

# GLOBAL & REGIONAL DAILY

## HIGHLIGHTS

September 22, 2020

### Global Markets

Risk-off sentiment prevailed earlier today amid concerns about renewed restrictions to curb surging coronavirus infections across Europe. Among others, the limit on public gatherings was lowered in Denmark and the French city of Nice, while in the UK, the PM is reportedly expected to announce today an early closing time for pubs and restaurants. Adding to market woes, hopes for additional US fiscal stimulus ahead of the 3 November presidential election are fading, in view of the political diversion caused by the Supreme Court vacancy. In FX markets, the USD firmed favored by its safe-haven appeal, pulling the EUR/USD to an intraday low of 1.1732 and the GBP/USD below 1.2800. Fed Chair Jerome Powell and US Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin will testify today on the CARES Act before the House Financial Services Committee.

### Greece

According to the BoG, in Jul-20, the current account (CA) recorded a deficit of €875mn, against a surplus of €1.3 bn in Jul-19, due to a significant deterioration in the services balance, which was only partly offset by the improved balance of goods and primary and secondary income accounts. In the period January to July 2020, the CA deficit rose to €7.9bn, up by €5.2 bn compared to the corresponding period of 2019. This development is mainly attributed to a decline in the surplus of services and the secondary income account, which were partly offset by a significant drop in the balance of goods deficit and the deficit of the primary income account. On the pandemic, new cases jumped to 453 yesterday, of which 195 are associated with known outbreaks.

### CESEE

**Cyprus:** Tourist arrivals declined by 88.2% YoY down to 104,261 in August compared to 553,845 a year ago, bringing the year-to-August decline down to -84.5% YoY. Tourist arrivals from the UK declined by -78.3% YoY, from Greece by -43.8% YoY, from Germany by -23.1% YoY, and by -47.8% YoY from Switzerland. Following three months of passenger air flight ban, international flights resumed on June 9 from specific countries, based on their epidemiological risk assessment. Yet, they have not been fully restored with all pre-Covid19 crisis destinations. In any case, the pandemic crisis has already pushed the economy to outright recession (-5.5% YoY in 1H), given that it is small, open with tourism & travel having a substantial contribution (13.8% of GDP, 13.2% of total employment according to WTCC).

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## GLOBAL MARKETS

### Stock markets

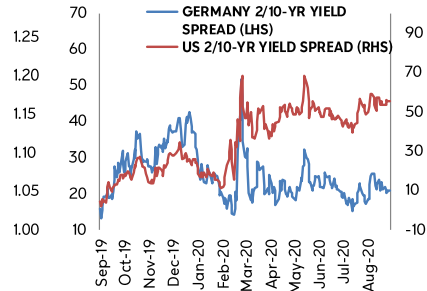
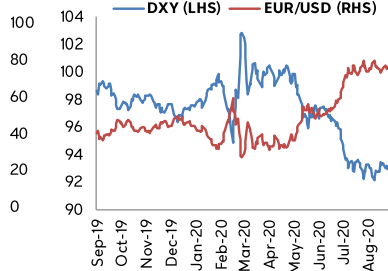
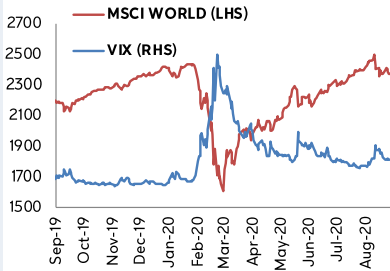
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	3281.06	-1.16%	1.6%
Nikkei 225	23360.30	0.2%	-1.3%
STOXX 600	356.82	-3.2%	-14.2%

### FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/USD	1.1756	-0.1%	4.8%
GBP/USD	1.2804	-0.1%	-3.4%
USD/JPY	104.53	0.1%	3.9%

### Government Bonds

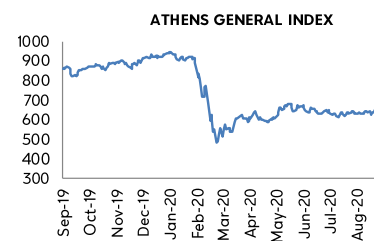
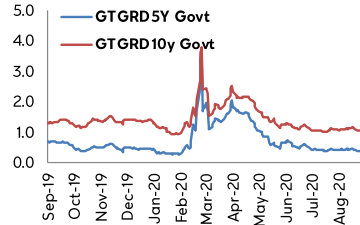
(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
UST - 10yr	0.67	-3	-125
Bund-10yr	-0.53	-5	-35
JGB - 10yr	0.02	0	3



## GREECE

### Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTDbps
5Y Bond	0.41	0	-8
10Y Bond	1.07	0	-36
Δ(10YBund-10YGGB)	1.60	0	-2



## EMERGING MARKETS

### Stock markets

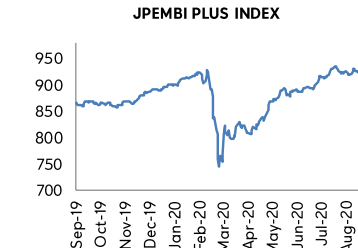
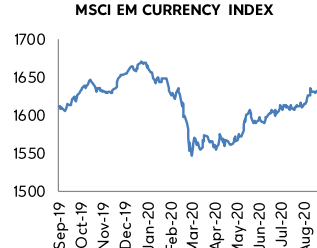
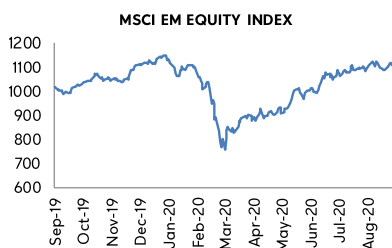
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
SOFIX	423.59	-0.3%	-25.4%
BELEX	688.68	0.0%	-1409.6%
XU100	1087.03	-2.2%	-500.1%

### FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/PLN	4.4968	-0.1%	-5.4%
EUR/RSD	117.762	0.0%	0.0%
USD/TRY	7.6307	0.0%	-22.0%

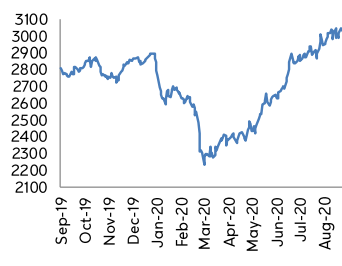
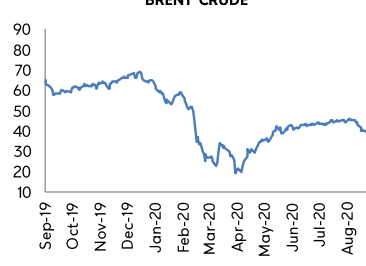
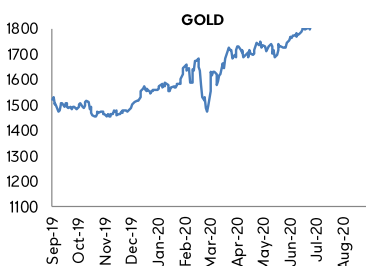
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	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
TR 10Y yield	6.96	-7	83
BG 8Y yield	Invalid Security		
PL 10Y yield	1.29		



## COMMODITIES

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
GOLD	1909	-0.2%	25.8%
BRENT CRUDE	41	-0.3%	-37.4%
LMEX	2995	-1.7%	5.3%



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