Morning Comment

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Dollar maintains its momentum

There was a cautious tone to investor sentiment yesterday. This was against the backdrop of a very quiet data calendar on both sides of the Atlantic. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx fell by 0.9%. Meanwhile, at the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was 0.2% lower on the day.

On bond markets, sovereign yields were higher across the board. In part, this was due to a busy day in terms of European supply. The main 10-year benchmark yields rose 8-12bps. The 10-year German bund yield moved above 2.20% to nearer 2.30%. The rise in yields was also evident on US bond markets. The 10-year Treasury yield traded up closer to 4.2%.

On the currency front, the majors were confined to relatively narrow ranges yesterday. Of the action to register, the dollar continued to hold the upper hand on the exchanges. This has continued in overnight trading on Asia-Pacific markets, with the yen coming under some downward pressure.

In level terms, the firmer dollar tone is reflected in EUR/USD opening this morning in the lower half of the \$1.08-1.09 band. Cable (GBP/USD) is changing hands down at the \$1.30 threshold. The USD/JPY pair is in the upper half of ¥150-151. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP remains below the midpoint of 83-84p.

Looking ahead to today, it is another quiet day in terms of data releases. However, there are a raft of central bank officials on the speaking circuit, including BoE Governor Bailey and ECB President Lagarde. Their remarks pose some potential event risk for the respective currencies.

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Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
		Day *	End 2023		
EUR/USD	1.0824	-0.32	-1.92		
EUR/GBP	0.8318	-0.08	-4.04		
GBP/USD	1.3009	-0.21	2.20		
GBP/EUR	1.2018	0.08	4.21		
USD/JPY	150.75	0.96	6.87		
EUR/JPY	163.18	0.64	4.85		
* 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	4.74	4.63	4.17	4.14	3.98
EUR	3.40	3.15	3.20	2.63	2.35	2.33
GBP	5.00	4.83	4.69	4.21	4.15	3.96









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8318
EUR/USD	1.0824
EUR/JPY	163.18
EUR/SEK	11.4114
EUR/DKK	7.4569
EUR/NOK	11.8319
EUR/CHF	0.9361
EUR/AUD	1.6174
EUR/HKD	8.4155
EUR/CAD	1.4961

	Sterling				
GB	P/EUR	1.2018			
GB	P/USD	1.3009			
GB	P/CAD	1.798			
GB	P/NZD	2.1467			
GB	P/JPY	196.11			
GB	P/SEK	13.7102			
GB	P/DKK	8.9602			
GB	P/NOK	14.2187			
GB	P/CHF	1.1248			
GB	P/AUD	1.9437			

Dollar				
USD/JPY	150.75			
USD/CAD	1.3821			
USD/CHF	0.8648			
USD/CNY	7.1222			
USD/BRL	5.6889			
USD/RUB	96.35			
USD/INR	84.072			
AUD/USD	0.6692			
NZD/USD	0.6059			



US Swap Curve Offer Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year

5.00

4.75

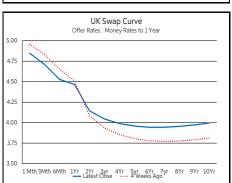
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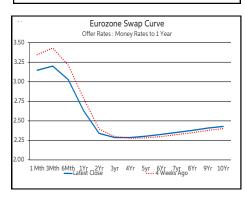
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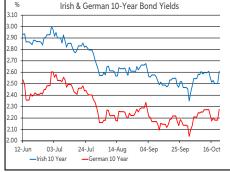
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr Latest Close ···· 4 Weeks Ago



Debt Markets					
			Change bps		
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23	
10 Year Yield %					
US	4.18	+11	+44	+32	
Germany	2.28	+10	+10	+25	
UK	4.14	+8	+21	+60	
Ireland	2.64	+11	+11	+27	
Belgium	2.87	+10	+7	+18	
France	3.01	+11	+7	+46	
Italy	3.51	+15	-1	-19	
Spain	3.00	+13	+4	+1	
Portugal	2.74	+12	+1	-5	
Greece	3.14	+10	-4	+7	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.93	+11	+46	+14	
Eurozone	2.30	+8	+3	-13	
UK	3.96	+6	+16	+31	
2 Year Swap %					
US	4.10	+9	+49	-24	
Eurozone	2.34	+5	-5	-46	
UK	4.14	+3	+6	-12	
10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spread	s to Benchr	 nark bps		
Ireland	36	+1	+1	+2	
Belgium	59	+1	-3	-7	
France	74	+2	-4	+21	
Italy	123	+6	-11	-44	
Spain	72	+3	-7	-24	
Portugal	46	+2	-9	-30	
Greece	87	+0	-14	-18	

Commodities					
		% Change			
Close Day 4 Weeks End					
Brent Oil	74.29	+1.68	+0.53	-3.57	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	2719.6	-0.02	+3.47	+31.86	

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