Morning Comment

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US CPI inflation in focus today

There was a subdued tone to investor sentiment for much of yesterday. Investors remained on edge amid the uncertain and weakening macro outlook, while at the same time, central banks are aggressively hiking interest rates.

The sombre mood was reflected in the main equity indices being in sideways mode throughout most of the day. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished 0.3% lower. Meanwhile, at the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 had also posted a 0.3% loss.

On bond markets, the focus remained on UK Gilts. Longer dated Gilt yields continued to experience some volatile trading conditions amid the mixed messaging coming from the BoE over the past 48 hours, regarding whether or not it would extend its emergency bond buying beyond its Friday deadline.

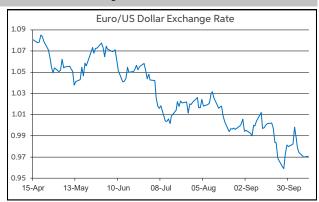
On the currency front, sterling managed to recover some ground, supported by reports that the BoE may extend the aforementioned deadline. In level terms, the EUR/GBP pair fell back below the 88p mark, to trade near to the midpoint of 87-88p. Cable (GBP/USD) traded upward within the \$1.10-1.11 band. Meanwhile, EUR/USD has spent much of the last 24 hours hovering in and around the \$0.97 threshold.

Ahead today, attention will likely remain on UK Gilts, meaning some potential for sterling volatility. Data-wise, the focus will be on US CPI inflation numbers for September. The August reading was above consensus which prompted a sell off on equity markets, a sharp rise in Treasury yields and a stronger dollar. Headline inflation is forecast at 8.1% in September (8.3% in Aug).

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	0.9703	-0.10	-14.65	
EUR/GBP	0.876	-0.83	4.29	
GBP/USD	1.1074	0.73	-18.15	
GBP/EUR	1.1405	0.83	-4.11	
USD/JPY	146.8	0.40	27.56	
EUR/JPY	142.47	0.30	8.86	
* 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	3.34	4.01	4.74	4.65	4.17	
EUR	1.25	0.84	1.34	2.59	2.94	3.14	
GBP	2 25	2 62	3 49	5 17	5 47	5 48	









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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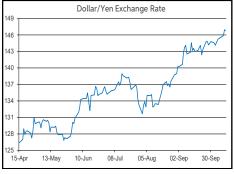
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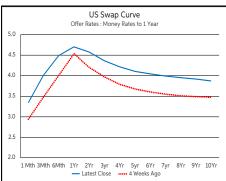
Eur	0
EUR/GBP	0.876
EUR/USD	0.9703
EUR/JPY	142.47
EUR/SEK	11.0017
EUR/DKK	7.439
EUR/NOK	10.4586
EUR/CHF	0.968
EUR/AUD	1.5465
EUR/HKD	7.6176
EUR/CAD	1.3417

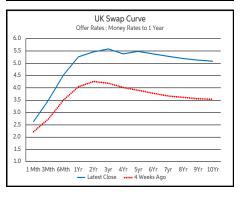
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1405		
GBP/USD	1.1074		
GBP/CAD	1.5311		
GBP/NZD	1.9746		
GBP/JPY	162.57		
GBP/SEK	12.5554		
GBP/DKK	8.4875		
GBP/NOK	11.9354		
GBP/CHF	1.1047		
GBP/AUD	1.7648		

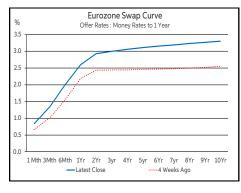
Dollar				
USD/JPY	146.8			
USD/CAD	1.3825			
USD/CHF	0.9975			
USD/CNY	7.1859			
USD/BRL	5.293			
USD/RUB	63.8			
USD/INR	82.359			
AUD/USD	0.6274			
NZD/USD	0.5606			













	Debt	Markets			
			Change bps	5	
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21	
10 Year Yield %					
US	3.90	-4	+50	+239	
Germany	2.35	+4	+65	+253	
UK	4.41	-4	+128	+344	
Ireland	2.87	+3	+56	+262	
Belgium	3.01	+6	+71	+283	
France	2.95	+7	+69	+276	
Italy	4.82	+13	+84	+363	
Spain	3.54	+7	+69	+294	
Portugal	3.45	+6	+68	+296	
Greece	5.02	+6	+74	+371	
5 Year Swap %					
US	4.10	-6	+46	+277	
Eurozone	3.11	-8	+66	+310	
UK	5.48	-5	+158	+420	
2 Year Swap %					
US	4.58	-2	+42	+363	
Eurozone	2.93	-8	+50	+323	
UK	5.46	-11	+120	+427	
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps					
Ireland	52	-1	-9	+10	
Belgium	67	+2	+6	+31	
France	61	+3	+4	+24	
Italy	247	+9	+19	+111	
Spain	119	+3	+4	+42	
Portugal	110	+2	+4	+44	
Greece	268	+2	+9	+118	

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day				
Brent Oil	92.45	-1.95	-1.75	+18.86	
West Texas Oil	87.83	-2.14	-1.18	+16.59	
Gold\$	1672.5	+0.43	-1.37	-8.53	

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