Morning Comment

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A week of two halves

It was a week of two halves to kick-off proceedings on financial markets at the beginning of Q4. Early in the week investor sentiment held a positive tone, resulting in significant moves higher on equity markets, with the S&P 500 and the Euro Stoxx 50 gaining 5% and 7% between Monday on Tuesday. Meanwhile bond yields declined by 15-25bps in the US, Eurozone and UK.

The positive mood on markets appears to have stemmed from the view that the Fed may pivot from tightening monetary policy as aggressively as it has outlined. However, hawkish rhetoric from a number of Fed officials later in the week indicated that the central bank is unlikely to change course anytime soon. Another robust US labour market report last Friday also reduces the chances of a change in tune from the Fed. Sentiment soured as a result, with stock markets falling by around 3-4% in the second half of the week, and government yields rising by 20-40bps.

The moves on currency markets broadly followed the shifts in sentiment last week. The dollar come under some downward pressure, with EUR/USD trading within a whisker of parity for the first time in a fortnight, while GBP/USD rose to \$1.149, its highest level since the middle of September. However, the dollar regained the upper hand in the latter half of the week. This is reflected by EUR/USD opening this morning in the lower half of \$0.97-0.98. Meantime, GBP/USD is changing hands below the \$1.11 threshold. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP is operating in the top half of 87-88p.

This week, the main highlights will be the latest US CPI inflation data and the Fed meeting minutes from the September FOMC policy meeting. Meanwhile in the UK, labour market and GDP data will also feature.

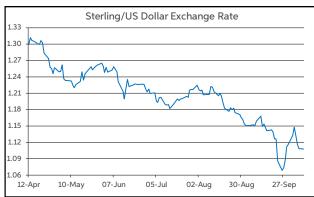
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Today's Opening FX Rates							
		% Change					
		Day *	End 2021				
EUR/USD	0.9726	-0.66	-14.44				
EUR/GBP	0.8781	0.06	4.54				
GBP/USD	1.1076	-0.69	-18.13				
GBP/EUR	1.1383	-0.06	-4.34				
USD/JPY	145.33	0.21	26.29				
EUR/JPY	141.38	-0.44	8.03				
* 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	3.125	3.31	3.91	4.65	4.61	4.17	
EUR	1.25	0.78	1.29	2.57	2.96	3.10	
GBP	2.25	2.40	3.42	5.07	5.58	5.35	

Euro/US Dollar Exchange Rate 1.09 1.07 1.05 1.03 1 01 0.99 0.97 0.95 12-Ap 10-May 07-Jun 05-Jul 02-Aug 30-Aug 27-Sep Euro/Sterling Exchange Rate 0.90 0.89 0.88 0.87 0.86 0.85







All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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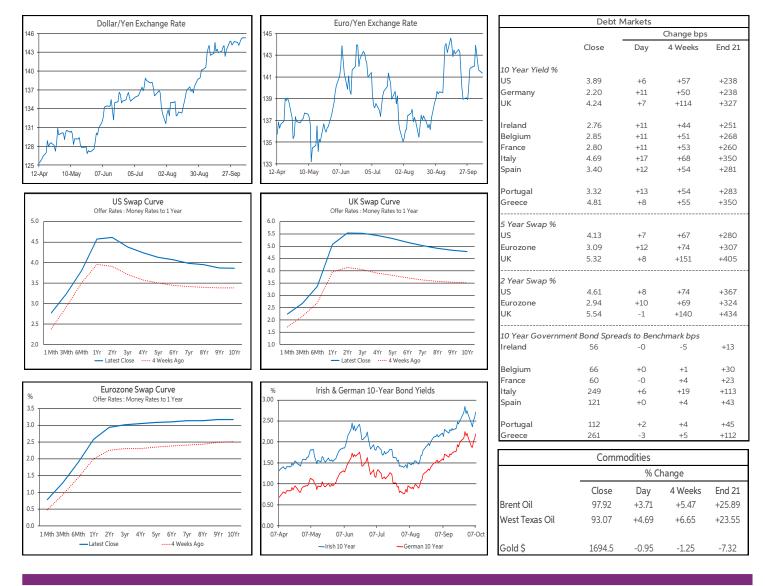
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Opening Levels

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Eur	ro	Sterling			Dollar		
EUR/GBP	0.8781	GBP/EUR	1.1383	U	SD/JPY	145.33	
EUR/USD	0.9726	GBP/USD	1.1076	U	SD/CAD	1.3742	
EUR/JPY	141.38	GBP/CAD	1.5221	U	SD/CHF	0.994	
EUR/SEK	10.9496	GBP/NZD	1.9807	U	SD/CNY	7.1126	
EUR/DKK	7.4383	GBP/JPY	160.97	U	SD/BRL	5.1996	
EUR/NOK	10.4349	GBP/SEK	12.4656	U	SD/RUB	61.65	
EUR/CHF	0.9671	GBP/DKK	8.4669	U	SD/INR	82.407	
EUR/AUD	1.5365	GBP/NOK	11.8815	100000			
EUR/HKD	7.6362	GBP/CHF	1.1009	A	UD/USD	0.6329	
EUR/CAD	1.3369	GBP/AUD	1.7495	N	ZD/USD	0.5589	
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