

## MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

8th May 2019

Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

| 7-May-2019      | GOLD        |         | SILVER      |        | PLATINUM    |        | PALLADIUM   |         |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------|
|                 | Bid         | Offer   | Bid         | Offer  | Bid         | Offer  | Bid         | Offer   |
| OPEN            | 1282.25     | 1282.75 | 14.905      | 14.925 | 880.60      | 882.60 | 1340.70     | 1346.70 |
| HIGH            | 1285.70     | 1286.20 | 14.930      | 14.950 | 883.00      | 885.00 | 1349.00     | 1355.00 |
| LOW             | 1278.00     | 1278.50 | 14.800      | 14.820 | 867.00      | 869.00 | 1318.00     | 1324.00 |
| CLOSE           | 1285.05     | 1285.55 | 14.895      | 14.915 | 867.20      | 869.20 | 1322.60     | 1328.60 |
| EFP             | 0.90        | 1.10    | 0.0050      | 0.0150 | 2.00        | 3.00   | -12.00      | -2.00   |
| LBMA Prices     | AM          | PM      | 14.830      |        | AM          | PM     | AM          | PM      |
|                 | 1281.30     | 1281.20 |             |        | 877.00      | 871.00 | 1340.00     | 1332.00 |
| Active Contract | GCM9 Comdty |         | SIN9 Comdty |        | PLN9 Comdty |        | PAM9 Comdty |         |

## MACRO

- Trade war concerns continue to rile investor sentiment, with it looking increasingly likely that the U.S. will increase tariffs on Friday.
- US equities saw sharp declines to see the DJIA post its largest percentage decline since January 3.
- The DJIA sunk -1.79% to 25,965.09 points, the S&P 500 declined -1.65% to 2,884.05 points and the Nasdaq Composite collapsed -1.96% 7,963.758 points.
- Weakness across technology (-2.12%) and industrials (-2.04%) led each of the S&P 500 components lower.
- The VIX gauge spiked 25% to 19.32
- The greenback found favour during Europe/U.S. hours overnight to reverse Asian declines and finish marginally higher. The DXY index added +0.03% as the euro (-0.05%) relinquished the 1.12 handle, while the yen saw safe-haven interest (USD/JPY -0.4%).
- US treasury yields were lower, the 2 year yield slipped to 2.28% while the 10 year yield finished around 2.454%.
- European shares were sharply lower, the EuroSTOXX declined -1.37%, the German DAX fell 1.58%, while the UK FTSE slumped -1.63%.

## PRECIOUS

- Gold saw mixed trade on Tuesday, retesting underneath USD \$1,280, before finding a bid tone in New York.
- Asian hours saw muted price action as the yellow metal held within a tight USD \$3 range.
- USD \$1,280 provided a good level of interest into European trade as London returned from Monday's holiday.
- The greenback regained favour leading into New York hours to take bullion briefly underneath USD \$1,280, however heavy trade to equities soon found the metal above the support and testing above USD \$1,285 into the close.
- Silver closed flat at \$14.90 after surviving a test lower to USD \$14.80.
- Platinum gave back Asian gains to end marginally lower in the session.
- Palladium tested toward the early May low underneath USD \$1,320 to end -0.7% down.



## **PRE-ASIA COMMENTS**

- Gold edging higher in early Asian trading and attempting to consolidate above the USD \$1,285 pivot.
- Ahead today:
- Chinese trade data
- German industrial production
- U.K. house prices
- U.S. MBA mortgage applications

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