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Amid confounding signals on U.S. rates and economy, **IPOX Indexes** fall as market momentum turns negative ahead of option expiration. The **IPOX Indexes** followed markets lower and recorded steep declines last week. In the U.S., e.g., the **IPOX 100 U.S.** (IPXO) - underlying for the **First Trust U.S. IPO Fund** (FPX) - shed -3.87% to 1.31% YTD, rising vs. the technology-heavy **Nasdaq 100** (NDX) and small-cap benchmark **Russell 2000** (RUT), while declining -25 bps. vs. the **S&P 500** (SPX). In the cross-section of returns, just 12/100 portfolio holdings advanced on the week, with the average index member falling by -4.27%, significantly more than the applied market-cap weighted **IPOX 100 U.S.** (IPXO). Amid big declines in U.S. retailers ahead of the start to the key shopping season, specialty firms IPOX Holdings **Restoration Hardware** (RH US: -9.93), **The Michaels Cos Inc.** (MIK US: -11.10%) or **Burlington Stores** (BURL US: -12.25%) fell substantially. Plastics products maker **Berry Plastics** (BERY US: 6.36%) - key **Dunkin' Brands Group** (DNKN US: -2.16%) supplier - rose against the trend on strong earnings, while the **IPOX 100 U.S.** (IPXO) also benefited from its position in John Malone's media firms **Liberty Ventures** (LVNTA US: 2.87%) and **Liberty Media** (LMCA US: 1.75%) which rose after the announcement of the creation of tracking stocks. Despite the big decline in German lighting products manufacturer Siemens Spin-off **Osram Licht** (OSR GR: -31.86%), the **IPOX Europe** (IXTE) gained +40 bps. vs. the European benchmark on the week, while the **IPOX Nordic** (IPND) also continued its positive relative momentum.

IPOX Returns (%) (P)	Week	Oct 15	YTD 15
Exposure: Global/International (xUS) (USD)			
IPOX Global 50 (IPGL50)	-4.17	8.16	-0.83
IPOX Intern. (IPXI)*	-3.73	9.32	-7.72
Exposure: United States (USD)			
IPOX 100 U.S. (IPXO)*	-3.87	6.93	1.31
IPOX 30 U.S. (IPXT)	-4.04	8.60	4.52
Exposure: Europe (EUR)			
IPOX Europe (IXTE)	-2.27	4.67	13.81
IPOX Nordic (IPND)	-1.48	5.08	19.47
Exposure: Asia-Pacific (Developed) (USD)			
IPOX APAC 30 (IPTA)	-1.21	5.61	-2.25
Exposure: China (USD) (x A-Shares)			
IPOX China 20 (CNI)	-3.61	12.05	-9.46

*Basis for Exchange-Traded Products (ETPs)

Select IPOs (last week):	ID:	Change (%)
Advanced Accelerator	AAAP US	57.88
Amundi SA	AMUN FP	3.56
China International Capital	3908 HK	10.51
Chinney Kin Wing Holdings Ltd	1556 HK	-8.47
Curetis AG	CURE NA	9.00
Denox Environmental	1452 HK	-22.38
Equity Bancshares Inc	EQBK US	6.62
GAIA Infrastructure Capital Ltd	GAI SJ	-4.90
Georgia Healthcare Group PLC	GHG LN	6.47
Glenalta Food Spa	GLF IM	-2.50
Gym Nordic PLC/The	GYM LN	3.85
Instructure Inc	INST US	12.50
Jumbo Group Ltd	JUMBO SP	32.00
Softcat PLC	SCT LN	16.67
Voyager Therapeutics Inc	VYGR US	29.29
WaVe Life Sciences Pte Ltd	WVE US	-0.62
Waystream Holding AB	WAYS SS	-6.36

IPOs (week of Nov 16):	ID:	Sector
ABN AMRO Group NV	ABN NA	Financials
Axsome Therapeutics Inc	AXSM US	Health Care
congatec Holding AG	CONG US	Info. Technology
Creative China Holdings	8368 HK	Consumer Dis.
Dali Foods Group Co Ltd	3799 HK	Consumer Staples
Duluth Holdings Inc	DLTH US	Consumer Dis.
Match Group Inc	MTCH US	Consumer Dis.
Mimecast Ltd	MIME US	Info. Technology
Noble Midstream Partners	NBLX US	Energy
Photocat A/S	PCAT DC	Industrials
PWR Holdings Ltd	PWH AU	Industrials
Square Inc	SQ US	Consumer Dis.
Truck Hero Inc	TRUK US	Consumer Dis.
Xenith IP Group	XIP AU	Financials