SPDR Spotlight

Prepare for Euro 2024

The Lead

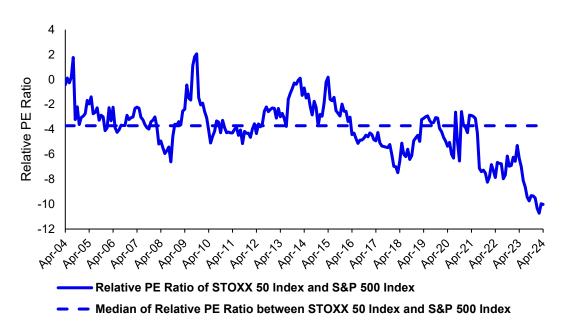
- Driven by the continued strength of the US Tech sector, the US share in the MSCI World Index continues to hover near all-time highs of 70%, which increases the benefit of seeking additional diversification through increased exposure through Eurozone equities
- While US inflation surprised to the upside for three straight months, potentially delaying
 the first rate cut by the Fed, the ECB has shown more confidence on the disinflation
 trends in the Eurozone, signaling a rate cut in June
- Eurozone equities' valuations relative to US are at record lows (see chart below), which might potentially reverse as value and cyclical exposures gain momentum

The Takeaway

Despite the region's weaker growth than the US and the ongoing Russian-Ukraine war, Eurozone equities' relative valuations look attractive given expectations for the ECB to frontrun the Fed in interest rate cuts coupled with early signs of an economic turnaround. Steady employment and strong real wage gains have boosted consumer income, potentially lifting consumer spending and supporting economic recovery for the rest of this year. To improve equity portfolio diversification and position for a potential economic recovery in the Eurozone, consider an allocation to SPDR® Euro Stoxx 50® ETF (FEZ) which tracks an Index consisting of some of the largest companies in the region. Furthermore, relative valuations in the Eurozone are expected to receive a boost from the ECB's rate-cuts where inflation has moderated as expected, unlike in the US.

Chart of the Week

Relative value of the PE Ratio between STOXX 50 Index and S&P 500 Index is in its 99th percentile



Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P., 04/12/2004 to 04/12/2024. Past Performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance

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				Annualized						
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FEZ	SPDR® EURO STOXX 50 ETF (NAV)	4.12	10.25	20.40	8.78	10.53	5.11	6.91	10/15/2002	0.29
FEZ	SPDR® EURO STOXX 50 ETF (MKT)	3.90	10.12	20.34	8.90	10.57	5.11	6.79		-

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