

Executive Summary

• Macroeconomics

Romania's January-November C/A gap narrows 6.6% to 4.230 bln Euro. Foreign debt rises to 96.886 bln Euro at end-November.

• Forex

The euro traded at \$1.2680 at 5:00 p.m. in New York. The EUR/RON closed 4.3350/4.3370.

• Money Market

RON T/N trading range was at 0.50% - 0.85%.

• Equities

Domestic

The BSE closed green, BET-C gained 0.03% on higher volumes, while BET advanced 0.14%, BET-FI gained 0.22%. RASDAQ-C closed green (+0.40%) on higher volumes, while Tier I was flat, Tier II gained 2.46%.

Foreign

U.S. stocks rally for second week as China bets offset Europe. European stocks gain for fourth straight week on Spain, Italy debt sales.

• Commodities

Most major commodities down.

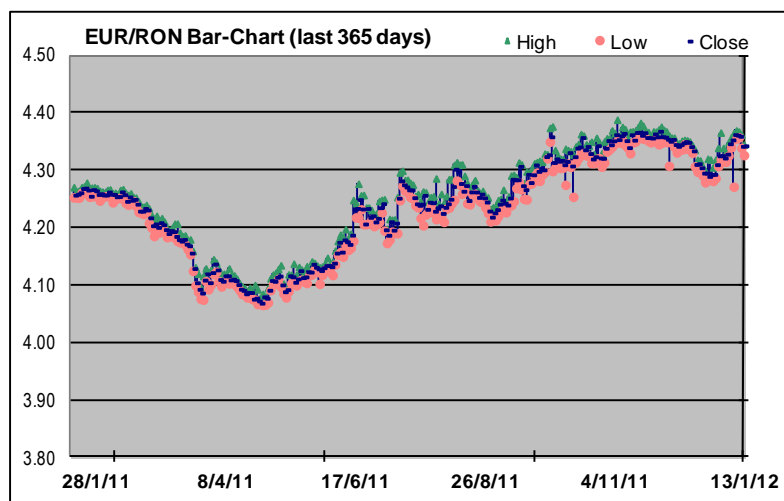
Market Data (as of 16 January 2012)

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

• Forex (as of 16-Jan-12)

FX Rates*	Prv. Day	Min 52W	Max 52W	Ytd	-52W
EUR/RON	4.3422	4.0782	4.3595	4.3271	4.2680
USD/RON	3.4235	2.7352	3.4435	3.3367	3.1949
CHF/RON	3.5911	3.1021	4.0619	3.5540	3.3123
100HUF/RON	1.3982	1.3390	1.6076	1.3745	1.5439

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

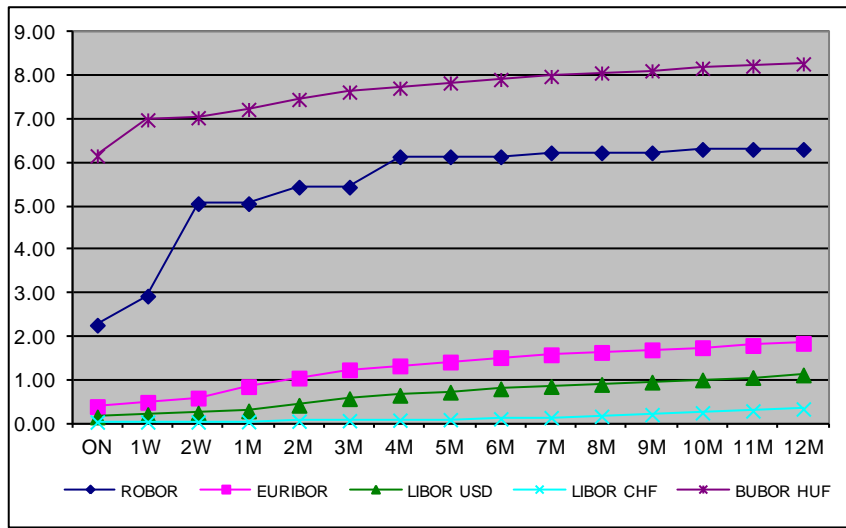


• Money Markets (valid for 16 January 2012)

Rate	ON	1W	2W	1M	2M	3M	4M	5M	6M	7M	8M	9M	10M	11M	12M
ROBOR*	2.26	2.93	-	5.06	-	5.44	-	-	6.14	-	-	6.23	-	-	6.31
EURIBOR**	0.39	0.48	0.58	0.85	1.04	1.23	1.32	1.41	1.51	1.58	1.63	1.69	1.74	1.79	1.84
LIBOR USD	0.15	0.20	0.24	0.29	0.42	0.57	0.65	0.72	0.79	0.85	0.90	0.95	1.00	1.05	1.11
LIBOR CHF	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.13	0.16	0.20	0.24	0.29	0.33
BUBOR HUF	6.16	6.99	7.04	7.23	7.46	7.63	7.72	7.84	7.92	7.99	8.07	8.12	8.18	8.23	8.28

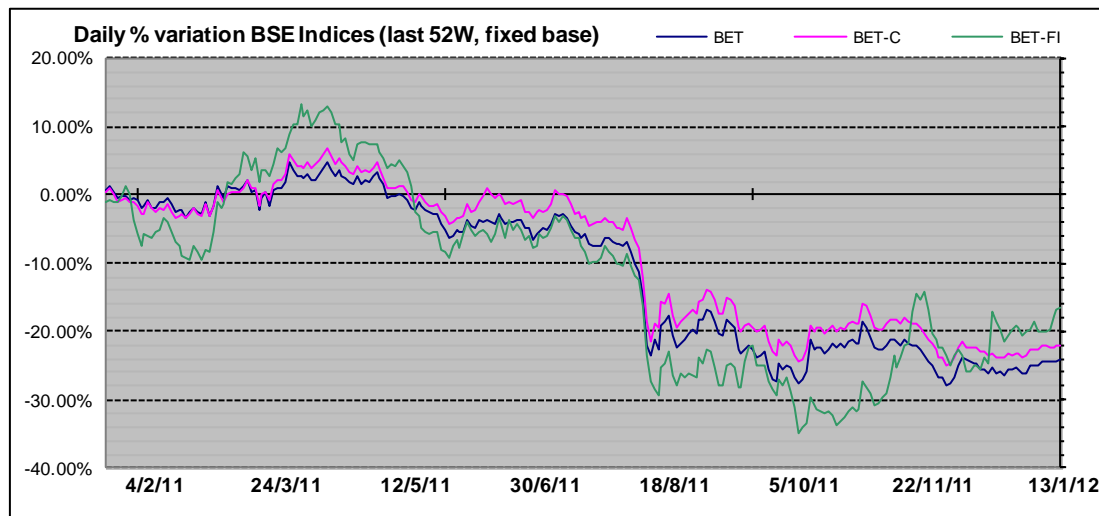
* in the chart below, values for maturities where there is no quote are proxied by the maximum of the previous and the next maturity

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

Equities



(source for the graph: Bloomberg data on BSE indices)

Domestic

Indices (RON)	Last close	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
BET	4,382.60	0.14	1.05	-24.24
BET-C	2,642.54	0.03	0.81	-21.96
BET-FI	20,104.76	0.22	3.95	-14.31
ROTX	8,045.00	0.40	0.08	-31.78
Rasdaq-C	1,598.43	0.40	1.16	-9.84
RAQ-I	956.05	0.00	5.20	-37.45
RAQ-II	2,065.88	2.46	3.71	-32.11

Foreign

Indices	Last close	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
DJIA (USD)	12,422.06	-0.39	1.67	5.88
S&P 500 (USD)	1,289.09	-0.49	2.50	0.42
DAX (EUR)	6,143.08	-0.58	4.15	-13.17
FTSE 100 (GBP)	5636.64	-0.46	1.16	-6.43
STOXX 600 (EUR)	249.18	-0.13	1.90	-12.27
BUX (HUF)	17,350.24	1.88	2.22	-22.51

Top 5 most traded	Volume -RON	Volume - shares	Trades	Last price	1d%
FP	8,636,843	20,088,600	285	0.4299	0.68
SIF2	4,690,804	3,800,500	299	1.2300	1.23
SIF3	2,414,175	4,080,000	585	0.5800	-0.43
SIF5	2,355,806	2,081,500	257	1.1190	-0.44
TLV	1,412,133	1,560,500	153	0.9030	0.33

Trading Volumes	BVB	Rasdaq	BUSE	NYSE listed	Nasdaq	LSE	STOXX 600 *
Previous Day	8.19	0.04	69.45	17,678.49	9,530.58	5,632.90	249.18
Ytd Avg. (EUR mn)	3.86	0.10	51.61	15,661.70	9,267.78	4,417.27	248.47
MCap (EUR bn)**	16.31	2.39	14.80	3,688.58	13,615.50	2,586.11	6,232.31

* 600 stocks from 15 EU countries + Switzerland, Norway and Iceland

** For BUSE, NYSE, NSADAQ and LSE only stock listed primarily on that specific market

Best 5 performers	Volume -RON	Volume - shares	Trades	Last price	1d%
EPT	26	500	1	0.0510	11.35
PPL	850	1,000	1	0.8500	4.17
APC	4,550	7,000	7	0.6550	3.80
ALT	191	6,000	4	0.0321	3.55
SRT	447	32,500	42	0.0646	2.22

Worst 5 performers	Volume -RON	Volume - shares	Trades	Last price	1d%
CBC	5,220	800	1	6.5250	-14.93
MECF	9,020	89,500	29	0.1044	-5.09
IMP	3,299	16,000	11	0.1910	-4.50
PEI	36	2	2	18.0000	-4.26
TBM	620	13,000	12	0.0495	-4.26

- **Commodities**

Item (market)	unit	last close	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
Oil (Brent crude)	USD/barrel	110.44	-0.74	2.85	13.21
Gold (COMEX)	USD/ounce	1630.8	-1.03	4.08	16.53
Platinum (NYMEX)	USD/ounce	1489.5	-0.62	6.32	-17.38
Silver (COMEX)	USD/ounce	29.522	-2.00	5.76	0.04
Wheat (CBOT)	USD/bushel	6.0225	-0.45	-7.74	-32.12
Corn (CBOT)	USD/bushel	5.995	-1.96	-7.27	3.67

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

Open-end fund	ccy	last NAV/U	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
OTP AvantisRO	RON	5.7400	1.06	2.14	-17.29
OTP Obligatiuni	RON	11.4900	0.00	0.26	12.21
OTP ComodisRO	RON	13.9992	0.02	0.25	6.48
OTP Euro Bond	EUR	10.5219	0.01	0.16	4.57

Market Highlights (as of 13 January 2012)

- **Forex**

The euro fell 0.3 percent to \$1.2680 on Friday in New York, from \$1.2717 on Jan. 6. Its last six-week losing streak ended Feb. 19, 2010. The euro touched \$1.2624 on Friday, the weakest level since Aug. 25, 2010. The shared currency depreciated 0.3 percent to 97.57 yen in a third weekly loss. It reached 97.20 yen on Friday, the lowest level since December 2000. The dollar was unchanged versus the Japanese currency at 76.97. (Bloomberg)

EUR/RON opened at 4.3400/4.3420 and closed the day 4.3350/4.3370. (ContiCap)

- **Money Market**

RON T/N trading range was 0.5%- 0.85%. The curve moved further left with a similar move to Thursday's, 1m -27bp, 2m -21bp, 3m -17bp, 6m -11.5bp, 9m -9bp and 12m -6bp. (ContiCap)

- **Equities**

- **Domestic**

The BSE closed green (BET-C, which does not include the SIFs advanced 0.03%) on higher volumes and still above this year's average volume. While BET blue chips index increased 0.14%, BET-FI gained 0.22%.

RASDAQ-C closed green (+0.40%), while Tier I was flat, Tier II gained 2.46%. The trading volume was higher but still below 2012's average volume.

- **Foreign**

The S&P 500 added 0.9 percent to 1,289.09 last week, extending its yearly gain to 2.5 percent. The Dow gained 62.14 points, or 0.5 percent, to 12,422.06 for the week. The benchmark Stoxx Europe 600 Index increased 0.7 percent to 249.18 last week, even after falling 0.1 percent a day before on concern that rating companies may downgrade several euro-area countries. The gauge has advanced 1.9 percent in 2012 as declining bond yields across Europe's peripheral nations tempered concern that the region's debt crisis is worsening. (Bloomberg)

- **Commodities**

Brent oil for February settlement was at \$110.73 a barrel, up 29 cents on the London-based ICE Futures Europe exchange. The contract expires today. (Bloomberg)

Latest Financial News

- **Macroeconomics**

Romania's January-November C/A gap narrows 6.6% to 4.230 bln Euro.

Romania's current account gap shrank by 6.6% to an estimated 4.230 billion euro (\$5.4 billion) through November mainly due to a lower trade deficit, the central bank, BNR, said on Friday. Foreign direct investments (FDI) covered 38.7% of Romania's current account deficit in the first eleven months of 2011, BNR said in a statement. FDI in Romania totalled 1.639 billion euro in January-November, down by 36% from a year earlier. Of the total figure, intra-group loans accounted for 440 million euro, the central bank said. (SeeNews)

Romania's foreign debt rises to 96.886 bln Euro at end-November.

Romania's foreign debt totalled 96.886 billion euro (\$124.4 billion) at the end of November, 4.8% up from the end of 2010, the central bank said on Friday. The end-November figure includes 75.344 billion euro in long-term and medium-term foreign debt, which is an increase of 3.3% from the end of 2010, the central bank said in a statement. The figure for the long-term and medium-term foreign debt includes government debt and privately-held debt. (SeeNews)

- **Forex**

Euro falls after S&P strips France of AAA, reduces eight others' ratings.

The euro weakened for a second day, this morning, touching an 11-year low versus the yen after Standard & Poor's stripped France of its top credit rating and cut eight other euro-zone nations. The shared currency extended a six-week-long drop against the greenback before a series of debt auctions this week by European nations begins with France's bill sale today. The yen and dollar strengthened against most major peers as concern that Europe's financial turmoil will intensify boosted demand for safety. Australia's dollar slid before data on economic growth in China, the nation's biggest trading partner. "Those downgrades provided another excuse for the speculative community to add to their short positions in euro," said Mike Jones, a currency strategist at Bank of New Zealand Ltd. in Wellington. "We've got a few more European debt auctions out there as market sentiment continues to be tested." A short position is a bet that an asset will decline in value. (Bloomberg)

- **Money Market**

Nowotny says S&P favors Fed's bond buying over ECB's 'restrictive' policy.

European Central Bank Governing Council member Ewald Nowotny said Standard & Poor's downgrades of euro members was based on the ratings company's favoring the Federal Reserve's policy of buying government bonds over the ECB's "restrictive" policy. The rating company on Jan. 13 lowered the top ratings of France and Austria one level to AA+, with "negative" outlooks, while affirming the ratings of

countries that included Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands. The company also downgraded Italy, Portugal, Spain and Cyprus by two steps and cut Malta, Slovakia and Slovenia by one level. S&P analysts, outlining the decision to downgrade the sovereign credit ratings of nine of the euro area's 17 members, said the challenges posed by the crisis were rising. "The explanation of S&P is fundamentally a political one -- they are unhappy with the developments in Europe," said Nowotny, who also heads Austria's central bank. "Frankly there are a lot of reasons to be unhappy, things are going too slowly." (Bloomberg)

• Equities

Domestic

Erste CEO reiterates won't need state aid this year.

Erste Group Bank AG won't ask for state aid this year and made writedowns last year because it was strong enough to make them, Chief Executive Officer Andreas Treichl said in Austrian television yesterday. (Bloomberg)

Foreign

IPIC may be seeking majority in Austria's OMV, Presse reports.

International Petroleum Investment Co., an investment company owned by Abu Dhabi, may be seeking to acquire a majority in OMV AG, Die Presse newspaper reported, citing market rumors. IPIC may have "parked" OMV shares at numerous funds, while it waits for approval from the Austrian Ministry of Economics to increase its stake in central Europe's biggest oil company to more than 25 percent, the Vienna-based newspaper said. (Bloomberg)

Commerzbank plans to raise capital without taxpayers aid.

Commerzbank surged 16 percent. Germany's second-largest lender plans to raise capital to levels required by the European Banking Authority without asking taxpayers for aid, said two people with knowledge of the matter. The EBA may this year postpone the annual stress test for banks usually published in July, Handelsblatt reported. (Bloomberg)

• Commodities

Oil trades near 4-week low as Europe outlook counters Iran supply threat.

Oil traded near the lowest price in almost four weeks as speculation that measures to quell Europe's debt crisis are failing offset Iran's call for support to defy a ban on its crude exports. "The main drivers are Europe and potential problems on the demand side," Ric Spooner, a chief analyst at CMC Markets in Sydney, said by telephone today. "The S&P downgrades were well telegraphed but it sets a nervous tone for a couple of significant hurdles we have coming up." (Bloomberg)



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 "Last close / price" = the closing price for the last trading session before the issue date of this report
 "MCap" = Market capitalization;
 "52W%" = cumulative % increase/decrease during the past 52 weeks;
 "Ytd Avg." = average value since the beginning of the current year
 "Ytd" (Year to date) = quotation in the first trading day of the year;
 "Ytd%" (Year to date %) = cumulative % increase/decrease since the end of the previous year;
 "1d%" = % increase/decrease between Last close and the closing price of the day before the Last close date
 "BuSE" = Budapest Stock Exchange



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