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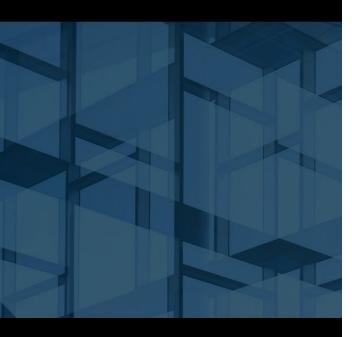
India in Your Portfolio: Practical Strategies For Global Traders via SGX GIFT Connect

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India in Your Portfolio: Practical Strategies for Global Traders via SGX GIFT Connect





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Agenda

- Introductions
- Why India is gaining global investor interest
- How SGX GIFT Connect works
- Trading Indian Index Futures, SSFs, and INR/USD FX
- Real-time trade demos using IBKR
- Free Bonus Resources something for you!
- Q&A bring your questions!



Introduction



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Jose Blasco is an expert at the intersection of AI, financial trading, and risk management, renowned for pioneering the use of advanced technologies to navigate the complexities of global markets. As the founder of Traddictiv PTE. LTD., he specializes in creating cutting-edge trading technologies that leverage machine learning and AI, significantly enhancing strategic market analysis and decision-making processes.

With a solid foundation in quantitative finance, evidenced by his Certificate in Quantitative Finance (CQF), and a broad spectrum of experience spanning financial trading and quantitative research, Jose's work embodies the fusion of technical expertise with practical financial acumen. An acclaimed educator and communicator, he has been recognized with prestigious awards for his ability to demystify complex financial and technological concepts for a global audience, fostering a deeper understanding and application of AI in finance.

Jose's multifaceted career is marked by a commitment to innovation, excellence in research and teaching, and a passion for bridging theoretical knowledge with real-world application.

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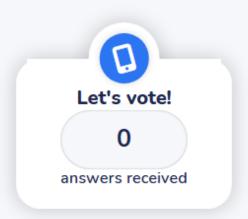
Have you ever traded Indian markets before? If so, which ones?

























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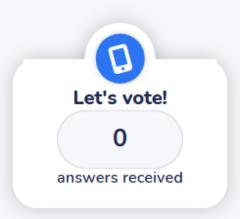
What's the biggest opportunity you see in India's markets?

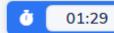
























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India vs. Other Markets

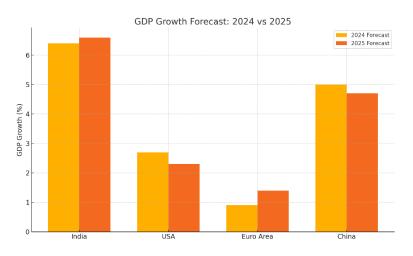
Why Now? Why India?

- India is among the fastest-growing major economies
- Attractive to global investors seeking diversification & emerging market exposure
- Accessible through SGX GIFT Connect without local tax or regulatory barriers
- Trade Indian equities and FX in USD



Key Macro Growth Drivers

- GDP Growth: Among the highest globally (6–7% range)
- Demographics: Largest youth population, growing middle class
- Infrastructure Push: Manufacturing, digital services, logistics
- Policy Reforms: Digitization, FDI-friendly environment (FDI: Foreign Direct Investment)
- Market Depth: Expanding capital markets, broad sector exposure



Sources: Averaging forecasts from IMF, World Bank, Reserve Bank of India, Ministry of Finance (India), European Commission, U.S. Congressional Budget Office & BEA, and National Bureau of Statistics of China



How Indian Equities Differ

Feature	India via SGX	U.S. / EU	China	
Currency	USD	USD / EUR	CNY	
Growth Focus	Emerging, high growth	Mature	Slowing, policy-driven	
Foreign Investor Access Seamless via SGX		Direct, but jurisdictional steps	Often restricted or gated	
Tax Treatment	No Securities Transaction Tax (STT)	Potential tax on gains & withholdings	X Tax + capital controls	
Dividends / Interest Tax	No local withholding via SGX	Withholding tax in many cases	Withholding & repatriation risk	
Short Selling	Easy via SSFs	X Possible, but often restricted or regulated	X Often disallowed	
Sector Strengths	IT, Financials, Pharma, Infra	Tech, Industrials, Consumer	Tech, SOEs	
Trading Hours	Covers Asia, EU, U.S. sessions	Mostly regular hours	Limited to regional hours	

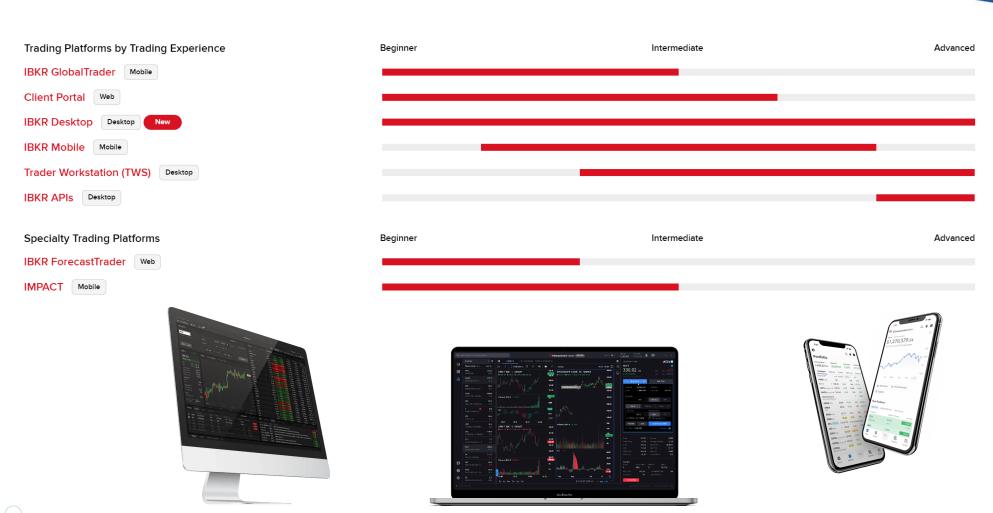


Appeal for Global Traders

- USD-denominated contracts No INR exposure required
- No STT / capital gains tax via SGX GIFT
- Healthy liquidity in GIFT Nifty & top Indian SSFs
- Extended trading hours across Asia, Europe, U.S.
- High volatility names tactical and hedgeable

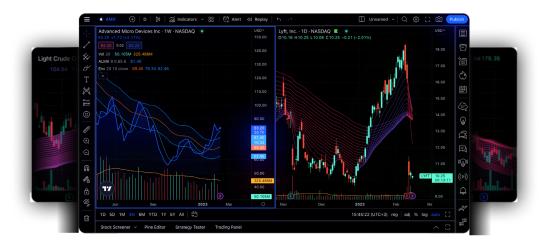


IBKR Platforms

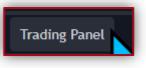




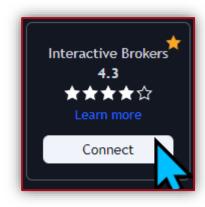
IBKR + TradingView



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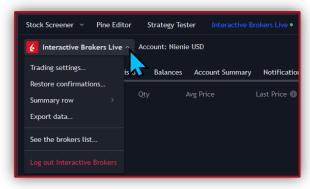
2. Select Interactive Brokers



3.
Enter your
Credentials
and Verify
your Identity



The Trading Panel has now changed to IBKR Live





What Is GIFT Connect?

- SGX-NSE IX integration via GIFT City (Gujarat International Finance Tec-City)
- SGX orders routed to NSE IX for execution
- Clearing and settlement is directly handled by SGX's own clearinghouse (SGX-DC).
- No onshore registration, no algo-certification, no STT
- USD-denominated contracts, no INR exposure required
- Extended trading hours: Asia, Europe, U.S. coverage



GIFT Nifty Futures & Options

Key Products Traded on SGX GIFT via NSE IX:

- GIFT Nifty 50 Index Futures & Options
- GIFT Nifty Bank, IT, and Financial Services Indices
- USD-denominated, cash-settled
- 20+-hour trading with high liquidity
- No STT / capital gains tax
- Same-day clearing via SGX-DC





Contract Specs

Market	Root	Expirations	Tick	Tick Value	Closed	Hours*	Margin
NIFTY FUTURES & OPTIONS	NIFTY	3 monthly + 3 quarterly contracts	0.50	\$1	2h40' per day	9a-6:10p + 7:05p-5:15a	\$2,875.02 per contract

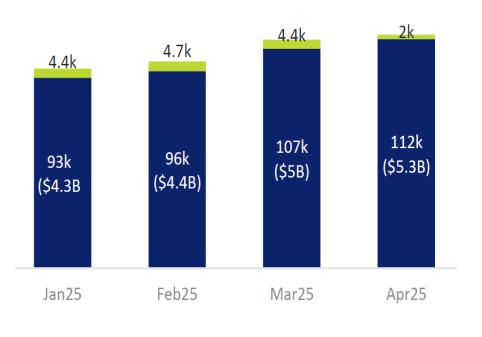
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GIFT Nifty Derivatives DAV, lots





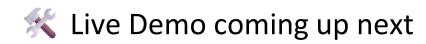






Use Cases for Nifty

- Directional Trades
 - Express bullish or bearish views on India's market
 - Take positions with leverage and liquidity
- Hedging Exposure
 - Hedge local equity or ETF positions
 - Use options to manage risk premiums
- Spread or Arbitrage Strategies
 - Calendar spreads, basis trades
 - Cross-index hedging (e.g. Nifty vs. S&P or MSCI EM)



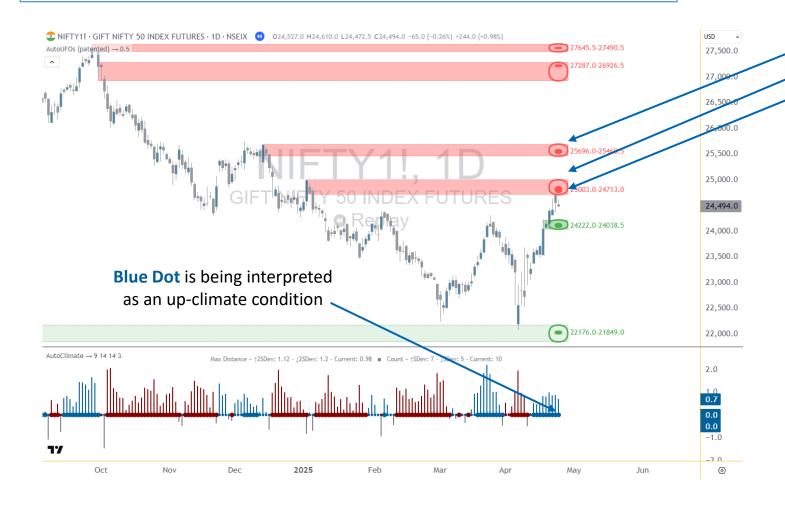


Platform Walkthrough

- How to find GIFT Nifty Products on IBKR
- How to interpret contract specs (symbol, tick size, margin, etc.)
- Place a sample long/short trade
- Monitor margin impact and execution details



Trade Example (I)



Direction: Long **Target**: 24713.0

Entry-Price: 24222.0 **Stop-Loss**: 24038.5



Market: SGX GIFT NIFTY

Point Value: \$2/point = \$1/tick

Entry Strategy:

 Buy at a UFO support in the context of an up-climate.

Exit Strategy:

- Exit at a UFO resistance
- Stop Loss: Below the buy zone

Timeframe: Daily



Trade Example (II)





Single Stock Futures (SSFs)

- Trade USD-denominated SSFs on 49 top Indian stocks
- Includes names like HDFC Bank, Infosys, Reliance, ICICI Bank
- No physical settlement 100% cash-settled
- Cross-margin benefits with GIFT Nifty Index Futures



Contract Specs

Market	Root	Expirations	Tick	Tick Value**	Hours*	Margin**
49 Top Indian Stocks	49 tickers	3 nearest consecutive months	0.05	\$0.05 x Multiplier	8:55a-6:15p	Varies per contract

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No.	SGX India Single Stock Futures	SGX Ticker Symbol	No.	SGX India Single Stock Futures	SGX Ticker Symbol	No.	SGX India Single Stock Futures	SGX Ticker Symbol	No.	SGX India Single Stock Futures	SGX Ticker Symbol
1	Adani P & S Eco Zone Futures	ZADS	14	Eicher Motors Futures	ZEIM	27	Infosys Futures	ZINF	40	Tata Consult Svc Futures	ZTCS
2	Ambuja Cements Futures	ZACE	15	GAIL India Futures	ZGAI	28	ITC Futures	ZITD	41	Tata Motors Futures	ZTTM
3	Asian Paints Futures	ZAPN	16	HCL Technologies Futures	ZHCL	29	Kotak Mahindra Bank Futures	ZKMB	42	Tata Steel Futures	ZTAT
4	Aurobindo Pharma Futures	ZARB	17	HDFC Bank Futures	ZHDB	30	Larsen & Toubro Futures	ZLT	43	Tech Mahindra Futures	ZTEC
5	Axis Bank Futures	ZAXS	18	Hero MotoCorp Futures	ZHMC	31	Lupin Futures	ZLPC	44	UltraTech Cement Futures	ZUTC
6	Bajaj Auto Futures	ZBJA	19	Hindalco Industries Futures	ZHND	32	Mahindra & Mahindra Futures	ZMM	45	UPL Futures	ZUPL
7	Bajaj Finance Futures	ZBAF	20	Hindustan Petroleum Corp Futures	ZHPC	33	Maruti Suzuki India Futures	ZMSI	46	Vedanta Futures	ZVED
8	Bharat Petroleum Corp Futures	ZBPC	21	Hindustan Unilever Futures	ZHUV	34	NTPC Futures	ZNTP	47	Wipro Futures	ZWPR
9	Bharti Airtel Futures	ZBHA	22	ICI CI Bank Futures	ZICI	35	Oil & Natural Gas Corp Futures	ZONG	48	Yes Bank Futures	ZYES
10	Bosch Futures	ZBOS	23	Sammaan Futures	ZIHF	36	Power Grid Corp of India Futures	ZPW G	49	Zee Entertainment Ent Futures	ZZEE
11	Cipla Ltd India Futures	ZCIP	24	Indian Oil Corp Futures	ZIOC	37	Reliance Industries Futures	ZRILA			
12	Coal India Futures	ZCOA	25	Indus Towers Futures	ZBHI	38	State Bank of India Futures	ZSBI			
13	Dr Reddy's Laboratories Futures	7DRR	26	IndusInd Bank Futures	ZIIB	39	Sun Pharm Ind Futures	ZSUN			



Healthy Liquidity





Use Cases for Indian SSFs

- Go Long or Short Individual Stocks
 - Easily short Indian Scripts no need to borrow shares
 - No short-sell restrictions (common in other jurisdictions)
- Sector Rotation Trades
 - Use SSFs to pivot between IT, banks, energy, etc.
- Event-Based Trades
 - Trade earnings, policy news, or corporate actions
- Leverage, no delivery risk, and no tax drag.



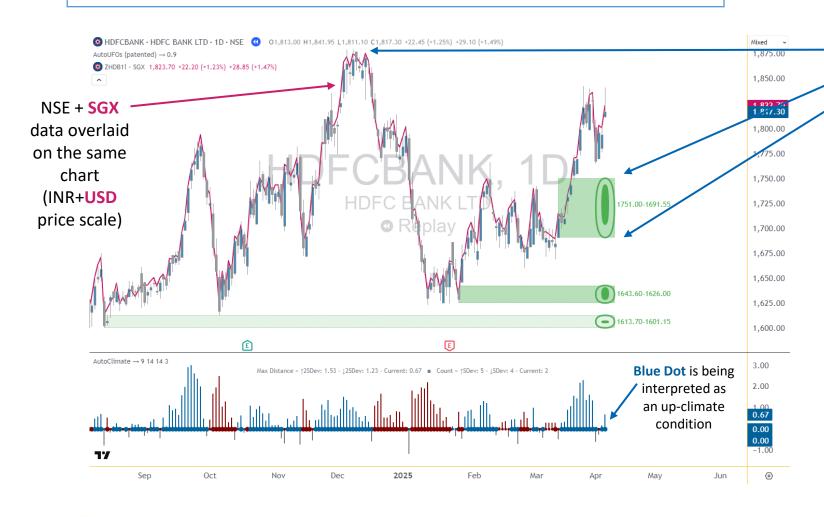


Platform Walkthrough

- How to find SGX-traded Indian Stocks on IBKR
- How to interpret contract specs (symbol, tick size, margin, etc.)
- Place a sample long/short trade
- Monitor margin impact and execution details



Trade Example (I)



Direction: Long **Target**: 1876.05

Entry-Price: 1763.00 **Stop-Loss**: 1690.25



<u>Market</u>: SGX GIFT HDFCBANK <u>Point Value</u>: \$20/point = \$1/tick

Entry Strategy:

 Buy at a UFO support in the context of an up-climate.

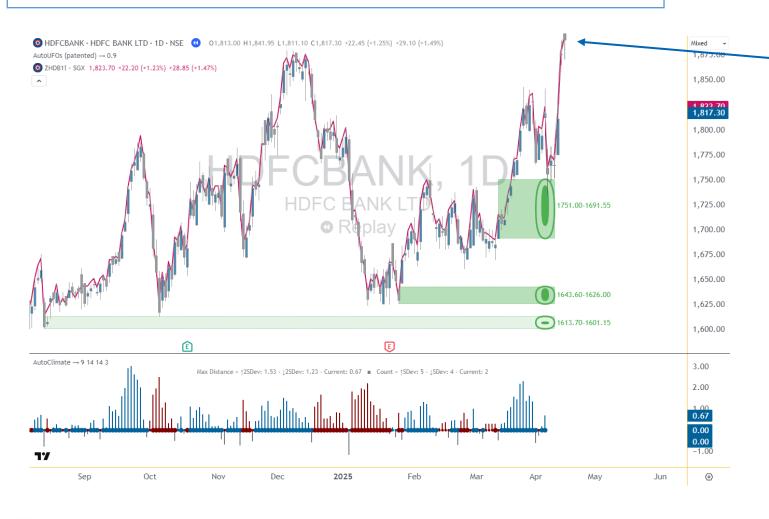
Exit Strategy:

- Exit at all-time high resistance
- Stop Loss: Below the buy zone

Timeframe: Daily



Trade Example (II)



Target: Reached at 1876.05

End-Result: 9-day trade

Distance travelled: 113.05 points

Profit*: \$2,261 (USD) per contract

113.05 points (1876.05-1763.00) x \$20/point

Risk*: \$1,455 (USD) per contract

72.75 points (1763.00-1690.25) x \$20/point

R:R Ratio: 1.55 : 1

Required Margin*: \$6,768.89

ROM: 33.40% in 9 days

Margin Requirements Per Contract More
Initial (long) 6768.89 USD
Maintenance (long) 5867.33 USD
Initial (short) 6747.43 USD
Maintenance (short) 5867.33 USD



INR/USD FX Futures

- Record-breaking liquidity
- 21+-hour trading Asia, EU, U.S. overlap
- No INR capital restrictions or tax complications
- Fine tick resolution with tight spreads
- Ideal for hedging INR exposure from equity positions or making standalone FX trades



Contract Specs

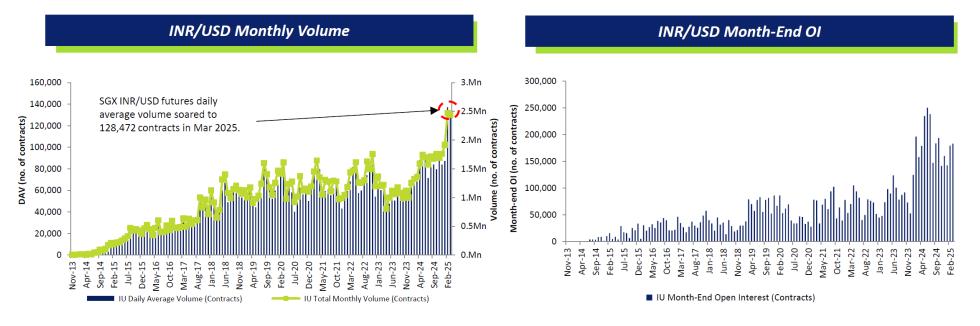
Market	Root	Expirations	Tick	Tick Value	Closed	Hours*	Margin
INR/USD FUTURES	IU	12 monthly	0.010	\$2	2h25' per day	7:25a-7:35p + 7:50p-5:15a	\$2,688.35 per contract

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Healthy Liquidity



Source: SGX



Use Cases for INR/USD

- Hedge Exposure
 - Manage currency risk from India equity exposure
 - Hedge remittances, asset allocations, or INR flows
- Directional FX Trading
 - Trade macro trends tied to U.S. Fed, Indian monetary policy, inflation
- Portfolio Diversification
 - Use INR/USD alongside other Asian FX pairs (CNH, KRW)
 - Express currency views in a USD-regulated venue



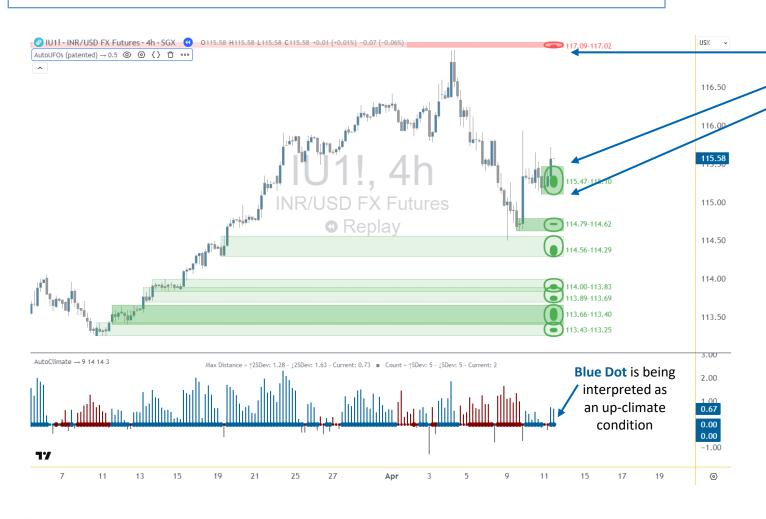


Platform Walkthrough

- How to find the SGX-traded INR/USD on IBKR
- How to interpret contract specs (symbol, tick size, margin, etc.)
- Place a sample long/short trade
- Monitor margin impact and execution details



Trade Example (I)



Direction: Long **Target**: 117.02

Entry-Price: 115.47

Stop-Loss: 115.10



Market: SGX GIFT INR/USD

Point Value: \$200/point = \$2/tick

Entry Strategy:

• Buy at a UFO support in the context of an up-climate.

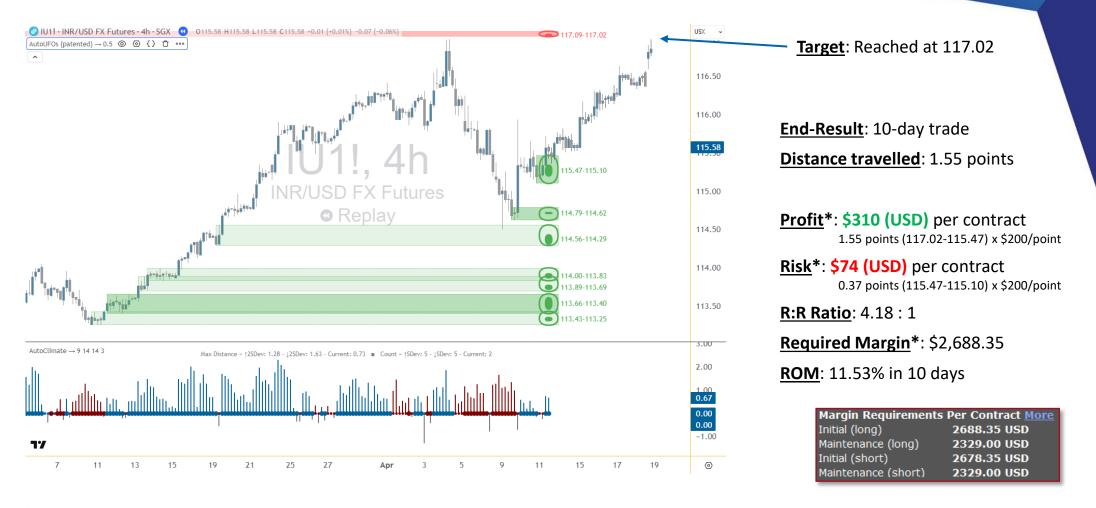
Exit Strategy:

- Exit at a UFO resistance
- Stop Loss: Below the buy zone

<u>Timeframe</u>: 4-hour bars



Trade Example (II)





Live Demonstration

- Using TradingView to plan trades, assess risk and execute
- Executing orders with Interactive Brokers (TWS/IBKR Desktop)
- Showcasing trades with risk management in action
- Easy access!
 No additional setup required for SGX GIFT products.





Additional Resources



Step 1: Watch video-lessons (all styles, all assets)

Go to www.youtube.com/@tradewithufos and join our channel





Step 2: Activate AutoClimate™ for TradingView for free

Go to <u>Stradewithufos.com/basket/?apply_coupon=ibkr-climate_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_the_steps_and_follow_t</u>



Interactive Q&A



- Clarify concepts discussed in the webinar
- Address platform-related queries (TradingView or IBKR)

