

Dull start to the week on FX markets

There was a dull start to the week on currency markets yesterday. This was not overly surprising, as a very quiet macro diary meant there was nothing out to provide direction. As a result, the main pairs were confined to narrow trading ranges.

In level terms, of the limited action to register over the past 24 hours, the dollar is modestly firmer. This is reflected in EUR/USD edging back into the lower half of \$1.11-1.12, GBP/USD back below \$1.29 and USD/JPY up near to ¥109. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP is trading near to the midpoint of 86p.

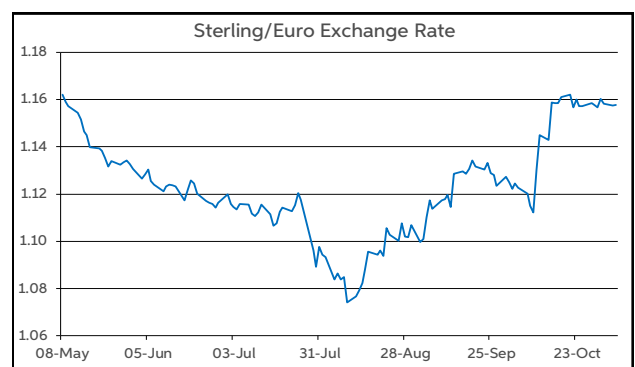
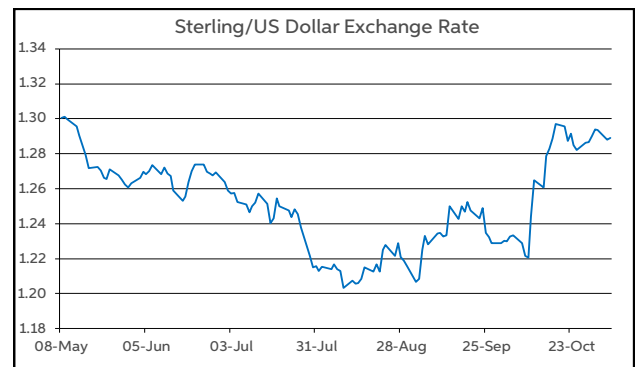
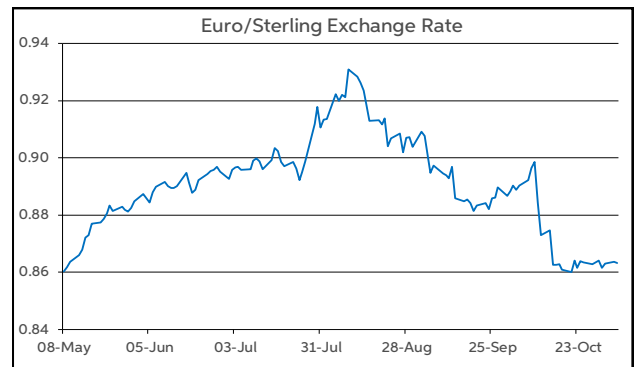
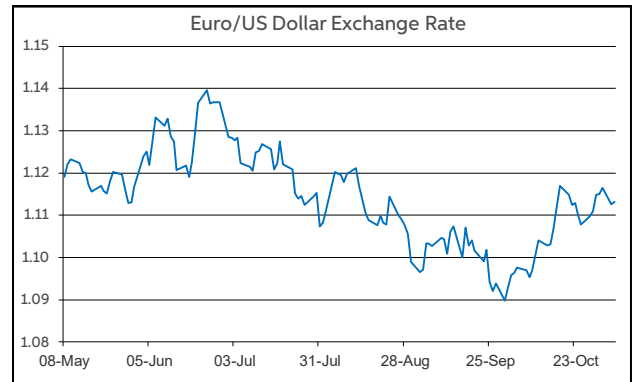
Elsewhere, there was an upbeat tone to risk appetite. Sentiment was supported by positive newsflow in relation to US/China and US/EU trade relations. This was reflected in gains on equity markets. The Euro Stoxx 50 was up 1%. On Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 closed at a new record high (+0.4% on the day).

Turning to the day ahead, the main highlights from the macro agenda are survey data. In the UK, the services PMI for October is forecast to have held below the key 50 breakeven level (indicating contraction) for a second straight month. However, given the focus on the upcoming election, it is unlikely that the data will generate much of a reaction in sterling.

In the US, the non-manufacturing ISM is the main release of note. Following a sharp fall in September, a partial rebound to 53.5 is forecast. However, the release is expected to have limited influence on the dollar.

Finally, the Eurozone schedule is once again very sparse today. Therefore, the main euro pairs could remain confined to tight trading ranges.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2018
EUR/USD	1.1132	-0.30	-2.94
EUR/GBP	0.8635	0.02	-3.88
GBP/USD	1.289	-0.32	1.04
GBP/EUR	1.1577	-0.02	4.04
USD/JPY	108.8	0.52	-0.69
EUR/JPY	121.13	0.22	-3.64

* v Previous Day's European Open

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Opening Interest Rates						
Base Rate	Short Term			Long Term		
	1-Mth	3-Mth	12-Mth	2-Yr	5-Yr	
USD	1.875	1.77	1.91	1.96	1.65	1.59
EUR	0.00	-0.44	-0.40	-0.28	-0.34	-0.23
GBP	0.75	0.71	0.80	0.97	0.81	0.82

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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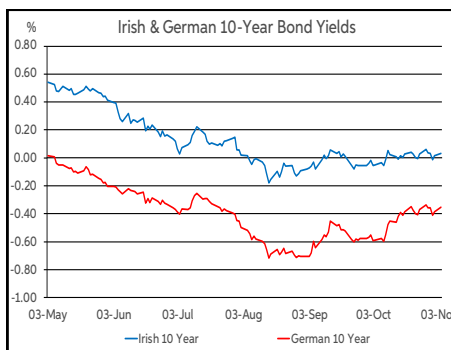
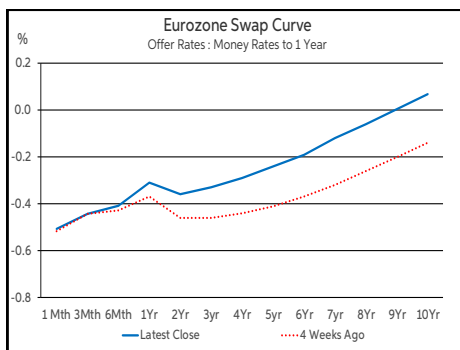
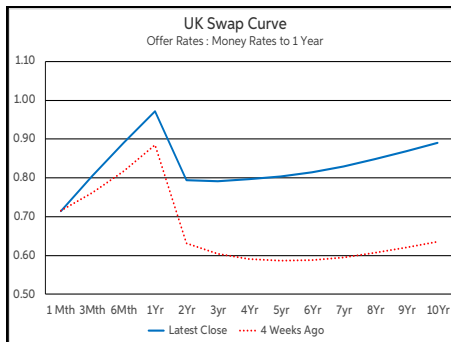
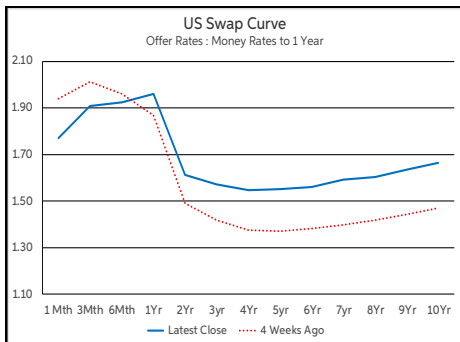
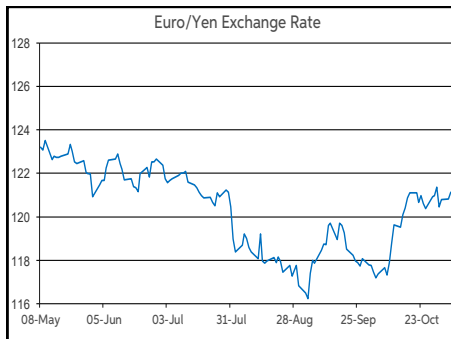
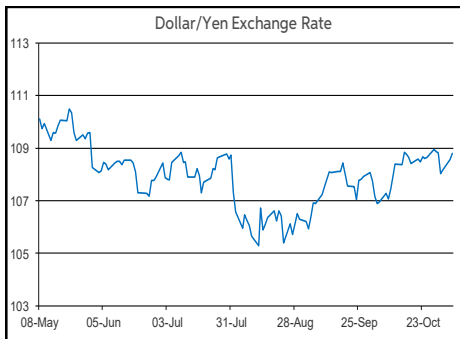
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Opening Levels

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Euro		Sterling		Dollar	
EUR/GBP	0.8635	GBP/EUR	1.1577	USD/JPY	108.8
EUR/USD	1.1132	GBP/USD	1.289	USD/CAD	1.3132
EUR/JPY	121.13	GBP/CAD	1.6936	USD/CHF	0.989
EUR/SEK	10.693	GBP/NZD	2.0088	USD/CNY	7.004
EUR/DKK	7.4705	GBP/JPY	140.25	USD/BRL	4.0122
EUR/NOK	10.1565	GBP/SEK	12.377	USD/RUB	63.27
EUR/CHF	1.1009	GBP/DKK	8.6505	USD/INR	70.7
EUR/AUD	1.6109	GBP/NOK	11.762	AUD/USD	0.6908
EUR/HKD	8.7233	GBP/CHF	1.2748	NZD/USD	0.6415
EUR/CAD	1.4624	GBP/AUD	1.8656		



Debt Markets				
	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 18
10 Year Yield %				
US	1.78	+7	+22	-90
Germany	-0.35	+4	+22	-59
UK	0.72	+6	+27	-55
5 Year Swap %				
US	1.55	+5	+18	-101
Eurozone	-0.24	+1	+17	-47
UK	0.80	+2	+22	-51
2 Year Swap %				
US	1.61	+2	+12	-103
Eurozone	-0.36	+0	+10	-22
UK	0.79	+1	+16	-37
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	39	-2	-16	N/A
Belgium	30	-2	-4	-23
France	31	-1	+1	-16
Italy	143	-3	-8	-105
Spain	64	+0	-5	-53
Portugal	57	-1	-13	-90
Greece	152	-3	-45	-255

Commodities				
	% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 18
Brent Oil	62.13	+0.71	+6.48	+15.48
West Texas Oil	56.33	+0.52	+6.77	+24.76
Gold \$	1510.0	-0.29	+1.08	+17.70

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