

Global Markets Update QNB Economics 29 October 2017

Executive Summary

Key Takeaways

- US yields rose due to strong Q3 GDP and durable goods data
- The Euro slid after the ECB announced that it would reduce but prolong its quantitative easing programme through next year
- Japanese stocks rose on PM Shinzo Abe's electoral victory and expectations of continued policy easing
- Oil prices rose after Saudi Arabia signalled that it would be in favour of extending OPEC production cuts into 2018
- This week, markets will focus on Euro Area growth and the release of nonfarm payrolls in the US



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Global Benchmark Yields (%, local currencies)

	Maturity	20-Oct	27-Oct	Chang	e in Yield	l (bps)
Advanced Econo	Week	MTD*	YTD*			
US	10 yrs	2.38	2.41	2.2	7.3	-3.8
Germany	10 yrs	0.45	0.38	-6.9	-8.1	17.5
France	10 yrs	0.86	0.79	-7.1	4.8	10.5
Italy	10 yrs	2.04	1.95	-9.3	-16.1	13.5
Japan	10 yrs	0.08	0.07	-0.2	0.5	2.7
UK	10 yrs	1.33	1.35	1.7	-1.7	10.9
Emerging Marke						
Bahrain**	11 yrs	6.65	6.74	8.6	3.0	4.7
Brazil	10 yrs	9.63	9.76	12.3	2.1	-164.6
China	10 yrs	3.73	3.84	10.7	21.6	77.9
Egypt	9 yrs	5.98	6.05	6.7	-18.0	NA
India	10 yrs	6.76	6.81	4.5	14.2	29.0
Indonesia	10 yrs	6.65	6.83	17.4	33.0	-114.6
Nigeria	8 yrs	14.87	15.07	19.5	-69.9	-102.3
Qatar**	9 yrs	3.53	3.59	6.0	22.3	-8.4
Russia	9 yrs	7.54	7.59	5.5	1.5	-77.0
Saudi Arabia**	9 yrs	3.40	3.47	6.9	7.9	-37.4
South Africa	10 yrs	8.82	9.14	32.2	58.1	21.8
Turkey	10 yrs	11.45	11.95	50.0	98.0	56.0
Abu Dhabi**	10 yrs	3.21	3.26	5.0	NA	NA
Dubai**	3 yrs	2.50	2.54	4.6	-6.8	-30.3

- •US Q3 GDP growth came out at 3.0% vs 2.5% expected
- Turkish yields rose on the ongoing political tensions with the US
- South African yields rose as foreign investors were concerned about increasing public debt and the widening budget deficit

Legend

- > 2 standard deviation fall in yields
- > 1 standard deviation fall in yields
- < 1 standarad deviation change in yields
 - > 1 standard deviation rise in yields
 - > 2 standard deviation rise in yields



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Global Exchange Rates vs USD

	20-Oct	27-Oct	Ch	ange (%)
Advanced Economies			Week	MTD	YTD
US Dollar Index	93.70	94.92	1.3	2.0	-7.1
Euro Area*	1.18	1.16	-1.5	-1.7	10.4
Japan	113.52	113.67	-0.1	-1.0	2.9
UK*	1.32	1.31	-0.5	-2.0	6.4
Emerging Markets					
Brazil	3.19	3.24	-1.3	-2.3	0.6
China	6.64	6.65	-0.2	0.0	4.4
Egypt	17.65	17.65	0.0	-0.1	2.8
Indonesia	13,519	13,609	-0.7	-1.0	-1.0
India	65.04	65.05	0.0	0.4	4.4
Kuwait	0.30	0.30	-0.2	-0.2	1.0
Nigeria	358.89	356.60	0.6	0.7	-11.6
Russia	57.49	58.10	-1.0	-0.9	5.9
Turkey	3.67	3.79	-3.2	-5.9	-7.0
South Africa	13.64	14.10	-3.4	-3.9	-2.6
UAE	3.67	3.67			
Bahrain	0.38	0.38			
Oman	0.39	0.38	P	EGGED	
Qatar	3.68	3.80			
Saudi Arabia	3.75	3.75			

- The ECB announced it would "downsize" its QE programme from EUR60bn per month to EUR30bn but that QE would continue until at least Sep 2018
- The ECB defied expectations in stating its readiness to extend QE beyond Sep 2018 if needed while markets were anticipating clues about QE's end-date
- The Turkish lira fell as the decision to keep the policy rate unchanged in the face of high inflation disappointed markets

Legend

- > 2 standard deviation strengthening of currency
- > 1 standard deviation strengthening of currency
 - < 1 standarad deviation change in currency
 - > 1 standard deviation weakening of currency
 - > 2 standard deviation weakening of currency



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Global Equity Indices 20-Oct 27-Oct Change (%) **Advanced Economies** Week **MTD YTD** US (S&P 500) 0.2 2.4 15.3 2,575 2,581 Europe (STOXX 50) 3,605 3,652 1.3 1.6 11.0 2.6 8.1 15.1 Japan (Nikkei 225) 21,449 22,008 **UK (FTSE 100)** 1.8 5.1 -0.2 7.523 7,505 **Emerging Markets** Bahrain (BB) -0.5 1,278 1.277 -0.14.7 2.3 **Brazil (IBOVESPA)** 76,391 75,976 -0.5 26.1 China (Shanghai) 3,381 3,417 1.1 2.0 10.1 0.5 Egypt (EGX 30) 13,590 13,955 2.7 13.0 1.7 5.5 26.1 India (CNX NIFTY) 10,147 10,323 1.3 Indonesia (Jakarta) 0.8 5,929 5,975 12.8 KSA (Tadawul) 7,011 6,911 -1.4 -5.1 -4.2-0.8 15.2 **Kuwait (KSE)** 6,619 6,623 0.1 2.9 35.7 Nigeria (All Share) 36,646 36,462 -0.5 Oman (Muscat 30) -3.5 5.067 4,959 -2.1-14.3 -0.5 -2.2 -22.1 Qatar (Doha 20) 8,172 8,128 -7.3 Russia (MICEX) 2.072 2.069 -0.1 -0.4 6.1 19.4 S.Africa (J'burg 40) 51.601 52,403 1.6

108,489

4,502

3,645

107,884

4,468

3.651

- Indian stocks gained after announcement that the government would inject USD32bn into state owned banks to help resolve impaired loans
- Emerging market equities were generally up on continued strong risk appetite and expectations of sustained monetary policy easing

Legend

4.8

1.6

2.4

-0.6

-0.8

0.2

38.3

-1.7

3.4

- > 2 standard deviation rise in equity index
- > 1 standard deviation rise in equity index
- < 1 standarad deviation change in equity index
 - > 1 standard deviation fall in equity index
 - > 2 standard deviation fall in equity index



UAE (Dubai)

Turkey (Istanbul 100)

UAE (Abu Dhabi)

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Commodity Prices*

	20-Oct	27-Oct	Change (%)		
Energy			Week	MTD	YTD
Brent	57.8	60.4	4.7	5.0	6.4
WTI	51.5	53.9	4.7	4.3	0.3
Precious Metals					
Gold	1,280	1,273	-0.6	-0.5	11.0
Silver	17.0	16.9	-1.0	1.3	5.9
Industrial					
Copper	6,952	6,830	-1.8	5.4	23.4
Aluminum	2,136	2,168	1.5	3.1	28.1
Wheat	426	427	0.3	-4.7	4.7
Corn	345	349	1.2	-1.8	-0.9
Cocoa	2,138	2,115	-1.1	3.5	-0.5
Other					
Bitcoin	5,973	5,754	-3.7	37.9	504.4

- US crude inventories rose by 0.9m barrels (-2.7m expected and -5.7m in the prior week)
- US gasoline inventories fell by 5.5m barrels (+0.6m expected and +0.9m in the prior week)

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- > 2 standard deviation rise in price
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 - > 1 standard deviation fall in price
 - > 2 standard deviation fall in price



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Data Review

Date	Country	Event	Period	Consensus	Actual	Previous
Oct 24	Euro Area	Markit composite PMI	Oct	56.5	55.9	56.7
Oct 25	US	Durable Goods Orders	Sep	1.0%	2.2%	2.0%
Oct 27	US	U. of Michigan Sentiment	Oct	100.7	100.7	101.1
Oct 27	US	GDP Annualized QoQ	Q3	2.5%	3.0%	3.1%

Forthcoming Economic Events

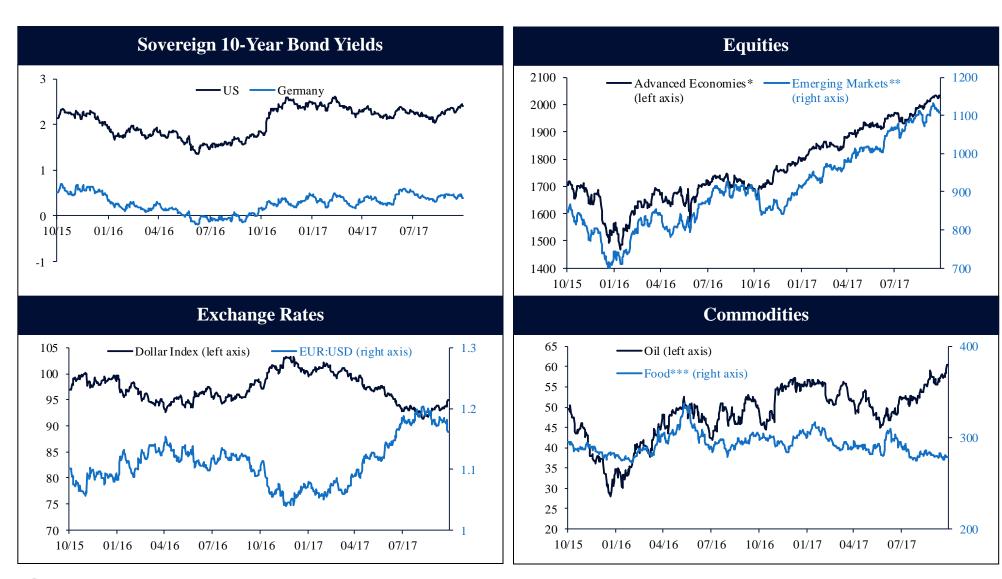
Date	Country	Event	Period	Consensus	Actual	Previous
Oct 31	Euro Area	GDP YoY	Q3	2.3%		2.3%
Nov 01	US	ISM Manufacturing	Oct	59.4		60.8
Nov 01	China	Caixin China PMI Composite	Oct			51.4
Nov 03	US	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Oct	310k		-33k
Nov 03	US	ISM Non-Manufacturing Composite	Oct	58.5		59.8



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^{* &#}x27;A' stands for advance, 'P' for preliminary, 'S' for second and 'F' for final

Two-Year Performance of Major Asset Classes





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