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The euro zone economy will grow slower than previously expected this year and next, the European Commission forecast as consumer demand suffers from high inflation and the biggest economy, Germany, slips into recession this year. In its interim forecasts for gross domestic product and inflation of the euro zone's five biggest economies, the Commission said the single currency area's GDP (gross domestic product) would expand 0.8% in 2023 and 1.3% in 2024, against forecasts of 1.1% and 1.6% respectively made in May. The Commission forecast euro zone consumer inflation of 5.6% in 2023 and 2.9% in 2024, both well above the European Central Bank's target of 2.0%. Inflation this year is to be lower than the 5.8% forecast in May, but higher than previously forecast in 2024, as the May forecast was for 2.8%.

BOJ's hawkish tilt suggests end to super-easy policy approaching

Bank of Japan policymakers are increasingly talking up the need to shift away from the massive monetary stimulus of the past decade, even as growing global risks heighten concerns about a fragile economic recovery. A series of hawkish comments by BOJ speakers in recent weeks suggest the bank is preparing markets for an eventual policy change amid growing price pressures in deflation-prone Japan. Even dovish members of the BOJ board have expressed an openness to talk about a long-awaited exit from the extremely accommodative policy of former governor Haruhiko Kuroda, acknowledging changes in conditions may warrant a tweak in monetary settings. Governor Kazuo Ueda told a newspaper interview on Saturday the BOJ could get enough data by year-end to judge whether conditions are in place to raise short-term interest rates.

Australia consumer sentiment worsens in September

Australian consumer sentiment deteriorated further in early-September, a private survey showed on Tuesday, as dwindling household savings, sticky inflation, and high interest rates largely outweighed a less hawkish outlook for the RBA. The Westpac-Melbourne Institute Index of Consumer Sentiment dropped 1.5% to 79.7 in September, remaining close to its worst level since the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic. The reading was driven by persistent pessimism among consumers, especially over rising rents and a renewed surge in fuel prices. While consumers saw a lower chance of more interest rate hikes from the Reserve Bank of Australia, especially after inflation eased substantially this year, they also saw few chances of an interest rate cut over the next year.

Dollar retreats ahead of inflation data; Yen soars on Ueda's comments

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.94, +5.37 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.88, +6.00 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.29, +3.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 35.50. Moving in a range of 35.52-35.57 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 35.45-35.65 today. The U.S. dollar fell in early European trade Monday, retreating from a six-month high, while the Japanese yen surged as comments from Bank of Japan Governor Kazuo Ueda signaled a potential change in monetary policy. The Dollar Index traded 0.5% lower to 104.212, falling from last week's six-month high of 105.15. Dragging the dollar index lower Monday has been sharp gains in the yen, with USD/JPY 1.2% lower at 146.06, as BOJ head Kazuo Ueda flagged a potential pivot away from negative interest rates. This extremely easy monetary policy has contributed significantly to the yen falling to 10-month lows against the dollar given the growing interest rate differentials.

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Currency Market

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Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Currency	The mistory	Lasi				Min	Max
Dollar Index		104.89	0.0%	0.6%	2.2%	102.22	104.90
EUR/USD		1.0716	0.0%	-0.5%	-2.3%	1.0716	1.0988
USD/JPY		147.09	-0.3%	0.6%	2.2%	141.98	147.49
USD/CHF		0.8906	-0.1%	0.6%	1.5%	0.8740	0.8911
GBP/USD		1.2496	0.0%	-0.8%	-1.7%	1.2493	1.2781
USD/CAD		1.3672	0.2%	0.5%	1.8%	1.3386	1.3672
AUD/USD		0.6388	0.2%	-1.1%	-2.2%	0.6376	0.6574
NZD/USD		0.5897	0.4%	-0.8%	-2.6%	0.5872	0.6102
ASEAN Dollar		111.79	0.0%	1.1%	2.1%	108.86	111.79
USD/THB		35.54	-0.1%	1.0%	1.2%	34.76	35.58
USD/SGD		1.3635	-0.1%	0.7%	1.2%	1.3401	1.3644
USD/MYR		4.6745	0.0%	0.4%	2.2%	4.5548	4.6745
USD/IDR		15,268	0.0%	0.5%	0.7%	15,125	15,274
USD/PHP		56.80	-0.4%	0.2%	0.7%	55.84	57.03
USD/CNY		7.3429	0.0%	1.0%	1.8%	7.1929	7.3429
USD/HKD	\sim	7.8350	-0.1%	-0.2%	0.2%	7.8078	7.8507

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%0	Chg(1D)
1-month		0.40	0.00	
3-month	\sim	1.13	-0.18	
6-month	$\sim \sim \sim$	2.13	-0.23	
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)
Total		217,059	1863	
Golds	In the second	15,229	196	
SDR		5,441	-1	
IMF Reserves		1,241	0	
Foreign Ccy		195,148	1668	
Net Fwd Position		30,485	-420	
Net I war osition	_	50,400	120	

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	•	Ec	quity	Bo	ond		Total
11/9	/2023	-2	601	-1,2	211	-:	3,812
8/9/2	2023	-2	183	-5,3	364	-	7,546
7/9/2	2023		-850	1,0	095		245
6/9/2	2023		-740	1,2	238		498
5/9/2	2023	-1,	528	-2,8	325		4,353
Last	5 days	-7	,902	-7,	068		14,969
	Period-t	o-date	Equity	E	Bond	т	otal
MTD	Month		-9,37	2 🖖	-9,754		-19,126
QTD	Quarter		🖕 -37,4	30 🛛 🖖	-13,750		-51,180
YTD	Year		🤚 -144,	569 🏘	1,678	-	-142,891

Money Market

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THB	1M Hist	last	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M R	lange
BIBOR	TIVI TII SL	Lasi	Min	Max			Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR		Lasi	Min	Max
ON		2.25	1.75	2.25	ON	<u> </u>	0.00	0.43	2.02	ON	~	0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	~~	2.28	1.78	2.28	1W		1.47	0.89	1.65	1W	· ···· ·	0.00	0.00	0.08
1M		2.30	1.81	2.30	1M	\sim	1.20	0.87	1.72	1M		0.23	0.09	0.23
2M		2.36	1.88	2.36						2M	• • • • •	0.00	0.00	0.16
ЗM		2.41	1.94	2.41	3M		1.91	1.09	2.02	ЗM		0.52	0.14	0.52
6M		2.51	2.06	2.51	6M		2.27	1.31	2.27	6M		0.83	0.22	0.83
12M		2.61	2.20	2.61	12M		2.68	1.59	2.71	12M		1.33	0.35	1.34
							Las	t Updated:	29/6/2023			Las	t Updated:	9/3/2022

Note: D=d=day; M=mth=month; Y=year; %chg = percentage change; chg = change; USTH FX Sp = USD/THB FX Swap point; \$mn=million US dollar; THB.mn= Thai baht million; Hist=history; THB implied = Thai baht rate that are calculated by FX forward rate; ASEAN Index = value average ASEAN FX Jan2008=100

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Fixed Income Market

Fixed Income	1M History	$\mathbf{VTM}(0')$ Brochar(1D)		Bnc Cha (1)4/)	Pro Cha (1M)	1M Range	
Fixed income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max
UST10y	\sim	4.1200	-13.00	3.00	58.00	3.37	4.34
Gilt 10y		4.3832	-2.86	6.90	60.59	3.65	4.65
Bund 10y	·~~··	2.5500	-2.00	-1.00	15.00	2.28	2.69
JGB 10y	\sim	0.6610	-0.80	7.00	26.60	0.38	0.67
TGB 1y		2.2774	1.76	8.65	8.87	2.19	2.28
TGB 2y		2.4119	1.91	10.49	15.74	2.25	2.41
TGB 5y		2.6828	3.04	13.02	26.84	2.41	2.68
TGB 7y		2.8291	2.00	14.64	33.33	2.50	2.83
TGB 10y		2.9424	5.37	13.49	33.36	2.61	2.94
AAA Spread		70.55	0.06	-0.84	0.48	68.09	73.93
AA Spread		80.49	0.00	0.83	0.40	77.65	84.99
A Spread	$\overline{}$	122.47	0.19	-0.12	-5.05	121.95	127.78
BBB Spread		235.02	-4.74	-2.59	-2.96	225.86	239.76

Note: UST = US Treasury; Gilt = UK Government Bond; JGB = Japanese Government bond; Bund = German Government Bond; TGB = Thai government Bond; tenors of the bonds are put after their name; bps=basis point; Corporate spreads are Thai and reported in basis points over government bond for the tenors 3-5 years.

Commodity Market

Commodity	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)		%Chg (1W)		%Chg (1M)		1M Range	
Commodity		Lasi							Min	Max
Brent Crude	· \ '	90.65	0.8%		2.4%		4.9%		83.21	90.65
London Gold		1938.4	1.1%		1.0%		-2.0%		1,890.1	2,038.9

Note: Unit of Brent crude oil price is \$/barrel; unit of gold price is \$/ounce

Equity Market

Equity Index 1M History			%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)) % Chg (1M)	1M Range	
	The HISTORY	Last	// Clig (TD)			Min	Max
S&P500 (US)	\rightarrow	0.0	-0.4%	0.0%	-0.5%	4,369.7	4,518.4
STOXX (EU)		447.9	0.1%	0.6%	-4.7%	445.3	470.4
FTSE All-Share(UK)	$\overline{}$	4,083.2	0.3%	0.5%	-1.7%	3,953.4	4,155.7
DAX (DE)		15,891.9	0.6%	0.4%	-2.0%	15,603.4	16,446.8
CAC All-Tradable(F	R)	5,489.8	0.6%	0.3%	-1.6%	5,313.2	5,592.3
TOPIX (JP)		2,313.4	0.6%	0.4%	7.2%	2,071.2	2,337.4
Shanghai (CH)		3,288.9	1.2%	-1.6%	-4.8%	3,231.3	3,559.0
Hang Seng (HK)	$\overline{}$	18,130.7	-0.4%	-5.8%	-9.2%	17,791.0	20,078.9
ASX 200 (AU)		7,297.7	1.9%	-0.6%	0.3%	7,042.3	7,410.4
SET (TH)		1,576.7	0.9%	2.8%	2.4%	1,466.9	1,576.7
SET50 (TH)		966.7	0.6%	1.6%	3.5%	896.4	966.7
Straits Times (SG)	· · · ·	3,223.1	1.0%	-3.0%	0.3%	3,154.0	3,374.0
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,454.4	0.7%	-0.3%	2.2%	1,378.7	1,463.5
JSX Index (ID)		6,966.7	0.6%	1.1%	2.3%	6,626.1	6,966.7
PSE Index (PH)	\sim	6,295.3	2.2%	-3.6%	-4.5%	6,160.6	6,684.4
Vn Index (VN)		1,201.7	1.0%	-2.6%	12.5%	1,053.4	1,241.4

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

Note: A = actual, P = previous; C = consensus

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