Morning Comment

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USD/JPY above ¥160

The cautious mood to European investor sentiment continued yesterday. The risk averse tone was reflected in the Euro Stoxx 50 falling by 0.4%. The mood on Wall Street was less downbeat. At the closing bell last night, the S&P 500 index managed to post a modest 0.2% gain. On bond markets, yields were generally higher across the board. The 10-year US Treasury yield moved up into 4.3% territory. Meanwhile, the spread between French and German 10-year yields widened marginally, to 74bps.

Currency-wise, yen weakness was very much the standout theme on the exchanges. The yen has been on a gradual weakening trajectory against the dollar recently amid widening yield spreads in favour of the dollar. USD/JPY pushed up through ¥160 yesterday. When this level was last breached back in late April it prompted intervention by the Japanese authorities. However, the move higher this time has been less rapid and more steady in nature. The Japanese Finance Minister stated that the government is watching the levels closely. The pair registered a new year-to-date high (as well as its most elevated level since 1986) at ¥160.8 during yesterday's trading.

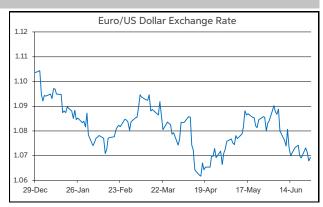
Elsewhere on the currency front, the dollar was also in the ascendancy against the euro and sterling. EUR/USD edged back below \$1.07, while GBP/USD traded down into the lower half of \$1.26-1.27. Meantime, EUR/GBP moved slightly upwards, while operating in a narrow range in and around the midpoint of 84-85p.

Today's data agenda includes the Eurozone EC sentiment indices for June. Across the Atlantic, a busy US slate features the weekly jobless claims data, durable goods (May) and the final reading of Q1 GDP.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.0693	-0.14	-3.11	
EUR/GBP	0.8459	0.21	-2.41	
GBP/USD	1.2636	-0.38	-0.73	
GBP/EUR	1.1815	-0.21	2.47	
USD/JPY	160.36	0.38	13.68	
EUR/JPY	171.5	0.23	10.20	
* 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	5.46	5.60	5.31	4.89	4.37
EUR	4.25	3.64	3.70	3.51	3.20	2.87
GBP	5.25	5.19	5.12	4.89	4.75	4.21









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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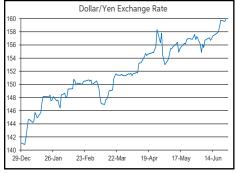
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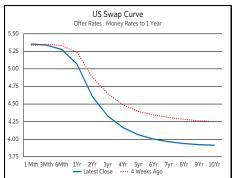
Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8459
EUR/USD	1.0693
EUR/JPY	171.5
EUR/SEK	11.2859
EUR/DKK	7.4586
EUR/NOK	11.4005
EUR/CHF	0.9588
EUR/AUD	1.6033
EUR/HKD	8.3483
EUR/CAD	1.4637

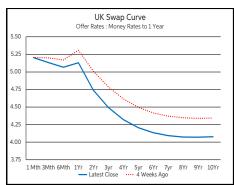
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1815		
GBP/USD	1.2636		
GBP/CAD	1.7298		
GBP/NZD	2.0738		
GBP/JPY	202.63		
GBP/SEK	13.3343		
GBP/DKK	8.812		
GBP/NOK	13.4698		
GBP/CHF	1.1331		
GBP/AUD	1.8947		

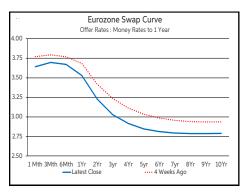
Dollar				
USD/JPY	160.36			
USD/CAD	1.3688			
USD/CHF	0.8965			
USD/CNY	7.2686			
USD/BRL	5.524			
USD/RUB	86.2			
USD/INR	83.475			
AUD/USD	0.6668			
NZD/USD	0.6091			

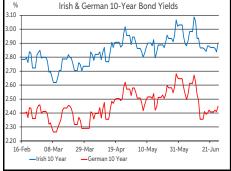












	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.32	+8	-31	+46		
Germany	2.45	+4	-23	+42		
UK	4.14	+6	-26	+60		
Ireland	2.93	+6	-15	+56		
Belgium	3.11	+6	-12	+42		
France	3.19	+7	+1	+63		
Italy	4.00	+7	-2	+30		
Spain	3.38	+6	-5	+39		
Portugal	3.19	+6	-10	+41		
Greece	3.68	+3	+1	+60		
 5 Year Swap %						
US	4.32	+7	-32	+53		
Eurozone	2.85	+3	-18	+42		
UK	4.21	+5	-29	+56		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.87	+5	-26	+54		
Eurozone	3.23	+5	-18	+43		
UK	4.74	+3	-27	+48		
 10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	ls to Benchr	nark bps			
Ireland	48	+2	+8	+14		
Belgium	65	+2	+11	-1		
France	74	+3	+24	+21		
Italy	154	+3	+21	-13		
Spain	93	+2	+18	-3		
Portugal	74	+2	+13	-2		
Greece	123	-1	+24	+18		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 23				
Brent Oil	85.25	+0.28	+1.97	+10.66	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	2297.9	-0.91	-1.75	+11.41	

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