

## MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

25th June 2018

Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

22-Jun-18	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1267.18	1267.68	16.3178	16.3478	863.85	866.85	953.18	956.18
HIGH	1271.18	1271.68	16.4893	16.5193	877.57	880.57	962.45	965.45
LOW	1266.79	1267.29	16.3107	16.3407	857.66	860.66	950.85	953.85
CLOSE	1268.73	1269.23	16.4361	16.4661	876.22	879.22	956.73	959.73
EFP	1.70	1.80	-0.0100	0.0000	-0.50	0.50	-10.00	-5.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	16.425		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1269.70	1269.15			865.00	867.00	958.00	956.00
Active Contract	GCQ8 Comdty		SIN8 Comdty		PLN8 Comdty		PAU8 Comdty	

## **MACRO**

- US equities were mostly higher on the back of the surging energy sector.
- The Dow rose 119.19 points to 24,580.89, the S&P gained 5.12 points to 2,754.88, while the Nasdaq sold off 20.135 points to 7,692.817.
- There were wins for energy (+2.20%) and materials (+1.38%) while financials (-0.53%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge lost 5.94% to 13.77.
- The US dollar index shed 0.36% to 94.52, the EUR traded up to 1.1669, while USD/JPY was as low as 109.75.
- US treasury yields were mixed, 2 year yields rose 0.43 bps to 2.5412% while 10 year yields eased 0.18 bps to 2.8949%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX 600 put on 1.09%, the German DAX advanced 0.54%, while the UK FTSE climbed 1.67%.
- Oil prices surged as OPEC and and other major producers agreed to an increase in production well below the level some feared.
- Brent rallied 3.42% to \$75.55 while WTI surged 4.64% to \$68.58.
- Base metals were mixed, with nickel (+1.83%) the biggest mover.
- In US economic data, the Markit manufacturing PMI flash reading fell to 54.6 in Jun from 56.4 in May.
- The Markit services PMI flash reading fell to 56.5 in Jun from 56.8 in May.

## **PRECIOUS**

- Gold remained in a tight range in fairly quiet trading.
- Gold traded within \$1266-69 for the majority of Asian hours before breaking \$1270 late in the day.
- The SGE premium was around \$4-5 over loco London.
- The market was unable to make much of a push higher despite the EUR being bid.
- The yellow metal remained range-bound between \$1267-70 for the remainder of the session.
- Silver fared better, the grey metal closed ahead at \$16.43.
- Platinum was the stand out, climbing \$19 off the low to finish at \$873.



The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 1.36%.

## **PRE-ASIA COMMENTS**

- · Gold edging higher in early Asian trading.
- Ahead today:
  US Chicago Fed National Activity Index
  US New Home Sales

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