

# GLOBAL & REGIONAL DAILY

## HIGHLIGHTS

April 1, 2020

### Global Markets

According to yesterday's flash estimate, Euro area headline HICP inflation dropped by 0.5pp to 0.7%YoY in March mainly driven by lower oil prices, while core inflation was down 0.2pp to 1.0%YoY, reflecting the COVID-19 impact on leisure and travel services. Meanwhile, Asian equity markets erased early gains to close in the red and European shares opened lower, amid lingering concerns about the pronounced economic downtrend the COVID-19 pandemic will induce. In FX markets, the USD gained, broadly favored by its safe-haven appeal, recovering part of yesterday's losses driven by the Fed's announcement that it would allow foreign central banks to exchange their holdings of US Treasuries for overnight dollar loans, targeting central banks that are not covered under the recently established bilateral swap lines.

### Greece

According to ELSTAT, the overall volume index in retail trade in Jan-20, increased by 8.4%YoY, while annual increases were recorded in all specialised store categories, with the steepest ones being in furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment (+19.5%), pharmaceutical products, cosmetics (+14.5%) and books, stationery, other goods (+14.3%). The seasonally adjusted overall volume index increased by 3.3%MoM. Meanwhile, the Ministry of Finance has defined three frameworks of support measures for companies and workers, covering a broad range of sectors including industry, wholesale trade, insurance, auditing and brokerage companies, energy, gas stations, waste management and infrastructure projects. The necessary condition is the maintenance of all jobs.

### CESEE

Bulgaria: Bulgarian National Bank's (BNB) Governor Dimitar Radev stated that the ERM II and the EU's Banking Union accession in the summer of 2020 is no longer realistic taking into account the impact from the Covid19 spread. Nevertheless, he added that the authorities should not stop working towards this direction as the disadvantages of being under a currency board but not in a full-fledged monetary union as the euro area (EA), are now visible. Bulgaria is restricted in its own monetary measures and has no lender of last resort, contrary to EA states, he explained. Serbia: Fitch cut its 2020 GDP growth forecast to 0.2% from 3.6% projected earlier as a result of the Covid19 outbreak. Inter alia, Fitch now anticipates that the NBS will deliver a further 75bps of cuts this year after lowering the policy rate by 50bps to 1.75%.

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## GLOBAL MARKETS

### Stock markets

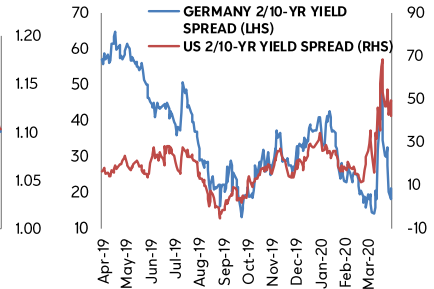
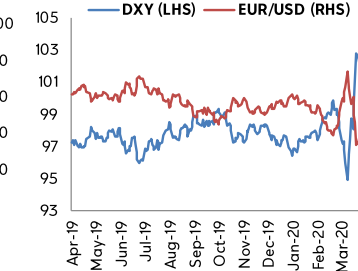
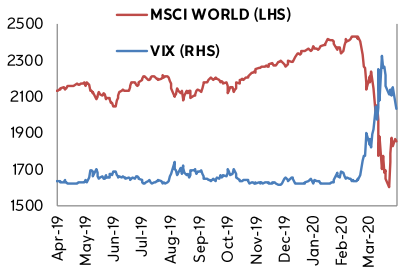
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	2584.59	-1.60%	-20.0%
Nikkei 225	18065.41	-4.5%	-23.6%
STOXX 600	316.35	-1.2%	-23.9%

### FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/USD	1.0986	-0.4%	-2.0%
GBP/USD	1.235	-0.6%	-6.8%
USD/JPY	107.6	-0.1%	0.9%

### Government Bonds

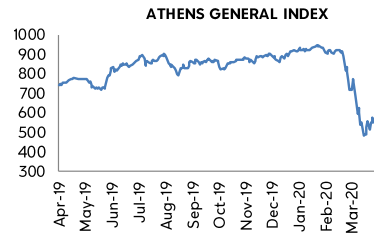
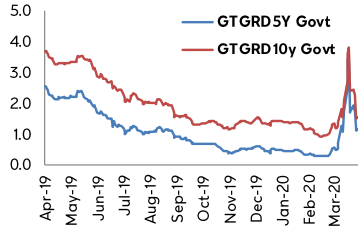
(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
UST - 10yr	0.60	-7	-132
Bund-10yr	-0.52	-5	-33
JGB - 10yr	0.01	-2	2



## GREECE

### Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTDbps
5Y Bond	1.30	4	81
10Y Bond	1.64	2	21
Δ(10YBund-10YGGB)	2.16	0	55



## EMERGING MARKETS

### Stock markets

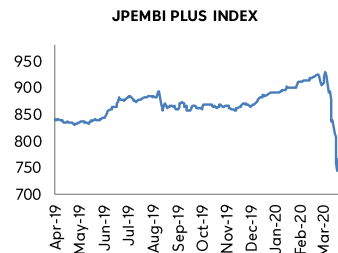
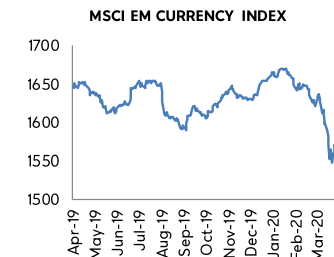
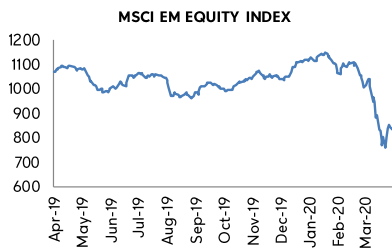
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
SOFIX	419.35	0.0%	-26.2%
BELEX	636.53	0.1%	-2060.1%
XUI00	88265.32	-1.5%	-2286.2%

### FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/PLN	4.5772	-0.5%	-7.1%
EUR/RSD	117.521	0.0%	0.2%
USD/TRY	6.6339	-0.3%	-10.3%

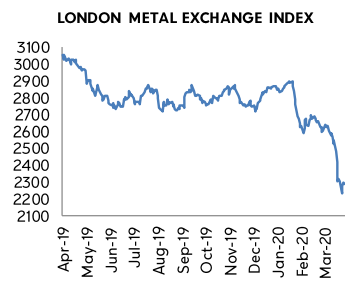
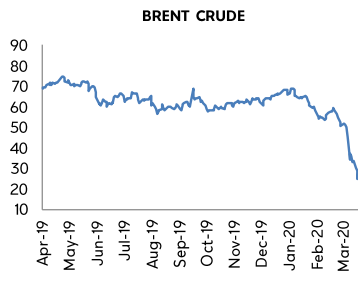
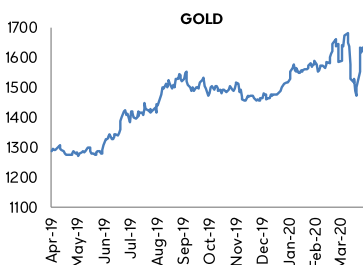
### Government Bonds

	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
TR 10Y yield	8.39	0	226
BG 8Y yield	Invalid Security		
PL 10Y yield	1.66		



## COMMODITIES

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
GOLD	1594	1.0%	5.0%
BRENT CRUDE	26	-3.0%	-61.3%
LME X	2335	2.3%	-17.9%



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