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HIGHLIGHTS

April 1, 2021

Global Markets

US President Joe Biden unveiled a \$2.3trn infrastructure spending package y-day, the first of a two-part economic plan, focused on fixing roads and bridges, improving high speed broadband internet access and boosting funding for R&D. In reaction, global equity markets were firmer earlier today, while UST yields remained elevated, with the 10-yr yield hovering around 1.716% at the time of writing after closing at 1.744% y-day, the highest closing level in over a year, but still below Tuesday's intraday peak of 1.776%. Expectations for a robust US recovery kept the USD well supported, with the EUR/USD hovering around 1.1740 in early European trade, not too far from y-day's multi-month low near 1.1700, following the announcement of several European governments for tighter activity measures to contain the third wave of Covid-19.

Greece

The Greek PM Kyriakos Mitsotakis presented yesterday the National Recovery and Resilience Plan "Greece 2.0". The plan foresees total grants and loans of €30.9bn (€18.2bn grants and €12.7bn loans) that will mobilise funds of €51bn through investments spanning four pillars: green transition (€6bn grants), digital transition (€2.1bn grants), employment, skills, social cohesion (€5.2bn grants) and private investments and transformation of the economy (€4.8bn grants). The investments will receive funding from "Greece 2.0" at a maximum of 50%, with banks and private investors contributing at least 30% and 20% respectively. The loans will be granted through International Financial Institutions (IFIs) and the banking system. The plan is expected to add 7 percentage points to GDP by 2026 and create 180,000 jobs.

CESEE

In the Europe and Central Asia economic update released y-day, the WB cut its 2021 real GDP growth forecast for Bulgaria to 2.6%, compared to the 3.3% forecast in January. The deterioration of the outlook for 2021 is broadly based on the increased risks from the slow vaccination progress in the country, the current epidemic status and its impact on local tourism for the remaining of the year along with the political risk from the upcoming parliamentary elections this Sunday. GDP growth is anticipated to accelerate to 3.3% in 2022 and 3.4% in 2023. On the flipside, the WB revised upwards its forecasts for Serbia to 5.0% for 2021 compared to 3.1% 3 months ago, approaching, thus, the official government forecast. In the next 2 years, the economy is expected to cool down, expanding by 3.7% and 3.4% in 2022 and 2023 respectively.

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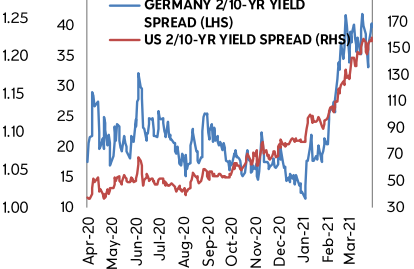
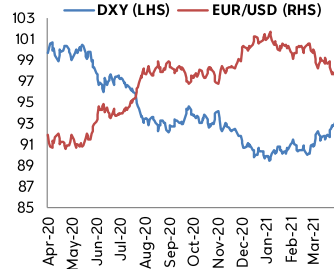
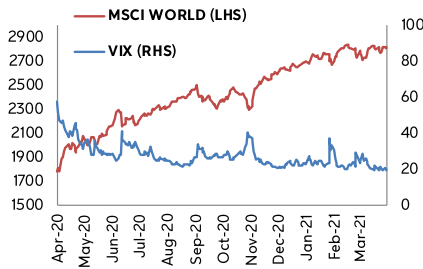
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	3972.89	0.36%	5.8%
Nikkei 225	29388.87	0.7%	7.1%
STOXX 600	430.76	0.3%	8.0%

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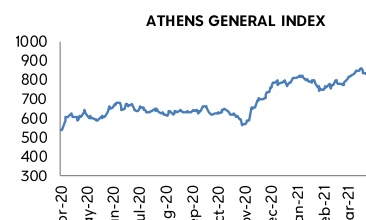
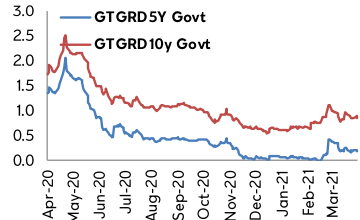
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/USD	1.1738	0.1%	-3.9%
GBP/USD	1.3771	-0.1%	0.7%
USD/JPY	110.69	0.0%	-6.7%

Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
UST - 10yr	1.71	-3	80
Bund-10yr	-0.30	0	27
JGB - 10yr	0.11	2	9


GREECE
Government Bonds

(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTDbps
5Y Bond	0.19	-1	11
10Y Bond	0.85	-1	23
Δ(10YBund-10YGGB)	1.15	0	-4


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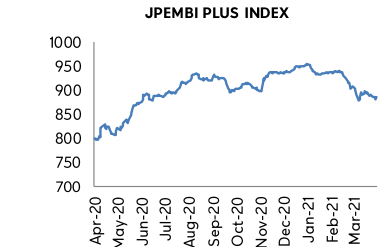
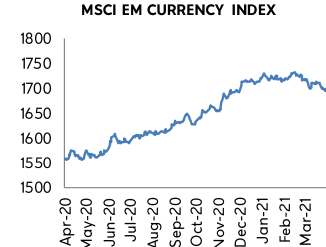
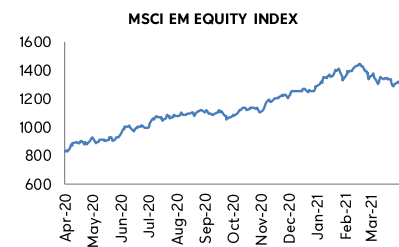
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
SOFIX	499.11	-0.6%	11.5%
BELEX	754.40	-0.1%	77.3%
XU100	1409.94	1.3%	-452.2%

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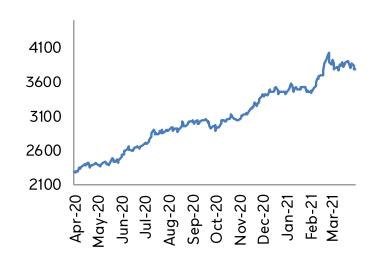
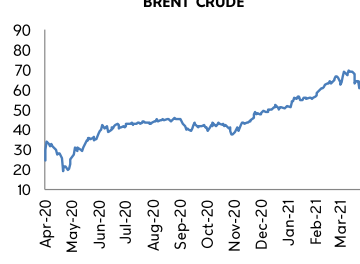
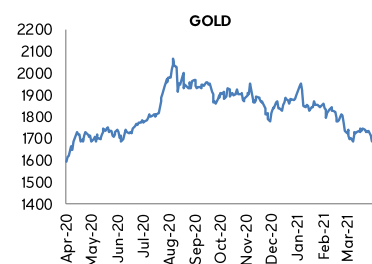
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/PLN	4.6355	-0.1%	-1.6%
EUR/RSD	117.607	0.0%	0.0%
USD/TRY	8.1853	0.8%	-9.1%

Government Bonds

	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
TR 10Y yield	7.21	-10	180
BG 8Y yield	Invalid Security		
PL 10Y yield	1.55		


COMMODITIES

	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
GOLD	1718	0.6%	-9.5%
BRENT CRUDE	63	0.9%	22.2%
LME X	3787	0.1%	10.9%



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