Morning Comment

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EUR/USD just shy of \$1.12

It was a relatively quiet day on financial markets yesterday. Equity markets maintained their upward momentum, with the Euro Stoxx 50 rising by 1.1%, supported by a rise in luxury stocks. On Wall Street, the S&P 500 gained a more modest 0.3%. Elsewhere, oil prices continued to edge higher, with Brent Crude prices rising by 0.5% to \$75 per barrel.

Data-wise, the main release of note was the German Ifo for September. The main index declined by more than anticipated from already low levels, consistent with a further deterioration in business sentiment. Meantime in the US, the Conference Board measure of consumer confidence was much weaker than expected, falling to 98.7 in September from 105.6 (and vs. 104.0 f'cast).

On the currency front, the main pairs operated in narrow trading ranges throughout the European session. Of the limited moves to register, the dollar was under some downward pressure. Overnight, the dollar's losses have accelerated. At the same time, the euro has moved off its recent lows.

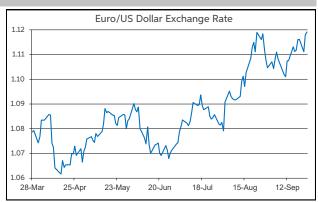
As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD is changing hands up near the \$1.12 threshold. Meanwhile, GBP/USD is trading up at the \$1.34 handle. EUR/GBP has edged up from its year-to-date low, and is operating at the midpoint of the 83-84p band.

Turning to the day ahead, the data calendar on both sides of the Atlantic is rather sparse. The only release of any note will be US new home sales for August. However, the release is unlikely to impact the dollar. On the monetary policy front, remarks from BoE external MPC member Greene may warrant some attention.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.1192	0.67	1.41	
EUR/GBP	0.8351	0.36	-3.66	
GBP/USD	1.34	0.31	5.27	
GBP/EUR	1.1972	-0.36	3.80	
USD/JPY	143.56	-0.20	1.77	
EUR/JPY	160.67	0.46	3.24	
* 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	4.97	4.93	4.01	3.62	3.47
EUR	3.65	3.35	3.43	2.73	2.35	2.26
GBP	5.00	4.94	4.81	4.24	4.07	3.80









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8351
EUR/USD	1.1192
EUR/JPY	160.67
EUR/SEK	11.3035
EUR/DKK	7.4568
EUR/NOK	11.6666
EUR/CHF	0.9426
EUR/AUD	1.6263
EUR/HKD	8.7146
EUR/CAD	1.5033

Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1972		
GBP/USD	1.34		
GBP/CAD	1.7999		
GBP/NZD	2.1182		
GBP/JPY	192.37		
GBP/SEK	13.5324		
GBP/DKK	8.9285		
GBP/NOK	13.9657		
GBP/CHF	1.1286		
GBP/AUD	1.9472		

Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.56			
USD/CAD	1.3432			
USD/CHF	0.8423			
USD/CNY	7.0199			
USD/BRL	5.4494			
USD/RUB	92.4			
USD/INR	83.5275			
AUD/USD	0.6881			
NZD/USD	0.6326			



US Swap Curve

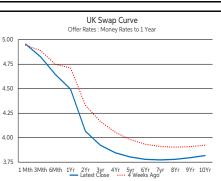
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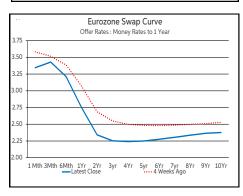
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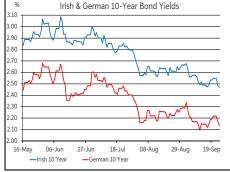
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr



	Debt	Markets		
			Change bps	
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23
10 Year Yield %				
US	3.74	-0	-10	-12
Germany	2.14	-4	-14	+11
UK	3.94	+2	-6	+40
Ireland	2.51	-2	-18	+14
Belgium	2.76	-4	-12	+7
France	2.91	-3	-10	+36
Italy	3.48	-4	-18	-22
Spain	2.93	-3	-17	-6
Portugal	2.71	-2	-17	-8
Greece	3.17	-0	-19	+10
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.42	-5	-18	-37
Eurozone	2.25	-2	-22	-18
UK	3.80	+0	-17	+15
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.57	-5	-36	-77
Eurozone	2.34	-4	-34	-45
UK	4.07	-2	-26	-20
10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spread	ls to Benchn	nark bps	
Ireland	37	+2	-4	+3
Belgium	62	-O	+2	-4
France	78	+1	+5	+25
Italy	134	+0	-4	-33
Spain	80	+1	-3	-17
Portugal	57	+2	-3	-19
Greece	104	+3	-4	-1

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks End				
Brent Oil	75.17	+1.72	-5.51	-2.43	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	2656.7	+1.08	+5.23	+28.80	

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