Morning Comment

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US CPI inflation in focus today

Trading conditions remained relatively calm across financial markets yesterday. Equity markets reversed their losses from the day prior, with the Euro Stoxx 50 gaining 0.5%, and the S&P 500 rising by 0.6%. Meantime on bond markets, benchmark sovereign yields in the US, UK and Eurozone drifted 1-4bps higher. Elsewhere, oil prices continued to rise, amid new US/EU sanctions on Russian oil exports. Brent crude is currently up near \$66 per barrel.

A limited supply of top tier data releases once again contributed to the muted price action yesterday. The only release of note was the flash estimate of Eurozone consumer confidence for October. The index printed ahead of the consensus, rising to -14.2 (vs.-15.0 f'cast). However, the data did not impact the euro.

Indeed for the most part, the main FX pairs have traded in narrow ranges over the past 24 hours. Of the scant moves to register, sterling has been under some slight downward pressure, while the yen has remained on the defensive. The softer tone to the pound followed remarks from the uber-dovish BoE MPC member Dhingra.

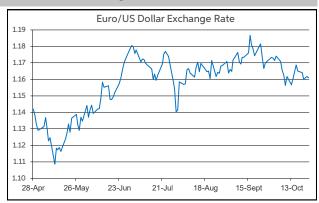
As trading gets underway this morning, the marginally weaker tone to sterling is reflected by EUR/GBP opening above the 87p mark. EUR/USD remains in and around the \$1.16 handle. GBP/USD is in the lower half of the \$1.33-1.34 range. USD/JPY is changing hands just shy of the ¥153 threshold.

Turning to the day ahead, the main focus will be on the release of US CPI inflation for September. The consensus is for the headline rate to rise to 3.1%, and the core rate is projected to remain at 3.1% in the month. Elsewhere the flash PMIs for October for the main advanced economies, including the Eurozone, UK and US will garner close attention.

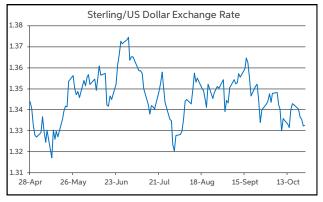
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.1608	0.09	12.12	
EUR/GBP	0.8708	0.17	5.26	
GBP/USD	1.3326	-0.08	6.51	
GBP/EUR	1.1479	-0.17	-5.00	
USD/JPY	152.98	0.38	-2.67	
EUR/JPY	177.61	0.47	9.13	
* v Previous Day's European 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	4.13	3.97	3.85	3.48	3.53	3.55	
EUR	2.00	1.89	2.07	2.08	2.09	2.30	
GBP	4.00	3.92	3.87	3.64	3.78	3.86	









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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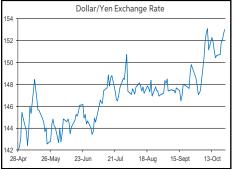
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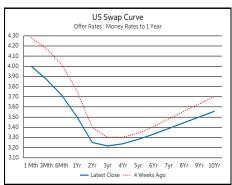
Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8708
EUR/USD	1.1608
EUR/JPY	177.61
EUR/SEK	10.8903
EUR/DKK	7.469
EUR/NOK	11.5909
EUR/CHF	0.9238
EUR/AUD	1.7844
EUR/HKD	9.0221
EUR/CAD	1.6265

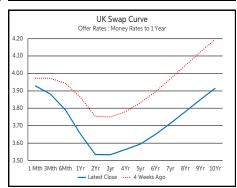
Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1479			
GBP/USD	1.3326			
GBP/CAD	1.8672			
GBP/NZD	2.3155			
GBP/JPY	203.89			
GBP/SEK	12.5016			
GBP/DKK	8.5754			
GBP/NOK	13.3072			
GBP/CHF	1.0606			
GBP/AUD	2.0479			

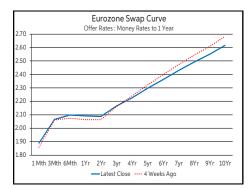
Dollar					
USD/JPY	152.98				
USD/CAD	1.4013				
USD/CHF	0.7956				
USD/CNY	7.1225				
USD/BRL	5.3835				
USD/RUB	81.35				
USD/INR	87.7137				
AUD/USD	0.6505				
NZD/USD	0.5752				

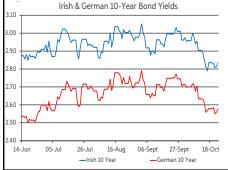












	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
10 Year Yield %					
US	3.99	+4	-19	-59	
Germany	2.58	+2	-19	+21	
UK	4.43	+1	-33	-14	
Ireland	2.83	+2	-20	+18	
Belgium	3.14	+2	-20	+16	
France	3.38	+3	-23	+18	
Italy	3.38	+2	-26	-15	
Spain	3.12	+2	-22	+5	
Portugal	2.97	+2	-24	+12	
Greece	3.25	+2	-26	-O	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.55	+7	-12	-74	
Eurozone	2.28	+3	-15	+5	
UK	3.85	+1	-25	-43	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.50	+3	-17	-83	
Eurozone	2.08	+2	-9	-11	
UK	3.78	+1	-23	-71	
10 Year Governi	ment Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps		
Ireland	26	+0	-0	-3	
Belgium	56	+0	-1	-6	
France	80	+1	-3	-3	
Italy	80	+0	-7	-36	
Spain	54	+1	-3	-16	
Portugal	39	+0	-4	-10	
Greece	67	+0	-6	-22	

Commodities						
		% Change				
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 2					
Brent Oil	65.99	+5.43	-4.94	-11.59		
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27		
Gold \$	4125.0	+0.76	+10.03	+57.21		

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