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Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

15-May-19	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1294.80	1295.30	14.7850	14.8050	855.30	857.30	1334.40	1344.40
HIGH	1300.90	1301.40	14.8550	14.8750	855.90	857.90	1354.00	1364.00
LOW	1293.00	1293.50	14.7550	14.7750	841.00	843.00	1302.00	1312.00
CLOSE	1296.10	1296.60	14.7850	14.8050	845.00	847.00	1340.50	1350.50
EFP	0.30	0.80	(0.0100)	0.0100	1.00	3.00	(14.00)	(4.00)
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.8150		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1298.90	1299.10			850.00	846.00	1326.00	1311.00
Active Contract	GCM9 Comdty		SIN9 Comdty		PLN9 Comdty		PAM9 Comdty	

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- Equities pushed higher again on signs that Trump was attempting to ease trade tensions with China.
- The Dow Jones climbed 115.97 points, The S&P500 gained 16.55 points whilst the Nasdaq advanced 87.65 points.
- European shares were also bid. The Euro STOXX rallied 0.6%, the German Dax rose 0.9% whilst the UK FTSE firmed 0.8%.
- The VIX gauge sank 9% to 16.00.
- US treasury yields were softer. The 2 year yield fell 4.3 bps to 2.162% whilst the 10 year yield declined 3.9 bps to 2.375%.
- Oil prices were higher. WTI rose 1.2% to \$62.14 whilst Brent rallies 1.1% to \$71.89.
- Base metals were firmer lead by Nickel which firmed 1.9% to 12,149.
- The CRB index rose 0.4% to 180.66.
- Chinese domestic indicators were weak in April, following signs of stabilisation in Q1. Industrial Production was soft at 5.4% y/y whilst retail sales also disappointed, falling to 7.2% y/y.
- US IP fell 0.5% m/m in April.
- US April retail sales were also weaker than expected, falling 0.2% m/m, but March was revised up to a solid 1.7% gain

PRECIOUS

- Gold held a narrow range on Wednesday, briefly pushing above USD \$1,300, however only to finish underneath the figure.
- Asia saw an offered tone to test below USD \$1,295 against dollar headwinds, however the weakness was soon reversed once Europe filtered in.
- Early New York declines to equities buoyed bullion to move above USD \$1,300, although the push higher was short-lived as headlines surrounding a delay to auto tariffs supported stocks.
- Silver pricing remains uninspiring and the grey metal once again failed to break out to the top-side as gold pushed through USD \$1,300.
- Palladium tested toward USD \$1,300 in early New York before ripping higher to move briefly through USD \$1,350.
- Platinum tracked lower throughout the session, easing underneath the USD \$850 support, however has managed to hold around the support.



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PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold continues to see interest on the back of the U.S. - China trade headlines, however currently lacks the support to consolidate above USD \$1,300.
- Data releases today:
- Australian employment
- U.S. housing starts
- U.S. building approvals
- Philadelphia Fed business outlook
- U.S. initial jobless claims
- Bloomberg U.S. consumer confidence

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