Morning Comment

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Monetary policy remains in focus this week

Last week's ECB meeting proved eventful from a market viewpoint. Futures markets reacted to the hawkish tone and guidance by pricing in additional tightening in Q4, with rates now seen getting to 1% by the end of the year. From a currency viewpoint, the euro initially moved higher. However, this proved to be very fleeting with the currency coming under sustained pressure. In part, this has been attributed to the lack of clarity from the ECB on how it would deal with any pressure on peripheral markets from the ending of QE in July.

Meantime, a risk averse mood on markets was supportive of the dollar. The greenback was also boosted on Friday by a higher than expected US inflation reading for May. Elsewhere, the yen remained on the defensive for much of the week. Although, a rare joint statement from the BoJ and Finance Ministry on Friday provided some support to the currency heading into the weekend.

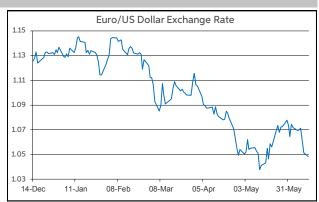
The combination of a weaker euro and firmer dollar is reflected in EUR/USD opening this morning below \$1.05, having started last week above \$1.07. Meanwhile, sterling has been pressurised on concerns over the UK economy. Thus, EUR/GBP continues to trade within an 85-86p range, while GBP/USD is under the \$1.23 level.

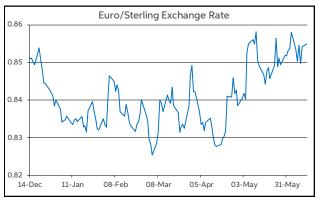
Ahead this week, monetary policy remains in the spotlight. From a dollar viewpoint, the Fed is expected to announce another 50bps rate hike. Attention will centre on its updated interest rate guidance. For sterling, the BoE is anticipated to hike again, by 25bps. The market's focus will likely be on the BoE's forward guidance for the extent of further rate rises. Data-wise, a packed diary includes US retail sales, industrial production (both May) as well as UK labour market metrics April.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	1.0484	-1.36	-7.78	
EUR/GBP	0.8549	0.51	1.77	
GBP/USD	1.2262	-1.86	-9.37	
GBP/EUR	1.1691	-0.50	-1.74	
USD/JPY	134.51	0.24	16.88	
EUR/JPY	141.04	-1.14	7.77	
* 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	0.875	1.28	1.74	3.15	3.54	3.36
EUR	0.00	-0.54	-0.30	0.87	1.62	1.99
GBP	1.00	1.24	1.54	2.70	3.13	3.04









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All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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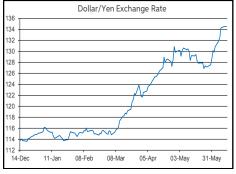
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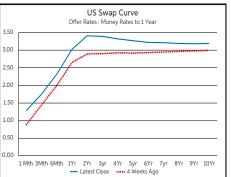
Euro	0
EUR/GBP	0.8549
EUR/USD	1.0484
EUR/JPY	141.04
EUR/SEK	10.5535
EUR/DKK	7.4388
EUR/NOK	10.2597
EUR/CHF	1.0365
EUR/AUD	1.4923
EUR/HKD	8.2292
EUR/CAD	1.3438

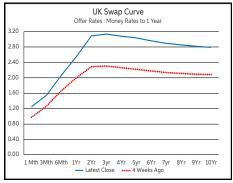
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1691		
GBP/USD	1.2262		
GBP/CAD	1.5714		
GBP/NZD	1.9329		
GBP/JPY	164.92		
GBP/SEK	12.3377		
GBP/DKK	8.6971		
GBP/NOK	11.9914		
GBP/CHF	1.212		
GBP/AUD	1.7451		

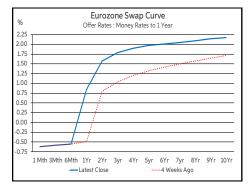
Dollar			
USD/JPY	134.51		
USD/CAD	1.2816		
USD/CHF	0.9883		
USD/CNY	6.7363		
USD/BRL	4.9888		
USD/RUB	57		
USD/INR	78.114		
AUD/USD	0.7025		
NZD/USD	0.6342		
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	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21	
10 Year Yield %					
US	3.16	+12	+24	+165	
Germany	1.50	+7	+56	+168	
UK	2.44	+12	+70	+147	
Ireland	2.19	+13	+58	+194	
Belgium	2.16	+12	+64	+198	
France	2.09	+11	+63	+190	
Italy	3.85	+16	+100	+266	
Spain	2.77	+16	+77	+217	
Portugal	2.79	+13	+72	+231	
Greece	4.37	+27	+91	+306	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.27	+19	+39	+194	
Eurozone	1.97	+11	+66	+196	
UK	3.04	+18	+82	+177	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.41	+25	+56	+247	
Eurozone	1.57	+13	+79	+187	
UK	3.09	+15	+80	+190	
10 Year Governi	ment Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps		
Ireland	69	+6	+3	+26	
Belgium	66	+5	+8	+30	
France	59	+4	+8	+22	
Italy	234	+9	+45	+98	
Spain	127	+9	+22	+49	
Portugal	129	+7	+16	+63	
Greece	287	+21	+35	+137	

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks				
Brent Oil	122.01	-0.86	+9.38	+56.87	
West Texas Oil	120.73	-0.65	+9.24	+60.27	
Gold \$	1871.0	+1.26	+3.30	+2.33	

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