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HIGHLIGHTS

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Global Markets

In an emergency meeting yesterday, the Fed announced additional measures to soften the economic damage from the COVID-19 outbreak, including, a 100bps rate cut taking the target range for the federal funds rate to 0.00-0.25% and additional asset purchases of at least \$500bn. Meanwhile, the ECB and other major central banks decided in a coordinated action yesterday to launch a number of measures to enhance the provision of global US dollar liquidity via the standing US dollar liquidity swap line arrangements. Nevertheless, market uncertainty remains high over whether the targeted measures are enough to counter the effects of the COVID-19 spread. Global equity markets remained under heavy pressure earlier today, UST and Bund yields were lower on the day and the USD was weaker against most of its major currency peers.

Greece

MinFin announced the following measures to address coronavirus impact: 1) €15mn for medical supplies and €70mn for the recruitment of 2,000 medical staff, (additional funding is estimated to exceed €200mn), 2) facilitation of access to work through flexible work hours, work from home and special purpose leaves, 3) suspension of payment of tax, social security obligations and social security debts for specific businesses, 4) mechanism to monitor sectors and regions where economic activity has fallen significantly, 5) a comprehensive system to support employees of companies whose operation has been suspended, 6) quick clearance of government arrears, 7) liquidity to companies to prevent the loss of jobs, and 8) claiming additional fiscal space through the competent European bodies.

CESEE

Bulgaria: The parliament approved unanimously the introduction of state of emergency in the country over the coronavirus epidemics for one month. The state of emergency will empower the government to adopt restrictive measures for travelling within and outside the country as well as to shut down schools, universities and private businesses. The government also plans a revision of the state budget to allocate more funds for the healthcare system. Serbia: In a televised interview, Prime Minister Brnabic announced that the official GDP growth forecast remains at 4% in 2020 despite the coronavirus outbreak. She highlighted that the authorities will undertake all necessary measures to stabilize the economy, which is in a good shape, and minimize the negative impact.

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GLOBAL MARKETS

Stock markets

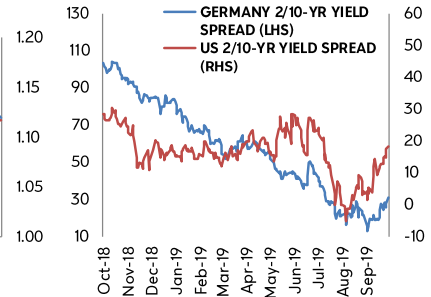
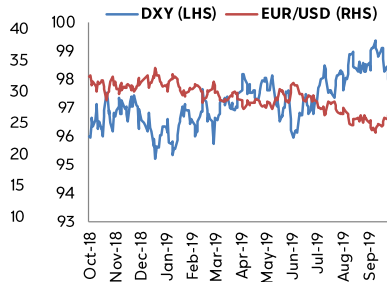
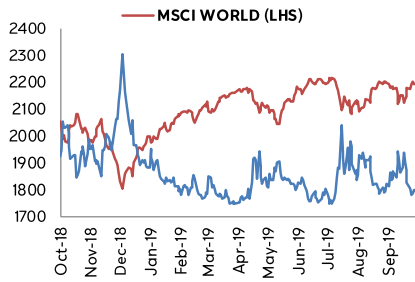
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	2986.20	-0.39%	19.1%
Nikkei 225	22548.90	0.2%	12.7%
STOXX 600	393.03	0.3%	16.4%

FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/USD	1.1178	0.1%	-2.5%
GBP/USD	1.2998	0.2%	1.9%
USD/JPY	108.64	-0.2%	1.0%

Government Bonds

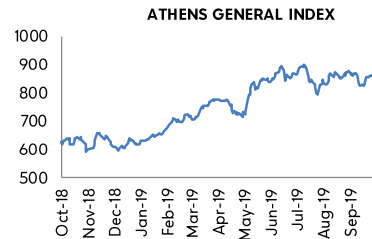
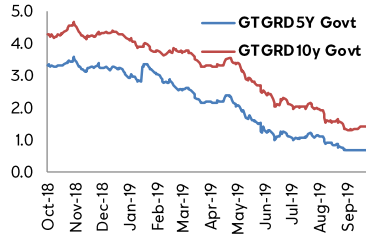
(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
UST - 10yr	1.79	3	-90
Bund-10yr	-0.34	4	-58
JGB - 10yr	-0.13	1	-13



GREECE

Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTDbps
5Y Bond	0.59	0	-259
10Y Bond	1.31	1	-303
Δ(10YBund-10YGG)	1.66	0	-245



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Stock markets

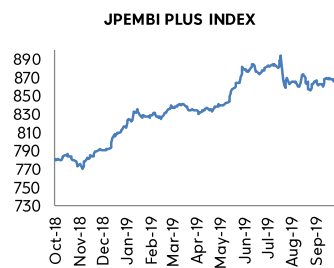
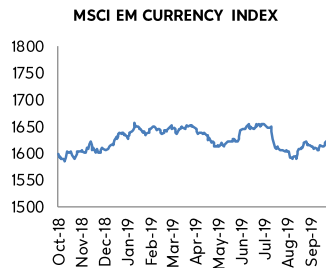
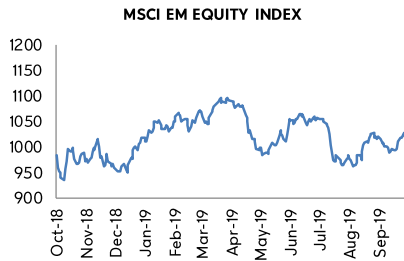
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
SOFIX	564.42	-0.1%	-5.1%
BELEX	748.04	-0.1%	-179.2%
XU100	97797.11	-0.6%	715.1%

FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/PLN	4.2784	0.1%	0.3%
EUR/RSD	117.815	0.2%	0.4%
USD/TRY	5.8318	-0.7%	-9.3%

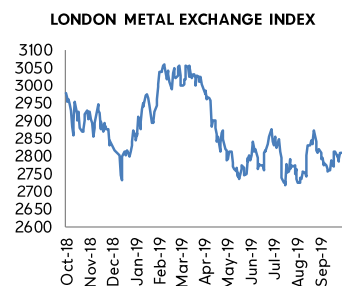
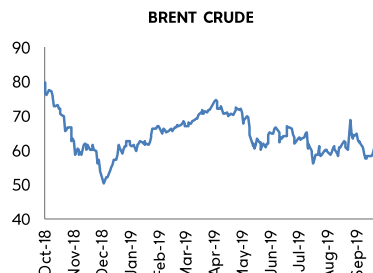
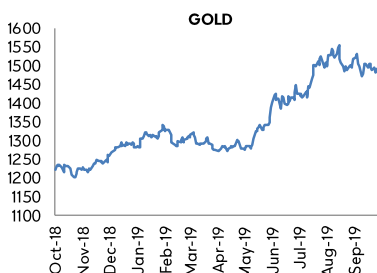
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	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
TR 10Y yield	6.88	-1	-22
BG 8Y yield	0.13	-3	-34
PL 10Y yield	2.04	2	-77



COMMODITIES

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
GOLD	1489	-0.1%	16.1%
BRENT CRUDE	59	-0.1%	10.3%
LMEX	2809	0.7%	0.3%



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