Morning Comment

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Fed rate decision after the European close

Stock markets moved lower yesterday, with the Euro Stoxx 50 and the S&P 500 each down by around 1%. Meanwhile, benchmark sovereign bond yields continued to move higher. The 10-year German Bund yield jumped by 15bps to 1.94%, its highest level since January 2014, following very poor German producer price inflation data. The 10-year UK Gilt rose by 16bps, while the US Treasury was 10bps higher.

On the currency front, the main pairs remained confined to tight ranges throughout the European session. Overnight though, the dollar firmly regained the ascendancy. Meanwhile, the euro found itself on the defensive. Elsewhere on markets, Brent crude oil fell back to \$90 per barrel amid the risk averse backdrop.

Investor sentiment remained weak yesterday, as markets continued to come to grips with the largest synchronised tightening of monetary policy across the globe in decades. The Riksbank of Sweden hiked its policy rate by 100bps, becoming the second advanced economy central bank to do so in this cycle.

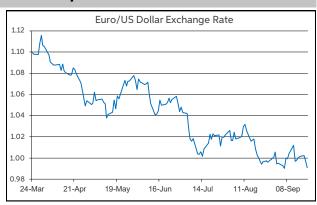
There has been some market chatter recently that the US Fed may also announce a 100bps increase later today. However, a third consecutive 75bps rate hike is more widely anticipated. At the press conference Fed Chair Powell is expected to strike a hawkish tone. The updated interest rate dotplot will also garner close attention for any indication on the future path of rate hikes.

As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD opens down at the \$0.99 threshold. Meantime, EUR/GBP is changing hands in the bottom half of the 87-88p trading range. GBP/USD is changing hands back in the lower half of the \$1.13-1.14 corridor.

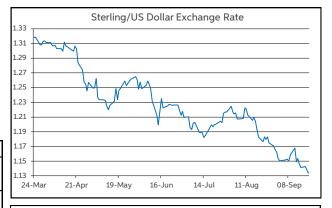
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	0.9906	-1.15	-12.86	
EUR/GBP	0.8738	-0.34	4.02	
GBP/USD	1.1339	-0.77	-16.19	
GBP/EUR	1.1439	0.34	-3.87	
USD/JPY	143.6	0.21	24.78	
EUR/JPY	142.38	-0.85	8.79	
* v Previous Day's European 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	2.375	3.01	3.57	4.41	4.31	3.79
EUR	1.25	0.69	1.07	2.39	2.66	2.60
GBP	1 75	2 24	2 76	4 25	4 48	4 10









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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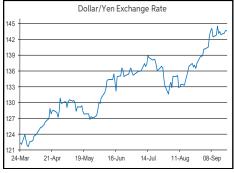
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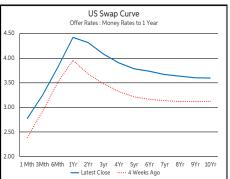
Euro				
EUR/GBP	0.8738			
EUR/USD	0.9906			
EUR/JPY	142.38			
EUR/SEK	10.8686			
EUR/DKK	7.4358			
EUR/NOK	10.2777			
EUR/CHF	0.9551			
EUR/AUD	1.4873			
EUR/HKD	7.7793			
EUR/CAD	1.3261			

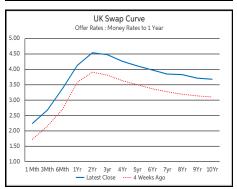
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1439		
GBP/USD	1.1339		
GBP/CAD	1.5173		
GBP/NZD	1.9285		
GBP/JPY	162.83		
GBP/SEK	12.435		
GBP/DKK	8.5055		
GBP/NOK	11.7638		
GBP/CHF	1.0927		
GBP/AUD	1.7014		

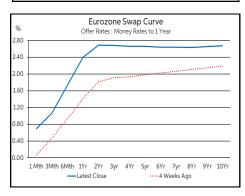
Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.6			
USD/CAD	1.338			
USD/CHF	0.964			
USD/CNY	7.0502			
USD/BRL	5.1425			
USD/RUB	61.7			
USD/INR	79.928			
AUD/USD	0.6663			
NZD/USD	0.5882			













	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21		
10 Year Yield %						
US	3.57	+7	+51	+206		
Germany	1.94	+15	+62	+212		
UK	3.29	+16	+71	+232		
Ireland	2.52	+14	+57	+227		
Belgium	2.53	+14	+59	+235		
France	2.49	+14	+58	+230		
Italy	4.19	+13	+55	+301		
Spain	3.08	+13	+58	+249		
Portugal	2.99	+14	+57	+251		
Greece	4.48	+2	+54	+317		
5 Year Swap %						
US	3.78	+5	+61	+245		
Eurozone	2.66	+13	+69	+265		
UK	4.12	+22	+62	+284		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.32	+4	+68	+337		
Eurozone	2.69	+10	+89	+299		
UK	4.54	+22	+64	+335		
 10 Year Governn	nent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps			
Ireland	58	-O	-4	+15		
Belgium	59	-1	-3	+23		
France	55	-1	-4	+18		
Italy	225	-2	-7	+89		
Spain	114	-2	-4	+37		
Portugal	105	-1	-5	+39		
Greece	254	-13	-8	+105		

Commodities							
		% Change					
	Close	Close Day 4 Weeks End 21					
Brent Oil	90.62	-1.50	-9.58	+16.51			
West Texas Oil	84.69	-1.69	-12.20	+12.43			
Gold \$	1663.1	-0.76	-4.84	-9.04			

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