

A photograph of a modern building facade featuring large concrete blocks and glass panels. The building has a complex, angular design with several rectangular windows and a large glass-enclosed staircase on the right side. The lighting is dramatic, with some windows glowing from within and others in shadow.

JEME CAPITAL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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FINANCIAL DASHBOARD

Index	1w ch. %	Bonds 10yrs		Commodities	
STOXX 600	(1.39%)	BUND	2.732	GOLD	3,085.09
S&P 500	(1.53%)	OAT	3.438	WTI Crude Oil	69.34
NIKKEI 225	(1.67%)	BTP	3.847	EUR/USD	1.09
MSCI WORLD INDEX	(1.49%)	UST	4.270	EUR/GBP	0.84
ISHARES MSCI EEM	(1.82%)	JGB	1.549	EUR/JPY	162.72

MARKETS & POLITICS NEWS

Tariffs: President Donald Trump signed an executive order Wednesday imposing **25% tariffs on cars** and light-duty trucks **imported into the U.S.**, arguing it would encourage automakers to **shift production domestically** and **lower vehicle prices**. The executive order specifies that the tariffs will take effect **on April 3** for automobiles, while automobile parts will face tariffs on a date set in the Federal Register, but no later than May 3, 2025.

In response, Canadian PM Mark Carney warned Trump that Canada **would retaliate** with its **own tariffs** if the U.S. proceeds with its plan, potentially escalating a **trade war**. While Trump said he is **open to negotiations**, he suggested they would only occur **after the tariffs are implemented**.



Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney calls Trump's auto tariffs a 'direct attack' on his country.

United States: The **Core PCE Price Index**, a key Fed inflation measure, **rose 0.4%** in February, with a **12-month inflation rate of 2.8%**, exceeding economists' expectations of 0.3% and 2.7%, respectively. Meanwhile, **U.S. consumer sentiment** fell for the third consecutive month in March, **down 22% from December 2024** before President Donald Trump took office, reflecting growing worries about the economic outlook. The combination of rising inflation and declining confidence has heightened **concerns about stagflation**.

Germany: The economy showed signs of recovery in March, with the **HCOB German flash composite PMI** (which gives an early estimate of how the economy and key sectors like manufacturing and services are performing) rising to **50.9** from 50.4 in February, its highest since May '24. Supporting this optimism, the **Ifo Institute's Business Climate Index** increased to **86.7** from 85.3, reflecting companies' hopes for a **rebound after two years of contraction**.

CORPORATE NEWS



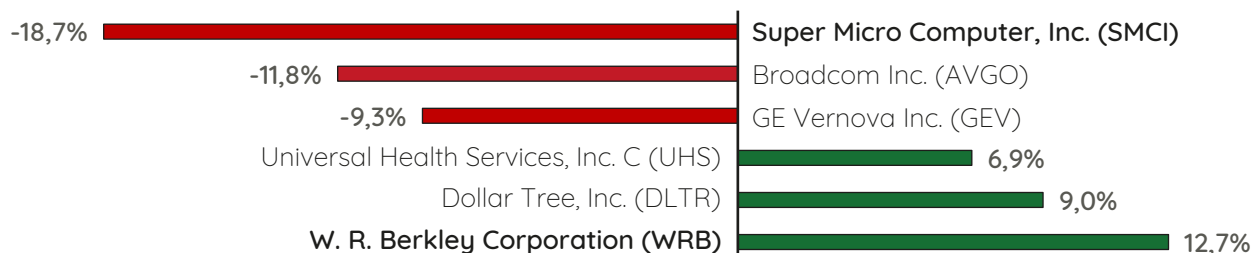
Giuseppe Castagna, CEO of Banco BPM

- Elon Musk's AI company, **xAI**, has **acquired** the social media platform **X** in a **\$45B deal**, including **\$12B** in debt, aiming to **integrate** it with xAI's AI models, such as **Grok**.
- **GameStop's stock dropped** around **22%** on Thursday, after the company announced a **\$1.3B debt offering** to fund **Bitcoin acquisitions** as part of its strategy to diversification.
- **Hyundai** announced a **\$20B** investment in the U.S., including a **\$5B steel plant** in Louisiana with an annual capacity of 2.7 million tons and the creation of **1,500 jobs**.
- **CoreWeave** debuted on the Nasdaq with an **underwhelming performance**, as its stock fluctuated but closed at the IPO price of **\$40**, **valuing the company** at the expected **\$23B**.

JEME CAPITAL'S HIGHLIGHTS

- After surpassing **50%** in its bid for **Anima**, **Banco BPM shares fell 5%** on Thursday after the **ECB's rejection** of the **"Danish Compromise"** rule, though CEO **Giuseppe Castagna** reaffirmed the bank's commitment to proceed with the acquisition.
- **Tesla's stock ended a nine-week losing streak** with a **6% weekly gain**, despite a **3.5% drop** on Friday to **\$263.55**, following a **42% decline** over the prior **nine weeks**.
- **Prysmian Group** has agreed to **acquire Channell Commercial Corporation** for **\$950M**, with an additional **earn-out** of up to **\$200M** to expand its US market presence.
- **Poste Italiane** is negotiating to buy a portion of **Vivendi's stake** in **TIM**, aiming to **increase** its holding from 9.8% to up to **15%** after **Vivendi** has **reduced** its **stake** in the company from 23.8% to **18.4%**, with plans to further decrease its holdings.

LAST WEEK BIGGEST MOVERS IN S&P 500



WHAT'S AHEAD NEXT WEEK IN THE MARKETS

- Date	Event (US)	Prev. Value	- Date	Event (EU)	Prev. Value
1-Apr	ISM Manufacturing PMI (Mar)	50.30	31-Mar	Italian CPI (YoY) (Mar)	1.60%
2-Apr	Crude Oil Inventories	-3.341M	31-Mar	German CPI (YoY) (Mar)	2.30%
3-Apr	Trade Balance (Feb)	-131.40B	1-Apr	EU CPI (YoY) (Mar)	2.30%
3-Apr	Initial Jobless Claims	224K	1-Apr	EU Unemployment Rate (YoY) (Feb)	6.20%
4-Apr	Unemployment Rate (Mar)	4.10%	3-Apr	EU PPI (YoY) (Feb)	1.80%

U.S. Tariffs

April 2nd, dubbed “**Liberation Day**” by **Donald Trump**, is the day on which the planned **25% tariffs** on **Mexico, Canada, China**, and **all foreign-made automobiles** will come into effect. The announcement of these tariffs has already caused **significant market fluctuations**, with more expected. Additionally, **consumer prices** are **forecast to rise** in the United States, as well as **worldwide**, due to **retaliatory tariffs** imposed by the EU, China, and others.

U.S. Events & Indicators

Key US economic data will be released next week. On Thursday, the final **Trade Balance** for the month of **February** is expected to be published, and is projected at **-121.50B**, an increase from the all time low of **-131.40B** in January, showing **minor steps** towards **Trump's goal** of **reducing the U.S. trade deficit**. On Friday, the **Unemployment Rate** for **March** is supposed to come out as well, and is expected to **stay stable** at **4.1%** from February.

EU Indicators

Important economic data from the EU will be published in the upcoming week, potentially altering market sentiment. On Monday, both **Germany's** and **Italy's YoY CPI (Mar)** are projected at **1.6%** and **2.3%** respectively, signalling stable consumer spending conditions in the two countries. The **EU Unemployment Rate YoY (Feb)** will be released the next day and is projected to be **unchanged at 6.2%**, indicating stable economic conditions in the bloc.

Asia's Market Signals

Crucial Asian economic reports will be released in the upcoming week, providing insights into regional growth. **China's Manufacturing PMI** is forecast at **50.4**, up **0.2** from last month, likely due to increased global protectionism. **Japan's February Unemployment Rate** is **expected to remain unchanged at 2.5%**. On Thursday, **Japan's Household Spending YoY (Feb)** will reveal the level of consumer confidence in the country, with an expected dip of **-1.5%** to **-0.7%**.

WHAT'S AHEAD NEXT WEEK FOR CORPORATES

Key Earnings Report



31/03/25

- **PetroChina** predicts **CNY 820.46B in revenue** (\$113.46B) and **CNY 0.17 EPS** (\$0.02). The company has recently announced a partnership with German energy company Mabanaft to expand the supply of Chinese refined fuel products to Europe.
- **Telekom Indonesia** forecasts **IDR 38.24T in revenue** (\$2.31B) and **IDR 57.42 EPS** (\$0.003). The firm has been expanding its data centre presence since January.

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- **Shanghai International Port Company** predicts **CNY 10.46B in revenue** (\$1.44B) and **CNY 0.165 EPS** (\$0.02). Earlier this year, the port started supplying methanol to some of the world's first methanol-powered ships from South Korean shipping line HMM.

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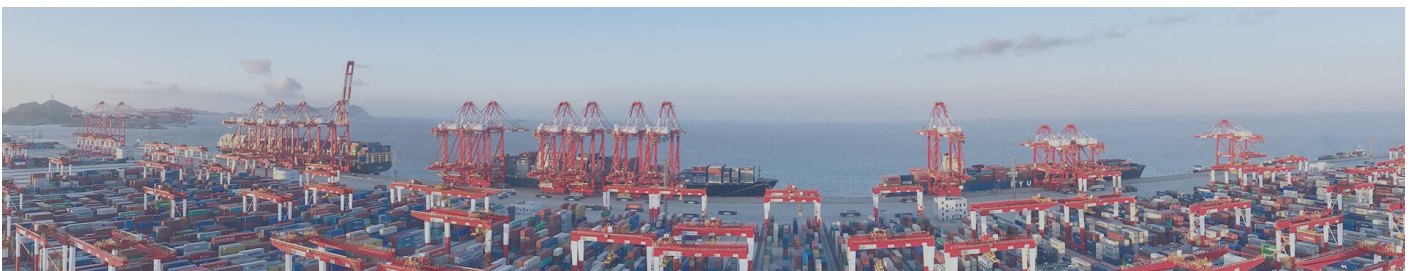
- **Blackberry** forecasts **\$129.26M in revenue** and **\$0.003 EPS**. In February, the firm sold their security assets division to Artic Wolf but will continue to act as a reseller of the technology to large government customers.

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- **Kweichow Moutai** anticipates **CNY 50.27B in revenue** (\$6.93B) and **CNY 13.08 EPS** (\$1.80). Despite the company's impressive performance over the last decade, they cut production for the first time in years last month, a somewhat concerning sign.

04/04/25

- **Yaskawa Electric Corp** predicts **JPY 150.61B in revenue** (\$1.00B) and **JPY 53.07 EPS** (\$0.35). It recently established an exciting joint venture with pharmaceutical firm Astellas focusing on Cell Therapy Manufacturing utilizing a Yaskawa Electric dual-arm robot.



The Port of Shanghai, the world's busiest container port.

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