Trades & Fades

EGB 2s 5s 10s "Scream if you wanna go faster"

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Trading Strategies

& Modelling

DU/OE/RX: too much curvature Outright and vs ESTR



Graph: German Yield Curve, Eurex Futures (out of Dec Delivery) & ESTR curve (spot)

On my Radar

- Germany 2s 5s 10s 5y too cheap either in local expression (Long OEZ2) or vs wider
- Collateral Easing short end bonds sub 2yr start to underperform and catch up with ESTR. France -feb24 / +feb25
- Credit Neutral risk on/off but France has gone too far. Sell to buy beter credits for same spread... RAGB etc or credit steepener into the 5y supply
- Curves Germany 4s5s flattener, ESTR 2s3s steepener, Estr 7s10s15s rcv belly
- Sell Frtr May31 buy Ragb Feb32 as credit widener play
- Sell Bgb jun30 vs buy Frtr Feb28 & Ragb Feb32 leg in
- Basis sell bko jun24 or bko mar24 vs DUZ2
- Sell jun30 BGB vs Frtr feb28 & Ragb Feb32

Germany 5y (OE) too cheap

- Buy OEZ2 vs sell Dbr feb27 or sell OB185, outright vs ESTR
- On my front page I see the OEZ2 as just too cheap
- Euro curves reflect a 'U' shape as the ECB is expected to grapple with inflation over time
- Recent moves in Calendar rolls and stops in 2s5s flatteners had temporarily offering 4s5s flatteners





Regressed vs 50% swap Hedge

Germany 5y (OE) too cheap: C&R vs Swaps

- Ob185 just had a decent delivery – this has taken out shorts and they can now cheapen
- Although Ob186 is a tap bond it's cheap, liquid and will have a repo bid over dec delivery
- Sell the Dbr Feb27 is an alternative overly. I like a singularity of my longs and a diversity in my shorts to capture idiosyncratic moves in bond value



Germany: -old2y / +OE / -RX Weighting: 0.333 / 1 / 0.667

- Again extracting the value of the OE contract without selling the cheap DU or CTD we choose to sell bko jun24
- Used older issues for history May24 / dbr aug27 (2nd CTD) / Dbr Aug31



200 * (YIELD[DBR 0.5 08/15/27 Corp] - 0.667 * YIELD[BP980366 Corp] - 0.333 * YIELD[DBR 1.5 05/15/24 Corp])

Buy Btps 3y supply in Aug25 in 3bp time

- Dec24 / Aug25 will be too steep from forwards @ +3bp from here (see forwards)
- I shifted Btps Aug25 (supply bond) higher by 3bp and recalculated the forwards – tht defines where I draw my line in the sand and get buying

Bond benchmarks	Yield	shift (bp)	used yield	Fwd vs Prior Bond	ESTR	spread fwd bond - ESTR	Italy Forwards vs Estr
BOTS 0 11/30/22	0.624	0	0.624				5.300
BOTS 0 02/28/23	1.416	0	1.416	2.099	1.979	0.120	Dec32
BTPS 0 11/29/23	2.152	0	2.152	2.592	2.271	0.322	
BTPS 0 12/15/24	2.504		2.504	2.915	2.164	0.751	4 500 Jun29 Mar38
BTPS 1.2 08/15/25	2.811	3	2.841	3.989	2.040	1.949	4.00 Aug25
BTPS 2.65 12/01/27	3.342	0	3.342	4.029	2.145	1.884	4 000 Sen52
BTPS 2.8 06/15/29	3.564	0	3.564	4.398	2.254	2.144	Dec27
BTPS 2.5 12/01/32	4.012	0	4.012	5.022	2.518	2.504	3 500
BTPS 3.25 03/01/38	4.109	0	4.109	4.358	2.612	1.746	
BTPS 2.15 09/01/52	4.120	0	4.120	4.138	1.667	2.471	3.000
BTPS 2.15 03/01/72	3.823	0	3.823	2.914	1.369	1.545	
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	2.500 Mar72
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	Nov23
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	2.000 Dec24 / Aug25 getting
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	1.500 too steep @ +3 steeper
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	than currently
#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	1.000
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							ESTR Italy Forwards

Buy Btps 3y supply in Aug25 in 3bp time

- Sell BTSZ2 / Buy Btps Aug25 / Sell Btps Sep27
- Target here +11bp •
- Curve has flattened but supply could end up adding too much PC3 (curvature) at this point a tap bond is too cheap
- Weightings: -0.6 / 1 / -0.4
- Cix: 200 * (YIELD[BTPS 1.2 08/15/25 Corp] + -0.4 * YIELD[BTPS 0.95 09/15/27 Corp] + -0.6 * YIELD[BTPS 0 12/15/24 Corp])



Quick UKT Anomaly:

- +1e39 / -1q41 / +s46
- Weightings: 0.33 / 1 / 0.67
- CIX: 200*(yield[UKT 1.25 10/22/41 Govt] + -0.333 * yield[UKT 0.875 01/31/46 Govt] + -0.667 * yield[UKT 1.125 01/31/39 Govt])
- Rationale: we have the green 53s which may steepen the curve – steeper curve cheaper PC3: sell belly



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