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Global Daily Report

Summary

- The sentiment soured on most stock markets but the CEE region was an exception
- The US yield curve flattened and the VIX index jumped higher after the new Fed chair's congressional hearing; the EUR/USD sank
- Oil and precious metal prices slipped yesterday

In Tuesday's European trading, the DAX dropped 0.3%, the FTSE 100 edged down 0.1%, while the CAC40 closed nearly flat. On the other side of the Atlantic, the S&P500 and the NASDAQ100 fell 1.3% each. Despite the negative global sentiment, Central and Eastern Europe's indices fared relatively well; Warsaw's WIG20 upped 0.5%.

In Monday's trading the US dollar strengthened 0.7% against the EUR and advanced 0.4% versus the JPY.

On commodity markets, oil price slipped 1.5%, while gold and silver lost 1% of their shine.

In the USA, the VIX ('fear index') jumped more than 10% after the Jerome Powell's speech. The new Fed chair is planning to carry on the gradual tightening of monetary policy. He is optimistic about America's growth but is convinced that the Fed should prevent the economy's overheating caused by the loose fiscal policy. After his hearing at Congress, the US yield curve flattened, owing to a rise in short-dated yields, as markets began to factor in four Fed funds rate hikes this year, rather than just three. Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley are just two names that forecast four rate hikes in 2018.

In Hungary, the MNB's Monetary Council left interest rates unchanged.

	Stocks				Bonds				Commodity & FX			
	Product name	Close	Daily change (%)	YTD (%)	Product name	Yield	Daily change*	YTD	Product name	Close	Daily change (%)	YTD (%)
Global	S&P500	2744,3	-1,3	2,6	VIX	18,6	18	68	WTI	63,01	-1,4	4,3
	DOW	25410,0	-1,2	2,8	US 2Y	2,3	4	38	Brent	66,63	-1,3	-0,4
	Nasdaq100	6900,4	-1,3	7,9	US 10Y	2,9	5	50	Arany	1318,14	-1,1	1,2
	DAX	12490,7	-0,3	-3,3	GER 2Y	-0,5	1	12	Ezüst	16,42	-1,4	-3,1
	CAC40	5343,9	0,0	0,6	GER 10Y	0,7	3	26	EUR/USD	1,22	-0,7	2,0
	FTSE 100	7282,5	-0,1	-5,3	PT10Y	2,0	2	8	EUR/GBP	0,88	-0,3	-1,0
	FTSE MIB	22724,5	0,1	4,0	IT 10Y	2,1	-2	10	EUR/NOK	9,63	-0,1	-2,2
	Stoxx600	382,4	-0,2	-1,8	SP 10	1,6	0	-1	USD/CAD	1,28	0,7	1,6
	- Banks	170,9	0,1	3,6	iTRAXX	52,5	-1	16	AUD/USD	0,78	-0,8	-0,2
	Nikkei 225	22068,2	-1,4	-3,1	JPY 2Y	-0,2	1	-2	USD/JPY	107,31	0,4	-4,8
SSEC	3259,3	-1,0	-1,4	JPY 10Y	0,0	0	0	GBP/USD	1,39	-0,4	2,9	
Regional	RTS	1310,8	-1,0	13,5	RUS10	7,0	0	-7	USD/RUB	56,248	1,2	-2,4
	WIG20	2421,5	0,5	-1,6	POL 10	3,4	0	3	EUR/PLN	4,17	0,1	-0,1
	PX50	1111,1	0,9	3,1	CZ10	1,9	0	26	EUR/RON	4,658	0,1	-0,4
Hungary	BUX	38463	-0,4	-2,3	3M T-Bill	0,08	0	4	EUR/HUF	314,09	0,2	1,1
	OTP	11540	0,3	7,6	1Y	0,07	0	2	USD/HUF	256,54	0,8	-0,9
	MOL	2832	1,1	-5,8	3Y	0,91	1	36	CHF/HUF	273,28	0,7	3,1
	MTelekom	459	0,8	0,2	5Y	1,51	6	34	PLN/HUF	75,24	0,1	1,3
	Richter	5800	-4,6	-14,5	10Y	2,59	4	54	GBP/HUF	356,82	0,4	2,1

* In the case of bond yields, the change is in basis points instead of percentage (VIX and ITRAXX not included).

Sources: Reuters, OTP Research

Data	Cd.	Event/Data	Period	Fact	Cons.	Prev.
2018 2. 26. 16 : 00	US	New home sales (annualized monthly, '000s)	Jan.	593	624	643
27. 9 : 00	HU	Unemployment rate (%)	Jan.	3,8	-	3,9
11 : 00	EZ	EC Economic Sentiment Index (points)	Febr.	114,1	114,0	114,7
14 : 00	HU	Interest rate decision (%)	Febr.	0,9	0,9	0,9
14 : 00	DE	CPI (flash, yoy, %)	Febr.	1,4	1,5	1,6
14 : 30	US	Durable goods orders (mom, %)	Jan.	-3,7	-2,0	2,8
15 : 00	US	Case-Shiller Home Price Index (yoy, %)	Dec.	6,3	6,2	6,4
16 : 00	US	Consumer confidence (point)	Febr.	130,8	126,0	125,4
16 : 00	US	Jerome Powell testimony (House Financial Services Comm.)	-	-	-	-
28. 2 : 00	CN	NBS Manufacturing PMI (points)	Febr.	50,3	51,2	51,3
2 : 00	CN	NBS non-Manufacturing PMI (points)	Febr.	54,4	-	55,3
8 : 45	FR	GDP (preliminary, qoq, %)	Q4		0,6	0,6
9 : 00	HU	Industrial producer prices (yoy, %)	Jan.		-	3,9
9 : 00	HU	Investment (yoy, %)	Q4			18,0
10 : 00	PL	GDP (detailed, yoy, %)	Q4		-	5,1*
11 : 00	EZ	CPI (flash, yoy, %)	Febr.		1,3	1,3
11 : 00	EZ	Core CPI (flash, yoy, %)	Febr.		1,1	1,2
14 : 30	US	GDP (second estimate, annualized, yoy, %)	Q4			2,6*
15 : 45	US	Chicago PMI (points)	Febr.		64,0	65,7
16 : 00	US	Pending home sales (mom, %)	Jan.		0,5	0,5
3. 1. 9 : 00	HU	Manufacturing PMI (points)	Febr.		-	60,9
11 : 00	EZ	Unemployment rate (%)	Jan.		8,6	8,7
14 : 30	US	Personal income (mom, %)	Jan.		0,3	0,4
14 : 30	US	Personal consumption (adjusted, mom, %)	Jan.		0,2	0,4
14 : 30	ES	GDP (detailed, qoq, %)	Q4		0,7	0,7
16 : 00	US	Construction expenditure (mom, %)	Jan.		0,2	0,7
16 : 00	US	ISM Manufacturing PMI (points)	Febr.		58,6	59,1
21 : 30	US	Vehicle sales (annualized monthly, million)	Febr.		17,3	17,1
2. 8 : 00	DE	Retail sales (mom, %)	Jan.		0,9	-1,9
9 : 00	HU	Trade balance (detailed, monthly, EUR mn)	Dec.		-	502*
9 : 00	CZ	GDP (detailed, qoq, %)	Q4			0,5
10 : 00	IT	GDP (detailed, qoq, %)	Q4		0,3	0,4
16 : 00	US	Michigan Consumer confidence (preliminary, points)	Jan.		95,0	94,4
4. 16 : 00	IT	Italian general election	-			Paolo G.

* preliminary data

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