Technical Analysis



29 June 2005

MORNING ANALYSIS

POINTS OF VIEW

INDEX		Major Supports	First supports	PRICE	Change	First resistances	Major Resistances
AEX	LT	307 - 318/21	372/3 - 379	381.84	+9	382.65 - 384/6	390/405
BEL20	LT	2875/2905	3015/45 -3080	3084	+4.57	3100/10 - 3144	3300 - 3400/15
<u>CAC40</u>	LT	3475–3797- 3879	4110/45 -4170	4194	+37	4210 - 4246/55	4315
DOW JONES	LT	9650/9750 - 9928	10075-10215	10405	+115	10425 - 10650	11200/50 - 11800
EURO STOXX50	LT	2560-2770 - 2850	3080/10	3162	+30	3170 - 3196/3210	3250/85

LT = LONG-TERM ANALYSIS

General Comment

The 1% bounce came faster than expected, supported by oil stocks (while oil dropped 2 dollars) and by socalled American bullish seasonal tendencies (in other words, window dressing by asset managers). Anyway, if this rally is corrective, then a pullback is due before yesterday's high is challenged again. With Greenspan coming in the picture on Thursday, many will want to wait for his comments before getting involved. In principle I look for further weakness over the next week, before the market turns up again in July.

The US markets have probably topped but European markets remain underpinned for the time being. However, note that the weekly charts start to divert. This means that the new highs in the indices are not confirmed by the technical studies, which is a loss of momentum (confirmed of course by lower turnover). It doesn't mean the rally is over yet, but this bearish divergence will lead to a market decline over the next quarters.

Brent oil dropped 2 dollars; and now?

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The <u>long-term trend</u> of the Aex index is down, with major resistance located at <u>391/405</u>. *Quarterly indicators still have a negative bias and confirm the index is in a bear market*, which still has a long way to go; the <u>head-and-shoulders pattern</u> on the monthly chart provides <u>longer-term supports/targets at 170/5</u>, <u>121 and 50/75</u>.

Declining volume and bearish divergence between price and technical studies on the weekly chart warned for a pending top. Last week we saw additional strength and the price reached the target area 382/5, which includes trend line resistance on the weekly chart. A larger pullback has now started in the direction of 373 or even 365/69. As long as this last area holds, the index remains in uptrend towards 391/405. Weakness below 365 indicates the rally is over and we will see the index dive below the August 2004 low in the 3^{rd} or 4^{th} quarter.

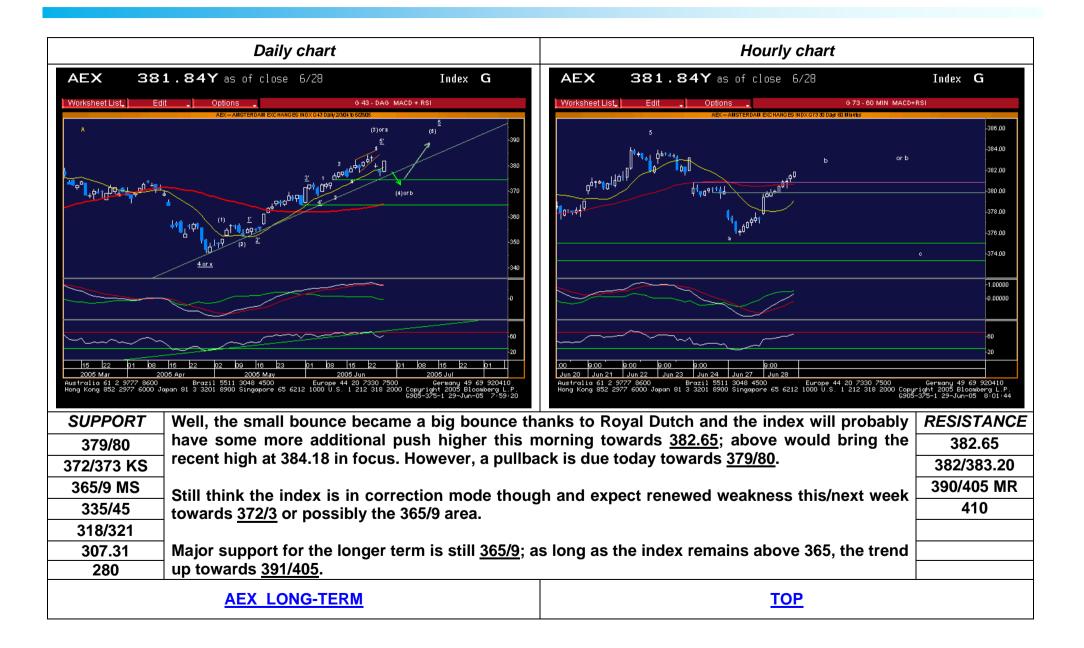
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The Bel20 reached <u>3180/3210</u>. Monthly and weekly technical indicators were seriously overbought last month (rsi respectively at 77 and 78). We have seen this before of course, in 1993/4, 1997, 1998 and 1999. The ensuing corrections in those years amounted to 20% (1994), 22% (1998), 26% (1999) and 23% (also 1999).

Over the next weeks, I am still expecting a larger pullback towards levels around <u>2870/2960</u>. Last weeks move above 3130 was quickly reversed and announces the larger pullback.

Over the next couple of months, the Bel20 may actually try to reach 3300/3400, at least as long as <u>2870</u> holds. Sustained weakness below 2870 constitutes a reversal in the trend.

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The long-trend is down and will remain so unless the rate can break in a sustained way above [4255/4315] major resistance (slightly adjusted due to rising neckline on the quarterly chart), which would turn the trend up to <u>4670/4735</u>. Quarterly indicators still have a negative bias. So, the longer-term bearish potential must not be underestimated in price and time. The head-and shoulders pattern on the monthly chart remains in force. Over the next two years the index will likely decline further to levels under 2401, the March 2003 low, in the direction of 1940 and 1713, structural supports on the quarterly chart.

Recently, the index extended towards 4235/55. Note the negative divergence between price and studies. Watch out for a reversal and a 3-5% pullback. As long as the index remains above 4075/83, there is a good chance to see 4315 in the third quarter.

Weakness below <u>4075</u> weekly support indicates the trend has turned down in earnest. Next supports are then <u>3882</u>, <u>3475</u>, <u>3285</u> and <u>3060/3110</u>.

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The Dow Jones is trading below trend line support on the yearly and quarterly charts. It is possible the index is tracing out a large corrective pattern from the 10750 February 2003 high, but in that case support needs to come in around <u>9630</u> or latest <u>9063</u>. If support comes in around those levels over the next couple of quarters, there is still the possibility to see new all-time highs.

<u>Note though that the macd indicator on the monthly chart is dropping below zero, which usually precedes further strong declines.</u> Moreover, average weekly volume has been dropping since December 2004. Weakness much below <u>9063</u> over the next quarters will tell you the January 2000 high at 11750 will stand for a long time to come. In that case the road is clear to see levels closer to <u>6200/6350</u> before this bear market finds an intermediate bottom, probably somewhere in 2006/7.

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The long-trend is down and will remain so unless the rate can break above <u>3250/3285</u> major resistance (adjusted due to rising neckline S-H-S pattern), area that includes the neckline of the head-and-shoulders pattern on the monthly chart and the point where the rally from August 2004 is 0.618 times the 2003/2004 rally. So tough resistance. *The longer-term bearish potential must not be underestimated in price and time.* Over the next two years the index will likely decline further to levels under 1847, the March 2003 low, in the direction of 1563 and 1268, structural supports on the quarterly chart.

The index has reached <u>3150/3250</u> target area. Note the negative divergence between price and studies on the weekly chart. A larger pullback is now around the corner. -- Key support on the weekly chart now comes in at <u>3070</u>; weakness below this level and then <u>2850/2900</u> over the next months indicates the bear is back. Next supports are then <u>2725/70</u>, <u>2560</u>, <u>2365/2400</u> and <u>2195</u>.

EURO STOXX50 SHORT-TERM





Has oil topped? The strong reversal from the 59.84 high and drop below trend line support looks like a first sign of weakness. A drop below the last pullback low at 56.51 would be an additional sign. And a decline below 55.12 (green line) would confirm oil prices would be on their way to much lower levels. <u>Why?</u>



The oil price probably a rally that started in late 2001 with negative divergence between the price and the technical studies. This condition is usually seen between a third and a fifth wave (in Elliot Wave theory), so chances increase considerably a large correction will be on its way, both in price and in time. A 38.2% correction should lead to levels around 42.50\$ per barrel.

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