Morning Comment

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Dollar firmer amid narrow range trading

There was a generally muted tone to the respective trading sessions across the main asset classes yesterday. From an investor sentiment perspective, there was a cautious mood to proceedings on both sides of the Atlantic. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 was flat for the day. Meanwhile, on Wall Street, the S&P 500 was 0.5% lower at the closing bell last night.

A key reason for the largely uneventful market moves was the lack of any top tier data or events. The only Eurozone macro update was the first survey indicator for December, with the release of the Sentix index. It rose this month, but not by as much as anticipated. Meantime, US factory orders for October printed below expectations, falling by 3.6% m/m (vs. –2.8% forecast).

Given the dearth of key macro updates, the movement in bond yields was relatively limited. The 10-year US Treasury yield edged higher within the 4.2%-4.3% channel, after falling by more than 20bps over the course of last week.

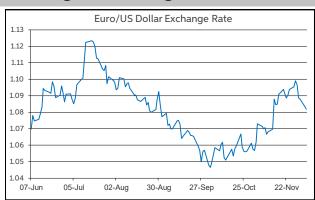
The action on currency markets was also underwhelming. The main pairs were confined to narrow ranges. This pattern continued in overnight trading. Of the FX action to register, the dollar is holding a firmer tone over the past 24 hours. In level terms, EUR/USD is down near the \$1.08, while GBP/USD is changing hands back closer to the \$1.26 threshold. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP continues to trade below the 86p mark.

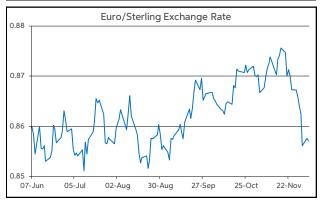
Looking ahead to today's calendar, we get the final readings of the November composite PMIs. The US diary also features the non-manufacturing ISM for November, as well as the JOLTS job openings data for October.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2022	
EUR/USD	1.0819	-0.45	1.09	
EUR/GBP	0.857	-0.02	-3.10	
GBP/USD	1.2621	-0.43	4.33	
GBP/EUR	1.1663	0.02	3.20	
USD/JPY	146.86	0.03	12.01	
EUR/JPY	158.93	-0.39	13.28	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		5
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	5.38	5.46	5.64	5.28	4.70	4.18
EUR	4.50	3.87	3.96	3.65	3.11	2.73
GBP	5.25	5.18	5.21	5.12	4.94	4.45









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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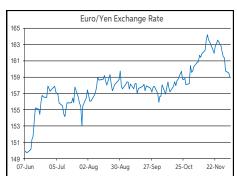


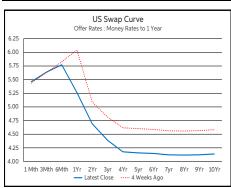
Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.857
EUR/USD	1.0819
EUR/JPY	158.93
EUR/SEK	11.3024
EUR/DKK	7.4551
EUR/NOK	11.7506
EUR/CHF	0.9445
EUR/AUD	1.6451
EUR/HKD	8.4579
EUR/CAD	1.4675

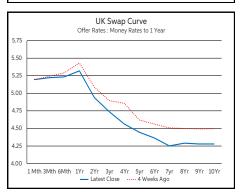
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1663		
GBP/USD	1.2621		
GBP/CAD	1.7119		
GBP/NZD	2.0519		
GBP/JPY	185.35		
GBP/SEK	13.1787		
GBP/DKK	8.6961		
GBP/NOK	13.712		
GBP/CHF	1.1017		
GBP/AUD	1.9191		

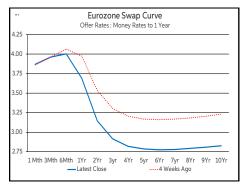
Dollar				
USD/JPY	146.86			
USD/CAD	1.3562			
USD/CHF	0.8729			
USD/CNY	7.1486			
USD/BRL	4.9444			
USD/RUB	91.48			
USD/INR	83.3875			
AUD/USD	0.6575			
NZD/USD	0.6149			

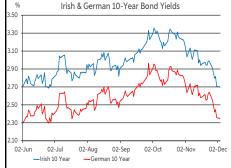












	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.26	+5	-39	+38		
Germany	2.35	-1	-39	-21		
UK	4.20	+6	-18	+53		
Ireland	2.72	-2	-46	-43		
Belgium	2.99	+2	-38	-21		
France	2.92	-1	-41	-19		
Italy	4.12	+2	-47	-59		
Spain	3.37	+0	-43	-29		
Portugal	3.03	+1	-39	-57		
Greece	3.53	-11	-50	-106		
5 Year Swap %						
US	4.16	+5	-40	+17		
Eurozone	2.78	-O	-37	-45		
UK	4.44	+6	-13	+14		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.69	+6	-36	+1		
Eurozone	3.14	-2	-38	-24		
UK	4.94	+5	-14	+26		
10 Year Governm	ent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps			
Ireland	37	-1	-7	-22		
Belgium	64	+3	+1	+0		
France	57	+1	-2	+2		
Italy	177	+3	-8	-37		
Spain	102	+2	-4	-8		
Portugal	68	+2	-1	-36		
Greece	118	-10	-11	-85		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks Er				
Brent Oil	78.03	-1.08	-8.39	-9.17	
West Texas Oil	72.73	-1.32	-10.80	-9.27	
Gold\$	2029.7	-1.99	+2.63	+11.26	

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