Morning Comment

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EUR/USD regains the \$1.07 handle

The recent risk-off mood in Europe paused for breath yesterday, amid a relatively quiet macro calendar. The Euro Stoxx 50 rose by 0.9%, having suffered heavy losses last week. On Wall Street, the S&P 500 also moved higher, edging up by 0.8%.

On bond markets, US Treasury, German Bund and UK Gilt yields rose by 3-7bps, amid a slight firming in futures contracts. Notably Eurozone yield spreads relative to German Bunds narrowed. The 10-year French spread declined to 75bps. This coincided with remarks from ECB officials, including President Lagarde and Chief Economist Lane, indicating that the central bank would intervene in markets if needed to ensure the transmission of monetary policy, following recent volatility. However, Lane went on to note that any intervention is currently unlikely.

Currency-wise, the main FX pairs were confined to narrow ranges yesterday. Amid the more positive tone to investor sentiment, the dollar was under some slight downward pressure. Elsewhere, the euro edged off its lows from last week.

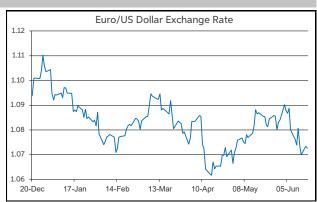
In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning back above the \$1.07 threshold. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP is changing hands at the midpoint of 84-85p. GBP/USD continues to operate in the top half of the \$1.26-1.27 corridor.

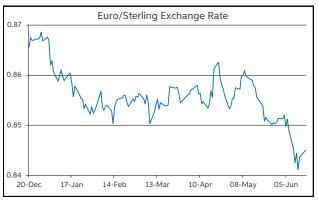
Turning to the day ahead, the final reading of Eurozone HICP is set to confirm the headline rate was 2.6% in May. Elsewhere, a busy US data calendar includes retail sales and industrial production for May. A modest increase in both metrics is pencilled in for the month. However, barring any major surprises, the releases may not impact on forex markets.

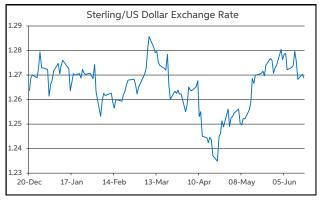
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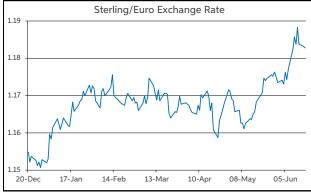
Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.0726	0.22	-2.81	
EUR/GBP	0.845	0.15	-2.51	
GBP/USD	1.269	0.08	-0.31	
GBP/EUR	1.1827	-0.15	2.58	
USD/JPY	157.93	0.36	11.96	
EUR/JPY	169.42	0.58	8.86	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	5.38	5.45	5.61	5.34	4.86	4.33
EUR	4.50	3.58	3.72	3.57	3.22	2.83
GBP	5.25	5.19	5.16	4.94	4.75	4.19









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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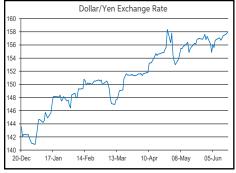
Opening Levels



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.845
EUR/USD	1.0726
EUR/JPY	169.42
EUR/SEK	11.2305
EUR/DKK	7.4592
EUR/NOK	11.4393
EUR/CHF	0.9544
EUR/AUD	1.6182
EUR/HKD	8.3758
EUR/CAD	1.4729

Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1827		
GBP/USD	1.269		
GBP/CAD	1.7426		
GBP/NZD	2.0728		
GBP/JPY	200.41		
GBP/SEK	13.2866		
GBP/DKK	8.8233		
GBP/NOK	13.5341		
GBP/CHF	1.129		
GBP/AUD	1.9144		
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Dollar				
USD/JPY	157.93			
USD/CAD	1.373			
USD/CHF	0.8896			
USD/CNY	7.2557			
USD/BRL	5.4201			
USD/RUB	88.2			
USD/INR	83.45			
AUD/USD	0.6628			
NZD/USD	0.612			



US Swap Curve Offer Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year

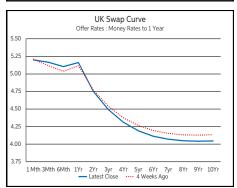
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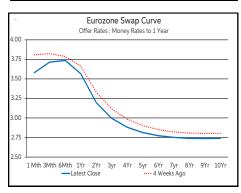
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr
— Latest Close ---- 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.28	+7	-16	+42		
Germany	2.41	+6	-12	+39		
UK	4.12	+6	-5	+58		
Ireland	2.90	+1	-2	+53		
Belgium	3.09	+3	+3	+40		
France	3.17	+3	+15	+61		
Italy	3.95	+2	+13	+25		
Spain	3.36	+3	+7	+37		
Portugal	3.17	+2	+2	+39		
Greece	3.67	+1	+15	+60		
 5 Year Swap %						
US	4.29	+6	-20	+49		
Eurozone	2.81	+2	-9	+39		
UK	4.19	+4	-7	+54		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.85	+5	-16	+51		
Eurozone	3.20	+1	-13	+40		
UK	4.75	+2	-1	+49		
 10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchn	 nark bps			
Ireland	48	-5	+10	+15		
Belgium	68	-3	+15	+2		
France	75	-3	+27	+22		
Italy	154	-3	+25	-14		
Spain	95	-3	+19	-2		
Portugal	76	-4	+14	+0		
Greece	126	-4	+27	+21		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks End				
Brent Oil	84.25	+1.97	+0.65	+9.36	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	2318.9	-0.59	-4.38	+12.43	

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