Morning Comment

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Dollar down circa 2% last week

Investor sentiment was holding a positive tone throughout last week, as data showed inflationary pressures are easing in the US and UK. This sparked a softening in futures contracts and a decline in bond yields, providing a supportive backdrop for equity markets. Overall, the Euro Stoxx 50 gained 3.4% while the S&P 500 rose by 2.2% on the week.

Headline CPI inflation fell to 3.2% in the US, and to 4.6% in the UK, respectively. Both releases were only marginally below the consensus, but sparked significant moves on markets, particularly in the US. Futures contracts pricing indicate that the market sees virtually no chance that the Fed or the BoE will raise rates again. Furthermore, around 90bps worth of rate cuts are now priced-in for next year in the US, and circa 70bps of cuts in the UK.

Amid the softening in rates, sovereign bond yields fell by 15-25bps in the US and UK. Falling yields elsewhere pulled Eurozone yields lower also, with German yields declining by 10-20bps. Meantime, on the currency front, the dollar was under some downward pressure. Overall, the greenback shed around 2% against the euro, sterling and yen last week.

As trading gets underway this morning, the softer tone to the dollar sees EUR/USD open above \$1.09, having been below \$1.07 last Monday. GBP/USD is changing hands in the top half of \$1.24-1.25. EUR/GBP is operating in and around the midpoint of 87-88p.

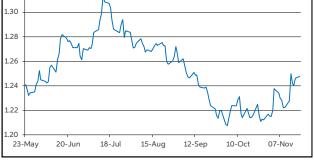
This week's data calendar includes the flash PMI readings in the US, Eurozone and UK for November. On the monetary policy front, the latest ECB and Fed meeting minutes, as well as remarks from a number of central bankers will garner attention. **Daniel Noonan, Economist, AIB**

Today's Opening FX Rates % Change Day * End 2022 EUR/USD 1 0916 0.60 2.00 EUR/GBP 0.8748 0.08 -1.09 1.2475 GBP/USD 0.51 3.12 GBP/EUR 1 1 4 2 4 -0.08 1 10 USD/JPY -0.98 13.77 149.16 EUR/JPY 162.84 -0.39 16.07 v Previous Day's European Open See Next Page for More Rates

| Opening Interest Rates | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------|------------|------|------|--|
| | | Money Market | | Swap Rates | | | |
| | Base Rate | 1-Mth | 3-Mth | 1-Yr | 2-Yr | 5-Yr | |
| USD | 5.38 | 5.45 | 5.63 | 5.48 | 5.02 | 4.47 | |
| EUR | 4.50 | 3.82 | 3.98 | 3.94 | 3.50 | 3.09 | |
| GBP | 5.25 | 5.18 | 5.21 | 5.12 | 4.96 | 4.39 | |

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Euro/US Dollar Exchange Rate





All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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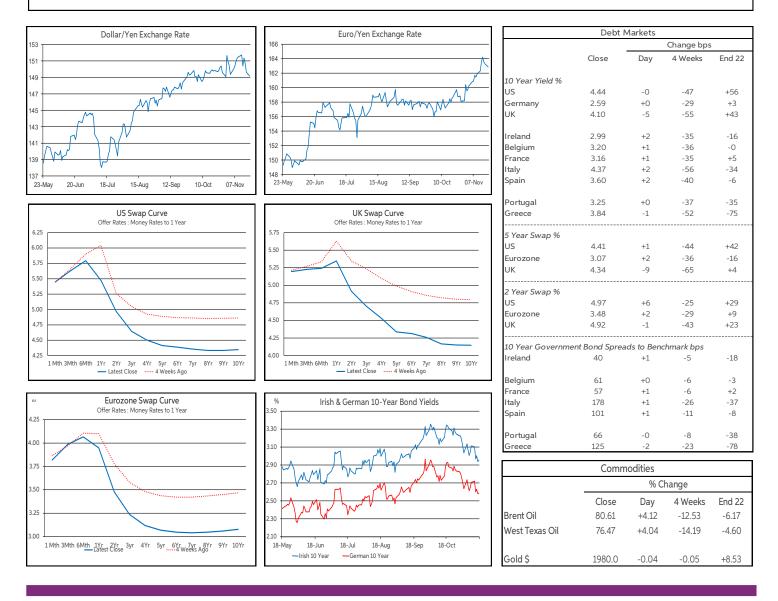
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| EUR/GBP | 0.8748 |
|---------|---------|
| EUR/USD | 1.0916 |
| EUR/JPY | 162.84 |
| EUR/SEK | 11.4781 |
| EUR/DKK | 7.457 |
| EUR/NOK | 11.7833 |
| EUR/CHF | 0.9653 |
| EUR/AUD | 1.667 |
| EUR/HKD | 8.5056 |
| EUR/CAD | 1.4962 |

| Sterling | | | | |
|----------|---------|--|--|--|
| GBP/EUR | 1.1424 | | | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2475 | | | |
| GBP/CAD | 1.71 | | | |
| GBP/NZD | 2.0713 | | | |
| GBP/JPY | 186.06 | | | |
| GBP/SEK | 13.12 | | | |
| GBP/DKK | 8.5213 | | | |
| GBP/NOK | 13.4676 | | | |
| GBP/CHF | 1.1034 | | | |
| GBP/AUD | 1.9057 | | | |

| Dollar | | | | | |
|---------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| USD/JPY | 149.16 | | | | |
| USD/CAD | 1.3704 | | | | |
| USD/CHF | 0.8842 | | | | |
| USD/CNY | 7.1797 | | | | |
| USD/BRL | 4.9059 | | | | |
| USD/RUB | 89.45 | | | | |
| USD/INR | 83.327 | | | | |
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| AUD/USD | 0.6546 | | | | |
| NZD/USD | 0.6022 | | | | |
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