

MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

22-Nov-2017	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1282.30	1282.80	17.0100	17.0400	934.00	938.00	1000.70	1004.70
HIGH	1294.00	1294.50	17.1500	17.1800	939.00	943.00	1008.00	1012.00
LOW	1282.30	1282.80	16.9600	16.9900	933.70	934.70	998.00	1002.00
CLOSE	1294.00	1294.50	17.1400	17.1700	938.00	942.00	1005.00	1009.00
EFP	-0.55	-0.45	-0.0250	-0.0150	1.00	2.00	-5.00	-1.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	16.9650		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1283.95	1286.95			934.00	938.00	1006.00	1001.00
Active Contract	GCZ7 Comdty		SIZ7 Comdty		PLF8 Comdty		PAZ7 Comdty	

MACRO

- FOMC minutes indicate generally positive view of the economy, with some concern that financial market prices may be overcooked.
- Most Fed members favour a near term rate hike, a December rise is nearly 100% priced in by the markets.
- US equities were narrowly mixed ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- The Dow lost 64.65 points to 23,526.18, the S&P 500 slipped 1.95 points to 2,597.08, while the Nasdaq rose 4.887 points to 6,867.363.
- There were wins for telecoms (+1.67%) while financials (-0.40%) and REITs (-0.35%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge added 0.72% to 9.8.
- The US dollar index dropped 0.77% to 93.232, the EUR climbed to 1.1823, while USD/JPY was dumped to 111.14.
- US treasury yields were lower, 2 year yields eased 4.48 bps to 1.7627%, while 10 year yields fell 3.36 bps to 2.3223%.
- European shares were mixed, the EuroSTOXX 600 declined 0.27%, the German DAX gave up 1.16%, while the UK FTSE rose 0.10%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent rose 1.15% to \$63.29 while WTI gained 2.04% to \$57.99.
- Base metals were mostly higher, with aluminium (+1.2%) the standout.
- In US economic data, durable goods orders fell 1.2% in Oct, well below economists forecasts of a 0.5% gain.
- Core capital goods orders fell 0.5% in Oct following a 2.1% gain in Sep.
- The University of Michigan consumer sentiment index fell to 98.5 in Nov from 100.7 in Oct.
- Initial jobless claims fell 13k to 238k in the week ending Nov 18.
- Continuing claims increased 36k to 1.9M.

PRECIOUS

- Positive session for the precious as the metals take advantage of a drop in dollar/yen.
- Gold opened at \$1280 in Asia and traded a \$4 range around that level for most of the day.
- The SGE premium was up around \$10 which did prompt some fresh buying out of China.
- London bought the metal up to \$1285 as USD/JPY moved down toward 112.
- Weaker than expected goods orders out of the US saw the greenback tumble against the yen, sending gold on an upward trajectory.



- The yellow metal climbed steadily to a high of \$1294 before settling to close at \$1291.
- Silver climbed 20c during NY hours to finish at \$17.15.
- PGMs were higher, with platinum and palladium closing at \$936 and \$1004 respectively.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver added 1.35%.
- Gold ETFs sold 12koz overnight.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trade.
- Ahead today:

EUR Markit Manufacturing PMI (flash)
EUR Markit Services PMI (flash)
Germany GDP Growth
Germany Markit Manufacturing PMI (flash)

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