

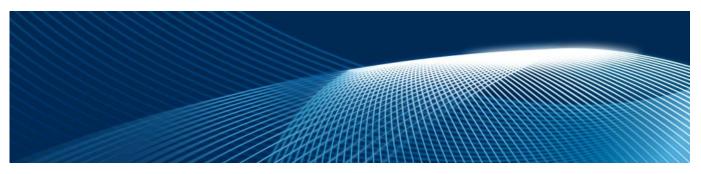
American Depositary Receipts (ADR):

What's new for German companies?

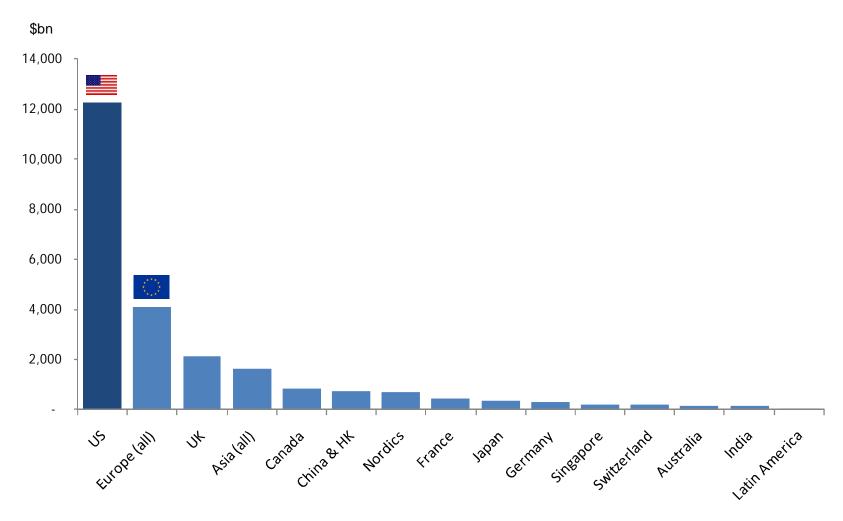
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Global pools of capital





What are ADRs?

- US dollar-denominated instruments issued by a depositary bank and traded in the US market
- Represents ownership of underlying shares deposited in local custody
- ADRs and local shares are fungible

Example of a physical ADR certificate





Why are ADRs still relevant?

For investors

- Restrictions: certain funds can only hold dollar instruments
- Convenience: ease of holding as ADRs are like holding a US stock
- **Economics**: ADRs tend to cheaper to hold if long term horizon
- Larger trading window (from European opening to US close)

ADRs represent circa
a 1/4 of US investment in foreign
equities, or circa \$1 trillion

For companies

- Increase and diversify US investor ownership
- Raise visibility in the US marketplace (with customers, suppliers, etc.)
- Facilitate US employee stock ownership
- Raise capital in the US or use as acquisition currency (for L2/3 ADRs)

3000+ ADRs globally (2/3 sponsored). In Germany, circa 70 ADRs (half sponsored & half unsponsored)



Four types of ADR programs, with different requirements

Unsponsored ADR

- Trades over-the-counter (OTC)
- No involvement from the company*
- Not exclusive to one depositary bank (there can be several)
- No US reporting requirements (i.e. no exposure to Sarbanes Oxley, no 20-F, etc.)
- Relies on 12g3-2(b) exemption (now automatic)

Sponsored Level 1 ADR

- Trades OTC
- No US reporting requirements (i.e. no exposure to Sarbanes Oxley, no 20-F, etc.)
- Relies on 12g3-2(b) exemption (now automatic)

Sponsored Level 2 ADR

- Fully listed in the US (NYSE or NASDAQ)
- SEC registered (hence need to comply with Sarbanes Oxley, prepare 20F, etc.)
- No capital raised at the time of US listing (although ability to)

Sponsored Level 3 ADR

- Fully listed in the US (NYSE or NASDAQ)
- SEC registered (hence need to comply with Sarbanes Oxley, prepare 20F, etc.)
- Capital raised at the time of the US listing

Note: No legal requirement to involve the company, however Deutsche Bank always seeks companies' permission in advance



Recent US/SEC regulatory developments have positively impacted foreign issuers





In the last three years, we have seen fairly significant shifts in the SEC's regulations, which positively affect foreign private issuers (FPIs), including the following:

For Level 1 ADRs

- In October 2008, the SEC liberalized the eligibility requirements for the exemption from Exchange Act reporting available under Rule 12g3-2(b). The SEC now grants the exemption <u>automatically</u> to any company which meets the following criteria:
 - The issuer publishes its shareholder communication (press-releases, annual reports, etc.) in English on its website
 - The issuer is not already SEC registered under the Exchange Act
 - The issuer has a primary trading market outside the US (i.e. maintains a listing on one or more exchanges outside the US, where more than 55% of the worldwide trading occurs)

For Level 2/3 ADRs (i.e. NYSE/NASDAQ listed)

- In March 2007, the SEC made it considerably easier for FPIs to exit the US reporting regime by enacting Rule 12h-6 under the Exchange Act of 1934
- In November 2007, the SEC allowed FPIs who report under the Exchange Act to prepare their financial statements using **IFRS** (no longer requiring those issuers to prepare a US GAAP reconciliation)



Trend towards sponsored Level 1 ADRs

Overview of DAX30

Company	Type of ADR
Adidas AG	Level 1 ADR
Allianz SE	Level 1 ADR (New 2009- moved from NYSE)
BASF SE	Level 1 ADR
Bayer AG	Level 1 ADR
Beiersdorf AG	Unsponsored ADR
BMW AG	Unsponsored ADR
Commerzbank AG	Level 1 ADR
Daimler AG	Global Share (NYSE)
Deutsche Bank AG	Global Share (NYSE)
Deutsche Boerse AG	Unsponsored ADR
Deutsche Lufthansa AG	Level 1 ADR
Deutsche Post AG	Level 1 ADR (New 2009)
Deutsche Telekom AG	Level 1 ADR (pending 2010)
E.ON AG	Level 1 ADR
FMC AG & Co. KGaA	Level 2/3 ADR (NYSE)
Fresenius SE	NA
Henkel AG & Co. KGaA	Level 1 ADR
Infineon Technologies AG	Level 1 ADR (New 2009- moved from NYSE)
K+S AG	Level 1 ADR (New 2009)
Linde AG	Level 1 ADR (New 2010)
Man SE	Unsponsored ADR
Merck KGaA	Unsponsored ADR
METRO AG St	NA
Münchener Rück AG	Unsponsored ADR
RWE AG St	Level 1 ADR
Salzgitter AG	Unsponsored ADR
SAP AG	Level 2/3 ADR (NYSE)
Siemens AG	Level 2/3 ADR (NYSE)
ThyssenKrupp AG	NA
Volkswagen AG	Level 1 ADR

Type of ADR	Number of companies in DAX 30	\blacksquare
Level 1 ADR		15
NYSE listed ADR / Global share		5
Other (no ADR or unsponsored)		10

- 6 new Level 1 ADRs for DAX 30 companies since the beginning of 2009:
 - 3 companies established new sponsored Level 1 ADRs (or upgraded from unsponsored ADR):
 - Linde AG
 - Deutsche Post AG
 - K+S AG
 - 3 companies delisted from the NYSE (Level 2 / 3 ADR), but kept a Level 1 ADR:
 - Allianz SE
 - Infineon Technologies AG
 - Deutsche Telekom AG (pending)



German unsponsored ADR landscape

- Over 35 companies with unsponsored ADRs, with circa 50% having some activity in the secondary market
- Established by one or more depositary bank(s) (up to 4)
- Most unsponsored established in Q4 2008 & FY2009, following changes to Rule 12g3-2(b)

Over 30 German companies with unsponsored ADRs

Aurubis AG Münchener Rück AG

BMW AG Porsche Automobil Holding SE

Beiersdorf AG ProSiebenSat.1 Media AG

Bilfinger Berger AG Q-Cells SE

Carl Zeiss Meditec AG Rheinmetall AG

Celesio AG Rhoen Klnikum AG

Deutsche Börse AG Rosenthal AG

Douglas Holding AG Salzgitter AG

Fraport AG Singulus Technologies AG

Hamburger Hafen und Logistik AG Sky Deutschland AG

Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG SolarWorld AG

Hochtief AG Stada Arzneimittel AG

IVG Immobilien AG Südzucker AG

Krones AG Symrise AG

MAN SE TULAG

Merck KGaA Wacker Chemie AG

MLP AG Wincor Nixdorf AG

MTU Aero Engines Holding AG ZhongDe Waste Technology AG

Source: Depositary banks websites & F-6 filings



Major North American centers of investment in ADRs

Toronto



Mackenzie Financial Corp.

McLean Budden Ltd.

Sprucegrove Investment Management

Montreal

Letko, Brosseau & Associates, Inc. Jarislowsky Fraser Ltd. Standard Life Investments, Inc. (Canada)

Los Angeles

Capital World Investors
Capital Research Global Investors
Tradewinds Global Investors LLC
Capital International, Inc.
Capital Guardian Trust Co.

San Francisco

Dodge & Cox, Inc.
Barclays Global Investors NA (California)
Wentworth, Hauser & Violich, Inc.
Wells Capital Management, Inc.
Wells Fargo Bank N.A.

San Diego

Brandes Investment Partners LP

Woodside

Fisher Asset Management LLC

Chicago - \$8bn

Northern Trust Investments

UBS Global Asset Management

William Blair Capital Management LLC

Harris Associates LP

Institutional Capital LLC

Houston

Van Kampen Asset Management Invesco AIM Management Group, Inc. Fayez Sarofim & Co.

Kansas City

American Century IM
Scout Investment Advisors
Financial Counselors

Denver

Janus Capital Mgt LLC
Marisco Capital Mgt LLC
Cambiar Investors LLC

New York

AllianceBernsteinLP

JPMorgan Asset Management, Inc.

Lazard Asset Management LLC

Renaissance Technologies LLC

Morgan Stanley IM Inc.

Citigroup Global Markets (United States)

BlackRock Advisors, Inc.

OppenheimerFunds, Inc.

Neuberger Berman LLC

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc.

Boston

Fidelity Management & Research
Wellington Management Co. LLP
State Street Global Advisors
Columbia Management Advisors, Inc.
MFS Investment Management
Bank of New York Mellon AM
Eaton Vance Management, Inc.
Grantham, Mayo, Van Otterloo LLC
Baring Asset Management, Inc.
Fortis Investments Management USA, Inc.

Philadelphia

Delaware Investment Advisers
Philadelphia International Advisors LP
Aberdeen Asset Management, Inc.

Baltimore

T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.



Top reported ADR investors in German ADRs



Investor	Location	Style
Fisher AM LLC	San Francisco/CA	Growth
Capital World Investors	Los Angeles/CA	GARP
Fidelity Mgt. & Research	Boston/MA	Growth
Scout Inv.t Advisors, Inc.	Kansas City/MO	Growth
Thornburg IM, Inc.	Albuquerque/NM	GARP
Van Kampen AM	Houston/TX	GARP
Templeton Inv.t Counsel	Miami/FL	Value
Manning & Napier Adv.	Buffalo/NY	GARP
Brandes Inv.t Partners	San Diego/CA	Value
Wellington Mgt. Co.	Boston/MA	Growth
Tradewinds Global Inv.	Los Angeles/CA	Value



New listing venues/trends

- Depositary receipts can be used in other jurisdictions than the US (e.g. Global Depositary Receipts – GDRs- for London or Luxembourg)
- Frankfurt DRs facilitate listings in Frankfurt for foreign companies, particularly in sectors of expertise such as automative, greentech, etc. Developed by Deutsche Boerse, Clearstream and Deutsche Bank
- **China** some interest from several international companies but rumoured to be initially for "redchips"; framework still being developed
- **Hong-Kong** framework in place for DRs, however no test case yet; several "ordinary"/primary shares IPOs in 2010 e.g. Rusal, Occitane, etc.
- India framework somewhat in place; Standard Chartered rumoured to launch IDRs in 2010
- Singapore framework in place and several DRs have been trading for several years



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