Morning Comment

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US elections in focus

There was a subdued start to the week on financial markets, as investors kept their powder dry ahead of the US election results. On equity markets, both the Euro Stoxx 50 and the S&P 500 maintained their poor momentum from last week, falling by 0.5% and 0.3%, respectively yesterday. Meantime, benchmark sovereign bond yields were relatively unchanged.

Data-wise, the only release of note was the EU Sentix reading for November. The survey indicated that investor sentiment improved in November, albeit the headline index printed below the consensus (it rose to -12.8 versus expectations of -12.5). However, the release had no major market impact yesterday.

On the currency front, the main pairs remained relatively range bound. The dollar was holding a slightly softer tone in the early part of the European session. Elsewhere, sterling was under some downward pressure. However, both currencies recouped their losses before the European close. Meanwhile, overnight the dollar registered some marginal gains.

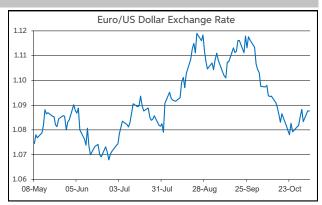
In level terms, the firmer tone to the dollar is reflected by EUR/USD opening this morning back below the \$1.09 threshold, having traded to a high of \$1.093 yesterday. GBP/USD is back near the midpoint of \$1.29-1.30. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP remains in and around the 84p handle.

Today, the US non-manufacturing ISM (Oct) is due, but it is unlikely to affect market proceedings, as attention remains on the US elections. Thus, trading conditions are likely to remain subdued as voting comes to a close and given it may be sometime before the result of the Presidential election is known.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.0877	-0.20	-1.44	
EUR/GBP	0.8391	0.04	-3.20	
GBP/USD	1.2958	-0.26	1.80	
GBP/EUR	1.1909	-0.04	3.30	
USD/JPY	152.32	0.32	7.98	
EUR/JPY	165.7	0.12	6.47	
* 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	4.88	4.62	4.53	4.17	4.23	4.07
EUR	3.40	3.12	3.09	2.61	2.42	2.38
GBP	5.00	4.72	4.69	4.43	4.50	4.29









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8391
EUR/USD	1.0877
EUR/JPY	165.7
EUR/SEK	11.6665
EUR/DKK	7.4579
EUR/NOK	11.9628
EUR/CHF	0.94
EUR/AUD	1.6483
EUR/HKD	8.457
EUR/CAD	1.5114

Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1909			
GBP/USD	1.2958			
GBP/CAD	1.8005			
GBP/NZD	2.1655			
GBP/JPY	197.38			
GBP/SEK	13.8971			
GBP/DKK	8.8847			
GBP/NOK	14.2507			
GBP/CHF	1.1197			
GBP/AUD	1.9637			

Dollar				
USD/JPY	152.32			
USD/CAD	1.3893			
USD/CHF	0.8639			
USD/CNY	7.1054			
USD/BRL	5.7916			
USD/RUB	98.35			
USD/INR	84.116			
AUD/USD	0.6599			
NZD/USD	0.5984			



US Swap Curve

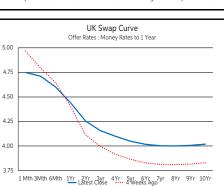
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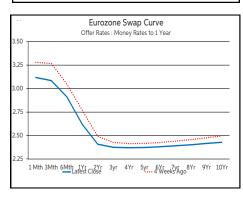
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr Latest Close 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr



	Debt	Markets		
		Change bps		
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.31	-5	+28	+45
Germany	2.39	-1	+14	+36
UK	4.46	+1	+25	+92
Ireland	2.72	-2	+11	+36
Belgium	2.97	-3	+11	+29
France	3.14	-2	+12	+58
Italy	3.67	-2	+10	-3
Spain	3.10	-2	+8	+11
Portugal	2.88	+2	+11	+10
Greece	3.31	+2	+10	+24
5 Year Swap %				
US ,	4.03	-7	+23	+24
Eurozone	2.37	+2	-3	-6
UK	4.29	+2	+17	+63
2 Year Swap %				
US	4.19	-4	+16	-14
Eurozone	2.41	-2	-7	-39
UK	4.49	+3	+14	+23
 10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spread	ls to Benchr	nark bps	
Ireland	33	-1	-3	-1
Belgium	58	-2	-4	-8
France	75	-1	-2	+22
Italy	128	-0	-4	-39
Spain	71	-1	-6	-26
Portugal	49	+4	-3	-27
Greece	92	+3	-4	-13

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23	
Brent Oil	75.08	+2.71	-7.23	-2.54	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	2736.4	+0.05	+3.51	+32.67	

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