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HIGHLIGHTS

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Global Markets

Global equities bounced in early trade on Monday, with Japan's Nikkei Index rebounding after last week's fall to its lowest level for the year. In the government bonds space, the 10-yr US Treasury yields edged higher at 1.27% in Asian trade, having closed the previous week lower amid worries that the spread of the Delta variant could derail the global economic recovery, while in FX markets, the safe haven US dollar traded near 9-month highs. In commodities, oil prices pared some losses earlier today, with Brent crude trading around \$66/bbl following its worst week in about nine months on global growth jitters. Flash manufacturing PMIs for August are expected today as an early sign of the Q3 economic momentum, while Fed Chair Jerome Powell's speech at the Jackson Hole Symposium on Friday will likely lure market attention.

Greece

According to ELSTAT, for the total of enterprises in retail trade, the turnover in Q2-2021 amounted to €13.5 billion, recording an increase of 22.9%YoY and 23.8%QoQ. The activities that recorded the biggest increase in turnover in the Q2-2021 compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020 are retail sales of watches and jewelry in specialised stores (+108.5%) and sales of other motor vehicles (+107.7%). The activities that recorded a decrease in turnover in Q2-2021 compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020 are other retail sales not in stores, stalls or markets (-5.7%) and retail sales of fruit and vegetables in specialized stores (-1.2%). On Covid-19, new cases reached 1,948 yesterday with the positivity rate at 3.1% against 3.2% the day before and patients in ICUs at 318 compared to 241 one week earlier.

CESEE

In the latest inflation report released late in the previous week, the National Bank of Serbia (NBS) raised its GDP growth forecasts by 0.5pps for 2021 and 2022, currently standing at 6.5% and 4.5% respectively. The upward revision is broadly based on the stronger-than-anticipated contribution of construction, mostly due to public infrastructure projects. On the monetary front, CPI inflation has remained around the mid-point of the targeted band (3%+/-1.5pps), which explains among others the accommodative stance by the NBS so far in terms of policy. Headline inflation is expected to accelerate above 3% YoY in the next three quarters, but it is forecast to remain within the tolerance band. Stronger inflation is expected to be only temporary, and then decelerate quickly, moving again under the 3% target by the end of 2022.

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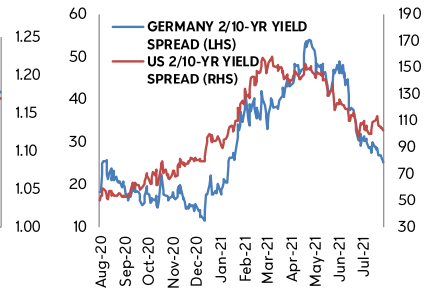
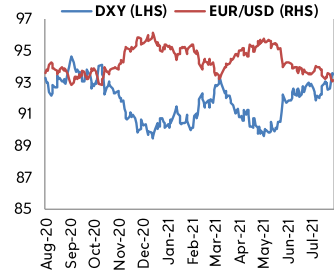
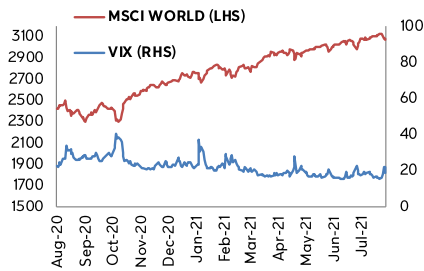
| | Last | ΔD | ΔYTD |
|------------|----------|-------|-------|
| S&P 500 | 4441.67 | 0.81% | 18.3% |
| Nikkei 225 | 27494.24 | 1.8% | 0.2% |
| STOXX 600 | 469.93 | 0.2% | 17.8% |

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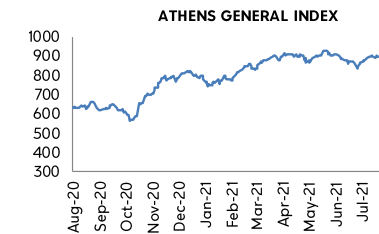
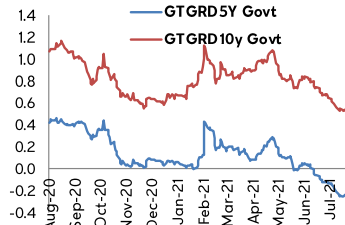
| | Last | ΔD | ΔYTD |
|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| EUR/USD | 1.1728 | 0.3% | -4.0% |
| GBP/USD | 1.3653 | 0.2% | -0.1% |
| USD/JPY | 109.95 | -0.2% | -6.1% |

Government Bonds

| (yields) | Last | ΔDbps | ΔYTD bps |
|------------|-------|-------|----------|
| UST - 10yr | 1.27 | 2 | 36 |
| Bund-10yr | -0.47 | 3 | 10 |
| JGB - 10yr | 0.02 | 1 | 0 |


GREECE
Government Bonds

| (yields) | Last | ΔDbps | ΔYTDbps |
|------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| 5Y Bond | -0.20 | 1 | -28 |
| 10Y Bond | 0.57 | 2 | -5 |
| Δ(10YBund-10YGG) | 1.04 | 0 | -16 |


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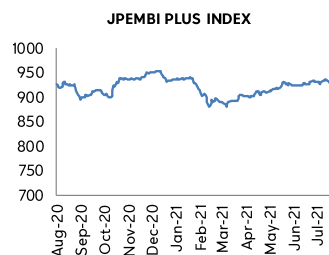
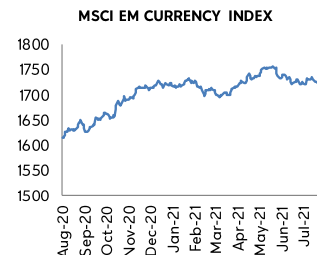
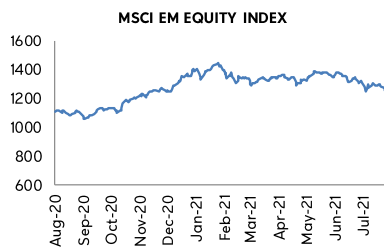
| | Last | ΔD | ΔYTD |
|-------|---------|-------|---------|
| SOFIX | 570.64 | -0.3% | 27.5% |
| BELEX | 800.20 | -0.3% | 689.1% |
| XU100 | 1458.05 | 0.9% | -126.4% |

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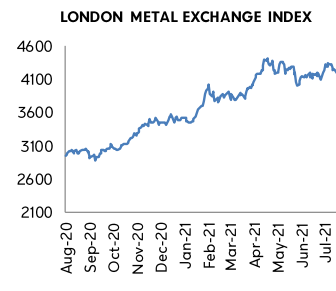
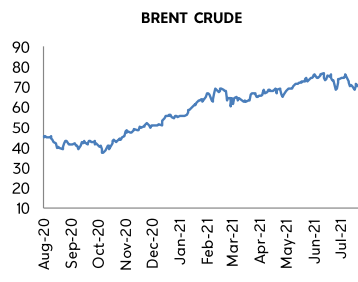
| | Last | ΔD | ΔYTD |
|---------|---------|-------|--------|
| EUR/PLN | 4.5885 | -0.1% | -0.6% |
| EUR/RSD | 117.568 | 0.0% | 0.1% |
| USD/TRY | 8.4734 | 0.3% | -12.2% |

Government Bonds

| | Last | ΔDbps | ΔYTD bps |
|--------------|------------------|-------|----------|
| TR 10Y yield | 6.12 | -6 | 71 |
| BG 8Y yield | Invalid Security | | |
| PL 10Y yield | 1.72 | | |


COMMODITIES

| | Last | ΔD | ΔYTD |
|-------------|------|------|-------|
| GOLD | 1787 | 0.3% | -5.9% |
| BRENT CRUDE | 67 | 2.8% | 29.3% |
| LMEX | 4077 | 0.6% | 19.4% |



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