## **Morning Comment**

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## EUR/USD tests \$1.16

Investor sentiment was somewhat mixed yesterday amid a relatively sparse macro calendar. The Euro Stoxx 50 continued to move lower, falling by 0.6%. Meantime on Wall Street, the S&P gained 0.4%, led by a rally in tech stocks. However, overnight risk appetite has soured, amid rising tensions in the Middle East. This is reflected by a sharp increase in oil prices, with brent crude up by over 6% to around \$74 per barrel, and by the Japanese Nikkei index falling by circa 1%.

Data-wise, the latest US weekly initial jobless claims printed above the consensus, remaining at the year-to-date (YTD) high from the week prior of 248k (vs. 240k f'cast). Meantime, US PPI inflation printed broadly in-line with expectations at 2.6% in May, although core-PPI was a touch weaker than anticipated, at 3.0%. The data coincided with a slight softening in US futures contracts yesterday, with markets now fully pricing-in a first rate cut for September this year. In terms of monetary policy, remarks from ECB official Schnabel were somewhat hawkish yesterday, as she reiterated that the central bank's cutting cycle may soon be over.

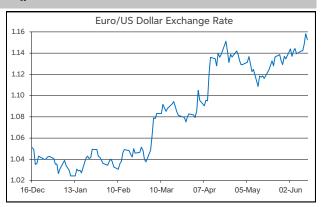
Against this backdrop, the euro was holding a firmer tone throughout the European session, while the dollar was on the defensive yet again. This saw EUR/USD register a new YTD high of \$1.1631. However, the euro was unable to hold all of its gains. Furthermore, as concerns regarding developments in the Middle East increased overnight, the dollar has strengthened somewhat. As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD is in the lower half of \$1.15-1.16. EUR/GBP is north of the 85p threshold.

Today, Eurozone industrial production (April) and the final reading of HICP inflation in Germany, France and Spain (May) are due. Meanwhile, the preliminary reading of the Michigan measure of consumer sentiment will be the highlight in the US. Investors will also be keeping an eye on developments in the Middle East.

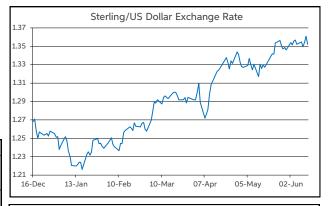
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.1527	0.12	11.34	
EUR/GBP	0.8523	0.55	3.02	
GBP/USD	1.3522	-0.43	8.08	
GBP/EUR	1.1729	-0.55	-2.93	
USD/JPY	143.58	-0.27	-8.65	
EUR/JPY	165.53	-0.14	1.71	
* v Previous Day's European 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	4.38	4.31	4.30	3.98	3.94	3.87
EUR	2.00	1.91	1.95	1.96	1.96	2.19
GBP	4.25	4.19	4.12	3.85	3.92	3.95









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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## **Opening Levels**



Euro	)
EUR/GBP	0.8523
EUR/USD	1.1527
EUR/JPY	165.53
EUR/SEK	10.9811
EUR/DKK	7.4586
EUR/NOK	11.5223
EUR/CHF	0.9349
EUR/AUD	1.7817
EUR/HKD	9.0486
EUR/CAD	1.572

Sterling	
GBP/EUR	1.1729
GBP/USD	1.3522
GBP/CAD	1.844
GBP/NZD	2.2487
GBP/JPY	194.16
GBP/SEK	12.8833
GBP/DKK	8.7456
GBP/NOK	13.512
GBP/CHF	1.0959
GBP/AUD	2.0893

Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.58			
USD/CAD	1.3639			
USD/CHF	0.8106			
USD/CNY	7.1812			
USD/BRL	5.5371			
USD/RUB	79.5			
USD/INR	86.078			
AUD/USD	0.6469			
NZD/USD	0.6008			



US Swap Curve

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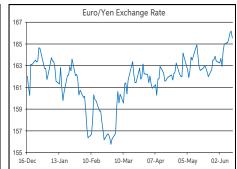
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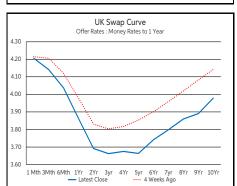
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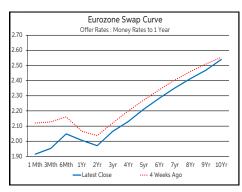
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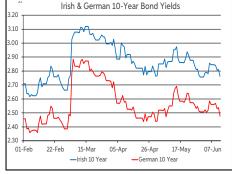
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr
— Latest Close .... 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.36	-6	-10	-22		
Germany	2.48	-6	-15	+12		
UK	4.48	-7	-18	-9		
Ireland	2.81	-5	-10	+16		
Belgium	3.04	-4	-12	+5		
France	3.19	-4	-11	-1		
Italy	3.42	-5	-22	-10		
Spain	3.08	-4	-16	+2		
Portugal	2.98	-4	-15	+13		
Greece	3.25	-1	-18	+0		
5 Year Swap %						
US	3.87	-6	-9	-42		
Eurozone	2.21	-1	-6	-3		
UK	3.94	-6	-14	-34		
2 Year Swap %						
US	3.94	-5	-6	-40		
Eurozone	1.97	-1	-7	-22		
UK	3.91	-4	-14	-57		
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchr	nark bps			
Ireland	33	+1	+4	+4		
Belgium	56	+2	+2	-6		
France	71	+2	+4	-13		
Italy	94	+1	-7	-22		
Spain	60	+2	-1	-10		
Portugal	50	+2	-0	+1		
Greece	77	+5	-4	-11		

Commodities					
		% Change			
Close Day 4 Weeks				End 24	
Brent Oil	74.36	+6.58	+15.23	-0.38	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	3384.0	+0.92	+4.45	+28.97	

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