

MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

22-Jan-2019	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1278.45	1278.95	15.200	15.220	790.08	792.08	1355.10	1365.10
HIGH	1284.90	1285.40	15.330	15.350	798.00	800.00	1360.00	1370.00
LOW	1278.20	1278.70	15.200	15.220	787.00	789.00	1335.00	1345.00
CLOSE	1284.25	1284.75	15.315	15.335	787.68	789.68	1357.20	1367.20
EFP	-0.70	-0.50	0.0100	0.0200	1.52	2.52	-60.00	-45.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	15.260		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1284.75	1282.10			793.00	793.00	1332.00	1337.00
Active Contract	GCG9 Comdty		SIH9 Comdty		PLJ9 Comdty		PAH9 Comdty	

MACRO

- Weak German data and disappointing US existing home sales weighed on sentiment.
- Dow Jones fell -301.87 pts (-1.22%) to 24,404.48, S&P500 relinquished -37.81 pts (-1.42%) to 2,632.90 and NASDAQ Composite dipped -136.872 pts (-1.91%) to 7,020.355.
- Similar scenario in Europe Euro Stoxx 600 -1.27 pts (-0.36%) to 355.09, FTSE100 -69.2 pts (-0.99%) to 6,901.39, DAX -46.09 pts (-0.41%) to 11,090.11 and CAC40 -20.25 pts (-0.42%).
- US 10y yield fell to 2.74% from 2.785%.
- WTI crude sank -1.94% to \$52.99/bbl, Brent Crude dropped -2.02% to \$61.47/bbl.
- Base metals closed mixed, LME Copper down -0.67% \$5930/t, Aluminium +2.35% \$1893/t
- The dollar index remained fairly flat at 96.3
- German ZEW current conditions index slumped to 27.6 (43.0 expected, 45.3 prior), which was lowest reading since 2015, and a dramatic fall from 95.2 a year ago. Interestingly the expectations component rose fractionally to -15.0 (-18.5 expected, -17.5 prior).
- UK jobs rose 141k in 3 months to November. Unemployment dipped to 4.0% (4.1% expected, 4.1% prior).
- Existing home sales in US fell to 4.99m in December (5.24m expected, 5.33m prior).
- NZ CPI rose +0.1% QoQ in Q4 (0.0% expected, 0.9% prior)

PRECIOUS

- Gold managed to claw back some ground, as risk sentiment cooled.
- In Asia yesterday market was under pressure failing to push back through \$1280.
- When the US treasury night session opened 10y yields started to pull back which saw gold jump back through \$1280 to \$1285 sharply.
- Gold eased throughout the start of the NY session, although finished firm as losses for equities gathered steam late in the day.
- Silver closes slightly higher.
- Platinum fell further through \$800 and looks soft, while ongoing profit taking for palladium saw it dip as low as \$1345 - currently down some -6.1% from last Thursdays \$1430 high.



PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- China just opened and so far gold holding steady around \$1283.50-1285.00. Expecting mixed interest in Asia today.
- Asian equities are currently softer: Nikkei -0.55%, Shanghai Composite -1.15%, Hang Seng -0.7%, ASX200 -0.2%.
- Ahead on Data calendar BoJ rate decision, US mortgage applications, US Richmond Fed Manufacturing Index, Eurozone consumer confidence.

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