Morning Comment

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Rate expectations harden further

Investor sentiment continued to hold a generally cautious tone yesterday. The Euro Stoxx 50 fell by 0.4%. Across the Atlantic though, the S&P 500 registered a modest 0.3% gain. On bond market, benchmark sovereign bond yields were little changed.

Data-wise, Eurozone industrial production fell sharply by 2.3% in July (vs. -1.1% f'cast). In the US, PPI inflation, printed broadly inline with the consensus. The headline rate fell to 8.7% (vs. 8.8% f'cast), and the core rate declined to 7.3% (vs. 7.1% f'cast). However neither release greatly impacted the euro or the dollar.

Currency-wise, there was a slightly firmer tone to sterling throughout the European session yesterday. Elsewhere, the Japanese yen moved higher across the board, as senior government officials noted that an intervention in the FX market to support the currency cannot be ruled out. However, overnight the dollar regained some momentum.

A further hardening of rate expectations this week has led to some volatility on forex markets, although, it has been confined to relatively narrow ranges. Rates are now seen as rising to 2.5% in the Eurozone, 4.25% in the US and 4.5% in the UK by mid-2023.

In level terms, EUR/USD is operating back nearer the midpoint of the \$0.99-1.00 range. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP opens back at the halfway mark of 86-87p. GBP/USD is changing hands just above the \$1.15 handle. USD/JPY is down at ¥143.

Turning to the day ahead, a busy data schedule in the US contains retail sales and industrial production for August, as well as the latest weekly initial jobless claims release.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	0.9962	-0.32	-12.37	
EUR/GBP	0.8654	-0.24	3.02	
GBP/USD	1.1512	-0.07	-14.91	
GBP/EUR	1.1551	0.24	-2.94	
USD/JPY	143.56	-0.19	24.75	
EUR/JPY	143.06	-0.50	9.31	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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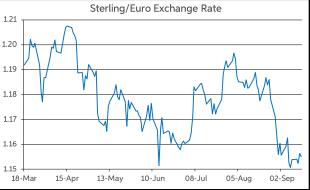
Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	2.375	2.82	3.29	4.35	4.25	3.72
EUR	0.50	0.62	1.00	2.15	2.48	2.49
GBP	1.75	2.20	2.72	4.09	4.26	3.90

Euro/US Dollar Exchange Rate

1.12
1.10
1.08
1.06
1.04
1.02
1.00
0.98
18-Mar 15-Apr 13-May 10-Jun 08-Jul 05-Aug 02-Sep







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All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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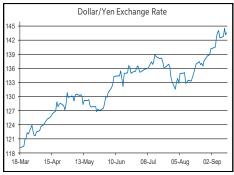
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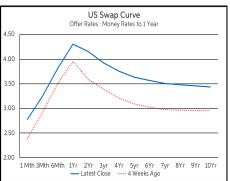
Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8654
EUR/USD	0.9962
EUR/JPY	143.06
EUR/SEK	10.6844
EUR/DKK	7.4365
EUR/NOK	10.0769
EUR/CHF	0.96
EUR/AUD	1.4758
EUR/HKD	7.819
EUR/CAD	1.3129

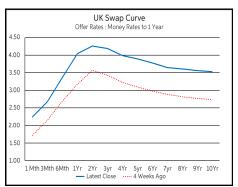
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1551		
GBP/USD	1.1512		
GBP/CAD	1.5169		
GBP/NZD	1.9173		
GBP/JPY	165.27		
GBP/SEK	12.3435		
GBP/DKK	8.591		
GBP/NOK	11.641		
GBP/CHF	1.109		
GBP/AUD	1.7053		

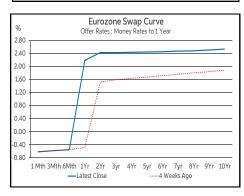
Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.56			
USD/CAD	1.3174			
USD/CHF	0.9633			
USD/CNY	6.9679			
USD/BRL	5.1641			
USD/RUB	59.9			
USD/INR	79.551			
AUD/USD	0.675			
NZD/USD	0.6002			

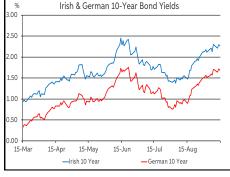












	Debt	Markets		
			Change bps	;
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21
10 Year Yield %				
US	3.40	-1	+50	+189
Germany	1.70	-3	+62	+188
UK	3.14	-4	+85	+217
Ireland	2.31	-2	+61	+206
Belgium	2.31	-4	+60	+213
France	2.26	-3	+61	+207
Italy	3.98	-1	+67	+280
Spain	2.85	-1	+63	+226
Portugal	2.76	-1	+63	+228
Greece	4.28	+5	+77	+297
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.63	+3	+58	+230
Eurozone	2.45	+2	+78	+244
UK	3.90	+5	+80	+262
 2 Year Swap %				
US	4.16	+11	+59	+322
Eurozone	2.43	+5	+91	+273
UK	4.26	-1	+69	+307
10 Year Governm	ent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	 chmark bps	
Ireland	61	+0	-1	+18
Belgium	61	-1	-2	+25
France	57	+0	-1	+19
Italy	228	+2	+5	+92
Spain	115	+1	+1	+38
Portugal	106	+1	+1	+40
Greece	258	+8	+15	+109

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21	
Brent Oil	94.1	+1.00	+0.48	+20.98	
West Texas Oil	88.88	+1.18	-2.17	+17.99	
Gold \$	1695.8	-0.34	-3.71	-7.25	

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