# **Morning Comment**

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## **Euro edges lower**

Investor sentiment was holding a positive tone yesterday. This was against the backdrop of some mixed macro newsflow. The latest OECD forecasts highlighted the challenging outlook for the global economy, including downgrades to its US GDP projections. However, US job 'openings' data provided some optimistic news for the world's largest economy. The firmer tone to risk appetite was evident in equity markets making gains on both sides of the Atlantic. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 rose by 0.4%. Meantime, at the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was 0.6% higher on the day.

The main macro highlight from the Eurozone diary yesterday was the flash reading of HICP inflation for May. The Eurozone inflation numbers were softer than expected. The headline rate printed at 1.9%, compared to a forecast for 2.0%. Meanwhile, the core rate registered a 2.3% result for May (vs. fcast for 2.5%). A key aspect of the data was the significant easing in services inflation to 3.2% (from 4.0% in April).

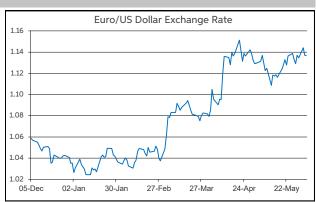
From a currency perspective, the softer inflation update did coincide with some downward pressure on the euro. Overall though, the main FX pairs have tended to operate within relatively narrow ranges over the past 24 hours. In level terms, the EUR/USD pair has been unable to hold onto the \$1.14 threshold and opens this morning near \$1.137. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP has edged back down towards the 84p mark. Elsewhere, GBP/USD is trading this morning very similar to yesterday's open, with the pair changing hands just above \$1.35.

Looking ahead to today's macro agenda, we get the final readings of the Composite PMIs for May from the US, Eurozone and UK. The US non-manufacturing ISM and ADP Employment (both May) also feature. Market participants will also be mindful of any trade/tariff related news.

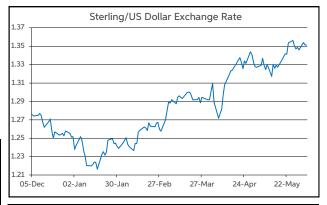
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.1369	-0.49	9.81	
EUR/GBP	0.8412	-0.40	1.68	
GBP/USD	1.3513	-0.07	8.01	
GBP/EUR	1.1884	0.40	-1.65	
USD/JPY	143.99	0.73	-8.39	
EUR/JPY	163.71	0.24	0.59	
* v Previous Day's European 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	4.31	4.04	4.02	3.96
EUR	2.40	1.98	1.98	1.95	1.93	2.18
GBP	4.25	4.20	4.17	3.97	4.05	4.09









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## **Opening Levels**



	Euro	
EUR/GBP		0.8412
EUR/USD		1.1369
EUR/JPY		163.71
EUR/SEK		10.9373
EUR/DKK		7.4594
EUR/NOK		11.5478
EUR/CHF		0.9363
EUR/AUD		1.7601
EUR/HKD		8.9217
EUR/CAD		1.5608

Sterling	9
GBP/EUR	1.1884
GBP/USD	1.3513
GBP/CAD	1.8545
GBP/NZD	2.2516
GBP/JPY	194.57
GBP/SEK	12.994
GBP/DKK	8.8603
GBP/NOK	13.7244
GBP/CHF	1.1122
GBP/AUD	2.0916

Dollar					
USD/JPY	143.99				
USD/CAD	1.3728				
USD/CHF	0.8234				
USD/CNY	7.1918				
USD/BRL	5.6387				
USD/RUB	78.75				
USD/INR	85.935				
AUD/USD	0.6458				
NZD/USD	0.5997				



US \$wape€பாலe Offer Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year

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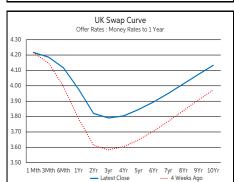
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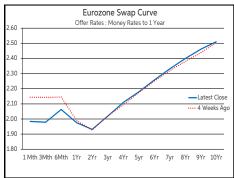
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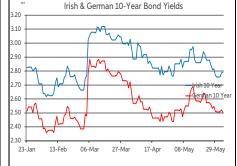
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr



Debt Markets						
·			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.46	-0	+15	-12		
Germany	2.51	-2	-3	+14		
UK	4.68	+2	+16	+10		
Ireland	2.83	+0	-9	+18		
Belgium	3.04	-1	-9	+6		
France	3.19	-0	-7	-0		
Italy	3.50	-2	-13	-2		
Spain	3.11	-1	-8	+4		
Portugal	2.99	-1	-8	+14		
Greece	3.26	-3	-15	+1		
5 Year Swap %						
US	3.93	+3	+15	-36		
Eurozone	2.18	-2	+0	-6		
UK	4.09	-2	+19	-20		
2 Year Swap %						
US	3.99	+1	+19	-35		
Eurozone	1.93	-1	+0	-26		
UK	4.05	-2	+20	-44		
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchr	 nark bps			
Ireland	32	+2	-6	+4		
Belgium	54	+1	-6	-8		
France	69	+1	-4	-15		
Italy	100	+0	-11	-16		
Spain	60	+1	-6	-10		
Portugal	48	+1	-5	-0		
Greece	76	-1	-13	-13		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
Brent Oil	65.63	+1.55	+5.60	-12.07	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	3352.0	-0.80	-2.26	+27.75	

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