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Europe/US Market Update - 26th August 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

25-Aug-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1930.98	1933.98	26.4464	26.5464	914.48	934.48	2164.17	2194.17
HIGH	1934.88	1937.88	26.6714	26.7714	926.18	946.18	2164.17	2194.17
LOW	1911.28	1914.28	26.0214	26.1214	911.48	931.48	2116.97	2146.97
CLOSE	1922.18	1925.18	26.3114	26.4114	917.48	937.48	2156.97	2186.97
FFP	5.02	8.02	0.0086	0.1086	(3.48)	16.52	(13.57)	16.43
Active Contract	GCZ0 Comdty		SIU0 Comdty		PLV0 Comdty		PAU0 Comdty	

MACRO

- Stocks in the U.S. diverged on Tuesday as data prints were mixed
- The DJIA eased -0.21% to 28248.44 points, the S&P 500 (+0.36%) booked a fresh record close at 3,443.62 points, while the Nasdaq Composite (+0.76%) ended at a fresh record of 11,466.473 points.
- The VIX gauge finished -1.52% lower to 22.03
- European stocks softened modestly to see the Euro Stoxx 600 off -0.30% to 369.75 points, the German Dax eased -0.04% to 13,061.62 points, while in London the FTSE 100 declined -1.11% to 6,037.01 points.
- The greenback pared back recent session gains (DXY -0.31%), generally offered throughout the session as EUR/USD retook the 1.18 handle, while USD/JPY pushed back through 106.00
- Treasury yields diverged as the two-year finished flat toward 0.153%, while the 10-year jumped 3.3bp to 0.685%.
- Oil futures ended higher to see WTI gain +2.1% to USD \$43.40 per barrel, while Brent Crude finished +2.3% higher at USD \$46.00.

- Consumer confidence in the U.S. tumbled to a fresh pandemic low during August, printing 84.8 (exp: 93.0) from 91.7 previously.
- New home sales in the U.S. surged +13.9% MoM during July to mark the third consecutive monthly gain.
- The Richmond Fed manufacturing index improved to 18 during August from a read of 10 previously.

PRECIOUS

- A mixed day for the precious complex as gold tested support toward USD \$1,911, only to finish once again pinned to the USD \$1,930 pivot level.
- A firmer, albeit range-bound session for gold during Asian hours as the metal held above USD \$1,930, with an on-shore discount in Shanghai toward -\$68
- Europe opened on the offer, breaking down through the USD \$1,930 pivot level to test toward USD \$1,920 heading into the U.S. open
- Gold saw further declines in New York to test Friday's supportive level around USD \$1,911, holding the figure and turning higher into the close as treasury yields pulled back.
- Silver tested support toward USD \$26 in New York, however much like gold was able to find support late in the session and finish around the recent pivot of USD \$26.50.
- Platinum finished modestly firmer, while palladium withstood a sharp early U.S. sell off to end the session flat.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold trades heavy underneath USD \$1,930 in early trade.
- Ahead today:
- U.S. MBA mortgage applications
- U.S. durable goods orders
- U.S. capital goods orders/shipments

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