

Executive Summary

• Macroeconomics

German consumer confidence will reach 12-month high, GfK says.

• Forex

The euro traded at \$1.3406 per euro at 4:00 p.m. in New York. The EUR/RON closed at 4.3500/4.3520.

• Money Market

RON O/N trading range was at 3.74% - 4.24%.

• Equities

Domestic

The BSE closed red, BET-C decreased 1.06% on higher volumes, while BET lost 1.27%, BET-FI dropped 2.17%.

RASDAQ-C closed green (+1.22%) on higher volumes, while Tier I was flat, Tier II advanced 1.20%.

Foreign

S&P 500 rises on housing data. European stocks declined.

• Commodities

Silver, wheat and corn up. Most other major commodities down.

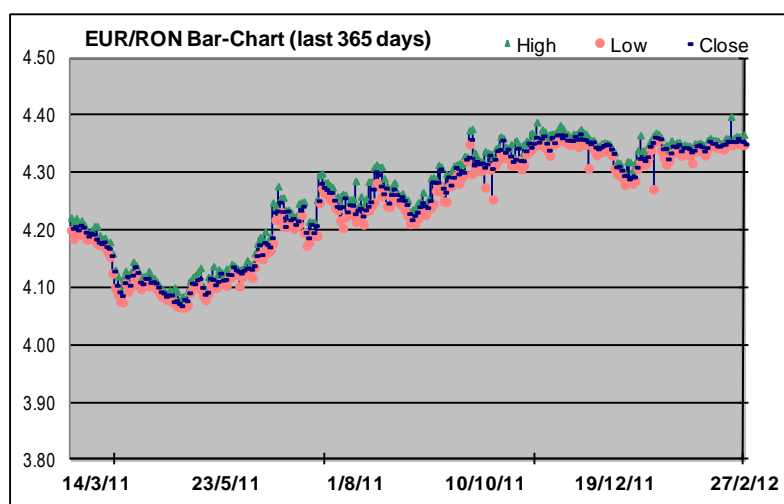
Market Data (as of 28 February 2012)

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

• Forex (as of 28-Feb-12)

FX Rates*	Prv. Day	Min 52W	Max 52W	Ytd	-52W
EUR/RON	4.3497	4.0782	4.3595	4.3271	4.2034
USD/RON	3.2446	2.7352	3.4435	3.3367	3.0479
CHF/RON	3.6104	3.1021	4.0619	3.5540	3.2768
100HUF/RON	1.4948	1.3390	1.6076	1.3745	1.5510

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

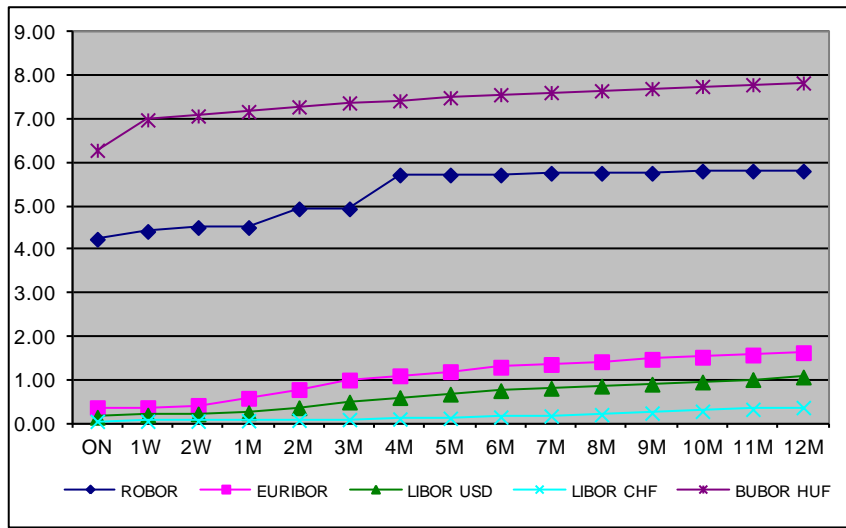


• Money Markets (valid for 28 February 2012)

Rate	ON	1W	2W	1M	2M	3M	4M	5M	6M	7M	8M	9M	10M	11M	12M
ROBOR*	4.24	4.42	-	4.51	-	4.94	-	-	5.72	-	-	5.76	-	-	5.81
EURIBOR**	0.36	0.36	0.41	0.58	0.78	1.00	1.09	1.19	1.29	1.36	1.42	1.47	1.52	1.57	1.63
LIBOR USD	0.14	0.19	0.22	0.24	0.36	0.49	0.59	0.67	0.75	0.81	0.86	0.90	0.95	1.01	1.07
LIBOR CHF	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.17	0.20	0.24	0.28	0.32	0.36
BUBOR HUF	6.29	6.99	7.08	7.18	7.29	7.38	7.43	7.50	7.57	7.62	7.66	7.71	7.76	7.80	7.84

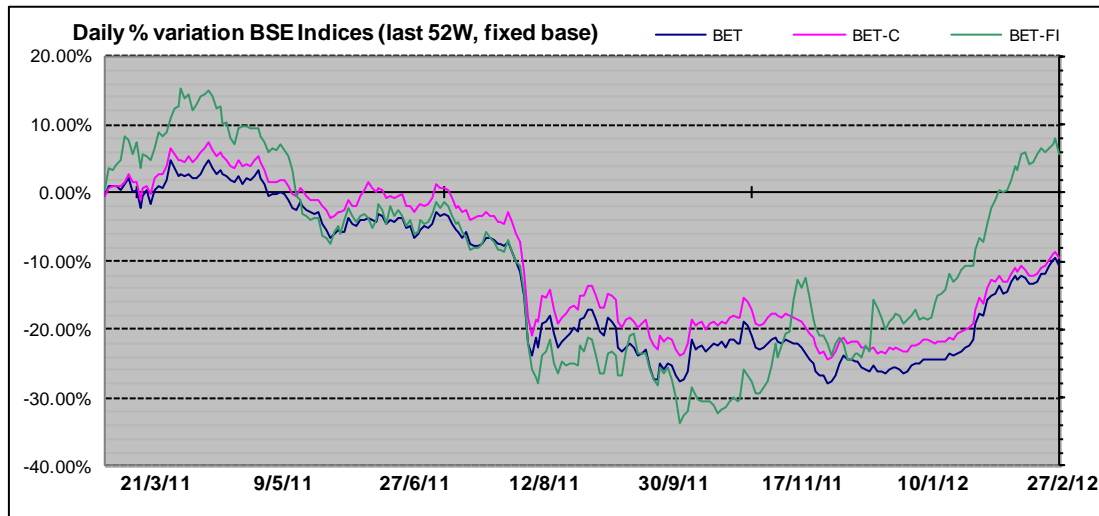
* in the chart below, values for maturities where there is no quote are proxied by the maximum of the previous and the next maturity

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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	5,179.47	-1.27	19.43	-9.00
BET-C	3,051.09	-1.06	16.39	-8.58
BET-FI	24,979.21	-2.17	29.15	9.61
ROTX	9,879.20	-1.60	22.90	-16.18
Rasdaq-C	1,610.07	1.22	1.90	-6.21
RAQ-I	845.97	0.00	-6.92	-42.40
RAQ-II	2,101.25	1.20	5.49	-29.89

Foreign

Indices	Last close	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
DJIA (USD)	12,981.51	-0.01	6.25	7.02
S&P 500 (USD)	1,367.59	0.14	8.75	3.61
DAX (EUR)	6,849.60	-0.22	16.13	-4.67
FTSE 100 (GBP)	5915.55	-0.33	6.16	-1.43
STOXX 600 (EUR)	263.86	-0.34	7.90	-7.13
BUX (HUF)	19,168.46	-1.05	12.93	-16.83

Top 5 most traded	Volume -RON	Volume - shares	Trades	Last price	1d%
FP	14,703,848	26,452,000	803	0.5500	-2.74
SIF5	3,925,006	2,776,000	210	1.4100	-2.08
SNP	2,556,128	6,229,000	277	0.4118	-0.77
SIF3	1,202,920	1,811,000	283	0.6600	-1.49
SIF2	789,428	555,500	120	1.4170	-2.28

Trading Volumes	BVB	Rasdaq	BUSE	NYSE listed	Nasdaq	LSE	STOXX 600 *
Previous Day	7.08	0.22	20.88	14,738.34	10,093.24	4,459.14	263.86
Ytd Avg. (EUR mn)	8.79	0.14	49.69	16,106.10	10,556.30	4,879.73	257.24
MCAp (EUR bn)**	20.57	2.40	17.30	3,784.36	13,682.16	2,659.15	6,612.06

* 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%
OLT	329,953	275,000	247	1.2590	14.98
PEI	19	1	1	18.9700	8.21
SPCU	5,979	31,000	8	0.1930	5.99
MECF	2,460	21,000	3	0.1175	4.91
ARS	4,160	4,000	42	0.0646	2.26

Worst 5 performers	Volume -RON	Volume - shares	Trades	Last price	1d%
VESY	1,102	21,500	8	0.0510	-8.93
IMP	769	3,500	5	0.2190	-4.78
ELGS	41,324	132,500	61	0.3110	-4.75
OIL	515,583	2,602,500	47	0.1887	-4.31
COMI	25,522	148,500	59	0.1690	-4.03

• **Commodities**

Item (market)	unit	last close	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
Oil (Brent crude)	USD/barrel	124.17	-1.04	16.49	12.81
Gold (COMEX)	USD/ounce	1774.9	-0.08	13.09	25.11
Platinum (NYMEX)	USD/ounce	1706.5	-0.38	21.81	-5.48
Silver (COMEX)	USD/ounce	35.604	0.52	27.34	8.67
Wheat (CBOT)	USD/bushel	6.5275	1.79	-2.76	-28.45
Corn (CBOT)	USD/bushel	6.485	0.70	-0.95	5.15

• **OTP AM – Open-End Funds (as of 24-Feb-12)**

Open-end fund	ccy	last NAV/U	1d%	Ytd%	52W%
OTP AvantisRO	RON	6.6800	0.45	18.86	-3.88
OTP Obligatiuni	RON	11.5800	0.09	1.05	7.62
OTP ComodisRO	RON	14.1041	0.02	1.00	6.55
OTP Euro Bond	EUR	10.5793	0.01	0.70	4.68

Market Highlights (as of 27 February 2012)

• **Forex**

The yen appreciated 0.9 percent against the dollar and climbed 1.2 percent versus the euro. The 17-nation currency slipped 0.3 percent to \$1.3406 as it weakened against 11 of 16 major peers. (Bloomberg)

EUR/RON opened at 4.3540/4.3560 and closed at 4.3500/4.3520. (ContiCap)

• **Money Market**

RON O/N trading range was 3.74% - 4.24%. FX curve went a little bit higher at the front end due to the funding; 1 month went up by seven points. (ContiCap)

• **Equities**

Domestic

The BSE closed red (BET-C, which does not include the SIFs decreased 1.06%) on higher volumes but still below this year's average volume. While BET blue chips index lost 1.27%, BET-FI decreased 2.17%.

RASDAQ-C closed green (+1.22%), while Tier I was flat, Tier II advanced 1.20%. The trading volume was higher and above 2012's average volume.

Foreign

The S&P 500 added 0.1 percent to 1,367.59 at 4 p.m. in New York, reversing an early drop of a 0.8 percent and closing at the highest since June 2008. The Dow Jones Industrial Average slipped 1.44 points to 12,981.51, turning lower at the close of trading after failing to hold above 13,000 for a third session in the past week. The Stoxx Europe 600 Index retreated 0.3 percent, paring a drop of as much as 1.2 percent. (Bloomberg)

• **Commodities**

Brent crude decreased 1 percent to \$124.17 a barrel on the ICE Futures Europe exchange, after gaining 4.9 percent last week. (Bloomberg)

Latest Financial News

• **Macroeconomics**

German consumer confidence will reach 12-month high, GfK says.

German consumer confidence will increase to a 12-month high in March as falling unemployment and slowing inflation boost income expectations, GfK SE said. The Nuremberg-based market research company forecast today that its consumer-sentiment index, based on a survey of about 2,000 people, will rise to 6 from 5.9 this month. That would be the highest since March last year and match the median forecast in a Bloomberg News survey of 23 economists. Unemployment in Europe's largest economy is at a two-decade low of 6.7 percent, supporting consumer spending and helping to limit the impact of the sovereign debt crisis. Business confidence is at a seven-month high and Germany's Bundesbank said on Feb. 20 that the outlook for the economy has "improved perceptibly," even though risks remain. (Bloomberg)

• **Forex**

Euro gains on prospect ECB loan operation to boost risk appetite.

The euro gained against most major peers, this morning, before the European Central Bank allots a second round of unlimited three-year funds tomorrow to help the region's banks. The 17-nation currency erased an earlier loss against the yen amid speculation the ECB's long-term refinancing operation will calm concern that about Europe will struggle to resolve its debt crisis, boosting demand for higher-yielding assets. (Bloomberg)

• **Money Market**

Romania sells 500 mln Lei (115 mln Euro) in 6-month T-bills, yields fall.

Romania on Monday sold its entire offer of 500 million lei (\$154 million/115 million euro) of six-month Treasury bills, as yields fell, the central bank said. The average yield fell to 5.22% from 5.87% in the previous auction held on January 23, the central bank, which sells government securities on behalf of the finance ministry, said in a statement. Bids were placed for 2.6 billion lei worth of government debt in Monday's auction. The average accepted price was equal to 97.4267% of par. (SeeNews)

Moody's sees Romania's financing needs at 17.2 bln Euro in 2012 – Media.

International rating agency Moody's has forecast Romania's financing needs at 17.2 billion euro (\$23.1 billion) this year, slightly below the 17.6 billion euro estimated for 2011, Romanian media reported. The government is likely to borrow 800 million euro more than its financing need this year for unforeseen events, news agency Mediafax (www.mediafax.ro) reported on Friday. "[...] they [the government] anticipate receiving a total of 18 billion euro in financing. Governments sometimes 'over-fund' to have a buffer in case of unanticipated requirements during times of uncertainty," Mediafax quoted Moody's analyst Atsi Sheth as saying. Romania will borrow most of the money from the domestic market, as last year, according to Moody's. The finance ministry is expected to borrow 13.7 billion euro from local institutions, up from 13.5 billion euro in 2011, Mediafax said. (SeeNews)

• Equities

Domestic

EU urges Bulgaria, Romania to transpose electricity, gas directives.

The European Commission said on Monday it called on Bulgaria, Romania and six other member states to transpose the electricity and gas directives of the Third Energy Package to their national laws. As to date, Bulgaria and Romania along with Cyprus, Spain, Luxembourg, Netherlands, and Slovakia have not taken any transposition measures for the two directives, while Estonia has not done so as regards to the gas directive, the Commission said in a statement on its website. The eight countries have now two months to comply with their legal obligation. If they fail to comply the Commission may refer them to the Court of Justice. The EU legislation, which had to be transposed by the member states by March 3, 2011, provisions new rules on unbundling of networks, strengthening the independence and the powers of national regulators and improving the retail markets functioning to the benefit of consumers. (SeeNews)

Boromir Prod 2011 prelim net profit surges.

The preliminary net profit of Romanian milling and baked goods company Boromir Prod surged to 1.3 million lei (\$400,000/299,000 euro) last year from a 507,082 lei net profit in 2010, the company said. (SeeNews)

COMCM turns to prelim net profit in 2011.

Romanian concrete producer COMCM turned to a preliminary 1.1 million lei (\$340,000/253,000 euro) net profit last year from a 3.2 million lei net loss in 2010. (SeeNews)

Foreign

Bayer's fourth-quarter earnings per share meet estimates.

Bayer AG reported fourth-quarter earnings per share that met analysts' estimates and forecast sales growth of about 3 percent for this year. Fourth-quarter core earnings totaled 97 cents a share, the company said in a statement to journalists in Leverkusen, Germany, matching the average analyst estimate compiled by Bloomberg. (Bloomberg)

Austria takes Volksbanken stake, defying threat of downgrade.

Austria bailed out Oesterreichische Volksbanken AG for the third time, taking a minority stake in the lender as the Alpine republic defied warnings that its debt rating may be lowered. Austria will become the lender's second-biggest shareholder after injecting 250 million Euros (\$335 million), the Vienna-based bank said in a statement yesterday. That will probably give it a 40 percent stake, according to two people with knowledge of the plan, who declined to be identified because the talks still are in progress. A group of 62 regional cooperative lenders will inject at least 230 million Euros and remain the majority shareholder in Volksbanken, according to the statement. The regional banks gave the plan unanimous approval at a meeting in the Austrian capital yesterday. (Bloomberg)

• Commodities

Soy stocks fall most since 1996 amid Brazil drought.

Global reserves of soybeans are shrinking the most in 16 years as demand for food, feed and fuel rises, creating the biggest-ever exports for U.S. farmers. Inventories at the start of the next season on Oct. 1 will be 20 percent lower than a year earlier, Jefferies Bache LLC predicts. Prices that rose 7.9 percent since Dec. 30 will gain a further 7.4 percent to \$14 a bushel by June, the New York-based commodities trader estimates. China signed deals in the week ended Feb. 17 to buy 13.4 million metric tons from the U.S., about what its own farmers grow in a year. The U.S. Department of Agriculture anticipates record global exports in 2012. The oilseed's gains contrast with outlooks for wheat and corn, with the United Nations forecasting record supplies of cereals this year in response to prices that more than doubled since 2005. Soybean futures in Chicago fell to a 14-month low in December, spurring U.S. farmers, the world's top growers, to consider switching more land to grains just as drought curbed harvests in South America, the largest producing region. (Bloomberg)



LEGEND

“**Min / Max 52W**” = Minimum / Maximum value recorded in the past 52 weeks

“**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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