## **Morning Comment**

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## Firmer tone to the yen

Investor sentiment took a more positive tone over the course of yesterday. The Euro Stoxx 50 traded sideways for the most part, and finished flat for the day. However, by the close on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was 0.7% on the day.

Elsewhere, Oil prices continued to move upwards, having reached their lowest level since July last week, and amid reports of an extension to OPEC+ production cuts. Brent crude prices are currently around \$82 per barrel. On bond markets, the price action was listless throughout the European session. However, overnight benchmark sovereign yields declined. Overall, US Treasury, and German Bund yields drifted 3-9bps lower.

In a similar pattern on currency markets, the main FX pairs were also confined to narrow trading bands yesterday. Overnight though, the yen was holding a firmer tone. At the same time, the dollar was under some downward pressure.

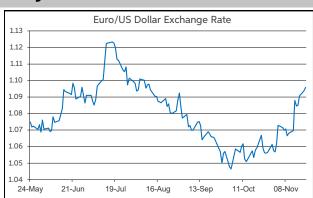
As trading gets underway this morning, the firmer tone to the yen sees USD/JPY open back in the lower half of ¥147-148, having started the week above the ¥149 threshold. EUR/USD is just above the halfway mark of \$1.09-1.10. GBP/USD is changing hands above the \$1.25 handle. EUR/GBP continues to operate in and around the midpoint of 87-88p.

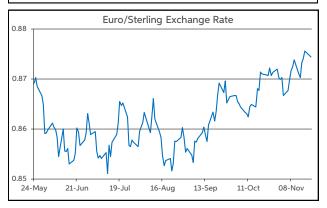
Turning to the day ahead, there is a relatively sparse data schedule. The latest Fed meeting minutes are due a day earlier than usual, after the close in Europe. Elsewhere on the monetary policy front, remarks from BoE Governor Bailey at the Treasury Select Committee will garner attention. Meantime, comments from ECB President Lagarde will also be of interest.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2022	
EUR/USD	1.096	0.39	2.41	
EUR/GBP	0.8742	-0.08	-1.15	
GBP/USD	1.2535	0.45	3.62	
GBP/EUR	1.1433	0.08	1.17	
USD/JPY	147.38	-1.14	12.41	
EUR/JPY	161.57	-0.74	15.16	
* v Previous Day's European Open				

Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	5.38	5.45	5.63	5.50	4.98	4.42
EUR	4.50	3.82	3.98	3.96	3.50	3.07
GBP	5.25	5.18	5.21	5.11	4.93	4.40









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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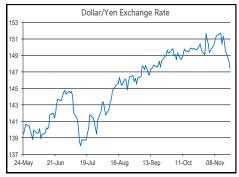
## **Opening Levels**



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8742
EUR/USD	1.096
EUR/JPY	161.57
EUR/SEK	11.4113
EUR/DKK	7.455
EUR/NOK	11.6912
EUR/CHF	0.9677
EUR/AUD	1.6661
EUR/HKD	8.5418
EUR/CAD	1.5035

Sterlin	g
GBP/EUR	1.1433
GBP/USD	1.2535
GBP/CAD	1.7194
GBP/NZD	2.0651
GBP/JPY	184.74
GBP/SEK	13.0469
GBP/DKK	8.524
GBP/NOK	13.362
GBP/CHF	1.1068
GBP/AUD	1.9052

Dollar				
USD/JPY	147.38			
USD/CAD	1.3717			
USD/CHF	0.8828			
USD/CNY	7.1367			
USD/BRL	4.8543			
USD/RUB	87.705			
USD/INR	83.3275			
AUD/USD	0.6578			
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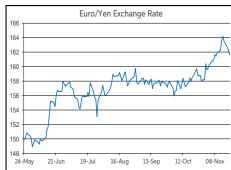
US Swap Curve Offer Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year

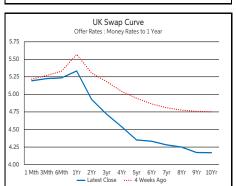
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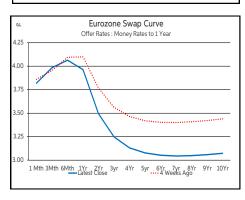
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr
— Latest Close ---- 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22	
10 Year Yield %					
US	4.43	-1	-42	+55	
Germany	2.62	+3	-25	+5	
UK	4.13	+3	-47	+46	
Ireland	3.00	+1	-31	-15	
Belgium	3.22	+2	-31	+2	
France	3.18	+2	-30	+6	
Italy	4.36	-1	-48	-35	
Spain	3.61	+1	-36	-5	
Portugal	3.25	+0	-31	-35	
Greece	3.86	+2	-48	-74	
5 Year Swap %					
US	4.41	-0	-38	+42	
Eurozone	3.08	+1	-33	-15	
UK	4.35	+1	-59	+5	
2 Year Swap %					
US	4.96	-0	-22	+28	
Eurozone	3.50	+2	-26	+11	
UK	4.93	+1	-37	+25	
10 Year Governmei	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchr	nark bps		
Ireland	39	-1	-6	-20	
Belgium	60	-1	-6	-3	
France	56	-1	-6	+1	
Italy	174	-3	-23	-40	
Spain	99	-2	-11	-10	
Portugal	63	-2	-6	-40	
Greece	124	-1	-24	-79	

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22	
Brent Oil	82.32	+2.12	-8.36	-4.18	
West Texas Oil	78.1	+2.13	-8.64	-2.57	
Gold \$	1977.2	-0.14	+0.23	+8.38	

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