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Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis President Alberto Musalem said on Thursday the US central bank has been right to cut interest rates to help the job market. He said that monetary policy is somewhere between modestly restrictive and neutral, and it's getting close to neutral in terms of financial conditions. Moreover, US trade tariffs have been drivers of inflation but their impact has been blunted as companies held off passing costs to consumers. He expects the impact will start to dissipate in the second half of next year, allowing inflation to restart its retreat to the 2% target. Musalem said his outlook is based on tariffs remaining in place. The legality of President Donald Trump's sweeping levies is being considered by the US Supreme Court.

Euro zone retail sales unexpectedly fall in September

According to Eurostat's data release, retail trade fell by 0.1% on the month in September, coming short of expectations for a 0.2% rise, while sales were up 1.0% compared to a year earlier, in line with expectations. Non-food products sales dropped by 0.2% on the month, fuel sales were down 1% and food sales were stagnant. Euro zone households are sitting on ample savings and the European Central Bank has long expected them to start running these down in a boost to growth, but uncertainty keeps consumers cautious and actual figures continue to be disappointing.

BoE holds rates steady in narrow vote

Bank of England (BoE)'s nine-member monetary policy committee, five members voted to hold the key interest rate, at 4%, while four opted for a 25-bps cut, resisting any temptation to lower borrowing costs for the sixth time since August 2024. Most MPC members are more concerned about the implications of cutting rates too quickly rather than too slowly, and the BOE will want to see evidence of sustained downside surprises in the data and pay growth slowing to a target-consistent pace before voting to cut again.

Japan services activity remains strong despite slower new order growth

The headline Services Business Activity Index registered 53.1 in October, slightly down from 53.3 in September, marking the seventh consecutive month of expansion. The Finance & Insurance sector led growth, followed by Transport & Storage firms. While service activity remained robust, new business growth moderated significantly to a marginal pace, reaching its slowest rate in 16 months. Foreign demand for Japanese services continued to decline, though at a reduced rate. Employment growth also slowed, with staffing levels increasing only slightly as companies filled vacancies and implemented expansion plans. The combination of weaker order growth and modest hiring helped ease pressure on capacity, with backlogs of work showing the smallest increase in four months.

Dollar corrects lower, while Sterling gained

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 1.776, +2.75 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB353A) was 1.747, +3.05 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.11, -6.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 32.365 Moving in a range of 32.385-32.39 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 32.25-32.50 today. The US Dollar has seen a small correction early Thursday, despite firmly US ADP labor market data. Meanwhile, sterling rose after the BoE kept rates unchanged ahead of this month's budget, although markets had attached a one-in-three chance of a cut earlier on. Apart from currencies, gold steadies, as traders weighed comments from Federal Reserve Officials as well as data showing a dramatic weakening in the US job markets, rising the prospect of lower interest rate.

Sources: ttb analytics, Bloomberg, CNBC, Trading economics, Investing, CEIC



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Currency Market

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Currency 1M History		Loot	9/ Cha (1D)	9/ Cha (1)A/)	9/ Cha /1 M)	1M Range		
Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	% Chg (1W)	% Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
Dollar Index		100.04	-0.1%	0.7%	1.8%	97.76	100.12	
EUR/USD	•	1.1505	0.2%	-0.7%	-1.6%	1.1486	1.1736	
USD/JPY		153.79	0.2%	0.0%	2.2%	147.14	154.16	
USD/CHF		0.8087	-0.1%	1.1%	1.5%	0.7912	0.8091	
GBP/USD		1.3065	0.25%	-0.7%	-2.9%	1.3032	1.3478	
USD/CAD		1.4103	0.38%	1.1%	1.0%	1.3932	1.4055	
AUD/USD	-	0.6504	0.29%	-0.7%	-1.5%	0.6475	0.6603	
NZD/USD		0.5678	-0.2%	-1.5%	-2.5%	0.5688	0.5833	
ASEAN Dollar	<u></u>	106.87	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	106.29	107.27	
USD/THB	^	32.43	-0.4%	0.3%	-0.3%	32.32	32.80	
USD/SGD		1.3049	-0.1%	0.5%	1.0%	1.2877	1.3067	
USD/MYR	\sim	4.1805	-0.3%	-0.2%	-0.8%	4.1881	4.2271	
USD/IDR		16,606	-0.1%	0.2%	0.8%	16,478	16,628	
USD/PHP	~~	59.02	0.3%	-0.1%	0.9%	58.15	59.32	
USD/CNY		7.1231	-0.07%	0.3%	-0.3%	7.0912	7.1472	
USD/HKD	^	7.7674	-0.02%	0.0%	-0.3%	7.7565	7.7876	

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)	Date		Equity	Bond	Total
1-month	,	0.15	0.15	06/11	/2025	-825	1.675	849
3-month	-	0.15		05/11/		2,496	5,333	7,829
6-month	•	1.50		04/11	/2025	-868	128	-739
			- '	03/11	/2025	649	-1,820	-1,171
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	31/10	/2025	-538	2,872	2,334
Total		273,699	-1531	Last !	5 days	914	8,188	9,102
Golds		31,015	-1040		Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,682	-13		. cca to date	_4=11		
IMF Reserves		1,148	-3	MTD	Month	1,452	5,316	6,768
Foreign Ccy		235,854	-475	QTD	Quarter	-2,937	50,121	47,185
Net Fwd Position		23,265	40	YTD	Year	-99,173	98,190	-984
Money Market		Last	update: 24/10/2025					

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THB	1M Hist	Last	1M R	lange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M Ra	ange	USD	4M High	Last	1M R	ange
BIBOR	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	ТПВГІЛ	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	1M Hist	Lasi	Min	Max
ON		1.50	0.00	1.75	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	-	1.52	0.00	1.77	1W		1.61	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M	<u> </u>	1.55	0.00	1.80	1M	•	1.59	0.88	1.72	1M	مسسه	0.35	0.12	0.35
2M		1.59	0.00	1.85						2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M	·	1.64	0.00	1.90	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M	مسب	0.75	0.34	0.75
6M		1.68	0.00	1.94	6M	~,"	1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	مسسم	1.04	0.56	1.04
12M		1.77	0.00	2.04	12M	~	2.26	1.59	2.26	12M		1.49	1.00	1.49
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Fixed Income	1M History	VTM (0/ \	Bps Chg (1D) Bps Chg (1)	14/1	Bps Chg (1M)		1M Range	
Fixed income	IN HISTORY	YTM (%)	Bps Clig (1D) bps chg (1)	vv)			Min	Max
UST10y	^	4.1100	-6.00	0.00		-2.00		3.97	4.18
Gilt 10y		4.5312	5.77	5.98		-23.85		4.46	4.81
Bund 10y		2.6600	1.00	2.00		-4.00		2.55	2.73
JGB 10y		1.6940	1.80	3.40		1.20		1.64	1.70
TGB 1y		1.2691	0.40	1.03		6.71		1.20	1.27
TGB 2y		1.3739	2.57	4.47		23.77		1.14	1.37
TGB 5y		1.5140	4.48	5.34		29.30		1.21	1.51
TGB 7y		1.6470	2.26	2.86		29.92		1.34	1.65
TGB 10y	^	1.7755	2.75	3.95		36.53		1.40	1.78
AAA Spread	~_~	73.01	-0.98	4.62		6.44		66.57	75.23
AA Spread		63.56	-2.09	-2.25		-1.16		62.55	71.12
A Spread	~~~	106.85	-2.01	-1.32		2.58		102.05	109.94
BBB Spread		343.75	16.40	58.39		343.75		0.00	343.75

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	% Cha (1D)	9/ Cha (1\\)	% Cha (1M)	1M Range	
Commodity	TWI HISTOTY	Lasi	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	% Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	<u>~~~</u>	63.57	0.1%	-2.2%	-4.0%	61.01	66.25
London Gold		4004.3	1.0%	-0.2%	-0.9%	3,910.2	4,338.3

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

Equity Market

Equity Index 1M History		Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Equity index	TWI HISTORY	Lasi	//City (1D)	/6 City (1 vv)	/a Crig (TWI)	Min	Max
S&P500 (US)	<u></u>	6,720.3	-1.12%	-1.8%	-0.2%	6,552.5	6,890.9
STOXX (EU)	-	511.4	1.1%	-13.3%	-0.7%	511.4	601.1
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,076.1	0.2%	-0.3%	2.9%	3,933.2	4,088.1
DAX (DE)		24,049.7	0.4%	-0.3%	-2.2%	23,831.0	24,611.3
CAC All-Tradable(FR)	•	5,892.8	-1.4%	-2.0%	-1.3%	5,875.9	6,107.9
TOPIX (JP)	$\overline{}$	3,313.5	1.4%	0.4%	2.7%	3,087.4	3,331.8
Shanghai (CH)		4,202.0	1.0%	1.3%	1.9%	4,012.9	4,210.8
Hang Seng (HK)		26,485.9	2.1%	2.2%	-1.3%	25,247.1	27,287.1
ASX 200 (AU)		8,828.3	0.3%	-0.6%	-1.6%	8,802.0	9,094.7
SET (TH)		1,313.3	1.4%	0.3%	0.6%	1,266.4	1,323.5
SET50 (TH)	~~~	853.6	1.3%	0.2%	1.4%	821.1	861.7
Straits Times (SG)	~	4,485.0	1.5%	1.3%	0.6%	4,328.9	4,485.0
FTSE Malay (MY)	~	1,618.9	-0.2%	0.6%	-0.5%	1,602.7	1,638.1
JSX Index (ID)		8,337.1	0.2%	2.1%	1.0%	7,915.7	8,337.1
PSE Index (PH)		5,835.6	0.3%	-1.6%	-4.3%	5,818.1	6,108.9
Vn Index (VN)	\sim	1,642.6	-0.7%	0.2%	-4.3%	1,617.0	1,766.9

Sources: ttb analytics. CEIC

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