

## Euro halts its slide

There was a mixed tone to investor sentiment on equity markets yesterday. The Euro Stoxx 50 declined by 0.4%, while across the Atlantic, the S&P 500 finished up 0.3%. Meantime, on bond markets, benchmark sovereign yields fell slightly in the UK and in the Eurozone.

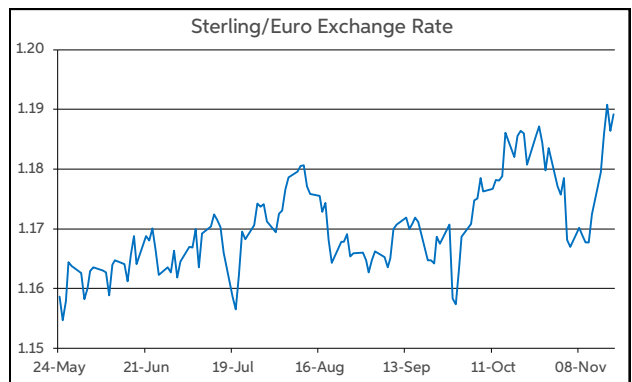
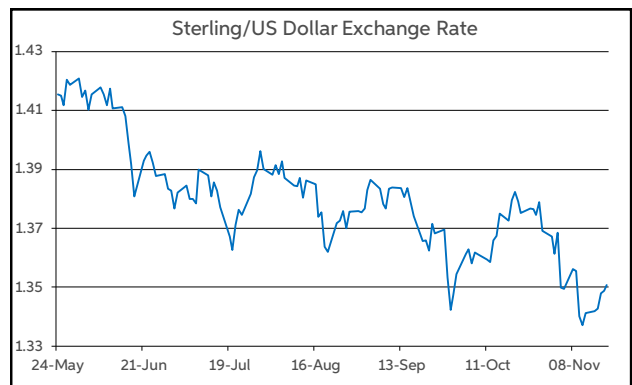
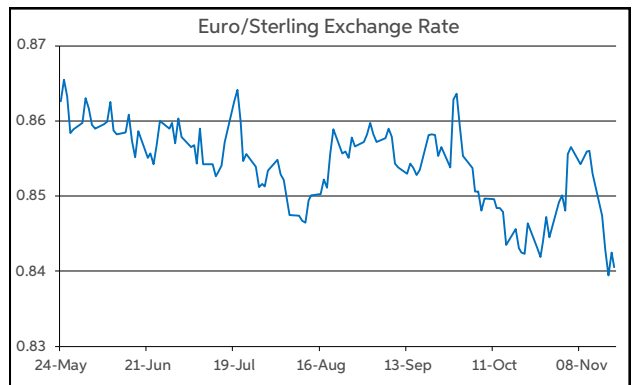
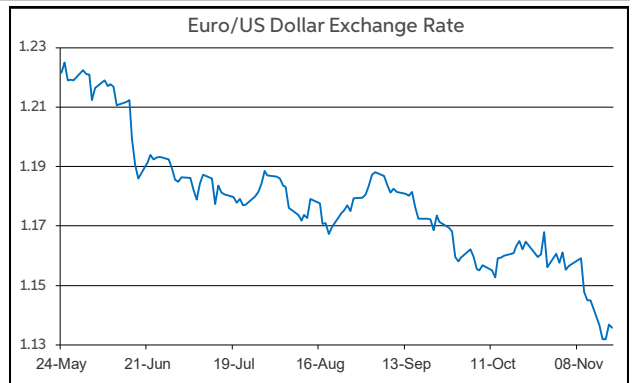
On the currency front, having suffered some heavy loses earlier in the week, the euro managed to halt its slide yesterday. There was no real catalyst for the modest gains in the currency. EUR/USD traded at a high of \$1.137 during the European session, while EUR/GBP regained some ground above the 84p mark. This suggests there is some support for the euro at the \$1.13 level versus the dollar and the 84p mark against sterling.

Meanwhile, this morning, early releases from the UK show that retail sales rose by 0.8% in October (vs. +0.5% f'cast), the first monthly rise since April. Elsewhere, consumer sentiment improved in November, having declined in the previous three months. The data offers some encouragement that the economy may have regained some momentum early in Q4.

Despite regaining some support yesterday, the euro was unable to hold onto all of its gains overnight. In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning at the midpoint of \$1.13-1.14. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP starts today at the 84p threshold. Cable (GBP/USD) is operating just above the \$1.35 mark.

Ahead today, there is a sparse data schedule once again in the US and Eurozone. However, a number of key central bankers from the ECB, the Fed and the BoE are due to make prepared remarks, including ECB President Lagarde.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2020
EUR/USD	1.1355	0.34	-7.03
EUR/GBP	0.8406	0.19	-5.94
GBP/USD	1.3507	0.14	-1.21
GBP/EUR	1.1891	-0.19	6.32
USD/JPY	114.32	0.12	10.73
EUR/JPY	129.82	0.46	2.90

\* v Previous Day's European Open  
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Opening Interest Rates						
	Base Rate	Money Market		Swap Rates		
		1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	0.125	0.09	0.16	0.33	0.78	1.34
EUR	0.00	-0.57	-0.57	-0.49	-0.34	-0.08
GBP	0.10	0.06	0.11	0.74	1.10	1.24

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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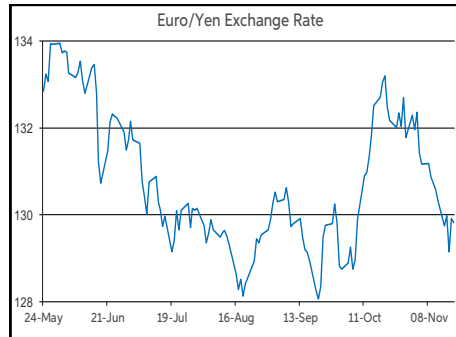
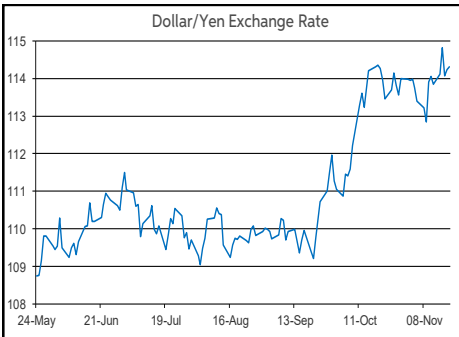
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# Opening Levels

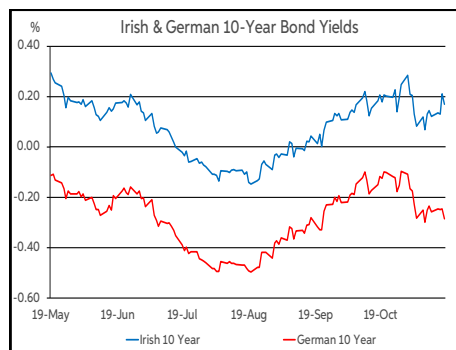
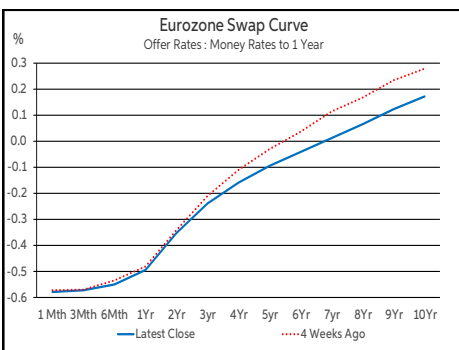
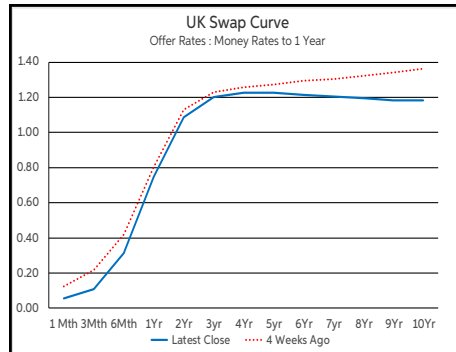
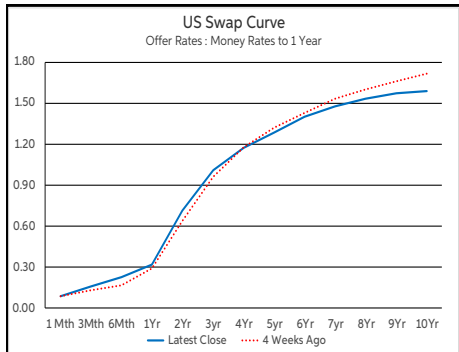
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Euro		Sterling		Dollar	
EUR/GBP	0.8406	GBP/EUR	1.1891	USD/JPY	114.32
EUR/USD	1.1355	GBP/USD	1.3507	USD/CAD	1.2586
EUR/JPY	129.82	GBP/CAD	1.7001	USD/CHF	0.9255
EUR/SEK	10.072	GBP/NZD	1.9186	USD/CNY	6.3804
EUR/DKK	7.4362	GBP/JPY	154.41	USD/BRL	5.5576
EUR/NOK	9.9918	GBP/SEK	11.9781	USD/RUB	72.73
EUR/CHF	1.0511	GBP/DKK	8.8428	USD/INR	74.235
EUR/AUD	1.5577	GBP/NOK	11.8797	AUD/USD	0.729
EUR/HKD	8.8453	GBP/CHF	1.2503	NZD/USD	0.7038
EUR/CAD	1.4296	GBP/AUD	1.8527		



Debt Markets				
	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 20
<b>10 Year Yield %</b>				
US	1.59	+0	-11	+67
Germany	-0.28	-4	-18	+30
UK	0.92	-4	-28	+73
<b>5 Year Swap %</b>				
US	1.29	-1	+1	+87
Eurozone	-0.10	-2	-6	+37
UK	1.23	-4	-4	+104
<b>2 Year Swap %</b>				
US	0.71	-1	+11	+52
Eurozone	-0.35	-1	-0	+17
UK	1.09	-3	-3	+106
<b>10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps</b>				
Ireland	47	-1	+10	+20
Belgium	33	-0	+3	+14
France	35	-1	+1	+11
Italy	120	-2	+15	+10
Spain	72	-2	+9	+9
Portugal	63	-0	+12	-0
Greece	148	+1	+37	+28



Commodities				
	% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 20
Brent Oil	81.24	+1.20	-3.98	+56.83
West Texas Oil	78.92	+0.77	-4.50	+63.23
Gold \$	1858.5	-0.46	+4.25	-2.01

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