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Executive Summary

Macroeconomics

Hiring in U.S. probably accelerated in December for second month.

Forex

The euro traded at \$1.2789 at 5:00 p.m. in New York. The EUR/RON closed 4.3440/4.3460.

Money Market

RON T/N trading range was at 0.71%.

Equities

Domestic

The BSE closed mixed, BET-C gained 0.22% on higher volumes, while BET increased 0.02%, BET-FI lost 1.61%. RASDAQ-C closed red (0.16%) on lower volumes, while Tier I gained 0.57%, Tier II was flat.

Foreign

Most U.S. stocks advance on employment data. European stocks decline on bank-capital concern.

Commodities

Gold and silver up. Most other major commodities down.

Market Data (as of 06 January 2012)

Forex (as of 6-Jan-12)

| FX Rates* | Prv. Day | Min 52W | Max 52W | Ytd | -52W |
|------------|----------|---------|------------|--------|--------|
| FA Rales | FIV. Day | | IVIAX JZVV | T tu | -3244 |
| EUR/RON | 4.3478 | 4.0782 | 4.3595 | 4.3271 | 4.2571 |
| USD/RON | 3.3979 | 2.7352 | 3.4025 | 3.3367 | 3.2669 |
| CHF/RON | 3.5677 | 3.1021 | 4.0619 | 3.5540 | 3.3864 |
| 100HUF/RON | 1.3624 | 1.3390 | 1.6076 | 1.3745 | 1.5405 |

* since Bloomberg is the data source NBR rates will likely differ

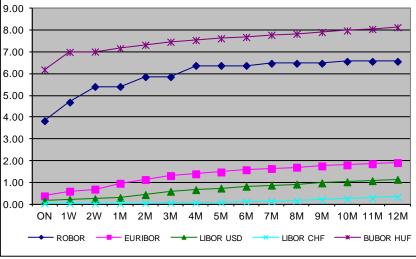


(market info sources: Bloomberg Professional Service, www.bvb.ro, www.bse.hu)

Money Markets (valid for 06 January 2012)

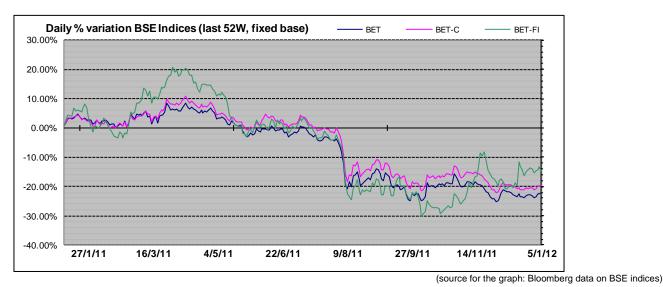
| Rate | ON | 1W | 2W | 1M | 2M | 3M | 4M | 5M | 6M | 7M | 8M | 9M | 10M | 11M | 12M |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| ROBOR* | 3.83 | 4.69 | - | 5.41 | - | 5.86 | - | - | 6.38 | - | - | 6.48 | - | - | 6.57 |
| EURIBOR** | 0.37 | 0.58 | 0.68 | 0.95 | 1.12 | 1.30 | 1.39 | 1.47 | 1.57 | 1.63 | 1.69 | 1.75 | 1.80 | 1.85 | 1.90 |
| LIBOR USD | 0.15 | 0.21 | 0.24 | 0.30 | 0.43 | 0.58 | 0.66 | 0.73 | 0.81 | 0.87 | 0.91 | 0.97 | 1.02 | 1.07 | 1.13 |
| LIBOR CHF | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.12 | 0.16 | 0.20 | 0.24 | 0.28 | 0.33 |
| BUBOR HUF | 6.19 | 7.00 | 7.02 | 7.17 | 7.33 | 7.47 | 7.55 | 7.63 | 7.69 | 7.79 | 7.84 | 7.92 | 7.99 | 8.06 | 8.14 |

* in the chart below, values for maturities where there is no quote are proxyed by the maximum of the previous and the next maturity ** EONIA for ON



⁽source for the graph: the last table on the page above)

Equities



Domestic

| Indices (RON) | Last close | 1d% | Ytd% | 52W% |
|---------------|------------|-------|-------|--------|
| BET | 4,343.81 | 0.02 | 0.16 | -19.87 |
| BET-C | 2,626.95 | 0.22 | 0.21 | -17.39 |
| BET-FI | 19,260.71 | -1.61 | -0.42 | -12.76 |
| ROTX | 7,991.50 | -1.07 | -0.58 | -28.06 |
| Rasdaq-C | 1,579.41 | -0.16 | -0.04 | -6.44 |
| RAQ-I | 928.74 | 0.57 | 2.19 | -37.74 |
| RAQ-II | 1,991.98 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -36.96 |

Foreign

| Indices | Last close | 1d% | Ytd% | 52W% |
|-----------------|------------|-------|-------|--------|
| DJIA (USD) | 12,415.70 | -0.02 | 1.62 | 5.91 |
| S&P 500 (USD) | 1,281.06 | 0.29 | 1.87 | 0.35 |
| DAX (EUR) | 6,095.99 | -0.25 | 3.35 | -12.16 |
| FTSE 100 (GBP) | 5624.26 | -0.78 | 0.93 | -6.94 |
| STOXX 600 (EUR) | 247.39 | -0.89 | 1.17 | -11.80 |
| BUX (HUF) | 16,225.09 | -2.11 | -4.41 | -26.64 |

| Top 5 most | Volume -RON | Volume - | Trades | Last | 1d% | Trading | BVB | Rasdaq | BUSE | NYSE listed | Nasdaq | LSE | STOXX 600 * |
|------------|--|-----------|--------|---------|-------|---------------------|---------|-------------|---------|----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| traded | | shares | | price | | Volumes | | | | | | | |
| FP | 2,942,052 | 6,789,800 | 232 | 0.4300 | -0.46 | Previous Day | 2.44 | 0.02 | 78.24 | 16,849.52 | 9,653.66 | 4,621.75 | 247.39 |
| SIF5 | 1,234,415 | 1,162,500 | 188 | 1.0500 | -2.78 | Ytd Avg. | 2.34 | 0.02 | 46.64 | 15,335.28 | 8,493.93 | 3,564.04 | 247.95 |
| SIF3 | 1,014,196 | 1,792,000 | 264 | 0.5645 | -1.48 | (EUR mn) | | | | | | | |
| SIF4 | 925,038 | 1,650,500 | 220 | 0.5595 | -2.44 | MCap (EUR bn)** | 16.18 | 2.36 | 13.56 | 3,594.58 | 13,324.36 | 2,564.76 | 6,173.10 |
| EBS | 816,235 | 14,426 | 212 | 56.5000 | -4.64 | 1 | n 15 EL | J countries | + Switz | erland, Norway | and Iceland | | |
| | * 600 stocks from 15 EU countries + Switzerland, Norway and Iceland ** For BUSE, NYSE, NSADAQ and LSE only stock listed primarily on that specific market | | | | | | | | | | market | | |

| Best 5 | Volume - RON Volume - Trades | | Trades L | rades Last price | | |
|------------|------------------------------|---------|----------|------------------|-------|--|
| performers | | shares | | | | |
| CMF | 2,070 | 1,000 | 2 | 2.0700 | 15.00 | |
| ELGS | 74,856 | 197,500 | 97 | 0.3841 | 15.00 | |
| OLT | 235,073 | 189,500 | 113 | 1.2660 | 14.99 | |
| TRP | 5,693 | 21,500 | 8 | 0.2648 | 14.98 | |
| STZ | 39,567 | 74,500 | 42 | 0.0646 | 8.00 | |

| Worst 5 | Volume -RON | Volume - | Trades Last price | | 1d% |
|------------|-------------|----------|-------------------|---------|-------|
| performers | | shares | | | |
| EFO | 753 | 10,500 | 7 | 0.0715 | -7.14 |
| VESY | 26 | 500 | 1 | 0.0511 | -5.37 |
| EBS | 816,235 | 14,426 | 212 | 56.5000 | -4.64 |
| VNC | 711 | 11,000 | 5 | 0.0643 | -4.17 |
| BIO | 41,689 | 219,500 | 11 | 0.1890 | -3.03 |



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Commodities

| Item (market) | unit | last close | 1d% | Ytd% | 52W% |
|-------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Oil (Brent crude) | USD/barrel | 112.74 | -0.84 | 4.99 | 16.96 |
| Gold (COMEX) | USD/ounce | 1620.1 | 0.46 | 3.40 | 16.84 |
| Platinum (NYMEX) | USD/ounce | 1415.25 | -0.26 | 1.02 | -18.12 |
| Silver (COMEX) | USD/ounce | 29.296 | 0.68 | 4.95 | -0.64 |
| Wheat (CBOT) | USD/bushel | 6.2925 | -3.19 | -3.60 | -28.82 |
| Corn (CBOT) | USD/bushel | 6.435 | -2.28 | -0.46 | 13.59 |

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• OTP AM – Open-End Funds (as of 4-Jan-12)

| Open-end fund | ссу | last NAV/U | 1d% | Ytd% | 52W% |
|-----------------|-----|------------|------|------|--------|
| OTP AvantisRO | RON | 5.6500 | 0.53 | 0.53 | -15.42 |
| OTP Obligatiuni | RON | 11.4700 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 13.56 |
| OTP ComodisRO | RON | 13.9767 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 6.47 |
| OTP Euro Bond | EUR | 10.5117 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 4.56 |

Market Highlights (as of 05 January 2012)

Forex

The euro fell 0.7 percent to 98.63 yen at 5 p.m. New York time, after reaching 98.48 yen earlier, its weakest since December 2000. It dropped 1.2 percent to \$1.2789, tumbling below \$1.28 for the first time since Sept. 13, 2010, and touching \$1.2771. The dollar appreciated 0.5 percent to 77.12 yen. (Bloomberg)

EUR/RON opened at 4.3280/4.3300 and closed 4.3440/4.3460. (ContiCap)

Money Market

RON T/N trading range was at 0.71%. The shorter end of the curve experienced no change however there was some small movement in the longer durations. 1m and 2m no change, 3m -8bp, 6m -6.5bp, 9m -3bp and 12m 1.5bp. (ContiCap)

Equities

Domestic

The BSE closed mixed (BET-C, which does not include the SIFs lost 0.22%) on higher volumes and above this year's average volume. While BET blue chips index increased 0.02%, BET-FI lost 1.61%.

RASDAQ-C closed red (0.16%), while Tier I gained 0.57%, Tier II closed flat. The trading volume was lower and below 2012's average volume.

Foreign

The S&P 500 climbed 0.3 percent to 1,281.06, after tumbling as much as 0.9 percent earlier. The Dow Jones Industrial Average (INDU) dropped 2.72 points, or less than 0.1 percent, to 12,415.70 yesterday. The Stoxx Europe 600 Index fell 0.9 percent to 247.39 at the close in London. The gauge lost 11 percent last year as policy makers struggled to contain the euro area's debt crisis. (Bloomberg)

Commodities

Brent oil for February settlement fell 0.2 percent to \$112.49 a barrel on the London-based ICE Futures Europe exchange. The European benchmark contract's premium to West Texas Intermediate futures was at \$10.95, compared with \$10.93 a day before and a record of \$27.88 on Oct. 14. (Bloomberg)

Latest Financial News

Macroeconomics

Hiring in U.S. probably accelerated in December for second month.

Hiring in the U.S. probably accelerated in December for a second month, pointing to a strengthening labor market heading into 2012, economists said before a report this week. Payrolls climbed by 155,000 workers after rising 120,000 the previous month, according to the median forecast of 84 economists surveyed by Bloomberg News. The unemployment rate rose after dropping in November to the lowest level in more than two years, the report may also show. Sustained payroll gains are needed to chip away at joblessness and support household spending, which accounts for about 70 percent of the world's largest economy. At the same time, the financial crisis in Europe and political stalemate over ways to pare the U.S. budget deficit may be prompting companies to hold back amid concern the expansion will slow. (Bloomberg)

Forex

Romania's international reserves totaled EUR 33 bln at end-December 2011.

The foreign exchange reserves of the National Bank of Romania (NBR) reached EUR 33.1 billion at end-December 2011, which is an increase of almost EUR 1.5 billion from the previous month. In the same period, Romania's gold stock remained unchanged at 103.7 tons, with a market value of EUR 4 billion. The international reserves of Romania, including foreign currencies and gold, stood at EUR 37.2 billion at end-December 2011. During December, capital inflows stood at EUR 1.9 billion, while outflows totaled EUR 545 million. (Business Review)

Money Market

Romania cuts interest rates for second time to foster growth.

Romania's central bank cut its main interest rate by a quarter of a percentage point for the second session as record-low inflation and a second international backstop help policy makers sustain economic growth. The Bucharest-based Banca Nationala a Romaniei lowered the monetary policy rate to 5.75 percent, according to an e-mailed statement yesterday. The move matched the estimate by nine of 13 economists surveyed by Bloomberg. One forecast a half-point reduction, while three expected no change. Policy makers have room to reduce borrowing costs as the inflation rate fell to a two-decade low in November. The central bank said lower rates should spark a recovery in the Balkan nation, which exited the worst recession on record last year, amid the European Union's sovereign debt crisis. (Bloomberg)

Romania sells 1.48 bln Lei (341 mln Euro) in 2-year T-notes, yields down.

Romania sold on Thursday 1.48 billion lei (\$441. million/341 million euro) worth of two-year Treasury notes, double its 700-million-lei offer, the central bank said. The average yield was 6.87%, down from 7.15% achieved in the previous auction held on December 8, the central

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bank, which sells government securities on behalf of the finance ministry, said in a statement. Bids were placed for 2.5 billion lei worth of government debt. The average accepted price was equal to 98.5591% of par. The finance ministry has sold 50.4 billion lei and some 2.86 billion euro worth of debt last year compared to 37.14 billion lei and 2.5 billion euro in government debt paper sold in 2010. (SeeNews)

Equities

Domestic

Romanians investigated for undermining economy.

Romanian prosecutors say they are investigating 40 public officials and other people on suspicion of undermining the country's economy. Prosecutors say public officials from the state-owned natural gas company Romgaz sold gas below market rates in 2006 to a company identified in news reports as InterAgro, a chemical fertilizer company. InterAgro company officials on Thursday denied wrongdoing. Prosecutors said in a Wednesday statement that the sale cost the state \$126 million (euro97.31 million). They said officials from the Ministry of Economy and the country's regulatory body for energy are also being investigated. (CNBC)

Romanian Competition body unlikely to fine oil firms the maximum.

Romania's competition council is unlikely to impose the maximum fine on any of the oil companies under investigation for an alleged breach of antitrust rules, said Bogdan Chiritoiu, who heads the regulator. The probe involves companies such as OMV Petrom SA (SNP RO), Rompetrol Group NV and the Romanian unit of Lukoil OAO, and the maximum fine would be 10 percent of total sales. The competition council will announce the result of the inquiry and recommend sanctions at the start of next week, Chiritoiu said during a conference in Bucharest yesterday. "Our report differentiates between the companies because their facts are different," he said. Under Romanian law, those that initiated actions damaging to competition will get tougher penalties, he added. The companies are being probed in connection with the withdrawal from the market of Eco-Premium, an unleaded gasoline pre-mixed with lead substitute. (Bloomberg)

Foreign

Societe Generale announced job cuts.

Societe Generale (GLE), France's second-largest lender, retreated 5.4 percent to 16.08 Euros after saying it will cut about 1,580 jobs at its corporate and investment bank, about 10 percent of the unit's total staff. (Bloomberg)

Japan alternative venues have best year as volatility jumps.

Japan's alternative equity markets won more business than ever from the Tokyo Stock Exchange as investment funds sought better prices and places to buy and sell when traditional channels failed. Markets including SBI Japannext and Chi-X Japan as well as dark pools, or venues that don't display prices, handled 7.8 percent of the volume in Topix Index stocks last year, up from 6 percent in 2010, data compiled by Bloomberg show. That's the biggest annual increase and the most market share since such platforms were introduced in 2007, the data show. The venues, known as proprietary trading systems, handled more volume in Tokyo Electric Power Co., Canon Inc. and Olympus Corp. than the Tokyo Stock Exchange on some days, the first time that's ever happened, because of stock halts and price differences across venues, data compiled by Bloomberg show. (Bloomberg)

Commodities

Oil declines a second day as U.S. stockpiles, Europe counter Iran threat.

Oil declined for a second day in New York, trimming a weekly gain, as increasing U.S. crude inventories and signs that Europe's sovereign debt crisis is worsening pointed to faltering demand for fuel. "The bigger issues are the geopolitical crisis with Iran and the European debt crisis, pushing and pulling against the market," said Anthony Nunan, a senior adviser for risk management at Mitsubishi Corp. in Tokyo who described the Energy Department data as bearish. "We had an overreaction to the upside and people are coming back to the reality that the European crisis will still be a big drag on the economy." (Bloomberg)



LEGEND

"Min / Max 52W" = Minimum / Maximum value recorded in the past "Ytd" (Year to date) = quotation in the first trading day of the year; 52 weeks "Last close / price" = the closing price for the last trading session "Ytd%" (Year to date %) = cumulative % increase/decrease since the before the issue date of this report end of the previous year;

"**MCap**" = Market capitalization;

"1d%" = % increase/decrease between Last close and the closing "52W%" = cumulative % increase/decrease during the past 52 price of the day before the Last close date

weeks: ' Ytd Avg." = average value since the beginning of the current year

"BuSE" = Budapest Stock Exchange





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