

Best Ideas Equities Switzerland

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Accelleron



Company Portrait

Accelleron is the former turbocharger business of ABB, which was listed on the stock exchange via a spin-off in early October 2022. The company is a provider of turbocharger technology and engine optimisation solutions, especially for large engines for the marine and power generation industries. Accelleron contributes to sustainable propulsion in the marine, power, rail and off-highway industries. In particular, the company focuses on the defensive service business, which leads to a high-margin business model. The company is also characterised by a attractive dividend policy.

VP Bank Sustainability Score



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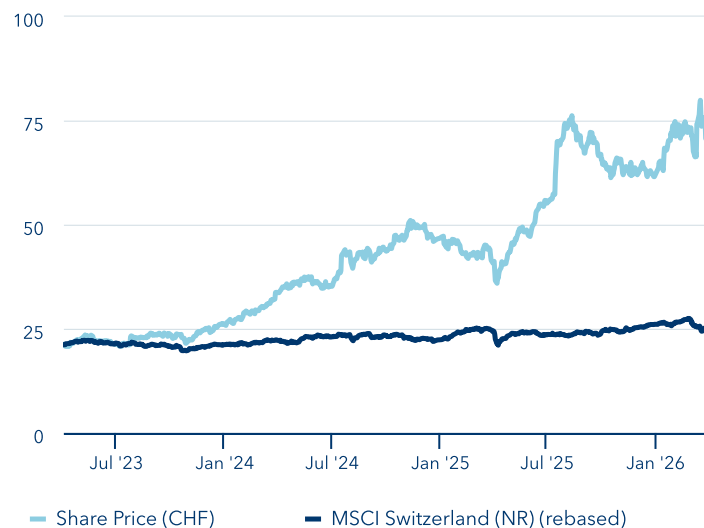
Price	84.10
Market Cap in bn	7.9
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	35.2
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	31.5
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	18.4
Dividend yield 2026 in %	1.8
ISIN	CH1169360919
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Industrials

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	408.4
YTD	36.6
Last 6 months	28.6
*Inception date:	26.10.2022

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Defensive character with 75% of revenue from service business.
- High dividend payout of up to 100% of net income.
- Further potential from demand for energy efficiency and new niches.
- Part of our Best Idea **Infrastructure stocks for the portfolio**



Company Portrait

BKW is an international energy and infrastructure company and offers integrated solutions in the areas of energy, buildings and infrastructure. The company stands for sustainable energy production, resource-conserving infrastructure and environmentally friendly buildings. BKW focuses on wind, water and photovoltaics.

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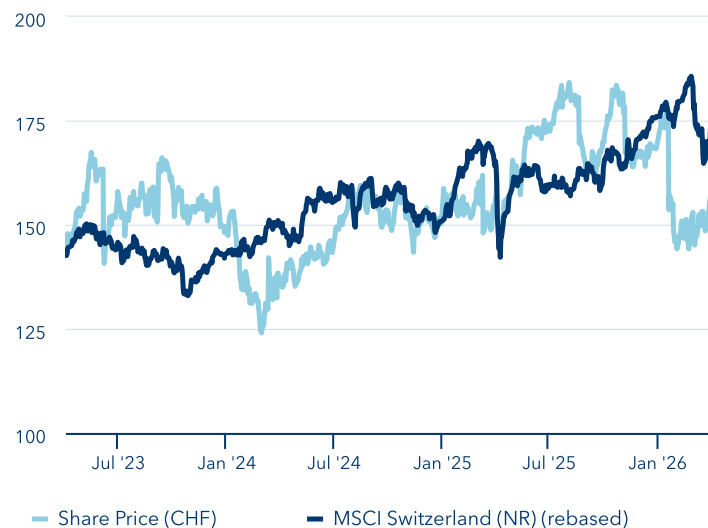
Price	160.30
Market Cap in bn	8.5
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	17.8
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	21.0
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	1.5
Dividend yield 2026 in %	2.5
ISIN	CH0130293662
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Utilities

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	40.4
YTD	-4.8
Last 6 months	-10.3
*Inception date:	20.09.2022

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Investments in renewable energies of up to one billion Swiss francs.
- Strong positioning in secular themes such as wind, hydro and solar.
- Part of our Best Idea **Security in a world full of threats**

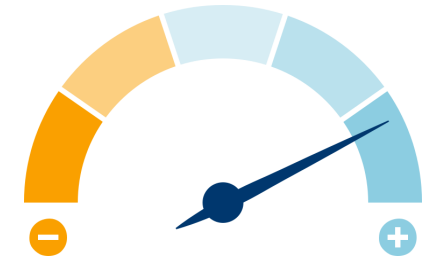
Galenica

Buy 

Company Portrait

Galenica is the market leader in the Swiss pharma distribution and retail market with a market share of around 40 % in retail, 45 % in wholesale and 60 % market share in pre-wholesale. Galenica generates the vast majority (around 99 %) of its revenues in Switzerland, where it offers health, beauty and wellbeing services & products.

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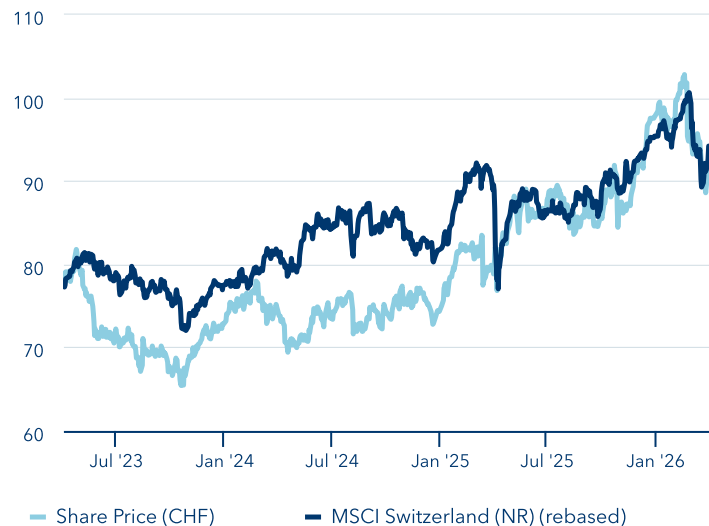
Price	84.35
Market Cap in bn	4.2
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	21.7
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	20.0
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	2.6
Dividend yield 2026 in %	3.0
ISIN	CH0360674466
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Health Care

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	144.2
YTD	-11.2
Last 6 months	2.8
*Inception date:	13.04.2017

Performance



Key Takeaways

- The market leader in the Swiss pharma distribution and retail market.
- Offers a more defensive, yet interesting, investment opportunity - an expected dividend growth of 5% annually.
- Despite its rich valuation, Galenica remains one of our favorite defensive stocks to own in the current highly uncertain environment.
- Part of our Best Idea [The appeal of small- and mid-cap stocks](#)

Company Portrait

Holcim was created in 2015 through the merger of the two largest cement manufacturers in the world, Lafarge and Holcim. The company has around 48,000 employees and is active in around 70 countries. In addition to cement, concrete and aggregates, the company also sells other building material products, such as for roof constructions, via the Solutions & Products segment. The company relies not only on its own research and development, but above all on the acquisition of companies, particularly in the Solutions & Products segment.

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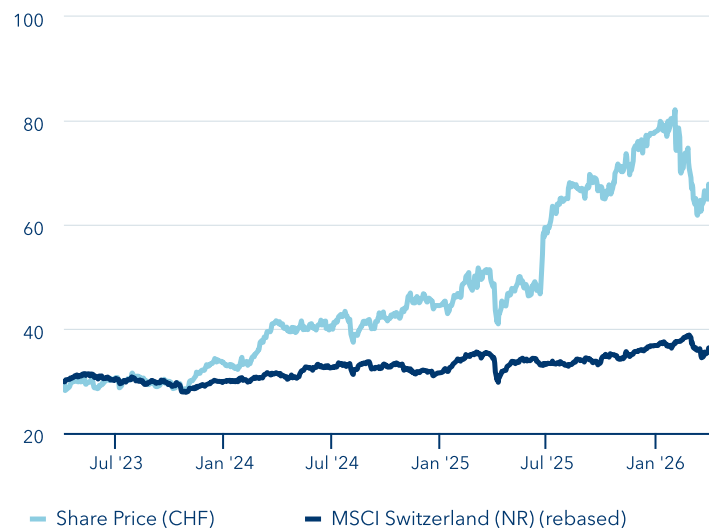
Price	72.94
Market Cap in bn	41.3
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	19.5
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	17.0
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	2.5
Dividend yield 2026 in %	2.6
ISIN	CH0012214059
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Materials

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	252.7
YTD	-6.2
Last 6 months	1.8
*Inception date:	15.01.2013

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Holcim continues to report solid results significantly above market expectations.
- Despite short-term economic weakness, structural demand growth remains intact.
- The company maintains a compelling dividend policy.
- Part of our Best Idea Infrastructure stocks for the portfolio

Huber + Suhner

Buy 

Company Portrait

Huber + Suhner is a global supplier of components and systems for electrical and optical connectivity to the communication-, transportation- and industrial markets. The company provides technical expertise throughout the entire value chain in three different technologies of radio frequency, fiber optics and low frequency. H+S services mostly niche markets that are highly fragmented and mission-critical. The company is mainly active in EMEA (approx. 55% of sales) and the Asia-Pacific region (approx. 27%). Important growth initiatives initiated by the company can be found in the areas of aerospace and defense as well as artificial intelligence.

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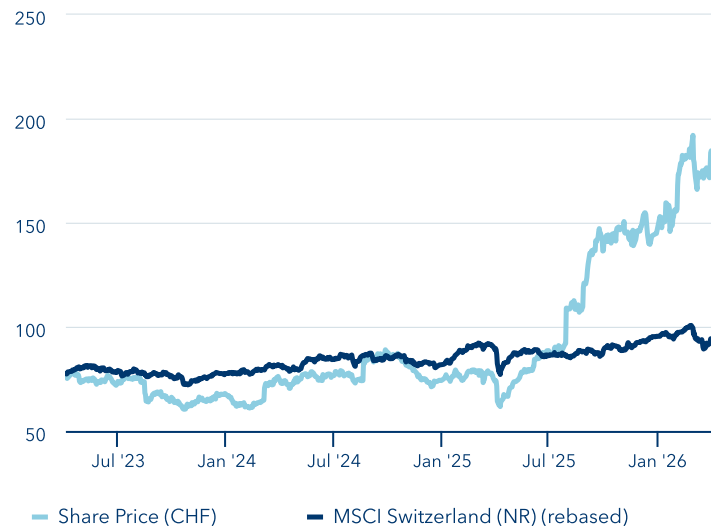
Price	218.50
Market Cap in bn	4.2
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	41.8
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	32.9
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	5.5
Dividend yield 2026 in %	1.1
ISIN	CH0030380734
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Industrials

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	231.6
YTD	52.6
Last 6 months	50.7
*Inception date:	13.08.2020

Performance



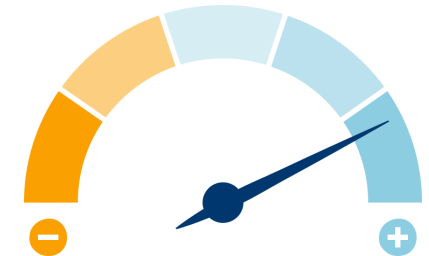
Key Takeaways

- Together with a global presence and one-stop shop solutions, the company positions itself as an ideal partner for major customers.
- Important growth initiatives can be found in the areas of aerospace and defence as well as artificial intelligence.
- Thanks to its broad diversification, the company is able to offset weaknesses in individual business areas with strengths in others.
- Part of our Best Idea **Infrastructure stocks for the portfolio**

Company Portrait

Kardex is a Swiss provider of intralogistics solutions for automated storage, retrieval and material flow systems with around 2,100 employees worldwide. Its two segments, Automated Products (67% of sales) and Standardised Systems (33%), offer products and services. By focusing on this specialised area of logistics, the company is ideally positioned for the increasing automation of warehouse solutions. In addition, potential relocations of production from Asia to the US and Europe, as well as the establishment of local supply chains, are driving demand.

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Stock and Price Data

Price	274.50
Market Cap in bn	2.1
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	26.3
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	22.9
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	7.4
Dividend yield 2026 in %	2.5
ISIN	CH0100837282
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Industrials
Small Cap	Yes

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance



Performance in %

Since inception*	9.6
YTD	-0.7
Last 6 months	-7.9
*Inception date:	16.03.2026

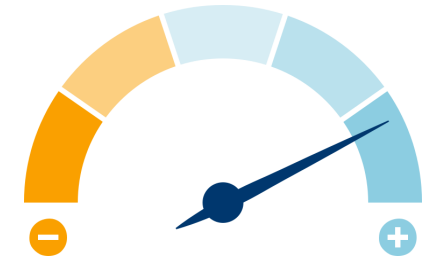
Key Takeaways

- Beneficiary of megatrends such as reshoring and labour shortages
- High and steadily growing service share, which increases resilience
- Growth through partnerships with companies such as Autostore
- Part of our Best Idea The appeal of small- and mid-cap stocks

Company Portrait

Lonza is one of the world's leading producers of active pharmaceutical ingredients. Lonza's broad capabilities span across biologics, small molecules, bioconjugates, and cell and gene therapies. The company manage projects from pre-clinical stage through to commercialization, and its expertise covers both drug substance and drug product. Lonza is well recognized for its reliable, high-quality services, regulatory track record, global footprint, and innovative technology platforms.

VP Bank Sustainability Score



Stock and Price Data

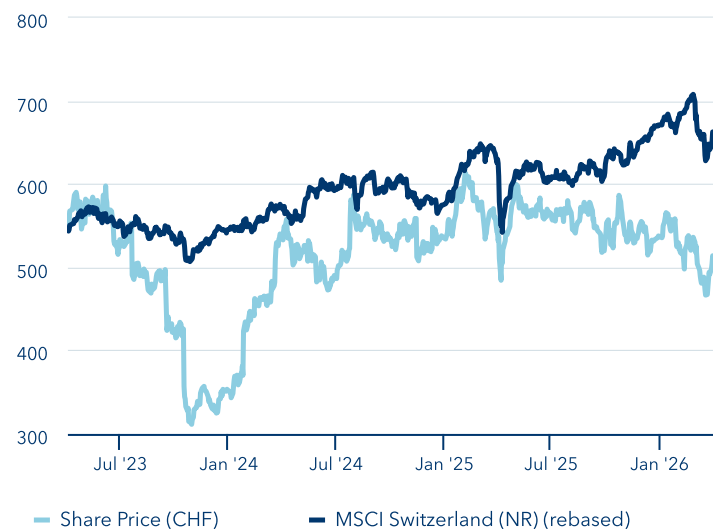
Price	482.70
Market Cap in bn	33.9
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	27.2
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	22.6
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	3.7
Dividend yield 2026 in %	1.1
ISIN	CH0013841017
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Health Care

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	44.5
YTD	-10.2
Last 6 months	-14.7
*Inception date:	20.08.2019

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Diversified customer base limiting impact of single customers.
- Outsourcing trends provide additional growth opportunities.
- High-margin business model with core EBITDA margins in the CDMO segment of around 30%.
- Part of our Best Idea **Security in a world full of threats**

Medacta

Buy 

Company Portrait

Medacta is a Swiss medical technology company with over 1,500 employees and headquarters in Castel San Pietro (Ticino). The company specialises in the manufacture of prostheses for joints such as hips and knees as well as treatment methods for spinal injuries and is active worldwide. First off, Medacta benefits from demographic change, which is characterised by an increase in older people and a longer lifespan, and secondly from its own technology, which sets it apart from the competition. By training doctors in the use of its own products, Medacta is also building long-term customer loyalty.

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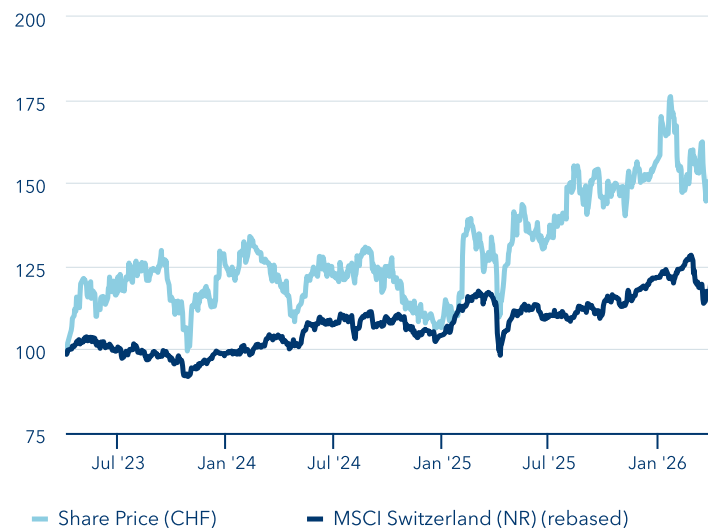
Price	146.00
Market Cap in bn	2.9
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	30.8
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	26.8
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	5.9
Dividend yield 2026 in %	0.7
ISIN	CH0468525222
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Health Care

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	19.9
YTD	-6.6
Last 6 months	-0.1
*Inception date:	22.03.2024

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Medacta's products have a technological edge and long-term cost advantages
- Orthopaedics is predestined to benefit from the aging trends in developed countries
- High double-digit annual growth rates and high profitability
- Part of our Best Idea The appeal of small- and mid-cap stocks

Novartis

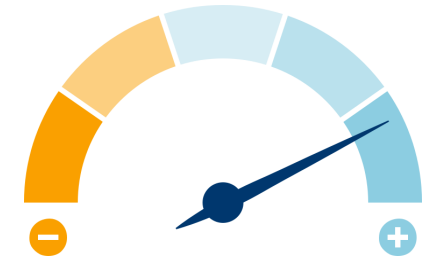
Buy



Company Portrait

Novartis is a Swiss pharmaceutical company specialising in innovative medicines (pharmaceuticals and oncology). The key areas of pharmaceuticals are cardiology, immunology and oncology. The Group was undergoing reorganisation until 2024. Following the divestments of the vaccines, animal health, eye care (Alcon) and generics (Sandoz) businesses, Novartis is now building platforms for transformational technologies such as gene and cell therapies.

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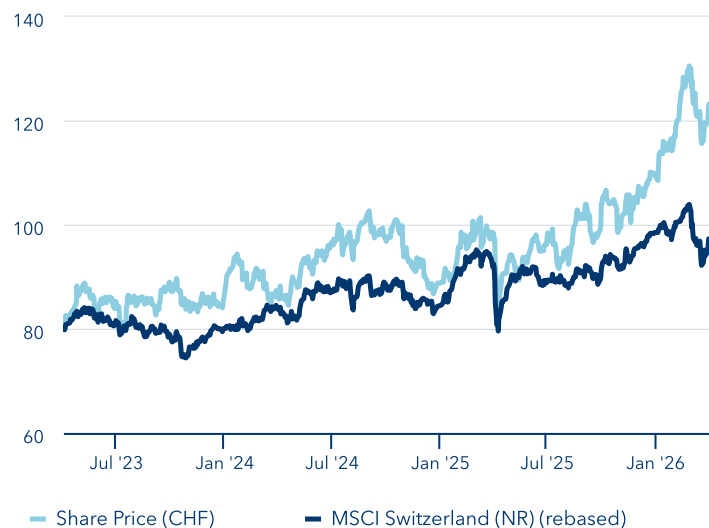
Price	114.72
Market Cap in bn	233.4
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	16.4
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	14.9
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	6.0
Dividend yield 2026 in %	3.0
ISIN	CH0012005267
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Health Care

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	344.3
YTD	7.8
Last 6 months	20.0
*Inception date:	04.03.2011

Performance



Key Takeaways

- As a result of past spin-offs of subdivisions, the company has now focused on the area of innovative medicines.
- Novartis is now building platforms for transformation technologies such as gene and cell therapies.
- New products that help to shift the portfolio mix towards speciality products and support margins.
- Part of our Best Idea **Payday for equity holders**

Partners Group

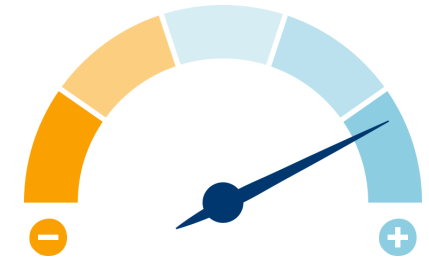
Buy



Company Portrait

Partners Group is a global private markets asset management firm. The company engages in private equity, private debt, private real estate and private infrastructure. The company uses different investment instruments like, primary, secondary and direct investments. Roughly 50% of total assets under management are in private equity, 20% in private debt, 17% in private infrastructure and 12% in private real estate.

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Stock and Price Data

Price	885.20
Market Cap in bn	23.6
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	17.9
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	14.9
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	9.4
Dividend yield 2026 in %	5.6
ISIN	CH0024608827
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Financials

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	52.1
YTD	-9.9
Last 6 months	-10.6
*Inception date:	16.05.2018

Performance



Key Takeaways

- PG benefits from continuous growth in institutional assets and structurally rising allocations toward private markets.
- Given the ongoing consolidation in the field of private markets and the group's well established market position, the company should be able to outpace overall market growth.
- Partners Group is one of the most innovative companies in the segment.
- Part of our Best Idea **Infrastructure stocks for the portfolio**

Company Portrait

Roche is an international pharma company headquartered in Basel, Switzerland, and specialises in the field of oncology, where it is considered to be a leading provider in personalized care. Thanks to the acquisition of Genentech, Roche owns significant know-how in biotech solutions. Besides the traditional pharma division, Roche is also known for “diagnostics” which covers roughly 1/4 of total revenues. In this segment the company is regarded to be the global leader.

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Stock and Price Data

Price	321.10
Market Cap in bn	260.6
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	16.1
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	15.0
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	6.3
Dividend yield 2026 in %	3.1
ISIN	CH1499059983
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Health Care

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	292.6
YTD	0.8
Last 6 months	27.1
*Inception date:	04.03.2011

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Leader in the field of oncology and also provides solutions within the biotech and diagnostics segment.
- The upcoming patent-cliff will be compensated via newly developed drugs.
- Defensive, reasonably valued with an attractive dividend yield.
- Part of our Best Idea **Payday for equity holders**

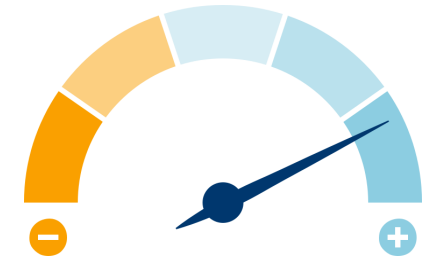
Sandoz



Company Portrait

Sandoz is the former generics and biosimilars business of Novartis and was spun-off in 2023. Headquartered in Basel, Switzerland, with over 22'000 employees worldwide, the company caters to around 500 million patients per year via medicines for various diseases. Products range from over the counter as well as prescription medicines to biosimilars. While it is internationally active, the European market still accounts for 50% of sales (2022). Segment-wise Generics account for around 75% and Biosimilars for nearly 25% of revenue. However, the latter shows a much stronger growth rate.

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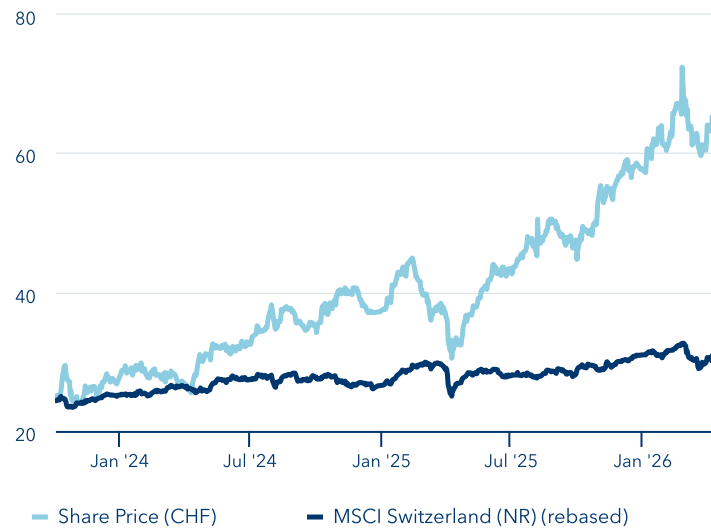
Price	62.66
Market Cap in bn	27.6
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	19.6
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	17.2
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	3.3
Dividend yield 2026 in %	1.4
ISIN	CH1243598427
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Health Care

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	123.1
YTD	9.6
Last 6 months	25.1
*Inception date:	16.10.2023

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Strong pipeline to generate future growth, especially via biosimilars
- Sandoz should benefit from post-Covid-19 policies
- Quasi-turnaround story with return to higher growth and profitability
- Part of our Best Idea Security in a world full of threats

Company Portrait

Swisscom is the largest telecommunications provider in Switzerland, offering the entire range of mobile, fixed network, IP-based voice and data communication services. In its home market, it has a market share of around 60% in mobile telephony (around 5 million customers), around 70% of the broadband market (around 2 million customers) and around 35% of the Swiss digital television market (around 1.5 million customers). The only other market in which Swisscom is active is Italy through its subsidiary Fastweb and the newly acquired Vodafone Italia business in 2024.

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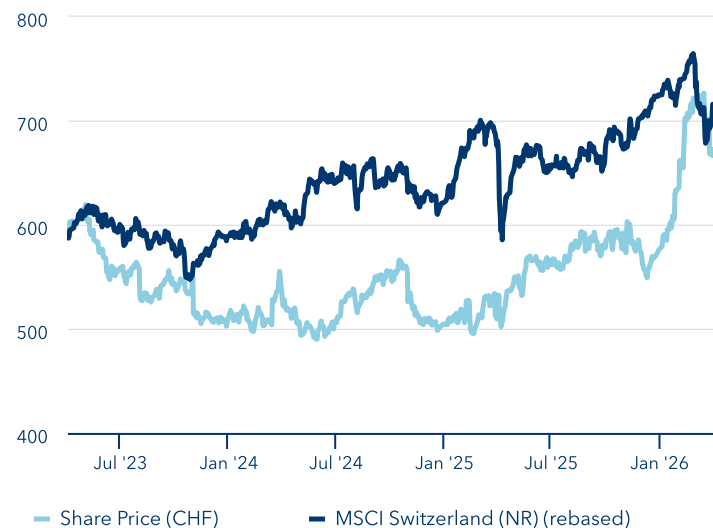
Price	657.00
Market Cap in bn	34.0
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	23.7
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	22.1
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	2.8
Dividend yield 2026 in %	4.1
ISIN	CH0008742519
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Comm. Services

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	67.1
YTD	18.6
Last 6 months	18.3
*Inception date:	01.04.2020

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Broad service offering and top-notch, modern infrastructure.
- Shareholders will appreciate the shares for its defensive character and a relatively high dividend yield (above 4%).
- Swisscom might benefit from an increased corporate and retail demand for high-speed remote work facilities.
- Part of our Best Idea **Payday for equity holders**

VZ Holding



Company Portrait

VZ Holding is an independent financial advisory company operating in Switzerland and Germany. It advises affluent individuals, particularly those aged 50+ and on various aspects of investment, retirement, insurance, and mortgage as well as companies on benefit planning and risk management. The key USPs of VZ Holding are its renowned, well respected expertise in retirement planning and very competitive prices.

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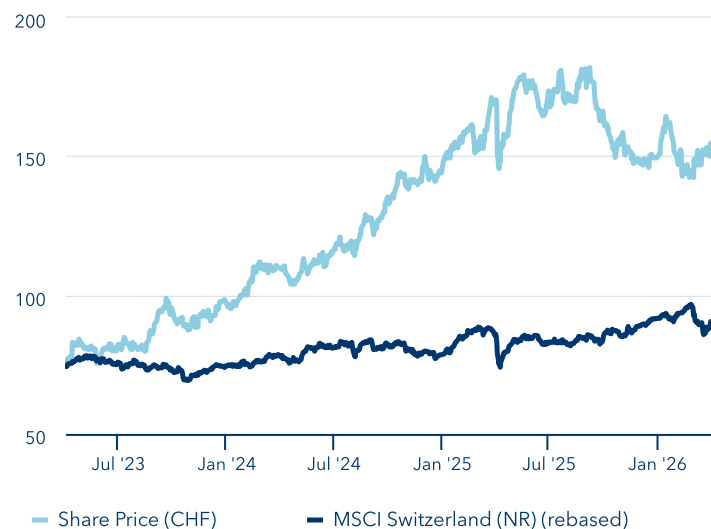
Price	150.60
Market Cap in bn	6.0
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	22.8
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	21.1
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	4.6
Dividend yield 2026 in %	2.2
ISIN	CH0528751586
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Financials

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	196.8
YTD	2.8
Last 6 months	-0.7
*Inception date:	25.11.2019

Performance



Key Takeaways

- Above average visibility and very consistent growth track record.
- Benefits from favorable structural demographic trend with more and more affluent Swiss and German individuals reaching retirement.
- Good mix of defensive and cyclical features.
- Part of our Best Idea **The appeal of small- and mid-cap stocks**

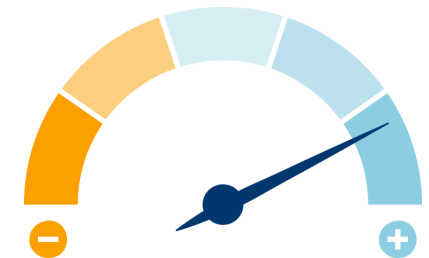
Zurich Insurance Group



Company Portrait

Zurich Insurance Group is a leading global multi-line insurer with approximately 56,000 employees providing risk protection and asset accumulation solutions. The company offers a wide range of insurance and pension products to individuals, small businesses, corporations and multinational companies in the areas of property, life, annuity, accident, health, vehicle and liability insurance, as well as investments, savings and retirement products.

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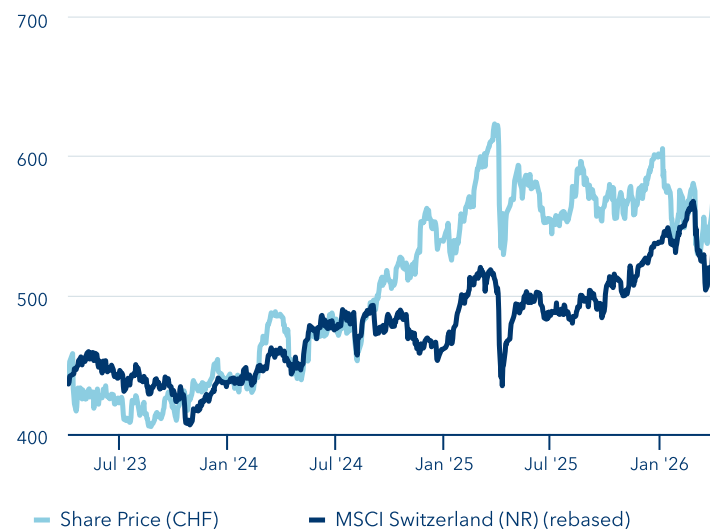
Price	543.80
Market Cap in bn	83.4
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2026	15.0
Price-Earnings-Ratio 2027	13.6
Price-Book-Ratio 2026	3.3
Dividend yield 2026 in %	5.7
ISIN	CH0011075394
Country	Switzerland
Sector	Financials

Bloomberg consensus estimates

Performance in %

Since inception*	56.4
YTD	-4.7
Last 6 months	0.8
*Inception date:	13.09.2022

Performance



Key Takeaways







- Price increases offer potential for underwriting improvement
- Expanding its presence in growing markets, especially Latin America
- Strong balance sheet and commitment to high payout ratio
- Part of our Best Idea **Payday for equity holders**

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-  VP Bank Sustainability Score (VPSS): Our overall score expresses a comprehensive assessment of a company's sustainability. It is composed of the ESG rating, momentum, business practices and activities. The scale ranges from "insufficient", "below average", "average", "good", "very good" to "excellent".
-  ESG rating: The ESG rating reflects how sustainable a company is in terms of environmental, social and governance criteria. The indicators may vary depending on the industry. The scale ranges from -1 ("insufficient") to 5 ("excellent").
-  Momentum: The momentum indicator measures the extent to which the ESG rating of a company has changed. The scale ranges from 1 ("below average") to 5 ("excellent").
-  Business practices: The business practices of a company are analysed and checked whether it is in breach of international standards. Exemplary companies receive a high score, while misdemeanours lead to a low score depending on the severity of the breach. Serious violations lead to exclusion. The scale ranges from -1 ("questionable") to 5 ("exemplary").
-  Business activities: This value scores the business areas in which a company is active. Activities which we consider "critical" are excluded, while borderline and questionable areas receive a deduction. Activities that are not "critical" receive a positive assessment. The scale ranges from -1 ("insufficient") to 5 ("excellent").
-  SDG and Impact Score: This value compares a company's products and activities or dedicated impact solutions with the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and measures the extent to which they contribute to or contradict the achievement of the goals. The scale ranges from 1 ("below average") to 5 ("excellent").

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