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Europe/US Market Update - 17th January 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

16-Jan-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1552.90	1553.40	17.9050	17.9250	1014.00	1016.00	2287.50	2317.50
HIGH	1557.20	1557.70	18.0300	18.0500	1040.50	1042.50	2375.50	2405.50
LOW	1548.10	1548.60	17.8800	17.9000	994.50	996.50	2271.50	2301.50
CLOSE	1550.10	1550.60	17.9225	17.9425	999.50	1001.50	2288.00	2318.00
EFP	0.00	0.10	0.0000	0.0100	3.50	4.50	-140.00	-100.00
Active Contract	GCGO Comdty		SIHO Comdty		PLJO Comdty		PAHO Comdty	

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- Positive trade news and solid data fuelled U.S. equities to fresh record highs once again.
- The DJIA ended +0.92% higher at 29,297.64 points, the S&P 500 added +0.84% to 3,316.81 point, while the Nasdaq Composite jumped +1.06% to 9,357.133 points.
- Gains were led by technology stocks (+1.40%) and Industrial stocks (+1.01%).
- The VIX gauge declined -0.81% to 12.32
- The greenback surged higher in New York (DXY +0.14%), making notable gains against the Japanese Yen (USD/JPY +0.26%) to reclaim 110.00 and the Euro (EUR/USD -0.13%).
- Treasury yields finished higher, however off the session highs following late session declines. The two-year finished 0.5bps higher at 1.563% and the 10-year added 1.9bps to 1.805%.
- Stocks in Europe ended trade mixed as the Stoxx Europe 600 firmed +0.22% to 420.54 points, the German Dax eased just -0.02% to 13,249.43 points as autos lagged, while a firmer pound weighed upon the FTSE 100 in London to see the bourse end -0.43% lower to 7,609.81 points.
- Retails sales in the U.S. increased for a third straight month during December, adding +0.3% MoM, while November saw an upwards revision to +0.3% from +0.2% previously.

- The Philadelphia Fed business outlook spiked to 17.0 (exp: 3.8) during January
- Initial jobless claims fell 10k to 204k during the week ended Jan 11

PRECIOUS

- Gold tracked a narrow USD \$10 range on Thursday, while seeing solid supportive price action toward USD \$1,550.
- The yellow metal declined modestly in Asia, before accelerating once London filtered in to test toward USD \$1,550. Interest around the figure restricted further declines and the metal pushed back toward the session high around USD \$1,558 pre-New York.
- Positive U.S. data saw the metal once again offered, briefly testing sub USD \$1,550, however interest around the level again kept declines in-check.
- Gold ended the session mid-range around USD \$1,554.
- Silver tested a break above USD \$18 on multiple occasions, however was unable to consolidate above the figure.
- Platinum ended off -1.7%, however was able to finish above USD \$1,000
- Palladium surged to a high just underneath USD \$2,400 to print a fresh all-time high. While the metal pared gains in New York it managed to close above USD \$2,300 for a +2.2% gain.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading, seeing interest toward USD \$1,550 support the metal.
- Silver tests back toward USD \$18
- China 4Q GDP in-line with expectations at +6.0% YoY
- Ahead today:
 - U.K. retail sales
 - Eurozone CPI
 - U.S. housing starts
 - U.S. building permits
 - U.S. industrial production
 - University of Michigan consumer confidence

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