Morning Comment

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EUR/USD starts the week above \$1.17

Throughout last week, investors were focused on the re-emergence of political turbulence in France and further tensions between the White House and the Fed in the US. Against this backdrop, there was a cautious and subdued mood on markets on both sides of the Atlantic. This was reflected by the Euro Stoxx 50 declining by 2.5 (led lower by French companies) and by the S&P 500 edging 0.1% lower on the week (amid a 0.6% decline on Friday).

Data-wise, the main highlight of a relatively quiet macro calendar last week was the July reading of US core-PCE inflation. As expected, it rose to 2.9% from 2.8%. However, US interest rate expectations were little changed after the release. Indeed market pricing for a rate cut when the Fed FOMC next meets on September 16-17th was reinforced by some dovish remarks from Fed Governor Waller, who voted for a rate cut at the last meeting.

Amid the dovish outlook for US rates and the aforementioned tensions between the Fed and the White House, short-to-medium term Treasury yields fell by 4-10bps last, while long-dated US yields rose by circa 4bps. In the Eurozone, German Bund yields rose by 1-6bps. Meantime, the spread between the 10-year German and French yield widened by around 8bps to 78bps.

Currency-wise, the main FX pairs operated in relatively narrow ranges throughout last week. As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD is in the lower half of \$1.17-1.18. EUR/GBP is changing hands above the midpoint of 86-87p. Elsewhere, GBP/USD is in the bottom half of \$1.35-1.36.

Looking at the week ahead, the US labour market report for August will be the main highlight. In the Eurozone, flash HICP inflation (Aug) and the unemployment rate (Jul) are due. In the UK, Governor Bailey and other BoE officials speak at the Treasury Select Committee.

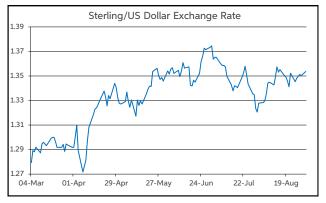
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.173	0.57	13.30	
EUR/GBP	0.8664	0.32	4.73	
GBP/USD	1.3536	0.26	8.19	
GBP/EUR	1.1539	-0.32	-4.51	
USD/JPY	146.78	-0.07	-6.62	
EUR/JPY	172.21	0.50	5.81	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	4.38	4.26	4.15	3.74	3.69	3.63
EUR	2.00	1.86	2.06	2.06	2.09	2.35
GBP	4.00	3.96	3.96	3.85	4.00	4.07









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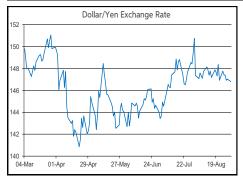
Opening Levels



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8664
EUR/USD	1.173
EUR/JPY	172.21
EUR/SEK	11.074
EUR/DKK	7.4641
EUR/NOK	11.772
EUR/CHF	0.9368
EUR/AUD	1.7918
EUR/HKD	9.1402
EUR/CAD	1.6116

Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1539			
GBP/USD	1.3536			
GBP/CAD	1.8599			
GBP/NZD	2.2932			
GBP/JPY	198.69			
GBP/SEK	12.7805			
GBP/DKK	8.613			
GBP/NOK	13.5836			
GBP/CHF	1.081			
GBP/AUD	2.0678			

Dollar				
USD/JPY	146.78			
USD/CAD	1.3741			
USD/CHF	0.7986			
USD/CNY	7.1298			
USD/BRL	5.4324			
USD/RUB	79.9955			
USD/INR	88.26			
AUD/USD	0.6543			
NZD/USD	0.5899			



US Swap Curve

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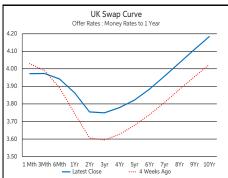
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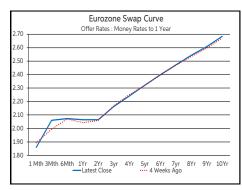
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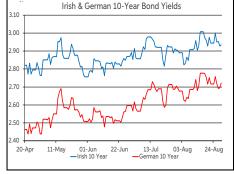
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr
— Latest Close 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets			
			Change bps		
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
10 Year Yield %					
US	4.23	+2	+1	-35	
Germany	2.72	+2	+5	+36	
UK	4.72	+2	+20	+15	
Ireland	2.98	+2	+6	+33	
Belgium	3.30	+4	+9	+32	
France	3.51	+4	+16	+32	
Italy	3.62	+5	+8	+9	
Spain	3.33	+4	+7	+27	
Portugal	3.19	+4	+7	+34	
Greece	3.43	+3	+8	+18	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.59	+1	-7	-70	
Eurozone	2.30	-1	-2	+6	
UK	4.06	+1	+15	-22	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.65	-0	-7	-69	
Eurozone	2.04	-2	-1	-15	
UK	3.99	+2	+16	-50	
10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spread	s to Benchr	nark bps		
Ireland	25	-0	+1	-3	
Belgium	58	+2	+4	-4	
France	79	+1	+12	-4	
Italy	89	+3	+3	-26	
Spain	61	+1	+2	-9	
Portugal	46	+1	+3	-2	
Greece	71	+0	+3	-17	

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
Brent Oil	68.12	-0.73	-2.22	-8.74	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	3446.7	+0.88	+2.51	+31.36	

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