Morning Comment

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EUR/USD near the midpoint of \$1.13-1.14

Risk appetite turned more cautious over the course of yesterday, as investors assessed the potential impact of court rulings on US trade policy. The US Court of International Trade blocked the Trump administration from implementing some of its planned tariffs. However, an appeals court has since ruled that most of the tariffs should be reinstated. Overall, the courts rulings have simply added to already high levels of uncertainty regarding US trade policy.

Against this backdrop, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished the day down by 0.1%, having initially gained around 1% at the open. At the closing bell on Wall Street, the S&P 500 was up by a modest 0.4%. Meanwhile, bond yields declined by 3-10bps across the board yesterday. This was partly due to a slight softening in market rate expectations, as growth concerns re-emerged, amid the ongoing trade policy uncertainty.

On the currency front, in a similar pattern to previous bouts of heightened market concern regarding US trade policy, the dollar was on the defensive yesterday. This saw the greenback hand back most of its recent gains, while the euro, yen and Swiss franc benefitted. Overall, the greenback shed around 1.0% versus all three.

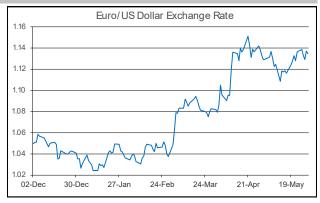
As trading gets underway this morning, the weaker dollar and firmer euro sees EUR/USD open up near the midpoint of \$1.13-1.14. GBP/USD is in the top half of \$1.34-1.35. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP is back above the 84p mark. USD/JPY is in the upper region of ¥143-144.

Turning to the day ahead, aside from any US trade policy related news flow, inflation data will be front and centre. In the US, core-PCE inflation for April is due, while in the Eurozone, the flash reading of German and Italian HICP inflation will feature. Expectations are for a slight easing across all three rates.

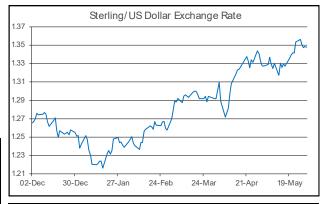
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Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
		Day *	End 2024		
EUR/ USD	1.1346	0.88	9.59		
EUR/ GBP	0.8416	0.59	1.73		
GBP/ USD	1.3477	0.28	7.72		
GBP/ EUR	1.1876	-0.58	-1.70		
USD/JPY	143.8	-1.33	-8.51		
EUR/ JPY	163.17	-0.46	0.26		
* v Previous Day's European Open					

Opening Interest Rates						
	Money Market Swap Rates					S
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	4.38	4.31	4.32	4.05	4.01	3.92
EUR	2.40	2.01	2.01	1.96	1.94	2.18
GBP	4.25	4.21	4.20	3.99	4.06	4.09









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



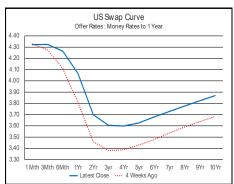
Euro	
EUR/ GBP	0.8416
EUR/USD	1.1346
EUR/ JPY	163.17
EUR/ SEK	10.8686
EUR/ DKK	7.4592
EUR/NOK	11.5133
EUR/ CHF	0.9341
EUR/AUD	1.7652
EUR/ HKD	8.8968
EUR/ CAD	1.568

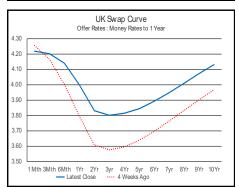
Sterling				
GBP/ EUR	1.1876			
GBP/ USD	1.3477			
GBP/ CAD	1.8623			
GBP/ NZD	2.2565			
GBP/JPY	193.79			
GBP/ SEK	12.9088			
GBP/ DKK	8.8589			
GBP/ NOK	13.667			
GBP/ CHF	1.1095			
GBP/ AUD	2.0968			

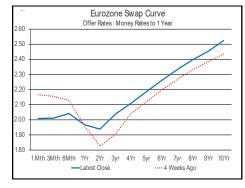
Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.8			
USD/CAD	1.3818			
USD/CHF	0.8233			
USD/CNY	7.189			
USD/BRL	5.67			
USD/RUB	78.2			
USD/INR	85.499			
AUD/USD	0.6425			
NZD/USD	0.597			

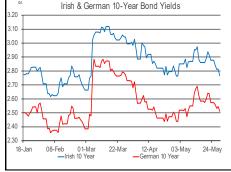












Debt Markets					
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
10 Year Yield %					
US	4.42	-5	+19	-15	
Germany	2.51	-3	+7	+15	
UK	4.65	-8	+17	+8	
Ireland	2.79	-5	-0	+14	
Belgium	3.04	-4	+1	+5	
France	3.18	-5	+1	-2	
Italy	3.50	-5	-8	-2	
Spain	3.11	-5	-0	+4	
Portugal	3.01	-4	+1	+16	
Greece	3.27	-3	-7	+2	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.89	-6	+21	-40	
Eurozone	2.18	-1	+7	-5	
UK	4.08	-7	+20	-20	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.96	-6	+25	-37	
Eurozone	1.93	-2	+11	-26	
UK	4.06	-6	+21	-43	
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchn	nark bps		
Ireland	28	-2	-8	-1	
Belgium	52	-0	-7	-10	
France	66	-2	-6	-17	
Italy	99	-2	-15	-17	
Spain	60	-1	-8	-11	
Portugal	50	-0	-7	+1	
Greece	75	+0	-15	-13	

Commodities						
		% Change				
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 2					
Brent Oil	64.15	-1.16	+3.25	-14.05		
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27		
Gold \$	3315.9	+0.81	+2.33	+26.38		

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