Eurobank Global Markets Research

www.eurobank.gr/research EurobankGlobalMarkets Research@eurobank.gr

DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION

Wednesday, July 22, 2015

KEY UPCOMING DATA & EVENTS THIS WEEK

GLOBAL

US

- July 22: Existing home sales (Jun)
- July 23:
 - Initial jobless claims (July 18)
 - CB Leading indicator index (Jun)
- July 24
 - New home sales (Jun)
 - Markit manufacturing PMI (Jul, p)

EUROZONE

- July 20: ECB current account (May)
- July 23: Consumer Confidence index (flash, Jul)
- July 24: PMI manufacturing, services and composite (Jul)

GREECE

- July 20: Payment of GGBs (€c. 3.5bn)
- July 21: Current account (May)
- July 22: Vote in the Hellenic Parliament of the second set of prior actions

SEE

----ROMANIA

- July 20: T-Bonds auction
- July 23: T-Bonds auction

SERBIA

- July 20: Current account balance (May)
- July 21: EUR 2.5% 2018 Tbonds auction
- July 24: Real gross wages (Jun)

Source:Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Global Markets Research

HIGHLIGHTS

WORLD ECONOMIC & MARKET DEVELOPMENTS

GLOBAL MARKETS: Major Asian bourses edged lower on Wednesday and major European equity indices also lost ground in early trade, taking their cue from the negative tone that prevailed in Wall Street overnight due to weak corporate earnings announcements. On the data front, focus today is on US existing home sales for June.

GREECE: The Hellenic Parliament is expected to legislate today the second set of prior actions required for the inception of official discussions on a 3-year ESM loan facility as envisaged in the 12 July Euro Summit agreement. The prior actions include: (i) adoption of the Code of Civil Procedure, with a view to accelerating the judicial process and reducing costs in the civil justice system; and (ii) transposition of the BRRD with support from the European Commission.

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE

ROMANIA: According to data released from the National Employment Agency, Romania's unemployment rate was nearly flat in June, coming in at 4.94% vs. 4.93% in the prior month. In other news, an IMF technical mission is reportedly scheduled to visit Romania today.

CESEE MARKETS: Taking their cue from losses in major global bourses following downbeat Q3 corporate earnings results from the US, the majority of **emerging stock markets** moved lower earlier on Wednesday. Against a similar backdrop, **regional currencies** broadly weakened earlier on Wednesday. In other news, Serbia's Ministry of Finance sold on Tuesday €34.61mn of 2.5% July 2018 EUR-denominated T-bonds, at an average accepted yield of 3.85%.

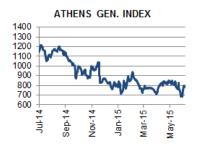
DISCLAIMER

This document has been issued by Eurobank Ergasias S.A. (Eurobank) and may not be reproduced in any manner. The information provided has been obtained from sources believed to be reliable but has not been verified by Eurobank and the opinions expressed are exclusively of their author. This information does not constitute an investment advice or any other advice or any offer to buy or sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy or sell or an offer or a solicitation to execute transactions on the financial instruments mentioned. The investments discussed may be unsuitable for investors, depending on their specific investment objectives, their needs, their investment experience and financial position. No representation or warranty (express or implied) is made as to the accuracy, completeness, correctness, timeliness or fairness of the information or opinions, all of which are subject to change without notice. No responsibility or liability, whatsoever or howsoever arising, is accepted in relation to the contents thereof by Eurobank or any of its directors, officers and employees.

DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION







Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Research

Latest world economic & market developments

GLOBAL MARKETS

Major Asian bourses edged lower on Wednesday, taking their cue from the negative tone that prevailed in Wall Street overnight due to weak corporate earnings announcements. Elsewhere, major European equity indices also lost ground in early European trade, extending Tuesday's losses. In FX markets, the dollar DXY index hovered around 97.300 at the time of writing, falling back from a three-month high of 98.151 hit yesterday. Additionally, the USD/JPY was trading lower for the second consecutive day on Wednesday, following Bank of Japan Governor Haruhiko Kuroda's comments yesterday that he expects a tight labor market to cause an inflation increase in the following months, mitigating market expectations about further quantitative monetary easing ahead. In commodity markets, gold retreated for the 10th consecutive session, heading for its longest decline in nearly two decades. On the data front, focus today is on US existing home sales, which according to consensus estimates are expected to have increased to 5.40mn units in June from 5.35mn units in May.

okosma@eurobank.gr

GREECE

The Hellenic Parliament is expected to legislate today the second set of prior actions required for the inception of official discussions on a 3-year ESM loan facility as envisaged in the 12 July Euro Summit agreement. The prior actions include: (i) adoption of the Code of Civil Procedure, with a view to accelerating the judicial process and reducing costs in the civil justice system; and (ii) transposition of the BRRD with support from the European Commission. The bill must pass with at least 120 votes in favour from the governing coalition SYRIZA-ANEL, as this is the minimum threshold required under the Constitution of Greece, for a motion of confidence to be adopted in Parliament. According to press reports, in spite of the harsh critique towards the government by a number of SYRIZA party members, Prime Minister and SYRIZA party leader Alexis Tsipras appears determined to conclude the negotiations with official creditors first, i.e. in the coming 4-5 weeks, and attend to the problems within the party at a later stage.

Meanwhile Standard & Poor's raised Greece's foreign and local currency long-term sovereign credit ratings to CCC+ from CCC-, outlook stable, following the decision of the Eurogroup to grant Greece the bridging loan of €7.16bn, which allowed Greece to clear its arrears to the IMF and to repay a bond to the ECB.

andimitriadou@eurobank.gr

Eurobank Global Markets Research

July 22, 2015

DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION



BULGARIA: Indicators	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

^{*} on a cash basis

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

ROMANIA

According to data released from the National Employment Agency, Romania's unemployment rate was nearly flat in June, coming in at 4.94% vs. 4.93% in the prior month. In other news, an IMF technical mission is reportedly scheduled to visit Romania today in order to meet with government and Central Bank officials to discuss the fiscal code reform and tax cuts recently endorsed in parliament. Recall that, in late June Parliament voted in favour of a new fiscal code which included, among otherss, an array of tax cuts such as reduced excise rates, the abolition of dividend taxation and the removal of the special constructions tax. Most of the tax cuts are expected to come into effect in 2016. The aforementioned measures have stirred concerns over fiscal slippages in the coming years. In more detail, the general government budget deficit is expected to increase from an official deficit target of 1.8% of GDP in 2015 to around 2.8% in 2016, according to a revised Ministry of Finance forecast, surpassing an earlier target of 1.2%. At the same time, EU spring forecasts see the fiscal deficit rising as much as 3.5% of GDP in 2016, breaching the 3% Maastricht limit which may subject Romania to the EDP procedure. It is also worth noting that the current €4bn precautionary aid deal with the IMF expires in September, with no evidence so far suggesting that a new agreement is being considered.

> igkionis@eurobank.gr gphoka@eurobank.gr

CESEE MARKETS

Taking their cue from losses in major global bourses following downbeat Q3 corporate earnings results from the US, the majority of **emerging stock markets** moved lower earlier on Wednesday. CESEE bourses were mixed at the time of writing, with Poland's WIG index leading the way lower posting losses to the tune of 0.9%. On the other hand, Bulgaria's SOFIX and Serbia's BELEX15 bucked the negative trend to stand ca 0.3-0.4% higher in early European trade today.

Against a similar backdrop, **regional currencies** broadly weakened earlier on Wednesday. The Turkish lira underperformed its regional peers amid mounting domestic political tension, as a bombing that resulted to casualties in the southeastern town of Suruc on Monday stirred anti-government rallies, with new demonstrations planned for the weekend. The USD/TRY hovered around levels of 2.7090 at the time of writing, within distance from a 2-week peak of 2.7130 hit in European trade. With investor's focus appearing to have turned to domestic political developments, the Central Bank's monetary policy meeting on Thursday is not anticipated to have a significant impact in Turkish assets, with the CBT broadly anticipated to hold its fire and maintain interest rates stable. Elsewhere, the Hungarian forint modestly weakened on profit taking after Tuesday's rally. The EUR/HUF rose by 0.2% on the day to stand at 308.35 at the time of writing, not too far from yesterday's 2-month trough near 306.80/EUR hit after the Central Bank unexpectedly announced the end of the current easing cycle after cutting its benchmark policy rate by 15bps to 1.35%, a tad more than a market median forecast of 10bps.

In other news, Serbia's Ministry of Finance sold on Tuesday €34.61mn of 2.5% July 2018 EUR-denominated T-bonds, at an average accepted yield of 3.85%.

gphoka@eurobank.gr

Eurobank Global Markets Research

DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION



BRENT CRUDE

LMEX

182

2529

-0.8%

-13.29

July 22, 2015

Nikkei 225

STOXX 600

401.35

18.0%

17.2%

-0.3%

GBP/USD

USD/JPY

1.5616

123.69

GLOBAL	MARKETS	S													
Stock market	Stock markets			FOREX Government Bo			it Bonds Commoditie			Commodities	;				
	Last	ΔD	ΔYTD		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD	(yields)	Last	ΔDbps	ΔYTD bps		Last	ΔD	ΔYTD
S&P 500	2119.21	-0.4%	2.9%	EUR/USD	1.0942	0.1%	-9.6%	UST - 10yr	2.33	1	16	GOLD	1096	-0.5%	-7.5%

Bund-10yr

JGB - 10vr

0.42

0

0.2%

0.2%

CESEE MARKETS SERBIA ROMANIA BULGARIA Money Market Money Market Money Market BELIBOR ROBOR SOFIBOR ΔDbps Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps Last ∆YTD bps T/N O/N LEONIA 465 -526 0.52 0.01 0 1-week 4.83 -518 1-month 1.05 14 1-month 0.17 0 4 5.22 0 -483 3-month 1.29 -41 0.33 0 -10 1-month 0 3-month 3-month 5.65 -420 6-month 1.53 -48 6-month 0.64 0 -15 -3 12-month 12-month 1.23 6-month 5.97 1.64 0 382 38 -28 RS Local Bonds **RO Local Bonds BG Local Bonds** Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps (yields) Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps 3Y RSD 6.09 3Y RON 1.97 3Y BGN 0.54 -295 -34 -50 5Y RSD 8.30 0 -188 5Y RON -20 5Y BGN 1.19 0 -25 2.51 10Y RON 7Y RSD 10Y BGN 8.88 -320 21 2.59 0 3.87 0 -16 RS Eurobonds **RO Eurobonds BG** Eurobonds ΔDbps ΔYTD bps Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps USD Nov-17 EUR Sep-20 1.70 EUR Jul-17 0.77 3.51 -39 -28 USD Nov-24 USD Aug-23 EUR Sep-24 2.99 21 6.47 0 -12 3.72 13 11 CDS CDS CDS Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps Last ΔDbps ΔYTD bps Last ΔDbps ∆YTD bps 0 129 173 5-year 270 5-year 5-year -20 -13 -18 174 218 315 0 -41 10-vear -13 10-vear -23 10-vear 3 STOCKS STOCKS STOCKS ΛD ΛYTD ΛΥTD ΛD Last Last ΛD Last ΛYTD BELEX15 6.28% SOFIX 484.1 **FOREX** FOREX **FOREX** ΔD ΔYTD ΔYTD ΔD Last Last ΔD Last ΔYTD EUR/RSD 120.10 1.04% EUR/RON 4.4185 -0.04% USD/BGN 1.7877 0.03% BET Index BELEX15 Index SOFIX Index 8000 800 570 750 7500 550 700 530 650 510 600 6500 490 550 470 6000 500 Oct-14 Jan-15 Jul-15 450 Apr-15 15 Jul-15 Ju-1 Mar-15 Jul-15 Jul-14 Sep-14 늘 Jan-1 Nov May-EUR/RON USD/BGN EUR/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 4.25 114 Jul-14 Oct-14 Jan-15 Jul-15 1.20 Apr-15 Jul-15 Apr-15 Jan-15 Jul-15 Oct-14 Jan-15 Apr-내 글 ö

Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, Eurobank Economic Analysis and Financial Markets Research Data updated as of 12:30 EEST

DAILY OVERVIEW OF GLOBAL MARKETS & THE SEE REGION



July 22, 2015

Contributors

Paraskevi Petropoulou

G10 Markets Analyst, Eurobank Ergasias +30 210 3718991

ppetropoulou@eurobank.gr

Anna Dimitriadou (Special Contributor)

Economic Analyst, Eurobank Ergasias +30 210 3718793

andimitriadou@eurobank.gr

Galatia Phoka

Research Economist, Eurobank Ergasias

+30 210 3718922

gphoka@eurobank.gr

Arkadia Konstantopoulou (Special Contributor)

Research Assistant, Eurobank Ergasias

+30 210 3371224

arkonstantopoulou@eurobank.gr

Ioannis Gkionis (Special Contributor)

Research Economist, Eurobank Ergasias

+30 210 3337305

IGKIONIS@eurobank.gr

Olga Kosma (Special Contributor)

Economic Analyst, Eurobank Ergasias

+30 210 3371227

okosma@eurobank.gr

Regional Contributors

Vessela Boteva

Expert, trading desk, Eurobank Bulgaria +359 (2) 8166 491

vboteva@postbank.bg

Zoran Korac

FX dealer, Eurobank ad Beograd

+381 11 206 5821

zoran.korac@eurobank.rs

Bogdan Radulescu, CFA

Senior Trader, Bancpost

+40 21 3656291

bogdan.radulescu@bancpost.ro

Eurobank Economic Analysis and Financial Markets Research

Dr. Platon Monokroussos: Group Chief Economist pmonokrousos@eurobank.gr, + 30 210 37 18 903

Research Team

Anna Dimitriadou: Economic Analyst andimitriadou@eurobank.gr, + 30 210 3718 793

> **Ioannis Gkionis:** Research Economist *igkionis@eurobank.gr* + 30 210 33 71 225

Stylianos Gogos: Economic Analyst sgogos@eurobank.gr + 30 210 33 71 226

Olga Kosma: Economic Analyst okosma@eurobank.gr + 30 210 33 71 227

Arkadia Konstantopoulou: Research Assistant arkonstantopoulou@eurobank.gr + 30 210 33 71 224

Paraskevi Petropoulou: G10 Markets Analyst ppetropoulou@eurobank.gr, + 30 210 37 18 991

> Galatia Phoka: Research Economist *aphoka@eurobank.gr,* + 30 210 37 18 922

Theodoros Stamatiou: Senior Economist tstamatiou@eurobank.gr, + 30 210 3371228

Global Markets Sales

Nikos Laios: Head of Treasury Sales nlaios@eurobank.gr, + 30 210 37 18 910

Alexandra Papathanasiou: Head of Institutional Sales apapathanasiou@eurobank.gr, +30 210 37 18 996

John Seimenis: Head of Corporate Sales yseimenis@eurobank.gr, +30 210 37 18 909

Achilleas Stogioglou: Head of Private Banking Sales astogioglou@eurobank.gr, +30 210 37 18 904

George Petrogiannis: Head of Shipping Sales gpetrogiannis@eurobank.gr, +30 210 37 18 915

Vassilis Gioulbaxiotis: Head Global Markets International vgioulbaxiotis@eurobank.gr, +30 210 3718995

Stefanos Togoussidis: Head of Retail Sales stogoussidis@eurobank.gr, +30 210 3718917

Eurobank Ergasias S.A, 8 Othonos Str, 105 57 Athens, tel: +30 210 33 37 000, fax: +30 210 33 37 190, email: EurobankGlobalMarketsResearch@eurobank.gr

Eurobank Economic Analysis and Financial Markets Research

More research editions available at http://www.eurobank.gr/research

- Daily Overview of Global markets & the SEE Region: Daily overview of key macro & market developments in Greece, regional economies & global markets
- Greece Macro Monitor: Periodic publication on the latest economic & market developments in Greece • Regional Economics & Market Strategy Monthly: Monthly edition on
- economic & market developments in the region • Global Economy & Markets Monthly: Monthly review of the
- international economy and financial markets

Subscribe electronically at http://www.eurobank.gr/research

