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Europe/US Market Update - 10th March 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

9-Mar-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1668.60	1669.10	16.6450	16.6650	880.30	882.30	2479.00	2489.00
HIGH	1685.60	1686.10	17.0950	17.1150	889.90	891.90	2526.40	2536.40
LOW	1661.10	1661.60	16.6200	16.6400	860.90	862.90	2360.00	2370.00
CLOSE	1677.80	1678.30	16.9900	17.0100	864.60	866.60	2517.10	2527.10
EFP	0.20	0.70	(0.0200)	0.0000	(2.00)	0.00	(120.00)	(110.00)
Active Contract	GCIO Comdty		SIKO Comdty		PLIO Comdty		PAMO Comdty	

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- Carnage in US equity markets forces the NYSE to force a 15 minute break in early trading.
- All three major benchmarks suffered their worst one day percentage declines since 2008.
- The Dow dropped 2,013.76 points to 23,851.02, the S&P 500 lost 225.81 points to 2,746.56, while the Nasdaq tumbled 624.94 points to 7,950.68.
- Energy (-20.08%), financials (-10.91%) and materials (-9.26%) led the sell off.
- The VIX gauge rose 29.85% to 54.46, the highest level since the GFC.
- The US dollar index eased 0.38% to 95.07, the EUR was up at 1.146, while USD/JPY traded as low as 101.85.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 6.8 bps to 0.391% while the 10 year yield added 4.4 bps to 0.562%.
- European shares were sharply lower, the EuroSTOXX dropped 7.44%, the German DAX sold off 7.94%, while the UK FTSE gave up 7.69%.
- Slight rebound in oil prices, Brent gained 6.1% to \$34.37 while WTI put on 8.8% to \$30.96.
- Base metals were mostly lower, with nickel (-1.5%) leading the losses.

- In US economic data, the ISM manufacturing index fell to 50.1% in February.
- Construction projects rose 1.8% to an annual rate of 1.37 trillion in January.

PRECIOUS

- Gold gapped \$14 on the open in Asia then on to the session high \$1702 as USD/JPY dipped.
- Sharp sell-off saw gold quickly back at \$1660.
- The metal was choppy through the London AM session as euro equities slumped further.
- Gold was back above \$1680 in early NY hours but testing the \$1660 by lunchtime.
- A slow-ish grind higher through the afternoon saw the yellow metal close in front at \$1680.
- Silver shed \$1 off the high in Asia before reclaiming some the losses.
- PGMs were sold off, with platinum taking the biggest hit.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index fell 8.47% to 94.29.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- Ahead today:
- US Motor Vehicle Sales
- EU GDP Growth
- EU Employment Change

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