Morning Comment

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EUR/USD probes above \$1.18

There was a subdued tone to investor sentiment yesterday on both sides of the Atlantic. Throughout the day markets were digesting a heavy slate of data, remarks from a number of central bank officials and the debate on the tax and spending bill in the US. The Bill was passed by the Senate overnight, and will now return to the House of Representatives for another vote.

Data-wise, Eurozone flash HICP inflation printed in-line with the consensus, as the headline rate rose slightly to 2.0% and the core rate stayed at 2.4%, in June. Meantime in the US, the manufacturing ISM came in ahead of expectations but remained in contraction mode, at 49.0 in June (vs. 48.8 fcast). However, details in the survey showed inflation accelerated and employment conditions deteriorated. Elsewhere, US job openings jumped to 7.8m in May (vs. 7.3m fcast). Meanwhile, in terms of monetary policy, Fed Chair Powell indicated that a July rate cut from the Fed was unlikely. Speaking at the same event, ECB President Lagarde refused to provide any guidance on the near-term rate path in the Eurozone.

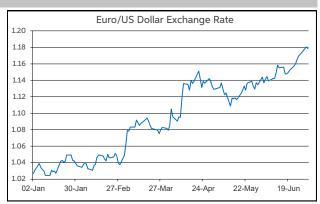
Amid the data and the central bank speak, US futures contracts firmed marginally yesterday. This, as well as the passage of the US tax and spending bill, which is set to add over \$3trn to the national debt, coincided with a modest rise in US Treasury yields of circa 3-7bps. In contrast, German Bund and UK Gilt yields were little changed. Overnight, this saw the dollar recoup its losses from during the European session earlier in the day.

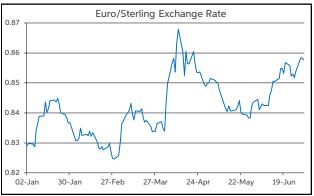
As trading gets underway today, EUR/USD remains in the top half of \$1.17-1.18, having probed above \$1.18 yesterday. Elsewhere EUR/GBP is still operating in the upper part of 85-86p. A quieter look to the data calendar today features only the Eurozone unemployment rate for May (no change 6.2% fcast). However, potential developments regarding US trade, fiscal and monetary policy will remain in focus.

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Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
		Day *	End 2024		
EUR/USD	1.1786	0.00	13.84		
EUR/GBP	0.8577	0.02	3.67		
GBP/USD	1.3737	-0.02	9.80		
GBP/EUR	1.1654	-0.02	-3.54		
USD/JPY	143.69	-0.03	-8.58		
EUR/JPY	169.36	-0.04	4.06		
* 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	4.38	4.31	4.28	3.87	3.82	3.76
EUR	2.00	1.93	1.94	1.98	2.00	2.26
GBP	4.25	4.21	4.08	3.77	3.85	3.87









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8577
EUR/USD	1.1786
EUR/JPY	169.36
EUR/SEK	11.194
EUR/DKK	7.461
EUR/NOK	11.8947
EUR/CHF	0.9334
EUR/AUD	1.7918
EUR/HKD	9.2519
EUR/CAD	1.6086

Sterling					
GBP/EUR	1.1654				
GBP/USD	1.3737				
GBP/CAD	1.8746				
GBP/NZD	2.2533				
GBP/JPY	197.39				
GBP/SEK	13.0456				
GBP/DKK	8.6946				
GBP/NOK	13.8633				
GBP/CHF	1.0877				
GBP/AUD	2.0879				

Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.69			
USD/CAD	1.365			
USD/CHF	0.792			
USD/CNY	7.1667			
USD/BRL	5.4582			
USD/RUB	78.4			
USD/INR	85.7125			
AUD/USD	0.6576			
NZD/USD	0.6093			



US Swap Curve

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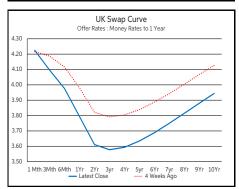
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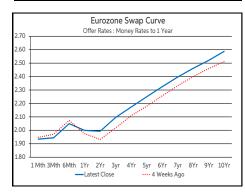
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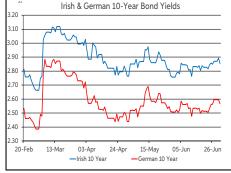
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr
Latest Close 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.27	+4	-19	-31		
Germany	2.57	-3	+6	+20		
UK	4.45	-3	-18	-12		
Ireland	2.89	-4	+6	+24		
Belgium	3.14	-2	+8	+15		
France	3.25	-4	+6	+6		
Italy	3.48	-3	-3	-4		
Spain	3.22	-3	+11	+15		
Portugal	3.03	-2	+4	+18		
Greece	3.30	-0	+3	+5		
5 Year Swap %						
US	3.71	+4	-22	-58		
Eurozone	2.25	-2	+7	+1		
UK	3.87	-2	-21	-41		
2 Year Swap %						
US	3.79	+4	-20	-55		
Eurozone	1.99	-1	+6	-20		
UK	3.85	+1	-20	-64		
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	ls to Benchr	nark bps			
Ireland	33	-1	-1	+4		
Belgium	57	+0	+2	-5		
France	69	-1	-0	-15		
Italy	91	-0	-9	-25		
Spain	65	-O	+5	-5		
Portugal	47	+1	-2	-2		
Greece	73	+3	-3	-16		

Commodities							
		% Change					
	Close	Close Day 4 Weeks End 24					
Brent Oil	67.11	-0.74	+2.26	-10.09			
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27			
Gold\$	1\$ 3338.8 +1.08 -0.39 +27.25						

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