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(Bi-)Weekly Economic Update

US tariffs: what next?

Economy next week

- The main event of the passing week was the unexpected rate cut delivered by the MPC. Though it came two months after the previous one and will likely be followed by another one in September, <u>the NBP Governor does not consider it to be a part of a policy-easing</u> <u>cycle</u>. A new NBP projection was also released and in our view provides motivation for further rate cuts. However, it may be more important at the moment how individual MPC members see it and in the coming week, devoid of significant domestic economic data releases, their remarks may be in focus.
- Abroad, attention will be focused on the US administration's decision on the future of the so-called reciprocal tariffs. 9 July is the deadline for countries to negotiate new trade agreements with the US if they want to avoid the higher tariffs announced in April. Between now and that date, Donald Trump is expected to send out letters to countries that have not engaged in talks, setting new tariff rates in the range of 10-70%.
- Data due for release abroad include results of the German industry and exports, as well as retail sales in the eurozone. Minutes from the June FOMC meeting will be also released.
- The following working week, 14-18 July, will include some domestic publications: the balance of payments for May, details of June inflation and calculation of core inflation. The market expects that the current account deficit increased in May to €1 billion and in our opinion it was even greater. In our opinion, exports of goods could have increased by 3.2% y/y and imports by 4.2% y/y. According to our estimates based on preliminary CPI data from GUS, core inflation could have moved to 3.4% y/y in June from 3.3% in March, which would be its first increase since November last year.
- Abroad, CPI inflation, industrial production and retail sales in the US and preliminary July results of the US consumer sentiment survey will be released. The eurozone will also release full inflation data for June. The ZEW index will also be published.

Markets next week

- The increase in EURPLN after the MPC decision to cut interest rates did not even reach 4.27 and was reversed the next day. This was at odds with the reaction of the interest rate market, where after the NBP Governor's conference the valuation of further monetary policy easing in Poland slightly increased. In our opinion, both this inconsistency in the market reaction and the approaching decisions on US tariffs create the **potential for the złoty to** weaken soon.
- The return of the topic of mutual tariffs may prove to be a contribution to strengthening the debt in Europe, including Poland. Further statements from the MPC should, in our opinion, confirm that the July cut did not end the MPC's rate adjustment, but rather opened the door to further steps, which should also support domestic debt and create downward pressure on domestic market rates.

Polish Money market rates, %



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EURPLN and EURUSD



Source: LSEG Datastream, Santander

EURCZK, EURHUF and USDRUB



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Polish bond yields





10Y bond yields



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GBPPLN and **USDPLN**



Source: LSEG Datastream, Santander Bank Polska

PLN FRA and WIBOR3M



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Asset swap spreads



Source: LSEG Datastream, Santander Bank Polska

Steepness of yield curves



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Economic Calendar

TIME	COUNTRY	INDICATOR	05010.0		FORECAST		LAST
CET			PERIOD		MARKET	SANTANDER	VALUE
			MONDAY (7 July)				
08:00	DE	Industrial Production SA	May	% m/m	-0.2	-	-1.4
09:00	CZ	Industrial Production	May	% y/y	0.6	-	-1.1
11:00	EZ	Retail Sales	May	% m/m	-0.6	-	0.1
			TUESDAY (8 July)				
08:00	DE	Exports SA	May	% m/m	-0.5	-	-1.7
08:30	HU	СРІ	Jun	% y/y	4.6	-	4.4
			WEDNESDAY (9 July)			
20:00	US	FOMC Meeting Minutes	Jun				
			THURSDAY (10 July)				
08:00	DE	HICP	Jun	% m/m	0.1	-	0.1
14:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	weekly	k	241	-	233
			FRIDAY (11 July)				
		No data releases					
			MONDAY (14 July)				
14:00	PL	Current Account Balance	Мау	€mn	-999	-1 289	-374
14:00	PL	Trade Balance	Мау	€mn	-	-1 407	-941
14:00	PL	Exports	Мау	€mn	-	27 924	28072
14:00	PL	Imports	May	€mn	-	29 331	29013
			TUESDAY (15 July)				
10:00	PL	СРІ	Jun	% y/y	4.1	4.1	4.0
11:00	EZ	Industrial Production SA	May	% m/m	-	-	-2.4
11:00	DE	ZEW Survey Current Situation	Jul	pts	-	-	-72.0
14:30	US	СРІ	Jun	% m/m	0.3	-	0.1
			WEDNESDAY (16 July	/)			
14:00	PL	CPI Core	Jun	% y/y	-	3.4	3.3
15:15	US	Industrial Production	Jun	% m/m	-0.1	-	-0.2
			THURSDAY (17 July)				
11:00	EZ	HICP	Jun	% y/y	-	-	2.0
14:30	US	Retail Sales Advance	Jun	% m/m	0.0	-	-0.9
14:30	US	Housing Starts	Jun	% m/m	3.5	-	-9.8
16:00	US	Michigan index	Jul	pts	61.3	-	60.7
			FRIDAY (18 July)				
		No data releases					

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