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Europe / US Market Update

25th September 2018

Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

24-Sep-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1196.25	1196.75	14.215	14.235	823.80	825.80	1047.30	1052.30
HIGH	1203.90	1204.40	14.380	14.400	834.00	836.00	1059.00	1064.00
LOW	1194.40	1194.90	14.190	14.210	823.00	825.00	1043.00	1048.00
CLOSE	1198.45	1198.95	14.265	14.285	826.20	828.20	1059.00	1064.00
EFP	4.20	4.40	0.0200	0.0300	0.00	1.00	-14.00	-7.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.315		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1198.75	1202.75			826.00	830.00	1053.00	1058.00
Active Contract	GCZ8 Comdty		SIZ8 Comdty		PLV8 Comdty		PAZ8 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities were mostly lower as US-China tensions escalated.
- The Dow lost 181.45 points to 26,562.05, the S&P 500 fell 10.30 points to 2,907.95, while the Nasdaq crept up 6.293 points to 7,993.250.
- Energy (+1.47%) was the bright spot while REITs (-1.89%) and consumer staples (-1.50%) led the losses.
- The VIX gauge added 4.5% to 12.20.
- The EUR shot up to 1.1812 following ECB President Draghi's optimistic speech, followed by a swift retreat back to opening levels.
- The US dollar index was flat at 94.260 after a dip down to 93.844 on the EUR bounce.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 1.7 bps to 2.82% while the 10 year yield added 2.4 bps to 3.09%.
- European shares were lower, the EuroSTOXX shed 0.56%, the German DAX sold off 0.64%, while the UK FTSE gave up 0.42.
- Oil prices were higher as OPEC and allies see no urgency to increase output following the meeting in Algiers.
- Brent rose 1.5% to \$81.45 while WTI gained 0.3% to \$72.79.
- Base metals were mostly lower, with nickel (-2.2%) leading the losses.
- In US economic data, the Chicago Fed national activity index was unchanged at 0.18 in August.

PRECIOUS

- Gold opened at \$1197 in Asia and drifted to the low of \$1194 in light trading with China and Japan out.
- The metal found some support in London and the market touched \$1200 during the AM session.
- There was a spike up to the session high \$1203 as the EUR reacted to Draghi's speech.
- Gold was sold off during the afternoon before a close at \$1198.
- Silver ended marginally lower at \$14.22.
- Palladium was the standout, climbing \$22 off the early lows to finish at \$1058.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index added 0.40%.
- SPDR Gold Trust holdings unchanged at 742.23mt.



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PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- Ahead today:
 - US Case-Shiller Home Price Index
 - US Consumer Confidence Index
 - Germany Wholesale Prices

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