Morning Comment

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Markets remain nervous amid higher yields

Investor sentiment continued to be unnerved last week by the ongoing sell-off on bond markets and the associated sharp rise in bond yields, especially in the case of US Treasuries. Further hawkish rhetoric from a raft of Fed speakers and more upside surprises from the US data calendar underpinned the move higher in yields. One clear example of this was Friday's much stronger than expected print of September payrolls (+336k vs. 170k f'cast).

There was a mixed performance on equity markets. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished the week down 0.7%. Meantime, at the closing bell on Wall Street on Friday night, the S&P 500 managed to finish strongly, putting it back into positive territory for the week, 0.5% higher from where it started last Monday.

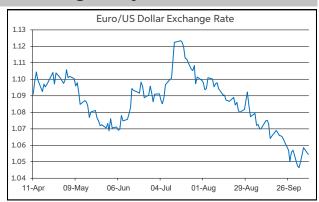
Currency-wise, the dollar continued to climb higher in the early part of the week amid the further rise in US yields. This saw EUR/USD trade to a low of \$1.044, GBP/USD fall below \$1.21 and USD/JPY briefly testing above the ¥150 threshold. The dollar gave up some of its gains against other majors mid-week as the sell off on bond markets paused. Surprisingly, there was only limited upside for the dollar following Friday's stronger than anticipated payrolls.

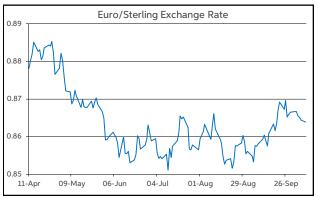
As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD opens near the midpoint of \$1.05-1.06, while GBP/USD starts the week at \$1.22. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP continues to operate in a very tight range within 86-87p. Looking ahead to this week, from a dollar perspective, the main diary highlights are CPI data (Sept) and Fed meeting minutes. For the euro, the ECB meeting account will warrant attention. In the UK, GDP (Aug) is the main release of note. Meanwhile, aside from the macro diary, market participants will also be keeping a close eye on developments in the Middle East.

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| Today's Opening FX Rates | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--|
| | | % Change | | |
| | | Day * | End 2022 | |
| EUR/USD | 1.0545 | 0.07 | -1.47 | |
| EUR/GBP | 0.8638 | -0.18 | -2.33 | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2205 | 0.25 | 0.89 | |
| GBP/EUR | 1.1573 | 0.19 | 2.38 | |
| USD/JPY | 149.17 | 0.29 | 13.77 | |
| EUR/JPY | 157.3 | 0.32 | 12.12 | |
| * 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 | 5.46 | 5.67 | 5.65 | 5.29 | 4.81 |
| EUR | 4.50 | 3.86 | 3.98 | 4.08 | 3.73 | 3.36 |
| GBP | 5.25 | 5.20 | 5.28 | 5.41 | 5.39 | 4.95 |









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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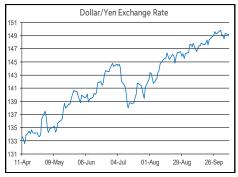
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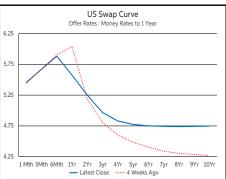
| Euro |) |
|---------|---------|
| EUR/GBP | 0.8638 |
| EUR/USD | 1.0545 |
| EUR/JPY | 157.3 |
| EUR/SEK | 11.6038 |
| EUR/DKK | 7.457 |
| EUR/NOK | 11.5106 |
| EUR/CHF | 0.96 |
| EUR/AUD | 1.6588 |
| EUR/HKD | 8.2568 |
| EUR/CAD | 1.4391 |

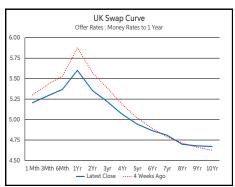
| Sterling | | | |
|----------|--------|--|--|
| GBP/EUR | 1.1573 | | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2205 | | |
| GBP/CAD | 1.6658 | | |
| GBP/NZD | 2.0441 | | |
| GBP/JPY | 182.06 | | |
| GBP/SEK | 13.43 | | |
| GBP/DKK | 8.6297 | | |
| GBP/NOK | 13.328 | | |
| GBP/CHF | 1.1113 | | |
| GBP/AUD | 1.9199 | | |

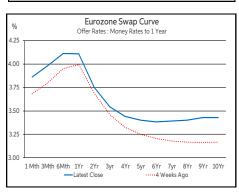
| Dollar | | | | |
|---------|----------|--|--|--|
| USD/JPY | 149.17 | | | |
| USD/CAD | 1.3647 | | | |
| USD/CHF | 0.9103 | | | |
| USD/CNY | 7.2873 | | | |
| USD/BRL | 5.1457 | | | |
| USD/RUB | 100.3275 | | | |
| USD/INR | 83.2525 | | | |
| AUD/USD | 0.6355 | | | |
| NZD/USD | 0.5968 | | | |













| | Debt | Markets | | | | |
|-----------------|---------------|------------|------------|--------|--|--|
| | | | Change bps | | | |
| | Close | Day | 4 Weeks | End 22 | | |
| 10 Year Yield % | | | | | | |
| US | 4.79 | +7 | +53 | +92 | | |
| Germany | 2.89 | +0 | +29 | +32 | | |
| UK | 4.58 | +3 | +15 | +91 | | |
| Ireland | 3.35 | +3 | +34 | +21 | | |
| Belgium | 3.58 | +0 | +34 | +38 | | |
| France | 3.48 | +2 | +34 | +37 | | |
| Italy | 4.92 | +2 | +58 | +22 | | |
| Spain | 4.02 | +1 | +37 | +36 | | |
| Portugal | 3.64 | -O | +30 | +4 | | |
| Greece | 4.43 | +8 | +46 | -16 | | |
| 5 Year Swap % | | | | | | |
| US | 4.77 | +7 | +33 | +78 | | |
| Eurozone | 3.40 | -O | +16 | +17 | | |
| UK | 4.95 | +4 | -7 | +64 | | |
| 2 Year Swap % | | | | | | |
| US | 5.25 | +8 | +10 | +58 | | |
| Eurozone | 3.75 | -1 | +7 | +36 | | |
| UK | 5.35 | +1 | -21 | +67 | | |
| 10 Year Governm | ent Bond Spre | ads to Ben | chmark bps | | | |
| Ireland | 47 | +3 | +5 | -11 | | |
| Belgium | 69 | +0 | +5 | +6 | | |
| France | 60 | +1 | +6 | +5 | | |
| Italy | 204 | +2 | +29 | -10 | | |
| Spain | 113 | +1 | +8 | +4 | | |
| Portugal | 75 | -O | +1 | -29 | | |
| Greece | 155 | +7 | +17 | -48 | | |

| Commodities | | | | |
|----------------|----------|-------|---------|--------|
| | % Change | | | |
| | Close | Day | 4 Weeks | End 22 |
| Brent Oil | 84.58 | +0.61 | -6.70 | -1.55 |
| West Texas Oil | 82.83 | +0.64 | -5.35 | +3.33 |
| Gold\$ | 1832.3 | +0.67 | -4.46 | +0.43 |

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