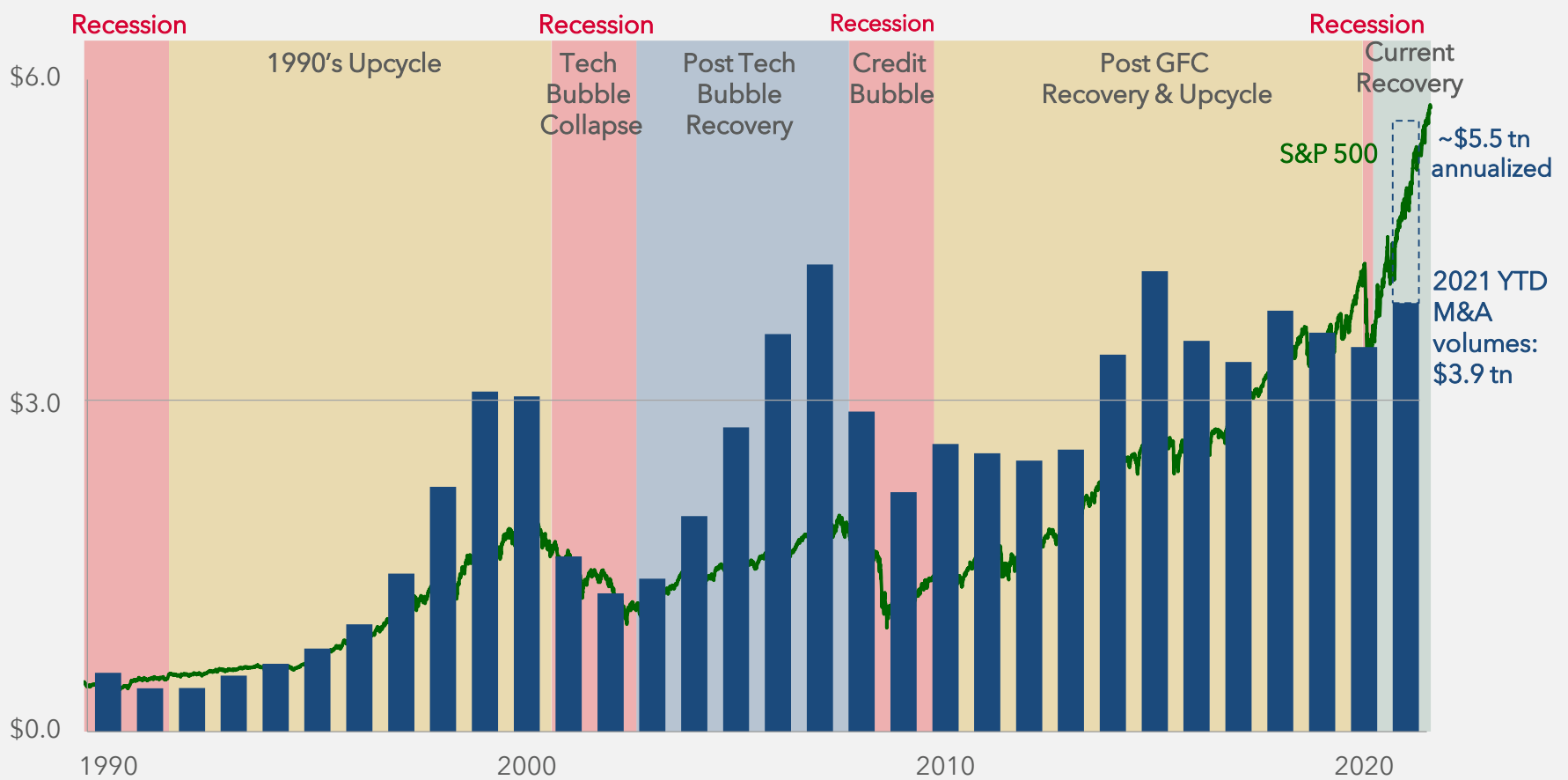


Chart of the Day

Correlations between economic and market cycles are common. The global M&A cycle, for example, has historically been correlated with global equity markets, albeit with a 6-12 month lag on average. In fact, M&A volumes increase alongside four variables in particular, all of which were adversely impacted by the COVID crisis, but are now recovering strongly: strong economic growth, rising equity markets, low cost debt financing and high CEO confidence metrics.

Global M&A volumes and S&P 500



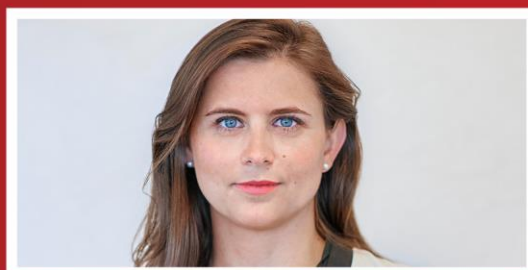
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