Eyeopener

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Growth concerns resurface

IMF also cuts global growth forecasts
Zloty and bonds stable
Today the ECB decision, in the evening FOMC minutes

On Tuesday, the IMF released its spring update of economic forecasts, with 2019 global growth cut to 3.3% from 3.5%. The Fund indicated also some short-term risks. That said, the economic activity is expected to improve in 2H19 thanks to more accommodative monetary policy of central banks. New growth and deficit forecasts for Poland were also released. The IMF forecast update caused a slight decrease of core and domestic yields. Changes on the fx market were limited.

Today the EU holds an extraordinary summit on Brexit. There are unofficial signals the EU will propose the UK to move the Brexit date to December 31 or March 1. PM Theresa May wanted it to be 30 June, and the new date has to be approved by the British parliament.

The IMF released its new World Economic Outlook. The Fund has again lowered the global economic growth forecasts, to 3.3% from 3.5% estimated in January. Forecast for growth in global trade volumes went down to 3.4% from 4.0%. The most considerable cut for 2019 GDP growth among developed economies was applied to Germany and Italy (to 0.8% and 0.1%, respectively). Forecasts for European emerging markets were standing out, as they went up, with estiamtes for Poland raised to 3.8% from 3.5% (forecasts for Poland are revised twice a year). Even though the global growth forecasts went down, the IMF is still underlining the asymmetric downward risk.

EURUSD rose temporarily from 1.125 to 1.128, responding to a narrowing spread between US and German bonds and USD and EUR IRS rates. The appreciation of the euro vs the dollar was also caused by weaker than expected small business sentiment indicator in the USA. Today there is ECB press conference and Fed issues minutes. Both events should have a dovish flavour, which should support a downside correction of EURUSD. US inflation data should not change the market sentiment.

EURPLN was heading south for the whole day, moving from 4.288 to 4.285. The zloty was strengthening vs the euro while EURUSD was going higher and when IMF showed higher forecasts for Polish growth. Today's ECB press conference and Fed minutes will in our view weaken the euro vs the dollar, which can block further appreciation of the zloty.

Among the CEE currencies, EURCZK partly erased earlier drop and increased from 25.61 to 25.63. This move was fueled by the downward GDP growth revision by the government to 2.4% from 2.9% y/y. EURHUF rebounded to 322.4 from 322.1, despite the upward revision of government forecasts of GDP and the higher than expected March CPI. USDRUB was falling over the day, slid to 64.60 from 64.90, supported by the high oil prices. In the afternoon, USDRUB returned to the opening level, following the oil prices, which down-ticked. The better-than-expected current account data and information about pushing-up the GDP growth forecast by government was ignored by investors.

On the domestic debt market yields were hovering in the narrow range over the day, falling by 1bp at the end of the day, while 10Y bond yield returned to the opening level. Today we expect the yields to fall along the curve, as a reaction to the expected dovish ECB rhetoric.

IMF's World Economic Outlook projections

	2019	2020
World Output	3.3(-0.2)	3.6(0.0)
Advanced Economies	1.8(-0.2)	1.7(0.0)
USA	2.3(-0.2)	1.9(0.1)
Euro Area	1.3(-0.3)	1.5(-0.2)
Germany	0.8(-0.5)	1.4(-0.2)
France	1.3(-0.2)	1.4(-0.2)
Italy	0.1(-0.5)	0.9(0.0)
Spain	2.1(-0.1)	1.9(0.0)
Japan	1.0(-0.1)	0.5(0.0)
United Kingdom	1.2(-0.3)	1.4(-0.2)
Developing Economies	4.4(-0.1)	4.8(-0.1)
Developing Europe	0.8(0.1)	2.8(0.4)
Poland	3.8(0.3)	3.1(-)
World Trade Volume	3.4(-0.6)	3.9(-0.1)

Note: in parentheses are differences versus January 2019 WEO projections, and for Poland – vs October 2018 Source: IMF, Santander

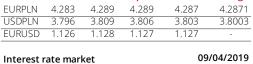
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FX market				
Today's opening				
EURPLN	4.2835	CZKPLN	0.1671	
USDPLN	3.8010	HUFPLN*	1.3292	
EURUSD	1.1269	RUBPLN	0.0587	
CHFPLN	3.8009	NOKPLN	0.4468	
GBPPLN	4.9682	DKKPLN	0.5738	
USDCNY	6.7122	SEKPLN	0.4116	

*for 100HUF								
Last session in the FX market 09/04/201								
	min	max	open	close	fixing			
EURPLN	4.283	4.289	4.289	4.287	4.2871			
USDPLN	3.796	3.809	3.806	3.803	3.8003			
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T-bonds on the interbank market** **Benchmark** Change Last auction per offer % (term) (bps) yield 21 mar 19 OK0521 PS0421 (2L) 1.64 1.633 PS0424 (5L) 2.23 21 mar 19 PS0424 2.209 DS1029 (10L) 21 mar 19 DS1029 2.877 2.91 0

IRS on the interbank market**								
Term		PL		US	EZ			
	%	Change (bps)	%	Change (bps)	%	Change (bps)		
1L	1.73	0	2.57	-1	-0.23	0		
2L	1.80	0	2.44	-2	-0.20	0		
3L	1.86	0	2.36	-2	-0.14	0		
4L	1.94	-1	2.34	-2	-0.06	-1		
5L	2.03	-1	2.34	-2	0.03	-1		
8L	2.24	-1	2.42	-2	0.33	-1		
10L	2.37	-1	2.48	-2	0.51	-1		

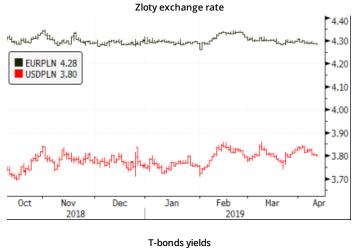
WIBOR rates		
Term	%	Change (bps)
O/N	1.54	0
T/N	1.54	-1
SW	1.55	0
2W	1.58	0
1M	1.64	0
3M	1.72	0
6M	1.79	0
9M	1.82	0
1Y	1.87	0

FRA rates on the interbank market** Change Term % (bps) 1.72 1x4 3x6 1.72 0 6x9 1.72 0 9x12 1 72 3x9 1.79 0 1.79 6x12

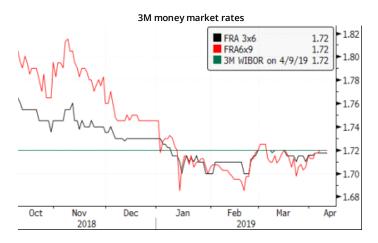
Measures of fisca Country		5Y USD	10Y s _l	10Y spread*			
	Level	Change (bps)	Level	Change (bps)			
Poland			2.91	0			
France	29	1	0.35	0			
Hungary			3.12	-1			
Spain	62	1	1.08	0			
Italy	202	3	2.41	-3			
Portugal	70	1	1.20	0			
Ireland	36	1	0.56	0			
Germany	12	1	-	-			

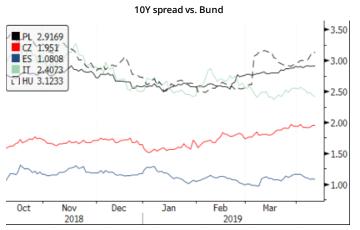


Source: Bloomberg









 $^{^{\}star\star} Information$ shows bid levels on the interbank market at the end of the trading day



Economic Calendar

TIME	COUNTRY	INDICATOR	DEDIOD	PERIOD MAR	FC	RECAST	ACTUAL	LAST	
CET	COUNTRY	INDICATOR	PERIOD		MARKET	SANTANDER	VALUE	VALUE*	
FRIDAY (5 April)									
08:00	DE	Industrial Production SA	Feb	% m/m	0.5	-	0.7	-0.8	
09:00	HU	Industrial Production SA	Feb	% y/y	5.1	-	5.9	5.0	
14:30	US	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Mar	k	177.0	-	196.0	20.0	
14:30	US	Unemployment Rate	Mar	%	3.8	-	3.8	3.8	
			MONDAY (8	April)					
08:00	DE	Exports SA	Feb	% m/m	-0.05	-	-1,3	0.1	
09:00	CZ	Industrial Production	Feb	% y/y	1.5	-	1,5	-1.1	
16:00	US	Durable Goods Orders	Feb	% m/m	-1.8	-	-1.6	-1.6	
16:00	US	Factory Orders	Feb	% m/m	-0.5	-	-0.5	0.1	
			TUESDAY (9	April)					
09:00	HU	CPI	Mar	% y/y	3.5	-	3.7	3.1	
			WEDNESDAY (1	0 April)					
09:00	CZ	CPI	Mar	% y/y	2.9	-	3.0	2.7	
13:45	EZ	ECB Main Refinancing Rate		%	0.0	-		0.0	
14:30	US	CPI	Mar	% m/m	0.3	-		0.2	
20:00	US	FOMC Meeting Minutes							
			THURSDAY (11	l April)					
08:00	DE	HICP	Mar	% m/m	0.5	-		0.5	
14:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	week	k	215	-		202	
			FRIDAY (12 A	\pril)					
11:00	EZ	Industrial Production SA	Feb	% m/m	-0.5			1.4	
14:00	PL	Current Account Balance	Feb	€mn	-256	-597		2 316	
14:00	PL	Trade Balance	Feb	€mn	-176	-506		279	
14:00	PL	Exports	Feb	€mn	18 068	-		18 493	
14:00	PL	Imports	Feb	€mn	18 248	-		18 214	
16:00	US	Michigan index	Apr	pts	98.0	-		98.4	

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^{*} in case of the revision the data is updated