OTP Weekly Outlook

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2024 2. 12.	20:00	US	Federalbudgetbalance (JSDbn)	Jan		- 129
13.	11:00	DE	ZEW Econom is Sentim ent points)	Feb	17.5	15.2
	14:30	US	core-CPIMoM,SA,%)	Jan	0.3	0.3
	14:30	US	core-CPI (Yoy,%)	Jan	3.8	3.9
	14:30	US	CPIMOM,SA,%)	Jan	0.2	0.3
	14:30	US	CPI (YOY, %)	Jan	3.0	3.4
14.	8:00	UK	Inflation (Yoy,%)	Jan	42	4
	11:00	EZ	GDP prelim inary, YoY,%)	Q 4	0.1	0 , 1*
	11:00	EZ	GDP prelim inary,QoQ,%)	Q4	0.0	* Q , 0
	11:00	ΕZ	Industrial production M oM ,%)	Dec	-0.3	-0.3
15.	0:50	JP	GDP QoQ,%)	Q4	0.3	-0.7
	10:00	EZ	C.Lagarde testim onyaztEP ECON Com m ittee	-	-	-
	14:30	US	New York Fed M anufacturing index points)	Feb	-12.5	-43. 7
	14:30	US	Initial job less claims (000s)	w eekly	220	218
	14:30	US	Continuing jobless claims (000s)	w eekly		18 71
	15:15	US	Retailsales (MoM,%)	Jan	0.1	0.6
	15:15	US	Industrial production M oM ,%)	Jan	0.3	0.1
	16:00	US	Business inventories (M oM ,%)	Dec	0.3	-0.1
16.	1:00	US	R.Bostic Fed FOM C m em ber speech Money Marketeers of NYU)	-	-	-
	14:30	US	Building perm its (annualized m onthly, 000s)	Jan	1512	1493
	14:30	US	Housing starts (annualized m onthly, 000s)	Jan	1470	1460
	14:30	US	Producer Prices (YoY,%)	Jan	0.7	1.0
	14:30	US	Producer Prices M oM ,%)	Jan	0.1	-0.1
	16:00	US	M ichigan Consum er confidence (prelim inary, points)	Feb	80	79

^{*}Preliminary data

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USA: Inflation data and business cycle indicators will be in the spotlight

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	14:30	US	CPI(YoY,%)	Jan	31	3 <i>.</i> 4
15	14:30	US	New York Fed Manufacturing index (points)	Feb	-12.5	-4 3.7
	14:30	US	Retailsales (M oM ,%)	Jan	0.2	a 0
	15 : 15	US	Industrial production (M oM , %)	Jan	0 <i>A</i>	0.1
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Key highlights

- A large number of data releases are due next week, of which the January inflation and business cycle indicators are expected to be the most market-moving
- In terms of inflation, there is nothing new under the sun, still on the so-called shelter costs, the eyes of the world, where price increases have been well above average for many months. The other critical item is energy, where the rise seen in December continued into January. Disinflation is expected to have continued in January for both headline and core data.
- Looking ahead, the situation around the Suez Canal, where attacks on ships are ongoing, is a cause for concern, as it is threatening the proper functioning of supply chains, reinforcing upside inflation risks.
- In retail sales, after a big positive surprise in December, the market is expecting a more subdued MoM expansion in January, while in industry the first month of the year could bring a slightly stronger performance compared to the weak momentum of the previous month. Based on the above, the US economy has not yet started its landing.
- All in all, the Fed policymakers' cautious approach to cutting interest rates is supported by the incoming data. The market is expecting a cut of 125 bps this year with easing starting in May, which is closer but still far from Fed policymakers' expectation of a 75 bps cut in 2024.



EZ: Second GDP release, industrial production will be in the spotlight

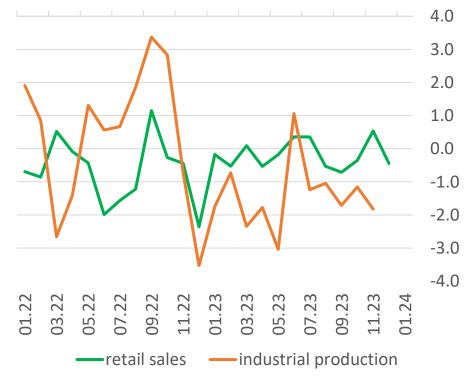
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Key highlights

- Next week is going to be a data scarce one for the euro area. The second release of the 2023Q4 GDP will show whether, as implied by the flash data two weeks ago, the economic block avoided recession in the last quarter of 2023. This next release will be refined based on all country level data, however, details of the GDP figures will be still left unknown, until the third release.
- The area level of industrial production is also another important item, after this week's data release on retail sales was a touch weaker than the consensus. German industrial production disappointed by a large margin this week, while the French data was better than the consensus, so with the whole area level data surprises to both directions are possible.
- President Lagarde at the EP hearing will likely stress that the fight against inflation is not yet won.

Key monthly indicators in the euro area (3month changes, %)



Source: Refinitiv



This week's data: US service sector held up well in January; Germany industrial production disappointed

Date*		Cd.	Event/ Data	Period	Fact	Cons.	Prev.
2024 2.5.	2:45	CN	Caixin Services PM I	Jan	52.7		52.9
	8:00	DE	Export M oM ,SA,%)	Dec	-4. 6	- 2,0	3.7
	10:30	EZ	Sentix Investor confidence points)	Feb	-12.9	-15 D	-15.8
	11:00	EZ	Producer Prices (MoM,%)	Dec	-0.8	-0.8	-0.3
	11:00	EZ	ProducerPrices (YoY,%)	Dec	-10.6	-10 5	-8.8
	16:00	US	ISM non-Manufacturing PM I points)	Jan	53.4	52 . 0	50.5
6.	8:00	DE	Industrial orders MoM, %)	Dec	8.9	Ω0	Ω0
	11:00	EZ	Retailsales MoM,%)	Dec	-1,1	-1.0	-0.3
7.	8:00	DE	Industrial production MoM,%)	Dec	-1.6	-0.4	-0.7
8.	14:30	US	Inital jobless claim s (000s)	w eekly	218	221	227
	14:30	US	Continuing jobless claims (000s)	w eekly	18 71	18 78	1894

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Key highlights

- In the **USA**, the **ISM** -non manufacturing **PMI** strengthened to 53.4 points (from 50.5, cons: 52), defying fears that the economy is weakening in Q1. The composite index indicated growth in January for the 13th consecutive month reading of 49 percent in December 2022, which was the first contraction since May 2020.
- The euro area, German industrial production fell for the 7th consecutive month, suggesting that it will remain a drag on growth in 2024. Particularly sharp declines were registered in the chemical industry, (-7.6% MoM) and in the construction industry (-3.4%). Although declines were less pronounced, production was also down in many other branches of economic activity. By contrast, production growth in the automotive sector (+4.0%) had a positive impact on overall performance.



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Indices	Last price	1week change (%)	YTD (%)	Interest rates	Last price	1week change (bps)	YTD (bps)	FX rates	Last price	1week change (%)	YTD (%)	Commodity	Last price	1week change (%)	YTD (%)
S& P500	5003	0.9	4.9	US2year	4.476	11.2	22.6	Dollarindex	104.089	0.2	2.7	Brent	823	6.4	6.8
NasdaqComp.	158 79	1.6	5.8	US 10 year	4 177	15.7	29.8	EURUSD	1.0 78 9	Ω 0	-2.3	WII	77.1	6.6	7.6
Dow Jones	38 68 9	0.1	2.7	DE 2 year	2.702	14.3	312	USDJPY	149.365	0.7	5.9	NatGas (TTF, front-m onth)*	26.9	-8.3	-15.8
Russel2000	1986	12	-2.0	DE 10 Year	2.377	13.8	35.6	GBPU SD	12641	0.1	-0.7	Gold	2025.4	-0.7	-1.8
Stoxx 600	484	0.1	1.1	FR 10 year	2.889	14 .6	33.2	AUDUSD	0 .653	0.2	-4.2	Silver	22.62	-0.3	-4.9
DAX	16904	-0.1	0.9	SP 10 year	3.364	19.9	38.3	USDCAD	13437	0.2	-1.4	Palladium	865.09	-8.8	-21.4
CAC40	7636	0.6	12	I 10 year	3.958	14.8	26.8	USDCHF	0.8744	-0.9	-3.8	Copper	365.85	-4.3	-6.D
FTSE100	7579	-0.5	-2.0	UK 10 year	4 0 77	16.3	54.8	NZDUSD	0.6146	13	-2.7	Steel	940	-2.8	-17.2
FTSE M IB	31127	13	2.6	CH 10 year	0 921	10.9	26.7	CNHUSD	7.218	0.0	-1.3	W heat	60325	0.6	-39
Nikkei225	368 97	2.0	10.3	JP 10 year	0.720	5.3	11.2	USDTRY	30 .68 45	-0.6	-3.8	Com	436.75	-1.4	-7.3
CSI300	3365	4.6	-1.9	CN 10 year	2.440	0.5	-12,0	USDBRL	4.9679	0.1	-22	Electricity (APX)*	74 22	52.6	291.7

Source:Bloom being *In EUR/MWh

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- Last week's January US job report and Jerome Powell's and other Fed officials' comments on the future interest rate path have been definitely in investors' mind this week. Long-term bond yields got bigger momentum on Monday as the market digested the extremely strong payroll and wage data released last Friday and the Fed Chief's remarks in an interview last weekend. 10Y bond yields rose 20-30bps in two days. Although Tuesday brought some correction in Western bond markets, investors started to adapt to the cautious approach towards future rate cuts. A number of Fed officials have recently pointed out that they see no systemic risk in the banking system and that several months of inflation data are needed to trigger a rate cut, hence they project two to three 25-basis-point cuts this year, compared to the five the market had priced in. The somewhat lower-than-expected weekly jobless claims also supported this view. In a weekly horizon, 10Y US yields added 16bps and 10Y Bund yields increased by 14bps, both returning to approximately two-month high.
- In the currency markets, the EUR/USD moved in a tight range this week. The first two trading days were characterized by a stronger dollar, while the remaining days brought some weakening. In a weekly comparison, the Dollar index added 0.2% and the EUR/USD remained flat.
- Developed equity markets are heading towards the end of a very busy week, with a slew of corporate earnings releases. Most of the stock indices got higher, with major US equity indices gaining 0.1-1.6% despite rising yields weighing on equity valuations. The S&P500 breached 5,000 points intraday on Thursday and Friday, after hitting a number of new highs this year. Several upbeat earnings reports surprised investors, with Caterpillar, McDonald's, and Eli Lilly among others delivering stronger-than-expected figures both on the revenue and the profit level. In terms of sector performances, IT, health care and energy led gainers and utilities lost the most. In Western Europe, the Stoxx600 is on course for modest 0.1% gains, with technology and auto & parts giving momentum and utilities, telco and real estate weighing on this week's performance. Basic resources were also a major drag on stock indices as the strong US dollar weighed on commodity prices. Banks also dropped this week, despite Unicredit's upbeat earnings report, as Nordea Bank and UBS delivered disappointing figures and Intesa Sanpaolo released mixed quarterly results. Among other European heavyweights, Linde and Siemens Energy surprised investors to the upside in terms of revenues and EPS as well.
- Crude oil futures are set to end the week with about 6-7% weekly gains after 6% decline last week. Persistent geopolitical tensions are still an issue. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu rejected a ceasefire proposal by Hamas, while the US also carried out a strike that killed a commander from Kataib Hezbollah, an Iran-backed armed group in Iraq. TTF gas prices are set to drop 8% this week, below 27 EUR/MWh. Above-normal-temperatures, ample stock levels and increasing supply after the Norwegian pipeline has resumed production at the Nyhamna plant, drove prices lower.



Stock market and sector performance

Performance of US sectors									
Last price	1week change (%)	YTD(%)							
5003	0.9	4.9							
3716	2.5	9.4							
1680	15	5.6							
647	-0 2	3.3							
274	0.5	11.3							
1438	0.6	1.4							
988	10	2.5							
777	-1,1	20							
304	-25	-5.4							
646	1.4	10							
240	-0.3	-4.6							
522	-0 4	-32							
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Key US Tech companies									
Company	Last price	1week change (%)	YTD(%)						
Apple	18 9	1.4	-21						
M icrosoft	417	13	10.8						
Nvidia	70 7	6.9	42.8						
Alphabet	147	31	51						
Am azon	171	-0 .6	12.4						
Tesla	193	2.8	-222						

1week Last price YTD(%) Sector change (%) Stoxx 600 484 0.1 11 Health care 1092 0.5 29 2.4 Industrialgoods & services 793 11 Banks 166 -18 -1.7 Personal& households goods 49 1065 Insurance 347 -1.4 01 Food and beverages -0.6 0.4 726 854 3.8 122 Technology <u>-93</u> U tilities 356 **-4** Ω Oil& gas 348 01 -2.4Chem icals **-12** 1222 -5.7 Construction & m aterials 655 0.1 -1.5 193 -3 D -1.6 Telco Retail 376 -13 -6.7Financial services -1.6 -2.4 698 Basic resources <u>-99</u> 528 **-**3Ω Realestate 123 -3 D -79 Auto & parts 653 40 M edia 438 1.4 7.7

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Performance of Europe's sectors

Source:Bloom berg

Travel& leisure



Summary of regional stock markets' performance

	Name	Performance)		Valuation**				Fundamentals			
Country	Index	Last Price	1M change (%)	3M change (%)	6M change (%) c	12M change (%)	P/ E*	P/B	P/S	ROE (%)	Current Ratio	Debt to equity (%)	Change in EPS growth in the last 4 week (%)	Change in EPS growth in the last 3 month (%)
													1.264075	
Europe	SXXP Index	484	1.6	8.3	5.3	4.9	13.9	18	13	12.2	1,1	161,1	-0 2	2.9
Germ any	DAX Index	16904	1.4	10 2	6.8	9.0	14.7	1.5	0.9	9.0	12	112.3	-31.8	15
France	CAC Index	7636	2.9	7.4	4.4	6.3	13.5	18	1.3	12.1	1,1	213.9	-9.9	-0 .4
Poland	W IG20 Index	2308	0.9	6.3	10 1	21.7	6.9	1,1	0.7	14.9		41,1	3.5	-9.4
Czechia	PX Index	1451	0.2	5.9	6.5	4.4	7.9	1.0	0.8	12.6		122.3	-91	-1.9
Hungary	BUX Index	64959	5.0	13.4	17.7	41.5	7.4	1.0	6. 0	15.8		661	10 1.7	
Rom ania	BET Index	15727	0.7	8 2	21.0	28 .6	6.7	18	1.6	18 0		461	10 .7	6.7
Bulgaria	SOFIX Index	78 0	1.7	51	10.7	27.2	5.5	0.8	0.5	10.3	2.5	54.9		
Russia	MOEX Index	3237	2.6	-0 1	4.5	431	3.0	0.4	0.7	14.3	1.7	61.1		
Ukraine	PFTS Index	507	۵.0	۵.0	Ω 0	α 0	26.9	61	4.2	22.8		11.0		
Slovenia	SBITOP Index	1387	9.0	18 .4	14.9	20.3	92	1.0	0.5	11.6		37.9	Ω0	
Croatia	CRO Index	2679	2.6	11.5	9.9	25.3	94.6	9.8	7.4	8.5	1.6	33.5	0.0	
Serbia	BELEX 15 Index	895	22	31	2.8	2.6	610.9	59 1	42.5	9.8	1.9	15.1	0.0	116.4
M ontenegro	MNSE10 Index	10 42	-2.0	-1.3	2.6	0.7		0.3			21	7.7		

^{*}Price to earnings (P/E) ratio is calculated with the 12M trailing EPS in the denominator.

^{**}Some of the country indices could be sector heavy (only a handful industry comprise the majority of the indices),

^{**}therefore direct comparison of valuation metrics alone could be misleading.



FX outlook

FX pair	2023.Q4	2024.Q1	2024.Q2	2024.Q3	2024.Q4	2025.Q4	2026.Q4
EURUSD	1.00	1.07	108	1.09	1.07	1.12	1,15
EURGBP	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.86	0.87	0.88	0.87
EURCHF	0.96	0.95	0.96	0.96	0.98	1.01	1.00
USDJPY	159	157	155	154.5	152	150	146

Source: Bloomberg

Country	FX pair	2022.Q4	2023.Q1	2023.Q2	2023.Q3	2023.Q4	2024.Q1	2024.Q2	2024.Q3	2024.Q4
Hungary	EURHUF (cop)	400	380	373	388	382	380	377	375	378
Rom ania	EURRON (cop)	4.95	4.95	4.96	4.97	4.97	5.03	5.04	5.05	5.08
Russia	USDRUB (cop)	73.0	77.7	89.5	97.6	89.4	91.49	93.65	94.72	96 13
Ukmine	USDUAH (cop)	37.0	36.7	36.7	37.0	38 .0	38 1	38 .4	391	39.7
Serbia	EURRSD (eop)	117.0	117	117	117	117	117	117	117	117

No forecast available for Moldova and Albania

Source: Focus Economics



Macro outlook in the region

Countries	GDP (yoy, %) OTP Focus Economics							
	2022	2023	2024	2023	2024			
Hungary	4.6	-1,0	2,0	-0.6	2.6			
Rom ania	4.7	15	2.8	2,0	31			
Bulgaria	3.4	1.7	21	1.8	2.2			
Russia	-12	3.6	2.9	2.7	1.6			
Ukraine	-291	3.0	3.9	4.9	4.1			
Slovenia	2.5	1.4	2.3	13	21			
Croatia	6.3	2.6	2.8	2.5	2.5			
Serbia	2.5	2.5	3.5	23	3.0			
Montenegro	6.4	4.8	3.8	4.2	3.4			
Alban <i>i</i> a	4.9	3.4	4.1	3.2	3.3			
M oldova	-5.9	0.4	3.5	15	4.0			

	Fiscal balance (%of GDP)							
Countries		O.	ΓP	Focus Ec	conomics			
	2022	2023	2024	2023	2024			
Hungary	-62	-6.4	-4.2	- 5.7	-42			
Rom ania	-6.3	-5.8	-6. Ω	-5.9	-5.3			
Bulgaria	-2.8	-3 <i>.</i> 4	-31	-3.0	-3.0			
Russia	-2.1	-2.1	-1.0	-22	-2.0			
Ukraine	-16.3	- 20 . 0	-16 .0	- 20 . 0	-18.3			
Slovenia	-3.0	-4.7	-3.7	-3.8	-31			
Croatia	01	-0.5	-1.0	-0.4	-1.6			
Serb ia	-3.1	-3.3	-2.7	-2.7	-2.2			
Montenegro	-4.3	-1.8	-4.9	-2.7	-4.0			
Albania	-3.8	-2.4	-3.0	-22	-2.3			
M oldova	-33	-5.5	-4.5	-5.3	-4.5			

	Inflation (average (yoy), %)					
Countries	O		TP	Focus Economics		
	2022	2023	2024	2023	2024	
Hungary	14.5	17.9	4.8	17.1	4.6	
Rom ania	13.7	10.5	6.5	10.5	5.6	
Bulgaria	15.3	9.8	4.1	9.5	4.0	
Russia	13.8	6.0	6.8	5.9	6.5	
Ukraine	15.3	9.8	4.1	13.4	7.3	
Slovenia	9.3	7.2	2.8	72	3.8	
Croatia	10.7	8.1	3.0	7.9	32	
Serbia	11.9	12.1	5.5	12.4	5.1	
Montenegro	13.0	8.5	3.0	8.6	4.6	
Albania	6.7	4.8	3.8	4.8	3.4	
M oldova	28 &	14.1	5.5	13.4	5.7	

	Unemployment (%)						
Countries		OTP		Focus Economics			
	2022	2023	2024	2023	2024		
Hungary	3.6	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.0		
Rom ania	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.5	5.5		
Bulgaria	42	4.2	4.1	4.3	4.5		
Russia	4.0	3.2	3.4	32	32		
Ukraine	21.0	20 0	17.0	19.3	15.9		
Slovenia	4.8	3.8	4.0	3.8	3.6		
Croatia	7.0	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.3		
Serb ia	9.4	9.5	9.0	9.3	8.9		
Montenegro	14.6	14.9	14.3	14.4	17.9		
Albania	11.3	10.3	10 0	10.7	10.3		
M oldova	31	4.4	4.4	3.6	3.5		

Source: Focus Economics, OTP Research Center



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