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KEY UPCOMING DATA & EVENTS THIS WEEK GLOBAL

 Oct 7-9: IMF/World Bank annual meeting

US

- Oct 3: ISM manufact/g (Sep)
- Oct 5
 - ADP report (Sep)
 - o Trade balance (Aug)
 - ISM non- manufact/g (Sep)
- Factory orders (Aug)
- · Oct 6: Jobless claims (weekly)
- Oct 7
 - o NFP (Sep)
 - o U/E rate (Sep)
 - Average hourly earnings (Sep)

EUROZONE

- Oct 3: PMI manufact/g (Sep, f)
- Oct 5: PMI non- manufact/g (Sep, f)
- Oct 6: ECB Sept 8 meeting
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- Oct 7: ECB's Draghi, Coeure speak at IMF/World Bank meeting in Washington
- Oct 8: ECB's Draghi, Mersch

GREECE

- Oct 3: PMI manufact/g (Sep, f)
- Oct 6: U/E rate (Jul)

CYPRUS

Oct 6: CPI (Sep)

SEE BULGARIA

- Oct 7
 - o Retail sales (Aug)
 - Industrial production (Aug)

ROMANIA

- Oct 3: International reserves (Sep)
- Oct 5: Retail sales (Aug)
- Oct 6: 3.65% 2031 T-Bonds auction
- Oct 7
 - o Net wages (Aug)
 - o GDP (Q2, f)
 - Sovereign credit review by Moody's

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research

HIGHLIGHTS

WORLD ECONOMIC & MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

GLOBAL MARKETS: Major European equity indices retreated on Wednesday, snapping a six-day winning streak, on concerns that the ECB is moving towards a tapering of its asset purchase program. German 10yr Bund yield increased to an almost two-week high of -0.043% in Asian trade today, before retreating to around -0.055% in European trade at the time of writing. In FX markets, the US dollar strengthened yesterday against its major currency peers supported by hawkish comments by a number of Fed officials. Richmond Fed President Jeffrey Lacker argued in favor of raising interest rates in the foreseeable future so as to keep inflationary pressures under control. In this context, the DXY dollar index increased at a two-month high of 96.442 on Tuesday, before slipping slightly around 96.020 in European trade today. Moreover, the GBP/USD hit a new 31-year low of 1.2686 earlier today, on concerns about a "hard" Brexit scenario. The data calendar is relatively light today though US ADP employment report and ISM manufacturing for September will be worth watching.

GREECE: In its World Economic Outlook report, October 2016, the IMF envisages for Greece real GDP growth +0.1% for 2016 and +2.8% for 2017 (the respective figures in the draft Budget 2017 are -0.3% and +2.7%) while unemployment is forecast at 23.3% in 2016 and 21.5% in 2017. According to preliminary data from the General Secretariat of Public Revenue, ordinary budget revenues outperformed the target by €809mn in September 2016 and by €1.36bn for the period January − September 2016. With regard to the pending actions for the release of the remaining €2.8bn ESM loan sub-tranche, the bill for the legal framework of the Hellenic Civil Aviation Authority (HCAA) was submitted to Parliament late last night.

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE

CESEE MARKETS: Emerging market assets came under pressure on Wednesday amid worries about the prospect of less ECB stimulus.

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Latest world economic & market developments

GLOBAL MARKETS

Major European equity indices retreated on Wednesday, snapping a six-day winning streak, on concerns that the ECB is moving towards a tapering of its asset purchase program. More specifically, a media report highlighted that the ECB would gradually cut down its €8obn monthly asset purchases volume before ending them in March 2017, citing unnamed ECB Governing Council members. Against this background, German 10yr Bund yield increased to an almost two-week high of -o.o43% in Asian trade today, before retreating to around -0.055% in European trade at the time of writing. Taking their cue from German Bunds, 10yr US Treasuries declined with the respective yield rising near a two-week high of 1.6920% yesterday, before falling below 1.68% in European trade on Wednesday. In FX markets, the US dollar strengthened yesterday against its major currency peers supported by hawkish comments by a number of Fed officials. Richmond Fed President Jeffrey Lacker argued in favor of raising interest rates in the foreseeable future so as to keep inflationary pressures under control, following Cleveland Fed President Loretta Mester's comments two days ago that strengthened the case even for a November interest rate hike, six days before the US presidential elections. In this context, the DXY dollar index increased at a two-month high of 96.442 on Tuesday, before slipping slightly around 96.020 in European trade today. Moreover, the GBP/USD hit a new 31-year low of 1.2686 earlier today, on concerns about a "hard" Brexit scenario. The data calendar is relatively light today though US ADP employment report and ISM manufacturing for September will be worth watching.

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BULGARIA: Indicators	2014	2015	2016f	
Real GDP growth %	1.6	3.0	2.6	
CPI (pa, yoy %)	-1.4	-0.1	-0.5	
Budget Balance/GDP*	-3.7	-2.9	-2.0	
Current Account/GDP	0.9	1.4	1.0	
EUR/BGN (eop)	1.9558			
	2015	current	2016f	
Policy Rate (eop)	N/A	N/A	N/A	
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~ on a cash basis Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research,

National Authorities

CYPRUS: Indicators	2014	2015	2016f
Real GDP growth %	-2.5	1.6	2.5
HICP (pa, yoy %)	-0.3	-1.5	-0.7
Budget Balance/GDP*	-0.2	0.0	-0.4
Current Account/GDP	-4.6	-3.6	-4.2

* ESA 2010

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities

ROMANIA: Indicators	2014	2015	2016f
Real GDP growth %	2.9	3.8	4.2
CPI (pa, yoy %)	1.1	-0.6	-1.5
Budget Balance/GDP *	-1.9	-1.9	-2.8
Current Account/GDP	-0.4	-1.1	-3.0
EUR/RON (eop)	4.48	4.52	4.60
	2015	current	2016f
Policy Rate (eop)	1.75	1.75	2.00

* on a cash basis

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities

SERBIA: Indicators	2014	2015	2016f
Real GDP growth %	-1.8	0.7	1.8
CPI (pa, yoy %)	2.1	1.5	2.8
Budget Balance/GDP	-6.7	-4.1	-4.0
Current Account/GDP	-6.0	-4.7	-4.6
EUR/RSD (eop)	121.38	121.52	125.00
	2015	current	2016f
Policy Rate (eop)	4.25	4.00	4.00

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities



Credit Ratings

L-T ccy	Moody's	S&P	Fitch
SERBIA	B1	BB-	BB-
ROMANIA	Ваа3	BBB-	BBB-
BULGARIA	Baa2	BB+	BBB-
CYPRUS	В1	BB-	B+

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

Latest economic & market developments in the CESEE region

CESEE MARKETS

Emerging market assets came under pressure on Wednesday amid worries about the prospect of less ECB stimulus. The news comes at a time when the Fed appears poised to hike interest rates this year, with risky assets being most vulnerable to higher US/euro area yields. That said, a rally in crude oil prices over the last few days, provided some support to the assets of oil-exporting countries. Along these lines, the MSCI Emerging Markets index was in a modestly negative territory in Asian markets following a cumulative rise of 1.3% over the prior two sessions. Elsewhere, the majority of regional bourses also retreated moderately in early European trade, with Serbia's main BELEX15 index bucking the negative trend to stand 0.7% higher compared to Tuesday's settlement.

In FX markets, the Turkish lira remained under pressure earlier today with its losses exacerbated by idiosyncratic factors. In its medium-term economic programme unveiled yesterday, the government revised lower its economic growth forecasts for this year and the next to 3.2% and 4.4% from 4.5% and 5.0% before. Adding to the lira's woes was escalating domestic political noise following news that the government extended a period of emergency for the country as well as its purge of officials after July's failed coup. Turkish authorities reportedly suspended yesterday 13k police officers, detained more than 30 air force officers and shut down a TV station. Earlier in the week, easing inflation data for September added to the view for further Central Bank monetary easing ahead taking a toll on the domestic currency. In this context, the USD/TRY was hovering around levels of 3.0605 at the time of writing, not too far from a 2-½-month peak of 3.0650 hit intraday on Tuesday.

In LATAM, Argentina opened today books of dual-tranche 7- and 12-year EUR-denominated benchmark government bonds, marketed at 4.5% and 5.625% respectively. Looking into the regional calendar today, Poland's MPC meeting takes centre stage. The market's median forecast is for stable interest rates, with the key policy rate to remain at the current record low of 1.50%. Focus will turn to the Central Bank Governor's speech for any clues about the MPC's monetary policy deliberations ahead.

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GLOBAL MARKETS

Last

2150.49

16819.24

342.80

ΔD

-0.5%

0.5%

-1.0%

ΔΥΤΟ

5.2%

-11.6%

-6.3%

FOREX

EUR/USD

GBP/USD

USD/JPY

Last

1.1226

1.2718

103.12

ΔD

0.2%

-0.1%

-0.2%

ΔΥΤΟ

3.4%

-13.7%

16.4%

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Government Bonds

Last

1.69

-0.02

-0.06

ΔDbps ΔYTD bps

1

3

2

(yields)

UST - 10yr

Bund-10yr

JGB - 10yr



ΔYTD

20.0%

38.9%

11.0%

0.4%

1.8%

-0.6%

Commodities

BRENT CRUDE

GOLD

LMEX

-58

-65

-32

Last

1274

52

2445

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Stock markets

S&P 500

Nikkei 225

STOXX 600

SERBIA			ROMANIA			BULGARIA					
Money Marke	t			Money Mark	et			Money Marke	t		
BELIBOR	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps	ROBOR	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps	SOFIBOR	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps
T/N	300	0	-3	O/N	0.43	-1	-10	LEONIA	-0.30	0	-31
1-week	3.13	-3	-6	1-month	0.55	1	-14	1-month	-0.15	1	-30
1-month	3.30	2	-21	3-month	0.69	0	-33	3-month	-0.05	0	-31
3-month	3.46	-5	-37	6-month	0.92	0	-42	6-month	0.11	0	-42
6-month	3.65	-5	-38	12-month	1.09	1	-43	12-month	0.41	0	-56
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5 Y RSD	4.34	-1	-77	5Y RON	2.14	3	-66	5Y BGN	0.55	0	-73
7Y RSD	5.64	-2	-206	10Y RON	2.88	2	-90	10Y BGN	1.86	0	-80
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USD Nov-17	2.18	Δυ ορ s	-99	EUR Oct-25	1.67	диврs	-90	EUR Jul-17	0.03	-15	-3
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BELEX15	645.3	0.76%	0.18%	BET	6957.3	-0.35%	-0.67%	SOFIX	508.8	-0.14%	10.39%
FOREX				FOREX				FOREX			
TONEX	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD	TONEX	Last	ΔD	ΔΥΤΟ	TONEX	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
EUR/RSD	123.13	0.00%	-1.26%	EUR/RON	4.4626	-0.10%	1.15%	USD/BGN	1.7425	0.19%	3.32%
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