Eyeopener

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More tariffs on China

Risk aversion after Trump's threat about new tariffs
Zloty weaker, USDPLN the highest in 2 years
News on tariffs caused a massive decline of core bond yields
Today important US data

On Thursday the financial markets were under the spell of "the hawkish cut" in the USA. The dollar grew stronger and EM currencies, including the zloty, were depreciating. Core bonds gained, among others thank to earlier end of Quantitative Tightening in the USA, but yields of other securities were going up. Data on euro zone and German PMI were close to flash readings. PMI indices suggested a major deceleration in manufacturing, especially in Germany. The Bank of England kept interest rates on hold. Forecasts for the UK economy in 2019 went down to 1.3% from 1.5%, but Governor Mark Carney stated that monetary easing makes no sense right now. The pound is still searching for a bottom: GBPUSD declined to 1.2080.

In the evening Donald Trump announced that due to failed talks with China he is imposing 10% tariffs on yet untaxed Chinese exports worth USD300bn (mainly cell phones, IT equipment, toys). This piece of news undermined the stock markets, supported core market bonds and safe haven currencies. EURUSD rebounded, as expectations for rate cuts in the US were revived. Today the US president is also scheduled to speak about trade with the EU. We will also get to see important US data, including non-farm payrolls, which will be important for assessment of further decisions in the US monetary policy.

Yesterday **EURUSD** was oscillating in 1.103-1.105 range for the better part of the session. At the end of the day the weaker-than-expected ISM in manufacturing hit the dollar, pushing the rate towards 1.106. Information on new tariffs on China fuelled a further rise of EURUSD, as the market is expecting that rising trade tension could encourage the Fed to ease its policy further. The market is currently really fragile as regards monetary policy outlook, so also today's non-farm payrolls may be important. Ahead of the FOMC meeting the interest rate market was pricing-in 2-3 cuts, after the meeting 1-2, so the decision did not really affect the expectations much and there is still room for further revisions of expectations.

Yesterday **the zloty** was weakening due to the Fed decision. EURPLN jumped to almost 4.305 from below 4.29 and was at the highest level since May. As the dollar appreciated, the move of USDPLN was even more pronounced and the pair reached 3.90, the highest level since May 2017. In our view current levels (above 4.31 after the Trump decision) could trigger some demand for the zloty. If non-farm payrolls surprise to the upside (forecasts are rather low), the market could postpone its pricing of cuts in the US and this could weigh on the zloty again. Also, information about tariffs against China are generally negative for the EM currencies.

Other CEE currencies were also hit by the Fed decision. The ruble underperformed, as falling oil prices were an additional blow for the Russian currency: USDRUB jumped to 64.0 from 63.6. EURHUF increased to 327.0 from 326.2 and EURCZK to 25.75 from 25.70. The Czech National Bank (CNB) did not change rates yesterday, in line with expectations. New central bank staff forecasts showed an upward revision of GDP and CPI. Interestingly, the CNB is also forecasting the interbank rate (the NBP does not do that). This forecast suggest that CNB rates will go up once this year and will be cut twice in 2020. Meanwhile, Governor Jiří Rusnok said that chances for a hike or a cut are 50:50.

Trade on the **domestic interest rate market** began with a major positive yield gap as compared to Wednesday close. Higher yields were supported by disappointment about the FOMC decision. During the day Polish bonds managed to trim their losses so at the end of the day the curve was only by 1-2bps higher than at the Wednesday close. The IRS market developments were similar – at the end of the day the curve was by 2-3bps higher than on Wednesday. Information on tariffs triggered a massive strengthening of core market bonds with 10Y Treasuries falling by almost 20bps suggesting a higher demand for Polish debt today.

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Today's opening				
EURPLN	4.3102	CZKPLN	0.1671	
USDPLN	3.8877	HUFPLN*	1.3161	
EURUSD	1.1087	RUBPLN	0.0603	
CHFPLN	3.9354	NOKPLN	0.4368	
GBPPLN	4.7105	DKKPLN	0.5773	
USDCNY	6.9332	SEKPLN	0.4023	

*for 100HUF

Last session in the FX market			01	/08/2019	
	min	max	open	close	fixing
EURPLN	4.284	4.307	4.286	4.303	4.2931
USDPLN	3.847	3.901	3.851	3.888	3.886
EURUSD	1.103	1.114	1.113	1.107	-

Interest rate market

01/08/2019

T-bonds on the interbank market**							
Benchmark (term)	%	Change (bps)	Last auction	per offer	Average yield		
PS0721 (2L)	1.54	1	21 mar 19	OK0521	1.633		
PS1024 (5L)	1.87	-1	21 mar 19	PS0424	2.209		
DS1029 (10L)	2.18	1	21 mar 19	DS1029	2.877		

IRS on the interbank market**

Term		PL		US		EZ	
	%	Change (bps)	%	Change (bps)	%	Change (bps)	
1L	1.73	1	2.07	2	-0.42	0	
2L	1.78	1	1.86	0	-0.45	0	
3L	1.77	1	1.78	-2	-0.44	-1	
4L	1.80	1	1.74	-3	-0.40	-1	
5L	1.84	2	1.74	-4	-0.35	-1	
8L	1.96	1	1.81	-6	-0.16	-2	
10L	2.03	1	1.88	-7	-0.02	-3	

WIBOR rates

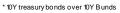
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Term	%	Change (bps)
O/N	1.55	3
T/N	1.56	1
SW	1.59	2
2W	1.60	0
1M	1.64	0
3M	1.72	0
6M	1.79	0
9M	1.81	0
1Y	1.86	0



FRA rates on the interbank market."						
Term	%	Change (bps)				
1x4	1.72	0				
3x6 6x9	1.71	-1				
	1.71	-1				
9x12	1.70	-1				
3x9	1.79	1				
6x12	1.79	1				

Measures of fiscal risk

Country	CDS 5	SY USD	10Y s	pread*
	Level	Change (bps)	Level	Change (bps)
Poland			2.67	4
France	21	0	0.27	0
Hungary			2.69	2
Spain	41	-1	0.75	1
Italy	165	4	2.08	5
Portugal	42	0	0.81	2
Ireland	31	1	0.54	0
Germany	11	-1	-	-



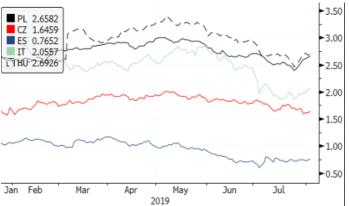
^{**}Information shows bid levels on the interbank market at the end of the trading day Source:Bloomberg













Economic Calendar

TIME					FOF	RECAST	ACTUAL	LAST
CET	COUNTRY	INDICATOR	PERIOD		MARKET	SANTANDER	VALUE	VALUE*
			FRIDAY (26 J	uly)				
14:30	US	GDP Annualized	2Q	% Q/Q	1.8	-	2.1	3.1
			MONDAY (29	July)				
		No important data relases						
			TUESDAY (30					
11:00	EZ	ESI	Jul	pct.	103.0	-	102.7	103.3
14:00	DE	HICP	Jul	% m/m	0.3	-	0.5	0.3
14:30	US	Personal Spending	Jun	% m/m	0.3	-	0.3	0.5
14:30	US	Personal Income	Jun	% m/m	0.3	-	0.4	0.4
14:30	US	PCE Deflator SA	Jun	% m/m	0.1	-	0.1	0.1
16:00	US	Consumer Conference Board	Jul	pts	125.0	-	235.7	124.3
16:00	US	Pending Home Sales	Jun	% m/m	0.4	-	2.8	1.1
			WEDNESDAY (3					
10:00	PL	Flash CPI	Jul	% y/y	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.6
11:00	EZ	Flash HICP	Jul	% y/y	1.15	-	1.1	1.2
11:00	EZ	GDP SA	2Q	% y/y	1.0	-	1.1	1.2
11:00	EZ	Unemployment Rate	Jun	%	7.5	-	7.5	7.5
14:15	US	ADP report	Jul	k	150	-	156	102
20:00	US	FOMC decision		%	2.00-2.25	-	2.00-2.25	2.50
			THURSDAY (1 A	lugust)				
09:00	PL	Poland Manufacturing PMI	Jul	pts	48.0	48.8	47.4	48.4
09:55	DE	Germany Manufacturing PMI	Jul	pts	43.1	-	43.2	45.0
10:00	EZ	Eurozone Manufacturing PMI	Jul	pts	46.4	-	46.5	47.6
13:00	CZ	Central Bank Rate Decision		%	2.0	-	2.0	2.0
14:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	week	k	218	-	215	206
16:00	US	ISM manufacturing	Jul	pts	52.0	-	51.2	51.7
			FRIDAY (2 Au					
11:00	EZ	Retail Sales	Jun	% m/m	0.0	-		-0.3
14:30	US	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Jul	k	160	-		224
14:30	US	Unemployment Rate	Jul	%	3.7	-		3.7
16:00	US	Michigan index	Jul	pts	98.5	-		98.4
16:00	US	Durable Goods Orders	Jun	% m/m	0.7	-		2.0
16:00	US	Factory Orders	Jun	% m/m	0.6	-		-0.7

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