

#### **INVEST LIKE A PRO, WITH THE PROS!**



Good morning!

Todays new <u>Capital Ideas Digest</u>, which will be posted at 7 pm ET, explains the investment opportunity in a global digital media company with 70% upside.

This Thursday, <u>Capital Ideas TV</u> reveals its All-Star Performers, most of them with triple digit gains, including a new interview with Namaste Technologies (CSE:N) CEO Sean Dollinger at the company's CannMart facility.

See the *Daily Update* at the end of this note for more details on the new <u>Capital Ideas Digest</u> and the latest episode of <u>Capital</u> <u>Ideas TV.</u>

# Morning Need to Know by Capital Ideas Research

Getting you ready for your investing day

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#### **MARKETS**

**TSX equity futures** are slightly lower and **U.S. futures** are higher as concerns of a trade war between the U.S. and China linger.

In economic data, European economic growth in March came in at the slowest pace in eight months although the UK number was higher than expected.

#### **CURRENCIES**

The Canadian dollar is up 0.6% to \$0.7791 U.S.

Bitcoin is higher 5%% at \$7,403.28, according to CoinDesk.

#### **COMMODITIES**

West Texas Intermediate is up 0.5% at \$63.35 a barrel.

**Gold** is down 0.4% slightly to \$1,342.10.

# **STOCKS THAT MAY MOVE**

**Transcontinental (TSX:TCL.A)** is raising \$250 million (Canadian) in a bought deal financing with a syndicate of underwriters that will buy 9.4 million subscription receipts at \$26.60 each. The deal will help pay for Transcontinental's \$1.7 billion purchase of plastics packaging company Coveris Americas, announced on Monday.

**Spotify Technology SA (NYSE:SPOT)** The streaming music leader goes public today in an unusual 'direct listing' whereby the Swedish firm is not going the traditional route of engaging investment banks to bring it to market in an initial public offering. Spotify says it's chosen this option in part so that existing shareholders are not diluted.

Valuing the company in the first session may be tricky as investors look for what they consider a fair price. Spotify Chief Executive Daniel Ek says, "I have no doubt that there will be ups and downs".

In informal trading on Monday, pricing for Spotify was changing hands at around \$132 (U.S.) a share, which would value the company at more than \$23 billion. RBC has an "outperform" on the stock with a \$220 price target, which implies 70% upside.

**Tesla (NASDAQ:TSLA)** is up about 2% in pre-market trading after announcing that its Q1 production rose 40% from last year.

**CBS Corp (NYSE:CBS)** & **Viacom Inc (NASDAQ:VIAB)** The company plans to make an all-stock offer for Viacom that values the U.S. media company below its current market valuation, according to Reuters.

**Twenty-First Century Fox Inc (NASDAQ:FOXA)** says it could legally separate Sky News within the wider Sky group to allay the concerns of a British regulator about the news service's continuing independence under Rupert Murdoch's ownership, according to Reuters. It also said it could sell the 24-hour news channel to Walt Disney if its bid to acquire the 61% of Sky it doesn't already own is approved, regardless of whether Disney's proposed acquisition of Twenty-First Century Fox's assets proceeds.

With files from The Globe and Mail, Reuters and Bloomberg.



# **CANADIAN ANALYSTS' CALLS**

This is an overview of some of today's analyst research. We'll have more details on many of these reports in the next *Capital Ideas Digest* and on *Capital Ideas TV*.

# **INITIATIONS**

Northern Empire Resources (TSXV:NM) Canaccord Genuity starts coverage of this junior gold explorer with assets in Nevada with a "speculative buy" rating and a price target of \$2 (Canadian). The stock closed Monday at \$1.34. The management team previously sold International Royalty and Newmarket Gold for a combined \$1.7 billion.

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**Photon Control (TSXV:PHO)** This wafer fabrication equipment supplier was our cover story last week based on research from Echelon Wealth Partners, which gave the stock 65% upside. Now, Echelon is upgrading the shares to "top pick" based on "best-in-class free cash, flow, return on invested capital and an attractive valuation."

American Hotel Properties REIT (TSX:HOT.UN), (TSX:HOT.UN (U.S.) Here's an update on this REIT that we featured in the Digest as a contrarian play in a rising interest rate world on March 13.

The units haven't budged since then but AHIP pays a 10% dividend yield. CIBC reiterates its "**outperformer**" **rating and an \$8 (U.S.) price target** on the TSX-listed, U.S. dollar denominated shares.

Meanwhile, RBC is maintaining its "**sector perform**" **rating and price target of \$7.25** after the company struck a deal to have its hotels managed by Aimbridge Hospitality, which the analyst sees as a positive based on the following factors: 1) more robust IT systems; 2) better market intelligence; 3) increased purchasing power; 4) shared resources in certain cities; and, 5) improved labour cost management.

**Village Farms (TSX:VFF)** *Capital Ideas TV* viewers are familiar with this company that is converting much of its fruit and vegetable production to cannabis. The stock is higher by more than 250% since we first talked to the CEO. **Watch the latest interview with Michael DeGiglio** *here*.

Beacon Securities is maintaining its "buy" rating and a price target of \$12 (Canadian), which gives the shares **134% upside**, after the company beat estimates with its earnings and updated the market on its Pure Sunfarms joint venture with **Emerald Health (TSXV:EMH)**.

**Keyera (TSX:KEY)** GMP FirstEnergy raises the target to \$38 from \$37, giving the stock 18% upside, and maintains its "hold" rating after the company struck a 20-year infrastructure development and mid-stream service deal with Encana (TSX:ECA).

**StorageVault Canada (TSXV:SVI)** GMP maintains its "buy" rating and target of \$3.15, implying 30% gains, after the company said it was buying three stores worth nearly \$69 million in Ontario.

Canadian National (TSX:CNR) Rated "outperform" at Raymond James.

Fairfax Financial (TSX:FFH) Rated "sector perform" at Scotiabank.



# **U.S. ANALYSTS' CALLS**

Ralph Lauren Corp (RL-N) JP Morgan raises price target to \$121 (U.S.) from \$118, following an investor dinner in which the company's management said that focus was on "value creation" in both the near-term and next five years through sequential top-line improvement, productivity/efficiency gains, and capital allocation.

# **Daily Update**

Our *All-Star Performers* show, which we'll post on Thursday, will feature interviews with the CEOs of our best performing ideas. One of them is higher by more than 350% since our first interview.

We're also on location with Namaste Technologies (CSE:N) CEO Sean Dollinger at the company's CannMart facility, where he explains the importance of the internationally diversified firm's new cannabis sales license. Join more than 75,000 people who watch <u>Capital Ideas TV</u> every week on YouTube, BNN, through our partners at SmallCapPower, and on social media. Get access to innovative, growth company investment ideas.

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Enjoy your long weekend and see you on Monday!



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