

MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

| 9-Aug-18 | GOLD | | SILVER | | PLATINUM | | PALLADIUM | |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|
| | Bid | Offer | Bid | Offer | Bid | Offer | Bid | Offer |
| OPEN | 1214.20 | 1214.70 | 15.4525 | 15.4825 | 833.05 | 836.05 | 901.30 | 906.30 |
| HIGH | 1217.30 | 1217.80 | 15.503 | 15.533 | 837.95 | 840.95 | 902.50 | 907.50 |
| LOW | 1210.50 | 1211.00 | 15.3575 | 15.3875 | 824.75 | 827.75 | 888.30 | 893.30 |
| CLOSE | 1211.70 | 1212.20 | 15.4325 | 15.4625 | 831.45 | 834.45 | 901.80 | 906.80 |
| EFP | 7.60 | 8.10 | -0.0075 | 0.0225 | -0.25 | 2.75 | -8.00 | -3.00 |
| LBMA Prices | AM | PM | 15.48 | | AM | PM | AM | PM |
| | 1215.50 | 1214.35 | | | 828.00 | 837.00 | 897.00 | 898.00 |
| Active Contract | GCZ8 Comdty | | SIU8 Comdty | | PLV8 Comdty | | PAU8 Comdty | |

MACRO

- US equities were mixed overnight with ongoing trade sanctions between the US and China/Russia weighing on the market.
- The Dow Jones fell 74.52 points, the S&P500 lost 4.12 points whilst the Nasdaq posted a gain of 3.45 points.
- Telcos were the best performing sector (+0.98%) whilst energy were the worst (-0.89%).
- European shares were mixed. The Euro STOXX was flat, the German Dax gained 0.3% whilst the UK FTSE eased 0.2%.
- The VIX rose 3.9% to 11.27.
- The dollar index gained 0.538% to 95.60.
- US treasury yields were lower. The 10 year yield fell 0.034 bps to 2.9258% whilst the 2 year yield lost 0.023% to 2.6452%.
- Oil prices were softer. WTI fell 0.5% to \$66.71 whilst Brent declined 0.7% to \$72.00.
- Base metals were mixed. Copper rose 0.8% whilst aluminium fell 1.3%.
- The CRB index lost 0.3% to 192.43.
- The headline US PPI came in softer than expected on energy and services.

PRECIOUS

- A range bound day for the precious., despite risk being put back on the table with the Shanghai A Index gaining 1.8%.
- Asia were good buyers pushing gold north of 1215 prior to the London open.
- After trading as high as 1217, the market began to turn lower in Europe with the yellow metal dropping around \$5.
- NY were happy to buy the dip with XAU trading back above 1217 but resting offers capped any
 further advance and the market drifted lower for the rest of the session.
- Silver managed to trade above 15.50 but a lack of any follow through demand saw the grey metal close around 15.44.
- PGM's continue to appear to be forming a base with palladium back above 900 and platinum above 930
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 0.09%.
- The SPDR gold trust holdings were unchanged at 786.08 metric tons.



PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold trades sideways in early trade.
- Asian equities open lower.
- Ahead today:

China new yuan loans UK GDP Canada unemployment US CPI

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