



MKS PAMP GROUP
Europe / US Market Update
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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

| 5-Dec-2018 | GOLD | | SILVER | | PLATINUM | | PALLADIUM | |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------|
| | Bid | Offer | Bid | Offer | Bid | Offer | Bid | Offer |
| OPEN | 1234.15 | 1234.65 | 14.425 | 14.445 | 793.20 | 795.20 | 1231.00 | 1239.00 |
| HIGH | 1238.70 | 1239.20 | 14.530 | 14.550 | 801.00 | 803.00 | 1255.00 | 1263.00 |
| LOW | 1233.40 | 1233.90 | 14.420 | 14.440 | 790.00 | 792.00 | 1229.00 | 1237.00 |
| CLOSE | 1236.15 | 1236.65 | 14.475 | 14.495 | 798.20 | 800.20 | 1232.30 | 1240.30 |
| EFP | 5.30 | 5.50 | 0.0600 | 0.0700 | 0.50 | 1.50 | -58.00 | -43.00 |
| LBMA Prices | AM | PM | 14.480 | | AM | PM | AM | PM |
| | 1236.15 | 1235.90 | | | 797.00 | 794.00 | 1249.00 | 1255.00 |
| Active Contract | GCG9 Comdty | | SIH9 Comdty | | PLF9 Comdty | | PAH9 Comdty | |

MACRO

- US equity and bond markets were closed in observance of a day of mourning for President George H.W. Bush.
- The greenback ended generally unchanged, recovering from earlier declines against the pound on the back of Brexit jitters.
- European markets followed the lead of Wall street's previous session decline, with financials and resources turning lower on Wednesday.
- The Stoxx Europe 600 slumped -1.16% to 354.27 points, the German Dax was off -1.19% to 11,200.24 points and the French CAC fell -1.36% to 4,944.37 points.
- Oil futures ended Wednesday trade with modest gains leading into OPEC meeting in Vienna. WTI ended +0.7% higher at just over USD \$53 per barrel, while Brent crude edged +0.36% higher to USD \$61.70 per barrel.
- The U.S. Federal Reserve Beige book showed modest to moderate growth in the majority of the 12 districts. Consumer spending held steady, labor markets tightened, while new home construction and existing home sales showed weakness.

PRECIOUS

- The precious complex remained firm on Wednesday after recovering from early session profit taking.
- Gold eased away from USD \$1,240 in Asia on a mix of profit taking and a firmer dollar, with demand out of China notably lower as USD/China recovered.
- A softer greenback saw the metal pare earlier declines in Europe, pushing back toward USD \$1,240 and holding underneath the figure throughout U.S. hours.
- Silver held support toward USD \$14.40 and was able to reclaim USD \$14.50 in New York.
- Platinum continued to lag the remainder of the precious, breaking underneath USD \$800 to a USD \$792 low, however recovering to reclaim the figure into the close.
- Palladium ripped to a fresh all-time high of USD \$1,255 overnight, further consolidating its premium over gold.



PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Early session interest in gold has the metal testing higher toward USD \$1,240, however firmer USD/China is likely to see muted interest out of Shanghai.
- Ahead today:
 - German factory orders
 - U.S. ADP employment
 - U.S. trade balance
 - U.S. initial jobless claims
 - Bloomberg U.S. consumer confidence
 - U.S. Markit services / composite PMI prints
 - U.S. ISM non-manufacturing
 - U.S. factory orders
 - U.S. durable goods orders

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