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Market Commentary

- The SGD swap curve bear-steepened yesterday, with the shorter and the belly tenors trading 3-7bps higher, while the longer tenors traded 4-6bps higher.
- The Bloomberg Barclays Asia USD IG Bond Index average OAS widened 9bps to 216bps, and the Bloomberg Barclays Asia USD HY Bond Index average OAS widened 70bps to 949bps. The HY-IG Index Spread widened 61bps to 732bps.
- Flows in SGD corporates were heavy, with flows in UBS 4.85%-PERPs, CS 5.625%-PERPs, SINTEC 5%-PERPs, DBSSP 3.98%-PERPs, HSBC 4.7%-PERPs, SPHSP 4%-PERPs, STANLN 5.375%-PERPs and TMGSP 4.05%'25s.
- 10Y UST Yields gained 36bps to 1.08%, as the Federal Reserve decided to re-launch a commercial paper funding facility and the U.S. government announced a fiscal package which would include sending checks directly to the Americans.



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Credit Summary:

- BreadTalk Group Ltd ("BGL") | Issuer Profile: Negative (6): In relation to the technical breach of financial covenant, BGL announced that it has commenced a consent solicitation process seeking the approval of holders of BREAD 4% '23s. This includes waiving (1) certain provisions, (2) occurrence of Event of Default or Potential Event of Default due to non-compliance of covenants in 2019 as well as (3) amending definitions relating to financial covenants and (4) inserting a redemption option by BGL for BREAD 4% '23s.
- HSBC Holdings PLC ("HSBC") | Issuer Profile: Positive (2): HSBC announced interim CEO Noel Quinn as the permanent CEO. Mr Quinn had been interim CEO for the past 7 months and was reportedly the only insider in the running for the job with several external appointments sounded out through the process. His appointment comes at obviously challenging times, but perhaps the appointment of an internal candidate with over 30 years' experience and who put in place a substantial restructuring plan is what is needed to ensure some measure of stability.
- Wheelock & Co Ltd ("WHEELK") | Issuer Profile: Neutral (3) and Wharf (Holdings) Limited ("WHARF")
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- HSBC was one of the issuers under our coverage that we have previously mentioned at the start of the year as being vulnerable to a downgrade for fundamental reasons. This has exacerbated in our view due to deterioration in the external environment. We continue to review the Positive (2) issuer profile for HSBC as well as the issuer profiles of all banks under our coverage as things hopefully settle down. On a relative basis, the issuer profile rankings are still appropriate in our view. (Bloomberg, OCBC)

Wheelock & Co Ltd ("WHEELK") | Issuer Profile: Neutral (3) and Wharf (Holdings) Limited ("WHARF") | Issuer Profile: Neutral (3)

- WHEELK has acquired 135,841,000 shares of Wharf REIC via the open market for HKD6.2bn from 21 March 2019 to 16 March 2020. This represents 4.47% of all issued shares of Wharf REIC, and brings WHEELK's stake in Wharf REIC to 67.3%.
- WHEELK also has a 71.31% stake in WHARF, who has acquired 64,463,000 shares of Wharf REIC from 30 Aug 2019 to 16 Mar 2020 for HKD2.8bn from the open market.
- Both Wharf REIC and WHARF are subsidiaries of WHEELK. (Company, Bloomberg)

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Key Market Movements

	18-Mar	1W chg (bps)	1M chg (bps)		18-Mar	1W chg	1M chg
iTraxx Asiax IG	141	35	93	Brent Crude Spot (\$/bbl)	29.00	-18.97%	-49.78%
iTraxx SovX APAC	84	18	57	Gold Spot (\$/oz)	1,530.60	-6.39%	-4.43%
iTraxx Japan	130	34	86	CRB	130.29	-13.52%	-25.04%
iTraxx Australia	163	47	116	GSCI	273.87	-12.59%	-31.25%
CDX NA IG	125	9	80	VIX	75.91	60.49%	411.87%
CDX NA HY	94	-2	-15	CT10 (%)	1.005%	13.57	-55.58
iTraxx Eur Main	118	14	76				
iTraxx Eur XO	613	133	399	AUD/USD	0.602	-7.22%	-10.02%
iTraxx Eur Snr Fin	143	27	96	EUR/USD	1.102	-2.24%	2.08%
iTraxx Eur Sub Fin	307	62	209	USD/SGD	1.427	-2.22%	-2.40%
iTraxx Sovx WE	38	15	28	AUD/SGD	0.858	5.41%	8.48%
USD Swap Spread 10Y	-7	-7	-1	ASX 200	5,042	-11.94%	-29.12%
USD Swap Spread 30Y	-64	-16	-30	DJIA	21,237	-15.11%	-27.35%
US Libor-OIS Spread	77	24	63	SPX	2,529	-12.25%	-24.96%
Euro Libor-OIS Spread	10	-3	5	MSCI Asiax	545	-11.63%	-20.28%
				HSI	23,243	-7.88%	-15.57%
China 5Y CDS	75	0	40	STI	2,504	-10.07%	-21.68%
Malaysia 5Y CDS	164	40	128	KLCI	1,256	-13.01%	-18.29%
Indonesia 5Y CDS	211	39	151	JCI	4,383	-14.96%	-25.54%
Thailand 5Y CDS	86	17	60	EU Stoxx 50	2,531	-13.04%	-34.04%
Australia 5Y CDS	48	10	31			Source: B	loomberg

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New Issues

There were no new issues or mandates.

Date	Issuer	Size	Tenor	Pricing
13-Mar-20	Export-Import Bank of Korea	USD425mn	5-year	1.375%
13-Mar-20	PCGI Intermediate Limited (Guarantor: PCGI Ltd)	USD137.46mn	PCGIIN 4.75%'24s	4.75%
11-Mar-20	China Cinda (2020) I Management Ltd. (Guarantor: China Cinda (HK) Holdings Co.)	USD700mn USD500mn USD300mn USD500mn	3-year 5-year 7-year 10-year	T+160bps T+195bps T+240bps T+255bps
11-Mar-20	Beijing Capital Polaris Investment Co. Ltd. (Guarantor: Beijing Capital Group Co. Ltd.)	USD300mn	3-year	2.8%
11-Mar-20	Xiang Sheng Holding Limited (Guarantor: Shinsun Real Estate Group Co. Ltd.)	USD53mn	SHXREG 12.5%'22s	12.5%
10-Mar-20	Huantaihu International Investment Co., Ltd. (Guarantor: Huzhou Economic Development Group Co., Ltd.)	USD200mn	3-year	4.5%
09-Mar-20	Aspial Corporation Limited	SGD50mn	3-year	6.5%
09-Mar-20	PSA Treasury Pte. Ltd. (Guarantor: PSA International Pte Ltd)	SGD500mn	10-year	1.63%
06-Mar-20	Zensun Enterprises Limited	USD200mn	2.5-year	13%
06-Mar-20	Xi'an Aerospace Science & Technology Industry Company	USD200mn	3-year	6.5%
05-Mar-20	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Limited of Luxembourg	USD150mn	3-year	3m-US LIBOR+50bps
05-Mar-20	Haitong International Finance Holdings 2015 Limited (Guarantor: Haitong Securities Co.,Ltd.)	USD670mn	5-year	T+142.5bps
05-Mar-20	MCC Holding (Hong Kong) Corporation Limited (Guarantor: Metallurgical Corporation of China Ltd.)	USD400mn	PERPNC3	3.25%
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