

# Global Markets Daily

# **Jitteriness**

## **Broad Dollar Pullback Amid JOLTS Downside Surprise**

Overnight, Jul JOLTS job opening surprised on the downside as it fell to 7.67m (est. 8.10m, Jun. 7.91m). The reading added some jitteriness to markets that the economy maybe cooling off too much amid high Fed rates. Futures and OIS implied probabilities both rose for a 50bps points cut in Sep whilst 2y vs 10y yield section of the US yield curve briefly turned positive. Both the NASDAQ100 and S&P500 came down slightly although the DJIA did finish slightly up. We are now cautious how Friday's jobs data - NFP, unemployment, earnings would pan out to be and whether it can turn out weaker than expected. Despite the overnight developments, currencies as a whole are still trading within recent ranges. The broad greenback declined but remains around recent levels. The same applies to USDAsian pairs too generally as they do not show a further leg down or up just yet as we await further major data releases. Two-way risks could be the case for now. For tonight, we will be watching Aug ADP employment chance, initial jobless claims, Aug ISM services and Aug F S&P Global PMI services. Meanwhile, BOC cut rates yesterday as expected by 25bps to 4.25%

# BNM to Keep Rates on Hold

Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) decision would be due later today with our expectations that they would keep rates on hold at 3.00%. Recent growth figures have been strong (2Q being at 5.9% YoY) whilst CPI readings in the last couple of months have been fairly steady around 2.0% YoY. Resultantly, economics wise, BNM can still choose not to move. Our in-house economist is expecting that the central bank for that matter would not adjust the rates for the rest of this year. We do though watch if there would make any comments on the MYR. The MYR has been a major regional outperformer over the last couple of months being the second best performer to date just after the JPY.

#### Data/Event We Watch Today

We watch BNM policy decision, US Aug ADP, initial jobless claims, Aug ISM services and Aug F S&P Global PMI services.

FX: Overnight Closing Levels % Change					
Majors	Prev Close	% Chg	Asian FX	Prev Close	% Chg
EUR/USD	1.1082	0.35	USD/SGD	1.3038	<b>J</b> -0.25
GBP/USD	1.3147	0.25	EUR/SGD	1.4449	0.10
AUD/USD	0.6725	0.21	JPY/SGD	0.9072	0.96
NZD/USD	0.6199	0.19	GBP/SGD	1.7143	0.01
USD/JPY	143.74	<b>J</b> -1.20	AUD/SGD	0.8768	-0.06
EUR/JPY	159.3	<b>J</b> -0.84	NZD/SGD	0.8084	<b>J</b> -0.04
USD/CHF	0.8465	<b>J</b> -0.45	CHF/SGD	1.5403	0.20
USD/CAD	1.3506	<b>-</b> 0.33	CAD/SGD	0.9654	0.07
USD/MYR	4.3533	<b>J</b> -0.36	SGD/MYR	3.3324	<b>J</b> -0.16
USD/THB	34.23	<b>J</b> -0.01	SGD/IDR	11849.6	<b>J</b> -0.19
USD/IDR	15475	<b>J</b> -0.32	SGD/PHP	43.3158	0.05
USD/PHP	56.587	<b>J</b> -0.04	SGD/CNY	5.454	<b>n</b> 0.25

Implied USD/SGD Estimates at, 9.00am

1.3290

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1.3556

Lower Band Limit

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#### G10: Events & Market Closure

Date	Ctry	Event
2 Sep	US	Market Closure
2 Sep	CA	Market Closure
4 Sep	CA	Policy Decision

# AXJ: Events & Market Closure

Date	Ctry	Event
2,3 Sep	VN	Market Closure
5 Sep	MY	Policy Decision

#### **G10 Currencies**

- DXY Index Falling Openings, Consolidative Action Continues. The DXY index slid in overnight trade, weighed by the weaker JOLTS job openings for Jul which came in at 7.67mn vs. previous 7.910mn. This would be weakest print since Jan 2021, adding to the picture of a deteriorating labour market conditions. Still, other data releases still suggest some resilience with factory orders around 5.0%m/m vs. previous -3.3%. Durable goods orders were revised a tad lower to a final growth of 9.8%m/m, albeit a stronger than the previous -6.9%. Non-def capital goods shipment (excluding aircraft) fell a smaller-than-estimated -0.3%m/m. The Fed's Beige Book was released later and the report noted flat economic activity or declining across more regions in recent weeks. Employers are now more cautious about hiring, concerned about the economic outlook. Nonetheless, prices and wages rose modestly in the period on or before 26Aug. The mix of data/reports likely kept markets from veering into another risk-off session again. The USD softened across the board as markets price in a greater likelihood of a 50bps cut in Sep. 2Y10Y has completely uninverted with both yields around 3.75%. US bourses were a mixed bag - with DJI +0.1%, S&P -0.2% and NASDAQ at -0.3%. We continue to hold the view that the retracements of USDAsians (upside) could be limited as the Fed easing narrative is rather entrenched. More labour market indicators are due with Aug ADP due tonight long with the weekly jobless claims before Aug NFP tomorrow. While the magnitude of the rate cut continues to a key concern, growth and the probability of a recession will also be an ultimate consideration. Afterall, Eurozone and China still look fragile. And in the absence of other growth drivers, the US economic health could determine whether the rest of the world will slip into recession and that could be USD positive. Procyclical currencies (AUD, NZD, CAD, KRW) could come under pressure in that environment. We could be seeing a scenario where a weak-enough US NFP would drive UST yields lower due to safe haven demand but USD higher. This scenario of USD buoyancy be it strong or weak US data could continue until we see growth improvements in other economies. The post summer Sep PMI prints for Eurozone cannot come soon enough. Fed Fund Futures now imply around 44% probability of a 50bps rate cut for Sep, >200bps in one year. Back on the DXY index, momentum is bullish and stochastics are rising from oversold conditions. The index is last seen around 101.30. Resistance remains at 102 (76.4% Fibonacci retracement of the Dec 23 -Apr 24 rally). Price action likely to remain within the 100.60-102.00. Datawise, Wed has Thu has ADP employment (Aug), S&P Services PMI (Aug F), ISM Services (Aug), Initial jobless claims. Fri has NFP (Aug), Unemployment rate (Aug), Fed William speaks.
- EURUSD *Higher*. EURUSD is higher at 1.1080 levels after the USD weakened on bets of steeper Fed cuts, driven by poorer than expected job openings data. Given how dovish Fed cut bets are at this point, one risk Is that Fed cut bets could pare and USD could rebound. At the same time, we view rebounds in the USD (lower EURUSD) as opportunities to sell the USD (buy EURUSD). The backdrop is favourable for USD softness as the case for a Goldilocks/soft-landing scenario continues to build. We look once again to buy EURGBP on dips as we continue to believe perceived central bank divergences should narrow and see value in fading the latest rally in the GBP. ECB are likely adopting a cautious approach despite having cut in the face of an uptick in inflation previously. Support is at 1.1000, followed by 1.0970 and 1.0920 (50-dma), resistance at 1.1060 and 1.1100. Eurozone data this week includes Jul Retail Sales (Thu).
- GBPUSD Higher. GBPUSD was seen higher at 1.3144 levels this morning as the USD weakened on bets of steeper Fed cuts, driven by poorer than expected job openings data. Options earlier showed that the market was most bullish GBP since 2020 and we highlighted the risk of a pullback in

the pair. We view this latest dip as one such pullback, but we also cannot rule out further or larger pullbacks. Two-way risks however exist, as the backdrop of a soft landing/Goldilocks scenario builds, conditions become more favourable for GBP strength (and USD weakness). BOE is priced as the most hawkish DM central bank at this point and that is providing the GBP some lift. However, we continue to see potential for 50bps cuts from the BOE in 2024, which could keep the GBPUSD from rising much further. Services inflation, the main source of discomfort for the BOE, has come off in the latest print. We think risks are two-way at this juncture, although we continue to suggest that GBP outperformance could moderate in the near-term while remaining bullish on GBP in the longer-term. Talks of a re-negotiation of Brexit terms and warmer relations with the EU could provide GBPUSD support on dips. On foreign policy, Starmer had dropped some hints on re-engaging the EU post-Brexit and positive outcomes could have significant upside for the pair. We look once again to buy EURGBP on dips as we continue to believe perceived central bank divergences should narrow and see value in fading the latest rally in the GBP. Back on the GBPUSD, resistances at 1.3120 and 1.3260. Supports are at 1.3090 and 1.3000. UK data this week includes Aug Construction PMI and Aug DMP 3M Output Price/1Y CPI Expectations (Thu).

- USDCHF Two-way risks. USDCHF is lower 0.8464 levels this morning. We continue to look for two-way movements for the pair. Two-way risks are present with both the Fed and SNB looking to cut rates. Of the traditional safe-havens, it does seem that gold and CHF retain most of the safe-haven properties, with the JPY being pressured by yield differentials. Further rate cuts from SNB could pressure USDCHF higher and if a situation arises where it becomes the global funding currency of choice (like the JPY), then we could see more upside for USDCHF. Nevertheless, we do see USDCHF lower into quarters ahead alongside fading US economic exceptionalism and Fed rate cuts. Supports are at 0.8400 and 0.8333. Rebounds to meet resistance at 0.8500 and 0.8550 thereafter. Aug Swiss headline CPI Inflation fell to 1.1% YoY (exp: 1.2%; prev: 1.3%) and was flat at 0.0% MoM (exp: 0.1%; prev: -0.2%). Core inflation was unchanged at 1.1% (exp: 1.1%; prev: 1.1%). 2Q GDP surprised to the upside at 1.8% YoY (exp: 1.5%; prev: 0.6% and 0.7% QoQ (exp: 0.5%; prev: 0.5%). Swiss data this week includes Aug Unemployment Rate (Thu), Aug FX Reserves and Aug SECO Consumer Confidence (Fri).
- **USDJPY** Lower, Ranged. The pair was last seen at 143.73 as it declined overnight as the US JOLTS job openings data surprised on the downside. UST yields had moved lower overnight amid that data release. The USDJPY initially declined further his morning as Jul real cash earnings was again positive at 0.4% YoY (est. -0.6% YoY, Jun. 1.1% YoY) whilst the nominal number was stronger than expected at 3.6% YoY (est. 2.9% YoY, Jun. 4.5% YoY). However, the pair pared some of its decline after BOJ policy board member Hajime Takata noted the need to watch financial markets for the time being and that it will take sufficient time to examine effects of rate hikes. This is even as he appeared to reiterate comments made earlier by Ueda as he mentioned that the BOJ will pursue more interest-rate increases if the economy and inflation are in line with projections and that he "believe it is necessary to shift gears again - to further adjust the degree of monetary accommodation". For now we see that the USDJPY would likely be trading sideways around recent levels of 143 - 147 building up to the release of Friday's US jobs data. We stay cautious on how that data would pan out to be. Back on the chart, key resistance that we look out for are 150.00 and 152.00. Support is at 143.60 and 140.25. Remaining key data releases this week include Jul household spending (Fri) and leading/coincident index (Fri).
- **AUDUSD Steady For Now, Still Bearish.** AUDUSD hovered around 0.6720 after touching a low of 0.6686 on Wed. This pair seems to have stabilized

around the 0.67-figure. Interim support is seen around 0.6715 before the next at 0.6670 (50-dma). On the daily chart, stochastics are turning from overbought conditions and bullish momentum is waning. Our call for a pullback towards the 0.67-figure has come to fruition completely. The balance of risks for the AUDUSD could continue to remain to the downside should the US' labour market deteriorate fast enough to trigger a risk-off or there is a re-pricing of rate cut bets on the Fed. In addition, further signs of deterioration in China's economy could also weigh on the AUD via its terms of trade. Beyond the near-term, we still hold a glass half full view of the world where global growth is more likely to soft land and bottom out as major central banks (ex BoJ) start to ease monetary policies. Support at 0.6655 before 0.6610. Rebound to extend towards 0.71 in the next twelve months. Data-wise, Jul trade data is out on Thu before Jul home loans data on Fri.

- NZDUSD -Two-way Action, Bearish Skew. NZDUSD edged lower and was last seen around 0.6180. The bearish risks we flagged is panning out and the pair is vulnerable to further bearish extension as stochastics show signs of turning from overbought conditions. Resistance at 0.6370. Next levels of support to watch are seen at 0.6170 before 0.6110.
- USDCAD Tentative Stability. USDCAD was last seen around the 1.3510. Bearish momentum wanes and stochastics are turning from oversold conditions. The USDCAD pulled back from the 1.3560-resistance, alongside broader USD decline and calmer market sentiments. Recent price action establishes a probable range (1.3440-1.3560) for further sideway trades. Further bullish extension beyond the 1.3560-resistance could open the wy towards 1.3650. Balance of risk right now is still to the upside. Overnight, BoC cut policy rate by 25bps to 4.25%. Governor Macklem noted that policy decisions are undertaken meeting by meeting and that that are multiple scenarios with the combination of the stronger-than-expected inflation and significantly less economic slack to see a slowdown in pace of easing and the combination of weaker economy and inflation (vs. their forecast) to potentially warrant larger cuts. On balance though, the central bank has markedly shifted their focus on the economy, noting "little evidence of broad-based price pressures" and highlighted downside risks to the pick-up in growth. We continue to look for BoC to cut almost every meeting for the rest of the year, taking the policy rate to 3.75% end 2024. Data-wise, Thu has Services composite PMI for Aug before Aug labour report on Fri.
- Gold (XAU/USD) Testing Lower but Range Still Intact. Gold steadied around \$2490 this morning. Much of the recent price actions are kept within \$2480-2530 range. This was in spite of the falling UST yields. Gold has been testing the range to the downside but failing to close below it. Perhaps it was the fall in the USD and the UST yields that have been keeping it supported for now. We see more downside risks from here as geopolitical tensions seem to have faded in the backdrop. That said, we are wary of bearish reversal. A bearish divergence is seen between the price action and the MACD forest. Stochastics are plateauing as well in overbought conditions. As such, we see potential for gold to make a deeper pull back. Resistance is still seen at 2530 and a pullback could potentially bring the bullion towards 2425 (50-dma) before 2380 (100-dma). Any sign of geopolitical escalation (Middle-East tensions) could give gold a nudge higher.

#### Asia ex Japan Currencies

SGDNEER trades around +1.99% from the implied mid-point of 1.3290 with the top estimated at 1.3025 and the floor at 1.3556.

- USDSGD Two-way risks. USDSGD was lower at 1.3026 levels this morning. SGD remains resilient after MAS' hold, and the trade-weighted SGDNEER is at +1.99% above the mid-point this morning. MAS policy continues to be supportive of SGD strength and we look for the resilience to continue. Although the SGD is still subject to broader drivers, we expect it to hold up better than other currencies in times of USD-strength. At the same time, it is unlikely to outperform in times of USD-weakness. Long-term view is still for USDSGD to go lower. MAS appears to be in no hurry to ease, especially not when growth and inflation outcomes are essentially in line with their expectations. MAS Chief Economist seems to have hinted at MAS not being able to ease as easily as an interest rate regime in his speech on monetary policy. We think that the SGDNEER outperformance could taper as Fed cuts come in, although we do not expect SGDNEER to tank. Specifically, currencies in SGDNEER basket that are more sensitive to rate differentials could outperform the SGD and offset any strength in SGDNEER that comes from a weakening USD. Such a scenario would entail a weaker SGDNEER alongside essentially a lower USDSGD (stronger bilateral SGD). In the medium -term, we remain positive on the SGD given robust macro fundamentals and a monetary policy that has an appreciating currency as a default stance. Resistance at 1.3050 and 1.3100. Supports are 1.3000 and 1.2950. Data wise we have Jul retail sales on Thu.
- SGDMYR Slightly lower. Cross was slightly lower at 3.3276 levels this morning. The MYR looks to fare better when USD is weak, whereas SGD is more resilient when USD is strong. Risks are two-way as we believe rebounds are likelier as pair gets more stretched. At the same time, the soft-landing narrative favours the MYR more than the SGD. Support at 3.3000 with the next support at 3.2800. Resistances at 3.3300 and 3.3500 levels.
- USDMYR Lower. Pair was last seen at 4.3320 as the broad greenback pulled back amid a downside surprise in the US JOLTS job openings data. UST yields had also declined. We stay cautious on Friday's US jobs data -NFP, unemployment, earnings. As a whole, we still emphasize there is strong positive idiosyncratic optimism towards the MYR amid the government reforms, strong growth and more foreign investor interest. Authorities leading coordinated conversions by GLCs/GLICs into local currency too has given much support to the currency. We also expect BNM to keep rates on hold this year and that is another positive factor for the MYR given other central banks globally are looking to ease. BNM policy decision is due later today with consensus too being for a hold and hence, there could be limited impacted from the decision. External events especially those related to the US, China and Japan are likely to remain the key drivers going forward. Back on the chart, resistances are at 4.4000 and 4.4439. Support is at 4.2250. Key data releases this week include 30 Aug foreign reserves (Fri).
- USDCNH Heavy. USDCNH was last seen around 7.0990, falling alongside broader USD decline. USDCNY reference rate is fixed at 7.0989, higher than the prev. fix of 7.1148. The direction of the fix remains broadly in line with market forces. The fix is 34 pips lower than the median estimate. We are rather sure that the USDCNH has room to rebound based on technical analysis. In addition, recent data releases indicated little cause for cheer and positivity for the yuan. With the USD also not likely to extend much lower before NFP release, the balance of risks for USDCNH is skewed to the upside. Rebound beyond the resistance at 7.1125 now looks likely to extend towards the 7.14-handle. Support at 7.0875 eyed. CFETS TWI had dropped

- 2.8% from its high in Apr and we continue to see more room for it to fall. As the USD falls, we expect yuan's recovery to continue to lag non-USD peers. China holds NPC standing committee meeting on 10-13 Sep. In news, various cities have added more incentives to encourage residents to sell their old homes and upgrade to new properties. The measures include "optimized" mortgage interest rates and down payment ratios, subsidies to lower cost of trade-in.
- 1M USDKRW NDF Lower. 1M USDKRW NDF was last seen lower at 1331.53 levels this morning. 2QP GDP came in line with expectations at 2.3% YoY (exp: 2.3%; prev: 2.3%) and -0.2% QoQ (exp: -0.2%; prev: -0.2%). As we expected, and as widely anticipated by markets, the BOK stood pat, unsurprising given their penchant to hold for an extended period before pivoting to a cut. BOK remains concerned about upside risks to inflation and potential overheating of the property sector on rate cuts. Tight Jul job market with unemployment falling to 2.5% (exp: 2.9%; prev: 2.8%) is also supportive of a BOK hold. Apart from the aforementioned concerns, there could also be concerns about KRW weakness if they were to cut ahead of the Fed. We see resistances at 1340 and 1350. Supports are at 1320 and 1300. Longer term we watch trade data for a possible bottoming of the chip/general trade cycle and AI exuberance, which could buoy the KRW. We also think KRW and TWD could play catch up to their peers as the narrative for a soft landing continues to build and monetary policy becomes less restrictive. Further upside risks for the KRW also exist if KGBs are included in the FTSE Russell WGBI, with next month (Sep 2024) the earliest possible inclusion date. Aug FX Reserves rose to US\$415.92b (prev: US\$413.51b). South Korean data releases include Jul BoP Current Account/Goods Balance (Fri).
- **USDINR 1M NDF Steady.** USDINR 1M NDF was relatively steady at 84.07 levels this morning. The INR has yet to meaningfully retrace carry trade unwind losses even as recession fears fade and the case for a soft landing/Goldilocks scenario builds. RBI will likely keep rates on hold at least while Fed remains on hold as data releases continue to reaffirm that India experiences a satisfactory pace of growth. India's budget for the new fiscal year targets narrowing the budget deficit to 4.9% of GDP, which should be INR supportive. We look to see if India could continue to be an economic bright spark relative to the rest of the region. Support at 83.65 (100 -dma) before the next at 83.55 (50 -dma). RBI has introduced trading and settlement of sovereign green bonds issued by India in the International Financial Services Centre (IFSC). Foreigners are eligible to invest and inflows from this initiative could benefit the INR. 23 Aug FX Reserves came in higher at US\$681.7b (prev: US\$674.7b) potentially hinting at sizeable purchase of USD by RBI. India data this week includes 30 Aug FX Reserves (Fri).
- 1M USDIDR NDF Lower, Sideways, Cautious. Pair was last seen at 15416 amid a decline in UST yields as the US JOLTS jobs opening data surprised on the downside. Despite the decline, it is still trading sideways as a whole within recent the recent range of 15400 15600. Two-way risks could be the case for now. We stay cautious on how US jobs data would pan out to be tomorrow and the impact it can have on 1M NDF. A much weaker than expected reading can risk guiding UST yields lower and bringing the 1M NDF downwards we believe as the Fed would face pressure to cut aggressively. However, a stronger than expected or in-line reading can guide the pair higher as the DXY could rebound higher. Back on the chart, resistance is at 15777 and 15893 (200-dma). Support at 15318 and 15000. Remaining key data releases this week include Aug foreign reserves (Fri).
- 1M USDPHP NDF Lower, Sideways, Cautious. The pair was last seen at 56.42 as it moved down slightly amid a decline in UST yields as the US JOLTS jobs opening data surprised on the downside. Despite the decline,

it is still trading sideways as a whole within recent the recent range of 56.00 - 56.50. Two-way risks could be the case for now. We stay cautious on how US jobs data would pan out to be tomorrow and the impact it can have on 1M NDF. A much weaker than expected reading can risk guiding UST yields lower and bringing the 1M NDF downwards we believe as the Fed would face pressure to cut aggressively. However, a stronger than expected or in-line reading can guide the pair higher as the DXY could rebound higher. Back on the chart, support at 56.00 with the next after that at 55.27. Resistance is at 56.50 and 57.20. Meanwhile, Aug CPI release soften more than expected to 3.3% YoY (est. 3.6% YoY, Jul. 4.4% YoY), which should in its own right help support the BSP easing bias. Remaining key data releases this week include Jul unemployment rate (Fri) and Aug foreign reserves (Fri).

- **USDTHB Lower, Outperformer.** Pair was last seen lower at 33.87 as the THB became the region's top performer over the last day. Lower UST yields amid a surprise downside for US JOLTS job openings together with a climb in gold prices looks to have given the THB support. Oil prices holding at the lowest levels since end last year also helps the country's external position. At this point, it remains within recent ranges of 33.85 -34.50. If it can break the bottom of that range decisively, there is a possibility for more downside. However, that would be contingent too on Friday's jobs data - NFP, unemployment, earnings would pan out to be. A much weaker than expected reading can somewhat support gold prices and guide UST yields lower, which both in turn would further lift the THB. A stronger than expected or in line reading can risk leading to a retracement in recent gains for the THB. Meanwhile, on the political front, key ministers have essentially retained their positions in PM Paetongtarn Shinawatra's cabinet with Pichai Chunhavajira holding on to his role as Finance Minister. So far, the relatively smooth political transition in some sense has also given the THB support. On other items, the BOT's rate panel believes that the inflation target range of 1-3% is right and has effectively anchored medium-term expectations, according to the Aug meeting minutes. Such comments have come amid the Finance Minister's call to lift the inflation goal. For now, we stay wary of the relationship between the BOT and the government. Back on the chart, support is at 33.85, 33.61 and 32.57. Resistance at 34.50 and 35.00. Remaining key data releases this week include Aug CPI (Thurs) and 30 Aug gross international reserves/forward contracts (Fri).
- USDVND Downtrend intact. USDVND waffled around 24830 this morning, finding support around 24830. This pair seems to be stabilizing within the narrow 24820-24900 range for now but downtrend seems to remain intact. Resistance is seen around 24900 before 25100 while support is seen at 24810, 24770 and then at 2469. Vietnam releases the bulk of its Aug economic data on 6 Sep (Fri). Mfg PMI slipped to 52.4 from previous 54.7, still in expansionary region.



# Malaysia Fixed Income

#### **Rates Indicators**

MGS	Previous Bus. Day	Yesterday's Close	Change (bps)
3YR ML 5/27	3.36	3.36	Unchg
5YR MI 8/29	3.53	3.51	-2
7YR MS 4/31	3.71	3.69	-2
10YR MS 7/34	3.77	3.76	-1
15YR MS 4/39	3.92	3.91	-1
20YR MX 5/44	4.06	4.06	Unchg
30YR MZ 3/53	4.19	4.19	Unchg
IRS			
6-months	3.50	3.49	-1
9-months	3.47	3.46	-1
1-year	3.44	3.39	-5
3-year	3.39	3.34	-5
5-year	3.44	3.39	-5
7-year	3.53	3.49	-4
10-year	3.64	3.59	-5

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Source: Maybank \*Indicative levels

- Ringgit government bonds traded slightly firmer taking cue from the global bonds movement and stronger Ringgit. UST rallied after Asia close following a weaker than expected JOLTS jobs openings and tepid ISM manufacturing PMI in prior session. Buying interest in local bonds focused on the belly part of the curve which saw yields dropping 1-2bps. Liquidity was thin as market awaits BNM MPC today and Friday's US jobs data.
- MYR IRS curve dropped 4-5bp, tracking the overnight plunge in US rates. 3M KLIBOR was flat at 3.53%. 4y IRS traded at 3.38%. 5y IRS traded between 3.39% and 3.41%.
- In the PDS market, GGs traded range bound. AAA ALR 10/29 spread tightened 1bp for MYR80m, while Cagamas came under selling pressure being sold off 4-9bp in sizeable amount. In this space, TNB traded at MTM. AA1/AA+ Sime Darby mid-tenor bonds traded 2-3bp lower, and YTL long tenor traded at MTM. AA3/AA- UMW Holdings Perp saw major changes in spread, though only MYR10m changing hands.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Daily Trade Data: 1) Government bonds and 2) PDS/corporate bonds

# Singapore Fixed Income

# **Rates Indicators**

SGS	Previous Bus. Day	Yesterday's Close	Change (bps)
2YR	2.59	2.53	-6
5YR	2.61	2.53	-8
10YR	2.74	2.67	-7
15YR	2.84	2.76	-8
20YR	2.89	2.81	-8
30YR	2.87	2.81	-6

Source: MAS (Bid Yields)

SGS yields declined 6-8bp at Asia close yesterday and will likely continue falling at the open this morning following the overnight rally in UST. The overnight SORA was last at 3.56% with the 5-day moving average in 3.25-3.50% area.



# Indonesia Fixed Income

#### **Rates Indicators**

IDR Gov't Bonds	Previous Bus. Day	Latest Day's Close	Change
1YR	6.60	6.61	0.01
2YR	6.54	6.52	(0.02)
5YR	6.58	6.57	(0.01)
7YR	6.72	6.69	(0.02)
10YR	6.67	6.67	(0.00)
20YR	6.85	6.85	0.01
30YR	6.85	6.85	0.00

- Most Indonesian government bonds came back strengthening yesterday. It's in line with recent appreciation of Rupiah against US\$ due to sustaining money inflow to Indonesian financial markets by foreign investors. The foreign investors kept coming to Indonesian financial markets due to high expectation for imminent policy rate cut by the Fed. On the fundamental side, Indonesian economy continues performing solid performance with relative manageable of inflation level.
- Meanwhile, we have just seen the government's strong commitment to maintaining the stability of people's purchasing power by remaining committed to the budget for fuel subsidies. Amid the current trend of declining oil prices, the government appears to have only reduced the energy subsidy budget by IDR 1.1 trillion. The Ministry of Finance and the House of Representatives Budget Agency (Banggar DPR) agreed to reduce the energy subsidy budget by IDR 1.1 trillion in the 2025 State Budget or APBN. The DPR and the government agreed on a total 2025 energy subsidy budget of IDR 203.4 trillion. The amount is down IDR 1.1 trillion from the initial RAPBN of IDR 204.5 trillion.

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<sup>\*</sup> Source: Bloomberg, Maybank Indonesia



Foreign Exchange: Daily Levels

	EUR/USD	USD/JPY	AUD/USD	GBP/USD	USD/CNH	NZD/USD	EUR/JPY	AUD/JPY
R2	1.1128	146.20	0.6783	1.3215	7.1315	0.6243	161.4467	98.1317
R1	1.1105	144.97	0.6754	1.3181	7.1225	0.6221	160.3733	97.3943
Current	1.1081	143.74	0.6728	1.3153	7.0980	0.6197	159.2800	96.7050
S1	1.1049	143.11	0.6691	1.3107	7.1051	0.6173	158.7433	96.2563
S2	1.1016	142.48	0.6657	1.3067	7.0967	0.6147	158.1867	95.8557
	USD/SGD	USD/MYR	USD/IDR	USD/PHP	USD/THB	EUR/SGD	CNY/MYR	SGD/MYR
R2	1.3109	4.3822	15562	56.6483	34.4960	1.4488	0.6137	3.3535
R1	1.3073	4.3677	15518	56.6177	34.3630	1.4468	0.6128	3.3429
Current	1.3028	4.3340	15411	56.4100	33.8870	1.4436	0.6106	3.3269
S1	1.3007	4.3404	15450	56.5367	34.0430	1.4421	0.6108	3.3223
S2	1.2977	4.3276	15426	56.4863	33.8560	1.4394	0.6096	3.3123

 $<sup>^*</sup>$ Values calculated based on pivots, a formula that projects support/resistance for the day.

Policy Rates			
Rates	Current (%)	Upcoming CB Meeting	MBB Expectation
MAS SGD 3-Month SIBOR	3.7000	Oct-24	Neutral
BNM O/N Policy Rate	3.00	5/9/2024	Neutral
<b>BI</b> 7-Day Reverse Repo Rate	6.25	18/9/2024	Easing
BOT 1-Day Repo	2.50	16/10/2024	Neutral
BSP O/N Reverse Repo	6.25	17/10/2024	Easing
CBC Discount Rate	2.00	19/9/2024	Neutral
HKMA Base Rate	5.75	-	Easing
PBOC 1Y Loan Prime Rate	3.35	-	Easing
RBI Repo Rate	6.50	9/10/2024	Neutral
BOK Base Rate	3.50	11/10/2024	Easing
Fed Funds Target Rate	5.50	19/9/2024	Easing
ECB Deposit Facility Rate	3.75	12/9/2024	Easing
BOE Official Bank Rate	5.00	19/9/2024	Easing
RBA Cash Rate Target	4.35	24/9/2024	Neutral
RBNZ Official Cash Rate	5.25	9/10/2024	Easing
BOJ Rate (Lower bound)	0.00	20/9/2024	Tightening
BoC O/N Rate	4.25	4/9/2024	Easing

	Value	% Change
Dow	40,974.97	0.09
Nasdaq	17,084.30	-0.30
Nikkei 225	37,047.61	-4.24
FTSE	8,269.60	-0.35
Australia ASX 200	7,950.48	-1 <mark>.89</mark>
Singapore Straits Times	3,441.38	-1.12
Kuala Lumpur Composite	1,670.24	-0.38
Jakarta Composite	7,672.90	0.74
P hilippines Composite	6,882.12	-0.01
Taiwan TAIEX	21,092.75	-4.52
Korea KOSPI	2,580.80	-3.15
hanghai Comp Index	2,784.28	-0.67
Hong Kong Hang Seng	17,457.34	-1.10
India Sensex	82,352.64	-0.25
lymex Crude Oil WTI	69.20	-1. <mark>6</mark> 2
Comex Gold	2,526.00	0.12
Reuters CRB Index	270.26	-0.93
M B B KL	10.80	0.93



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