

Friday, December 09, 2016

Highlights

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Global	ECB surprised market in two ways yesterday. On one hand, it extended the QE program by longer than market expected, that is until the end of 2017 rather than the September 2017 that market anticipated. On the other hand, however, the ECB reduced the amount of asset purchases from the current rate of EUR80bn to EUR60bn in the extended period, from March 2017 onward. Still, overall, market took the decision as one that is supportive with European bourses staging a rally yesterday, that is likely to be supportive of Asian markets today. For the day ahead, market will be paying attention to China's inflation prints, with particular attention to whether producer prices are picking up sharply or not.
SN	Equities rallied as investors continued to take on a risk-on appetite. The Dow rose by 0.4% to end the day at 19615, after a 300 points gain the day before. The S&P500 and Nasdaq also rose 0.2% and 0.4% respectively. Similarly, VIX also increased 3.44% to 12.64. US Treasuries declined with 2- and 10-year yields settling at 1.12% and 2.40% respectively.
SG	STI was flat (-0.03%) at 2,958.86 yesterday. Yangzijiang tops the chart as the top gainer (+2.94%) with Jardine C&C (+1.63%) following suit. Still, losses in Genting Singapore (-2.93%) and SPH (-1.1%) pared the gains.
Н	Exports unexpectedly rebounded by 0.1% yoy in dollar term in November while import also grew by 6.7% yoy in dollar. External demand from advanced economy improved notably despite the unexpected outcome of US Presidential election. China's exports to G3 increased by 5.6% yoy, which overshadowed the continuously falling demand from ASEAN. The better than expected demand is probably due to the upcoming Christmas holiday season. The recovery of imports growth is mainly due to a rebound of commodity prices in our view. Imports of oil and iron ore by value rebounded by 16% and 17.4% respectively. China's trade surplus shrank further to US\$44.6 billion from US\$49.06 billion in October as a result of acceleration of import growth.
¥	It is reported that the two-year Dim Sum Bond to be issued by China's Ministry of Finance to retail investors will offer a yield of 3.5%, and the amount will be RMB2 billion. If this is the case, the yield of the new bond will refresh its record high amid sour demand on the RMB's weakness.
Ψ	Industrial production figure for the month of October is due out today, with market penciling in a slight pickup to 3.4%yoy compared to 3.2% before.
Commodities	Oil prices see-sawed higher back above its \$50/bbl handle as market-watchers await the meeting between OPEC and non-OPEC meeting in Vienna on Saturday. The magic number to wait for tomorrow is a cut of 600,000 barrels a day of cut from non-OPEC countries, with Russia likely to shoulder 300,000 barrels a day of cut as part of its agreement with OPEC earlier in November. Note that OPEC will still implement its stated quota of 32.5mbpd even if Russia is the only non-OPEC member to agree to a cut, according to Nigeria. Other than Russia, Oman and Azerbaijan had publicly agreed to lower supply while Kazakhstan remains undecided.

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Bond Market Updates

- Market Commentary: The SGD swap curve traded upwards lightly as swap rates increased 1-2bps higher across tenors ahead of the European Central Bank's (ECB) meeting. In the broader dollar space, the spread on JACI IG corporates decreased 1bps to 200bps while the yield on JACI HY corporates decreased 1bps to 6.88%. 10y UST yield increased 7bps to 2.41% following the ECB's meeting as it extended their asset purchase program until December 2017, but at a slower pace from April onwards.
- New Issues: Changde Urban Construction & Investment Group Co. Ltd. has priced a USD250mn 3-year bond at CT3+280bps, tightening from its initial guidance at CT3+290bps. The expected issue ratings are "NR/NR/BBB-". China Grand Automotive Services Co. has priced a USD300mn perpetual, non-callable for 3 years at 9%. The expected issue ratings are "NR/NR/B+". Tewoo Group Finance No 2 Ltd. has priced a USD300mn 3-year bond at CT3+360bps with expected issue ratings of "NR/NR/BBB-".
- Rating Changes: S&P assigned AIG Insurance Company China Ltd. (AIG China) counterparty and financial strength ratings of "A" with a stable outlook. The rating reflects S&P's view that AIG China is highly strategic to US-based American International Group's (Rated A+/Stable) core operating subsidiaries and therefore are one notch below the group credit profile. Moody's assigned a first time corporate family rating of "Ba1" to Guangxi Financial Investment Group Co. Ltd. with a stable outlook. The rating combines its baseline assessment (BCA) of "ba3", and a two-notch uplift based on Moody's expectation of strong support for the company from the Guangxi Provincial government. Moody's downgraded Beijing Automotive Group Co. Ltd.'s issuer rating to "Baa1" from "A3" with a negative outlook. The downgrade reflects Moody's expectation that the group's financial leverage will remain elevated over the next 12-18 months, given its high leverage in 2015 and the slower-than-expected deleveraging despite its robust sales performance. Fitch revised its outlook on Caterpillar Inc.'s (CAT) issuer default rating of "A" to negative from stable. The revision reflects the impact of the extended downturn in CAT's machinery markets and an increased risk that the company could face challenges to rebuild its operating and financial performance to levels that support the current ratings.



Key Financial Indicators

Foreign Exchange					Equity and	Commodity		
	Day Close	%Change	!	Day Close	% Change	Index	Value	Net change
DXY	101.100	0.87%	USD-SGD	1.4233	0.46%	DJIA	19,614.81	65.19
USD-JPY	114.040	0.24%	EUR-SGD	1.5109	-0.83%	S&P	2,246.19	4.84
EUR-USD	1.0615	-1.28%	JPY-SGD	1.2482	0.22%	Nasdaq	5,417.36	23.59
AUD-USD	0.7463	-0.25%	GBP-SGD	1.7914	0.13%	Nikkei 225	18,765.47	268.78
GBP-USD	1.2586	-0.32%	AUD-SGD	1.0622	0.20%	STI	2,958.86	-0.98
USD-MYR	4.4222	-0.23%	NZD-SGD	1.0209	0.57%	KLCI	1,643.75	11.28
USD-CNY	6.8910	0.21%	CHF-SGD	1.4004	-0.43%	JCI	5,303.73	38.37
USD-IDR	13287	-0.35%	SGD-MYR	3.1224	0.17%	Baltic Dry	1,122.00	-40.00
USD-VND	22633	-0.23%	SGD-CNY	4.8394	-0.24%	VIX	12.64	0.42
Interbank O	ffer Rates (%)					Governme	nt Bond Yield	s (%)
Tenor	EURIBOR	Change	Tenor	USD LIBOR	Change	Tenor	SGS (chg)	UST (chg)
1 M	-0.3720		O/N	0.4337		2Y	1.16 (-0.01)	1.11 (+0.02)
2M	⁻U 338U		1 M	0.6542		57	1.76 (-0.03)	1 84 (±0.05)

0.7564

0.9508

1.2932

1.6451

Eurozone & Russia Update

-0.3160

-0.2170

-0.1350

-0.0780

3M

6M

9M

12M

	2Y Bond Yld	ds (bpschg)	10Y Bond Yld	s (bpschg)	10Y Bund Spread
Portugal	0.24	6.00	3.75	23.30	3.36
Italy	-0.06	-4.00	2.00	11.00	1.62
Ireland	-0.51	-5.10	0.90	6.20	0.52
Greece	7.65		6.65	-1.70	6.27
Spain	-0.21	-2.40	1.50	8.00	1.12
Russia	2.41	-13.80	4.47	0.50	4.08

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Tenor	SGS (chg)	UST (chg)				
2Y	1.16 (-0.01)	1.11 (+0.02)				
5Y	1.76 (-0.03)	1.84 (+0.05)				
10Y	2.33 (-0.01)	2.41 (+0.07)				
15Y	2.66 (-0.02)					
20Y	2.72 (-0.02)					
30Y	2.70 (-0.02)	3.11 (+0.08)				

Value
Change

LIBOR-OIS
31.48
-0.79

EURIBOR-OIS
3.48
0.08

TED
45.85
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Financial Spread (bps)

Commodities	Futures
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Energy	Futures	% chg	Soft Commodities	Futures	% chg
WTI (per barrel)	50.84	2.15%	Coffee (per lb)	1.376	-0.22%
Brent (per barrel)	53.89	1.68%	Cotton (per lb)	0.7142	-0.96%
Heating Oil (per gallon)	1.6259	0.46%	Sugar (per lb)	0.1945	-0.92%
Gasoline (per gallon)	1.5047	-0.23%	Orange Juice (per lb)	2.1340	-0.35%
Natural Gas (per MMBtu)	3.6950	2.55%	Cocoa (per mt)	2,262	-0.92%
Base Metals	Futures	% chg	Grains	Futures	% chg
Copper (per mt)	5,782.0	-0.05%	Wheat (per bushel)	3.9075	1.17%
Nickel (per mt)	11,061.0	-2.69%	Soybean (per bushel)	10.270	-2.10%
Aluminium (per mt)	1,731.3	1.11%	Corn (per bushel)	3.4650	-1.14%
Precious Metals	Futures	% chg	Asian Commodities	Futures	% chg
Gold (per oz)	1,169.8	-0.44%	Crude Palm Oil (MY R/MT)	3,168.0	-1.00%
Silver (per oz)	17.025	-1.03%	Rubber (JPY/KG)	232.1	0.04%

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

(Note that rates are for reference only)



Key Economic Indicators

Date Time		Event		Survey	Actual	Prior	Revised
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	BoP Current Account Balance	Oct	¥1545.0b	¥1719.9b	¥1821.0b	-
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	Trade Balance BoP Basis	Oct	¥603.0b	¥587.6b	¥642.4b	
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	GDP SA QoQ	3Q F	0.50%	0.30%	0.50%	-
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	GDP Annualized SA QoQ	3Q F	2.30%	1.30%	2.20%	
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	GDP Nominal SA QoQ	3Q F	0.20%	0.10%	0.20%	
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	GDP Deflator YoY	3Q F	-0.10%	-0.20%	-0.10%	
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	Japan Buying Foreign Bonds	Dec-02		-¥887.6b	¥112.3b	¥112.2b
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	Foreign Buying Japan Bonds	Dec-02		¥658.2b	¥22.0b	¥12.2b
12/08/2016 07:50	JN	Foreign Buying Japan Stocks	Dec-02		¥400.1b	¥330.5b	
12/08/2016 08:01	UK	RICS House Price Balance	Nov	26%	30%	23%	
12/08/2016 08:30	AU	Trade Balance	Oct	-A\$610m	-A\$1541m	-A\$1227m	-A\$1272m
12/08/2016 11:30	TH	Consumer Confidence Economic	Nov		61.2	62	
12/08/2016 11:55	CH	Trade Balance	Nov	\$46.90b	\$44.61b	\$49.06b	\$48.76b
12/08/2016 11:55	CH	Exports YoY	Nov	-5.00%	0.10%	-7.30%	-7.50%
12/08/2016 11:55	CH	Imports YoY	Nov	-1.90%	6.70%	-1.40%	
12/08/2016 13:00	IN	Local Car Sales	Nov		173606	195036	
12/08/2016 13:00	JN	Eco Watchers Survey Current	Nov		48.6	46.2	
12/08/2016 13:00	JN	Eco Watchers Survey Outlook	Nov		49.1	49	
12/08/2016 14:30	FR	Non-Farm Payrolls QoQ	3Q F	0.30%	0.30%	0.30%	
12/08/2016 15:30	FR	Bank of France Bus. Sentiment	Nov	100	101	99	
12/08/2016 20:45	EC	ECB Main Refinancing Rate	Dec-08	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
12/08/2016 20:45	EC	ECB Deposit Facility Rate	Dec-08	-0.40%	-0.40%	-0.40%	
12/08/2016 20:45	EC	ECB Marginal Lending Facility	Dec-08	0.25%	0.25%	0.25%	
12/08/2016 21:15	CA	Housing Starts	Nov	191.0k	184.0k	192.9k	192.3k
12/08/2016 21:30	CA	New Housing Price Index MoM	Oct	0.20%	0.40%	0.20%	
12/08/2016 21:30	CA	Building Permits MoM	Oct	1.50%	8.70%	-7.00%	-4.60%
12/08/2016 21:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Dec-03	255k	258k	268k	
12/08/2016 21:30	US	Continuing Claims	Nov-26	2048k	2005k	2081k	2084k
12/09/2016 07:50	JN	Money Stock M2 YoY	Nov	3.70%		3.70%	
12/09/2016 07:50	JN	Money Stock M3 YoY	Nov	3.20%		3.20%	
12/09/2016 08:30	AU	Home Loans MoM	Oct	-1.00%		1.60%	
12/09/2016 08:30	AU	Owner-Occupier Loan Value MoM	Oct			0.90%	
12/09/2016 09:00	PH	Exports YoY	Oct	7.90%		5.10%	
12/09/2016 09:00	PH	Trade Balance	Oct	-\$2050m		-\$1890m	
12/09/2016 09:30	СН	CPI YoY	Nov	2.20%		2.10%	
12/09/2016 09:30	CH	PPI YoY	Nov	2.30%		1.20%	
12/09/2016 12:00	MA	Industrial Production YoY	Oct	3.40%		3.20%	
12/09/2016 15:00	GE	Trade Balance	Oct	22.0b		24.4b	24.2b
12/09/2016 15:00	GE	Current Account Balance	Oct	22.0b		24.2b	
12/09/2016 15:00	GE	Exports SA MoM	Oct	0.90%		-0.70%	-1.20%
12/09/2016 15:30	TH	Foreign Reserves	Dec-02			\$175.7b	
12/09/2016 15:45	FR	Industrial Production MoM	Oct	0.60%		-1.10%	
12/09/2016 15:45	FR	Industrial Production YoY	Oct	-0.60%		-1.10%	
12/09/2016 15:45	FR	Manufacturing Production MoM	Oct	0.70%		-1.10%	
12/09/2016 15:45	FR	Manufacturing Production YoY	Oct	0.10%		-0.90%	
12/09/2016 17:30	UK	Visible Trade Balance GBP/Mn	Oct	-£11,800		-£12,698	
12/09/2016 17:30	UK	Trade Balance Non EU GBP/Mn	Oct	-£3,450		-£3,969	
12/09/2016 17:30	UK	Trade Balance	Oct	-£4,300		-£5,221	
12/09/2016 20:00	IN	Industrial Production YoY	Oct			0.70%	
12/09/2016 23:00	US	Wholesale Inventories MoM	Oct F	-0.40%		-0.40%	
12/09/2016 23:00	US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	Dec P	94.5		93.8	
12/09/2016 12/13	VN	Domestic Vehicle Sales YoY	Nov	-		27.30%	
12/09/2016 12/15	IN	Imports YoY	Nov			8.10%	
12/09/2016 12/15	IN	Exports YoY	Nov	-		9.60%	

Source: Bloomberg



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