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HIGHLIGHTS

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Global Markets

The ECB left unchanged its interest rates, purchases programmes and forward guidance at y-day's policy meeting, as expected, while President Christine Lagarde noted at the post-meeting press conference that economic uncertainty remains high and downside risks prevail, including the uncertain economic and financial effects of the pandemic. The ECB President's rhetoric on the EUR's appreciation was rather balanced. In reaction, the EUR/USD extended recent gains hitting a post-ECB high of 1.1916 before moving back down to levels around 1.1830/40, as increased risk aversion on news that US Senate Democrats voted to block Republicans' Covid-19 stimulus bill, lifted the US currency. Meanwhile, the EU issued an ultimatum to the UK to drop the parts of its Internal Market Bill that undermine the Withdrawal Agreement.

Greece

According to ELSTAT, the s.a. unemployment rate in Jun-20 was 18.3% compared to the downwards revised 17.1% in Jun-19 and to the upwards revised 17.3% in May-20. The number of employed persons changed by -4.4%YoY / +0.3%MoM, while the number of unemployed persons by +3.3%YoY / +7.5%MoM. Note that according to Eurostat in the light of the COVID-19 pandemic, persons in lay-off are still considered employed persons if the duration of their contract suspension is less than 3 months or if they receive more than 50% of their salary. On the Covid-19 front, daily confirmed cases jumped to 372 yesterday, with 114 of them linked to a food processing industry in Northern Greece, forcing the government to impose further restrictive measures in the broader region.

CESEE

Bulgaria: Some of July's hard data released yesterday, point to some deceleration in the contraction rate of the economic activity. Industrial production fell by -6.0% YoY, easing from the -7.7% YoY drop in June, while retail sales shrunk by -17.5% YoY compared to the -18.1% YoY decrease in June. **Serbia:** The National Bank of Serbia (NBS) decided in yesterday's policy meeting to leave the Key Policy Rate (KPR) unchanged at 1.25% for the third month in a row, following a cumulative easing of 100bps so far this year, delivered gradually in three cuts in March, April and June. Inflation in July came in at 2.0% YoY from 1.6% YoY and 0.7% in June and May respectively and is expected to remain around the same levels and well anchored to the inflation target corridor (3.0% ± 1.5%) in the foreseeable future.

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GLOBAL MARKETS

Stock markets

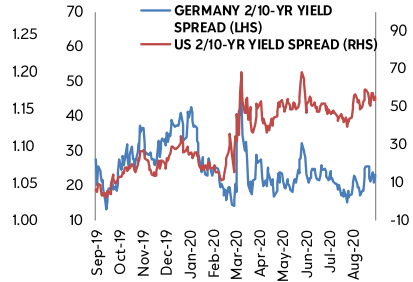
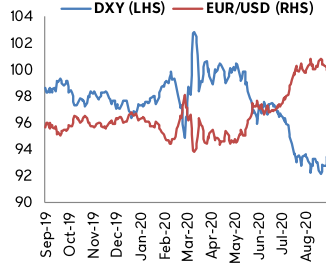
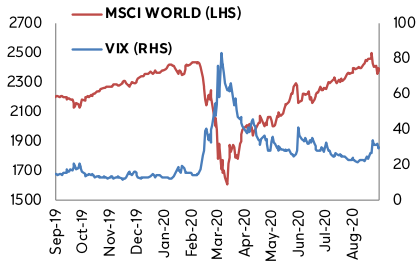
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	3339.19	-1.76%	3.4%
Nikkei 225	23406.49	0.7%	-1.1%
STOXX 600	367.64	0.0%	-11.6%

FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/USD	1.1845	0.3%	5.6%
GBP/USD	1.2843	0.3%	-3.1%
USD/JPY	106.23	-0.1%	2.2%

Government Bonds

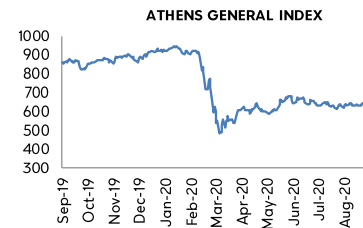
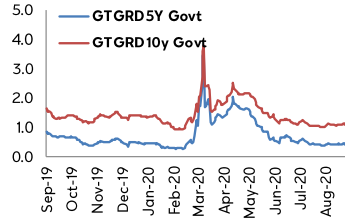
(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
UST - 10yr	0.69	1	-123
Bund-10yr	-0.46	-3	-27
JGB - 10yr	0.03	0	4



GREECE

Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTDbps
5Y Bond	0.41	-1	-7
10Y Bond	1.12	-1	-31
Δ(10YBund-10YGGB)	1.58	0	-4



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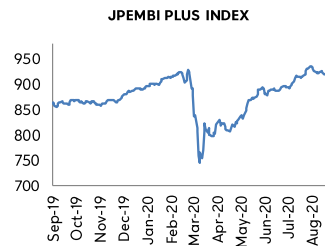
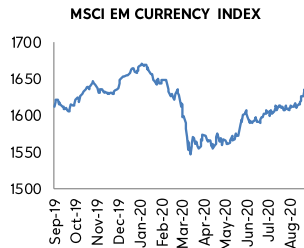
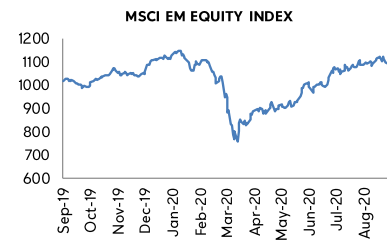
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
SOFIX	430.51	0.0%	-24.2%
BELEX	690.81	0.1%	-1383.1%
XUI00	1102.50	0.3%	-364.9%

FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/PLN	4.4446	0.2%	-4.3%
EUR/RSD	117.605	0.1%	0.1%
USD/TRY	7.4636	-0.2%	-20.3%

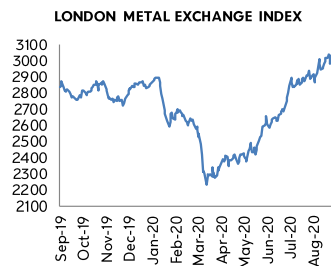
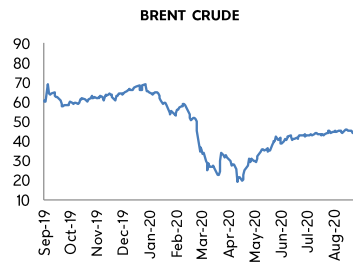
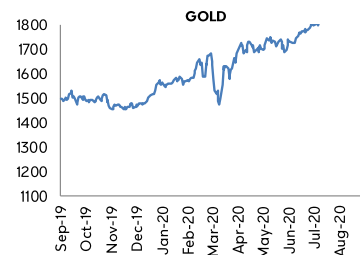
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	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
TR 10Y yield	6.41	-8	28
BG 8Y yield	Invalid Security		
PL 10Y yield	1.37		



COMMODITIES

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
GOLD	1942	-0.2%	28.0%
BRENT CRUDE	40	-0.3%	-39.5%
LMEX	2991	-0.4%	5.2%



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