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PRIME ENGLISH NEWS AND INFORMATION AROUND THE VIENNA STOCK EXCHANGE

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21st Austria ATX-Prime Stocks Week 10 ATX TR 337816 -0.00% -164% Price % week % vtd Addiko Bank 15.15 -0.33% 13.48% Aluflexpack Agrana 13.20 -0.75% -6.38% **Amag** 27.80 -1.07% 4.12% AT&S -33.95% 17.37 -10.19% Bawag 0.00% 10.98% 53.25 stock3 17.60 -1.68% -2.76% **CA Immo** 30.65 2.51% -5.55% DO&CO 146.20 1.81% 8.78% **Erste Group** 37.70 0.99% 2.64% FACC 5.90 -3.12% 1.20% Flughafen Wien 50.20 1.01% -1.38% Frequentis 24.80 -4.25% -9.16% **Immofinanz** 21.40 166% 166% Kapsch TrafficCom 8.48 0.95% -5.36% Montana Aerospace Marinomed Biotech 21.40 -6.14% -26.71% **Palfinger** 24.45 1.03% -2.98% **Pierer Mobility**

Dear active investors,

ATX unchanged in week 10, from now on continuous auction for Austrian government bonds and International Women's Day on the Vienna Stock Exchange. Bloomberg wrote that VIG and Uniqa may be targets of Italian Generali, VIG was bestperformer. News came from Valneva, Vienna Stock Exchange, Addiko, Palfinger, Uniqa and Zumtobel.

BSNgine weekly Spitout: The <u>ATX TR</u> unchanged at 7.494,85 points this week. Year-to-date the ATX TR is now at **-1,59%**. Up to now there were **24** days with a positive and **25** with a negative gain. From the year-high we are **2,2%** away, from the low **1,6%**. Statistically the best weekday so far 2024 is **Friday** with 0,11%, the weakest is **Wednesday** with -0,22%.

These are the best-performers this week: **Austriacard Holdings AG** 7% in front of VIG 3,54% and EVN 3,33%. And the following stocks performed worst: AT&S -10,19% in front of Marinomed Biotech -6,14% and Polytec Group -5,71%.

Further highlights this week: **CA Immo** for 4 days in a row up (3,03% gain from 29,75 to 30,65), also **EVN** 4 days up (3,55% gain from 23,95 to 24,8), **Wienerberger** 3 days up (2,08% gain from 31,68 to 32,34), **Immofinanz** 3 days up (1,66% gain from 21,05 to 21,4), **Lenzing** 3 days up (4,3% gain from 27,9 to 29,1), **OMV** 5 days down (2,21% loss from 40,81 to 39,91), **Polytec Group** 3 days down (6,12% loss from 3,52 to 3,3), **Semperit** 3 days down (2,75% loss from 12,36 to 12,02).

Best-performers year-to-date as of now: S Immo 27,2% (last year: 0,16 percent) followed by Addiko Bank 13,48% (last year: 5,53 percent) and Bawag 10,98% (last year: -3,65 percent). And the worst-performing stocks year-to-date: AT&S -33,95% (Vorjahr: -17,81 percent), followed by Marinomed Biotech -26,71% (Vorjahr: -48,23 percent) and Verbund -18,5% (Vorjahr: 6,87 percent).

High above the MA200: **RBI** 28,03%, **SImmo** 22,33% and **RHI Magnesita** 22,05%. Down under the MA200: **Marinomed Biotech** -40,96%, **AT&S** -36,08% and **Semperit** -30%.

MONDAY

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Valneva: Valneva SE, an Austrian/French specialty vaccine company, announced that its senior management will participate at upcoming investor conferences in the United States and Europe. CEO Thomas Lingelbach will present Valneva at the TD Cowen 44th Annual Health Care Conference, taking place March 4 – 6,

2024, in Boston, MA. Mr. Lingelbach and CFO Peter Bühler will also meet with institutional investors during the Van Lanschot Kempen Life Sciences Conference, held April 16 – 17, 2024, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Management will discuss Valneva's growing commercial business and pipeline of infectious disease vaccines. IXCHIQ®, Valneva's third commercial product and the world's



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13.56	-2.45%	6.77%
Österreichisch	e Post -0.67%	-8.87%
Polytec Group	0.0770	0.0770
3.30	-5.71%	-5.85%
RBI 19.90	-0.30%	6.59%
RWT AG 4.10	3.02%	2.50%
Semperit 12.02	-4.30%	-15.11%
S Immo 15.90	1.53%	27.20%
Sportradar Gro 8.86	-	-10.64%
Strabag 42.35	-1.40%	2.29%
Telekom Austr 7.60	r ia 1.88%	-0.65%
UBM 20.60	-2.37%	-2.37%
Uniqa 8.10	0.87%	8.58%
Varta AG 15.45	0.65%	-25.54%
VAS AG 10.00	12.36%	12.36%
Verbund 68.50	2.16%	-18.50%
VIG 27.75	3.54%	4.72%
Valneva 3.34	5.86%	-29.24%
Wienerberger 32.34	0.50%	7.02%
Warimpex 0.82	0.00%	9.40%
Zumtobel 5.88	-3.92%	-6.37%

first approved vaccine against chikungunya virus was recently recommended for use by the U.S. CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices and is launching in 2024.

Valneva: weekly performance: 5.86%

TUESDAY

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Vienna Stock Exchange: Austrian government bonds can be traded by investors on the Vienna Stock Exchange as part of the continuous auction from now on. This change enables buying and selling from 09:15 to 16:30 on trading days via banks and online brokers. Erste Group and Raiffeisen Bank International act as market

makers to ensure continuous liquidity and high price quality. Austrian government bonds are issued by the Austrian Treasury (OeBFA) in the name and for the account of the Republic of Austria. The state uses them to finance essential tasks – from infrastructure expansion to education and healthcare. Investors benefit from a broad maturity spectrum and therefore a high degree of flexibility as well as the transparency and liquidity of stock exchange trading. Due to the excellent rating of the Republic of Austria, these bonds are among the safest investment options. The minimum denomination for government bonds issued after 23 August 2023 is EUR 100 (before: EUR 1,000).

ATX: weekly performance: -0.00%

WEDNESDAY

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Palfinger: In 2023, a year marked by high volatility, rising interest rates and significant inflation, PALFINGER AG achieved an absolute record year. Palfinger Consolidated revenue in 2023 are 2.45 bn Euro (2022: 2,23 bn). The operating result increased significantly by 39.8 percent from EUR 150.4 million in 2022 to EUR 210.2 million.

Furthermore, the best EBIT margin of 8.6 percent since 2008 was achieved. The consolidated net result rose substantially by 50.8 percent, from EUR 71.4 million in 2022 to EUR 107.7 million. This was largely due to the very good product mix, good capacity utilization at plants, the full effectiveness of the implemented price increases and stabilization of the supply chain. At EUR 1.05, a dividend of over one euro will be proposed to the Annual General Meeting for the first time. **Palfinger:** weekly performance: 1.03%

Addiko: Addiko Group, a Consumer and SME specialist bank active across Central and South-Eastern Europe (CSEE), increases the full-year profit by 60%, boosts its dividend and announces market entry in Romania. The result after tax of €41.1m (YE22: €25.7m) reflected the strong business development, successful repricing, provisions for legal claims and relatively benign credit losses. Expected credit loss expenses stood at €11.8m or 0.34% Cost of Risk (YE22: €15.4m). Since the underlying asset quality continued to be strong, Addiko decided to reduce the post-model adjustment to €6.5m to reflect remaining uncertainties. The share of the two focus segments Consumer and SME of the total gross performing loan book increased to 87% compared to 82% at year-end 2022 in line with Addiko's strategy. The overall customer gross performing loan book grew to €3.5b compared to €3.3b at the end of 2022 while the non-focus as well as the medium SME loan book continued to decreas. The overall focus book growth was at a strong 11% YoY while the focus portfolio excluding the medium SME loans grew by even 15%. "2023 was another strong year for Addiko







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with solid loan growth and focused cost management, allowing us to propose a higher dividend than for the previous 2 years combined," said Chief Executive Officer Herbert Juranek.

Addiko Bank: weekly performance: -0.33%

THURSDAY

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Uniqa: UNIQA Insurance Group AG announced strong premium growth and increased earnings at the presentation of the preliminary 2023 financial results: premiums written increased by 9.7 per cent to €7,185.6 million, while earnings before taxes exceeded expectations at €426.4 million. Consolidated profit/(loss) (the propor-

tion of net profit/(loss) for the period attributable to the shareholders of UNIQA Insurance Group AG) increased by 18 per cent to €302.7 million (2022: €256.0 million). Andreas Brandstetter, CEO UNIQA Insurance Group: "In the past year 2023, we made substantial payments for weather-related claims, mainly due to the storms in July and August. We were also affected by significant major claims. Nevertheless, 2023 was another successful financial year: We were once again able to grow noticeably as a Group and further increase our earnings. Our companies in the CEE region are developing particularly well and are making a substantial contribution to our increased profitability".

Uniqa: weekly performance: 0.87%

Zumtobel: The lighting group Zumtobel recorded a decline in sales of 7.9 percent to 840 million euros in the first nine months of the current financial year 2023/24. According to the company, the reason for this was the continued weak demand in the Components segment, although a slight recovery slowly emerged in the third quarter, as the company reports. The Components segment recorded a decline in sales of -20.4 percent to 222.6 million euros, while sales in the Lightning division fell by -2.1 percent to 663.4 million euros. Adjusted EBIT fell by 32.5 percent to EUR 45.9 million compared to the same period last year. This corresponds to an adjusted EBIT margin of 5.5 percent (previous year: 7.5 percent). The company's profit amounts to 21.4 million euros after 43.4 million euros in the previous year. The outlook has been confirmed: For the 2023/24 financial year, the company continues to expect a decline in sales in the mid-single-digit percentage range and an adjusted EBIT margin (excluding special items) of 4 to 6 percent.

Zumtobel: weekly performance: -3.92%



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Vienna Stock Exchange: On the occasion of International Women's Day, the Vienna Stock Exchange will once again "Ring the Bell for Gender Equality". The event on 8 March – part of an initiative involving around 120 stock exchanges worldwide – aims to raise awareness of women's economic participation and equality.

Financial education is a key topic in this regard, as the "Aktienbarometer" – a study by Aktienforum, the Federation of Austrian Industries (IV) and the Vienna Stock Exchange – shows. Although there is an urgent need for financial education in society as a whole, the survey found that women have a particularly high need to catch up when it comes to financial knowledge. According to the "Aktienbarometer", women rate their financial knowledge as significantly less profound than men. 77% of the women surveyed stated that they refrain from in-







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vesting in securities due to a lack of financial literacy. By comparison, men also require training and further education, although the proportion of those rating their financial expertise as inadequate is clearly lower at 61%. This also reflects in securities ownership, as while 19% of women use securities for long-term wealth accumulation, almost twice as many men do so at 36%.

ATX: weekly performance: -0.00%

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