

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Highlights

Global	The global bond rout continued apace (with the 10-year UST bond yield nearing the year-to-date high of 2.27%) and fuelled the USD's advance, whereas Wall Street treaded water for now, with bank stocks outperforming tech and dividend stocks. Key economic data releases revealed that China's retail sales slowed more than expected from 10.7% in Sep to 10% in Oct, whilst industrial production and fixed asset investments were around expectations. For today, RBA minutes are due and RBA governor Lowe is also speaking, with US' retail sales, Empire manufacturing and import prices, Eurozone/Germany's 3Q GDP and ZEW survey, UK' CPI/RPI/PPI, S'pore's retail sales, Indonesia's trade and Indian CPI on tap. Speakers were Fed's Rosengren and BOE's Carney.
SN	Fed's Lacker opined that "a more stimulative fiscal outlook usually warrants higher policy rates" and "that can pose challenges for us when the extent of the prospective fiscal stimulus is uncertain". Separately, Kaplan suggested the Fed may tighten in "near future" and noted that he would have been "comfortable removing some amount of accommodation" after the September and November meetings, but he said it was too soon to judge how US fiscal policy will materialise.
SG	The STI sank another 0.97% to close at 2787.27 yesterday, and may remain vulnerable to further consolidation in the interim amid weak cues for EM/Asia. The STI' resistance and support are at 2800 and 2760 respectively. SGS bond yields jumped higher again and remain susceptible to the US reflation and EM capital flow reversal themes in the near-term.
СН	The latest economic activity data are largely in line with market expectation except retail sales growth, which decelerated to 10% short of market consensus of 10.6%. The weaker than expected retail sales could be distorted by the single's day shopping in November, as retailers may delay their shopping to November waiting for big discount. In addition, capital outflow trends continue in China with the forex purchase by central bank in October falling by CNY267.9 billion. RMB extended its loss against the dollar with less resistance around 6.83-84 range, which is initially considered as a strong resistance as China used to peg RMB against USD around this level for almost two years after the Lehman crisis. This signalled China's higher tolerance for RMB volatility. RMB is expected to weaken further against the dollar should dollar strength continue.
Commodities	The dollar index rallied past its 100 mark overnight and touched its highest since a year ago, prompting dollar-denominated commodities lower. Key decliners were seen in the precious metal space (ex-Palladium) with gold pointing south. Energy prices turned weaker still, dragged by the stronger dollar as well as increasing doubts that a concrete OPEC oil deal can be reached in two weeks time. The bottom-line is that there is a lack of indications pointing towards a quick and firm production reduction in the weeks to come, especially with US oil inventory print estimates highlighting another week of increase for the week ended 11 Nov.

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Major Markets

- **US:** Equity markets ended mixed as declines in energy producers and technology stocks offset gains in financials. Bank of America rose 5.6% to lead gains, as rising bond yields aided financials in becoming the biggest winner post-Trump. Energy producers traded lower with crude, while Facebook declined 3.3% to lead the broader technology sector lower. Overall, S&P 500 was essentially unchanged, while Nasdaq posted a 0.36% decline. The Dow continued to power ahead, ending with a second consecutive record close, up 0.11%. VIX closed at 14.48, fluctuating around the 14-15 region since the election. US Treasury yields continued its recent upswing, with gains of around 10 bps across the board. 2- and 10-year benchmark yields stand at 1.00% and 2.26% respectively.
- Macau: Upbeat sentiment combined with low borrowing costs drove the housing transaction volume up by 86.8% yoy to 878 units in September. New residential mortgage loan also climbed 44.3% yoy to MOP5.36 billion in the same month. However, average housing price (-2% yoy to MOP81769/sq. m.) held rather stable in September as compared to the previous month. With the housing cooling measures in place, and adding that fewer sellers are willing to cut prices on a rebounding market, demand of end-users may shrink gradually. Also, as any recovery in the tourism and gaming sectors may be moderate, upward risks on the housing demand will be limited. Moreover, increasing expectations on Fed's rate hikes following a Trump presidency indicate that higher borrowing costs will weigh on housing demand in Macau. More notably, unlike HK's property market, Macau's is less attractive to Mainland investors and may not benefit from the continuous capital outflows from the Mainland market. On the supply side, increasing supply will also pose downward pressure to the housing market. In all, stabilization in the housing market may not last in the longer term. Besides, we opine that average housing price may end this year at slightly above MOP80,000/sq.m..

Bond Market Updates

- Market Commentary: The SGD swap curve traded upwards yesterday, swap rates traded 15-23bps higher across all tenors as the dollar appreciated on strong buying momentum, spurred by rising treasury yields. In the broader dollar space, the spread on JACI IG corporates remained relatively unchanged at 202bps while the yield on JACI HY corporates increased 23bps to 6.93%. 10y UST yields increased a further 10bps to 2.25.
- New Issues: Westpac Banking Corp. has indicated that it plans to issue a USD 15NC10 Tier-2
- Rating Changes: Moody's has affirmed Yanlord Land Group Ltd.'s "Ba3" corporate family rating with a positive outlook, concluding the review initiated on 18 August, 2016. The positive outlook reflects Yanlord's strong contracted sales growth and a better financial profile than its "Ba3" Chinese property peers. Additionally, the outlook also takes into account that the business environment could become less favourable with the introduction of regulatory measures that are intended to cool the property market.



Key Financial Indicators

Foreign Excl	nange					Equity and	Commodity	
	Day Close	%Change		Day Close	% Change	Index	Value	Net change
DXY	100.110	1.06%	USD-SGD	1.4149	0.16%	DJIA	18,868.69	21.03
USD-JPY	108.420	1.66%	EUR-SGD	1.5192	-0.96%	S&P	2,164.20	-0.25
EUR-USD	1.0737	-1.09%	JPY-SGD	1.3050	-1.46%	Nasdaq	5,218.40	-18.72
AUD-USD	0.7554	0.11%	GBP-SGD	1.7673	-0.65%	Nikkei 225	17,672.62	297.83
GBP-USD	1.2490	-0.84%	AUD-SGD	1.0688	0.27%	STI	2,787.27	-27.33
USD-MYR	4.3305	-0.26%	NZD-SGD	1.0071	0.18%	KLCI	1,616.64	-17.55
USD-CNY	6.8600	0.70%	CHF-SGD	1.4175	-0.85%	JCI	5,115.74	-116.23
USD-IDR	13375	-0.06%	SGD-MYR	3.0564	-1.05%	Baltic Dry	1,065.00	20.00
USD-VND	22332		SGD-CNY	4.8393	0.31%	VIX	14.48	0.31
Interhank Of	fer Rates (%)					Governmen	nt Bond Yield	e (%)
Tenor	EURIBOR	Change	Tenor	USD LIBOR	Change	Tenor	SGS (chg)	UST (chg)
1M	-0.3740		O/N	0.4323				1.00 (+0.09)
2M	-0.3390		1M	0.5382			,	1.68 (+0.12)
3M	-0.3330		2M	0.6949				2.26 (+0.11)
6M	-0.2100		3M	0.9057			2.68 (+0.18)	(10.11)
9M	-0.1300		6M	1.2621			2.76 (+0.16)	
12M	-0.0690		12M	1.5879			, ,	3.01 (+0.08)
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Eurozone & l	Russia Updat	е				Financial S	pread (bps)	
	2Y Bond Ylo	ds (bpschg)	10Y Bond Y	(lds (bpschg)	10Y Bund		Value	Channa
Portugal	0.42	7.20	3.54	5.70	Spread 3.22	LIBOR-OIS	Value 37.67	Change 0.12
Italy	0.42	2.30	2.08	5.70	1.76	EURIBOR-OIS	37.07	0.12
Ireland	-0.35	-0.20	1.00	0.40	0.68	TED	43.88	
Greece	7.65	-0.20	7.41	25.60	7.09	ובט	43.00	
Spain	-0.11	0.70	1.52	4.50	1.20			
Russia	2.76	38.30	4.48	12.50	4.16			
	ties Futures							
Energy		ļ	Futures	% chg		nmodities	Futures	% chg
WTI (per ba			43.32	-0.21%	Coffee (p	,	1.618	1.47%
Brent (per b	oarrel)		44.43	-0.72%	Cotton (pe	er lb)	0.6890	0.67%
Heating Oil ((per gallon)		1.3855	-1.12%	Sugar (pe	er lb)	0.2163	-0.32%
Gasoline (pe	er gallon)		1.2778	-2.11%	Orange Ju	uice (per lb)	2.0610	-2.76%
Natural Gas	(per MMBtu))	2.7490	4.96%	Cocoa (pe	er mt)	2,392	-2.49%
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Base Metals			Futures	% chg	Grains		Futures	% chg
Copper (per mt)			5,559.0	0.18%	Wheat (per bushel)		3.9400	-2.23%
Nickel (per mt)			11,215.0	0.45%	Soybean (per bushel)		9.710	-0.77%
Aluminium (per mt)			1,745.0	0.09%	Corn (per	bushel)	3.3725	-0.88%
Precious N	/letals	ı	Futures	% chg	Asian Co	ommodities	Futures	% chg
Gold (per oz	z)		1,221.7	-0.21%	Crude Pal	m Oil (MY R/MT)	2,856.0	-4.00%
Silver (per o	•		16.893	-2.81%	Rubber (J	,	194.8	-2.60%
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Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

(Note that rates are for reference only)



CFTC Commodities Futures and Options

For the week ended: 08 Nov 2016

	Current	Previous	Net Chg		Current	Previous	Net Chg
Corn	45,800	-19,184	64,984	Gold	194,895	210,597	-15,702
Wheat	-76,742	-107,570	30,828	Copper	-11,175	4,227	-15,402
Natural Gas	-31,352	-54,608	23,256	Sugar	326,347	338,714	-12,367
Soybean	110,697	93,000	17,697	Platinum	20,382	25,328	-4,946
Cotton	93,303	82,807	10,496	Nymex Crude	454,404	458,776	-4,372
Coffee	48,892	41,006	7,886	Live Cattle	30,279	33,924	-3,645
Cocoa	24,409	22,541	1,868	Silver	61,996	65,537	-3,541
RBOB Gasoline	65,347	64,609	738	Heating Oil	29,656	32,840	-3,184
Lean Hogs	31,202	32,859	-1,657	Palladium	9,536	12,439	-2,903

Key Economic Indicators

Date	Time		Event		Survey	Actual	Prior	Revised
11/14/20	16 04:30	NZ	REINZ House Sales YoY	Oct	-	-14.20%	-9.50%	-
11/14/20 ⁻	16 07:50	JN	GDP SA QoQ	3Q P	0.20%	0.50%	0.20%	
11/14/20 ⁻	16 07:50	JN	GDP Annualized SA QoQ	3Q P	0.80%	2.20%	0.70%	
11/14/20	16 07:50	JN	GDP Nominal SA QoQ	3Q P	-0.10%	0.20%	0.30%	0.10%
11/14/20 ⁻	16 07:50	JN	GDP Deflator YoY	3Q P	0.30%	-0.10%	0.70%	
11/14/20	16 08:01	UK	Rightmove House Prices MoM	Nov		-1.10%	0.90%	
11/14/20 ⁻	16 10:00	CH	Industrial Production YoY	Oct	6.20%	6.10%	6.10%	
11/14/20	16 10:00	CH	Retail Sales YoY	Oct	10.70%	10.00%	10.70%	
11/14/20 ⁻	16 12:30	JN	Industrial Production MoM	Sep F		0.60%	0.00%	
11/14/20	16 12:30	JN	Industrial Production YoY	Sep F		1.50%	0.90%	
11/14/20	16 12:30	JN	Capacity Utilization MoM	Sep		-2.00%	2.60%	
11/14/20 ⁻	16 17:03	IT	CPI EU Harmonized YoY	Oct F	-0.10%	-0.10%	-0.10%	
11/14/20	16 18:00	EC	Industrial Production SA MoM	Sep	-1.00%	-0.80%	1.60%	1.80%
11/15/20	16 13:00	SI	Retail Sales YoY	Sep	2.00%	-	-1.00%	_
11/15/20	16 14:00	JN	Machine Tool Orders YoY	Oct F			-8.90%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 14:30	IN	Wholesale Prices YoY	Oct	3.74%		3.57%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 15:00	GE	GDP SA QoQ	3Q P	0.30%		0.40%	
11/15/20	16 15:00	GE	GDP WDA YoY	3Q P	1.80%		1.80%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 15:00	GE	GDP NSA YoY	3Q P	1.60%		3.10%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 15:45	FR	CPI EU Harmonized YoY	Oct F	0.50%		0.50%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 15:45	FR	CPI YoY	Oct F	0.40%		0.40%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:00	IT	GDP WDA QoQ	3Q P	0.20%		0.00%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:00	IT	GDP WDA YoY	3Q P	0.80%		0.80%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:30	UK	CPI MoM	Oct	0.30%		0.20%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:30	UK	CPI YoY	Oct	1.10%		1.00%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:30	UK	CPI Core YoY	Oct	1.40%		1.50%	
11/15/20	16 17:30	UK	RPI MoM	Oct	0.20%		0.20%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:30	UK	PPI Output NSA MoM	Oct	0.40%		0.20%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 17:30	UK	PPI Output NSA YoY	Oct	1.80%		1.20%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 18:00	GE	ZEW Survey Current Situation	Nov	61.6		59.5	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 18:00	GE	ZEW Survey Expectations	Nov	8.1		6.2	
11/15/20	16 18:00	EC	ZEW Survey Expectations	Nov			12.3	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 18:00	EC	GDP SA QoQ	3Q P	0.30%		0.30%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 18:00	EC	GDP SA YoY	3Q P	1.60%		1.60%	
11/15/20	16 20:00	IN	CPI YoY	Oct	4.15%		4.31%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 21:30	US	Import Price Index MoM	Oct	0.40%		0.10%	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 21:30	US	Empire Manufacturing	Nov	-2.5		-6.8	
11/15/20 ⁻	16 21:30	US	Retail Sales Advance MoM	Oct	0.60%		0.60%	
11/15/20	16 21:30	US	Retail Sales Ex Auto MoM	Oct	0.50%		0.50%	
11/15/20	16 21:30	US	Retail Sales Ex Auto and Gas	Oct	0.30%		0.30%	
11/15/20 ⁻		ID	Trade Balance	Oct	\$1011m		\$1217m	
11/15/20	16	ID	Exports YoY	Oct	3.60%		-0.59%	
11/15/20 ⁻		PH	Overseas Remittances YoY	Sep	5.10%		16.30%	
11/13/20 ⁻	16 11/15	IN	Exports YoY	Oct		-	4.60%	-

Source: Bloomberg



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