

ARGENTINA EQUITY MARKET

Weekly Market Strategy Report

July 30, 2019

Trade Ideas

	Price	Rating
TRAN	46,10	Market Outperformer
CEPU	40,10	Market Outperformer

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Merval index hiked 10.47% during the last 7 days, in line with the developed markets' trend.
- Agribusiness companies were the best weekly performer.
- Financial companies were the worst performers.
- Merval Argentina Index Control Board.

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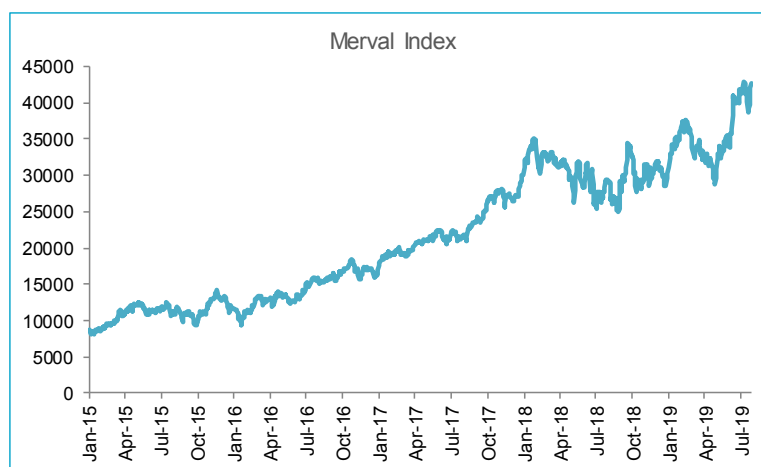
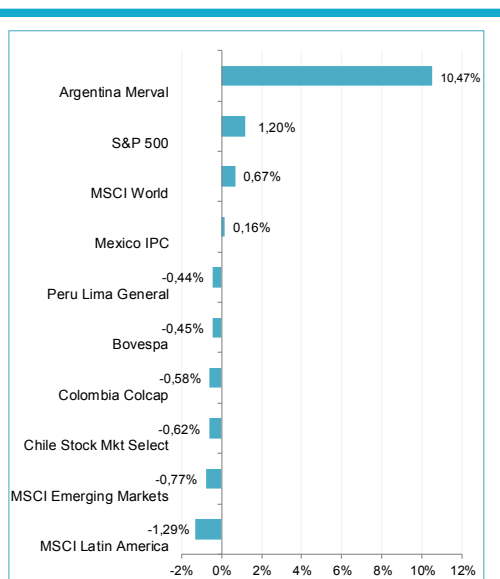
Strategy

Less than 2 weeks remain for the primary elections, and volatility is expected to remain in the local market. A positive result for the ruling party could generate a greater rally in the stock market, especially in cyclical sectors and in those which are lagging. The result is still uncertain, so we recommend having a conservative position.

The electoral scenario is somewhat clear as the electorate would be divided into two: center left and center right, which would be almost binary, continuing to generate uncertainty until the primaries take place. Although investors are now assigning a greater probability of a favorable result for the Government, as volatility remains high, we do not recommend increasing exposure to domestic stocks. At current prices, Banks and Oil & Gas sectors accumulate a better year-to-date performance than the rest, so in a negative scenario in the primary elections (victory of more than 6% in favor of the Fernandez-Fernandez formula), these stocks would be exposed to a higher risk. In a positive scenario, these sectors could stand out in the short run while laggard stocks could rise in a later stage. One of such sectors is Utilities.

Companies with low debt in dollars and hard currency denominated revenues would be the most benefited. In addition, companies with high dividend yields would also experience lower volatility. At current prices, certain stocks remain with very attractive valuations, such as Ternium (TXAR) and natural gas distribution companies, especially Distribuidora de Gas Cuyana (DGCU2).

Indexes Weekly Variation



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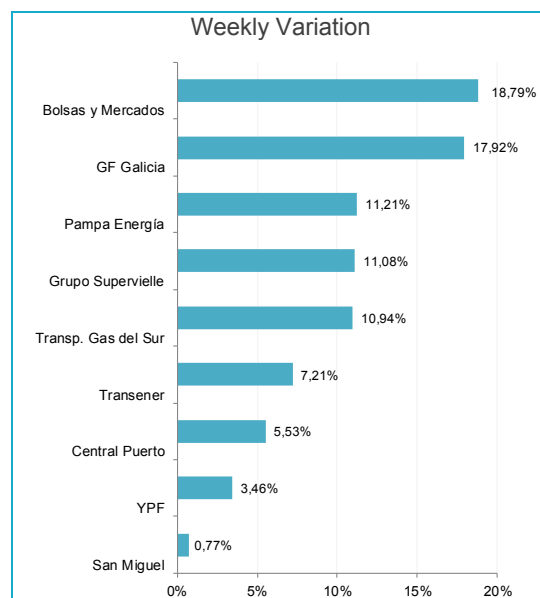
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Selected Stocks

Company	Price (ARS)	Chg 5d %	Chg 1 yr %	Rating
YPF	742,65	3,7	66,1	Hold
GF Galicia	167,45	14,6	69,3	Hold
Grupo Supervielle	67,65	10,7	-7,2	Hold
Pampa Energía	59,05	7,4	26,6	Hold
Transener	46,1	8,0	-11,8	Hold
Transp. Gas del Sur	135,85	12,7	53,9	Hold
San Miguel	79	4,5	-27,2	Hold
Central Puerto	40,1	5,1	28,8	Hold



The Merval index hiked 10.47% in the last 7 days. Last week Financial companies, as well as Banks outperformed. On the other hand, Agribusiness companies, followed by Holding companies, had the worst performance.

During the week, shares with the best performance were Bolsas y Mercados Argentinos (BYMA, +18.79%), Grupo Financiero Galicia (GGAL, +17.92%) and Banco Macro (BMA, -2.44%). The lowest returns were for Aluar (ALUA, +0.00%), Cresud (CRES, -9.65%), and Sociedad Comercial Del Plata (COME, +1.40%).

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Tenaris confirmed it will delist its shares from BYMA

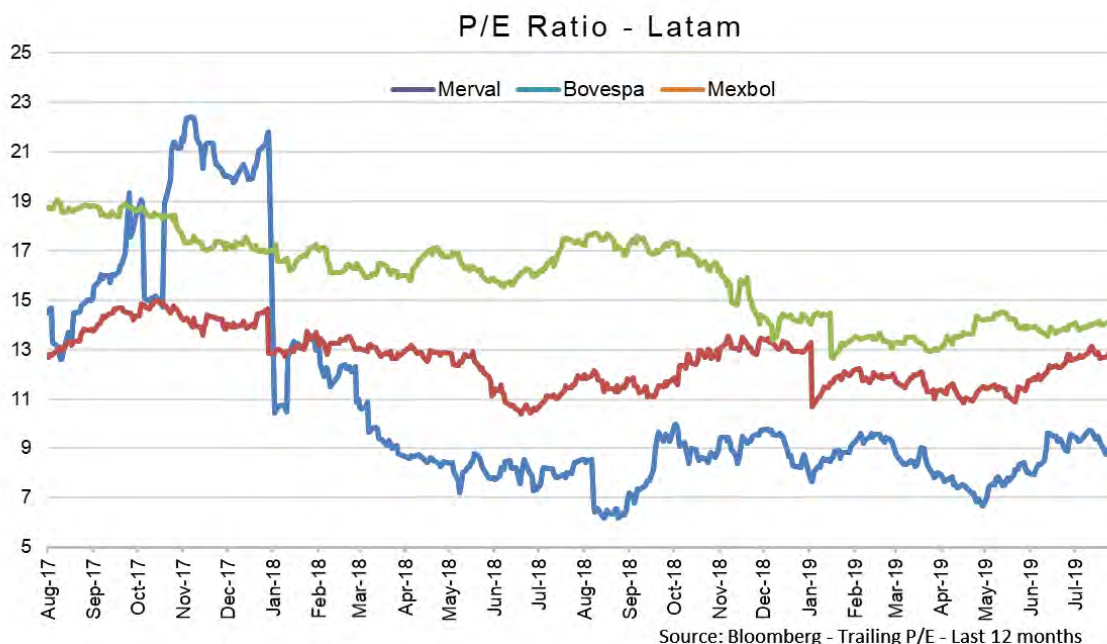
Yesterday, Tenaris (TS) confirmed it will delist its shares from the local exchange. The decision was ratified in the latest shareholders' meeting. Stockholders will be able to exercise their right of appeal and will receive ARS 565.55 per share if they purchased the securities before June 11th.

To sum up, shareholders will have the following options:

1. Sell TS shares.
2. Migrate the stock holdings to other markets where TS will still be listed and convert the stocks to ADS.
3. Keep the stocks as private securities, through the local depository Caja de Valores.
4. Exercise the right of appeal, as explained before.

We recommend selling the stocks at a price not below ARS 510 per share, as the company has up to 180 days to make the final payment. At the current level of interest rates in the market, it is more profitable to invest the cash now by selling than to wait for the final payment.

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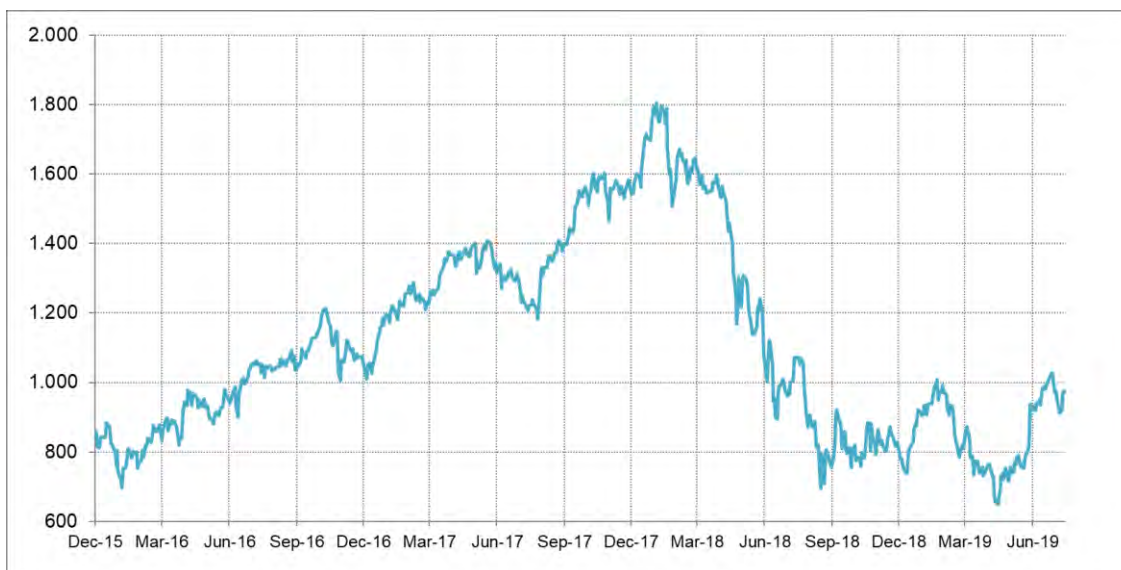
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Merval Index in Dollars

The dollar-denominated Merval index grew 7.01% over the week, closing this time at 976 points, mainly driven by the rise in the peso-denominated index.



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