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### **Currency Carry Trade**

CHF/BRL trade combined with short maturity Brazilian government bonds

**Growth Target: +12.25%** 

**Investment Horizon:** 1 Year

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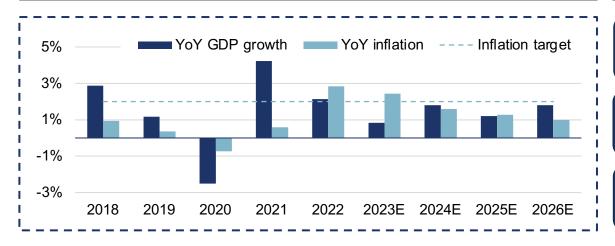




### **Economic analysis Switzerland**

Decoding Switzerland's macroeconomic success

#### Inflation rate & GDP growth



#### **Economic performance**



Comparatively **good inflation performance**, due to strong Swiss franc, resilient energy supply and pricing controls

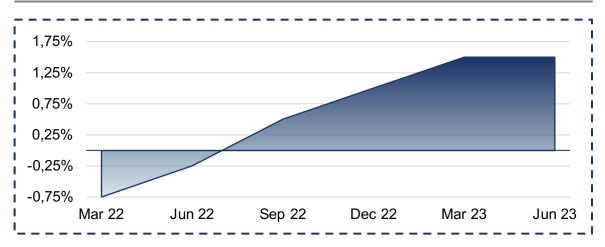


Positive consecutive GDP growth, yet low in 2023



Manufacturing PMI 43,2 in May 2023

#### **SNB** Policy rate



#### Outlook



Hints for further interest hikes since inflation above target



**Debt to GDP** ratio very **high** in 2021, declined to current 41,4% with expected further decline to 38% until EoY 2023



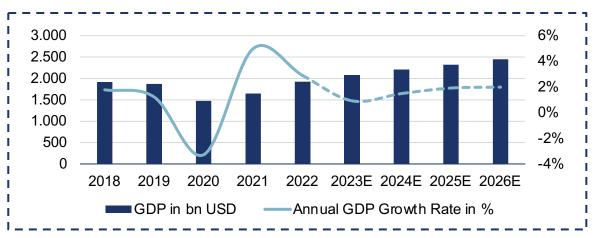
**Yield curve inverted** with bond spread of -19bp, but PMI outlook expansionary

### **Economic analysis Brazil - 1**



Unveiling Brazil's macroeconomic landscape

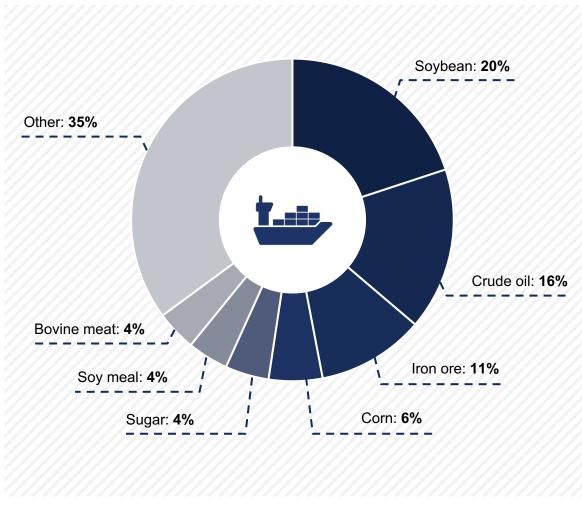
#### Brazil GDP 2018 - 26



#### Brazil net exports in USD (2022)



#### Major Brazilian exports (2022)

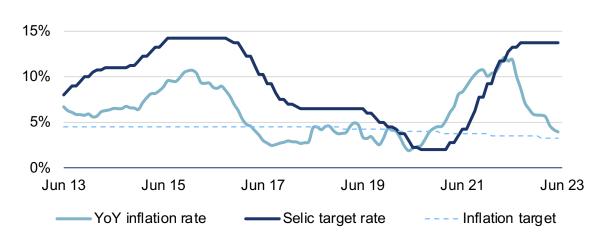


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Unveiling Brazil's macroeconomic landscape

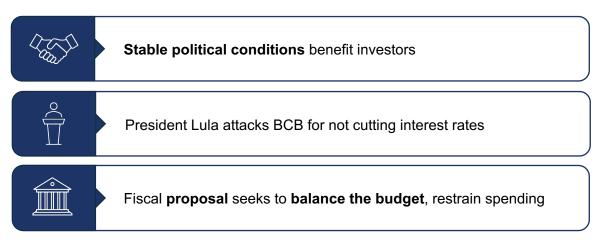
#### **Brazil Selic interest rate and inflation**



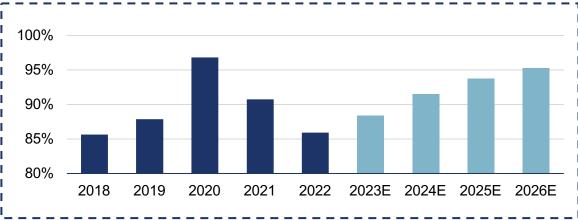
#### Brazil yield curve



#### **Political environment**



#### Brazil debt to GDP ratio



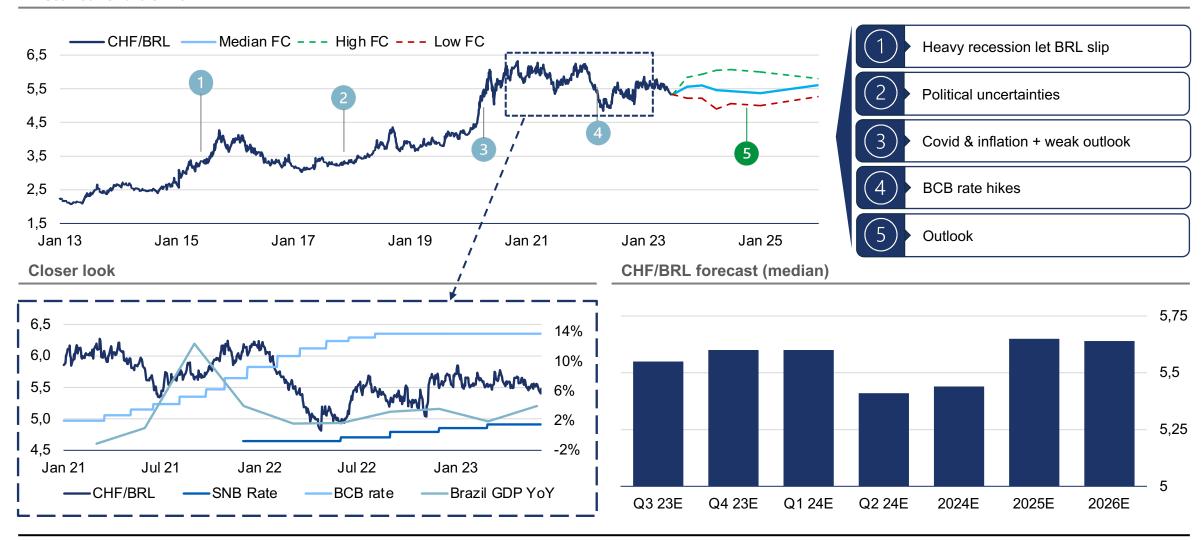




### **CHF/BRL Currency pair**

Navigating opportunities and trends in FX

#### Historical chart CHF/BRL



### **Currency pair movers**





### Rate rivals: unravelling monetary policy effects

#### **Brazilian interest environment**

### Swiss interest rate environment



Sharp CPI decrease vs. resilient core inflation

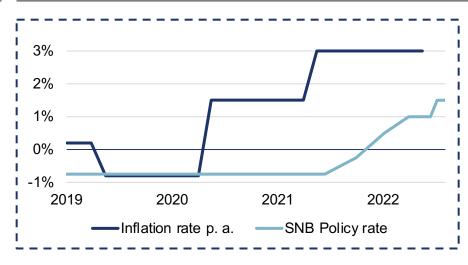


Unanchored inflation expectations



New fiscal policy enhances inflation forecasts









Expected 25 bps hike in Q2 2023

### Historical correlations (4 years - periodically)

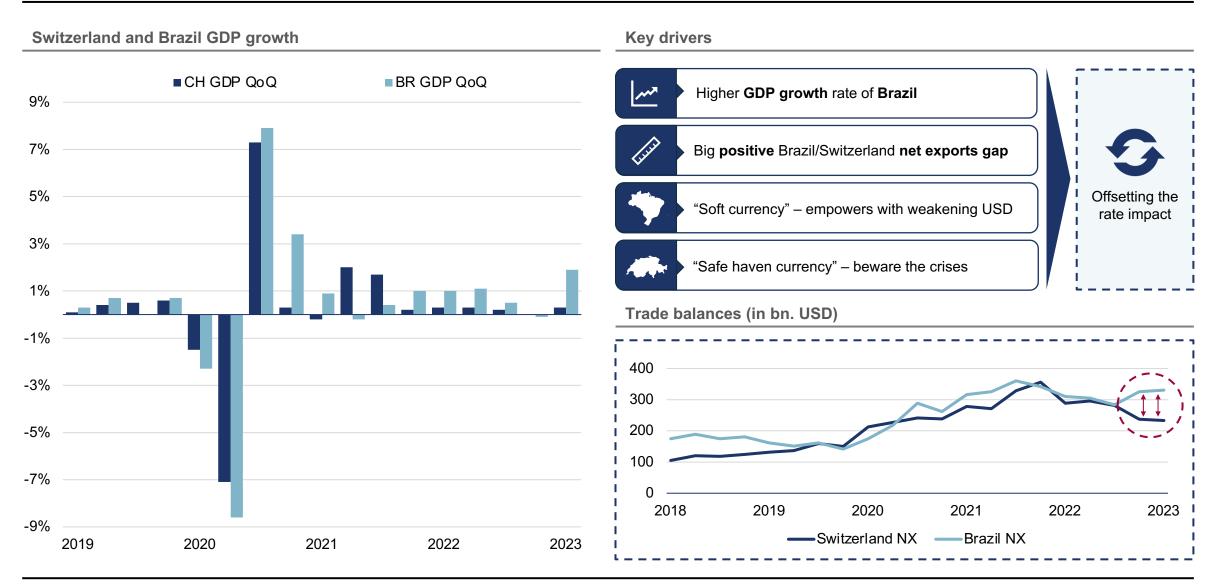


### Key movers are beyond the interest rates

### **Currency pair movers**



Economic indicators hinting the performance outlook of the pair





### **The Carry Trade**









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### Unleashing profit potential by using the Currency Carry Trade

#### The Trade Idea



Borrow low-interest currency and invest in high-interest currency



Profit from interest rate differential



Further potential but also risk from exchange rate fluctuations

#### **The Carry Trade**





National bank rate in Switzerland is 1,5 %<sup>1</sup>



We borrow CHF at low rate and exchange it for BRL.



**BCB** 



Central bank rate in Brazil is 13,75 %<sup>1</sup>



We collect bond yield & pay back the Swiss loan



#### **Trade structure**

#### **Borrow CHF**

Current CB rate: 1.5%1 Actual rate depending on

institution

#### **Exchange CHF for BRL**

Current exchange rate<sup>1</sup> CHF/BRL: 5,333

### Invest into BR Gov. Bonds

**Letra Tesouro Nacional** ISIN: BRSTNCLTN7W3

0 Coupon | Hold to maturity

### **Collect yields at** maturity

Yield: 12.09%1

Maturity date: July 1, 2024

### **Exchange BRL for** CHF and settle loan

Exchange rate July 2024<sup>1</sup>

FC BRL/CHF: 0,185

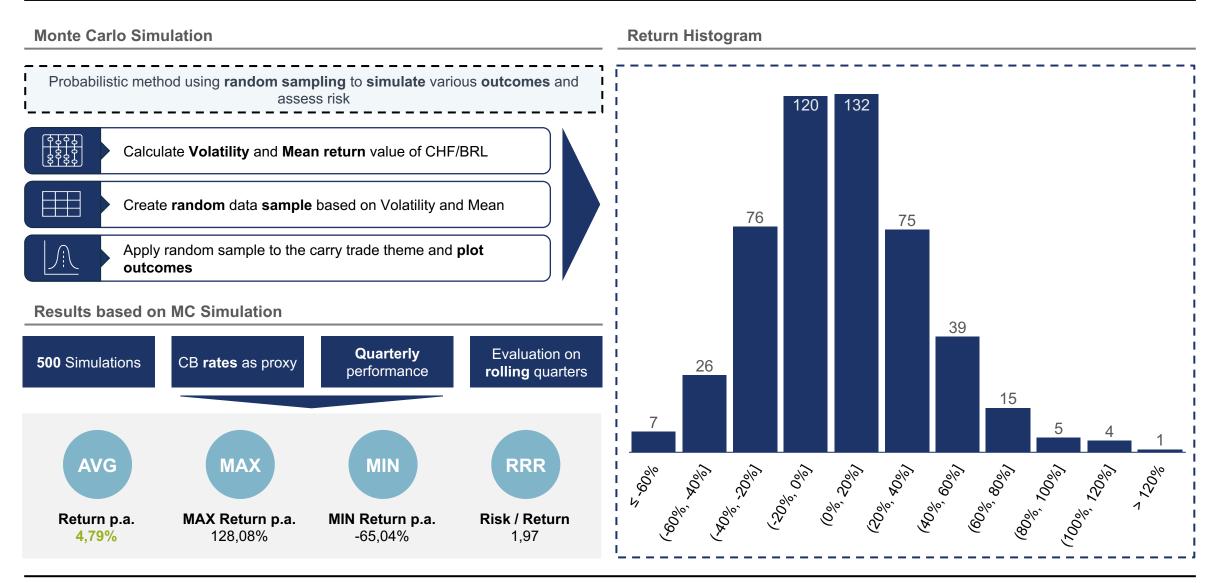
Trade timeframe: 1 Year

### Trade upside/downside



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Exploring upsides and downsides for success



### **Key takeaways**

Navigating macroeconomics, currency dynamics, and trade strategies



Simulation testing foresees a decent upside

High **GDP growth**, **political stability** and **receding inflation** point to a promising economic landscape of Brazil.

**Stable & slow** macroeconomic outlook for **Switzerland** shaped by indicators

Flat currency pair outlook with BRL upside potential, by higher BRL demand through foreign investment inflows, higher exports and GDP growth

**Key drivers of the trade:** GDP figures, Net export gap and cross currency developments

**Investor type:** Institutional Investors, Alternative Asset Managers

# Appendix

### Appendix - I

## W U T I S

### Sources

| Source Name             | Link  | Date of Retrieval | Used for                     |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Banco Central do Brasil | Brazilian Central Bank Statistics   | 06/11/2023        | Currency Pair                |
| Bloomberg [1]           | Lula Delivers Plan to Rein In Debt Amid<br>Revenue Uncertainty - Bloomberg            | 06/20/2023        | Brazil Budget                |
| Bloomberg [2]           | Brazil's Economy Is Even Better Than It Looks - Bloomberg                             | 06/20/2023        | Brazil Political Environment |
| Bloomberg Finance L.P.  | Bloomberg Terminal  | -                 | Slides: 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13  |
| Statista [1]            | Brazil GDP 2028   Statista  | 06/13/2023        | Brazil GDP                   |
| Statista [2]            | Brazil - Gross domestic product (GDP) per capita 2028   Statista                      | 06/13/2023        | Brazil GDP/Capita            |
| Statista [3]            | Brazil - Gross domestic product (GDP) growth rate 2028   Statista                     | 06/13/2023        | Brazil YoY GDP Growth Rate   |
| Statista [4]            | Most exported products Brazil 2021   Statista   | 06/13/2023        | Brazil Exports               |
| Statista [5]            | Brazil - National debt in relation to gross<br>domestic product (GDP) 2028   Statista | 06/13/2023        | Brazil National Debt         |

### Appendix - II



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| Statista [6]          | Swiss GDP Growth   | 06/16/2023        | Switzerland annual YoY GDP<br>Growth                   |
| Statista [7]          | Swiss Inflation Rate                                     | 06/16/2023        | Switzerland annual YoY Inflation                       |
| Trading Economics [1] | Switzerland monthly YoY Inflation   Trading<br>Economics | 06/16/2023        | Switzerland Inflation Rate                             |
| Trading Economics [2] | Forecast Switzerland                                     | 06/16/2023        | Switzerland forecasts for Debt to<br>GDP ratio and PMI |
| Yahoo Finance         | CHF/BRL Data   | 06/20/2023        | Monte Carlo Simulation                                 |

### **Appendix - III**



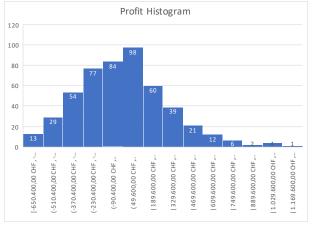
### Monte Carlo Simulation Excel

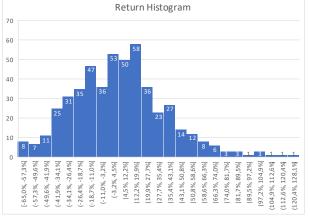
#### **Monte Carlo Sim 1**

| BORROW-CHF:     | 1.000.000,00 CHF | CHF/BRL  | 5,4106 | Mean:       | 2,3988% | QTR |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|--------|-------------|---------|-----|
| OWE (90 days):  | 1.003.750,00 CHF | BRL-Rate | 13,75% | Volatility: | 8,0524% | QTR |
| CONVERT TO BRL: | 5.410.560.00 BRL | CHF-Rate | 1.50%  |             |         |     |

| TRIAL: | XRATE-CHG: | XRATE-FUT: | INVEST-BRL:      | CONVERT-CHF:     | PROFIT:          | RETURN: |
|--------|------------|------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------|
| 1      | -3,0167%   | 5,2473     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.066.550,00 CHF | 62.800,00 CHF    | 6,3%    |
| 2      | -32,3474%  | 3,6604     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.528.950,00 CHF | 525.200,00 CHF   | 52,5%   |
| 3      | 6,4446%    | 5,7592     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 971.750,00 CHF   | - 32.000,00 CHF  | -3,2%   |
| 4      | -25,9548%  | 4,0063     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.396.950,00 CHF | 393.200,00 CHF   | 39,3%   |
| 5      | 1,2356%    | 5,4774     | 5.596.548.00 BRL | 1.021.750,00 CHF | 18.000,00 CHF    | 1,8%    |
| 6      | -15,3643%  | 4,5793     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.222.150,00 CHF | 218.400,00 CHF   | 21,8%   |
| 7      | 26,6763%   | 6,8539     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 816.550,00 CHF   | - 187.200,00 CHF | -18,7%  |
| 8      | 37,0850%   | 7,4171     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 754.550,00 CHF   | -249.200,00 CHF  | -24,9%  |
| 9      | -27,9558%  | 3,8980     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.435.750,00 CHF | 432.000,00 CHF   | 43,2%   |
| 10     | 24,8416%   | 6,7546     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 828.550,00 CHF   | - 175.200,00 CHF | -17,5%  |
| 11     | 65,1960%   | 8,9380     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 626.150,00 CHF   | -377.600,00 CHF  | -37,8%  |
| 12     | -5,9787%   | 5,0871     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.100.150,00 CHF | 96.400,00 CHF    | 9,6%    |
| 13     | -26,0818%  | 3,9994     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.399.350,00 CHF | 395.600,00 CHF   | 39,6%   |
| 14     | 190,4324%  | 15,7140    | 5.596.548.00 BRL | 356.150,00 CHF   | -647.600,00 CHF  | -64,8%  |
| 15     | -4,8019%   | 5,1508     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.086.550,00 CHF | 82.800,00 CHF    | 8,3%    |
| 16     | 104,3614%  | 11,0571    | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 506.150,00 CHF   | -497.600,00 CHF  | -49,8%  |
| 17     | 3,5877%    | 5,6047     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 998.550,00 CHF   | - 5.200,00 CHF   | -0,5%   |
| 18     | -6,2174%   | 5,0742     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.102.950,00 CHF | 99.200,00 CHF    | 9,9%    |
| 19     | 33,0643%   | 7,1995     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 777.350,00 CHF   | -226.400,00 CHF  | -22,6%  |
| 20     | 47,9898%   | 8,0071     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 698.950,00 CHF   | -304.800,00 CHF  | -30,5%  |
| 21     | -19,6508%  | 4,3473     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.287.350,00 CHF | 283.600,00 CHF   | 28,4%   |
| 22     | -15,6404%  | 4,5643     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.226.150,00 CHF | 222.400,00 CHF   | 22,2%   |
| 23     | -13,2345%  | 4,6945     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.192.150,00 CHF | 188.400,00 CHF   | 18,8%   |
| 24     | 40,9710%   | 7,6273     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 733.750,00 CHF   | -270.000,00 CHF  | -27,0%  |
| 25     | 52,9801%   | 8,2771     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 676.150,00 CHF   | -327.600,00 CHF  | -32,8%  |
| 26     | 3,8790%    | 5,6204     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 995.750,00 CHF   | - 8.000,00 CHF   | -0,8%   |
| 27     | 65,6192%   | 8,9609     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 624.550,00 CHF   | -379.200,00 CHF  | -37,9%  |
| 28     | -18,5884%  | 4,4048     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.270.550,00 CHF | 266.800,00 CHF   | 26,7%   |
| 29     | 18,4919%   | 6,4111     | 5.596.548.00 BRL | 872.950,00 CHF   | -130.800,00 CHF  | -13,1%  |
| 30     | -13,2636%  | 4,6929     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.192.550,00 CHF | 188.800,00 CHF   | 18,9%   |
| 31     | -39,3595%  | 3,2810     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.705.750,00 CHF | 702.000,00 CHF   | 70,2%   |
| 32     | 66,1513%   | 8,9897     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 622.550,00 CHF   | -381.200,00 CHF  | -38,1%  |
| 33     | -18,5628%  | 4,4062     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.270.150,00 CHF | 266.400,00 CHF   | 26,6%   |
| 34     | -27,5724%  | 3,9187     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.428.150,00 CHF | 424.400,00 CHF   | 42,4%   |
| 35     | -45,6093%  | 2,9428     | 5.596.548,00 BRL | 1.901.750,00 CHF | 898.000,00 CHF   | 89,8%   |

|         | PROFIT:          | RETURN:  | RR   |
|---------|------------------|----------|------|
| AVG:    | 47.868,80 CHF    | 4,787%   |      |
| MAX:    | 1.280.800,00 CHF | 128,080% | 1,97 |
| MIN:    | - 650.400,00 CHF | -65,040% |      |
| MEDIAN: | 36.200,00 CHF    | 3,620%   |      |
| GAIN:   | 270              |          |      |
| LOSS:   | 230              |          |      |
|         |                  |          |      |





Overall, 500 random samples generated

### Appendix - IV









### Currency pair historical correlations

|                                | BCB Rate | SNB Rate | FED Rate |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| CHFBRL (20.07.2019-05.08.2020) | -0.058   |          |          |
| CHFBRL (10.03.2021-20.03.2022) | -0.121   |          |          |
| CHFBRL (21.03.2022-20.03.2023) | -0.025   | 0.050    |          |
| CHFBRL (20.02.2022-10.05.2023) |          |          | -0.078   |

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