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Europe/US Market Update - 25th March 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

24-Mar-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1573.50	1574.00	13.6825	13.7025	662.50	665.50	1829.00	1839.00
HIGH	1634.20	1634.70	14.2575	14.2775	710.00	713.00	1994.50	2004.50
LOW	1567.10	1567.60	13.5825	13.6025	661.00	664.00	1825.50	1835.50
CLOSE	1624.20	1624.70	14.1950	14.2150	706.00	709.00	1925.50	1935.50
EFP	30.00	50.00	0.0900	0.1200	0.00	2.00	-150.00	-100.00
Active Contract	GCJ0 Comdty		SIKO Comdty		PLJ0 Comdty		PAM0 Comdty	

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- A stunning session for U.S. equity markets on the back of the proposed stimulus measures.
- The DJIA surged +11.36% or 2,112.98 points to 20,704.91 points, marking the largest single session points gain in history and the largest percentage gain since 1933.
- The S&P 500 ripped +9.38% to 2,447.33 points as energy (+16.31%), financial (+12.75%) and industrial stocks (+12.75%) led gains.
- The Nasdaq Composite ended +8.12% higher at 7,417.855 points.
- The VIX gauge inched just +0.13% higher to 61.67
- The greenback remained heavy on Tuesday (DXY -0.57%), however managed to hold unchanged relative to the safe-haven Japanese Yen. Declines were largely against the Euro (EUR/USD +0.57%) and the pound (GBP/USD +2.05%).
- U.S. treasury yields move higher on the skew into risk, seeing the two-year 6bps higher to 0.37%, while the 10-year firmed 8bps to 0.85%.

- Stocks in Europe surged to see the Euro Stoxx 600 +8.4% higher to 304.00, the German Dax ripped +10.98% to 9,700.57 points, while in London the FTSE 100 jumped +9.05% to 5,446.01 points.
- The Bloomberg U.S. consumer confidence measure declined 3.3 points to a four-month low of 59.7 during the week ended March 22.
- The Markit U.S. manufacturing PMI contracted during March, falling to 49.2 (prev: 50.7) to mark the lowest level since 2009. The services PMI collapsed to 39.1 during March (prev: 49.4) to mark the lowest level on record.
- New home sales in the U.S. sunk -4.4% MoM during February (exp: -1.8%) from a +10.5% increase in January.

PRECIOUS

- Further gains across the precious complex on Tuesday as gold firmly re-established its safe-haven status.
- It was generally one-way traffic throughout the session, as the yellow metal pushed through USD \$1,600 in Europe, albeit a false break, before reclaiming the figure in early New York and extending to a USD \$1,634.20 session high print.
- Gold finished toward the session high for a +5% gain
- The volatility saw spreads move out in excess of USD \$30
- Near-term resistance sits toward USD \$1,640 - \$1,650, however the metal looks likely to test a move through to USD \$1,700.
- Silver finished the session +7% higher to consolidate above USD \$14.
- The grey metal saw volatile pricing in Asia to touch USD \$14.10, however was sold sharply lower to print a USD \$14.20 low heading into European trade. Silver once again pushed above USD \$14 in Europe and extended to a USD \$14.25 session high.
- Platinum and palladium remained well bid on South African producer shutdown headlines, adding an astonishing +11% and 12.7% respectively.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold remains well supported in early session flows, pushing above USD \$1,630 to test the New York high print.
- Expected pull-backs toward USD \$1,600 find support, while USD \$1,580 should provide a near-term base.
- Spreads continue to oscillate between USD \$3 and USD \$20, while the EFP sits toward USD \$50 mid for April

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