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## **Key Themes**

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- 1. Let's run it hot! The US Federal Reserve's landmark policy shift to achieve average 2% inflation targeting as well as to use its full range of tools to achieve its maximum employment and price stability goals was articulated by Fed chair Powell at the recent Jackson Hole symposium ahead of the September FOMC. The Fed recognised that due to the proximity of interest rates to the effective lower bound and the increased downward risks to employment and inflation, essentially following periods when inflation has been running persistently below 2%, appropriate monetary policy will likely aim to achieve inflation moderately above 2% for some time. This has provided the green light for the current risk rally and likely handicaps the USD further as the Fed commits to its zero-interest rate policy for the foreseeable future.
- 2. A K-shape recovery trajectory? Forget about a V, L or U-shape recovery as there is a new alphabet in town with "K". A K-shaped recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic means the divide between the haves and have-nots will widen, with the digitally savvy white-collar workers making a seamless transition to working from home, while essential and gig workers may be displaced and disproportionately affected. Similarly, different businesses may also see an uneven recovery depending on firm size, their cash hoards/access and industry dispersion. The implication is that monetary policy accommodation and especially fiscal policy assistance is likely to extend longer than expected. In turn, this could add to the reflation story, and attendant steeper yield curves, into 2021.
- 3. It takes two to tango: US-China tensions have continued to notch higher amid the South China Sea tensions, the placing of firms on entity lists and the economic sanctions etc even though bilateral phone calls have reaffirmed that the Phase 1 trade deal remains intact for now. As we have flagged before, noise levels are likely to ratchet higher into the 3 November elections, but this may not fully derail the current risk rally. One of the new parameters adding to the current US-China tension is Trump administration's increasing reliance on economic sanction to confront China. However, we think China's reaction function to the economic sanction could be different and China is unlikely to go down the path of tit-for-tat as we saw in 2018 during the trade war. As long as China plays a patient card to avoid a tit-for-tat trap, the impact of the escalating tension on global financial market may be limited.
- 4. Gold broke above \$2000/oz in early August but its rally has lost steam late in the month as back-end Treasury yields began rising while the dollar began stabilising. We remain bullish on gold, even with the recent increase in Treasury yields. The Fed's larger inflation tolerance and the continued issuance of Treasury bills should, theoretically, bolster the appeal of gold as a safe haven and inflation hedge. We expect gold to continue trading between \$1900/oz to \$2000/oz in the near term.



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	House View		Trading Views
FX	G10 FX: The broad USD is once again poised to break lower remain in place, if not even more pronounced. In the near-termarket dynamic shows no signs of exhaustion, and the firm and FX markets leaves the broad USD firmly pinned to the dolimited relief from the roll-off of fiscal stimulus in the US divide failed to come to a deal. This keeps the market negative importantly, the Fed has lurched to the dovish end of Jackson Hole, effectively committing to an ultra-accommodathe foreseeable future. While the other central banks continued eventually, relative central bank dynamics, as it stands now USD. Thus, the environment remains starkly negative for the back-end rate differentials. If the Fed can engender sufficient policy framework's ability to lift inflation down the road, higher. However, for this driver to gain traction, 10y UST yield higher towards the 1.00% area, a prospect that is currently not use the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by central back-cyclicals (esp. AUD, NZD) to potentially lead the next leg of User and the supported by ce	Sell USD on rallies. Commodity currencies may be leading the next leg of USD weakness	
	Asian FX and SGD: Sentiment remains broadly positive after affirmed, and the market continues to shrug off tensions in fact that the RMB is reactive to USD weakness leaves the reswell. However, do watch for idiosyncratic domestic weakness KRW, IDR and THB. In Singapore, the MAS continues "appropriate" despite the recent string of subdued data. The underlying SGD NEER policy will not change just yet. The SG anchored around the parity level, and the USD-SGD move Expect the USD-SGD to track the USD and USD-CNH lower in the sentence of the subdued that the use of the us	Stay negative on the USD-CNH and USD-SGD. IDR and KRW may underperform on idiosyncratic concerns.	
odities	<b>Energy</b> : Crude oil prices have continued to trade in a very tight range, only briefing breaking above its consolidation pattern on supply disruption fears over Hurricane Laura. We remain bullish crude oil but prefer to express this view via an increase in prices at the back end of the price curve.	though still high, flually and have of falling stock and in the US is pre-coronavirus	
Сотто	Gold: Gold broke above \$2000/oz at the start of the year but has consolidated around the \$1950/oz since then. Given the close correlation between gold and the dollar recently, the rebound in dollar strength may cap any further price gains for gold in the short term. Long term we expect gold prices to continue rising.	Treasury yields cious metal has to but we expect es and the Fed's anflation to boost short term.	

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es	Fed has given the green light for the risk rally to sustain into September with the articulation of its policy framework shift to average inflation targeting and asymmetric bias towards employment shortfalls. What is also repeated in other Fed official rhetoric including from Clarida is that the Yield Curve Control option remains on the	Market appetite remains on par for digesting recent record funding issuance, but the potential for Fed to run inflation hotter in the short-term argues for a curve steepening bias. However, this curve play appears to be relatively capped into the month-end, but do watch the 10-year yield if it would make another run higher if the refinements to their 17 Sep FOMC messaging, especially the Summary of Economic Projections, point to zero Fed Funds rate through 2023 and higher inflation forecasts.		
Rates	table, but negative rates is a no-no for now. With the front-end rates well-anchored as the Fed migrates to the more dovish end of the central bank spectrum, the case for a sustained chase for yield into September still holds, but watch the longer-dated yields for potential further curve steepening.	August, contributing of The worst performed opening fetched a 1 2.08x. Front-end intermonth T-bill yielding SOR also rangebound	nds sold off by up to 31bps over the course of to the 2-10 yield curve steepening by 14bps. It was the 20-year as the \$1b 30-year results. Cut-off yield and a bid-cover ratio of the rest rates remain well-anchored with the 3-around 30bps and the 3-month SIBOR and 1 at 0.41% and 0.19% respectively. There is a in 1 October and a new 5-year on 1 November.	$\leftrightarrow$
Credit	On the back of a strong issuance mome corporate IG issuance broke records with YTD2020, surpassing the previous record seconversely, HY issuances has hit a late-Auslower pace of issuance has allowed spread tighter (Bloomberg Barclays US Corporate H Index: 11bps tighter m/m). In comparison, sis largely flat m/m due to supply pressure. deals to be priced with companies still look rates and boost liquidity. Looking ahead, we trends may no longer remain one-way. Whill been slain in the previous decade we outperformance of bonds, the Fed is looking of bonds by allowing inflation to run above to time, contributing to the 23bps m/m increase.	MCTSP 3.055% '29s: We think the MCTSP 3.055% '29s look interesting trading at 2.72% yield versus recent high grade issues with a similar tenor. While tenant sales and footfall has declined at VivoCity during the circuit breaker period, committed occupancy for the mall remained high at 98.4%. Mapletree Commercial Trust ("MCT")'s operating performance is also buffered by its commercial office properties and SGD1bn of cash and undrawn committed facilities on hand.	<b>↑</b>	
O	In contrast to the US corporate space, Asiado m/m to ~USD20bn in August due to conce trade war and a possible tech war. SGD ma only ~SGD830mn issued, contributed large SGD500mn OLAMSP 4% '26s, SGD125mn AASGD100mn AREIT 2.65% '30s. Amidst the lac SGD market and pent-up demand for high q by Ascendas REIT ("AREIT") was oversubsound has traded up by more than 2 points OLAMSP 4% '26s is trading slightly below demonstrates limited room by the market the from higher yielding name.	ollar issuance declined erns around US-China rket fared worse with ly by the issuance of AREIT 5.65% PERP and k of new supply in the uality names, the deal cribed by 7x and the s. On the other hand, par, which we think	CS 5.625% PERP: CS announced solid 2Q2020 numbers although reminders of COVID-19 are in materially higher credit loss provisions. Results appear to have given management the freedom to try and chart their own course forward with a restructuring of existing businesses. While yields have already compressed since April, spreads at current levels still look interesting.	<b>↑</b>

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ķ <b>n</b>	The Jackson Hole symposium has highlighted the Fed's preference to keep interest rates lower for longer and its higher tolerance for inflation. The September FOMC will be keenly watched for more details on the committee's average inflation targeting methodology. Our view is a Biden election win with a divided Congress may not elicit a steepening bias per se.	The "lower for longer" rates outlook was made abundantly clear by Fed Chair Powell in the Jackson Hole symposium. His announcement of higher inflation tolerance had the effect of steepening the Treasury yield curve. Markets are keenly awaiting the September FOMC for further details, including how the average inflation might be calculated by the Fed and how high an inflation rate is tolerable to the Fed. We see implicit green light for the rally in risk assets to continue, but whether the reflation trade and a yield curve steepening has more room to run in the short-term depends on the adjustments to the Strategic Economic Projections. Further out, the 3 November elections remain a key event risk.
EU	The worst is likely over for the Eurozone, after it posted a 15.0% yoy contraction in Q2 2020. The ECB has shown little inclination to further ease monetary policy at this stage, but would likely keep its benchmark rates negative, continue its QE programme and continue to sound dovish in the near term. ECB next meets on 10 Sep.	Confidence in the Eurozone is returning, as seen in the various polls. The Sentix investor confidence along with the economic, industrial and services confidence surveys all came in better than expected in August. The recent resurgence in Covid-19 cases in Germany, France and Spain may cap the lid on the Eurozone's recovery, but we expect the 15.0% yoy GDP growth contraction in Q2 2020 to be the trough for the shared currency bloc. ECB's Schnabel suggested incoming data doesn't point to a need for further stimulus. However, inflation turned negative for the first time since 2016 at -0.2% yoy, which may still keep the ECB on their toes.
Japan	Despite Shinzo Abe's abrupt resignation, we do not expect a sharp divergence in the country's adoption of <i>Abenomics</i> , with the inflation target of 2% still likely to be one the key focus of the BOJ. Yoshide Suga appears likely to succeed Abe. Negative interest rates are likely to continue.	Japanese prime minister Shinzo Abe has resigned due to health reasons. The Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) is set to hold elections soon to elect a new president of the party, who would then hold the post until the end of Abe's LDP in September 2021. Known for his brand of economics (dubbed "Abenomics"), which aims to stimulate Japan's long history of stagnant growth via monetary policy, fiscal stimulus and structural reforms, we expect continuity in these policies even after the newly elected PM comes into power. The BOJ's negative interest rate policy will likely remain too.
Singapore	The 2020 official GDP growth forecast has been narrowed to -7% to -5%, while our house forecast remains around -5.5%. With monetary policy stance remaining appropriate into the October review, the focus has turned to labour market conditions and particularly the recent tightening measures for EP and S Pass minimum salary criteria.	Economic indicators continue to suggest a muted recovery in 3Q, with July industrial production contracting more than expected by 8.4% yoy (1.6% mom sa) due to soft biomedical and electronics output, as well as July NODX which eased to 6.0% yoy (1.2% mom sa) after a revised June bounce of 13.9% yoy (-1.4% mom sa). Bank loans growth also contracted for the second straight month by 0.3% yoy (June: -1.0%), dragged down by consumer loans (-3.1%), especially housing loans (-1.4%), even though business loans accelerated to 1.5%. Bank loans are tipped to shrink 1% yoy in 3Q and 2020 could print at just 0.2% despite the 1.4% growth in Jan-Jul.



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Indonesia	Indonesia reported its Q2 GDP. At a contraction of 5.32% yoy, it came worse than expected and marked the worst outturn since the Asian Financial Crisis. Multiple wounds can be seen, with impact in consumption and even deeper hits in investment and export activities. Overall, we remain hopeful of at least some nascent recovery in H2 that would allow for growth of 0.5% and 2% yoy in Q3 and Q4. The 2020 full-year growth will be at flat 0% in that baseline scenario.	Against the backdrop of economic challenges, the government remains keen on extending its economic stimulus. For 2021, while the budget deficit is softening only slightly from the projected 6.34% deficit/GDP this year to 5.5%; which remains relatively high. Still, the overall fiscal posturing would need to be one of consolidation – so that the government can concretely signal its intention to return to the deficit cap of 3% by 2023. The challenge remains how to speed up the still-slow fiscal disbursement. On debt monetization, market was a bit concerned by President Jokowi's comment that there would continue to be burdensharing with BI in 2021. Although Finance Minister Sri Mulyani clarified that the debt monetization move was a one-off, and that BI would merely be supporting via primary auction mechanism, it may rekindle concerns that BI may have to step in more forcefully once again.
China	The Chinese economy rebounded strongly by 3.2% yoy in the second quarter of 2020. We expect China to grow by 2.2% in 2020.	The US-China tension continued to escalate in August with focus shifted to Taiwan Straits and South China Sea. We think China's reaction function to the economic sanction could be different and China is unlikely to go down the path of tit-for-tat as we saw in 2018 during the trade war. Domestically, PBoC clarified the definition of flexible monetary policy. China will continue to treasure the room for conventional monetary policy, which hints that market funding cost is likely to be around the official rate. RMB strengthened against both dollar and its major trading partners in August on the back of tighter liquidity and removal of tail risk from phase one trade deal. We expect RMB to extend its gain.
Hong Kong	Covid-19 outbreak has added further downward pressure to the crippled economy. 2Q GDP contracted by 9% yoy despite global recovery, pent-up local demand and relief measures. We expect the economy to contract 6%-7% yoy in 2020 depending on Covid-19 development. HKD may remain strong while HKD rates may stay at low levels on increased interbank liquidity amid busy IPO pipeline, equity inflows and additional fiscal stimulus.	With daily new cases declining and mass testing starting from 1 <sup>st</sup> Sep, the containment measures may be relaxed gradually from late Aug. This coupled with low base effect, global benign recovery and the upcoming additional relief fund may allow GDP's decline to narrow in 2H. The government cut GDP growth forecast to a contraction of 6% to 8% while we tip a recession of 6%-7%. Though the US ended three bilateral agreements with HK, the impact on the economy may be limited. Rather, against murky economic outlook, commercial property market may remain sluggish despite HKMA raised LTV ratio on mortgage loans for non-residential properties. Finally, following Nongfu Spring's IPO, more is expected to come in Sep and Oct and may support HKD to re-test 7.75. Despite that, HKD rates may remain relatively low amid flushed liquidity.
Macau	The worst may be over for the pillar sectors including tourism and gaming on China's phased resumption of visa approvals to Macau. However, full recovery remains fall off amid subdued external demand and the existing travel restrictions with the rest of the world. We tip a recession of around 40% for 2020.	2Q economic contraction deepened to a record 67.8% yoy as travel restrictions brought the two pillar industries gaming and tourism to an almost standstill. Moving into 2H, the economy may regain steam as local pandemic remains well contained. More importantly, China's phased resumption of visa approvals to Macau may help to revive gaming and tourism especially given the upcoming National Day Holiday and Mainlanders' pent up travelling demand. However, we doubt that the two pillar industries could rebound strongly before an effective vaccine is widely available. We tip a recession of about 40% yoy for 2020 as a whole.



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Malaysia	Q2 GDP data show pain all around for the economy. At -17.1% yoy, Malaysia's economic slump is the sharpest ever and came much worse than we and the market had expected. As nasty as the numbers were, silver linings could be gleaned. Most activities have rebounded sharply by June, signaling that the worst may be over. We see a potential for growth to start breaking even at 0% in Q4, with full-year growth at -5.1% yoy, broadly in line with central bank expectation of -5.5 to -3.5%.	While BNM sounded relatively sanguine about H2 economic outlook globally and domestically, pointing out that most economic activities have rebounded by June, we believe that the central bank might undertake another 'insurance cut' in September. For one, the economic damage in Q2 was deeper than expected, and the outlook ahead remains riddled with uncertainties arising from virus resurgence and geopolitical tensions globally and political manoeuvrings on shore. Given the resolute dovishness and still-uncertain outlook in H2 due to virus resurgence fears, the bar for another cut later this year has gotten lower than before. 1.75% may not be historic low for long since September may invite another cut. The timing is propitious as well, coming just before the end of the blanket loans moratorium.
Thailand	The BoT is likely to keep its key rate on hold for now, choosing to preserve its monetary buffer in the event the economic slowdown is worse than expected.	As widely expected, the Bank of Thailand kept its benchmark rate constant at 0.50% in its August meeting. GDP growth in Q2 came in better than expected at -12.2% yoy, but still the deepest downturn on record. The increasing political noise adds another set of headwinds to the country's economic recovery. We expect the GDP growth contractions to continue through this year, and the first yoy growth to only arrive in Q1 2021.
South Korea	Despite the recent deterioration in coronavirus cases, South Korea is still expected to have one of the smallest GDP growth contractions this year and may not need further monetary easing for now.	As widely expected, the Bank of Korea left the benchmark rate constant at 0.50% in the August meeting. Despite downgrading its GDP growth forecast for 2020 from -0.2% yoy to -1.3% yoy, South Korea has one of the lowest GDP growth contractions and relatively speaking, may see a less pressing need to cut its benchmark rate in the near term. If the virus situation worsens in South Korea, however, the BoK may begin to feel the inclination to begin loosening monetary policy once more.
Philippines	The Philippines endured a shocking 16.5% yoy GDP growth contraction in Q2, with only Malaysia posting a worse growth rate. We expect the BSP to continue its monetary loosening stance.	At -16.5% yoy, GDP growth performance in Q2 performed materially below expectations of -9.4% yoy, with private consumption bearing most of the downturn. At 2.25%, the benchmark rate in the Philippines has relatively more ample monetary buffer than its Asian counterparts. We expect the BSP to reduce the benchmark rate at least one more time this year to 2.00%.



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#### **FX/Rates Forecast**

USD Interest Rates	3Q20	4Q2020	2021	2022
Fed Funds Target Rate	0-0.25%	0-0.25%	0-0.25%	0-0.25%
1-month LIBOR	0.15%	0.13%	0.20%	0.25%
2-month LIBOR	0.20%	0.18%	0.25%	0.30%
3-month LIBOR	0.25%	0.23%	0.30%	0.35%
6-month LIBOR	0.31%	0.30%	0.35%	0.40%
12-month LIBOR	0.45%	0.45%	0.50%	0.55%
2-year swap rate	0.24%	0.24%	0.30%	0.40%
3-year swap rate	0.23%	0.25%	0.32%	0.43%
5-year swap rate	0.24%	0.26%	0.34%	0.44%
10-year swap rate	0.34%	0.35%	0.40%	0.45%
15-year swap rate	0.72%	0.74%	0.82%	0.90%
20-year swap rate	0.94%	0.95%	1.03%	1.08%
30-year swap rate	1.04%	1.06%	1.15%	1.23%
SGD Interest Rates	3Q20	4Q2020	2021	2022
1-month SIBOR	0.25%	0.24%	0.29%	0.35%
1-month SOR	0.13%	0.12%	0.15%	0.20%
3-month SIBOR	0.41%	0.40%	0.45%	0.55%
3-month SOR	0.19%	0.17%	0.22%	0.30%
6-month SIBOR	0.61%	0.60%	0.65%	0.71%
6-month SOR	0.24%	0.22%	0.28%	0.35%
12-month SIBOR	0.81%	0.80%	0.86%	0.95%
1-year swap rate	0.26%	0.25%	0.37%	0.44%
2-year swap rate	0.31%	0.30%	0.40%	0.50%
3-year swap rate	0.38%	0.35%	0.44%	0.53%
5-year swap rate	0.58%	0.55%	0.65%	0.76%
10-year swap rate	0.94%	0.95%	1.06%	1.14%
15-year swap rate	1.08%	1.09%	1.15%	1.23%
20-year swap rate	1.08%	1.10%	1.20%	1.26%
30-year swap rate	1.11%	1.12%	1.25%	1.31%
MYR forecast	3Q20	4Q2020	2021	2022
OPR	1.50%	1.50%	1.75%	2.00%
1-month KLIBOR	1.65%	1.65%	1.80%	2.10%
3-month KLIBOR	1.75%	1.75%	1.85%	2.15%
6-month KLIBOR	1.90%	1.90%	2.00%	2.30%
12-month KLIBOR	2.00%	2.00%	2.10%	2.35%
1-year swap rate	1.70%	1.70%	1.85%	2.40%
2-year swap rate	1.73%	1.73%	1.95%	2.45%
3-year swap rate	1.75%	1.75%	2.00%	2.50%
5-year swap rate	2.00%	2.00%	2.10%	2.55%
10-year swap rate	2.50%	2.50%	2.60%	2.70%
15-year swap rate	2.80%	2.80%	2.90%	3.02%
20-year swap rate	3.00%	3.00%	3.10%	3.20%

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UST bond yields	3Q20	4Q2020	2021	2022
2-year UST bond yield	0.13%	0.13%	0.19%	0.25%
5-year UST bond yield	0.27%	0.30%	0.35%	0.45%
10-year UST bond yield	0.71%	0.75%	0.85%	0.96%
30-year UST bond yield	1.49%	1.54%	1.65%	1.72%
SGS bond yields	3Q20	4Q2020	2021	2022
2-year SGS yield	0.24%	0.25%	0.30%	0.35%
5-year SGS yield	0.54%	0.55%	0.60%	0.68%
10-year SGS yield	0.99%	1.04%	1.11%	1.20%
15-year SGS yield	1.31%	1.35%	1.40%	1.46%
20-year SGS yield	1.40%	1.41%	1.44%	1.51%
30-year SGS yield	1.26%	1.30%	1.45%	1.56%
MGS forecast	3Q20	4Q2020	2021	2022
3-year MSG yield	1.65%	1.65%	1.90%	2.40%
5-year MGS yield	1.95%	1.95%	2.05%	2.45%
10-year MGS yield	2.45%	2.45%	2.55%	2.65%

FX	Spot	Sep-20	Dec-20	Mar-21	Jun-21
USD-JPY	105.67	106.48	104.74	104.67	103.78
EUR-USD	1.1981	1.2070	1.2025	1.1884	1.2034
GBP-USD	1.3410	1.3569	1.3436	1.3293	1.3467
AUD-USD	0.7401	0.7494	0.7476	0.7349	0.7502
NZD-USD	0.6761	0.6839	0.6779	0.6712	0.6860
USD-CAD	1.3004	1.2891	1.2917	1.3067	1.2888
USD-CHF	0.9009	0.8939	0.8959	0.9038	0.8934
USD-SGD	1.3566	1.3486	1.3500	1.3617	1.3479
USD-CNY	6.8161	6.7983	6.8102	6.8329	6.7554
USD-THB	30.97	31.27	31.41	31.33	30.66
USD-IDR	14,578	14,777	14,476	14,883	14,454
USD-MYR	4.1440	4.1303	4.1385	4.1596	4.1137
USD-KRW	1183.15	1178.49	1176.03	1187.73	1168.93
USD-TWD	29.341	29.292	29.259	29.395	29.111
USD-HKD	7.75	7.7500	7.7567	7.7667	7.7567
USD-PHP	48.50	48.39	48.33	48.59	48.13
USD-INR	72.79	72.36	72.45	73.05	71.95
EUR-JPY	126.60	128.53	125.95	124.39	124.89
EUR-GBP	0.8935	0.8896	0.8949	0.8940	0.8936
EUR-CHF	1.0793	1.0790	1.0773	1.0741	1.0752
EUR-SGD	1.6253	1.6278	1.6233	1.6182	1.6221
GBP-SGD	1.8191	1.8299	1.8139	1.8101	1.8152
AUD-SGD	1.0039	1.0106	1.0092	1.0007	1.0112
NZD-SGD	0.9172	0.9223	0.9152	0.9140	0.9247
CHF-SGD	1.5057	1.5086	1.5068	1.5065	1.5086
JPY-SGD	1.2838	1.2665	1.2889	1.3008	1.2988
SGD-MYR	3.0549	3.0627	3.0655	3.0548	3.0519
SGD-CNY	5.0249	5.0411	5.0445	5.0181	5.0118



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Date Time	С	Event	Period	Surv(M)	Actual	Prior
09/01 07:30	JN	Jobless Rate	Jul	3.00%	2.90%	2.80%
09/01 12:30	ΑU	RBA Cash Rate Target	Sep-01	0.25%		0.25%
09/01 15:50	FR	Markit France Manufacturing PMI	Aug F	49		49
09/03 20:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Aug-29	950k		1006k
09/04 20:30	US	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Aug	1370k		1763k
09/08 07:50	JN	GDP SA QoQ	2Q F			-7.80%
09/09 22:00	CA	Bank of Canada Rate Decision	Sep-09	0.25%		0.25%
09/10 19:45	EC	ECB Main Refinancing Rate	Sep-10			0.00%
09/10 20:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Sep-05			
09/14 12:30	JN	Industrial Production MoM	Jul F			8.00%
09/17 02:00	US	FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)	Sep-16	0.25%		0.25%
09/17 09:30	AU	Unemployment Rate	Aug			7.50%
09/17 19:00	UK	Bank of England Bank Rate	Sep-17			0.10%
09/17 20:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Sep-12			
09/23 10:00	NZ	RBNZ Official Cash Rate	Sep-23			0.25%
09/23 15:15	FR	Markit France Manufacturing PMI	Sep P			
09/24 16:00	GE	IFO Business Climate	Sep			92.6
09/24 20:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Sep-19			
09/30 07:50	JN	Industrial Production MoM	Aug P			
09/30 14:00	UK	GDP QoQ	2Q F			-20.40%
09/30 14:00	UK	GDP YoY	2Q F			-21.70%
09/30 20:30	US	GDP Annualized QoQ	2Q T			-31.70%

#### **Central Bank Interest Rate Decisions**

<b>Date Time</b>	С	Event	Period	Surv(M)	Actual	Prior
09/01 12:30	AU	RBA Cash Rate Target	Sep-01	0.25%		0.25%
09/01 12:30	AU	RBA 3-Yr Yield Target	Sep-01	0.25%		0.25%
09/01 14:30	ΑU	Commodity Index SDR YoY	Aug			-12.0%
09/09 22:00	CA	Bank of Canada Rate Decision	Sep-09	0.25%		0.25%
09/10 15:00	MA	BNM Overnight Policy Rate	Sep-10			1.75%
09/10 19:45	EC	ECB Main Refinancing Rate	Sep-10			0.00%
09/10 19:45	EC	ECB Deposit Facility Rate	Sep-10			-0.50%
09/10 19:45	EC	ECB Marginal Lending Facility	Sep-10			0.25%
09/17/2020	JN	BOJ Policy Balance Rate	Sep-17			-0.10%
09/17/2020	JN	BOJ 10-Yr Yield Target	Sep-17			0.00%
09/17 02:00	US	FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)	Sep-16	0.25%		0.25%
09/17 02:00	US	FOMC Rate Decision (Lower Bound)	Sep-16	0.00%		0.00%
09/17 09/21	HK	Composite Interest Rate	Aug			0.53%
09/17 15:20	ID	Bank Indonesia 7D Reverse Repo	Sep-17			4.00%
09/17 19:00	UK	Bank of England Bank Rate	Sep-17			0.10%
09/23 10:00	NZ	RBNZ Official Cash Rate	Sep-23			0.25%
09/23 15:05	TH	BoT Benchmark Interest Rate	Sep-23			0.50%

Source: Bloomberg



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