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KEY UPCOMING DATA & EVENTS THIS WEEK

GLOBAL

US

- Mar 5: ISM non-manuf. (Feb)
- Mar 6: Factory orders (Jan)
- Mar 7
 - o ADP employment (Feb)
 - o Trade balance (Jan)
 - o Fed's Dudley speaks
 - o Fed's Bostic speaks
 - o Fed's Beige Book
- · Mar 8: Jobless claims (weekly)
- Mar o
 - o Non-farm payrolls (Feb)
 - o Fed's Evans speaks

EUROZONE

- Mar 5
 - o PMI services (Feb final)
 - o Retail sales (Jan)
- Mar 7: Q4 GDP (details)
- Mar 8
 - o German ind/l orders (Jan)
 - o ECB meeting
- Mar 9: German & French industrial production (Jan)

UK

- Mar 5: PMI services (Feb)
- Mar 9
- o Industrial production (Jan)
- o Trade balance (Jan)

GREECE

- Mar 5: GDP (Q4, f)
- Mar 8 U/E rate (Dec)
- Mar 9: HICP/CPI (Feb)

CYPRUS

- Mar 6: HICP (Feb)
- Mar 9: GDP (Q4, f)

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BULGARIA

- Mar 7: GDP (Q4, f)
- Mar 9
 - o Industrial production (Jan)
 - o Retail sales (Jan)

ROMANIA

- Mar 5
 - o Retail sales (Jan)
 - o 3.65% 2031 T-bonds auction
- Mar 7: GDP (Q4, f)
- Mar 8: T-bonds auction

SERBIA

- Mar 6: T-bonds auction
- Mar 8: MPC rate decision
- Mar 9: Moody's rating review

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research

HIGHLIGHTS

WORLD ECONOMIC & MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

GLOBAL MARKETS: Market fears over a trade war re-emerged following Gary Cohn's resignation yesterday as the White House's top economic advisor after disagreement with US President Donald Trump over the latter's proposal for the introduction of tariffs on imported steel and aluminum. Heighted trade war concerns put pressure on global equity markets and the USD while government bonds firmed. Today at 20:00 CET the Fed releases its Beige Book while, on the data front, we expect US January trade balance and the February's ADP employment report.

GREECE: Eurogroup President Mario Centeno stated yesterday in an interview among others that, as agreed, the potential debt relief measures for Greece will only be adopted if two conditions are met: the ESM programme must be successfully completed and debt relief must be considered necessary. TRAINOSE – subsidiary of Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane – submitted yesterday the only binding offer for the acquisition of 100% of EESSTY (ROSCO). The annual growth rate of real GDP in Greece accelerated to 1.4% in 2017 from -0.2% in 2016. The main driver of this economic performance was total investment contributing 1.8 ppts to the annual growth rate. Net exports and public consumption had a negative contribution of -0.3 and -0.2 ppts respectively. Finally, private consumption remained almost stagnant for the fourth consecutive year.

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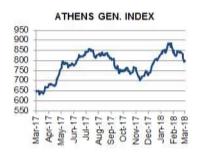
GLOBAL MARKETS

Market fears over a trade war re-emerged following Gary Cohn's resignation yesterday as the White House's top economic advisor after disagreement with US President Donald Trump over the latter's proposal for the introduction of tariffs on imported steel and aluminum. A meeting between the US President and executives from US companies that depend on steel and aluminum has been scheduled for Thursday. Unless Donald Trump pulls back from his proposal, he is reportedly expected to sign the paperwork on tariffs on Saturday. Heighted trade war concerns put pressure on US equity markets while major European bourses followed suit with the FTSEurofirst 300 index standing 0.6% lower in early trade, giving back part of 1.1% cumulative gains recorded in the first two sessions of this week. In FX markets, the USD lost some ground while core government bonds were firmer favored by reduced risk appetite. US Treasuries outperformed German Bunds with the respective 10-yr yield spread narrowing to a multi-session low slightly below 220bps earlier today, c. 1.5bps tighter on the day as investors retain a cautious stance ahead of Thursday's ECB monetary policy meeting. Turning to the EMU periphery sovereign bonds, with the exception of Greece, yield spreads against their respective 10-yr German paper undertook some further tightening on the day of 1.0-2.5bps in spite of the market unfriendly result of Sunday's general election in Italy. This probably reflects market optimism that the Five Start Movement (M5S) will not participate in the new government and the right-wing coalition will manage to lure MPs from Partito Democratico (PD) and the M₅S into supporting a government led by League leader Matteo Salvini. Today at 20:00 CET the Fed releases its Beige Book while, on the data front, we expect US January trade balance and February's ADP employment report.

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Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research

GREECE

Eurogroup President Mario Centeno stated yesterday in an interview among others that, as agreed, the potential debt relief measures for Greece will only be adopted if two conditions are met: the ESM programme must be successfully completed and debt relief must be considered necessary. As a result, the issue should be analysed in a comprehensive way by the institutions and this moment has not yet arrived. Meanwhile, on the privatisations front, TRAINOSE - subsidiary of Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane - submitted yesterday the only binding offer for the acquisition of 100% of EESSTY (ROSCO). Provided that the binding offer is accepted by the Hellenic Republic Asset Development Fund (HRADF), the deal will then have to be ratified by the Court of Audit and the Hellenic Competition Commission. The 2018 State Budget foresees from this privatisation revenues in the order of EUR 5.0 million to be received in 2018. According to the provisional data released by the Hellenic Statistical Authority, the annual growth rate of real GDP in Greece accelerated to 1.4% in 2017 from -0.2% in 2016. This rate was the highest during the last 10 years (Greece's lost decade). In nominal terms, the domestic production of final goods and services expanded by 2.0% or €3.5 bn (from €174.2 to €177.7 bn). The main driver of the aforementioned economic performance was total investment contributing 1.8 ppts to the annual growth rate. Net exports and public consumption had a negative contribution of -0.3 and -0.2 ppts respectively. Finally, private consumption remained almost stagnant for the fourth consecutive year.

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Stock markets				FOREX				Government Bonds				Commodities			
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD	(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	2728.12	0.3%	2.0%	EUR/USD	1.2415	0.1%	3.4%	UST - 10yr	2.87	-2	46	GOLD	1333	-0.2%	2.3%
Nikkei 225	21252.72	-0.8%	-6.6%	GBP/USD	1.3878	-0.1%	2.6%	Bund-10yr	0.67	0	25	BRENT CRUDE	65	-1.2%	-2.8%
STOXX 600	370.20	-0.3%	-4.9%	USD/JPY	105.73	0.4%	6.6%	JGB - 10yr	0.05	-1	0	LMEX	3335	0.8%	-2.4%

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T/N	2.61	1	9	O/N	1.35	1	26	LEONIA	0.01	0	1	
1-week	2.73	1	12	1-month	1.6	0	-27	1-month	-0.27	1	-2	
1-month	2.91	0	6	3-month	2.08	0	3	3-month	-0.19	0	-1	
3-month	3.18	0	6	6-month	2.41	0	14	6-month	-0.06	0	-1	
6-month	3.33	1	9	12-month	2.53	-1	21	12-month	0.27	0	-5	
RS Local Bond	ds			RO Local Bor	nds			BG Local Bond	ls			
	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps		Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps	(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps	
3Y RSD	3.92	0	-36	3Y RON	3.43	0	4	3Y BGN	-0.02	1	4	
5Y RSD	4.23	0	-1	5Y RON	4.01	0	23	5Y BGN	0.24	0	10	
7Y RSD	4.63	3	-55	10Y RON	4.60	0	28	10Y BGN	1.08	0	11	
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USD Feb-20	3.51	0	52	EUR Oct-25	1.55	#N/A N/A	-5	EUR Mar-22	0.21	2	28	
JSD Nov-24	6.34	-18	31	USD Jan-24	3.72	0	72	EUR Sep-24	0.83	13	26	
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5-year	96	-1	-22	5-year	82	-1	-8	5-year	55	0	-41	
10-year	135	-2	-27	10-year	126	-2	-7	10-year	92	0	-49	
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BELEX15	748.5	0.07%	-1.48%	BET	8423.8	-0.11%	8.64%	SOFIX	685.5	0.57%	1.19%	
FOREX				FOREX				FOREX				
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD	
EUR/RSD	117.83	0.16%	0.91%	EUR/RON	4.6606	0.02%	0.09%	USD/BGN	1.5754	0.09%	3.43%	
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