

## The FCO Cockpit – Global Bubble Status Report

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What is this?

This monthly report discusses the historical evolution of bubbles in and between different asset classes and geographies.

It is the result of an extensive analysis done on the historical time series of 431 systemic assets and 850 single stocks. The systemic assets are bond, equity and commodity indices and a selection of currency pairs. The single stocks are mainly US and European, equities. The data is from Thomson Reuters.

In the first part of this report, we present the state of the world, based on the analysis of the systemic assets. In the second part, we zoom in on the bubble behavior of single stocks and discuss some specific cases.

<sup>+</sup> For an intuitive explanation of the methodology and the specifics of the indicators that are used in this report, we refer to: D. Sornette and P. Cauwels, Financial bubbles: mechanisms and diagnostics. Review of Behavioral Economics 2 (3), 279-305 (2015) (<u>http://arxiv.org/abs/1404.2140</u> and <u>http://ssrn.com/abstract=2423790</u>)

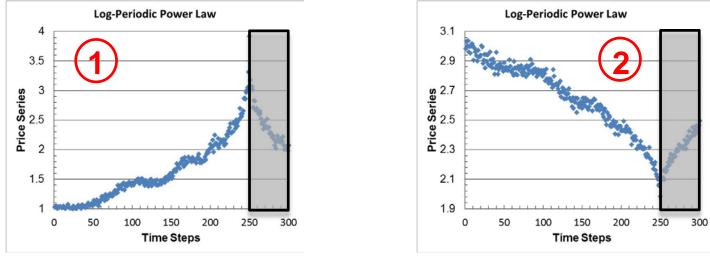


#### How does it work?

We use the Log-Periodic Power Law Singular (LPPLS) model to hunt for the distinct fingerprint of Bubbles:

- 1. The price rises faster than exponentially, so the logarithm of the price rises faster than linearly;
- 2. There are accelerating oscillations, with a distinct characteristic.

A bubble signal is identified if both of our bubble indicators, LPPL-Confidence and LPPL-Trust, are larger than 5%.



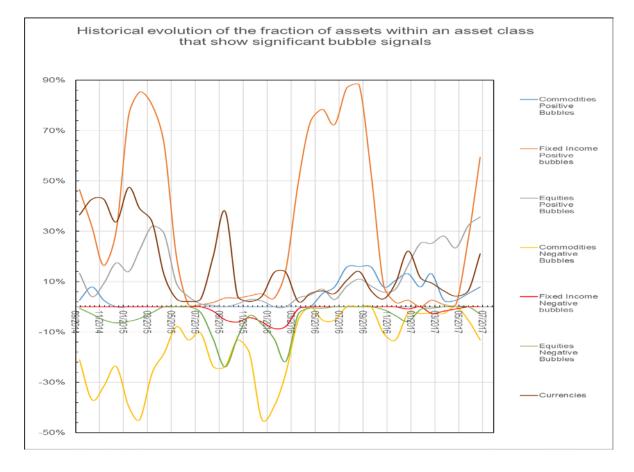
A **positive bubble** when there is imitation in **buying**  A **negative bubble** when there is imitation in **selling** 





# **General Result**





#### The big picture

One can observe the continuation of a trend in the growth of positive bubbles in the fixed income asset class for the second month.

The fraction of stocks diagnosed in a positive bubble state increased this month to exceed 36% compared with 32% last month.

Mixed bubble signals still occur only in few commodity indices.

We also observe renewed bubble activity in currency pairs.

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Other interesting highlights from this report

- A surge in bubble signals in currencies, specifically in European crosses, on the back of the improvement in the European macroeconomic and political atmosphere;
- A surge in bubble signals in the fixed income asset class for the second month; specifically in the financial bond indices;
- Eight commodity indices are showing bubble signals, divided unequally between positive and negative bubble signals. It is interesting that all of these eight indices are agriculture indices;
- There is a slight increase in positive bubble signals in equities compared with last month. The most interesting result is found for the EUR STOXX and U.S. Nasdaq Composite indices that are showing signs of positive bubbles for the fifth consecutive month. Note that around 58% of the indices that are showing signs of bubbles are in Europe;
- In our analysis of single stocks, we find a weaker positive bubble in the sector *Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment*, which we reported in the previous months. At the same time, the sector *Energy* has a significant negative bubble score, reflecting the recent drawdowns of energy prices. The strong value score in this sector calls for a contrarian buy position.

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# **Results per Asset Class**

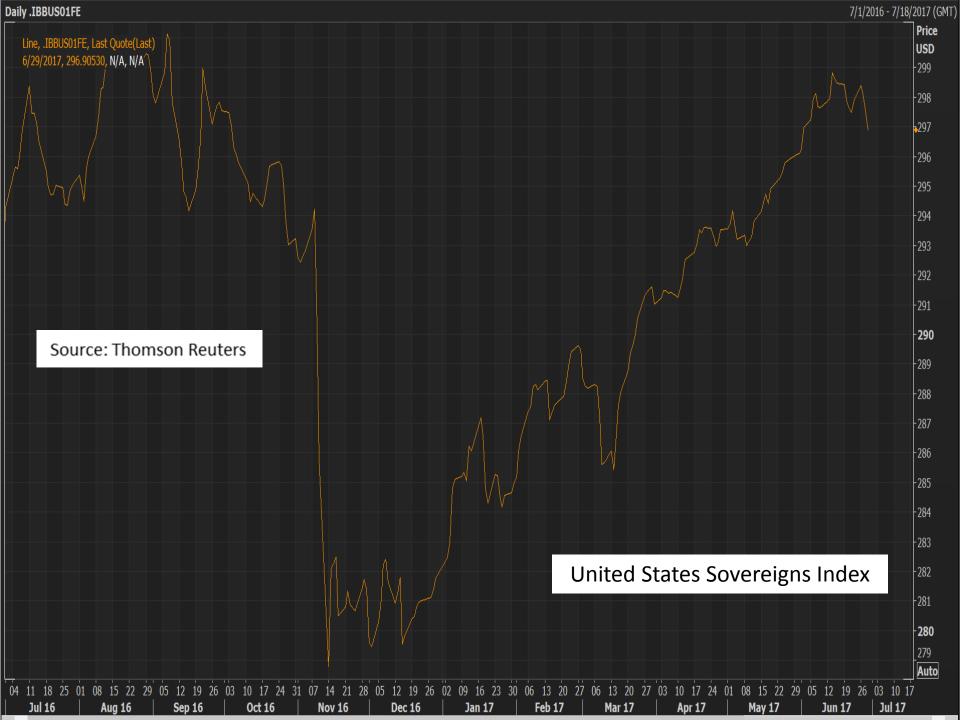


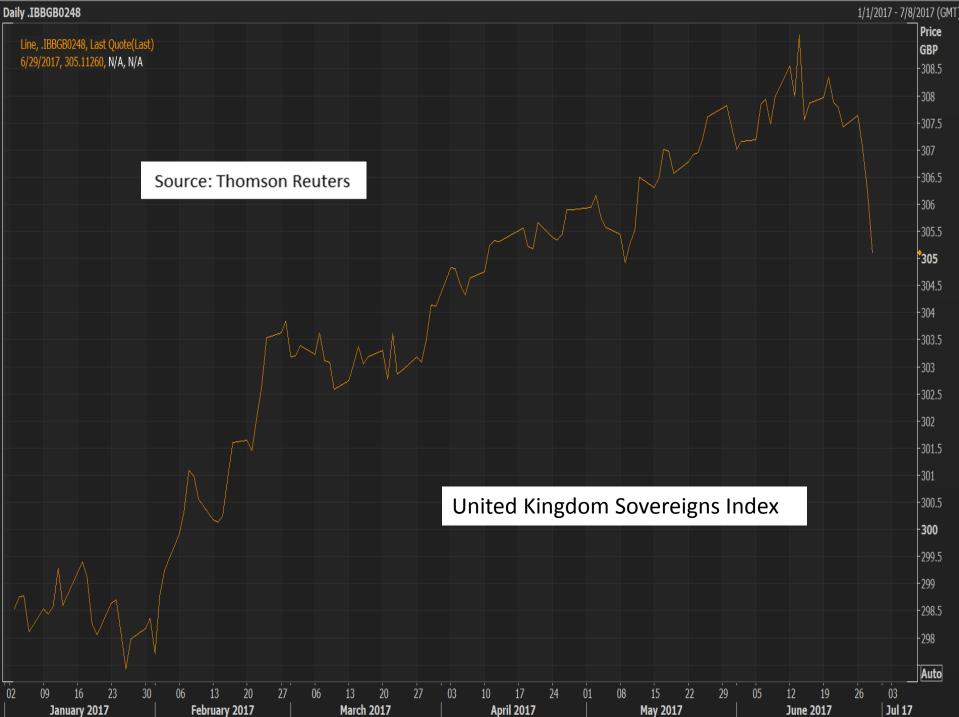
Government bonds

Positive Bubbles	Yearly Return	DS LPPL Trust	DS LPPL Confidence
iBoxx GBP Sovereigns Index	7.3%	20.7%	14.6%
iBoxx Asia Malaysia Government Index	3.4%	19.8%	10.3%
iBoxx USD Sovereigns Index	3.2%	18.1%	18.4%
iBoxx USD Supranationals Index	0.4%	14.4%	11.3%
iBoxx Asia Thailand Government Index	0.2%	13.9%	14.3%
iBoxx USD Local governments Index	0.7%	12.1%	10.3%
iBoxx USD US Agencies Index	0.8%	9.3%	15.4%
Negative Bubbles			
None			

This month we see positive bubble signals in seven of the 34 government bond indices that were analyzed, that is 21% of the set. As shown in the table above, four are in the United States, two in Asia and the last one in the United Kingdom. In the case of the United Kingdom, this bubble seems to start its change of regime and this could be related to the recent political uncertainty after the recent general elections.

It is worth mentioning that the British Sovereign index, the United States Sovereign and Super nationals indices are showing positive bubble signals for the second consecutive month. For the British Sovereign index, a turning point is already visible.







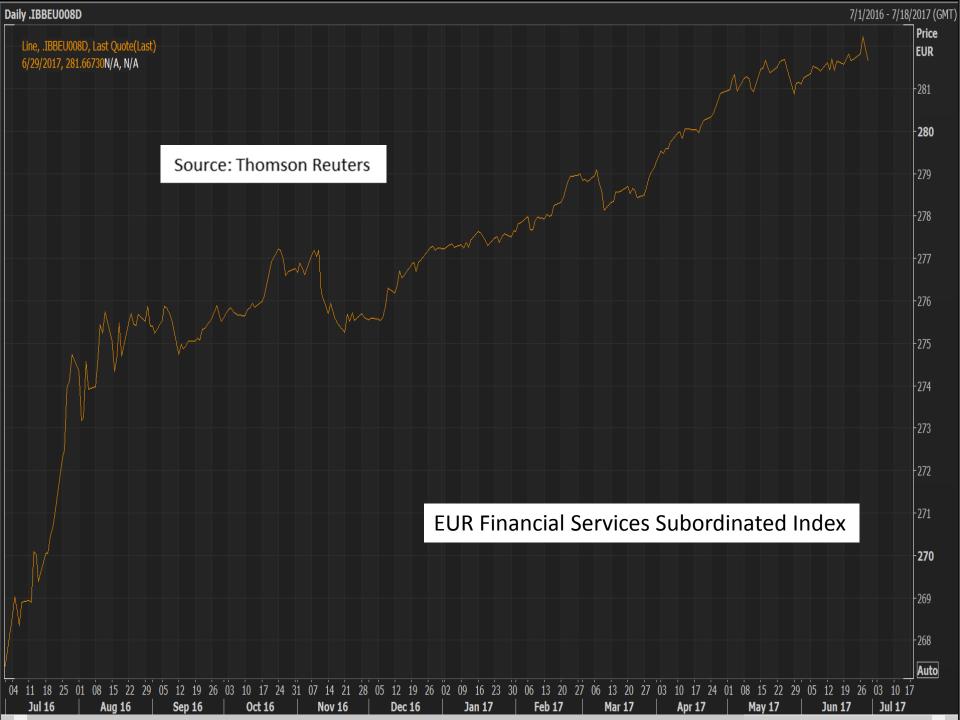
### Corporate bonds

Sector Indices	<b>Yearly Return</b>	DS LPPL Trust	DS LPPL Confidence
Positive Bubbles			
iBoxx EUR Financial Services Subordinated Index	5.9%	38.0%	39.6%
iBoxx USD Insurance Subordinated Index	7.6%	37.8%	35.5%
iBoxx USD Financials Subordinated Index	7.1%	33.6%	34.8%
iBoxx EUR Insurance Subordinated Index	12.2%	31.6%	43.0%
iBoxx USD Banks Subordinated Index	7.1%	31.5%	34.8%
Negative Bubbles			
None			

The number of corporate bond indices showing positive bubble signals surged again this month. Of the 82 government bond indices that were analyzed, 62 show positive bubble signals, that is 76% of the set.

The table above shows the indices with the five strongest signals, all are financial indices (29% of the corporate bonds showing positive bubble signals are in the financial sector).

It is worth mentioning that the European financial subordinated index is still showing positive bubble signals for the fourth consecutive month while having the strongest bubble signal. The figure on the next page shows the fast growing price trajectory that was seen in the index especially after the French legislative elections that support the stability in the European political climate.





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<b>Commodities Indices</b>	<b>Yearly Return</b>	DS LPI	PL Trust	t DS LPPL Confide	
Positive Bubbles					
Live Cattle ER Index	13.4%		19.5%		31.7%
Feeder Cattle ER Index	10.9%		15.8%		21.8%
Live Stock ER Index	2.9%		9.8%		27.4%
Negative Bubbles					
Softs ER Index	-23.8%		14.8%		36.5%
Sugar ER Index	-34.6%		14.7%		33.8%
White Sugar ER Index	-25.6%		12.4%		24.4%
Agriculture ER Index	-18.5%		8.3%		6.0%
Coffee ER Index	-21.9%		6.8%		31.4%

We see mixed bubble signals among a few commodity indices. There are eight indices showing bubble signals this month, three of them are showing positive bubble signals and five are showing negative bubble signals. It is interesting that all of these eight indices are agriculture indices.

It is worth stressing that, for the second consecutive month, the Live and Feeder Cattle indices are showing positive bubble signals, and the Softs and Sugar indices are showing negative bubble signals.

#### DS Bubble Inspectors Viewer - "Bubble end flag - long time scale"





Currencies

FX	Yearly Return	DS LPPL Trust	DS LPPL Confidence
US Dollar/Hong Kong Dollar	0.6%	50.5%	66.6%
Polish Zloty/Swiss Franc	2.7%	28.3%	18.4%
US Dollar/Polish Zloty	-1.5%	16.3%	21.0%
US Dollar/Czech Koruna	-1.3%	14.0%	21.6%
Czech Koruna/Euro	3.1%	13.5%	36.4%
Swedish Krona/Euro	-4.8%	9.4%	14.2%
Czech Koruna/Swiss Franc	2.6%	8.8%	14.6%
Hong Kong Dollar/Euro	1.2%	8.2%	16.2%
Qatar Rial/Euro	0.8%	8.1%	19.3%
Canadian Dollar/Swiss Franc	-2.7%	8.1%	14.7%
US Dollar/Iceland Krona	-14.8%	7.9%	26.9%
Polish Zloty/Euro	3.3%	7.5%	6.4%
Brazilian Real/Euro	1.6%	7.3%	6.9%
Canadian Dollar/Euro	-2.2%	6.6%	12.9%
US Dollar/Danish Krone	1.6%	6.6%	16.3%
US Dollar/Bulgarian Lev	1.7%	6.5%	15.2%
Saudi Arabian Riyal/Euro	1.7%	6.2%	15.3%
Euro/US Dollar	-1.7%	6.2%	14.8%
Australian Dollar/Swiss Franc	0.6%	5.5%	6.2%
Hong Kong Dollar/Swiss Franc	0.6%	5.5%	22.6%





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There are signs of a positive bubble in the Polish Zloty, Czech Koruna and Hong Kong Dollar for the second consecutive month. Nine of the twenty pairs that are showing bubble signals are crossed with these three pairs. In the case of the Zloty and Czeck Koruna, this reflects the strength of the economies of the two eastern European countries.

Finally, the positive bubble signals in the Indian Rupee over the last two months, disappeared.

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### Stocks country indices

Equities Countires Indices	<b>Yearly Return</b>	DS LPPL Trust	DS LPPL Confidence	Country
Bursatil Index	806.7%	41.3%	46.1%	Venezuela
Austrian Traded Index	36.4%	40.9%	38.5%	Austria
OMX Riga_GI	48.4%	40.2%	56.6%	Latvia
Korea SE Kospi Index	19.7%	36.1%	36.7%	Korea
CNX Nifty Index	15.8%	28.3%	9.7%	India
IBEX 35 Index	19.6%	26.4%	10.9%	Spain
OMX Helsinki 25 Index	24.1%	25.1%	39.8%	Finland
NASDAQ Composite Index	27.6%	23.6%	47.8%	United States
EURO STOXX INDEX	18.1%	22.3%	7.5%	EU
CAC 40 Index	17.9%	21.8%	25.5%	France
New Zealand Se Top50 Free Index	10.7%	21.3%	35.3%	New Zealand
Deutsche Boerse DAX Index	24.1%	18.7%	10.3%	Germany
OMX Nordic 40 Index	12.3%	16.5%	25.5%	Nordic Countries
Athex General Composite Share Price Index	32.8%	15.7%	23.9%	Greece
Bucharest SE BET Index	28.5%	15.1%	11.9%	Romania
S&P BSE Sensex Index	15.3%	14.9%	15.3%	India
OMX Vilnius_GI	14.9%	14.9%	25.1%	Lithuania
BEL 20 Index	9.9%	14.7%	7.3%	Belgium
BIST 100 Index	27.8%	14.7%	16.2%	Turkey
Hang Seng Index	23.0%	12.9%	33.3%	Hong Kong
OMX Stockholm 30 Index	20.9%	<b>11.6%</b>	22.5%	Sweden
OMX Copenhagen 20 Index	5.6%	11.3%	30.2%	Denmark
Euronext Lisbon PSI 20 Index	10.9%	10.9%	16.2%	Portugal
Swiss Market Index	12.6%	9.8%	14.8%	Switzerland
ISEQ Overall Price Index	9.8%	8.8%	8.7%	Ireland
Philippine SE Composite Index	1.1%	8.3%	17.9%	Philippine
Taiwan SE Weighted Index	19.6%	8.0%	20.3%	Taiwan
Vietnam Index	21.6%	5.9%	22.7%	Vietnam
CSE General Index	9.7%	5.0%	16.5%	Cyprus
Negative Bubbles				
Muscat SE General Index	-11.7%	7.0%	7.9%	Oman
Qatar Exchange General Index	-9.4%	5.1%	14.5%	Qatar



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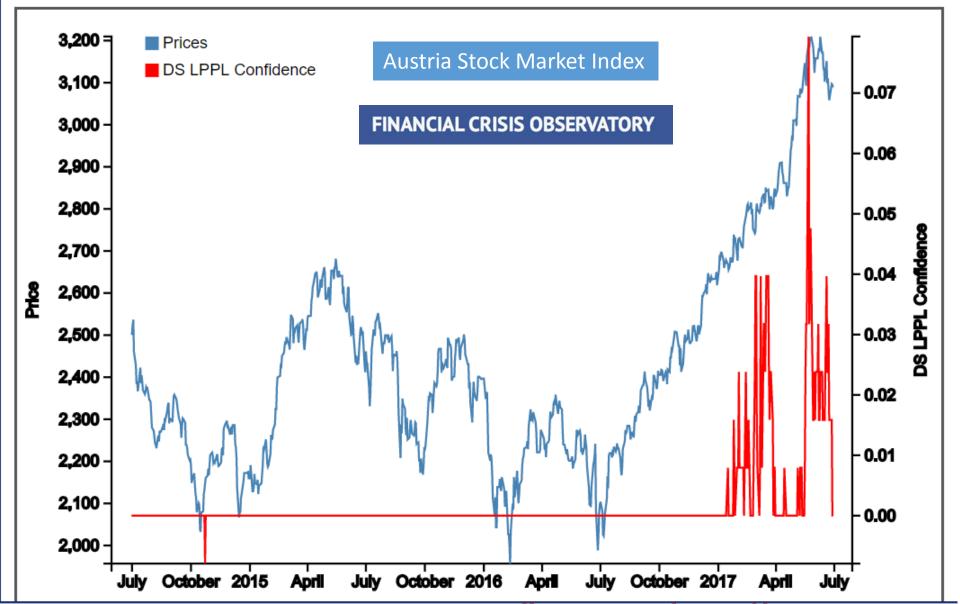
New positive bubbles continue to appear in equities. The most interesting result is found for the EUR STOXX and U.S. Nasdaq Composite indices that are showing signs of positive bubbles for the fifth consecutive month. In addition, Qatar and Oman stock market indices are showing negative bubble signals for the first month, likely related to the Gulf diplomatic crisis that started earlier this month, especially in the case of Qatar.

It is worth mentioning that around 58% of the indices that are showing signs of bubbles are in Europe. The European shares were supported over the last three months after the improvement of both the European political and macroeconomic environments.

Finally, the positive bubble signals in the Netherlands stock market index over the last five months disappeared.

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# Single Stocks



What is this?

For 850 stocks, we calculate the bubble warning indicators as well as two financial strength indicators, which indicate the fundamental value of the stock and the growth capability respectively.

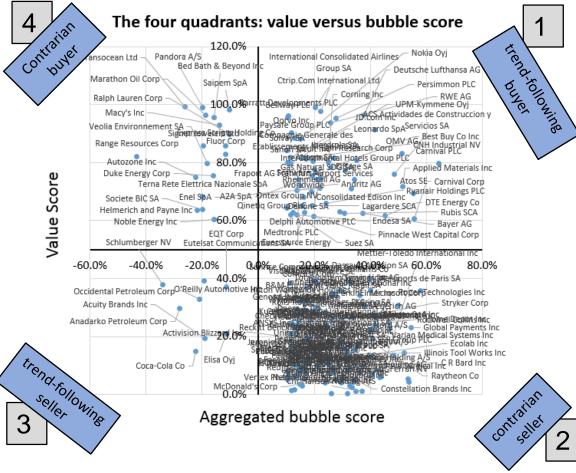
The stocks are the constituents of the Stoxx Europe 600, the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq 100 indices. From these, all doubles and stocks with incomplete data are removed. Because our financial strength indicators are specifically designed for corporates, all financial institutions are taken out of the set as well.

The two financial strength indicators are:

- A <u>value score</u> that is based on the ROIC (Return on Invested Capital) taking into account the EV (Enterprise Value) to normalize for high/low market valuations and/or high/low debt;
- A <u>growth score</u> that has characteristics similar to the PEG ratio, which is the Price to Earnings ratio normalized for expected EPS-growth (Earnings per Share).

Both scores give a value between zero and one, one being the best of the set and zero the worst, so the higher the score, the higher the financial strength.





By plotting the value score against the aggregated bubble score, we can divide the stocks into four quadrants\*:

- 1. Quadrant 1: Stocks with a strong positive bubble score and a strong value score (e.g. RWE AG);
- Quadrant 2: Stocks with a strong positive bubble score and a weak value score (e.g. PepsiCo Inc);
- 3. <u>Quadrant 3:</u> Stocks with a strong negative bubble score and a weak value score (e.g. Coca-Cola Co);
- 4. <u>Quadrant 4:</u> Stocks with strong negative bubble score and a strong financial strength (e.g. Macy's Inc)

\*A strong positive bubble signal is identified if bubble score is larger than 10%, and a strong negative bubble signal is identified if bubble score is smaller than -10%. A strong value score is identified if value score is larger than 60%, and a weak value score is identified if value score is smaller than 40%.

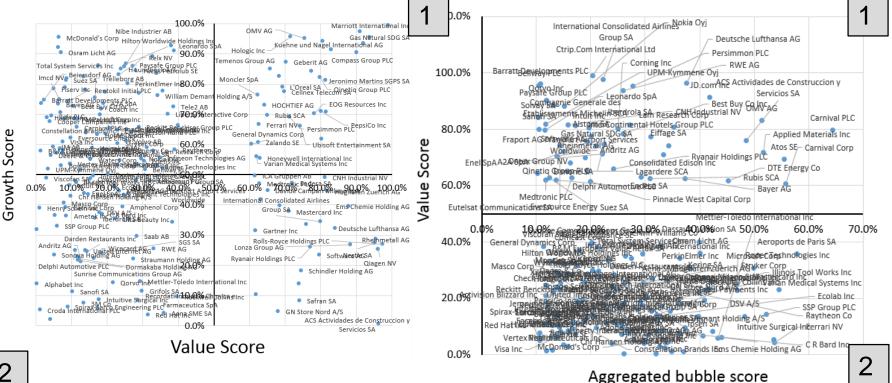


#### Each quadrant has its own specs:

- 1. <u>Quadrant 1</u>: Stocks with a strong value score are cheap relative to their earnings potential. The strong positive bubble signal should be interpreted as a momentum indicator possibly the consequence of a repricing based on the fundamentals. As an investor, one could be a trend-following buyer.
- 2. <u>Quadrant 2:</u> Stocks with a weak value score are expensive relative to their earnings potential. The strong positive bubble signal is an indication of sentiment and herding increasing the price until it is not linked to fundamentals anymore. As an investor, one could be a contrarian seller.
- 3. <u>Quadrant 3:</u> These stocks are expensive relative to their earnings potential. On top of that, there are clear negative bubble signals. Such stocks should be considered as falling knives. As an investor, one could be a trend-following seller.
- 4. <u>Quadrant 4:</u> These stocks are cheap relative to their financial performance. The strong negative bubble signal is an indication of sentiment and herding. These stocks can be considered as oversold. As an investor, one could be a contrarian buyer.

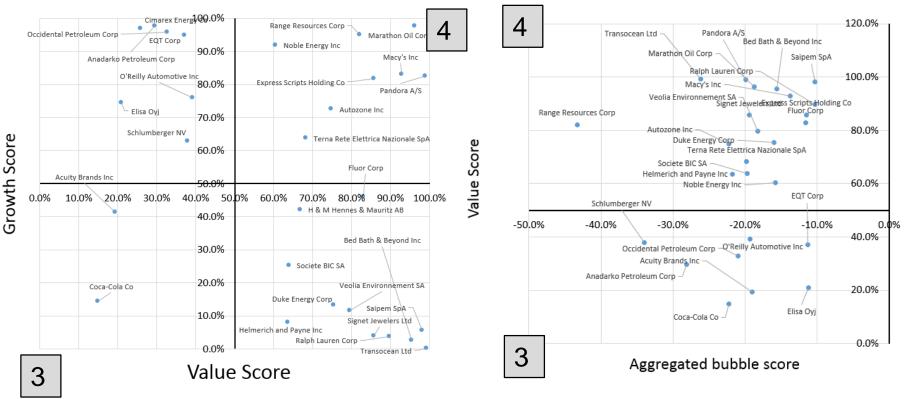


Quadrant 1 and 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with strong (respectively weak) fundamentals





# **Quadrant 3 and 4 stocks:** strong negative bubble signals with weak respectively strong fundamentals





Quadrant 1 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with strong fundamentals

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
Applied Materials Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	72.3%	51.7%	71.6%	95.6%
Ctrip.Com International Ltd	China	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	30.7%	20.4%	99.1%	99.4%
Intuit Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	19.0%	19.7%	80.4%	61.8%
JD.com Inc	China	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	84.7%	41.9%	91.2%	97.4%
Lam Research Corp	United States of America	Information Technology	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	68.2%	35.2%	80.6%	94.1%
Qorvo Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	14.6%	11.8%	90.1%	90.4%
Ontex Group NV	Belgium	Consumer Staples	Household & Personal Products	10.1%	10.3%	64.2%	73.1%
Solvay SA	Belgium	Materials	Materials	40.9%	10.4%	84.1%	32.2%
Barratt Developments PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	39.0%	10.8%	96.1%	25.2%
Bellway PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	56.7%	10.5%	95.5%	28.6%
Carnival PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	53.5%	64.4%	79.6%	23.3%
Bayer AG	Germany	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	25.8%	37.3%	62.6%	60.7%
Fraport AG Frankfurt Airport Services Worldwide	Germany	Industrials	Transportation	61.0%	16.2%	68.1%	4.7%
Deutsche Lufthansa AG	Germany	Industrials	Transportation	89.2%	37.6%	96.4%	0.5%
Rheinmetall AG	Germany	Industrials	Capital Goods	56.2%	19.0%	69.8%	77.4%
RWE AG	Germany	Utilities	Utilities	22.9%	26.0%	93.8%	95.5%
Software AG	Germany	Information Technology	Software & Services	25.6%	15.0%	72.1%	47.2%
ACS Actividades de Construccion y Servicios SA	Spain	Industrials	Capital Goods	43.6%	48.6%	76.0%	33.5%
Gas Natural SDG SA	Spain	Utilities	Utilities	16.0%	21.0%	74.0%	13.9%
Endesa SA	Spain	Utilities	Utilities	11.9%	13.7%	61.9%	10.2%



#### Quadrant 1 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with strong fundamentals

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value G	rowth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score S	core
Iberdrola SA	Spain	Utilities	Utilities	19.0%	27.2%	81.5%	70.7%
Alstom SA	France	Industrials	Capital Goods	46.6%	20.0%	77.4%	84.2%
Atos SE	France	Information Technology	Software & Services	64.9%	55.5%	69.3%	79.1%
Danone SA	France	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	3.8%	15.7%	65.1%	69.6%
Eutelsat Communications SA	France	Consumer Discretionary	Media	31.3%	14.3%	74.1%	8.2%
Eiffage SA	France	Industrials	Capital Goods	23.9%	34.3%	74.2%	66.0%
Compagnie Generale des Etablissements Michelin SCA	France	Consumer Discretionary	Automobiles & Components	36.6%	17.1%	81.3%	49.1%
Lagardere SCA	France	Consumer Discretionary	Media	40.7%	19.4%	65.2%	44.8%
Rubis SCA	France	Utilities	Utilities	44.0%	30.9%	62.4%	76.4%
Suez SA	France	Utilities	Utilities	15.2%	12.4%	62.7%	66.6%
Sanofi SA	France	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	11.8%	10.6%	80.0%	34.5%
A2A SpA	Italy	Utilities	Utilities	23.4%	19.4%	75.5%	95.1%
CNH Industrial NV	United Kingdom	Industrials	Capital Goods	53.0%	15.9%	81.4%	81.2%
Enel SpA	Italy	Utilities	Utilities	17.9%	22.1%	71.3%	69.1%
Leonardo SpA	Italy	Industrials	Capital Goods	60.6%	11.6%	79.8%	82.1%
International Consolidated Airlines Group SA	United Kingdom	Industrials	Transportation	64.9%	22.3%	97.5%	26.9%
InterContinental Hotels Group PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	54.2%	31.0%	77.2%	26.0%
Nokia Oyj	Finland	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	4.9%	15.1%	88.0%	39.5%
UPM-Kymmene Oyj	Finland	Materials	Materials	52.2%	11.7%	81.9%	44.5%
Andritz AG	Austria	Industrials	Capital Goods	24.2%	13.8%	70.4%	87.3%

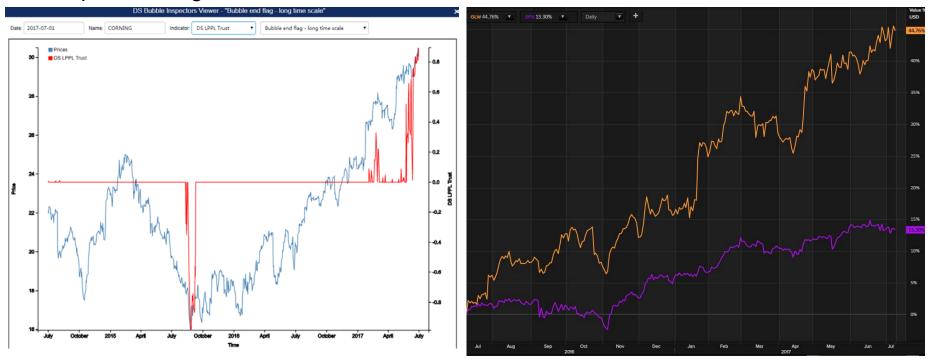


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Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
OMV AG	Austria	Energy	Energy	80.2%	51.4%	83.1%	91.4%
Paysafe Group PLC	Isle of Man	Information Technology	Software & Services	31.4%	13.1%	88.5%	26.7%
Persimmon PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	54.9%	27.7%	95.2%	27.4%
Qinetiq Group PLC	United Kingdom	Industrials	Capital Goods	21.5%	22.3%	74.6%	18.2%
Ryanair Holdings PLC	Ireland; Republic of	Industrials	Transportation	58.7%	24.1%	65.9%	85.1%
Best Buy Co Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	87.4%	26.0%	78.2%	70.1%
Carnival Corp	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	48.3%	55.8%	60.6%	60.1%
Delphi Automotive PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Automobiles & Components	40.0%	29.2%	62.9%	55.4%
DTE Energy Co	United States of America	Utilities	Utilities	6.7%	45.3%	61.8%	31.5%
Consolidated Edison Inc	United States of America	Utilities	Utilities	0.5%	33.3%	71.1%	37.8%
Eversource Energy	United States of America	Utilities	Utilities	1.4%	16.5%	62.8%	47.1%
Corning Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	46.7%	25.0%	80.1%	70.9%
Medtronic PLC	Ireland; Republic of	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	2.3%	11.7%	62.0%	56.0%
Pinnacle West Capital Corp	United States of America	Utilities	Utilities	5.1%	19.9%	61.5%	49.6%
Xcel Energy Inc	United States of America	Utilities	Utilities	2.5%	24.7%	63.2%	41.8%
ICA Gruppen AB	Sweden	Consumer Staples	Food & Staples Retailing	11.3%	34.1%	68.6%	39.8%
JM AB	Sweden	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	41.3%	21.5%	92.1%	93.4%
Trelleborg AB	Sweden	Industrials	Capital Goods	29.3%	15.5%	68.4%	82.6%



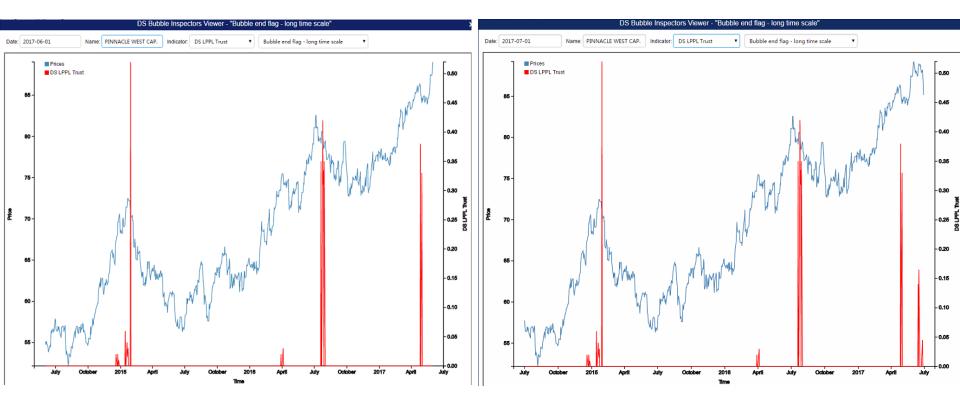
**Quadrant 1 stocks:** strong positive bubble signals with strong fundamentals, example Corning Inc.



The left graph is a standard output from the Financial Crisis Observatory. It shows the historical price evolution of the stock in blue (left hand scale) and the calculated bubble warning index DS LPPL Trust in red (right hand scale). We can see a clearly spiking warning, indicating the convergence towards the end of a bubble-like regime. The right graph shows the outperformance of the stock over the last year (orange) with respect to the S&P 500 benchmark (purple), which is almost 31%.

**Last month example:** strong positive bubble signals with strong fundamentals, Pinnacle West Capital Corp.

Note that a correction has occurred, in synchrony with our DS LPPL trust indicator, notwithstanding the strong fundamentals. This suggests a tactical buy as the stock is expected to rebound after further correcting.



Last month signal (1<sup>st</sup> Jun. 2017)

This month signal (1<sup>st</sup> July. 2017)



Quadrant 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals

This month we again observe an abnormally large number of stocks in this Quadrant.

This suggests that the fundamentals are still dominantly weak while there is a general positive investment sentiment, possibly in denial of the weakness of the existing recovery.



#### Quadrant 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	alue /	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score S	core	Score
Adobe Systems Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	47.7%	27.9%	5.1%	78.4%
Autodesk Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	86.2%	32.0%	0.4%	13.8%
Align Technology Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	86.4%	32.6%	3.1%	68.9%
Amazon.com Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	35.3%	37.1%	1.1%	38.9%
ANSYS Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	34.1%	37.4%	9.5%	46.5%
Activision Blizzard Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	45.3%	25.8%	17.8%	8.6%
Cerner Corp	United States of America		Health Care Equipment & Services	13.4%	22.8%	11.2%	47.8%
Check Point Software Technologies Ltd	Israel	Information Technology	Software & Services	36.9%	12.7%	33.1%	57.8%
Comcast Corp	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Media	19.4%	17.9%	37.2%	70.0%
Electronic Arts Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	39.5%	24.7%	23.4%	44.6%
Expedia Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	40.1%	18.5%	11.8%	68.4%
Facebook Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	32.1%	10.7%	7.6%	56.9%
Fiserv Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	12.5%	24.8%	10.7%	68.5%
Alphabet Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	31.3%	23.2%	21.6%	14.2%
Hasbro Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	32.8%	17.5%	19.1%	58.5%
Hologic Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	31.2%	13.2%	22.4%	35.3%
Henry Schein Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	3.5%	21.1%	9.6%	53.5%
Intuitive Surgical Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	41.4%	53.6%	5.4%	36.5%
Liberty Interactive Corp	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	55.7%	23.9%	4.1%	2.1%
Marriott International Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	50.9%	32.5%	13.9%	78.1%
Mercadolibre Inc	Argentina	Information Technology	Software & Services	78.3%	33.6%	2.4%	74.7%
Microsoft Corp	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	34.7%	49.9%	30.7%	51.6%
Netflix Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	63.3%	11.8%	1.4%	57.9%
PayPal Holdings Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	47.0%	25.9%	11.5%	65.6%
Tesla Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Automobiles & Components	70.3%	34.9%	1.2%	5.2%
Ulta Beauty Inc	United States of America			17.9%	14.0%	6.4%	73.3%
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	49.8%	13.0%	1.5%	73.5%
Wynn Resorts Ltd	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	48.0%	15.3%	28.1%	84.5%



#### Quadrant 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals (cont'd)

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
Xilinx Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	39.4%	11.8%	24.7%	43.3%
Proximus NV	Belgium	Telecommunication Services	Telecommunication Services	7.6%	26.4%	34.8%	55.6%
Telenet Group Holding NV	Belgium	Consumer Discretionary	Media	34.8%	17.2%	7.1%	90.5%
B&M European Value Retail SA	Luxembourg	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	32.8%	23.2%	33.2%	25.5%
Compass Group PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	13.7%	20.2%	14.0%	24.8%
Croda International PLC	United Kingdom	Materials	Materials	23.8%	25.4%	16.4%	22.4%
Beiersdorf AG	Germany	Consumer Staples	Household & Personal Products	8.4%	14.2%	9.9%	42.8%
Fuchs Petrolub SE	Germany	Materials	Materials	35.1%	36.3%	17.9%	37.4%
HOCHTIEF AG	Germany	Industrials	Capital Goods	38.6%	13.8%	23.9%	84.9%
Infineon Technologies AG	Germany	Information Technology	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	42.5%	27.5%	34.2%	76.1%
Osram Licht AG	Germany	Industrials	Capital Goods	49.9%	40.1%	36.0%	4.1%
Qiagen NV	Netherlands	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	49.7%	15.3%	32.0%	47.9%
United Internet AG	Germany	Information Technology	Software & Services	29.4%	18.2%	16.7%	35.5%
Wirecard AG	Germany	Information Technology	Software & Services	41.2%	20.4%	29.9%	11.4%
Zalando SE	Germany	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	68.7%	15.9%	2.9%	48.8%
Chr Hansen Holding A/S	Denmark	Materials	Materials	8.1%	26.0%	0.2%	31.8%
DSV A/S	Denmark	Industrials	Transportation	42.8%	48.2%	13.5%	82.4%
GN Store Nord A/S	Denmark	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	58.0%	40.8%	19.4%	77.3%
H Lundbeck A/S	Denmark	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	46.3%	10.5%	6.2%	92.1%
William Demant Holding A/S	Denmark	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	29.6%	42.5%	8.2%	78.8%
Aena SME SA	Spain	Industrials	Transportation	44.5%	33.8%	26.1%	35.4%
Amadeus IT Group SA	Spain	Information Technology	Software & Services	33.3%	32.3%	12.5%	51.4%
Cellnex Telecom SA	Spain	Telecommunication Services	Telecommunication Services	28.7%	33.3%	8.7%	81.8%
Grifols SA	Spain	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	20.4%	24.8%	18.1%	69.8%
Viscofan SA	Spain	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	4.4%		38.4%	34.2%
Electrocomponents PLC	United Kingdom	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	121.8%		11.6%	22.8%
Aeroports de Paris SA	France	Industrials	Transportation	42.7%	57.8%	35.6%	52.0%
Dassault Aviation SA	France	Industrials	Capital Goods	36.1%	39.9%	40.0%	66.2%



### Quadrant 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals (cont'd)

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
Biomerieux SA	France	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	55.1%	30.5%	6.8%	58.6%
Christian Dior SE	France	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	72.9%	32.3%	8.5%	81.3%
Eurofins Scientific SE	Luxembourg	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	47.8%	13.0%	10.4%	11.3%
Iliad SA	France	Telecommunication Services	Telecommunication Services	13.5%	23.1%	15.9%	58.8%
lpsen SA	France	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	116.2%	40.6%	6.6%	74.8%
Kering SA	France	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	105.0%	41.0%	27.3%	86.0%
Legrand SA	France	Industrials	Capital Goods	32.3%	14.3%	22.9%	53.2%
LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SE	France	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	60.5%	29.1%	18.9%	73.6%
L'Oreal SA	France	Consumer Staples	Household & Personal Products	6.0%	20.7%	13.6%	43.9%
Teleperformance SE	France	Industrials	Commercial & Professional Services	45.7%	21.2%	38.1%	92.7%
Safran SA	France	Industrials	Capital Goods	31.7%	16.1%	28.7%	8.5%
Ubisoft Entertainment SA		Information Technology	Software & Services	50.5%	28.5%		49.5%
Heineken NV	Netherlands	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	2.9%	15.6%	28.2%	48.0%
Imcd NV		Industrials	Capital Goods	33.4%	21.4%	29.6%	55.3%
Relx NV	Netherlands	Industrials	Commercial & Professional Services	15.3%	15.1%	3.4%	51.8%
Halma PLC	United Kingdom	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	8.2%	19.1%	12.7%	21.1%
Davide Campari Milano SpA	Italy	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	39.0%	41.7%	23.3%	83.1%
Moncler SpA	Italy	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	45.0%	14.0%	28.9%	65.8%
Ferrari NV	Italy	Consumer Discretionary	Automobiles & Components	105.0%	53.8%	4.4%	69.4%
Recordati Industria Chimica e Farmaceutica SpA	Italy	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	31.6%	16.6%		74.4%
Intertek Group PLC	United Kingdom		Commercial & Professional Services	21.2%	12.3%		21.8%
Jeronimo Martins SGPS SA	Portugal	Consumer Staples	Food & Staples Retailing	20.7%	13.9%	13.8%	56.8%
Reckitt Benckiser Group PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Staples	Household & Personal Products	3.9%	11.9%	18.6%	23.9%
Relx PLC	United Kingdom	Industrials	Commercial & Professional Services	20.6%	29.9%	5.2%	23.4%
Rentokil Initial PLC	United Kingdom	Industrials	Commercial & Professional Services	41.5%	30.0%	12.2%	22.2%
Rolls-Royce Holdings PLC	United Kingdom	Industrials	Capital Goods	27.1%	21.4%	27.4%	22.0%
	• · · · · •	Industrials	Capital Goods	22.6%	26.7%	8.9%	6.2%
Ems Chemie Holding AG	Switzerland	Materials	Materials	40.7%	44.1%	6.0%	32.9%



Quadrant 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals (cont'd)

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
Flughafen Zuerich AG	Switzerland	Industrials	Transportation	36.7%	42.2%	26.0%	43.8%
	Switzerland	Industrials	Capital Goods	21.5%	15.9%	8.6%	36.4%
Kuehne und Nagel International AG	Switzerland	Industrials	Transportation	17.5%	23.9%	24.4%	39.3%
Logitech International SA	United States of America	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	123.1%	30.4%	20.4%	50.1%
Lonza Group AG	Switzerland	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	38.8%	11.7%	10.6%	72.7%
Nestle SA	Switzerland	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	11.0%	18.3%	18.7%	36.8%
Schindler Holding AG	Switzerland	Industrials	Capital Goods	15.3%	25.7%	7.2%	53.1%
SGS SA	Switzerland	Industrials	Commercial & Professional Services	4.3%	14.4%	8.4%	39.2%
Sonova Holding AG	Switzerland	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	20.7%	26.2%	18.4%	71.8%
Sunrise Communications Group AG	Switzerland	Telecommunication Services	Telecommunication Services	21.1%	20.3%	39.6%	9.5%
Straumann Holding AG	Switzerland	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	42.1%	29.8%	4.0%	67.6%
Temenos Group AG	Switzerland	Information Technology	Software & Services	76.5%	34.0%	4.2%	56.4%
Spirax-Sarco Engineering PLC	United Kingdom	Industrials	Capital Goods	43.0%	16.8%	11.1%	24.9%
SSP Group PLC	United Kingdom	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	69.3%	52.3%	14.4%	24.5%
Agilent Technologies Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	33.7%	41.0%	22.7%	58.1%
Ametek Inc	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	31.0%	39.9%	22.0%	45.9%
Amphenol Corp	United States of America	Information Technology	Technology Hardware & Equipment	28.8%	31.2%	15.3%	48.6%
Baxter International Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	33.9%			
C R Bard Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	34.4%	25.8%	9.8%	62.2%
Boston Scientific Corp	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	18.6%			
Coach Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	16.2%	19.4%	28.5%	53.3%
Rockwell Collins Inc	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	23.4%	26.3%	25.5%	64.9%
Cooper Companies Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	39.5%	33.1%	17.3%	63.2%
Deere & Co	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	52.5%	14.4%	25.3%	86.6%
Darden Restaurants Inc	United States of America	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Consumer Services	42.8%			64.0%
Ecolab Inc	United States of America	Materials	Materials	11.9%	24.2%	11.4%	47.4%
Estee Lauder Companies Inc	United States of America		Household & Personal Products	5.4%	32.0%	7.9%	40.6%
EOG Resources Inc	United States of America	Energy	Energy	8.5%	13.0%	6.5%	95.4%



### Quadrant 2 stocks: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals (cont'd)

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
FMC Corp	United States of America	Materials	Materials	57.7%	39.8%	13.4%	5 7.4%
General Dynamics Corp	United States of America		Capital Goods	42.3%	13.6%	29.3%	14.6%
Global Payments Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	26.5%	18.9%	25.8%	80.1%
Home Depot Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	20.1%	11.8%	20.8%	65.3%
Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	29.9%	17.4%	31.5%	3.5%
Honeywell International Inc	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	15.2%	36.3%	34.1%	52.7%
Ingersoll-Rand PLC	Ireland; Republic of	Industrials	Capital Goods	43.5%	19.9%	39.1%	58.2%
Gartner Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	26.8%	26.9%	7.8%	58.0%
Illinois Tool Works Inc	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	37.5%	32.1%	14.1%	63.9%
Mastercard Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	37.9%	54.6%	23.1%	60.4%
Masco Corp	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	23.5%	22.1%	17.6%	86.1%
McDonald's Corp	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	27.3%	36.3%	7.5%	60.8%
ЗМ Со	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	18.9%	34.5%	15.4%	54.9%
Mettler-Toledo International Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	61.3%	43.3%	5.8%	57.1%
PepsiCo Inc	United States of America	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	9.0%	13.4%	14.7%	43.4%
PerkinElmer Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	30.0%	38.3%	30.5%	54.5%
Red Hat Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	31.9%	10.6%	4.9%	59.2%
Roper Technologies Inc	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	35.7%	46.8%	24.9%	85.8%
Raytheon Co	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	18.8%	24.3%	28.4%	29.6%
Sherwin-Williams Co	United States of America		Materials	19.5%	32.8%	38.7%	72.5%
Constellation Brands Inc	United States of America	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	17.1%	12.1%	16.6%	75.5%
Stryker Corp	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	15.8%	29.7%	25.4%	61.2%
Total System Services Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	9.7%	29.5%	35.8%	77.8%
Visa Inc	United States of America	Information Technology	Software & Services	26.4%	15.8%	8.0%	68.2%
Varian Medical Systems Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	41.7%	29.6%	17.4%	5.6%
Waters Corp	United States of America	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	30.7%	40.0%	23.6%	54.7%
Wyndham Worldwide Corp	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Services	41.0%	47.2%	31.2%	58.9%
Zoetis Inc	United States of America	Health Care	Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	31.4%	18.3%	6.9%	70.6%



**Quadrant 2 stocks:** strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals, example General Dynamics Corp.



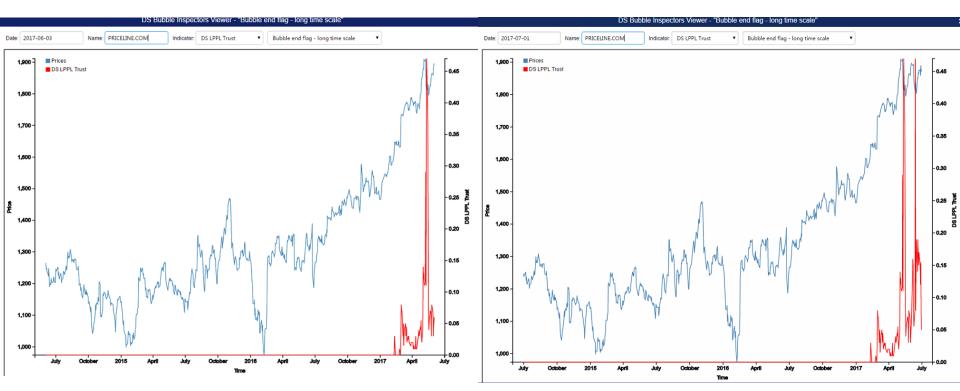
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Last month example: strong positive bubble signals with weak fundamentals, Priceline Group Inc.

Note that the correction has started to occur, in synchrony with our DS LPPL trust indicator. This suggests continuing to short or get out of a long position on this stock.

### Last month signal (1<sup>st</sup> Jun. 2017)

This month signal (1<sup>st</sup> July. 2017)



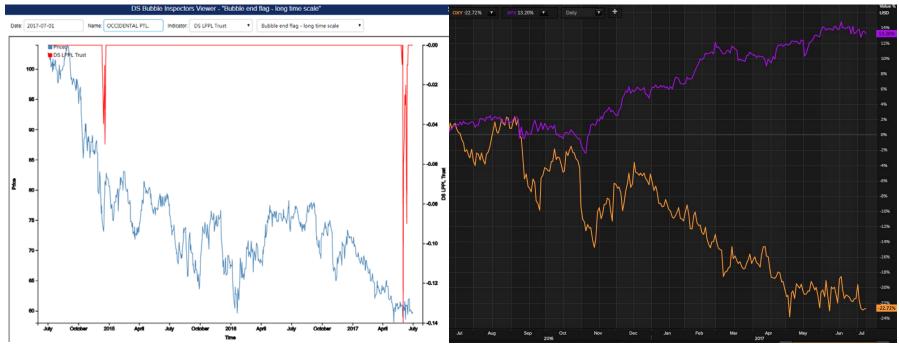


### Quadrant 3 stocks: strong negative bubble signals with weak fundamentals

Company Name	Country of Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name			Value Score	Growth Score
O'Reilly Automotive Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	-19.3%	-19.3%	39.2%	76.0%
Elisa Oyj	Finland	Telecommunication Services	Telecommunication Services	-1.4%	-11.2%	20.9%	74.5%
Anadarko Petroleum Corp	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-14.9%	-28.1%	29.5%	97.6%
Acuity Brands Inc	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	-18.0%	-19.1%	19.3%	41.4%
EQT Corp	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-24.3%	-11.3%	37.1%	94.8%
Coca-Cola Co	United States of America	Consumer Staples	Food, Beverage & Tobacco	-1.1%	-22.3%	14.9%	14.4%
Occidental Petroleum Corp	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-20.8%	-21.0%	32.7%	95.8%
Schlumberger NV	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-16.7%	-34.0%	37.9%	62.9%
Cimarex Energy Co	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-21.2%	-20.3%	25.9%	97.1%



**Quadrant 3 stocks:** strong negative bubble signals with weak fundamentals, example Occidental Petroleum Corp.



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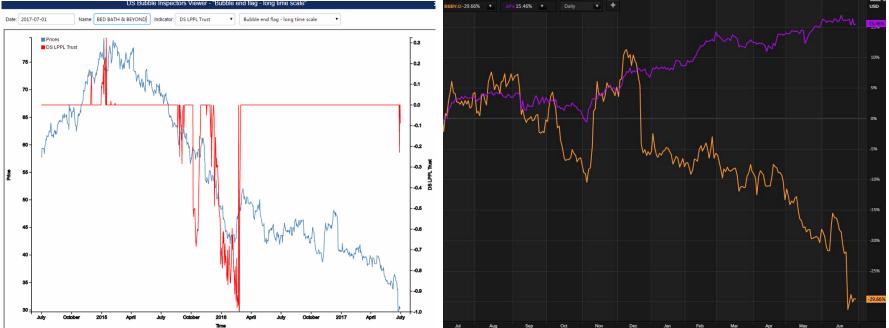


Quadrant 4 stocks: strong negative bubble signals with strong fundamentals

	Country of			Yearly	Bubble	Value	Growth
Company Name	Headquarters	GICS Sector Name	GICS Industry Group Name	Return	Score	Score	Score
Bed Bath & Beyond Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	-29.7%	-15.6%	95.4%	2.6%
Express Scripts Holding Co	United States of America	Health Care	Health Care Equipment & Services	-15.8%	-11.5%	85.8%	81.9%
Pandora A/S	Denmark	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	-33.0%	-19.9%	98.9%	82.5%
Societe BIC SA	France	Industrials	Commercial & Professional Services	-18.2%	-19.7%	63.9%	25.3%
Veolia Environnement SA	France	Utilities	Utilities	-5.0%	-18.3%	79.5%	11.6%
Saipem SpA	Italy	Energy	Energy	-9.8%	-10.3%	98.1%	5.5%
Terna Rete Elettrica Nazionale SpA		Utilities	Utilities	-5.4%	-19.8%	68.2%	63.8%
Autozone Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	-28.1%	-22.2%	74.8%	72.6%
Duke Energy Corp	United States of America	Utilities	Utilities	-2.6%	-16.0%	75.4%	13.3%
Fluor Corp	United States of America	Industrials	Capital Goods	-7.1%	-11.6%	82.9%	46.0%
Helmerich and Payne Inc	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-19.1%	-21.8%	63.6%	8.0%
Macy's Inc	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	-30.9%	-13.7%	92.8%	83.2%
Marathon Oil Corp	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-21.1%	-18.7%	96.2%	97.8%
Noble Energy Inc	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-21.1%	-15.8%	60.5%	92.0%
Transocean Ltd	Switzerland		Energy	-30.8%	-26.2%	99.2%	0.1%
Ralph Lauren Corp	United States of America	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Durables & Apparel	-17.7%	-10.4%	89.6%	3.8%
Range Resources Corp	United States of America	Energy	Energy	-46.3%	-43.3%	82.1%	95.2%
Signet Jewelers Ltd	Bermuda	Consumer Discretionary		-23.3%	-19.5%	85.6%	4.0%
H & M Hennes & Mauritz AB	Sweden	Consumer Discretionary	Retailing	-14.8%	-18.2%	66.8%	42.1%



Quadrant 4 stocks: strong negative bubble signals with strong fundamentals, example Bed Bath & Beyond Inc



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**Last month example:** strong negative bubble signals with strong fundamentals, H & M Hennes & Mauritz AB.

Note that the stock went down again in this month, which is in contradiction with our DS LPPL trust indicator and the strong fundamentals. We expect this stock to appreciate in the future due to the strong fundamentals.

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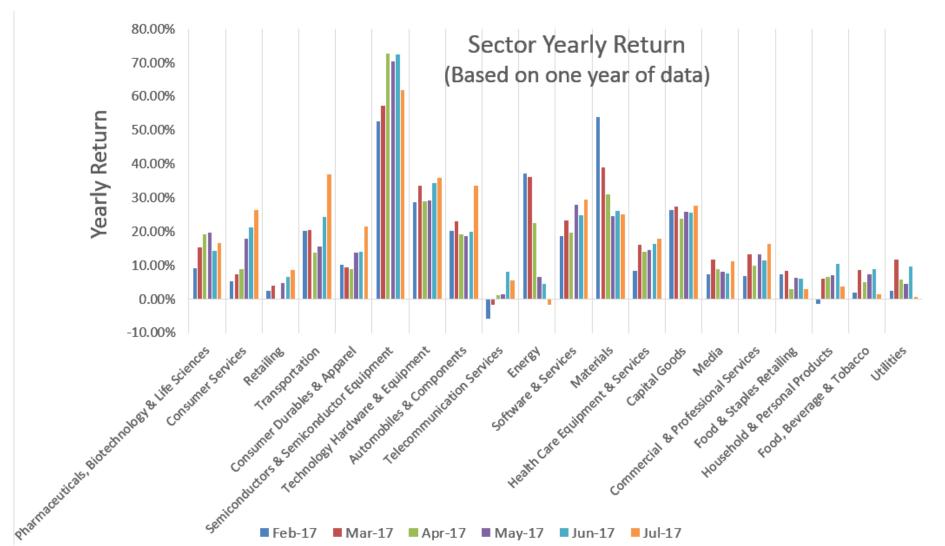


GICS Industry Group Name	Yearly Return		Bubble Score		Value Score		Growth Score	
Gics industry Group Name	July 1st	June 1st	July 1st	June 1st	July 1st	June 1st	July 1st	June 1st
Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Life Sciences	16.7%	14.2%	8.1%	7.2%	42.2%	43.8%	51.1%	50.7%
Consumer Services	26.4%	21.2%	17.3%	10.2%	44.8%	43.5%	48.3%	50.4%
Retailing	8.6%	6.8%	2.7%	4.2%	54.0%	49.2%	42.7%	42.2%
Transportation	37.0%	24.3%	10.7%	8.1%	53.3%	54.7%	40.2%	38.3%
Consumer Durables & Apparel	21.6%	14.1%	6.0%	10.9%	53.0%	54.5%	51.5%	56.8%
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment	61.9%	72.5%	12.0%	13.0%	53.2%	48.0%	76.0%	75.4%
Technology Hardware & Equipment	36.0%	34.4%	7.0%	5.2%	61.2%	58.6%	46.7%	44.6%
Automobiles & Components	33.6%	20.1%	6.3%	8.0%	74.4%	70.8%	60.5%	60.4%
Telecommunication Services	5.6%	8.1%	4.2%	5.8%	57.0%	56.0%	38.6%	38.5%
Energy	-1.5%	4.6%	-4.1%	-1.2%	56.4%	58.4%	68.0%	68.9%
Software & Services	29.5%	24.8%	13.8%	10.9%	39.8%	40.2%	49.8%	47.4%
Materials	25.2%	26.3%	4.5%	4.5%	55.8%	55.5%	54.4%	54.9%
Health Care Equipment & Services	17.8%	16.5%	13.9%	10.0%	36.5%	39.5%	52.8%	52.9%
Capital Goods	27.7%	25.7%	9.7%	10.3%	45.2%	44.7%	50.0%	50.1%
Media	11.4%	7.6%	3.4%	1.6%	54.6%	55.1%	49.4%	48.0%
Commercial & Professional Services	16.4%	11.6%	5.6%	4.4%	42.0%	41.7%	42.2%	41.3%
Food & Staples Retailing	3.1%	6.1%	3.3%	2.5%	59.1%	57.8%	40.6%	43.4%
Household & Personal Products	3.8%	10.5%	8.3%	5.4%	19.7%	20.2%	42.3%	44.3%
Food, Beverage & Tobacco	1.5%	9.0%	4.5%	4.0%	39.2%	37.0%	48.2%	47.7%
Utilities	0.8%	9.7%	4.6%	4.0%	66.8%	69.8%	38.7%	38.3%

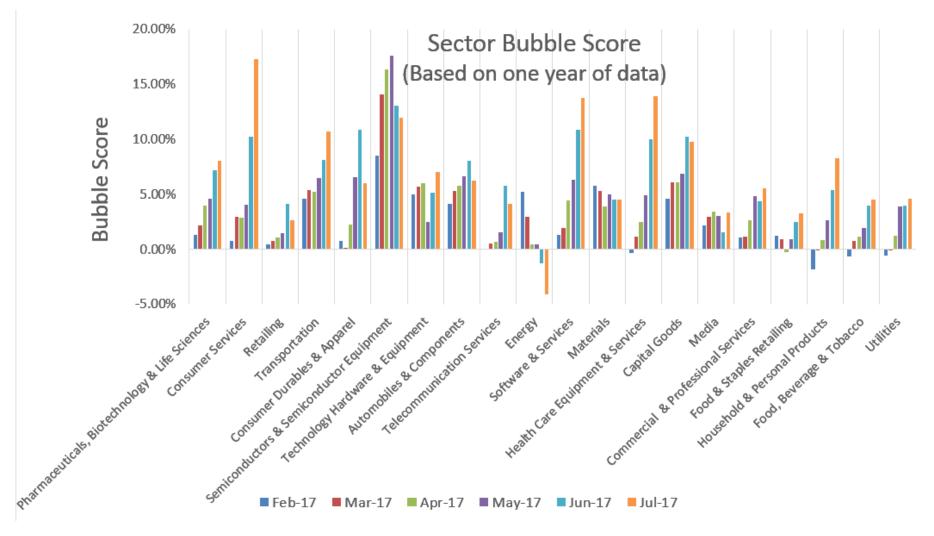
By aggregating the calculations that were done at the single stock level in the previous section, we can see the bubble, value and growth score at the sector level. The results in the previous report are also presented here for comparison.

- The sector *Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment* we reported in last six months has a smaller bubble score, which demonstrates that the strong momentums in this industry is declining.
- The sector *Energy* has a significant negative bubble score, reflecting the recent drawdowns of energy prices. The strong value score in this sector calls for a contrarian buy position.



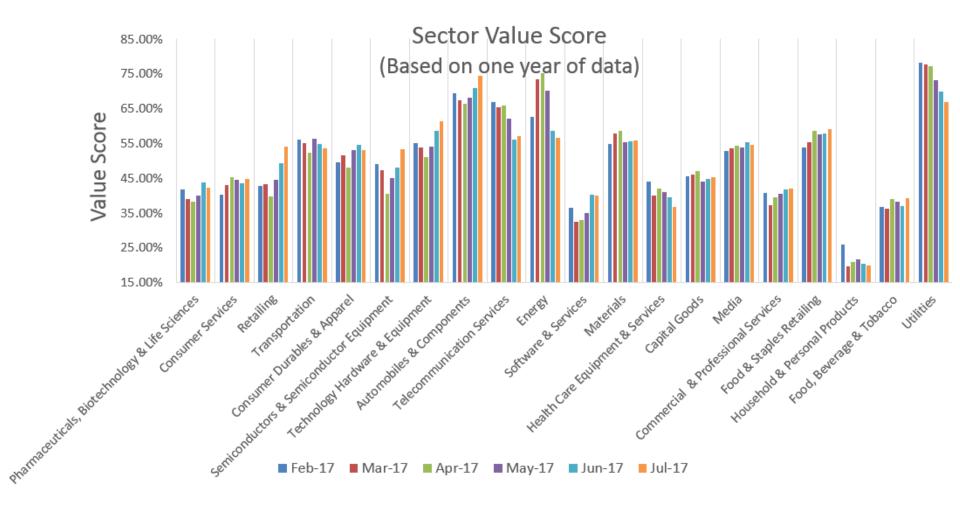




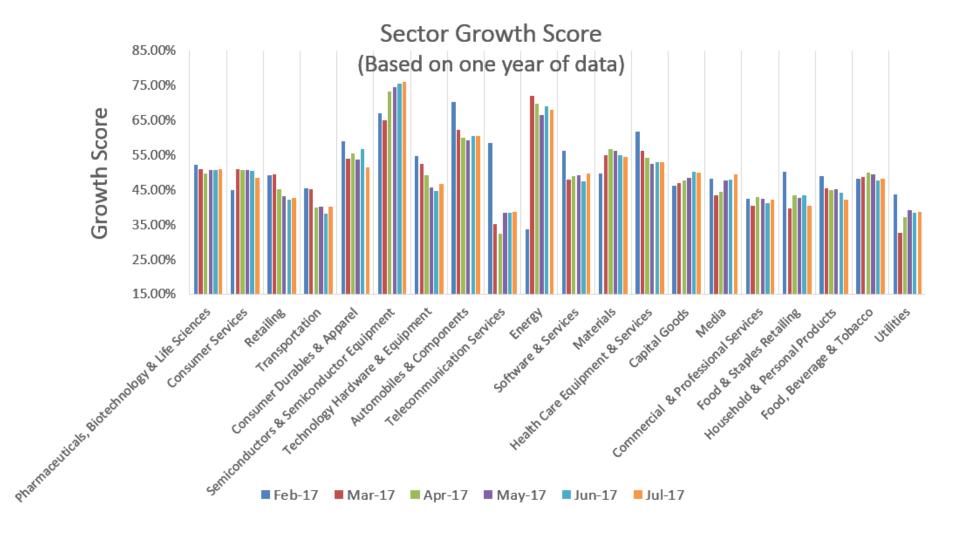




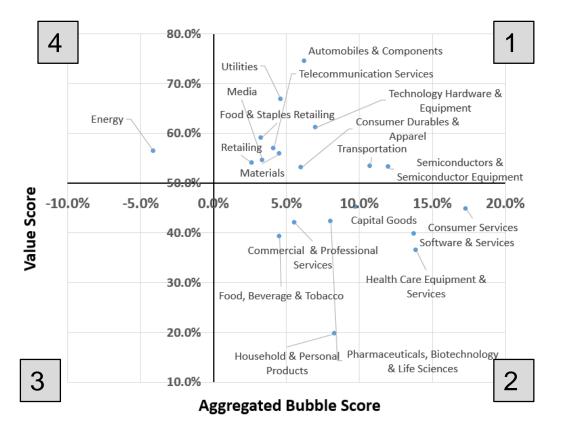








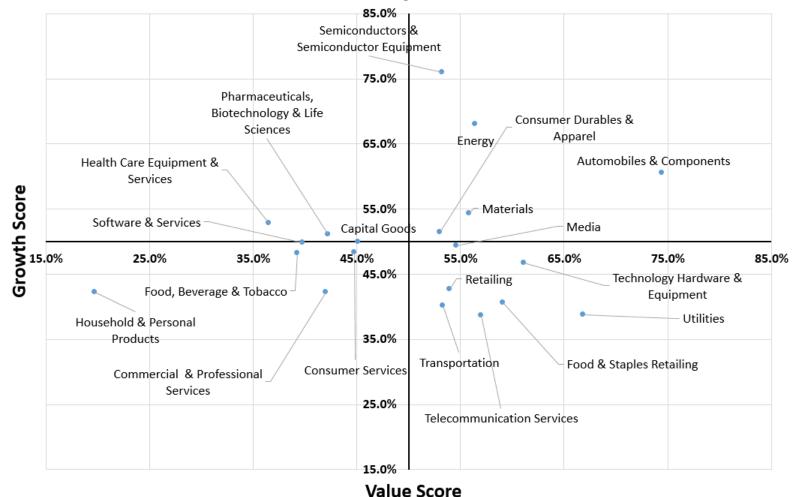




By plotting the value score versus the aggregated bubble score, we can also divide the sectors into four quadrants\*:

- <u>Quadrant 1:</u> Sectors with an average positive bubble score and a strong value score;
- 2. <u>Quadrant 2:</u> Sectors with an average positive bubble score and a weak value score;
- Quadrant 3: Sectors with an average negative bubble score and a weak value score;
- 4. <u>Quadrant 4:</u> Sectors with an average negative bubble score and a strong value score.







#### **Portfolio Construction and Performance**

Here we illustrate the methodology of the portfolio construction process based on the results of our previous analyses.

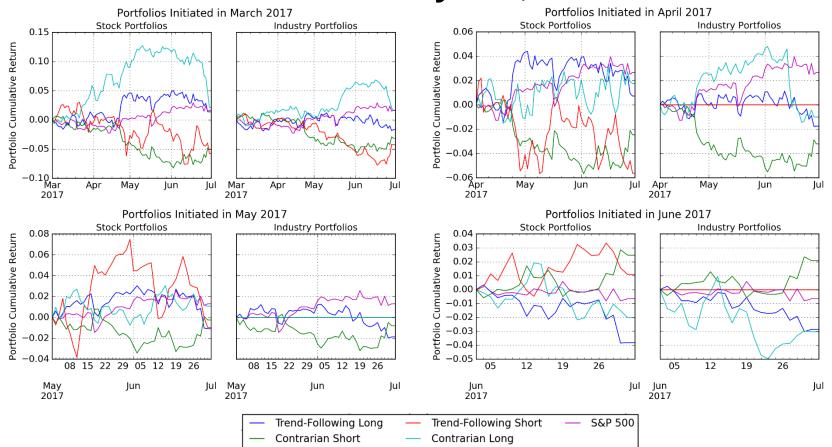
For individual stocks that we identified in the 4 quadrants, we constructed 4 portfolios based on the 4 quadrants defined in the last report. Each portfolio consists of all the stocks listed in the corresponding quadrant.

- (1) Trend-Following Long Stock Portfolio (TFLSP) is made of the stocks that have a strong bubble signal as well as a strong value score. For instance, TFLSP June consists of all the stocks listed in quadrant 1, identified in slide 25 of June FCO Report.
- (2) Trend-Following Short Stock Portfolio (TFSSP) is made of the stocks that have a strong bubble signal as well as a weak value score.
- (3) Contrarian Long Stock Portfolio (CLSP) is made of the stocks that have a weak bubble signal as well as a strong value score.
- (4) and Contrarian Short Stock Portfolio (CSSP) is made of the stocks that have a weak bubble signal as well as a weak value score.

At the same time, we also classified 20 industries into 4 quadrants. We also constructed 4 type of industry portfolios based on the 4 industry quadrants. Each portfolio consists of all the stocks in the industries listed in the corresponding quadrant. Following the same definitions as above, we have Trend-Following Long Industry Portfolio (TFLIP), Trend-Following Short Industry Portfolio (TFSIP), Contrarian Long Industry Portfolio (CLIP), and Contrarian Short Industry Portfolio (CSIP). For example, Trend-Following Long Industry Portfolio June consists of all the stocks in the industries listed in quadrant 1, identified in slide 39 of the June 2016 FCO Report.

In each month, we initiated 8 new portfolios based on the updated results. The performance of every 8 portfolios we initiated in each month since April 2016 are presented in the next slide. All of the stocks in our portfolios have the same weights and we don't consider transaction cost in the portfolio performance.





This month, we find that Long portfolios started to develop a drawdown in most portfolios initiated in March, April, May and June 2017. This reflects the stopping of the previously booming markets. Especially, the Contrarian Short portfolios rebounded in recent weeks. Contrarian Portfolios are more delicate to use due to their sensitivity to timing the expected reversal and exhibit very volatile performances, indicating that most of bubbles in the market are still dominating and that fundamentals have not yet played out. We expect trend-following positions to perform in the months following the position set-up and then contrarian positions to over-perform over longer time scales as the predicted corrections play out.





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