





2H 2025: PORTFOLIO ALLOCATION – REIMAGINED

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Major Themes for Q2 2025

3 Broad Themes for the first half (Updated Thematic):

3 Ts: TRUMP, TARIFFS & TRADE WARS

- Expanded retaliatory tariffs from Canada, China, EU, Mexico
- Increasing inflation expected along with tariff related policies
- Further volatility expected across trade related sectors (e.g. Auto, Tech/Semicon, Raw Materials)
- Immigration policies could further stress the economy

CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM ON US

- While US equities remains in a long-term uptrend. Tactical consolidation expected
- Market breadth continues to decline
- Defensive sectors have been outperforming for most of Q1 now

A WEAKER USD COUPLED WITH STICKY INFLATION

- US Fed Chair Jerome Powell suggests 'transitory' inflation again
- USD expected to weaken further in Q2
- US Yield Curve looks set to steepen further with markets largely anticipating 2 more rate cuts



Trading Opportunities We Like

3 Key Plays for investors Q2 2025:

CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM IN US EQUITIES

- Near term consolidation expected.
- US stocks preferred over DM and EM
- Can afford to be more selective, employing strategies such as value plays and low volatlility

LOOK TO PRECIOUS METALS AS INFLATION HEDGE AS USD WEAKENS

- Precious metals such as Gold and Silver will serve as hedge against inflation
- US treasuries, IG bonds and low risk bond funds can help with diversification and mitigate inflation risks

DON'T BLINDLY CHASE ALPHA, CONSIDER DIVIDENDS TOO

- Dividend portfolio will help with consistent cash flow due to global inflationary pressures
- Singapore's low volatility market coupled with strong governance and stable currency makes it the preferred market to build dividends



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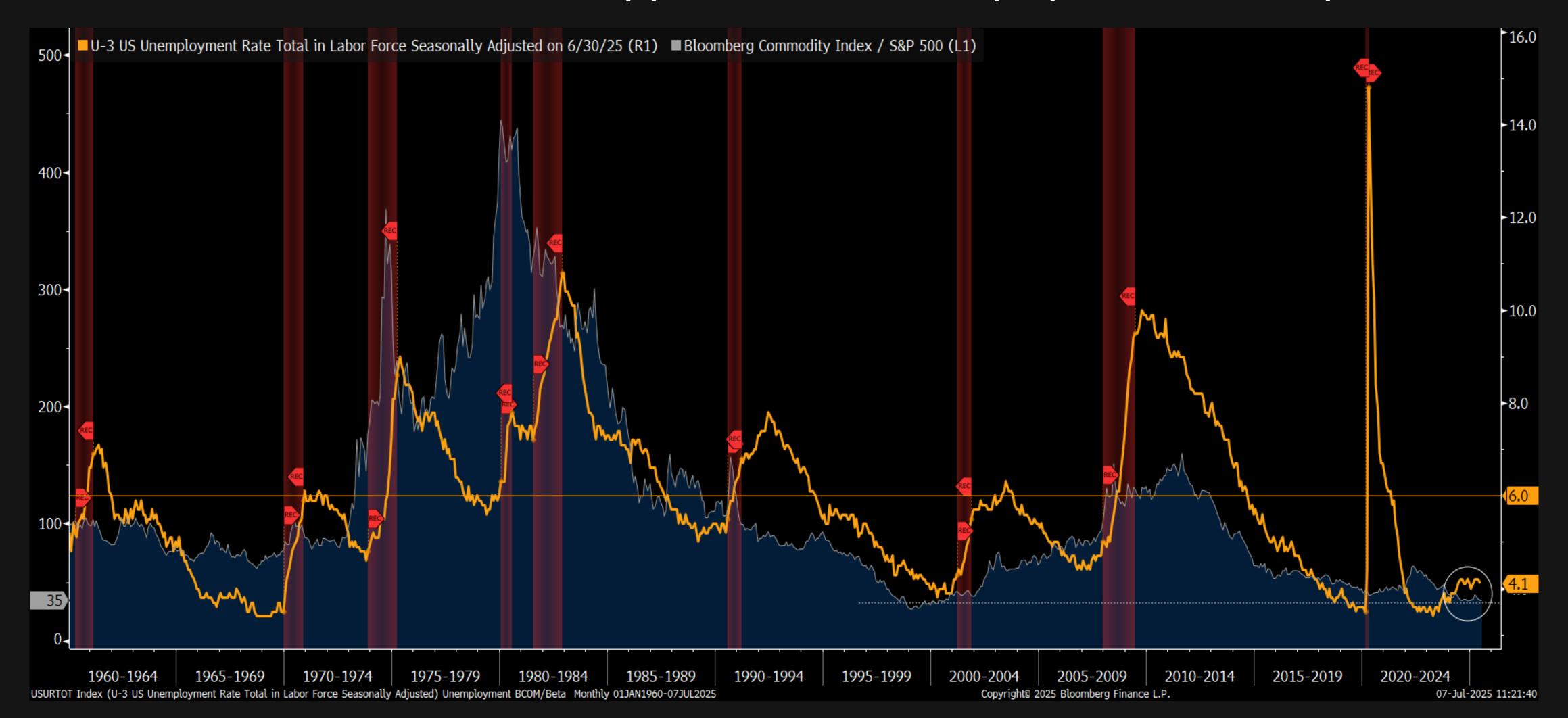


3 Broad Themes carried into 2H 2025:

US 'EXCEPTIONALISM' GEOPOLITICAL **NO LONGER** FRAGMENTATION CHALLENGED Increasing recessionary / stagflationary Regional Wars • Breakdown of traditional correlations risk • US equities sell off; Bond yields rise; USD Lack of confidence in foreign policies Global supply chains disruption due falls lower to trade uncertainties Acceleration of de-dollarisation Changing investment themes and Fight for Al dominance S&P valuations are now at a premium Central bank divergence compared to peers US deficit expected to grow following passing of OBBB

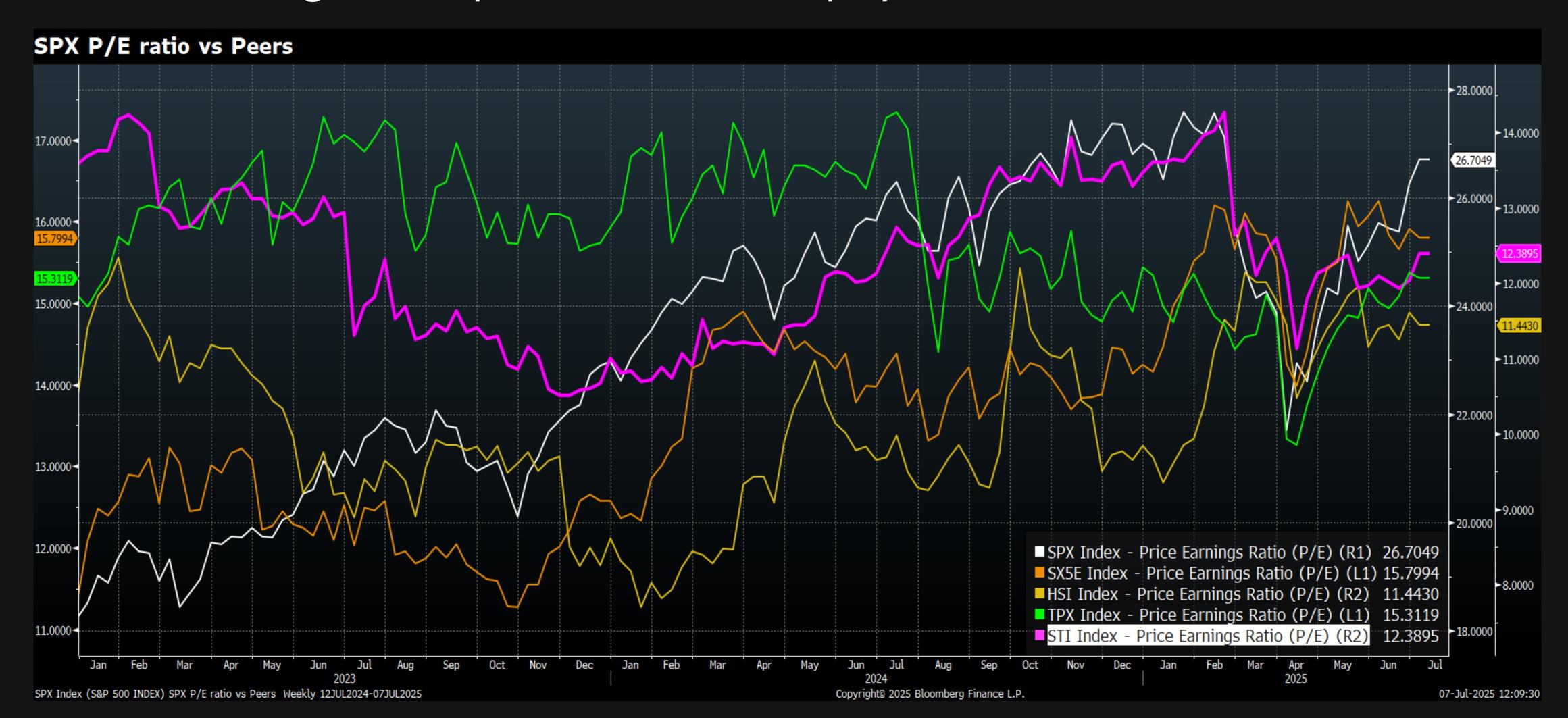


Possible recession when Commodity prices and US unemployment number spikes





SPX valuations higher than peers.. Undervalued plays to be found elsewhere?



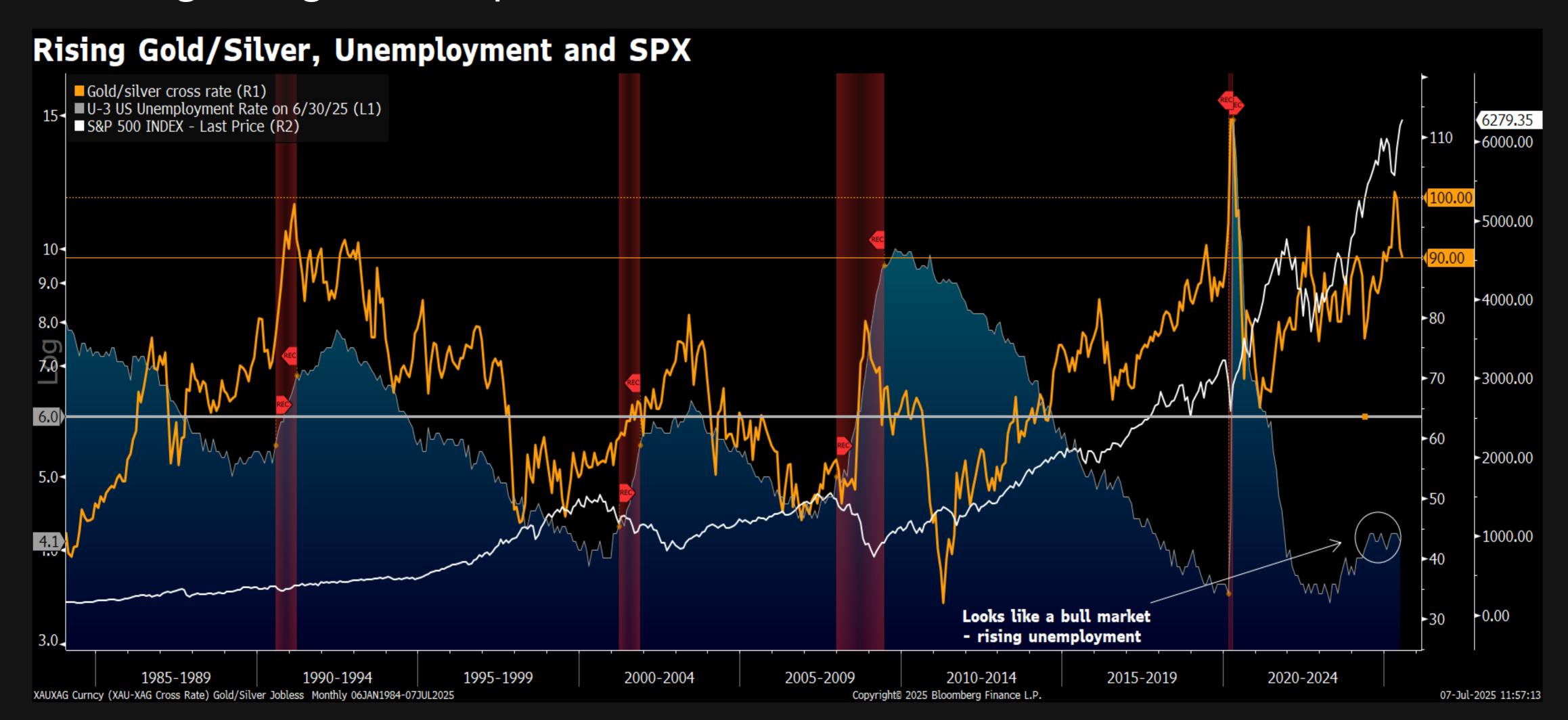


USD devaluation also confirms opportunities in 'Rest of World'





SPX slow grind higher still expected... For Now...





Possibility of a sell off mid Q3 2025. But expected to still finish the year stronger







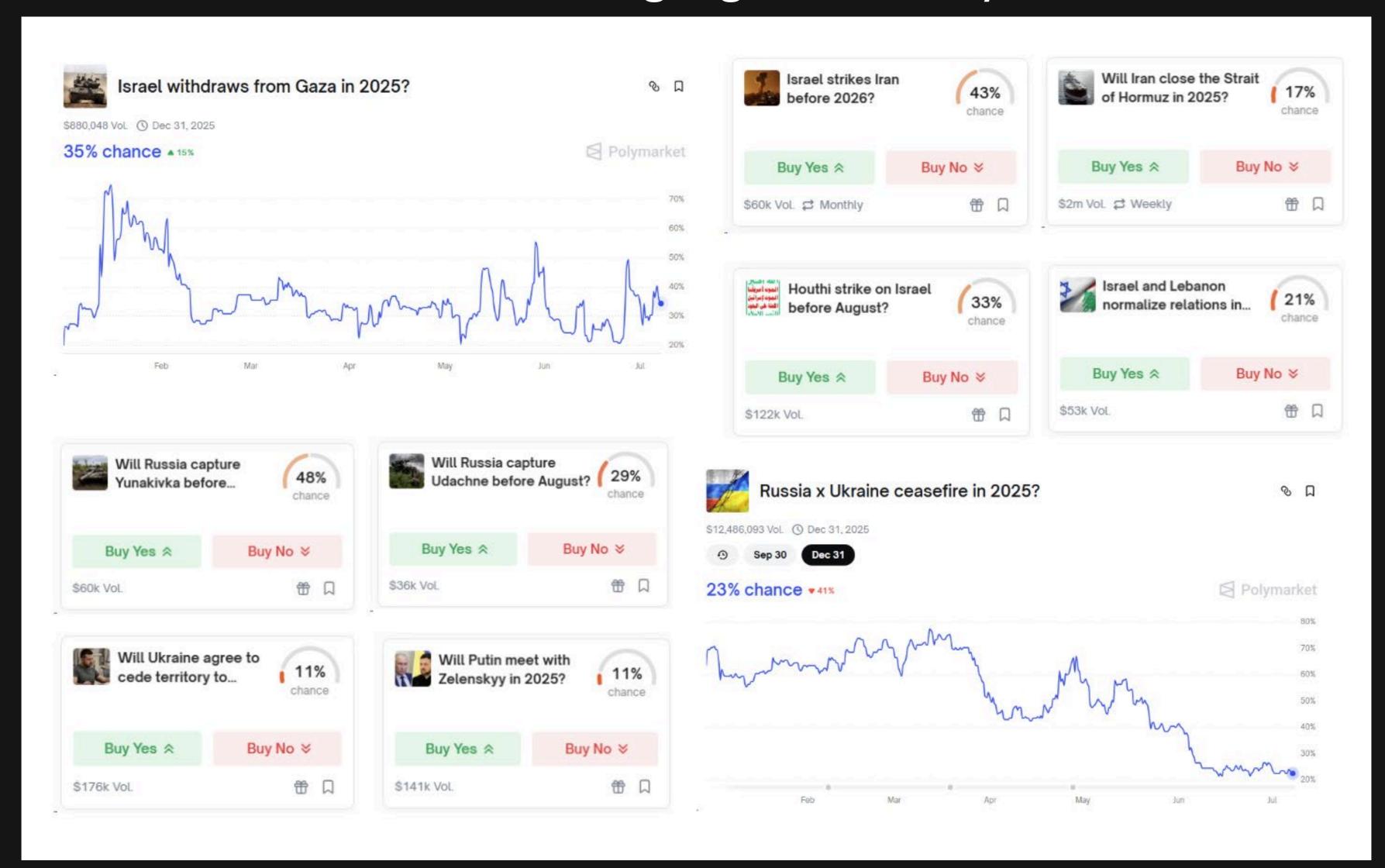
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On-going conflicts continue to threaten fragile global stability





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Disruption to supply chains with new trade war developments

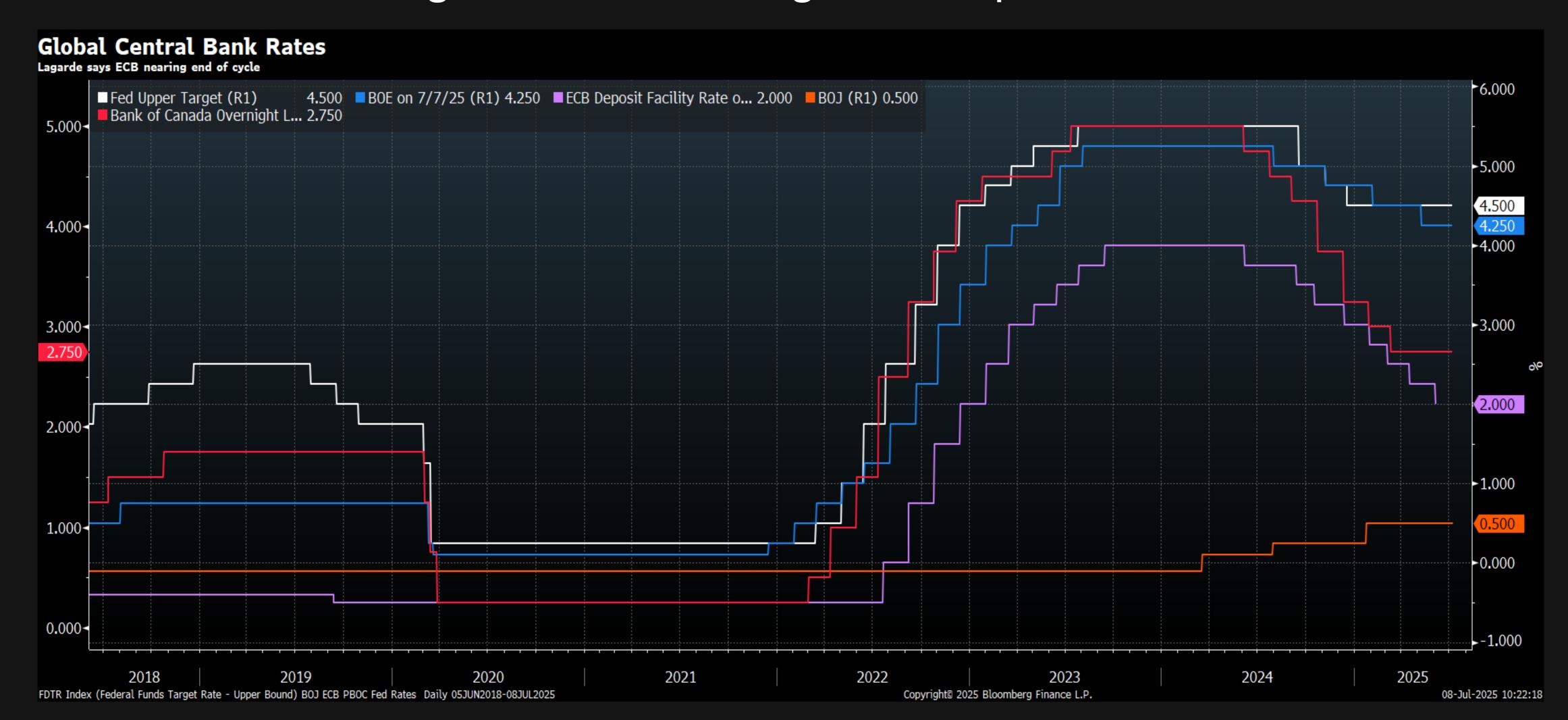




Geopolitical Fragmentation



Central banks rate divergences make investing more complicated for investors





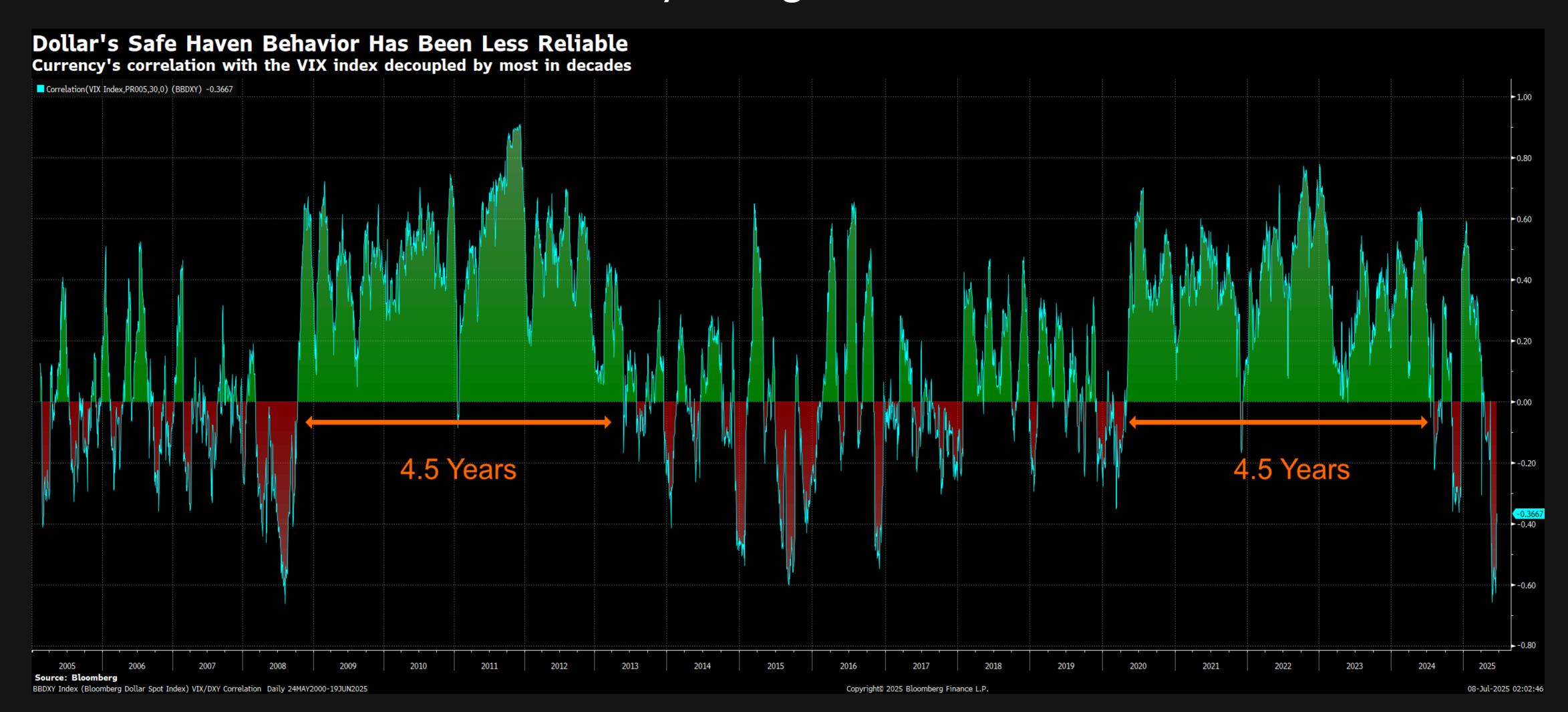


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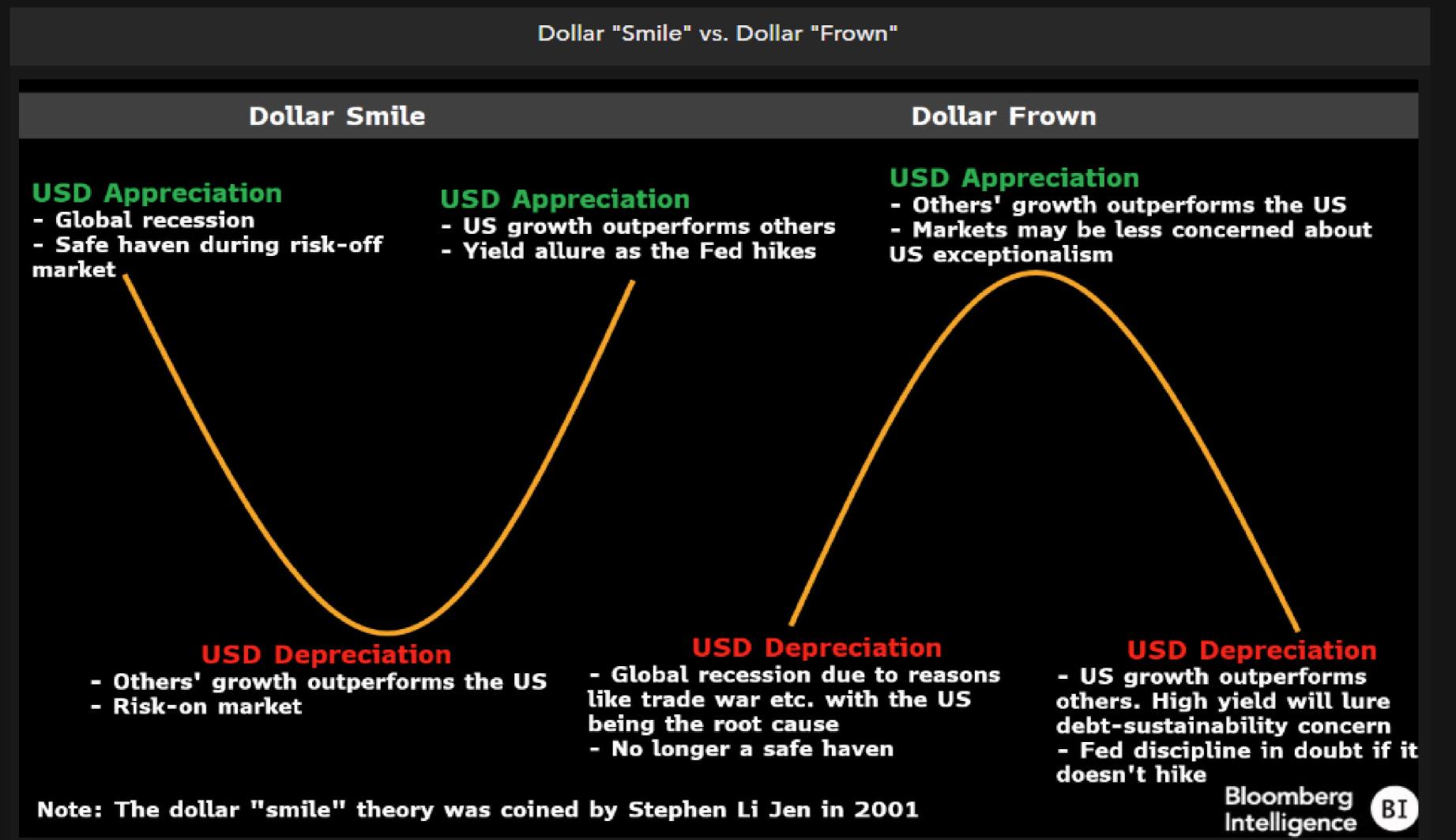


The USD is not the safe haven we always thought it would be





Increasing calls for a paradigm shift regarding the USD status





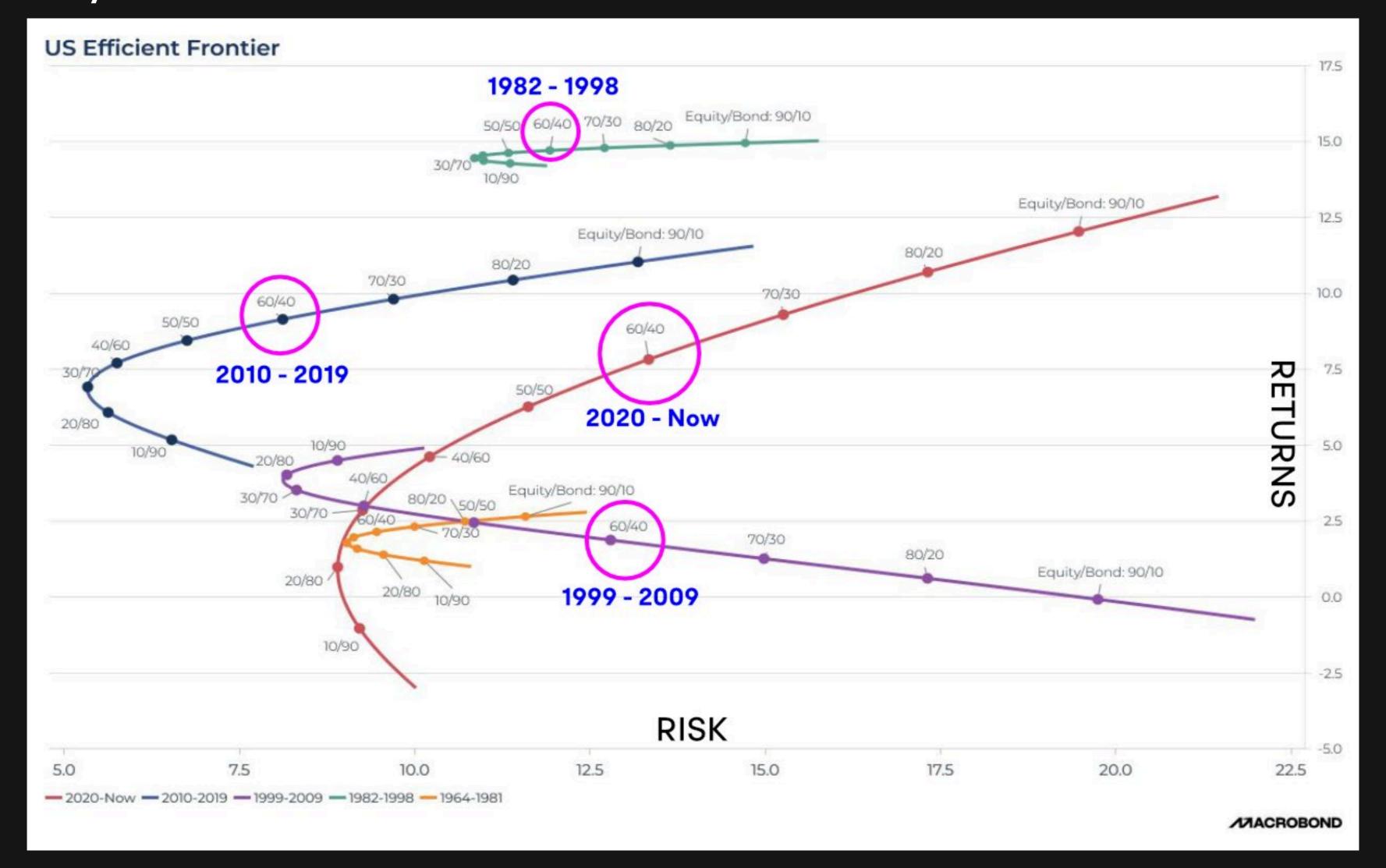


Investors increasingly cautious on US treasuries due to tariffs, OBBB





MPT constantly evolves. 60/40 then is not the same as 60/40 now.







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LOOK TO UNIFYING FACTORS IN A FRAGMENTED WORLD

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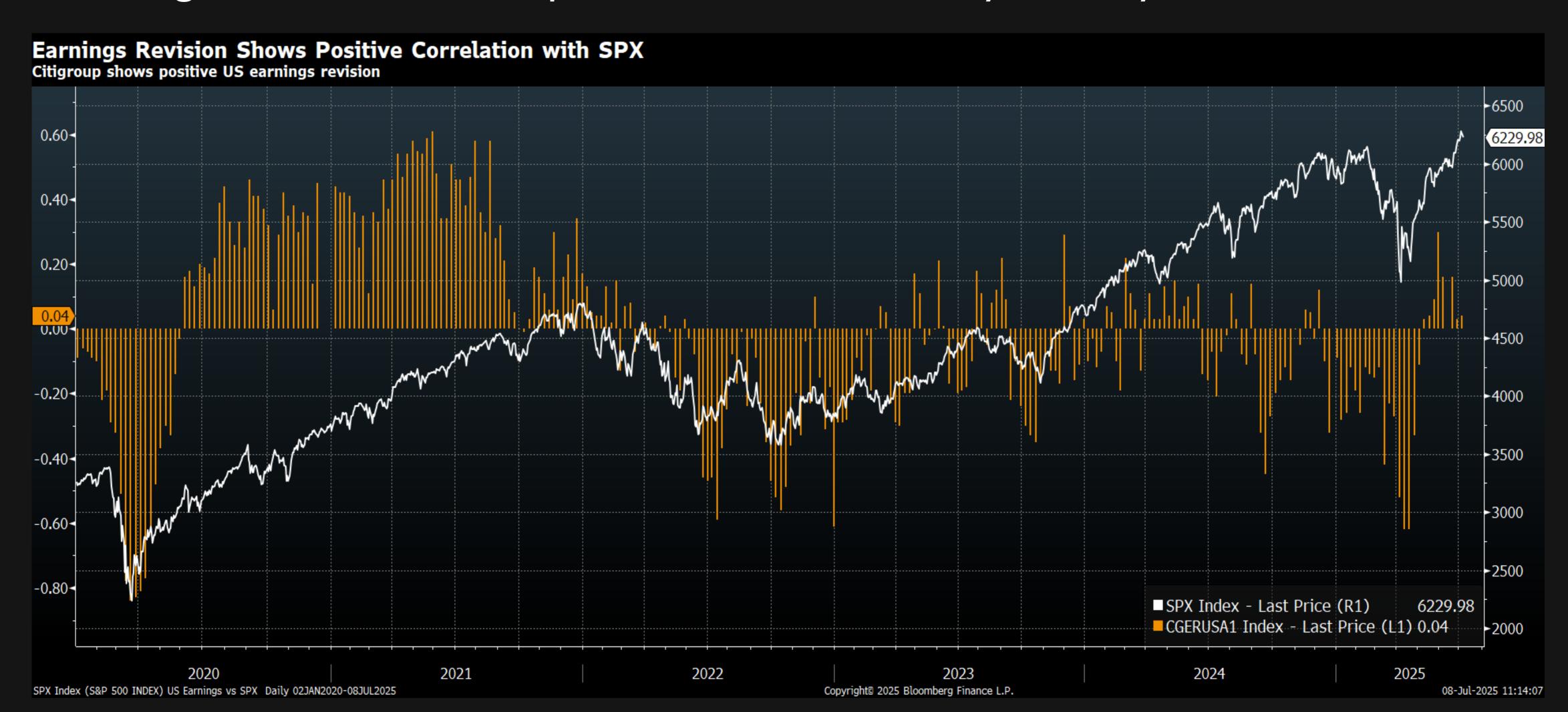
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Selectively Invest In US



US earnings revision has turned positive and could still stay that way



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Seasonality shows a 'slow grind' upwards for Q3 and mostly ending the year higher



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MOOFEST SINGAPORE 2025

Best months to invest still ahead, with July and Nov historically giving the best returns

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	0ct	Nov	Dec
2025	2.70	-1.42	-5.75	76	6.15	4.96	.40					
2024	1.59	5.17	3.10	-4.16	4.80	3.47	1.13	2.28	2.02	99	5.73	-2.50
2023	6.18	-2.61	3.51	1.46	.25	6.47	3.11	-1.77	-4.87	-2.20	8.92	4.42
2022	-5.26	-3.14	3.58	-8.80	.01	-8.39	9.11	-4.24	-9.3 4	7.99	5.38	-5.90
2021	-1.11	2.61	4.24	5.24	.55	2.22	2.27	2.90	-4.76	6.91	83	4.36
2020	16	-8.41	-12.51	12.68	4.53	1.84	5.51	7.01	-3.92	-2.77	10.75	3.71
2019	7.87	2.97	1.79	3.93	-6.58	6.89	1.31	-1.81	1.72	2.04	3.40	2.86
2018	5.62	-3.89	-2.69	.27	2.16	.48	3.60	3.03	.43	-6.94	1.79	-9.18
2017	1.79	3.72	04	.91	1.16	.48	1.93	.05	1.93	2.22	2.81	.98
2016	-5.07	41	6.60	.27	1.53	.09	3.56	12	12	-1.94	3.42	1.82
2015	-3.10	5.49	-1.74	.85	1.05	-2.10	1.97	-6.26	-2.64	8.30	.05	-1.75





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Global top Semicon firms continue to perform well with Al demand growing robustly



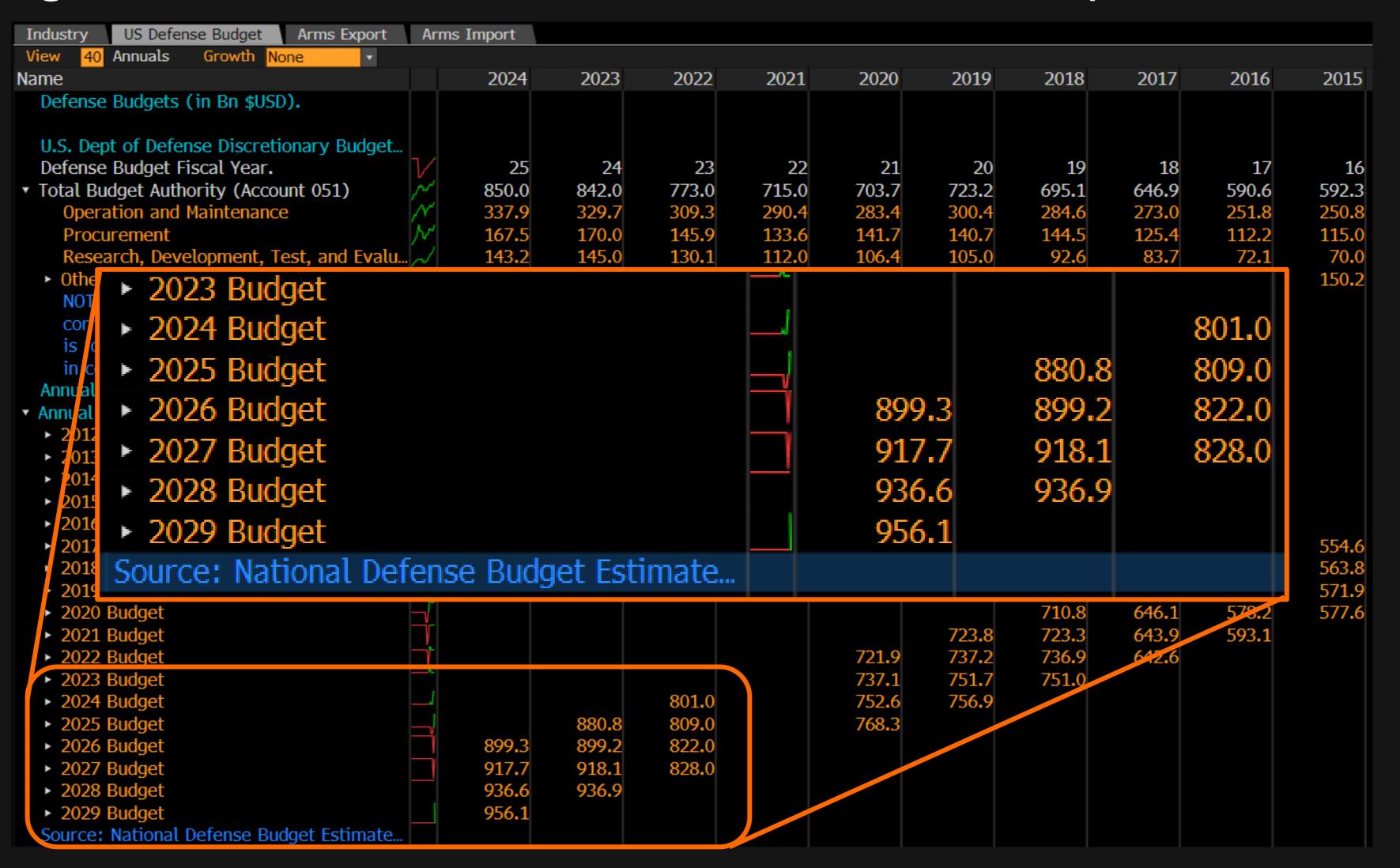


Chinese and US Semicon leading global peers





Defense budget continues to climb... World not at war, neither at peace







Next era focus to be on hypersonic weapons and defence systems

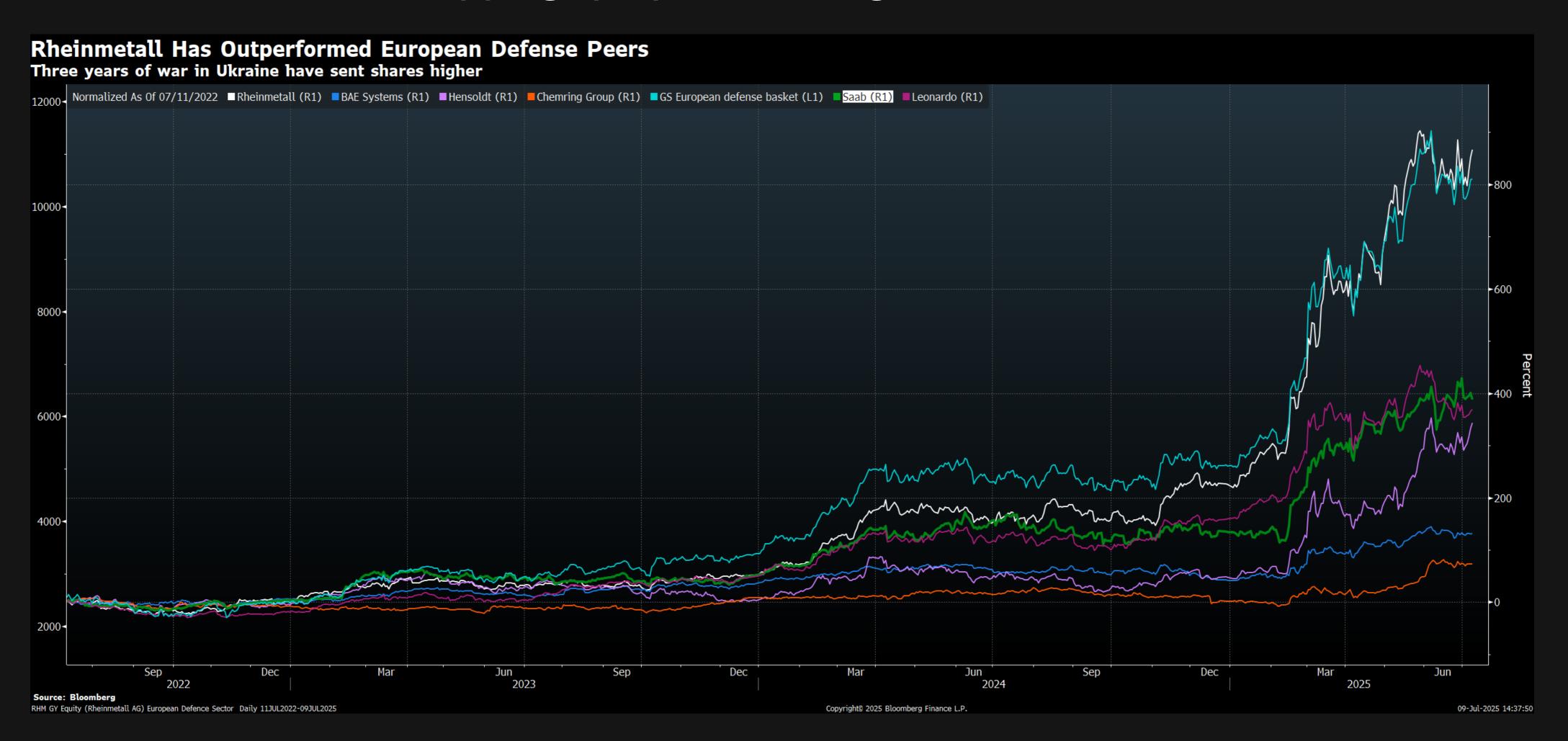
Funding Category	Amount (\$M)	Notes	Key Contractors Likely To Gain From Funding
Hypersonic Strike Programs	\$400	Accelerate development of offensive hypersonic weapons (e.g., LRHW, HACM, CPS)	Lockheed Martin Northrop Grumman RTX Dynetics
Hypersonic Test Infrastructure (MACH Test Bed)	\$400	Expand the Multi-Service Advanced Capability Hypersonic Test Bed program (Known as MACH-TB)	Kratos (Jan 2025, 5-year \$1.45B Contract) Leidos Rocket Lab Stratolaunch
Hypersonic Defense Systems (interceptors, tracking)	\$2,200	Accelerate hypersonic defense systems including Glide Phase Interceptor and tracking layers	RTX Northrop Grumman L3Harris (Aerojet Rocketdyne) Lockheed (Due to Aegis integration)
Solid Rocket Motor Second Source Development	\$42	Develop second source suppliers for large-diameter solid rocket motors	L3Harris (Aerojet Rocketdyne) X-Bow Systems Anduril
Reusable Hypersonic Technology	\$90	Fund development of reusable hypersonic platforms for future military strike use	Stratolaunch (Talon-A program) Hermeus (Quarterhorse program) Venus Aerospace (Stargazer)

Source: BI, congress.gov

Bloomberg Intelligence

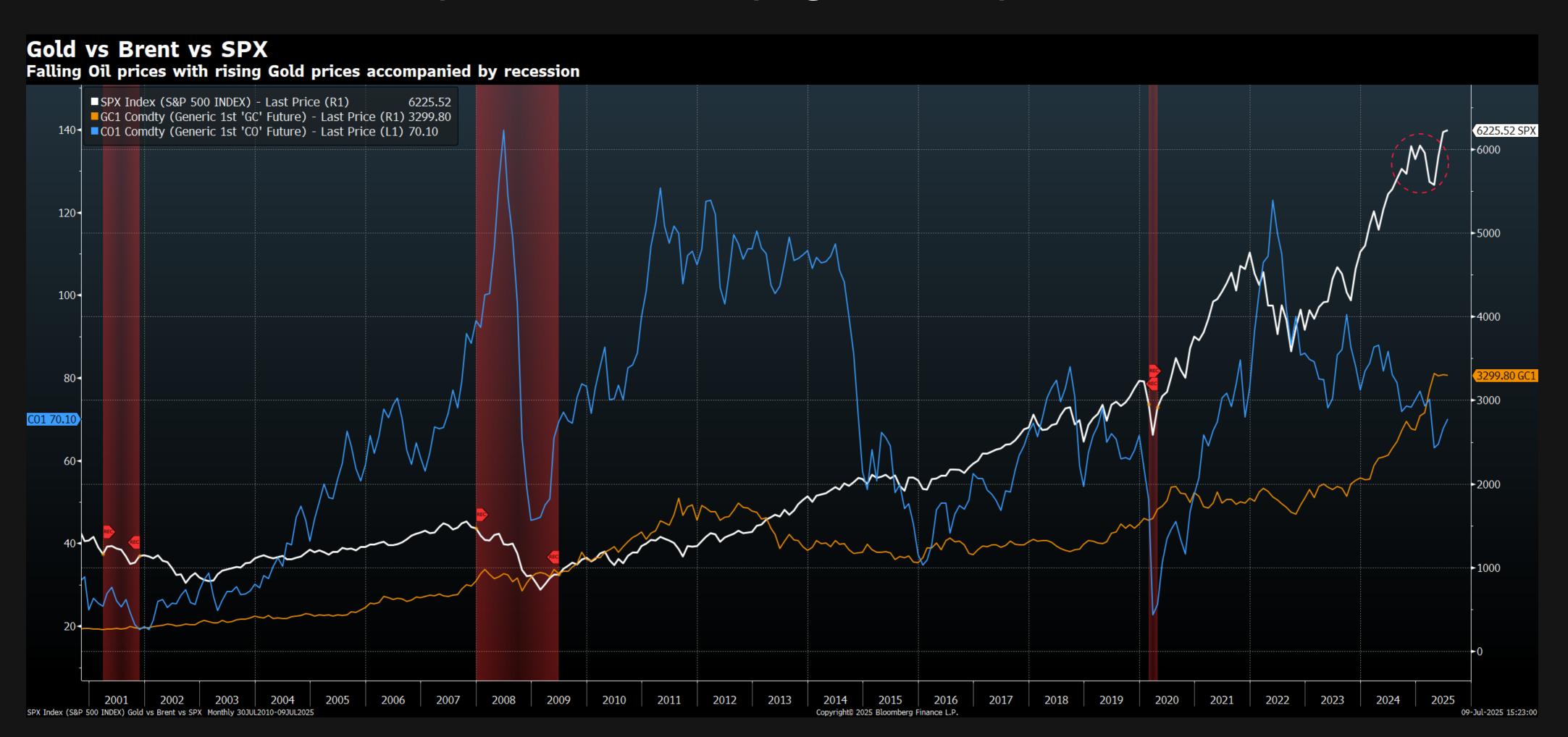


Euro NATO members stepping up by committing 3.5% of GDP to defence





The case for Gold: Sticky Inflation, CB buying, Currency Weakness and Risk-Haven



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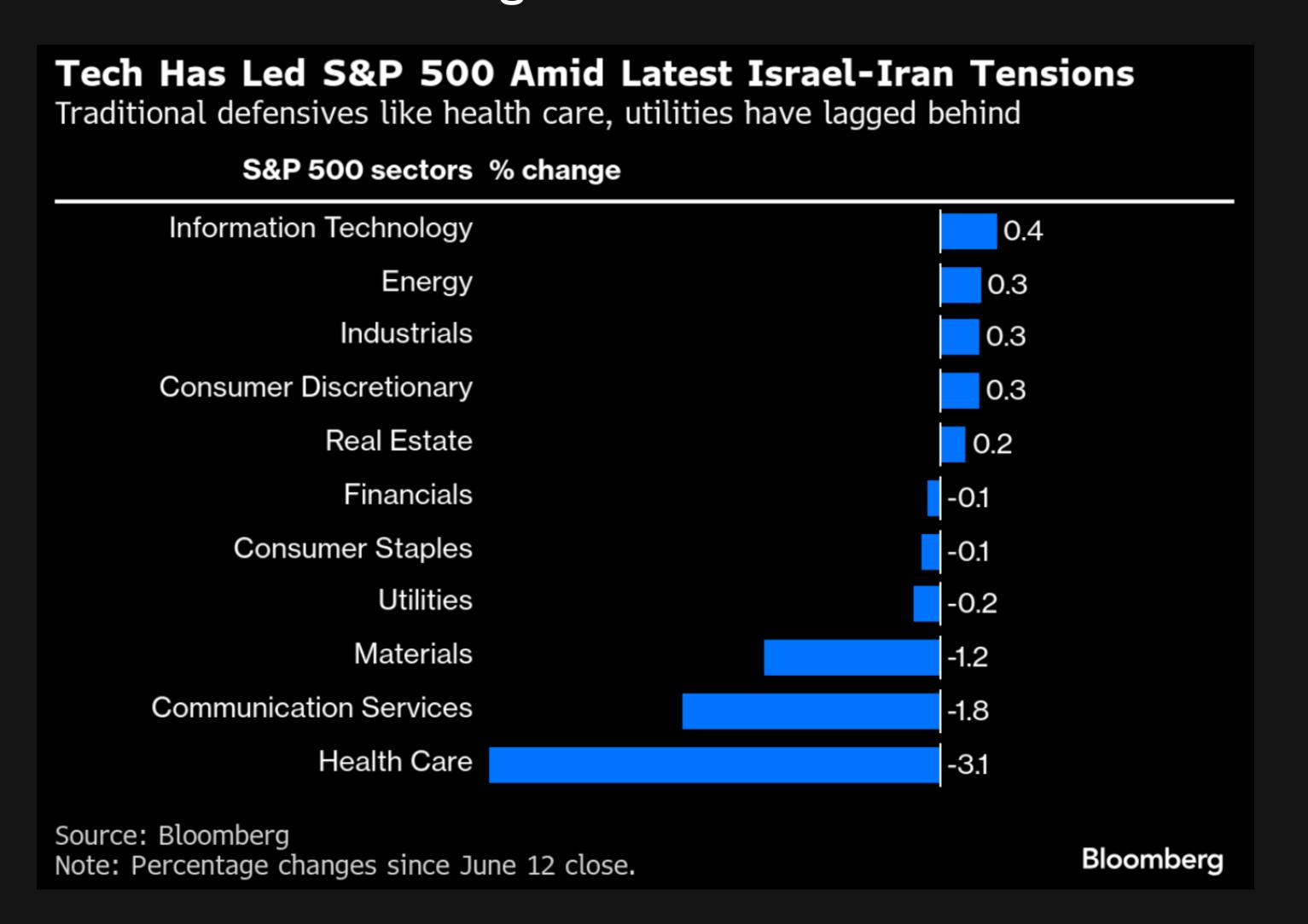
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- As part of overall diversification, US
 Corporate IG bonds along with US TIPS
 should continue to bolster portfolio
 returns

Reframe Objectives



Sometimes, the best defense is a strong offense...

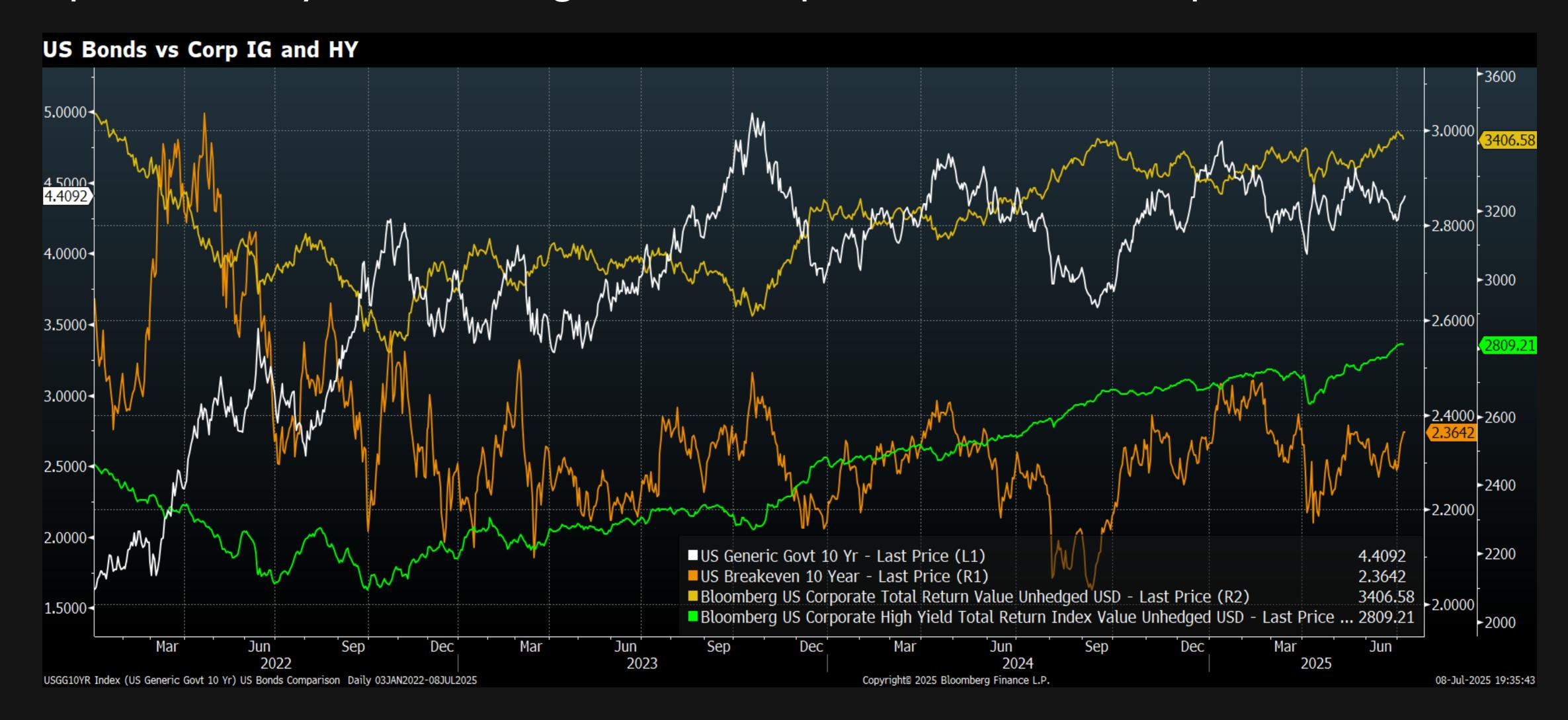




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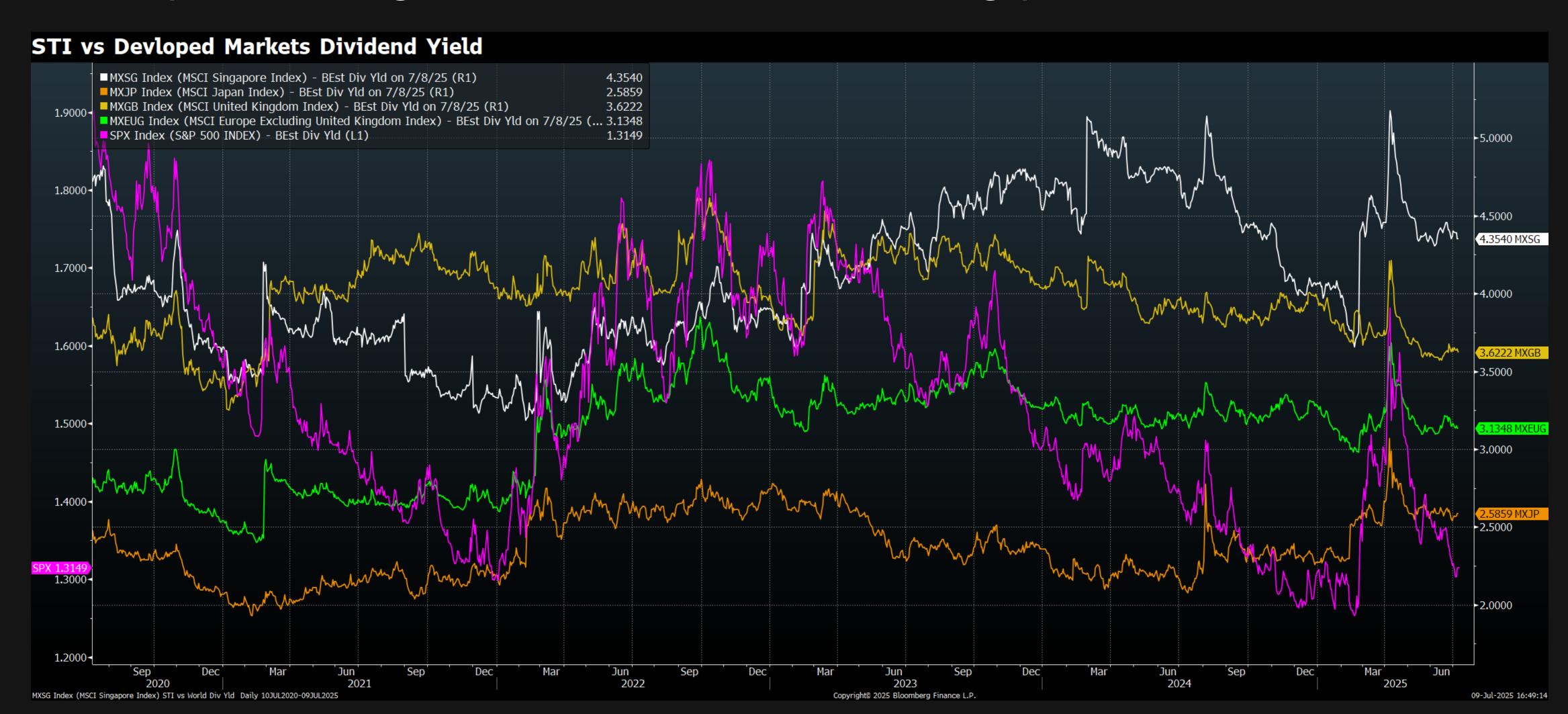
To provide steady state income generation we prefer US TIPS and Corp IG credit



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Dividend yields tracking lower for DM markets but not Singapore





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