Foreign Markets Research USER GUIDE / FAQ

Companies in the Schwab Equity Ratings International™ universe have a new look on Schwab.com. We're introducing exciting features to help take your international stock research to the next level. To learn more about a Schwab Global Account <u>click here</u> or call 800-992-4685.

Lets start with the Basics

Why the changes?

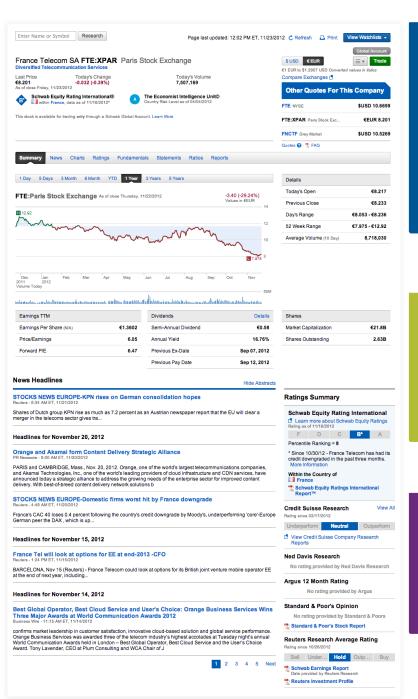
Schwab has recently introduced the Schwab Global Account offering direct online trading in 12 foreign markets.

Which stock quotes appear in the international style?

Companies in the Schwab Equity Ratings International (SERI) universe appear in the international style. The International Stock Screener can be used to view the complete SERI universe. The click path for the International Stock Screener is Research-Stocks

Which Stock pages are not available when viewing foreign ordinary quotes?

The Sector Overview, Total Return, Historical Quote, Key Fundamentals, Estimates, Trends, Peers, Options and Preferreds pages are not available for most foreign ordinaries.



When are foreign market quotes displayed?

Foreign market quotes in foreign currency are available for a limited set of companies. Foreign market quotes are available for companies that are both SERI rated and which trade in one of the foreign markets accessible through the Schwab Global Account (SGA). To learn more about a Schwab Global Account click here.

Are foreign market quotes real time or delayed?

Real time foreign market quotes are available to clients within their Schwab Global Account. Foreign market quotes on Schwab.com's research pages are delayed at least 20 minutes

Are foreign market symbols accessible in Quick Quote, Detailed Quote, or Symbol Lookup?

Foreign market symbols are not accesible in Quick Quote, Symbol entry, or Symbol Lookup at this time.

New Features

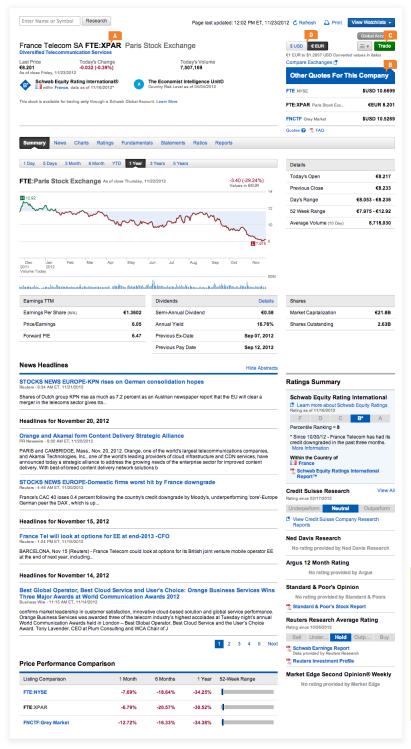
What is the format for foreign market stock symbols?

Foreign market stock symbols appear in the following format: "Foreign Market Ticker: Foreign Market Exchange Code." Foreign Market Ticker is the ticker symbol of the issue on the foreign exchange. Foreign Market Exchange Code is the four letter market identification code (MIC) which identifies the exchange. For example, 7203:XTKS is the Schwab.com foreign market symbol for Toyota Motor Corporation. "7203" is the ticker for Toyota Motor Coroporation on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. "XTKS" is the market identification code for the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

How does trading work?

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The green "Trade" button provides access to the Schwab.com Stock trading screens. The green "Trade" buttons access the same screens available under the "Trade" tab in the primary navigation. The green "Trade" button does not provide access to the Schwab Global Account. A gray "Global Account" button is present for clients with a Schwab Global Account. Clients should click this button to access and trade in their Schwab Global Account. Clients interested in opening a Schwab Globa Account should click here.



What is "Other Quotes For This Company?"

This area can be used to view quotes for other listings of the company. Other quotes may include American Depositary Receipts (ADR), Unlisted Foreign Ordinaries traded in the U.S. OTC market, or Foreign Market listings for the company. Not all companies will have other quotes.

What are the currency conversion buttons?

The currency conversion buttons are present when viewing foreign ordinary shares covered by Schwab Equity Ratings International. Currency converter buttons are present to convert foreign currency values to U.S. Dollars. The currency converter buttons will convert foreign currency values to U.S. Dollars using a current spot rate. This may cause values to differ from other published sources which may use historical conversion rates.

Which values will not convert?

Foreign currency charts are not convertible. Additionally, unlisted foreign ordinaries trading in the U.S. OTC market only display pricing values such as open/close and high/low in U.S. Dollars. All stocks traded in the U.S. OTC market only trade in U.S. Dollars.

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