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Europe / US Market Update

16th October 2018

Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

15-Oct-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1222.45	1222.95	14.620	14.640	841.00	843.00	1073.60	1078.60
HIGH	1233.00	1233.50	14.760	14.780	849.00	851.00	1088.00	1093.00
LOW	1221.90	1222.40	14.620	14.640	841.00	843.00	1071.00	1076.00
CLOSE	1225.75	1226.25	14.685	14.705	842.60	844.60	1087.90	1092.90
EFP	3.30	3.50	0.0200	0.0300	2.50	3.50	-13.00	-6.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.740		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1233.00	1229.95			844.00	845.00	1080.00	1084.00
Active Contract	GCZ8 Comdty		SIZ8 Comdty		PLF9 Comdty		PAZ8 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities finished lower led by losses in the tech sector.
- The Dow fell 89.44 points to 25,250.55, the S&P 500 lost 16.34 points to 2,750.79, while the Nasdaq shed 66.15 points to 7,430.74.
- Consumer staples (+0.60%) led the gains but was outweighed by losses led by tech (-1.64%) and energy (-0.82%).
- The VIX gauge fell 2.9% to 20.7.
- The US dollar index eased 0.28% to 95.074, the EUR was as high as 1.1605, while USD/JPY traded down to 111.63.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 0.4 bps to 2.85% while the 10 year yield added 0.6 bps to 3.16%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX rose 0.10%, the German DAX gained 0.78%, while the UK FTSE added 0.48%.
- Oil prices were lower, Brent sold off 1.0% to \$80.65 while WTI eased 0.7% to \$71.62.
- Base metals were broadly lower, with zinc (-1.8%) leading the losses.
- In US economic data, retail sales rose 0.1% in September, well short of the 0.6% expectation.
- Retail sales ex-autos fell 0.1% in September after a 0.3% rise in August.
- Business inventories rose 0.5% in August following a 0.7% increase in July.
- The Empire State Index rose 2.1 points to 21.1 in October.

PRECIOUS

- Another strong night for the precious as gold trades above the 100 DMA.
- Gold opened at \$1217 in Asia which would prove to be the session low.
- The SGE premium was higher at around \$5 over loco London.
- Solid buying action saw the market reach \$1224 during Asian hours.
- Gold took off on the London open as the greenback was broadly sold.
- The metal traded through the 100 DMA at \$1227 to print the high of \$1233.



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- Gold drifted lower through NY hours with a few dips down to \$1224.
- The yellow metal finished the day higher at \$1226.
- Silver posted a high of \$14.76 before easing into a close at \$14.64.
- Palladium added 1.8% to finish at \$1083.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index added 1.70%.
- SPDR Gold Trust holdings were up 0.55% to 748.76mt.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- Ahead today:
- US Industrial Production
- US Capacity Utilization
- US Job Openings
- US Home Builders Index
- EU Balance of Trade
- China Inflation Rate

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