## **Morning Comment**

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## Subdued action to start the week

Yesterday's market action was generally subdued. The lack of any macro data releases as well as the fact that it was a market holiday in the US (Martin Luther King Day) contributed to the muted moves. In Europe, investor sentiment was holding a cautious tone. The Euro Stoxx 50 eked out a modest rise of 0.1%. It was also an uneventful day on European fixed income markets. The main benchmark yields registered only minimal changes.

On the currency front, most of the main pairs were confined to tight trading ranges. Of the moves to register over the past 24 hours, the dollar has managed to steady itself and has moved off its recent lows against the euro and sterling.

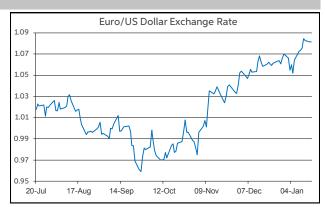
In level terms, EUR/USD has edged back within the lower half of the \$1.08-1.09 trading band. GBP/USD has traded back below the \$1.22 threshold. Meantime, EUR/GBP has moved modestly higher, above the midpoint of 88-89p. Elsewhere, the yen's recent rally took a breather yesterday, with the currency giving back some of its gains, including against the dollar and the euro.

After yesterday's sparse macro diary, already this morning we have got a raft of macro updates. Chinese GDP expanded by 3% last year, well below its official growth target of 5.5%. Meantime, we have also had a plethora of data on the UK labour market, mostly covering the three month period to November. The unemployment rate, as expected remained at 3.7%. Later this morning, the German ZEW survey of investor sentiment for January is due. Meanwhile, the highlight from a quiet US schedule is the Empire manufacturing survey for January. Overnight, the conclusion of the BoJ monetary policy meeting will garner close attention on markets.

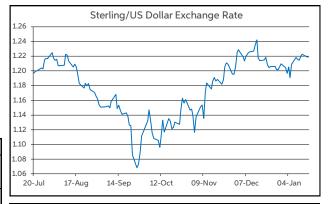
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| Today's Opening FX Rates         |        |          |          |  |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--|
|                                  |        | % Change |          |  |
|                                  | _      | Day *    | End 2022 |  |
| EUR/USD                          | 1.0814 | -0.41    | 1.05     |  |
| EUR/GBP                          | 0.8869 | 0.16     | 0.28     |  |
| GBP/USD                          | 1.2191 | -0.59    | 0.78     |  |
| GBP/EUR                          | 1.1268 | -0.16    | -0.28    |  |
| USD/JPY                          | 128.88 | 1.00     | -1.70    |  |
| EUR/JPY                          | 139.39 | 0.58     | -0.65    |  |
| * 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                    | 4.375     | 4.46         | 4.79  | 5.05       | 4.51 | 3.68 |
| EUR                    | 2.50      | 1.91         | 2.33  | 3.24       | 3.20 | 2.81 |
| GBP                    | 3.50      | 3.66         | 4.00  | 4.55       | 4.34 | 3.91 |









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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## **Opening Levels**



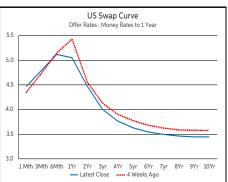
| Euro    |         |
|---------|---------|
| EUR/GBP | 0.8869  |
| EUR/USD | 1.0814  |
| EUR/JPY | 139.39  |
| EUR/SEK | 11.2953 |
| EUR/DKK | 7.4377  |
| EUR/NOK | 10.7265 |
| EUR/CHF | 1.0002  |
| EUR/AUD | 1.5553  |
| EUR/HKD | 8.4569  |
| EUR/CAD | 1.4512  |

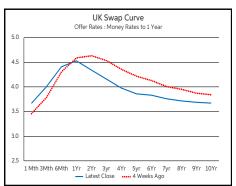
| Sterlin | ng      |
|---------|---------|
| GBP/EUR | 1.1268  |
| GBP/USD | 1.2191  |
| GBP/CAD | 1.6359  |
| GBP/NZD | 1.9078  |
| GBP/JPY | 157.08  |
| GBP/SEK | 12.7334 |
| GBP/DKK | 8.3831  |
| GBP/NOK | 12.0933 |
| GBP/CHF | 1.1275  |
| GBP/AUD | 1.7532  |

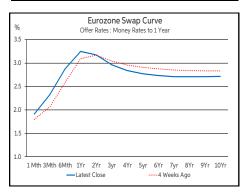
| Dollar  |        |  |  |  |
|---------|--------|--|--|--|
| USD/JPY | 128.88 |  |  |  |
| USD/CAD | 1.3417 |  |  |  |
| USD/CHF | 0.9247 |  |  |  |
| USD/CNY | 6.776  |  |  |  |
| USD/BRL | 5.1474 |  |  |  |
| USD/RUB | 68.55  |  |  |  |
| USD/INR | 81.813 |  |  |  |
|         |        |  |  |  |
| AUD/USD | 0.6953 |  |  |  |
| NZD/USD | 0.6388 |  |  |  |
|         |        |  |  |  |

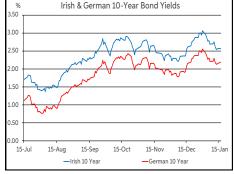












|                 | Debt           | Markets    |            |        |
|-----------------|----------------|------------|------------|--------|
|                 |                |            | Change bps | 5      |
|                 | Close          | Day        | 4 Weeks    | End 22 |
| 10 Year Yield % |                |            |            |        |
| US              | 3.50           | +5         | -9         | -38    |
| Germany         | 2.20           | +5         | -1         | -37    |
| UK              | 3.38           | +2         | -12        | -29    |
| Ireland         | 2.60           | +1         | -12        | -54    |
| Belgium         | 2.72           | +0         | -10        | -49    |
| France          | 2.64           | +0         | -8         | -48    |
| Italy           | 4.01           | +0         | -36        | -69    |
| Spain           | 3.16           | -O         | -13        | -49    |
| Portugal        | 3.09           | +1         | -14        | -51    |
| Greece          | 4.15           | +6         | -19        | -44    |
| 5 Year Swap %   |                |            |            |        |
| US              | 3.62           | +2         | -11        | -37    |
| Eurozone        | 2.77           | -1         | -13        | -46    |
| UK              | 3.86           | -2         | -34        | -44    |
| 2 Year Swap %   |                |            |            |        |
| US              | 4.47           | +3         | -5         | -20    |
| Eurozone        | 3.17           | -2         | +1         | -22    |
| UK              | 4.34           | +1         | -29        | -34    |
| 10 Year Governi | ment Bond Spre | ads to Ben | chmark bps |        |
| Ireland         | 41             | -4         | -12        | -18    |
| Belgium         | 52             | -5         | -9         | -12    |
| France          | 44             | -5         | -8         | -11    |
| Italy           | 182            | -5         | -36        | -32    |
| Spain           | 97             | -6         | -13        | -13    |
| Portugal        | 90             | -4         | -13        | -14    |
| Greece          | 195            | +1         | -19        | -8     |

| Commodities    |        |          |         |        |  |  |
|----------------|--------|----------|---------|--------|--|--|
|                |        | % Change |         |        |  |  |
|                | Close  | Day      | 4 Weeks | End 22 |  |  |
| Brent Oil      | 84.46  | -0.96    | +5.84   | -1.69  |  |  |
| West Texas Oil | 79.9   | +2.02    | +6.46   | -0.32  |  |  |
| Gold\$         | 1918.0 | -0.12    | +7.30   | +5.13  |  |  |

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