Morning Comment

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EUR/USD opens in the bottom half of \$1.15-1.16

There was a cautious tone to investor sentiment last week. Ongoing concerns regarding stretched valuations in the tech-sector, mixed US labour market data and volatility in relation to US market rate expectations, impacted financial markets throughout the week. Overall, the Euro Stoxx 50 fell by 3.1% over the period. Meanwhile on Wall Street, the S&P 500 closed down by 1.9% on the week, despite registering a solid 1.0% daily gain on Friday.

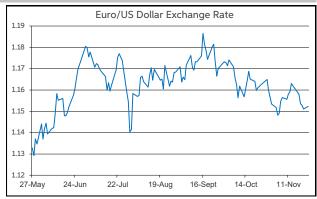
The key data release last week was the delayed US labour market report for September. Payrolls printed above the consensus (+119k vs. +50k f'cast), but the August figure was revised lower, and the unemployment rate rose to 4.4%. At the same time, the Fed meeting minutes indicated that there are diverging views amongst the FOMC officials regarding the need to cut rates in December. Against this backdrop, futures contracts moved from pricing in around a 40% chance of a rate cut on Monday, to just a 25% chance during the week. However, they softened on Friday, meaning current pricing suggests the market sees around a 60% chance of a cut at present.

On the currency front, the main pairs were somewhat range bound last week. Overall, the dollar was holding a slightly firmer tone, while the yen remained on the defensive. In level terms, this sees EUR/USD open this morning in the bottom half of \$1.15-1.16. GBP/USD is at the \$1.31 threshold. Meantime, EUR/GBP is changing hands just below the 88p mark. USD/JPY is in the top half of ¥156-157.

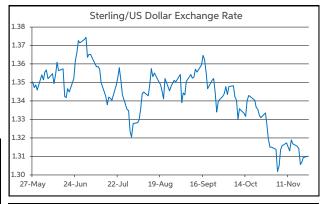
Turning to the week ahead, the macro calendar is relatively quiet. In the Eurozone, the main highlight will be the ECB meeting minutes from October. In the UK, the Budget on Wednesday will garner significant attention, and may impact sterling. Elsewhere, a holiday shortened week in the US for Thanksgiving features retail sales and consumer confidence. Meanwhile, any further developments regarding a potential Ukraine-Russia peace deal will also be in focus. **Daniel Noonan, Economist, AIB**

Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.1523	-0.10	11.30	
EUR/GBP	0.8792	-0.22	6.27	
GBP/USD	1.3101	0.11	4.72	
GBP/EUR	1.1367	0.22	-5.90	
USD/JPY	156.66	-0.36	-0.33	
EUR/JPY	180.53	-0.46	10.92	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	3.88	3.92	3.83	3.52	3.57	3.59
EUR	2.00	1.93	2.05	2.13	2.17	2.43
GBP	4.00	3.93	3.80	3.60	3.78	3.91









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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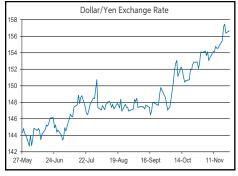
Opening Levels



	Euro
EUR/GBP	0.8792
EUR/USD	1.1523
EUR/JPY	180.53
EUR/SEK	10.9942
EUR/DKK	7.4681
EUR/NOK	11.803
EUR/CHF	0.9314
EUR/AUD	1.7825
EUR/HKD	8.967
EUR/CAD	1.6239

Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1367			
GBP/USD	1.3101			
GBP/CAD	1.8465			
GBP/NZD	2.3365			
GBP/JPY	205.24			
GBP/SEK	12.4987			
GBP/DKK	8.49			
GBP/NOK	13.4215			
GBP/CHF	1.0594			
GBP/AUD	2.0263			

Dollar				
USD/JPY	156.66			
USD/CAD	1.4094			
USD/CHF	0.8083			
USD/CNY	7.1056			
USD/BRL	5.4028			
USD/RUB	79			
USD/INR	89.185			
AUD/USD	0.6463			
NZD/USD	0.5604			



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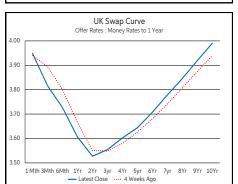
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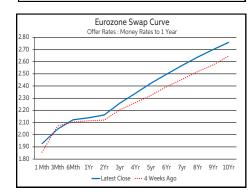
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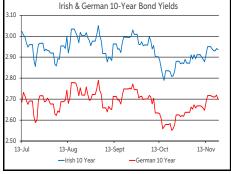
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr



	Debt	Markets		
			Change bps	
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.06	-4	+7	-51
Germany	2.70	-2	+7	+33
UK	4.55	-4	+11	-3
Ireland	2.94	-0	+6	+29
Belgium	3.26	-0	+7	+28
France	3.47	-2	+4	+28
Italy	3.46	-1	+5	-6
Spain	3.21	-2	+5	+15
Portugal	3.05	-1	+4	+20
Greece	3.33	-2	+3	+8
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.56	-5	+1	-73
Eurozone	2.41	-0	+9	+18
UK	3.91	-3	+5	-37
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.55	-3	+4	-79
Eurozone	2.16	-2	+4	-3
UK	3.78	-2	-2	-71
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchn	nark bps	
Ireland	24	+2	-2	-5
Belgium	56	+2	-1	-6
France	78	+1	-3	-5
Italy	77	+1	-3	-39
Spain	51	+1	-2	-19
Portugal	35	+1	-4	-13
Greece	63	-0	-4	-25

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
Brent Oil	62.56	-1.29	-5.13	-16.18	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	4065.4	-0.28	-1.12	+54.94	

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