Morning Comment

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Main FX pairs confined to narrow ranges

The action on markets yesterday was muted. A guiet data calendar meant there was little to provide direction. The day's main release, the May US durable goods report, had no notable impact on the dollar. Headline orders did unexpectedly fall by 1.3% (f'cast -0.1%). However, the closely watched core figure (proxy for business investment) surprised to the upside (+0.4% vs f'cast +0.1%).

Elsewhere, as expected BoE Governor Carney's appearance before the Treasury Select Committee in the UK was a non-event. The central bank chief reiterated that the BoE is more likely to cut rates, if a no-deal Brexit were to occur, than raise them.

In level terms, the subdued tone on currency markets in yesterday's session sees the main pairs open this morning broadly unchanged from 24 hours previous. EUR/USD remains just in the upper half of \$1.13-1.14, while EUR/GBP is close to the 89.5p mark. Meanwhile, cable (GBP/USD) is changing hands below the \$1.27 level.

Turning to the day ahead, the macro schedule is barren in both the UK and the US. As a result, the GBP/USD pair may struggle for direction. Meanwhile, developments at the G-20 summit, which gets underway today, could have some influence on markets, following reports that the US and China have agreed a trade truce.

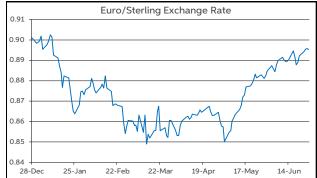
In the Eurozone, the focus will be on the June EC sentiment indices. Led by a fall in the industrial sector subcomponent, it is expected that the headline index will return to its downward trend, having unexpectedly risen in May. Separately, the release of the flash June reading of German inflation may attract some attention ahead of the publication of the Eurozone figure on Friday. Overall though, barring a major surprise, today's data are unlikely to generate a major reaction in the euro.

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Opening Interest Rates							
		Short Term			Long Term		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	12-Mth	2-Yr	5-Yr	
USD	2.375	2.40	2.33	2.18	1.81	1.78	
EUR	0.00	-0.39	-0.35	-0.21	-0.36	-0.19	
GBP	0.75	0.72	0.77	0.95	0.83	0.90	
Equity Indices							
		% (Changes			
	Late	Latest Close		Day	End 201	.8 to Date	
Dow Jones	5 26	26536.82		0.04	+1	3.76	
S&P 500	2	2913.78		0.12	+1	6.23	
FTSE 100	74	7416.39		-0.08		+10.23	
DJ Stoxx 50	0 34	3442.95		-0.04		+14.71	
ISEQ	6	6128.16		+0.33		+11.83	
Nikkei	21	21316.26		+1.09		+6.50	

Today's Opening Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2018	
EUR/USD	1.1355	0.01	-0.99	
EUR/GBP	0.8953	-0.07	-0.35	
GBP/USD	1.2682	0.08	-0.59	
GBP/EUR	1.1165	0.07	0.35	
USD/JPY	108.06	0.55	-1.37	
EUR/JPY	122.72	0.56	-2.38	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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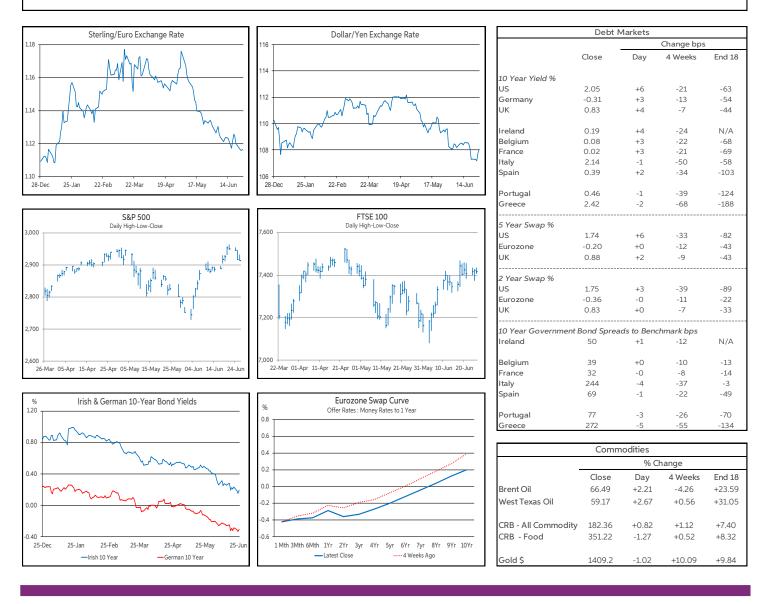


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0.8953
1.1355
122.72
10.5304
7.4646
9.6559
1.1136
1.6242
8.873
1.491

Sterling		
GBP/EUR	1.1165	
GBP/USD	1.2682	
GBP/CAD	1.6651	
GBP/NZD	1.8994	
GBP/JPY	137.04	
GBP/SEK	11.7526	
GBP/DKK	8.3336	
GBP/NOK	10.7804	
GBP/CHF	1.2435	
GBP/AUD	1.8137	

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Dollar				
USD/JPY	108.06			
USD/CAD	1.3129			
USD/CHF	0.9804			
USD/CNY	6.8803			
USD/BRL	3.8433			
USD/RUB	63.064			
USD/INR	69.2075			
AUD/USD	0.6992			
NZD/USD	0.6675			



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