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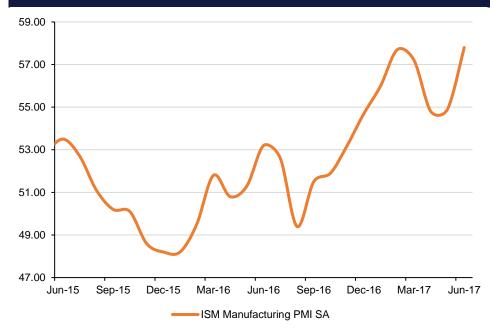
Manufacturing surveys in the Eurozone, UK and US all showed expansion in the sector in June. The Eurozone manufacturing PMI was marginally higher than forecast at 57.4 in June, signalling continued strong manufacturing growth in the bloc last month. The UK's manufacturing PMI was disappointing in contrast, slipping to 54.3 from 56.7 in May. Although the June PMI reading in the UK was softer than expected, the average PMI for Q2 is the highest in 3 years, suggesting that the weakness in the pound has supported manufacturing exports and domestic demand has remained relatively robust.

In the US, the ISM manufacturing index surged to 57.8 in June from 54.9 in May, the highest reading in nearly 3 years, and well above analysts' forecasts. The employment component of the ISM survey rose sharply in June which bodes well for non-farm payrolls data which is due to be released on Friday. US markets are closed today after a half-day session yesterday.

In Australia, retail sales in May grew by more than forecast, rising 0.6% m/m. This follows a strong 1.0% m/m rise in April as well. The Reserve Bank of Australia is due to announce its rate decision after this daily is published this morning; the cash rate is expected to remain unchanged at 1.5%.

Qatar's foreign minister yesterday hand-delivered a response to the demands from Saudi Arabia, UAE, Bahrain and Egypt, despite a two-day extension announced earlier on Monday. No further details were provided but markets responded positively to the news, with Qatar's CDS narrowing slightly and Qatar's benchmark equity index closing 1.3% higher yesterday.

US ISM Manufacturing PMI rises to 57.8 in June



Source: Bloomberg, Emirates NBD Research.

Day's Economic Data and Events

	Time	Cons		Time	Cons
Markit/CIPS UK Construction PMI	12:30	55.0	Markit Canada Manufacturing PMI	17:30	N/A

Source: Bloomberg.



Fixed Income

US Treasuries continued their decline after stronger than expected ISM manufacturing data boosted investor sentiment. Yields in the 2y UST rose 3 bps to 1.41% while those on 10y USTs rose 4 bps to 2.35%.

Regional bond market continue to track rise in treasury yields. Yields on the Bloomberg Barclays GCC Credit and High Yield rose 2 bps to 3.58% with spread tightening by 2 bps. Reports that Qatar has submitted its response to demands from other GCC states to Kuwait raised hopes of a possible resolution. The 5y Qatar CDS declined 5 bps to 115.

Yesterday, a bond-trading link between mainland China and Hong Kong opened. The connect offers foreign investors an easy access into the country's USD 10th bond market. As per market estimates, the current holding of foreign investors amount to less than 1.5%. However, if experience from a similar link in equity markets is any guide then it can said that it is unlikely to lead an immediate spurt in inflows.

Further in emerging markets, Indian sovereign bonds declined after the Reserve Bank of India, in a surprise move, announced that it plans to sell bonds up to USD 1.5bn later this week. The central banks seeks to drain funds from the banking system. Yields on the 10y Gol bonds jumped +0.8%.

FX

Following yesterday's gains, USD is trading slightly softer this morning with the Dollar Index currently down 0.06% at 96.16. The dollar continued to find support after economic data showed stronger than expected expansion of the US manufacturing sector (see macro).

Of note is the USDJPY which has gained 0.75% so far this week, rising to 113.23 in a break above the 100 day moving average (111.78). This former key resistance is now acting as a support that has held since the 27th of June 2016. We expect further gains for USDJPY over the remainder of the week, with the next level of resistance being 114.15, the 76.4% one year Fibonacci retracement.

Equities

Developed market equities started the week on a positive note on the back of strong economic data from the US and continued strength in oil prices. However, technology related stocks continued their underperformance. The S&P 500 index added +0.2%, the Euro Stoxx 600 index gained +1.1% while the Nasdaq index dropped -0.5%.

It was largely a positive day of trading for regional markets. The DFM index and the Tadawul added +1.2% and +0.1% respectively. The Qatar Exchange rebounded from lows with gains of +1.3%.

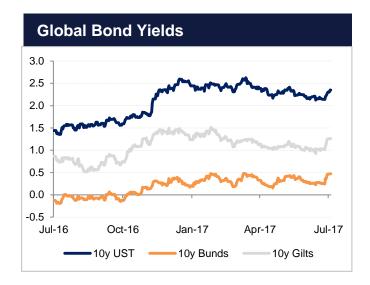
Gains on the DFM were led by real estate stock with Emaar Properties adding +1.9% and Damac Properties +7.5%. Gulf Finance House rallied +6.0% after the proposed buyback program started.

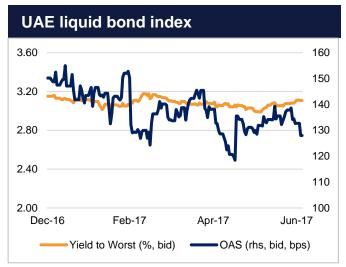
Commodities

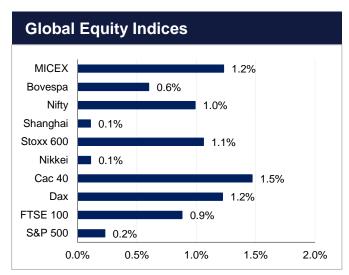
Data out from the EIA showed a monthly decline in oil output thanks to a seasonal slump from Gulf of Mexico fields, helping oil markets maintain their run of gains. Brent ended the day up just shy of USD 50/b while WTI closed over 2% higher. Trading is likely to be thin todays thanks to the Independence Day holiday in the US but the tone in the market is shifting somewhat away from the rapid sell off seen over the course of June.

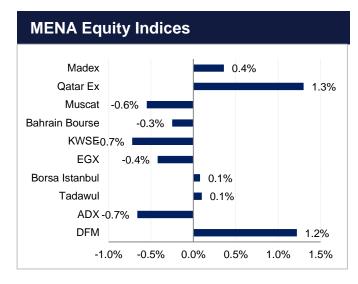


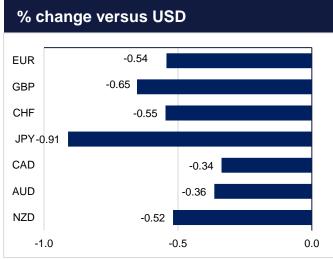
Markets in Charts

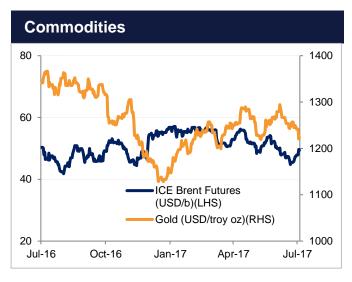












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Currencies									
	Close	%1D chg	1 yr fwd		Close	%1D chg		Close	%1D chg
EURUSD	1.1364	-0.54	1.1599	USDTRY	3.5568	+1.03	EURAED	4.1740	-0.55
GBPUSD	1.2940	-0.65	1.3085	USDEGP	17.9488	-0.95	GBPAED	4.7531	-0.67
USDJPY	113.38	+0.88	111.24	USDSAR	3.7500	-0.01	JPYAED	0.0324	-0.88
USDCAD	1.3007	+0.33	1.2953	USDQAR	3.7350	+0.01	CADAED	2.8239	-0.35
AUDUSD	0.7661	-0.36	0.7629	USDKWD	0.3032	+0.05	AUDAED	2.8140	-0.36
USDCHF	0.9636	+0.60	0.9398	USDBHD	0.3772	-0.01	CHFAED	3.8118	-0.56
EURGBP	0.8782	+0.12	0.8864	USDOMR	0.3851	-0.02	TRYAED	1.0300	-1.27
USDAED	3.6730		3.6815	USDINR	64.8750	+0.45	INRAED	0.0566	-0.39

Rates							
Interbank	1 mo	3mo	6 mo	1 yr	Swaps	Close	1D chg (bps)
EIBOR	1.2417	1.5193	1.6965	2.1383	USD 2 yr	1.644	+3
USD LIBOR	1.2239	1.2992	1.4477	1.7384	USD 5 yr	1.995	+4
GBP LIBOR	0.2524	0.3067	0.4616	0.6803	USD 10 yr	2.321	+4
JPY LIBOR	-0.0205	-0.0001	0.0200	0.1211	EUR 2 yr	-0.129	-1
CHF LIBOR	-0.7848	-0.7300	-0.6616	-0.4900	EUR 5 yr	0.270	-2
					EUR 10 yr	0.910	+1

Commodities & Fixed Income									
Commodities	Close	%1D chg	Bonds/Sukuk	YTM	1D chg (bps)	CDS	Close	1D chg (bps)	
Gold	1220.20	-1.72	ADGB 6.75 19	1.62	+1	Abu Dhabi	60	-1	
Silver	16.14	-2.96	DUGB 7.75 20	2.62	-2	Dubai	131	-1	
Oil (WTI)	47.07	+2.24	QATAR 6.55 19	2.42	-1	Qatar	115	-6	
Aluminium	1921.00	+0.39	US Tsy 2 yr	1.41	+3	Saudi Arabia	115	-2	
Copper	5906.75	-0.34	US Tsy 10 yr	2.35	+5	Bahrain	253	-1	

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