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DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION

Friday 13 July 2018

KEY UPCOMING DATA & EVENTS THIS WEEK

US

- July 9: Consumer credit (JMay)
- July 11: PPI (Jun)
- July 12
 - o Jobless claims (7 Jul)
 - o CPI (Jun)
- July 4
- o Import prices (Jun)
- UM consumer confidence (Jul)

EUROZONE

- July 9
 - o German exports (May)
 - ECB President Draghi speaks
- July 10
 - o German ZEW (Jul)
 - o ECB President speaks
- July 12: Industrial production (May)

UK

- July 10
 - Industrial production (May)
 - o Trade balance (May)

GREECE

- Jul 10
 - o CPI (Jun)
- Industrial production (May)
- July 12: Unemployment rate (Apr)

SEE

BULGARIA

- July 9
- o Industrial Production (May)
- o Retail Sales (May)
- July 12:Trade Balance (May)

ROMANIA

- July 9: Wages Net (May)
- July 10: Trade Balance (May)
- July 11
- o Industrial Sales (May)
- o CPI (June)
- NBR Board meeting minutes
- July 12: Industrial Production (May)

CYPRUS

- July 10: Real Estate Prices (Q1-2018, CYSTAT)
- July 11: Tourism Revenues (April)

SERBIA

- July 12
- o CPI (Jun)
- NBS Board meeting (Jul)

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg,

Eurobank Research

HIGHLIGHTS

WORLD ECONOMIC & MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

gLOBAL MARKETS: US CPI rose 2.9%YoY in June, the biggest annual increase in nearly 6 ½ years and core CPI increased to an 18-month high of 2.3%YoY, supporting the case for two additional Fed rate hikes by the end of this year. Turning to FX markets, the DXY index moved above 95.00 earlier today for the first time in the last ten sessions, 0.4% higher on the day and poised for weekly gains to the tune of 1.2%. Focus today is on the release of the Fed's semi-annual monetary policy report to Congress ahead of Fed Chair Jerome Powell's semi-annual testimony before the Senate Panel next Tuesday. DBRS will also review Italy's sovereign credit rating, which currently stands at BBB, with stable outlook.

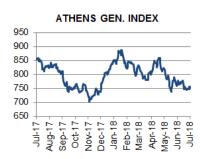
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STOXX 600 410 400 390 380 370 360 350 Mar-18-Jun-18-Jan-18-Feb-18-Apr-18-Jul-18 Dec-17-May-18 Nov-17



Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research

Latest world economic & market developments

GLOBAL MARKETS

US CPI rose 2.9%YoY in June, the biggest annual increase in nearly 6 ½ years after advancing 2.8%YoY in May, mainly due to firmer core goods prices, suggesting a steady buildup of inflation pressures. Further bolstering the case for two additional Fed rate hikes by the end of this year, core CPI increased to an 18-month high of 2.3%YoY from 2.2%YoY in the prior month. In a separate report released yesterday, initial jobless claims dropped by 18k to a seasonally adjusted 214k in the week ended July 7, the lowest level since early May, pointing to a continuous improvement in labor market dynamics.

In reaction to the above, US government bond yields moved higher yesterday with short-dated notes underperforming. The US yield curve continued to flatten with the 2/10-yr yield spread narrowing to a fresh multi-year low close to 25bps earlier today, a warning signal for some Fed officials of a looming recession. Attention now turns to the auction of 30-yr UST bonds later today following a well-received sale of 10-yr bonds on Wednesday.

Higher bond yields favored the USD, with the DXY index moving above 95.00 earlier today for the first time in the last ten sessions, 0.4% higher on the day and poised for weekly gains to the tune of 1.2%. The USD's appreciation this week was more pronounced against the JPY hitting a six-month high of 112.79, 1.8% firmer on a weekly basis, the biggest gain since mid-September. Meanwhile, the EUR/USD moved lower marking an intraday low of 1.1613 earlier today, the lowest in more than a week, pressured by the US currency's broad-based appreciation and the dovish tone of the accounts of the June ECB monetary policy meeting released yesterday. In line with the ECB policy statement released after the conclusion of the June policy meeting, the accounts suggested that the asset purchases program could be extended beyond December 2018, if macro conditions were to worsen materially and the first rate hike is not expected before September 2019 at the earliest. In response to the USD's improved performance, the GBP also lost some ground marking a 1 1/2 week low of 1.3117 earlier today amid concerns about heightened political uncertainty following a series of resignations from the UK cabinet in reaction to Prime Minister Theresa May's latest Brexit plans which suggested a shift towards a softer form of Brexit. Comments by US President Donald Trump on the sidelines of the NATO Summit that the UK government's newly-announced Brexit blueprint "will probably kill" hopes of a possible US/UK trade deal, have also had an impact.

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2798.29

22597.35

ΔD

0.9%

1.8%

ΔΥΤΟ

4.7%

-0.7%

FOREX

EUR/USD

GBP/USD

Last

1.1629

1.3128

ΔD

-0.4%

-0.6%

ΔYTD

-3.1%

-2.9%

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Government Bonds

Last

2.85

0.34

ΔDbps ΔYTD bps

0

(yields)

UST - 10yr

Bund-10yr



ΔΥΤΟ

-4.79

-12.0%

-0.4%

-1.2% 10.0%

Commodities

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GOLD

44

Last

1242

74

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Stock markets

S&P 500

Nikkei 225

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