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Another day of a strong decline in yields

Today M3 money supply and POLGB auction Retail sales in May below forecasts, construction higher EURPLN up to 4.70, bonds yields and IRS rates strongly down again

Today, we will get to see domestic data on May M3 money supply, and results of the bond sale auction, which is to amount to PLN3-4bn. Indirectly, it will provide us with information whether the current – much more attractive than previously – bond prices are enjoying greater interest from investors. Abroad, we will get to see preliminary PMI data from Germany and the euro zone for June. In view of growing concerns about a global economic slowdown, we will look for answers as to whether such signals are already visible in the euro area.

MPC's Ludwik Kotecki stated that the Council will not end rate hikes soon. In his view inflation may remain in double-digit space this year and next, so hikes should be continued to prevent the zloty from weakening.

Fed chairman Jerome Powell reiterated at the hearing before the US Senate Banking Committee that the central bank is determined to bring inflation down rapidly, but in a way that will not trigger a recession. At the same time, however, he indicated that a recession may happen, although the Fed is targeting a "soft landing" for the economy. He stressed that decisions on the scale of rate hikes will be made on an ongoing basis at each meeting, depending on incoming data, while at the same time he did not rule out 100bp moves. Patrick Harker, currently a voting FOMC member, stated that the Fed must quickly reach the neutral level of interest rates, which he sees at 2.5%. He noted that no decision has yet been made on whether the July hike will be 50 or 75 bps. Its scale will depend on whether the Fed's desired weakening of demand in the US economy is already visible at the time of the decision.

ECB Vice President Luis de Guindos said that the introduction of a new anti-fragmentation monetary policy instrument would allow for a more aggressive monetary policy aimed at bringing inflation down to the 2% target.

Retail sales advanced by 8.2% y/y in May, slightly below expectations. The decline from April's 19.0% y/y is mainly caused by the closures and reopening of shopping malls during the pandemic. Fuel sales seems to be advancing markedly slower than usually, which can be a result of very high fuel prices due to the war in Ukraine. We think that retail sales will be slightly slowing down in the later months of the year. In May Polish **construction output** growth increased from 9.3% y/y to 13.0% y/y while we and the market consensus had expected the surprising April weakness to hold. Despite this we continue to forecast slowdown in the sector amid supply and labour constraints and reduced demand for housing. Read more in our <u>Economic comment</u>.

EURUSD remained in 1.05 – 1.06 range but moved slightly higher. Fed reminded that is going to fight inflation and quickly reach neutral interest policy level pointed at 2.5%, but the exchange rate market turned its attention to the remarks coming from the ECB, that a new antifragmentation instrument may give the central bank more space to fight inflation and support rate hikes in the Eurozone.

EURPLN increased to 4.70 from about 4.64. The zloty was losing ground due to decreasing domestic yields and expectations for rate hikes. Polish currency has not benefited also from the Fed chair remarks.

Other CEE Currencies: EURHUF rose from 394 to 398. EURCZK also climbed to 24.74 from 24.68, despite the fact that CNB raised rates by 125bp. Renewed fears about the economic impact of faster monetary tightening by the main central banks cast a shadow on the investment appetites towards the currencies of the region.

On the interest rate market, Wednesday was another day of significant strengthening of Polish government bonds. The local market fears that the monetary policy tightening in the USA and the Eurozone will lead to a quicker slowdown in Poland and lower terminal level of NBP rates.

Retail sales, seasonally adjusted, volume (2015=100) vs pre-covid trend



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FX market				
Today's opening				
EURPLN	4.6946	CZKPLN	0.1894	
USDPLN	4.4459	HUFPLN*	1.1835	
EURUSD	1.0562	RUBPLN	0.0836	
CHFPLN	4.6208	NOKPLN	0.4474	
GBPPLN	5.4413	DKKPLN	0.6309	
USDCNY	6.7058	SEKPLN	0.4394	

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*for 100HUF						
Last session in the FX market 22/06/20						
	min	max	open	close	fixing	
EURPLN	4.639	4.702	4.641	4.695	4.659	
USDPLN	4.416	4.467	4.421	4.435	4.434	
FURUSD	1.047	1.061	1.050	1.058	-	

Interest rate n	22/06/2022					
T-bonds on the interbank market**						
Benchmark	%	Change				
(term)		(bps)				
DS1023 (2Y)	7.73	-34				
DS0726 (5Y)	7.64	-47				
DS0432 (10Y)	7.21	-52				

IRS on the interbank market** Change Change Change % % % (bps) (bps) (bps) 8.08 1.00 2L 7.93 -34 3.44 1.74 -8 3L 7.64 -36 3.34 -18 4L 7.40 -38 3.29 2.09 7.24 3.26 5L 2.18 -40 8L 7.06 -40 3.21 -12 2.34 -12 10L 7.02 -38 3.22 -12 2.43 -12

WIBOR rates Term Change % (bps) O/N 5.78 -9 T/N 6.01 0 SW 6.13 2 2W 6.20 1M 6.49 ЗМ 6 97 3 6M 7.24 7.41 1Y

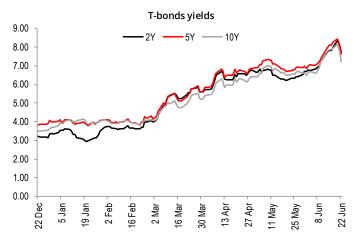
FRA rates on the interbank market**				
Term	%	Change (bps)		
1x4	7.52	-19		
3x6	8.02	-29		
6x9	8.21	-36		
9x12	8.16	-41		
3x9	8.26	-30		
6x12	8.42	-35		

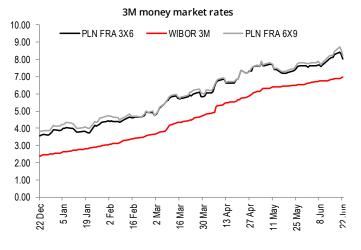
Measures of fiscal risk						
Country	CDS 5	Y USD	10Y spr	read*		
	Level	Change (bps)	Level	Change (bps)		
Poland	110	0	559	-38		
France	10	0	54	-2		
Hungary	154	0	684	-11		
Spain	53	0	107	-2		
Italy	60	3	201	-1		
Portugal	40	0	105	0		
Ireland	13	0	65	-2		
Germany	9	1	-	-		

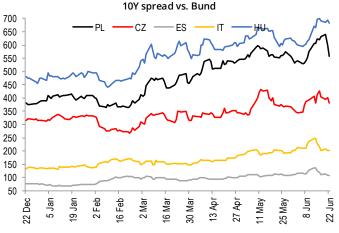
^{* 10}Y treasury bonds over 10Y Bunds

Source: Refinitiv, Datastream









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



Economic Calendar

TIME	COUNTRY INDICATOR		DEDICE	DEDIOD		FORECAST		LAST
CET	COUNT	RY INDICATOR	PERIOD	MARKET	SANTANDER	VALUE	VALUE*	
FRIDAY (17 Jun)								
11:00	EZ	HICP	May	% y/y	8.1	-	8.1	8.1
14:00	PL	CPI Core	May	% y/y	8.5	8.5	8.5	7.7
15:15	US	Industrial Production	May	% m/m	0.4	-	0.2	1.4
			MONDA'	Y (20 Jun)				
	US	Market holiday						
			TUESD	AY (21 Jun)				
10:00	PL	Employment in corporate sector	May	% y/y	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.8
10:00	PL	Sold Industrial Output	May	% y/y	16.7	17.3	15	13
10:00	PL	PPI	May	% y/y	24.7	24.8	24.7	23.3
10:00	PL	Average Gross Wages	May	% y/y	15.0	14.5	13.5	14.1
16:00	US	Existing Home Sales	May	% m/m	-3.7	-	-3,4	-2.43
			WEDNES	DAY (22 Jui	n)			
10:00	PL	Construction Output	May	% y/y	8.0	8.6	13	9.3
10:00	PL	Retail Sales Real	May	% y/y	8.8	8.6	8.2	19
14:30	CZ	Central Bank Rate Decision		%	6.88	-	7	5.75
	THURSDAY (23 Jun)							
09:30	DE	Flash Manufacturing PMI	Jun	pts	54.0	-		54.8
09:30	DE	Flash Services PMI	Jun	pts	54.5	-		55
10:00	EZ	Flash Manufacturing PMI	Jun	pts	53.8	-		54.6
10:00	EZ	Flash Services PMI	Jun	pts	55.5	-		56.1
14:00	PL	Money Supply M3	May	% y/y	8.2	7.8		8.2
FRIDAY (24 Jun)								
10:00	DE	IFO Business Climate	Jun	pts	92.7	-		93
10:00	PL	Unemployment Rate	May	%	5.1	5.1		5.2
16:00	US	New Home Sales	May	% m/m	0.7	-		-16.6

Source: Santander Bank Polska. Bloomberg. Parkiet * in the case of a revision the data is updated

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