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# DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION

**Tuesday, June 23, 2015** 

### KEY UPCOMING DATA & EVENTS THIS WEEK GLOBAL

#### US

- June 22
- Existing home sales (May)
- June 23
  - Durable goods (May)
  - New home sales (May)
  - PMI manufacturing (Jun, p)
- June 24: GDP (Q1, 3<sup>rd</sup> est.)
- June 25
  - Personal income (May)
  - o Personal spend. (May)
  - Core PCE deflator (May)
  - Initial jobless claims (June 20)
  - PMI services & composite (Jun, p)
- June 26: UoM (Jun, f)

#### **EUROZONE**

- June 22: Consumer confidence (Jun, A)
- June 23: PMI (Jun, p)
- June 25-26: EU Summit

#### **GREECE**

- June 22
  - Eurogroup
  - Euro Summit
  - o CAD (Apr)

#### <u>SEE</u> BULGARIA

#### June 26: Gross external

debt (Apr)

#### **ROMANIA**

- June 22: 5.75% 2020 Tbonds auction
- June 25: 6.75% 2017 Tbonds auction

#### **SERBIA**

- June 22: June 17: Current account (Apr)
- June 24: Floating bonds auction
- June 25: Real gross wages (May)
- June 26: IMF to approve 1st review under SBA

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Global Markets Research

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **WORLD ECONOMIC & MARKET DEVELOPMENTS**

**GLOBAL MARKETS:** Global equity markets welcomed the latest reform proposal submitted by the Greek authorities as a positive step towards an agreement between Greece and the Institutions. In response Asian equities closed higher for the fourth consecutive session on Tuesday and European bourses extended a 3-session rising streak, while periphery government bonds rallied.

**GREECE:** On the negotiations front, the latest proposal of the Greek government to the Institutions – amounting reportedly to €8bn – was received positively by the Institutions, who, nevertheless, requested the proposal to be further elaborated.

#### **SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE**

**BULGARIA:** Speaking to local media, Bulgaria's finance minister said on Monday that Central Bank Governor Ivan Iskrov would resign this week, ahead of the expiry of his 6-year mandate due in October.

**ROMANIA:** The finance ministry sold yesterday the planned RON 300mn (€67mn) amount of 5.75% April 29, 2020 T-bonds, at an average accepted yield of 3.04%.

**SERBIA:** According to local media reports, finance minister Dusan Vujovic expressed optimism that the IMF will approve the first review of the country's 3-year €1.2bn Stand-By Arrangement (SBA) later in the week.

**CESEE MARKETS:** The majority of **emerging market assets** extended yesterday's gains in European trade on Tuesday amid optimism that a deal between Greece and the Institutions will eventually be reached. In **today's calendar**, Turkey's and Hungary's MPC meetings take centre stage.

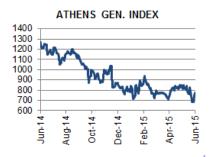
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Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research

### Latest world economic & market developments

#### **GLOBAL MARKETS**

Global equity markets welcomed the latest reform proposal submitted by the Greek authorities as a positive step towards an agreement between Greece and the Institutions. In response Asian equities closed higher for the fourth consecutive session on Tuesday, with the Nikkei index surging to new 15-year highs. In a similar tone, European bourses extended a 3-session rising streak, with the Stoxx Europe 600 Index touching three week highs earlier today, and periphery government bonds rallied. In FX markets, the euro failed to capitalize on investor optimism over upcoming developments in Greece, amid persisting expectations about monetary policy divergence between the Fed and the ECB. Against this backdrop, the EUR/USD fell to 1.1245/50 in early European trade at the time of writing, from levels around 1.1340 in the prior session's settlement, having hit a multi-session low near 1.1230 in Asian trade. The USD was stronger across the board, as US existing home sales increased more than expected in May, surging to near 6-year highs. As a result, the DXY index was hovering around 94.966 at the time of writing, 1.5% above its one-month trough of 93.563 on June 18, 2015.

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#### **GREECE**

On the negotiations front, the latest proposal of the Greek government to the Institutions – amounting reportedly to €8bn – was received positively by the Institutions, who, nevertheless, requested the proposal to be further elaborated. This development marks the beginning of intensive discussions with the aim to have the deal validated by the extraordinary Eurogroup on Wednesday. Once this happens, the agreement will have to be ratified by the Greek Parliament and, then, by certain European Parliaments. According to press reports, the revised proposals that were submitted by the Greek government to the Institutions provide, among others, for a number of changes in the social security system, including the partial abolishment of an early retirement scheme.

According to media reports, the ECB's Governing Council increased today, for the fourth time in less than a week, the ELA funding ceiling for Greek banks. In more detail, the latest increase, which is estimated to be a bit less than €1bn, brings the value of the ECB's ELA programme for Greece to around €89bn.

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<b>BULGARIA: Indicators</b>	2013	2014e	2015f
Real GDP growth %	1.1	1.7	1.8
CPI (pa, yoy %)	0.9	-1.4	-0.5
Budget Balance/GDP*	-1.8	-3.7	-3.0
Current Account/GDP	1.0	0.9	0.5
EUR/BGN (eop)	1.9558		
	current	2014	2015f
Policy Rate (eop)	N/A	N/A	N/A

\* on a cash basis

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities

ROMANIA: Indicators	2013	2014e	2015f
Real GDP growth %	3.4	2.9	3.1
CPI (pa, yoy %)	4.0	1.1	0.3
Budget Balance/GDP *	-2.2	-1.9	-1.9
Current Account/GDP	-0.8	-0.4	-1.0
EUR/RON (eop)	4.46	4.40	4.45
	2014	current	2015f
Policy Rate (eop)	2.75	1.75	1.75

<sup>\*</sup> on a cash hasis

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities

SERBIA: Indicators	2013	2014e	2015f
Real GDP growth %	2.6	-1.8	0.0
CPI (pa, yoy %)	7.9	2.2	3.0
Budget Balance/GDP	-5.6	-7.5	-5.9
Current Account/GDP	-6.1	-6.1	-4.7
EUR/RSD (eop)	114.60	120.96	123.00
	2014	current	2015f
Policy Rate (eop)	8.00	6.00	5.50

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research, National Authorities



#### **Credit Ratings**

L-T ccy	Moody's	S&P Fitch	
SERBIA	B1	BB-	B+
ROMANIA	Ваа3	BBB-	BBB-
BULGARIA	Baa2	BB+	BBB-
CYPRUS	В3	B+	B-

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

### Latest world economic & market developments in the CESEE region

#### **BULGARIA**

Speaking to local media, Bulgaria's finance minister said on Monday that Central Bank Governor Ivan Iskrov would resign this week, ahead of the expiry of his 6-year mandate due in October. The news follows weeks of media speculation that the incumbent governor will step down from his post, following last year's banking sector crisis. A BNB spokeswoman was quoted as saying to media that Mr. Iskrov "has not resigned and has not declared his intention to do so", refusing to comment further on the issue. There are four candidates for the said position, with senior IMF economist Dimitar Radev, backed by the government, currently being cited as a favorite by the media. Parliament will reportedly vote on the governor's successor in early July. Among the other candidates are financial expert on the board of the Deposit Insurance Fund Biser Manolov, former deputy economy minister Grigorii Vazov, and Bulgaria's representative at the IMF Victor Yotzov.

#### **ROMANIA**

The finance ministry sold yesterday the planned RON 300mn (€67mn) amount of 5.75% April 29, 2020 T-bonds, at an average accepted yield of 3.04%. The latter came in above a yield of 2.75% achieved at a prior auction of the same paper held in May, as government bond yields have moved broadly higher over the last few sessions, in line with a regional uptrend, amid mounting concerns over the Greek issue. The tender's bid to cover ratio stood at 3.09 on Monday.

#### **SERBIA**

According to local media reports, finance minister Dusan Vujovic expressed optimism that the IMF will approve the first review of the country's 3-year €1.2bn Stand-By Arrangement (SBA) later in the week. Recall that, the IMF had reached in May a staff-level agreement with domestic authorities on the set of policies needed to complete the programme's first review. The completion is subject to a final approval by the Fund's Management and the Executive Board expected on June 26, and will make about €146mn available for disbursement, though the government is unlikely to draw any of the SBA's available funds. In other news, Serbia is reportedly negotiating a €200mn loan with the EBRD aimed at overhauling the state-owned power utility Elektroprivreda Srbije (EPS). On the data front, the current account deficit narrowed by ca 94%YoY to €11mn in April, bringing the corresponding shortfall over the first four months of the year 31% lower on an annual basis to €458mn cumulatively. The aforementioned improvement in the January-April period came primarily on the back of a ca 27%YoY narrowing to €328mn in the primary income deficit and a 13%YoY rise in secondary income to €1,042mn. A 15%YoY advance in services exports to €1,250mn also favored.

#### **CESEE MARKETS**

The majority of **emerging market assets** extended yesterday's gains in European trade on Tuesday amid optimism that a deal between Greece and the Institutions will eventually be reached. In **today's calendar**, Turkey's and Hungary's MPC meetings take centre stage. With regards to the former, the Central Bank of Turkey is broadly anticipated to stay put on interest rates, maintaining the benchmark repurchase rate at 7.50%, as well as the overnight lending and borrowing rates at 10.75% and 7.25%, respectively. On the flipside, Hungary's MPC is broadly expected to deliver a 15bps cut on its key policy rate, which, if delivered, will push the 2-week deposit rate to a new record low of 1.50%. The accompanying statement will likely be closely scrutinized by market participants, for any hints about the MNB's monetary policy deliberations ahead.

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Nikkei 225

STOXX 600

20809.42

398.34

1.9%

1.0%

19.2%

16.3%

GBP/USD

USD/JPY

1.5795

123.65

#### **GLOBAL MARKETS** FOREX Stock markets **Government Bonds** Commodities ΔD ΔΥΤΟ ΔD (yields) Last ΔYTD bps ΔD Last Last ΔΥΤΟ ΔDbps Last ΔYTD S&P 500 2122.85 0.6% 3.1% EUR/USD 1.1244 -0 9% 7.1% UST - 10vr 2.37 -1 19 GOID 1184 -0.2% -0.19

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JGB - 10yr

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-0.2%

5.3%

-10.79

1.4%

-0.2%

#### **CESEE MARKETS SERBIA ROMANIA BULGARIA** Money Market Money Market Money Market BELIBOR Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps ROBOR Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps SOFIBOR Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps LEONIA T/N 450 -6 -541 O/N 0.51 -6 0.01 0 -1 0 1-week 4.80 -5 521 1-month 1.19 5 28 1-month 0.18 -3 0.35 1-month 5.27 -478 3-month 1.3 3-month 0 -6 -40 -8 404 3-month 5.81 4 6-month 1.55 -46 6-month 0.69 0 -11 6-month 6.11 9 368 12-month 1.63 0 -39 12-month 1.27 0 -24 **RS Local Bonds RO Local Bonds BG Local Bonds** Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps (vields) Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps 3Y RSD 6.16 0 -293 3Y RON 2.07 -24 3Y BGN 0.54 -50 5Y RSD 8.32 0 -186 5Y RON 5Y BGN 1.04 0 -40 2.67 10Y RON 7Y RSD 8.75 333 3.99 33 10Y BGN 2.64 0 -11 **RS Eurobonds RO** Eurobonds **BG** Eurobonds Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps ΔDbps ∆YTD bps Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps USD Nov-17 EUR Jul-17 3.52 -74 EUR Sep-20 1.71 -9 0.89 0 -27 USD Nov-24 6.44 -15 USD Aug-23 3.73 11 EUR Sep-24 3.11 64 24 CDS CDS CDS ΔDbps Last ΔYTD bps Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps 5-year 208 -82 5-year 132 -11 5-year 175 -16 258 10-year 176 0 10-year 226 0 -15 10-year -11 STOCKS STOCKS STOCKS Last ΔD ΔΥΤΟ ΔD ΔYTD Last ΔD ΔΥΤΟ Last BELEX15 683.1 2.41% BET SOFIX 481.3 **FOREX FOREX FOREX** ΔD ΔYTD ΔD ΔYTD ΔD ΔYTD Last Last Last EUR/RSD 120.66 0.00% 0.58% EUR/RON 4.4807 0.17% 0.06% USD/BGN 1.7396 -0.86% -7.08% **BET Index** BELEX15 Index **SOFIX Index** 8000 800 590 750 7500 570 550 700 7000 530 650 510 600 6500 490 550 470 6000 500 450 Sep-14 Dec-14 Jun-15 Oct-14 Dec-14 Feb-15 Mar-15 Apr-15 Jun-15 Aug-14 Feb-15 Jun-1 Dec-14 ļ Apr-Ē oct EUR/RON USD/BGN FUR/RSD 4 55 126 1.90 1.80 124 4.45 1.70 122 1 60 120 4.35 1.50 118 1.40 116 1.30 4.25 1.20 114 Sep-14 Jun-15 Mar-15 Dec-14 Mar-15 Jun-15 Mar-15 Dec-14 Jun-1 Ju , Ė

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