Morning Comment

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EUR/USD back below \$0.99

Risk appetite remained subdued on markets yesterday. The Euro Stoxx 50 rose by 0.3%, while the S&P finished down 0.4%. On bond markets, longer dated UK Gilts and US Treasuries jumped by 16-20bps. Their German counterparts rose by a more modest 4bps. Meanwhile, the German 2-year yield edged slightly lower on some less hawkish comments from a number of ECB officials.

Currency-wise, the dollar returned to the ascendancy as concerns regarding Europe's gas supplies remained to the fore. The greenback gained 0.5-0.7% against the euro and the pound yesterday. Sterling had briefly rallied early on, following reports that new PM Truss was preparing a package to cap energy bills for households and businesses through the winter. GBP/USD briefly regained the \$1.16 handle, but the move was short-lived.

From a euro viewpoint, comments from members of the ECB's Governing Council were unhelpful for the single currency. Over the past 48 hours a number of officials have cautioned against tightening policy too quickly, and noted that the ECB may have to pause rate hikes if the economy were to enter a protracted recession. However, current pricing suggests the market still believes a 75bps rate hike is most likely from the ECB on Thursday.

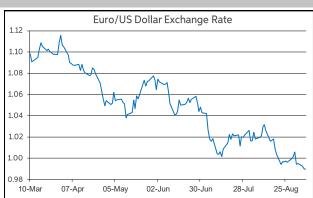
The firmer dollar and softer euro is evidenced by EUR/USD opening back just below the \$0.99 mark. EUR/GBP is just above the 86p threshold. GBP/USD is operating under the \$1.14 handle. USD/JPY is changing hands up near the ¥144 level.

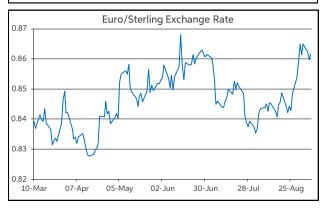
Today, a number of Fed speakers will garner attention, as will BoE Governor Bailey's testimony to the Treasury Select Committee. Data-wise, the final reading of Eurozone Q2 GDP is due.

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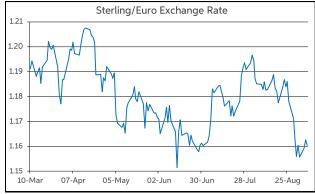
Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	0.9895	-0.51	-12.96	
EUR/GBP	0.8614	0.16	2.55	
GBP/USD	1.1484	-0.67	-15.12	
GBP/EUR	1.1605	-0.16	-2.48	
USD/JPY	143.96	2.16	25.10	
EUR/JPY	142.46	1.65	8.86	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		5
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	2.375	2.64	3.14	3.93	3.87	3.51
EUR	0.50	0.30	0.78	1.86	2.18	2.32
GBP	1.75	2.18	2.67	3.99	4.24	3.87









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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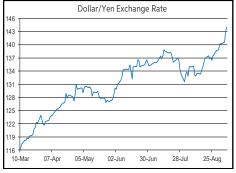
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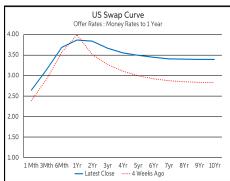
Euro)
EUR/GBP	0.8614
EUR/USD	0.9895
EUR/JPY	142.46
EUR/SEK	10.6924
EUR/DKK	7.4364
EUR/NOK	9.9369
EUR/CHF	0.9742
EUR/AUD	1.473
EUR/HKD	7.7673
EUR/CAD	1.304

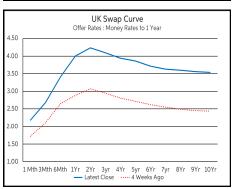
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1605		
GBP/USD	1.1484		
GBP/CAD	1.5134		
GBP/NZD	1.9088		
GBP/JPY	165.32		
GBP/SEK	12.4094		
GBP/DKK	8.6288		
GBP/NOK	11.5332		
GBP/CHF	1.1307		
GBP/AUD	1.7095		

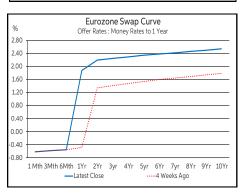
Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.96			
USD/CAD	1.3177			
USD/CHF	0.9846			
USD/CNY	6.9674			
USD/BRL	5.248			
USD/RUB	61.15			
USD/INR	79.915			
AUD/USD	0.6717			
NZD/USD	0.6014			

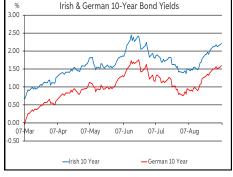












	Debt	Markets		
			Change bps	;
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21
10 Year Yield %				
US	3.35	+16	+57	+184
Germany	1.61	+4	+68	+178
UK	3.10	+16	+112	+213
Ireland	2.27	+4	+74	+202
Belgium	2.26	+2	+75	+208
France	2.21	+2	+73	+201
Italy	3.97	+3	+91	+278
Spain	2.80	+3	+77	+221
Portugal	2.70	+2	+75	+221
Greece	4.17	-11	+95	+286
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.49	+6	+53	+216
Eurozone	2.35	+6	+82	+234
UK	3.87	+14	+116	+259
 2 Year Swap %				
US	3.84	+6	+36	+290
Eurozone	2.20	+3	+86	+250
UK	4.24	-1	+117	+304
10 Year Governn	nent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps	
Ireland	66	-O	+5	+23
Belgium	66	-2	+7	+30
France	60	-2	+5	+23
Italy	236	-1	+23	+100
Spain	120	-1	+9	+42
Portugal	109	-2	+6	+43
Greece	257	-15	+27	+108

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 We				
Brent Oil	92.83	-3.04	-3.61	+19.35	
West Texas Oil	87.35	+0.07	-6.26	+15.96	
Gold\$	1701.2	-0.53	-5.18	-6.96	

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