Morning Comment

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US payrolls and EZ inflation in focus

Risk appetite soured yesterday, as stronger than anticipated US labour market data and hawkish Fed rhetoric raised expectations that rates will remain elevated for longer. The ADP employment report overshot the consensus by 85k in December, while the latest initial jobless claims fell to their lowest level since September.

Futures contracts hardened, with US rates now seen as peaking at 5%. The market also moved to price in less in the way of rate cuts by year end from the Fed. The S&P 500 ended the day down 1.2%. Meanwhile, the Euro Stoxx 50 lost 0.5%, having registered significant gains earlier in the week.

Against the backdrop of hawkish Fed rhetoric, strong labour market data and firmer US rates, the dollar was in the ascendancy on the exchanges. The greenback recorded broad based gains, rising by circa 1% against the euro and sterling, respectively. Elsewhere, sterling was under some downward pressure, while the yen remained on the defensive also.

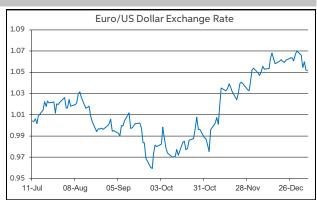
In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning back in the bottom half of the \$1.05-1.06 range. Meanwhile, GBP/USD is operating below the \$1.19 threshold, having started yesterday with a \$1.20 handle. EUR/GBP is up near the midpoint of the 88-89p corridor.

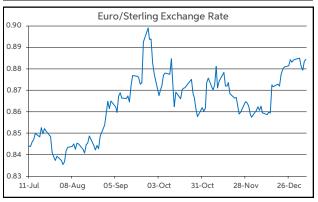
Ahead today, a busy data schedule includes the official US labour market report and Eurozone inflation data for December. The consensus is for a solid 200k increase in payrolls in the month, although, the risks are tilted to the upside. Meanwhile, Eurozone HICP inflation is projected to ease to 9.7% from 10.1%. In contrast though, the risks to this release are firmly to the downside. Both data prints pose event risk, and could impact currency markets.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2022	
EUR/USD	1.0517	-0.87	-1.73	
EUR/GBP	0.8841	0.29	-0.03	
GBP/USD	1.1893	-1.20	-1.69	
GBP/EUR	1.1304	-0.29	0.03	
USD/JPY	134.21	1.31	2.36	
EUR/JPY	141.18	0.43	0.63	
* 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	4.38	4.79	5.16	4.75	3.93
EUR	2.50	1.89	2.17	3.24	3.28	2.99
GBP	3.50	3.52	3.90	4.65	4.61	4.22









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



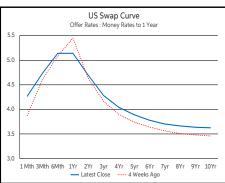
Euro)
EUR/GBP	0.8841
EUR/USD	1.0517
EUR/JPY	141.18
EUR/SEK	11.2301
EUR/DKK	7.437
EUR/NOK	10.7795
EUR/CHF	0.9858
EUR/AUD	1.5583
EUR/HKD	8.2156
EUR/CAD	1.4284

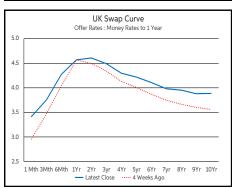
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1304		
GBP/USD	1.1893		
GBP/CAD	1.6154		
GBP/NZD	1.9122		
GBP/JPY	159.62		
GBP/SEK	12.7056		
GBP/DKK	8.4087		
GBP/NOK	12.1892		
GBP/CHF	1.1148		
GBP/AUD	1.7621		

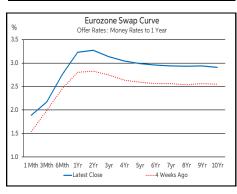
Dollar				
USD/JPY	134.21			
USD/CAD	1.358			
USD/CHF	0.9372			
USD/CNY	6.861			
USD/BRL	5.3509			
USD/RUB	71.6			
USD/INR	82.635			
AUD/USD	0.6749			
NZD/USD	0.6217			













	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22	
10 Year Yield %					
US	3.72	+3	+23	-16	
Germany	2.31	+4	+49	-26	
UK	3.55	+6	+46	-12	
Ireland	2.82	+2	+52	-33	
Belgium	2.92	+7	+56	-29	
France	2.83	+6	+55	-28	
Italy	4.34	+8	+65	-36	
Spain	3.38	+8	+55	-28	
Portugal	3.32	+4	+56	-28	
Greece	4.45	-6	+65	-14	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.89	+8	+19	-10	
Eurozone	2.99	+7	+40	-24	
UK	4.22	+9	+21	-9	
2 Year Swap %					
US	4.70	+10	+10	+2	
Eurozone	3.28	+6	+46	-11	
UK	4.61	+11	+12	-7	
 10 Year Governm	ent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps		
Ireland	51	-2	+4	-7	
Belgium	61	+3	+7	-3	
France	53	+2	+6	-2	
Italy	204	+4	+16	-11	
Spain	107	+4	+7	-2	
Portugal	101	-O	+7	-2	
Greece	214	-10	+16	+11	

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22	
Brent Oil	78.69	+1.09	+3.34	-8.40	
West Texas Oil	73.61	+1.08	+3.24	-8.17	
Gold \$	1833.2	-1.13	+2.46	+0.48	

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