

# GLOBAL & REGIONAL DAILY

## HIGHLIGHTS

July 24, 2020

### Global Markets

Global equity markets traded lower on Friday as US-China tensions escalated, after China ordered to shut the US consulate in Chengdu in retaliation for the abrupt closure of its consulate in Houston. The unexpected weekly increase in US initial jobless claims from 109k to 1.416m, the first rise in nearly four months that brought to an end a run of 15 successive declines, also appears to have weighed on sentiment. Meanwhile, US lawmakers are expected to start introducing components of their new fiscal stimulus package on Monday. In fixed income markets, central banks' provision of liquidity is keeping prices firm, with the 10-yr Treasury yield falling to its lowest level of 0.556% since mid-April and the 10-yr Bund yield hovering around two-month lows of -0.499% at the time of writing. In FX markets, the EUR/USD was trading near a 22-month high of 1.1620, set for weekly/monthly gains of ca. 1.7%/3.3%.

### Greece

The new IT system in the Single Social Security Fund (EFKA) was launched yesterday. The new infrastructure will accelerate the pace of the clearing of the pension claims' backlog, which, according to press, amount to c. 260,000. The goal of the new system is to have 80% -85% of new pensions awarded automatically by 2021. The significant reduction of outstanding pension claims constitutes also a commitment in the context of the Enhanced Surveillance framework. Meanwhile, today's agenda includes a scheduled update on Greece's rating by Fitch, with the current long-term rating at 'BB' and outlook 'stable'. On the pandemic front, yesterday's new cases amounted to 33, at similar levels with previous days, while in the week from 17 to 23 July, 183 new Covid-19 cases were recorded in total, with 51 of them detected at entry points.

### CESEE

In a press conference held yesterday, Bulgaria's PM Boyko Borissov announced the replacement of four Ministers in the expected cabinet reshuffle and the unveiling of new measures for financial and social support in view of the coronavirus crisis on July 27. Both announcements are not mirrored in the local stockmarket yet, as the Sofix index remains broadly stable at 440.63 at the time of writing, having slid by ca.2.5% since the political turmoil began almost two weeks ago. In Serbia, the Minister of Finance, Sinisa Mali, stated yesterday that the supportive measures, announced by the President Aleksandar Vucic on Wednesday, will cost around RSD66bn. The region's calendar today and for the week ahead is rather empty, with Serbia's real wages data in May due later today.

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## GLOBAL MARKETS

### Stock markets

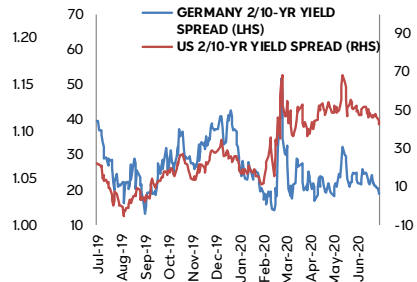
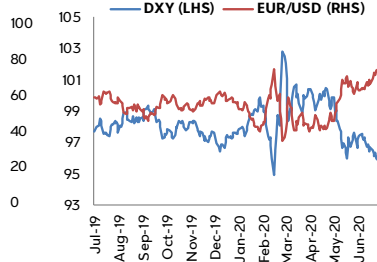
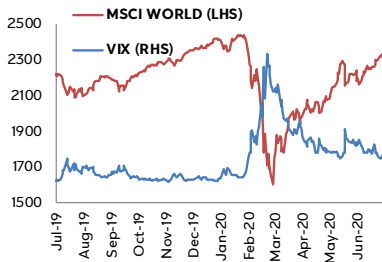
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	3235.66	-1.23%	0.2%
Nikkei 225	22751.61	-0.6%	-3.8%
STOXX 600	373.65	0.1%	-10.1%

### FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/USD	1.1615	0.2%	3.6%
GBP/USD	1.2749	0.1%	-3.8%
USD/JPY	106.32	0.5%	2.2%

### Government Bonds

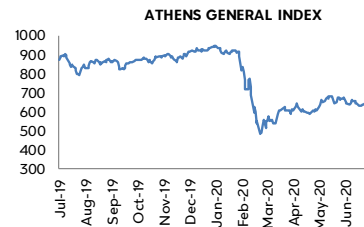
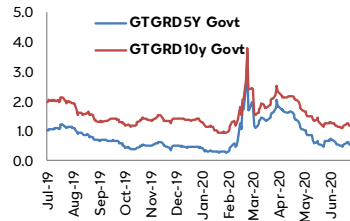
(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
UST - 10yr	0.57	-1	-135
Bund-10yr	-0.49	-1	-30
JGB - 10yr	0.02	0	3



## GREECE

### Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTDbps
5Y Bond	0.43	0	-6
10Y Bond	1.07	0	-36
Δ(10YBund-10YGGB)	1.56	0	-6



## EMERGING MARKETS

### Stock markets

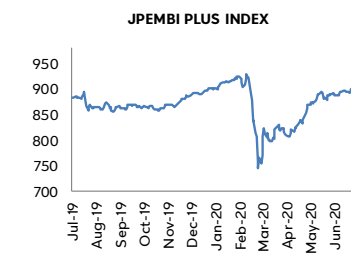
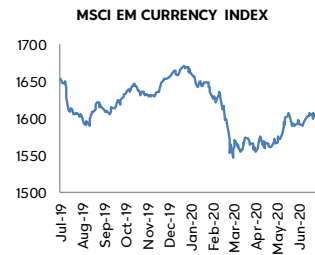
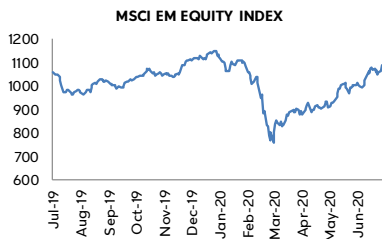
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
SOFIX	440.63	0.2%	-22.4%
BELEX	649.16	-1.3%	-1902.6%
XU100	119031.20	0.8%	402.6%

### FOREX

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/PLN	4.4123	0.0%	-3.6%
EUR/RSD	117.589	0.1%	0.1%
USD/TRY	6.8488	-0.1%	-13.1%

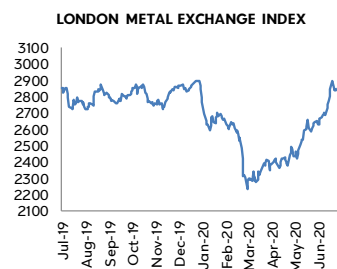
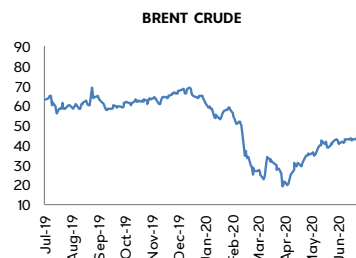
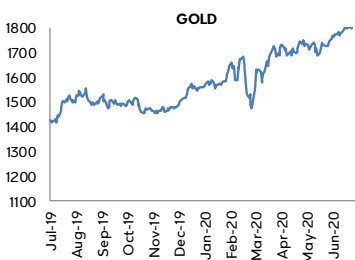
### Government Bonds

	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
TR 10Y yield	6.41	-6	28
BG 8Y yield	Invalid Security		
PL 10Y yield	1.34		



## COMMODITIES

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
GOLD	1888	0.1%	24.5%
BRENT CRUDE	43	0.0%	-34.4%
LMEX	2889	1.1%	1.6%



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