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KEY UPCOMING DATA & EVENTS THIS WEEK

GLOBAL

US

- July 5: Industrial orders
- (May)
- July 6
 - Trade balance (May)
 - ISM non-manuf. (Jun)Minutes of the June
 - 14/15 FOMC meeting
- July 7
 - ADP employment report (June)
 - Initial jobless claims
- July 8: Non-farm payrolls (June)

EUROZONE

 July 7: ECB account on June 2nd monetary policy considerations

GREECE

- July 7: Labor Force
- Survey (April)
- July 8

 Commercial
 - transactions (May, provisional data)
 - Harmonized index of consumer prices & national consumer price index (June)

<u>SEE</u>

- ROMANIA
 - July 4: PPI (May)
 - July 5: Retail sales (May)
 - July 7: Wages Net (May)
 - July 8: Q1 GDP (2nd est.)

SERBIA

- July 7:
 PPI EU harmonized
 - (Jun)Executive Board
- meeting BULGARIA
 - July 8:
 - Retail sales (May)
 - Industrial production
 - (May)
- Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research
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HIGHLIGHTS

WORLD ECONOMIC & MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

GLOBAL MARKETS: The minutes from the FOMC 14-15 June policy meeting failed to provide any new insights over the central bank's policy deliberations ahead. Against this background, the USD lost some ground while the GBP remained under pressure across the board amid lingering uncertainty on the domestic economic and political front following the Brexit referendum outcome. Looking at today's calendar, focus is on the US' ADP employment report ahead of the more crucial non-farm payrolls data for June due on Friday.

GREECE: The Eurogroup is scheduled to convene on Monday, June 11th and Greece's progress with regard to the implementation of the 3rd Economic Adjustment Programme will be included in the agenda. The institutions have advised the Greek government to proceed more swiftly with the implementation of the milestones attached to the next sub-tranche of ϵ 2.8bn scheduled for release after the September 9th Eurogroup. These, among others, include the legislation of the Medium Term Fiscal Strategy 2017 – 2020, a difficult task due to the fact that the Greek government is reportedly mulling to revise lower the primary surplus target beyond 2018 rather than maintain it at 3.5%-of-GDP, as has been agreed with official creditors.

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE

CESEE MARKETS: The majority of Emerging Market assets rebounded earlier on Thursday after June's FOMC minutes released yesterday leaned on the dovish side. Bourses and currencies in the CESEE region were mixed, while sovereign debt markets mostly retreated ahead of several government bond auctions due later in the day.

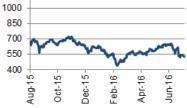
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DAILY OVERVIEW

The minutes from the FOMC 14-15 June policy meeting failed to provide any new insights over the central bank's policy deliberations ahead. Almost all FOMC participants were of the view that the disappointing May non-farm payrolls report increased their uncertainty about the outlook of the labor market while they seemed less confident on the prospect of inflation embarking on a sustained rising path towards reaching the 2% target. Though many of FOMC participants "were reluctant to change their outlook materially based on one economic data release" they want more information, not only about the labor market, but also about downside risks to production and investment spending before deciding whether or not to support the case of another Fed rate hike. Against this background, the USD lost some ground with the DXY index hovering around 96.108 in European trade at the time of writing, having retreated from a multi-session peak of 96.496 marked on Wednesday albeit still above 95.336 low recorded earlier this week. Elsewhere, the GBP remained under pressure amid lingering uncertainty on the domestic economic and political front following the Brexit referendum outcome. The GBP/USD was standing close to 1.2979 at the time of writing, not far from a 31-year trough of 1.2796 hit in the prior session while the technical picture suggests that as long as the pair remains below the 1.3000-1.3200 area, short-term risks remain skewed to the downside. Meanwhile, major government bond markets retained a firm tone amid investors' anticipation of lower nominal growth expectations, uncertainty related to the future EU-UK trade relationships and loose monetary policy for longer from major central banks to address spillover effects from a UK exit. Looking at today's calendar, focus is on the US' ADP employment report ahead of the more crucial non-farm payrolls data for June due on Friday.

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BULGARIA: Indicators	2014	2015e	2016f
Real GDP growth %	1.6	2.9	3.0
CPI (pa, yoy %)	-1.4	-0.1	1.0
Budget Balance/GDP*	-3.7	-3.3	-2.0
Current Account/GDP	0.9	1.5	1.0
EUR/BGN (eop)		1.9558	
	2015	current	2016f
Policy Rate (eop)	N/A	N/A	N/A

* on a cash basis

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities

CYPRUS: Indicators	2014	2015e	2016f
Real GDP growth %	-2.5	1.5	1.8
HICP (pa, yoy %)	-0.3	-1.5	0.5
Budget Balance/GDP*	-0.2	-0.9	-0.1
Current Account/GDP	-5.1	-5.5	-4.5
* ESA 2010			

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities

ROMANIA: Indicators	2014	2015e	2016f
Real GDP growth %	2.9	3.8	4.1
CPI (pa, yoy %)	1.1	-0.4	-0.1
Budget Balance/GDP *	-1.9	-1.9	-2.8
Current Account/GDP	-0.4	-1.0	-2.0
EUR/RON (eop)	4.48	4.52	4.35
	2015	current	2016f
Policy Rate (eop)	1.75	1.75	2.00

* on a cash basis

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities



Credit Ratings									
Moody's	S&P	Fitch							
B1	BB-	B+							
Baa3	BBB-	BBB-							
Baa2	BB+	BBB-							
B1	BB-	B+							
	B1 Baa3 Baa2	B1 BB- Baa3 BBB- Baa2 BB+							

Source: IMF, EC, Reuters, Bloomberg, National Authorities, Eurobank Research

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CESEE MARKETS

The majority of Emerging Market assets rebounded earlier on Thursday after June's FOMC minutes released yesterday leaned on the dovish side. Along these lines, the MSCI Emerging Markets index stood in a positive territory in Asian trade, having snapped a 2-session losing streak. Bourses in the CESEE region were mixed, with Hungary's BUX leading the gains with a 1.25% rise and Poland's WIG following suit with a concomitant advance of 1.10%. On the flipside, Serbia's, Bulgaria's and Ukraine's main indices stood in the red, while Turkey's BIST 100 was closed for Ramadan.

A mixed picture was also witnessed in CESEE currencies, while sovereign debt markets mostly retreated ahead of several government bond auctions in the region due later in the day. In the FX markets, the Polish zloty was little changed in early European trade having recovered ground yesterday after the National Bank of Poland held fire at its MPC meeting keeping the key policy rate at a lifetime trough of 1.50%, in line with market expectations. But, new Governor Adam Glapinski adopted a relatively hawkish tone at the first meeting he chaired, expressing belief that Brexit would not impact significantly the Polish economy and suggesting that interest rates are unlikely to be further reduced for now. Against this backdrop, the EUR/PLN hovered around levels of 4.4340 earlier on Thursday, little changed from Wednesday's settlement, though having recoiled from a 1-week intraday high of 4.4561 hit in the prior session.

The CESEE calendar is relatively light today, with focus primarily lying on Serbia's MPC meeting. The market's consensus and our view are that the Central Bank will stand pat on its monetary policy maintaining the key policy rate at the current record low level of 4.25%. Government bond auctions in Poland (2018, 2026, 2028) and Romania (2025) also lure market attention today.

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	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD	(yields)	Last	∆Dbps	∆YTD bps		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	2099.73	0.5%	2.7%	EUR/USD	1.1083	-0.2%	2.1%	UST - 10yr	1.38	1	-89	GOLD	1367	0.3%	28.8%
Nikkei 225	15276.24	-0.7%	-19.7%	GBP/USD	1.2985	0.4%	-11.9%	Bund-10yr	-0.17	1	-80	BRENT CRUDE	49	1.3%	32.6%
STOXX 600	323.25	1.4%	-11.6%	USD/JPY	100.92	0.4%	19.0%	JGB - 10yr	-0.27	-1	-54	LMEX	2362	-0.5%	7.2%

CESEE MARKETS

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Money Marke	et			Money Mark	et			Money Market				
BELIBOR	Last	∆Dbps	∆YTD bps	ROBOR	Last	∆Dbps	∆YTD bps	SOFIBOR	Last	∆Dbps	ΔYTD bps	
T/N	307	0	4	O/N	0.45	1	-8	LEONIA	-0.01	0	-2	
1-week	3.17	-1	-2	1-month	0.59	-1	-10	1-month	-0.17	0	-33	
1-month	3.33	-1	-18	3-month	0.78	0	-24	3-month	-0.05	1	-31	
3-month	3.63	-1	-20	6-month	1.04	0	-30	6-month	0.09	0	-43	
6-month	3.87	0	-16	12-month	1.2	0	-32	12-month	0.44	0	-53	
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5Y RSD	5.26	0	13	5Y RON	2.47	-1	-33	5Y BGN	1.17	4	-10	
7Y RSD	5.77	0	-193	10Y RON	3.25	0	-53	10Y BGN	2.37	0	-29	
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USD Nov-17	2.65	-2	-51	EUR Oct-25	2.25	-3	-31	EUR Jul-17	0.03	-12	-4	
USD Nov-24	6.25	1	-17	USD Jan-24	3.13	3	-66	EUR Sep-24	2.08	24	-34	
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5-year	244	0	-30	5-year	134	4	0	5-year	162	3	-10	
10-year	289	0	-50	10-year	168	4	-4	10-year	208	3	-8	
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	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔΥΤD	
BELEX15	604.4	-0.28%	-6.17%	BET	6474.0	0.62%	-7.57%	SOFIX	450.9	-0.38%	-2.17%	
FOREX				FOREX				FOREX				
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔΥΤD	
EUR/RSD	123.42	0.07%	-1.49%	EUR/RON	4.5215	-0.05%	-0.17%	USD/BGN	1.7646	-0.15%	2.02%	
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