# Market review from a Technical Perspective

Tactical asset allocation update:

Japan reversal week

is equity warning similar to May?

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# Executive summary on Dec 10, 2013 Our allocation to Japan is closed!

EQUITY ALLOCATION 10% ONLY Since Oct 23, We have zero allocation in Europe & US equity. On Nov 29 we focused our bet on Japan & increased by 10% (currency hedge eff japan DXJ) to total allocation of 40% for JAPAN and opened on China ETF FXI (+ 10%)

Gold was still 10%, a 5% on Copper for a total allocation 15% for Commodity . Remained 35% CASH .

Knowing the risk of overextended Equity market in the US and in Japan, we had also raised our trailing profit stop on Nikkei & set a close stop on new position on DYJ. Well, last week the allocation to Japan has been cut to zero by the weekly bearish reversal. It is not as strong as in May but as a top was seen at 15795 near May's spike of 15968 and a consolidation-sideways range may occur during holidays period as many short term horizon market participants may close their long positions in coming days.

Thus we have on the 100% short position in Yen againt \$ lowered the profit trailing stops aggressively . No position on Euro \$ .We just recall euro-yen at 142 was a major target and seems to have been reached yesterday.....

- We believe S&P500 is Toppy short term and keep our last week view expressed in TV interview. Further the conviction that December has to close UP, especially from Dec 15 to 30 along annual seasonality could be a little too widely accepted as a sure thing in our view! Hopefully our extra low allocation on equity should provide opportunities later on.
- Short term analysis of the S&P500 called on Nov22 for a 1812-1829 extension target. So far 1813.55 was the top ...and if a second decline from 1811 to 1780 takes place, talk of double top or even H&S will fill the media... Frankly we would not be surprised to see a correction down of at least of 5% from 1813. Unclear that there is enough Buyers to take the S&P to 1850 before year end .....It will have to be seen if such a new high will occur then in Q1 2014 in 2 to 4 months. This is possible even during a distribution toppy pattern focusing more on Large caps and leaving mid & small caps behind.

GOLD (1239) :Sentiment is very bearish, Outflows are scarring, Cycle work would call for a cycle low..but no take off! Hence we drew a line in the sand for our Gold allocation with stops on the current allocation. Our view calls for a long bottoming process from June 2013 to august 2014, with a conviction that June 2013 could be the absolute low. Short term the 1180 June low seems to have been "retested" with a recent failure to break 1210 recently could be retested in a typical window dressing end of year process. no major reversal up has been confirmed as it is only a daily minor reversal which took place last week ....

Bonds: US 10 yr 2.83 – while many use short in US 10 yr bonds as a hedge against tapering ... I wish good fortune to the bonds managers, but still see yield on US 10 year rise above 3.10 % in 2014, possibly in already in January ....but there I am not alone!



# Tactical asset allocation - methodology

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- Tactical asset allocation tries to move gradually from week to week.
- But the market can trigger an exception : at low allocation for Equity, a sharp short covering rally could even trigger a sharp rise in allocation if all Buy stops level are triggered at the same time.
- Conversely a sharp decline in allocation if all Sell stop loss levels on any long position are triggered that we have.
- Levels are reviewed ONLY on a weekly basis to lengthen the time horizon and force to select level, which should be significant for a change in trend direction. Then the Market hit or not our selected levels!
- We will try not to be at maximum long Equity position near the end of a Bull market. We will have decreased progressively before the TOP.
- Our level of bullishness / bearishness is defined via the levels of risk , ie where we set our trailing stop loss.
- Our levels of stop are discretionary , not systematic .



## Tactical allocation UPDATE and levels for action: for Nov 29, 2012 -

- MY Equity long VIEW: Japan reversal week was an equity warning as in May .....inducing profit taking for a while.
- FX Euro (1.3757): No position
- FX Euro-Yen (142.00) Flat recall 142 was a major target area!
- •FX Yen Index PHILA \$XJY (96.85): sold Yen 50% 101.50 oct 11 and sold 50% 102.70 oct 23 stop lowered to 98.50 for 50% and to 97.50 for 50%.
- Equity 10%; Bonds 0%; CDTY & CCY 15%, Cash \$ 75, Cash euro 0% on Dec 4

## **Done since Dec 2:**

DXJ (Japan equity CCY hedged): Sold stop 10% DXJ 49.75 on Dec 3

Nikkei: Sold stop 15% 15400 and 15% at 15350 on Dec 4

## New Levels from Dec 10 at the open:

FXI ETF CHINA (40.13): Buy 10% 37.60 stop 36.10

**DXJ (50.11):** Buy 10% 47.55 (etf japan CCY hedged).

Nikkei (15661): no new Buy levels this week

**GLD Gold (119.72)**: Buy stop 5% 121.54 and 120.80 with stop 5% 117.20 "contrarian trade"

Stops for current gold allocation: Sell stop (Loss) 5% at 117.20 & sell 5% 116.30 .



#### 198. Theoretical Allocation GRID as of Dec 4:

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Equity 10%; Bonds 0%; CDTY & CCY 15%, Cash \$ 75%, Cash euro 0% ON Dec 4

#### Asset allocation as of Nov 29, 2013

- Equity allocation: 50%
- Pacific 50% (nikkei225 30%; DYJ 10%;
  - China FXI 10%, ;
- USA 0% (XLI 0 %, XLY 0%, XLB 0%; XLE 0%)
- Europe 0% (EWG Germany 0%, EWP 0%,
  - EWU 0%; EWL (CH) 0%)
- Latin Am 0% ( EWW Mexico 0%) –
- Bond allocation : 0 %
  - Europe 0% (Swiss Conf Bonds 0% + Bunds 0% )
  - Asia: 0% (JGB's)
  - USA: 0% (TLT 20yr Barclay fund)
- Commodities & CCY : 15% ( GLD 10%, Copper 5% ETF CYB (Yuan fund) 0% )
- Cash USD: 35% ( from 0% ) Cash EURO: 0% (from 0%)
- FX: euro yen flat
- Yen index : sold 50% yen 101.50 oct 11 stop 101.40
- Sold 50% 102.70 oct 23 stop 101.20

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- Cash USD: 75% ( from 35 ) Cash EURO: 0% (from 0%)
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- Yen index : sold 50% yen 101.50 oct 11 stop 98.50
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# 4. Japan Dec 9, 2013. Nikkei225 Quarterly 15650: will a first

monthly close above upper quarterly cloud (15200) occur in December ? How important is the 15 year descending trendline resistance ? IF price holds above 15200 on a monthly basis, it may attract more Nikkei Buyers later on .





# 4. Japan Dec 9, 2013. Nikkei225 Weekly 15650. Neutral 15950-14800 Weekly engulfing last week located near May high may lead to a consolidation and be a similar warning in smaller scale as in May calling for a pause Taking profit near end of year about at same level as in May would be rational to lock in a

performance. On 30% allocation our stops 15% 15400 and 15% 15350 were hit.

**\$NIKK** Tokyo Nikkei Average (EOD) INDX 9-Dec-2013 Open 15556.60 High 15650.21 Low 15547.29 Close 15650.21 Chg +350.35 (+2.29%) A 25.0% \$NIKK:\$SPX 18.74% RS Nikkei / SP500 22.5% 115.0 Near resistance? 20.0% 112.5 17.5% 110.0 15.0% 107.5 Yen index near support? 105.0 12.5% 10.0% 102.5 7.5% 100.0 5.0% 97.5 2.5% 0.0% ₩\$NIKK (Weekly) 15650.212,60 16000 15500 14919.75 **NIKKEI 225** 15000 14500 14000 13500 13000 0.0%: 12374.49 12500 12000 11500 11000 10500 2013 2014 80 50 20 1000 500 2013 Feb May Jun

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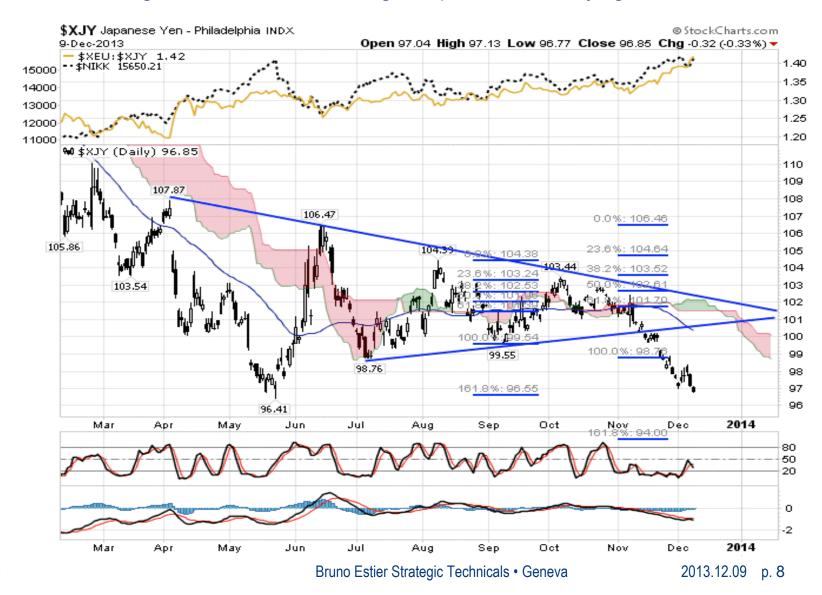
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# **2. Yen index Daily 96.85 Dec 9 2013** (\$-yen 103.25): Too close to previous low 96.41 (103.72)?

Potential bullish divergence in formation leading to a pause and delaying a new low for 2014?





Gold \$ per oz: 1239 Weekly Dec 9, 2013. Neutral 1360-1180 with bear bias below 1275. But STO is crossing up in oversold area trying to rebound on rising long term trendline support: Monitor if a weekly bullish engulfing may develop and lead to a rebound above 1300. Gold in Euro 902: Gold in Euro is below 1000 support of 2011, making lower lows ...but flattening?. Silver / Gold ratio: bottoming of ratio could a sign of capitulation on GOLD as usually Silver overshoot on the downside as well!



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**3.** ETF GLD Gold (119.72) Dec 9, 2013: Price pattern is bearish since November, though breaking steep downtrendline and staging a possible rebound along the rebound of Copper & Silver spotted on Nov 29, which may avoid "Gold capitulation" below 114.

Buy stop 5% 121.54 and 120.80 with stop 5% 117.20 "contrarian trade" Adjust for current allocation: Sell stop (Loss) 5% at 117.20 & sell 5% 116.30.





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