

## MKS PAMP GROUP Europe / US Market Update

28th March 2019

Range Europe / US Markets (from Globex open)

| 27-Mar-2019     | GOLD        |         | SILVER      |        | PLATINUM    |        | PALLADIUM   |         |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|---------|
|                 | Bid         | Offer   | Bid         | Offer  | Bid         | Offer  | Bid         | Offer   |
| OPEN            | 1316.25     | 1316.75 | 15.410      | 15.430 | 859.70      | 861.70 | 1543.30     | 1549.30 |
| HIGH            | 1319.00     | 1319.50 | 15.450      | 15.470 | 869.00      | 871.00 | 1548.00     | 1554.00 |
| LOW             | 1308.20     | 1308.70 | 15.270      | 15.290 | 853.00      | 855.00 | 1440.00     | 1446.00 |
| CLOSE           | 1308.20     | 1308.70 | 15.270      | 15.290 | 853.30      | 855.30 | 1443.00     | 1449.00 |
| EFP             | -0.70       | -0.50   | -0.0100     | 0.0000 | 0.00        | 1.00   | -35.00      | -25.00  |
| LBMA Prices     | AM          | PM      | 15.400      |        | AM          | PM     | AM          | PM      |
|                 | 1318.25     | 1309.70 |             |        | 862.00      | 861.00 | 1513.00     | 1491.00 |
| Active Contract | GCJ9 Comdty |         | SIK9 Comdty |        | PLJ9 Comdty |        | PAM9 Comdty |         |

## MACRO

- Fixed income markets rocketed higher again with risk off trades dominating the market.
- US equities finished the day in the red.
- The Dow Jones fell 32.14 points, the S&P500 declined 13.09 points, whilst the Nasdaq retreated 48.14 points.
- European shares were mixed. The Euro STOXX posted a gain of 0.1%, the German Dax was flat as was the UK FTSE.
- The VIX gauge advanced 1.7% to 14.93.
- The DXY index finished marginally higher, after initially being offered, up 10 points at 96.95.
- US treasury yields were softer. The 2 year yield fell 3.2 bps to 2.206% whilst the 10 year yield eased 3.9 bps to 2.379%.
- Oil prices were weaker. WTI fell 1% to \$59.40 whilst Brent declined 0.5% to \$67.79.
- Base metals were mixed. Aluminium rose 1.2% whilst nickel posted a loss of 0.1% on the day.
- The CRB index declined 0.7% 183.94.
- US trade balance was better than expected, with a deficit of \$51 billion (exp -57b).
- US mortgage applications were higher, surging 8.9% last week

## PRECIOUS

- A soft day for the precious, most notably palladium which collapsed \$100!.
- Gold drifted lower over the course of the day, falling around \$10.
- Asia trade was a non event with gold trading sideways around 1316/17.
- London were small buyers pushing the metal up to the days high just south of 1320.
- NY were sellers on their open, with the better than expected US data and weakness in palladium.
- Palladium saw wave after wave of long liquidation. After trading as high as 1615 only a week ago, the market is now an ugly 10.6% lower.
- Platinum was offered in sympathy of palladium falling around \$10 on the day.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index fell 1.46% to 78.51.
- The SPDR gold trust holdings were unchanged at 784.26 metric tons.



## **PRE-ASIA COMMENTS**

- Gold edging higher in early Asian trading.
- Asian equities open lower following Wall Street's lead.
- Ahead today: US GDP, German CPI, Japan Retail Sales

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