

MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

16-Apr-19	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1285.05	1285.45	14.9500	14.9700	884.75	886.75	1361.70	1371.70
HIGH	1287.25	1287.65	15.0150	15.0350	891.35	893.35	1369.80	1379.80
LOW	1272.85	1273.25	14.8750	14.8950	875.35	877.35	1347.70	1357.70
CLOSE	1276.65	1277.05	15.0050	15.0250	880.75	882.75	1353.00	1363.00
EFP	2.45	2.85	(0.0650)	(0.0450)	3.25	5.25	(32.00)	(22.00)
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.9450		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1283.75	1276.35			888.00	888.00	1370.00	1364.00
Active Contract	GCM9 Comdty		SIK9 Comdty		PLN9 Comdty		PAM9 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities were led higher by the financial sectors earnings season continues.
- The Dow added 67.89 points to 26,452.66, the S&P 500 rose 1.48 points to 2,907.06, while the Nasdaq gained 24.21 points to 8,000.23.
- There were wins for financials (+1.37%) and energy (+0.64%) while REITs (-2.38%) and healthcare (-2.03%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge lost 1.1% to 12.18.
- The US dollar index rose 0.18% to 97.11, the EUR traded down to 1.1278, while USD/JPY traded up to 112.01.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 2.5 bps to 2.412% while the 10 year yield climbed 4.1 bps 2.590%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX added 0.29%, the German DAX put on 0.67%, while the UK FTSE advanced 0.44%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent gained 1.3% to \$71.83 while WTI rose 1.6% to \$64.28.
- Base metals were mostly lower, with zinc (-3.1%) leading the losses.
- In US economic data, industrial production fell 0.1% in March following a 0.1% rise in Feb.
- Capacity utilisation fell to 78.8% in March from 79% in Feb.
- The NAHB home builders confidence index rose to 63 in April from 62 in March.

PRECIOUS

- Sharp sell-off for the precious as gold posts a fresh 2019 low.
- Gold printed an early high of \$1288 before drifting lower through Asian hours.
- The onshore SGE premium remained around \$16.
- Mild offered tone continued through the London AM session.
- NY dumped the metal through the key support at \$1282-83 to a fresh 2019 low of \$1273.
- The yellow metal ended u pat \$1276 at the close.
- Silver mounted a recovery through NY hours to close flat at \$14.99.



- PGMs were lower, with platinum and palladium closing at \$878 and \$1349 respectively.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index dropped 1.82%.
- SPDR Gold Trust holdings were down 0.23% to 752.27mt.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- Ahead today:
- US Trade Deficit
- US Wholesale Inventories
- EU Current Account
- EU Balance of Trade
- EU Core Inflation Rate
- EU Inflation Rate

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