Morning Comment

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Cautious tone to markets

The week on financial markets got off to a fairly muted start yesterday. This was not overly surprising given the dearth of any top tier macro data to provide direction.

Overall, there was a generally cautious tone to proceedings on equity markets as investors were digesting Covid related news from China. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 index fell by 0.4%. Meanwhile, at the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was also 0.4% lower on the day. On bond markets, most of the main European benchmark 10-year sovereign bond yields were between 4-6bps lower. The 10-year German bund yield dipped back below the 2% mark.

On the currency front, similar to elsewhere, the action was largely uneventful. The dollar had come into the start of yesterday's European session with some improved momentum. This saw the greenback regain some ground against both the euro and sterling, as well as the yen.

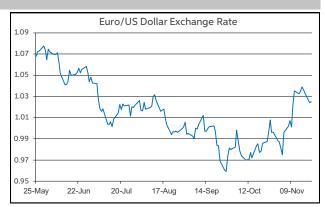
However, for much of the past 24 hours, the main pairs have been operating within relatively confined ranges. In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning at the midpoint of \$1.02-1.03. GBP/USD is trading in the lower half of \$1.18-1.19. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP has edged slightly lower but it continues to change hands in the upper half of the 86-87p band.

Looking ahead to today, the macro agenda is once again sparse. The only release of note is the flash reading of Eurozone consumer confidence (Nov). Therefore, amid another quiet macro calendar, the main FX pairs may continue to trade within narrow ranges.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	1.0251	-0.28	-9.83	
EUR/GBP	0.8662	-0.30	3.12	
GBP/USD	1.1831	-0.01	-12.55	
GBP/EUR	1.1538	0.30	-3.02	
USD/JPY	141.95	1.00	23.35	
EUR/JPY	145.52	0.68	11.19	
* 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	3.875	3.98	4.69	5.17	4.85	4.05
EUR	2.00	1.41	1.82	2.76	2.87	2.74
GBP	3.00	3.08	3.59	4.52	4.55	4.16









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



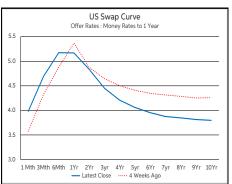
Euro)
EUR/GBP	0.8662
EUR/USD	1.0251
EUR/JPY	145.52
EUR/SEK	10.9746
EUR/DKK	7.4367
EUR/NOK	10.5077
EUR/CHF	0.9812
EUR/AUD	1.551
EUR/HKD	8.0042
EUR/CAD	1.3776

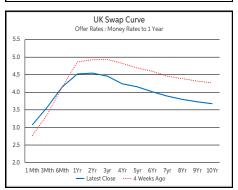
Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1538			
GBP/USD	1.1831			
GBP/CAD	1.5899			
GBP/NZD	1.9334			
GBP/JPY	167.96			
GBP/SEK	12.6636			
GBP/DKK	8.5828			
GBP/NOK	12.1214			
GBP/CHF	1.1326			
GBP/AUD	1.79			

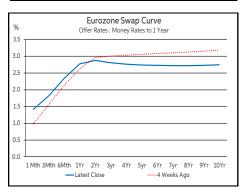
Dollar					
USD/JPY	141.95				
USD/CAD	1.3436				
USD/CHF	0.9571				
USD/CNY	7.1637				
USD/BRL	5.32				
USD/RUB	60.85				
USD/INR	81.725				
AUD/USD	0.6608				
NZD/USD	0.6118				













	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps	5		
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21		
10 Year Yield %						
US	3.84	+1	-41	+233		
Germany	1.98	-4	-37	+216		
UK	3.19	-5	-55	+222		
Ireland	2.47	-2	-32	+222		
Belgium	2.50	-6	-43	+233		
France	2.46	-3	-41	+227		
Italy	3.93	+4	-67	+274		
Spain	2.98	-5	-47	+239		
Portugal	2.92	-6	-43	+244		
Greece	4.24	-3	-62	+293		
 5 Year Swap %						
US	4.06	+2	-31	+272		
Eurozone	2.74	+0	-32	+273		
UK	4.16	-2	-48	+288		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.84	+1	+0	+389		
Eurozone	2.88	+1	-8	+318		
UK	4.54	-1	-38	+335		
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps						
Ireland	49	+2	+5	+6		
Belgium	53	-2	-6	+17		
France	48	+1	-4	+11		
Italy	195	+8	-30	+59		
Spain	101	-1	-10	+23		
Portugal	95	-2	-7	+28		
Greece	226	+1	-25	+77		

Commodities						
	% Change					
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 21					
Brent Oil	87.45	-0.19	-6.23	+12.43		
West Texas Oil	79.74	-0.41	-7.41	+5.85		
Gold\$	1737.8	-0.68	+5.41	-4.95		

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