Morning Comment

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BoE meeting in focus today

Investor sentiment improved slightly yesterday amid a relatively quiet day on financial markets. The benchmark equity indices moved marginally higher on both sides of the Atlantic, with the Euro Stoxx 50 eking out a 0.2% gain, while the S&P 500 rose by 0.4%.

Meanwhile on bond markets, UK Gilt and US Treasury yields rose by 4-7bps along the curve. The moves coincided with a modest firming in interest rate futures for both regions. In contrast, German Bund yields were little changed yesterday.

US market rate expectations firmed yesterday in the aftermath of the ADP employment report for October. Amid the lack of official labour market releases, the report was in the spotlight. It suggested the US economy created 42k jobs in the month (vs. 28k f'cast), a sharp improvement on the 29k fall in September. Meantime, the non-manufacturing ISM rose to 52.4 in October (vs. 50.8 f'cast).

Currency-wise, the main FX pairs operated in very tight ranges. Of the limited price action to note, the euro was under some slight downward pressure, as both the dollar and sterling benefitted from the firming in market rate expectations. However, both currencies handed back their gains overnight.

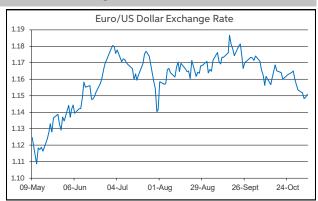
As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/GBP is changing hands just above the 88p mark. EUR/USD is operating north of the \$1.15 threshold. GBP/USD is near the midpoint of \$1.30-1.31.

Turning to the day ahead, the main focus will be on the BoE policy announcement. Expectations are for the BoE to leave rates unchanged. Meanwhile, the press conference and updated Monetary Policy Report will garner attention, as investors look for guidance on the potential for a rate cut in December. On the data front, Eurozone retail sales for September are due.

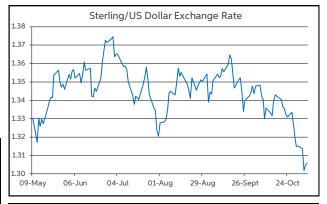
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Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
		Day *	End 2024		
EUR/USD	1.1508	0.15	11.16		
EUR/GBP	0.8809	-0.15	6.48		
GBP/USD	1.3059	0.31	4.38		
GBP/EUR	1.1347	0.15	-6.08		
USD/JPY	153.87	0.23	-2.11		
EUR/JPY	177.08	0.37	8.80		
* v Previous Day's 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	3.88	3.96	3.86	3.62	3.70	3.72
EUR	2.00	1.88	2.01	2.12	2.16	2.39
GBP	4.00	3.90	3.86	3.65	3.81	3.90









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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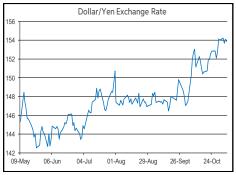
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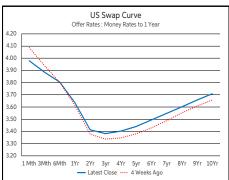
Euro				
EUR/GBP	0.8809			
EUR/USD	1.1508			
EUR/JPY	177.08			
EUR/SEK	10.9747			
EUR/DKK	7.465			
EUR/NOK	11.7384			
EUR/CHF	0.9308			
EUR/AUD	1.7674			
EUR/HKD	8.9461			
EUR/CAD	1.622			

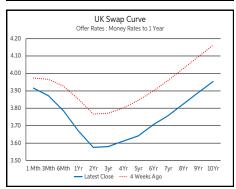
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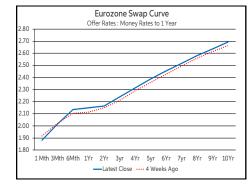
Dollar				
USD/JPY	153.87			
USD/CAD	1.4098			
USD/CHF	0.8086			
USD/CNY	7.123			
USD/BRL	5.361			
USD/RUB	81.25			
USD/INR	88.596			
AUD/USD	0.6511			
NZD/USD	0.5656			
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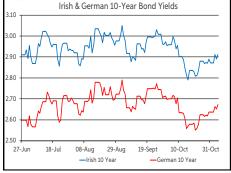












Debt Markets					
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
10 Year Yield %					
US	4.16	+7	+3	-42	
Germany	2.67	+2	-O	+31	
UK	4.46	+4	-25	-11	
Ireland	2.91	+2	-3	+26	
Belgium	3.22	+3	-4	+24	
France	3.46	+2	-5	+27	
Italy	3.43	+2	-8	-10	
Spain	3.18	+3	-3	+12	
Portugal	3.03	+2	-5	+18	
Greece	3.31	+2	-6	+6	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.71	+8	+8	-58	
Eurozone	2.36	+1	+0	+12	
UK	3.90	+4	-18	-39	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.68	+6	+6	-65	
Eurozone	2.14	+0	+3	-5	
UK	3.81	+4	-19	-67	
10 Year Governm	nent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps		
Ireland	24	+0	-2	-5	
Belgium	55	+1	-3	-7	
France	79	+0	-5	-4	
Italy	75	+0	-7	-40	
Spain	51	+1	-3	-19	
Portugal	36	+0	-4	-13	
Greece	64	+0	-6	-24	

Commodities								
		% Change						
	Close	Close Day 4 Weeks End 24						
Brent Oil	63.52	-1.43	-4.12	-14.90				
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27				
Gold \$	3982.4 +1.29 -1.37 +51.78							

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