

AWP NEWS: STAYING AHEAD WITH THE SWISS LEADER

AWP AG für Wirtschaftspublikationen is Switzerland's leading financial news agency. It provides a steady stream of reports on current events in Switzerland and abroad, and supplies all the relevant facts and figures on companies, markets and sectors. It regularly covers over 1,000 Swiss companies with reports in German and French.

With over 800 realtime reports a day, AWP provides complete coverage on corporate events as well as supplying commentaries on global stockmarket trends and offering detailed background information and expert comment. Here are some highlights from AWP's news offering:

- A wealth of information on all companies listed in Switzerland plus the leading Swiss SMEs: key figures, company profiles, product data and information on alliances, mergers and takeovers
- Comprehensive financial analysis and exclusive ratings
- Detailed coverage of events on SWX, plus global market reports – from the time the markets open in Asia until the close of trading in New York
- Daily details on the Swiss franc bond and forex markets, plus reports from the principal commodities markets
- In-depth information on monetary and economic policy, including decisions by the Swiss National Bank and the Fed
- A broad range of macroeconomic reports, business forecasts, economic indicators and regional data
- Reporting on bills passed by Switzerland's Federal Council and parliament, along with landmark legal decisions
- A complete events calendar, including daily, weekly and monthly previews of all upcoming business events
- Exclusive interviews with leading figures from the Swiss business scene
- Summaries and news wraps covering all the day's key events

Advantages

AWP news is an indispensable source of information for anyone who is interested in Swiss financial services or the companies active in this sector. Thanks to sophisticated cross-referencing between AWP reports and the financial information from Telekurs Financial, you will rapidly obtain the depth of information you need:

- Direct links to AWP news in your display applications will feed you with up-to-the-minute quotes and corporate actions data from Telekurs Financial.
- You can use the Watchdog function to monitor specific instruments – your display will notify you automatically when a new report arrives.
- To help you locate an elusive piece of news, a wide range of search functions and parameters are available – you can search for reports by keyword, company name, sector, country or topic, depending on your specific needs.
- Previews, calendars, stockmarket reports etc. are published daily according to a fixed schedule so that you always know exactly when to expect the reports that matter most. This daily publications programme can be accessed through the Help function of the Telekurs display products.

Delivery

AWP news is available as a Premium Service for specialists and a Basic Service tailored to the needs of Internet users interested in the financial markets. For further details, please contact your local sales office or your Telekurs sales advisor – they will be pleased to be of assistance.

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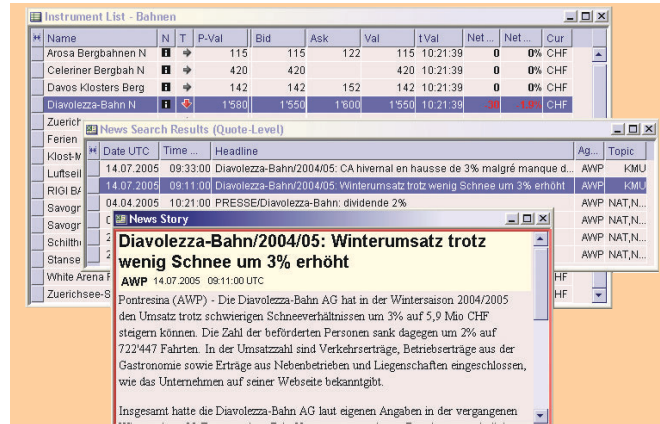


AWP NEWS – HIGHLIGHTS IN 2005

Indispensable: AWP's expanded Swiss SME news service

The demand for information about small and medium-sized companies – both listed and unlisted – is growing steadily. Analysts, client advisors and lenders have come to depend on independent, reliable and fast reporting. Institutional and private investors are increasingly taking up positions in second-tier stocks, thanks to attractive trading platforms and sound return prospects. Investors need up-to-date news to make their decisions.

AWP is the only news agency to provide systematic information about Swiss second-tier stocks and SMEs. The service is geared to asset managers, private investors and professional/institutional investors who rely on fast access to facts in their daily work. On each trading day, AWP provides up to 30 reports, analyses and items of background information on traded second-liners and key SMEs. Weekly market reports and exclusive ratings from the SME rating agency round out this wide range. News is available in German and French.



In Telekurs iD, current price information is linked directly to SME news from AWP. You obtain a direct overview of companies' performance, strategy and management.

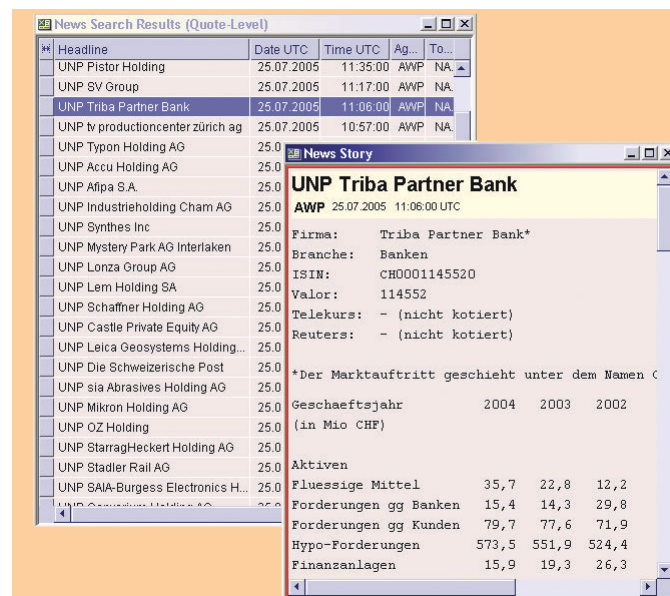
Be well informed – with company profiles from AWP

AWP provides regular, clearly structured background information on all the major Swiss companies in the form of 430 profiles of 280 listed and 150 unlisted firms. Around 100 updates each week ensure that there are no gaps in the information.

Each profile includes:

- The company name, sector, ISIN, Swiss Valor number and Reuters RIC (Reuters Instrument Code)
- Key balance-sheet data for the last three financial years
- Latest events, news summaries of the past twelve months
- Main activities / strategic focus
- Major shareholders
- Board of directors
- Executive management (CEO/CFO)

The company profiles – available in German – can be accessed with a mouse click from the Telekurs iD price window.



Broad coverage: in Italian too

AWP produces 50 to 80 news flashes a day in Italian in cooperation with the Swiss Telegraphic Agency. They cover all Swiss and the major international companies. Market reports on the Swiss Exchange and on all key international financial markets provide a comprehensive overview. AWP focuses in particular on events in Ticino and the Italian markets. A daily calendar informs you about important events.