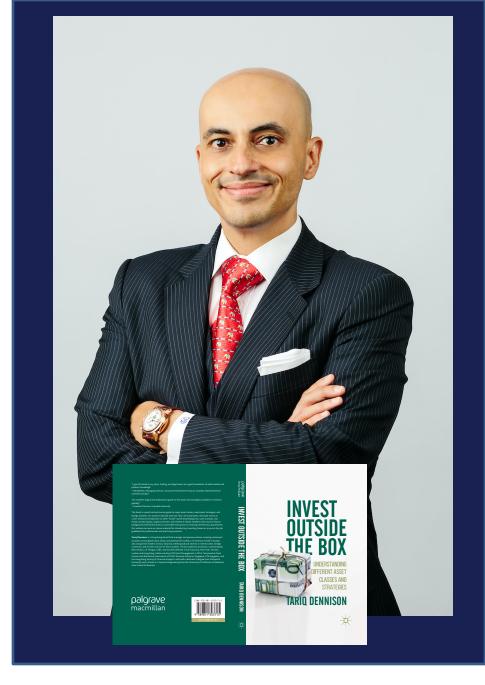
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 - Bear Stearns (NY)
 - J.P. Morgan (NY)
 - Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
 - Societe Generale (HK)
- Masters in Financial Engineering
 - University of California at Berkeley
- Lecturer at ESSEC Singapore
 - Fixed Income
 - Alternative Assets
- Focus on US-Asia corridor
- Author "Invest Outside the Box"





Fundamentals & Futures

- A Brief (Financial) History of Germany
- A look at the newly expanded 40-stock DAX®
- Introducing the new "micro" futures contracts

Strategies & Advantages

- Leverage
- Hedging / Shorting
- Spread trades
- Currency optional
- Margin offsetting, and more about Eurex



Some Key Post-1945 Dates For European Investors

1957 – Treaty of Rome establishes EEC→EU

1971 – Bretton Woods Currency Pegs Abandoned

1989 – Berlin Wall Falls

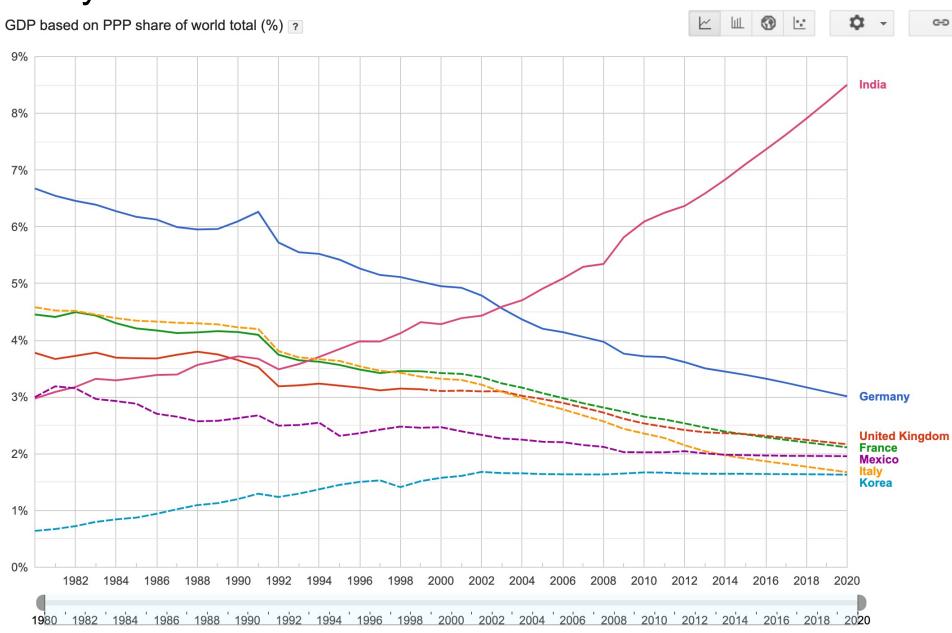
1999-2002 – Euro currency launched

2011-2012 - PIIGS Sovereign Credit Crisis

2021 - Landmark "Post-Merkel" Election



40 years of relative GDP share



Data from IMF, October 2014 WEO Last updated: Jun 19, 2018

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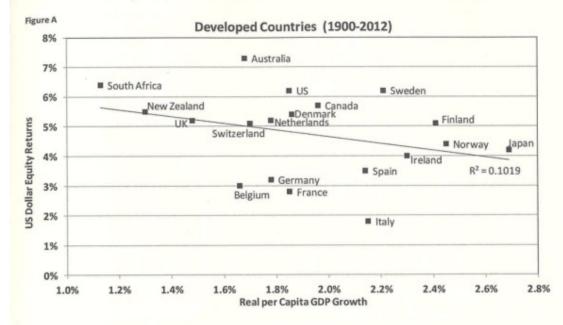
Studies Show: GDP Growth ≠ Stock Returns!

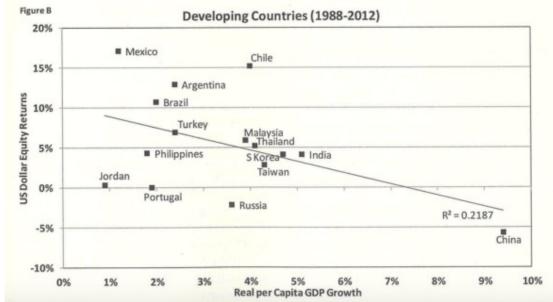
From: Stocks for the Long Run, 5th Edition By Jeremy Siegel





Dollar Returns and per Capita Real GDP Growth in Developed and Developing Economies





German Equity Returns Largely Tracked Europe's Broadly



MSCI Europe Index (net div.)

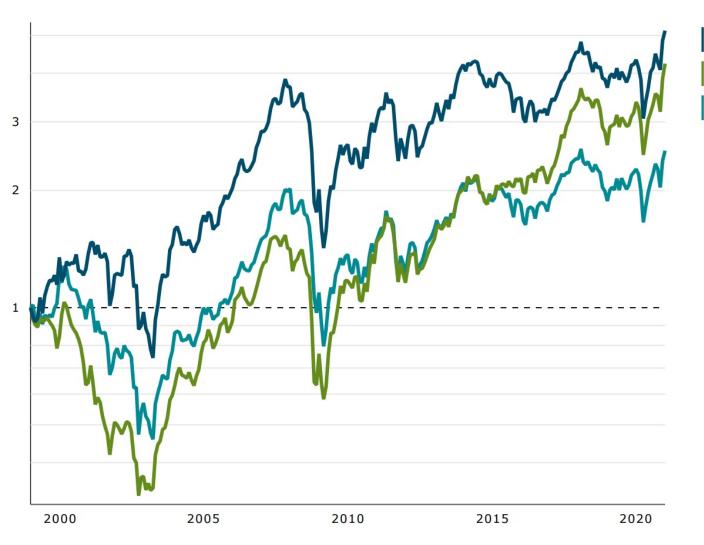
MSCI Germany Index (net div.)

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Source: MSCI, DFA

German's Size & Value Premiums Since 1999



Fama/French Germany Value Index

MSCI Germany Small Cap Index (net div.)

MSCI Germany Index (net div.)

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GFM ASSET MANAGEMENT Source: MSCI, DFA

Relative Valuation Multiples of Germany vs US/EU

Historic CAPE® Ratio by country
View the historic CAPE® ratios for some of the largest economies in the world

Select a country in the chart below to compare historic CAPE® ratios over time.

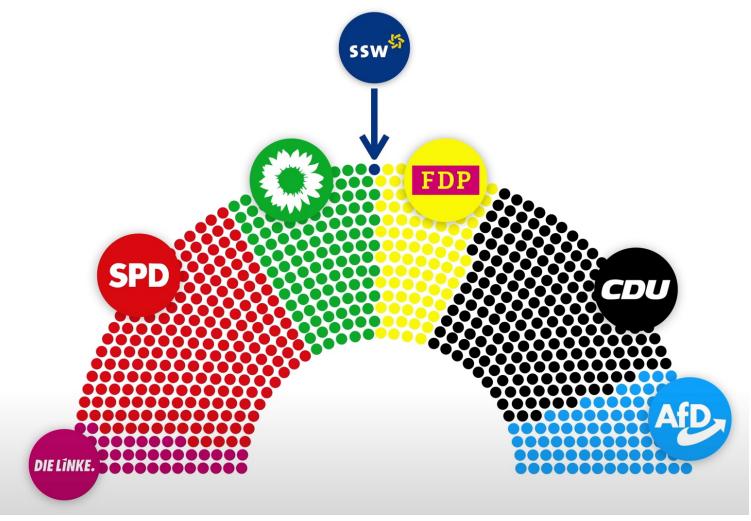


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Source: https://indices.barclays/IM/21/en/indices/static/historic-cape.app

What Might The Recent Election Impact?



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Source: https://youtu.be/6vYBydAeqUQ

Possible coalitions to watch for

POTENTIAL COALITIONS









RED-RED-GREEN COALITION

Not Enough

For Majority

Arch-rival parties, see 2017

THE GRAND COALITION

TRAFFIC LIGHT COALITION

FDP opposes SPD's wealth tax & spend + €12 min wage **JAMAICA COALITION**

Big compromises, likely climate bond

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Ticker	Name	Sector	DAX® Sep 2021	DAX® Mar 2021	MSCI Germany Sep 2021
LIN	LINDE PLC	Materials	9.65	9.6	
SAP	SAP	Information Technology	8.98	9.58	9.22
SIE	SIEMENS N AG	Industrials	7.86	9.15	8.21
ALV	ALLIANZ	Financials	5.81	7.73	5.98
AIR	AIRBUS	Industrials	4.82		
DAI	DAIMLER AG	Consumer Discretionary	4.68	5.25	4.89
BAS	BASF N	Materials	4.35	5.89	4.46
DTE	DEUTSCHE TELEKOM N AG	Communication	4.08	4.33	4.32
DPW	DEUTSCHE POST AG	Industrials	3.9	3.77	4.06
ADS	ADIDAS N AG	Consumer Discretionary	3.51	4.73	3.81
BAYN	BAYER AG	Health Care	3.37	4.57	3.45
IFX	INFINEON TECHNOLOGIES AG	Information Technology	3.37	4.06	3.47
VOW3	VOLKSWAGEN NON-VOTING PREF AG	Consumer Discretionary	2.54	3.06	2.64
MUV2	MUENCHENER RUECKVERSICHERUNGS-GESE	Financials	2.42	3.22	2.49
VNA	VONOVIA SE	Real Estate	2.01	2.56	2.18
BMW	BMW AG	Consumer Discretionary	1.94	2.2	2.05
DB1	DEUTSCHE BOERSE AG	Financials	1.87	2.2	1.99
MRK	MERCK	Health Care	1.74	1.55	1.78
DBK	DEUTSCHE BANK AG	Financials	1.65	1.99	1.69
EOAN	E.ON N	Utilities	1.64	1.65	1.82
RWE	RWE AG	Utilities	1.56	1.84	1.52
DHER	DELIVERY HERO	Consumer Discretionary	1.54	1.36	1.38
ZAL	ZALANDO	Consumer Discretionary	1.37		1.34
FRE	FRESENIUS SE AND CO KGAA	Health Care	1.23	1.32	1.29
SHL	SIEMENS HEALTHINEERS AG	Health Care	1.16		1.21
HEN3	HENKEL & KGAA PREF AG	Consumer Staples	1.03	1.31	1.08
HFG	HELLOFRESH	Consumer Discretionary	1.01		0.99
SY1	SYMRISE AG	Materials	1		1.08
SRT3	SARTORIUS PREF AG	Health Care	0.97		1.06
PAH3	PORSCHE AUTOMOBIL HOLDING PREF	Consumer Discretionary	0.94		0.96
BNR	BRENNTAG	Industrials	0.91		0.94
FME	FRESENIUS MEDICAL CARE AG	Health Care	0.88	1.03	0.93
1COV	COVESTRO AG	Materials	0.82	1.08	0.84
ENR	SIEMENS ENERGY N AG	Industrials	0.82		0.71
DWNI	DEUTSCHE WOHNEN	Real Estate	0.77	1.11	1.35
MTX	MTU AERO ENGINES HOLDING AG	Industrials	0.77	1.01	0.79
CON	CONTINENTAL AG	Consumer Discretionary	0.75	1.2	0.78
QIA	QIAGEN NV	Health Care	0.74		0.76
HEI	HEIDELBERGCEMENT AG	Materials	0.71	0.92	0.74
PUM	PUMA	Consumer Discretionary	0.7		0.75

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Some Key DAX 40 Facts

10 New Components ~14.5% of Index

All New Components are MSCI Germany Components, except for Airbus (Linde only old one)

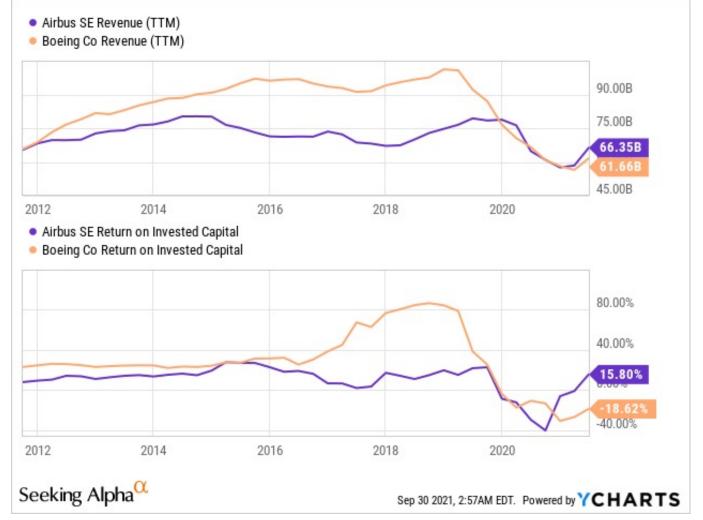
4 are Consumer Discretionary, 3 Health Care, 2 Industrials, and 1 Materials Sector (so no new Financials, Real Estate, IT, Utilities, or Staples)

2 new Siemens entities (Energy and Healthineers), together with Siemens parent, total just under 10% of the index (just more than Linde)



Quick Chart on the 4.8% Airbus vs Boeing







The next four new members, totaling 4.5%









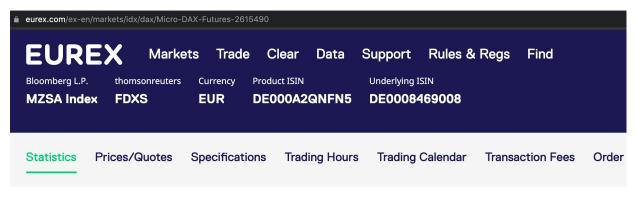
Nutrition, Flavors, Fragrances



How to use the new Micro Futures



First Remember: DAX is a TOTAL RETURN INDEX



Trading date 29.09.2021 • Last update 06.04.2020 12:00:00 AM

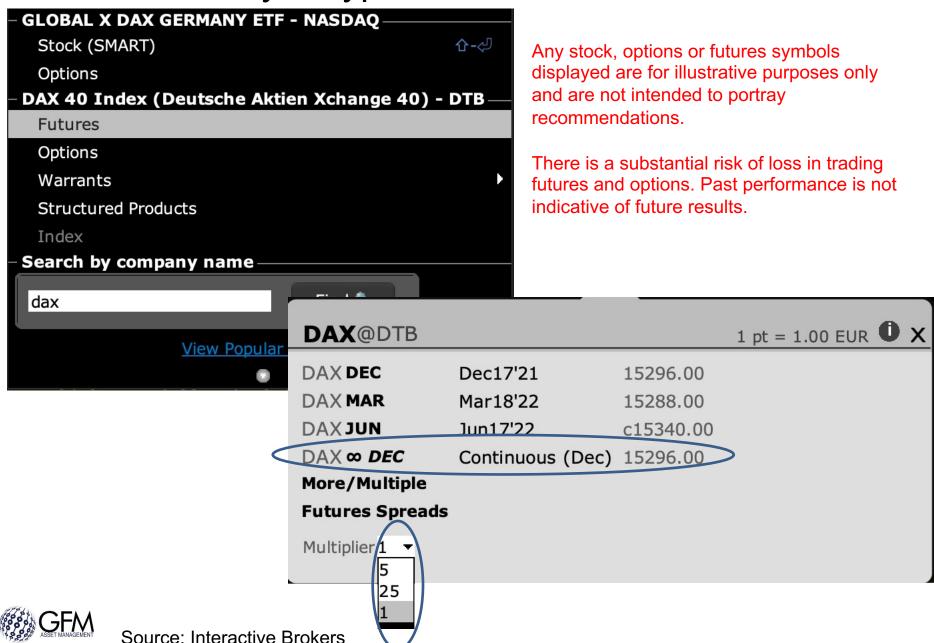
Stock exchange: Underlying closing price: **15,365.27**

Delivery month	Opening price	Daily high	Daily low	Last price	Settlem. price	Traded contracts	Open interest
Dec 21	15,254.00	15,405.00	15,221.00	15,324.00	15,339.00	19,214	3,335
Mar 22	15,339.00	15,380.00	15,289.00	15,327.00	15,322.00	11	31
Jun 22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,340.00	0	0
Total						19,225	3,366

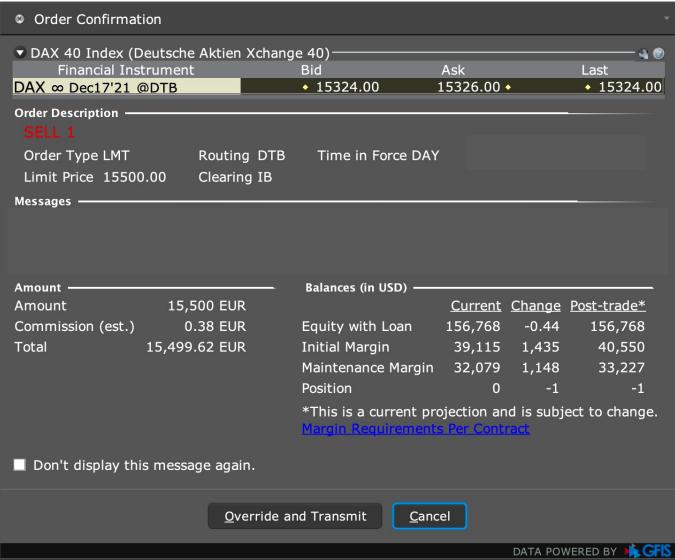
Positive "Roll Yield"



In TWS, when you type in "DAX", select:



Sample Micro DAX Order





DAX has actually been the most traded Eurex Micro

Trading Volume Stats

	Micro-DAX Futures	Micro-EURO STOXX 50	Micro-SMI Futures
Apr-21 ADV	997	298	2
May-21 ADV	2,896	1,036	14
June-21 ADV	3,169	893	29
July-21 ADV	8,523	1,046	35
Aug-21 ADV	9,249	813	30
27-Sep	14,929	1,722	21
28-Sep	30,940	3,548	44
29-Sep	19,225	2,260	56
Sep-21 ADV	16,830	1,963	48

Record Days 2021

	Volume	Record Trading Date 2021
FDXS	35,734	20/09/2021
FSXE	3,588	21/09/2021
FSMS	141	17/06/2021

Over 1mio contracts traded in these months since launch



Some Related European Futures (First 4 Micro)

DAX ∞ Dec17'21 @DTB	15319.00	x €1
ESTX50 ∞ Dec17'21 @DTB	4061.00	x €1
FTMIB ∞ Dec17'21 @IDEM	25445	x €0.2
SMI ∞ Dec17'21 @SOFFEX	11663.00	x SFr 1
V2TX ∞ Oct20'21 @DTB	23.45	x €100
GBL ∞ Dec08'21 @DTB	170.00	x €1,000



Strategy 1: Leverage Long

- Buy DAX contract to add
 ~€15,500 stock exposure
- Only fraction of €15,500 required as margin
- Financing costs, dividends, etc. all priced in (now w/ positive roll yield)
- "Roll" every 3-6 months

Vs. Buying ETF on Margin

- Roughly 100 Acc shares or 3,000 Dist shares of leading DAX ETF
- Need to fund whole
 €15,500 value or borrow
 the difference on margin,
 often at higher rates
- Buy and hold, no "roll"

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Strategy 1b: "Overlay"

- Have €15,000, want to invest in BOTH stocks and bonds
- Buy €15,000 of bonds, use as margin for one long DAX micro contract
- Fractional margins allow you to "overlap" exposures at institutional rates

Vs. Balanced Portfolio Margin

- Cash can only be invested in stocks OR bonds
- To buy €15,000 bonds +
 €15,000 stocks with only
 €15,000, must borrow
 €15,000 on margin or
 Lombard loan, often at
 higher rates
- Buy and hold, no "roll"

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Strategy 2: Hedge Declines

- Sell DAX contract to hedge decline in ~€15k of German stock exposure
- Only fraction of €15k required as margin
- Profit €1 / contract / point of decline in the index
- "Roll" every 3-6 months

Vs. Shorting ETF on Margin

- Would need to borrow shares to sell short in the cash market, and pay borrow costs
- In theory can hold short position indefinitely, but many share loans can be called by the lender
- Risk of unlimited loss no matter how you short!

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Strategy 3: Spread Trades

- Buy 4x ESTX50 (~€3,800 each) vs selling 1x DAX (~€14,800) or vice versa
- Across exchanges, can also trade 1x DAX vs 3x Micro FTSE MIB, though w/o margin offsetting
- Also vs SMI or other non-EUR denominated index
- "Roll" every 3-6 months

Risks

- Using futures for both sides of a spread trade makes it very easy and cost efficient, but also too easy to push margin limits
- Cross currency brings us to our last advantage of futures over ETFs...

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Strategy 4: Foreign Access

- USD based investor buys DAX contract to gain exposure to ~€15k of German stocks, but w/o converting USD into EUR
- Marginal P&L paid in EUR, but FX exposure on the €15k is optional
- Dividend & tax priced in
- "Roll" every 3-6 months

Vs. Buying Foreign Shares

- USD investor (or fund)
 must convert USD to
 EUR to buy Euro shares,
 hedging would be extra
- Dividends, by default, would cross borders and often subject to withholding taxes
- "Physical" vs "Synthetic"

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DAX Options on Index (Not Futures) Multiplier = 5

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© ◆ ○ DAX INDEX▼ PUT/CALLs (Side by Side)▼										15337.37 <mark>-</mark> 2	27.90 (-0.1	18%) ?	⊚ & →= ▼
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1.22K		175 • 231.	00 x 247.00 •	0.251 15.7%	250	16500	14		75 •	1431.00 x 1450.00 •	-0.749	15.5%	75



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