Morning Comment

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EUR/USD below \$1.09

There was a relatively quiet start to the week on financial markets yesterday. This was partly due to a sparse data schedule on both sides of the Atlantic and a partial market holiday in then US.

Equity markets maintained their upward momentum from the end of last week. The positive mood on stock markets was largely driven by a rise in tech stocks, ahead of a busy week of earnings reports. The Euro Stoxx 50 gained 0.7%. Meantime, on Wall Street, the S&P climbed by 0.8% higher. Elsewhere, oil prices moved sharply lower, with Brent crude falling by around 5%, to back below \$75 per barrel.

Meanwhile, currency markets remained range bound. Of the limited moves to note, the euro was holding a slightly softer tone throughout the European session. At the same time, the dollar was in the ascendancy overnight, amid hawkish remarks from Fed Governor Waller.

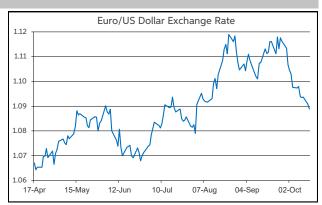
As trading gets underway this morning, the firmer dollar tone is evidenced by EUR/USD opening below the \$1.09 handle. GBP/USD is in the bottom half of the \$1.30-1.31 range. EUR/GBP is operating at the halfway mark of the 83-84p band.

Already today, UK labour market data for August have been released. The unemployment rate printed below the consensus, falling to 4% from 4.1% (and vs. 4.1% f'cast). Meanwhile, average earnings growth slowed slightly to +3.8% y/y from a revised +4.1% y/y (and vs. +3.7% f'cast). However, the data have not impacted sterling in early trading. Later today, Eurozone industrial production (Aug) and the German ZEW sentiment indicator (Oct) are due. In the US, the NY Fed/Empire State Index will feature.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.0889	-0.31	-1.33	
EUR/GBP	0.8348	-0.18	-3.69	
GBP/USD	1.3043	-0.12	2.47	
GBP/EUR	1.1977	0.18	3.83	
USD/JPY	149.53	0.16	6.00	
EUR/JPY	162.83	-0.15	4.63	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
	Money Market Swap Rates				5	
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	4.88	4.78	4.64	4.12	4.06	3.87
EUR	3.65	3.25	3.18	2.74	2.45	2.38
GBP	5.00	4.89	4.75	4.33	4.29	4.10









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



Euro				
EUR/GBP	0.8348			
EUR/USD	1.0889			
EUR/JPY	162.83			
EUR/SEK	11.3703			
EUR/DKK	7.4607			
EUR/NOK	11.7847			
EUR/CHF	0.9398			
EUR/AUD	1.6231			
EUR/HKD	8.4575			
EUR/CAD	1.5038			

Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1977			
GBP/USD	1.3043			
GBP/CAD	1.8012			
GBP/NZD	2.1454			
GBP/JPY	195.03			
GBP/SEK	13.6178			
GBP/DKK	8.9363			
GBP/NOK	14.114			
GBP/CHF	1.1257			
GBP/AUD	1.9441			

Dollar				
USD/JPY	149.53			
USD/CAD	1.381			
USD/CHF	0.8631			
USD/CNY	7.1196			
USD/BRL	5.5957			
USD/RUB	95.85			
USD/INR	84.06			
AUD/USD	0.6708			
NZD/USD	0.6079			



US Swap Curve Offer Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year

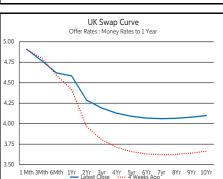
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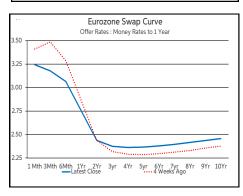
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr Latest Close 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.07	-2	+45	+21		
Germany	2.28	+0	+16	+25		
UK	4.24	+3	+48	+70		
Ireland	2.65	+1	+14	+28		
Belgium	2.88	-0	+17	+19		
France	3.04	-1	+21	+48		
Italy	3.55	-1	+7	-15		
Spain	3.01	-1	+9	+2		
Portugal	2.77	-2	+6	-2		
Greece	3.22	-3	+9	+14		
 5 Year Swap %						
US	3.84	+0	+47	+4		
Eurozone	2.37	+0	+9	-6		
UK	4.09	+3	+44	+44		
 2 Year Swap %						
US	4.02	+0	+41	-32		
Eurozone	2.44	+1	+1	-36		
UK	4.29	+2	+33	+2		
10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spread	ls to Benchr	nark bps			
Ireland	37	+1	-1	+4		
Belgium	61	-O	+1	-6		
France	76	-1	+5	+23		
Italy	127	-1	-9	-40		
Spain	74	-1	-6	-23		
Portugal	49	-2	-10	-27		
Greece	94	-3	-6	-11		

Commodities						
		% Change				
	Close	Close Day 4 Weeks End 23				
Brent Oil	74.5	-5.74	+2.41	-3.30		
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27		
Gold\$	2651.1	-0.19	+2.65	+28.53		

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