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Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

19-Dec-17	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1263.25	1263.75	16.1200	16.1500	908.00	911.00	1021.00	1024.00
HIGH	1265.00	1265.50	16.2100	16.2400	918.00	921.00	1026.00	1029.00
LOW	1259.25	1259.75	16.0400	16.0700	906.00	909.00	1018.00	1021.00
CLOSE	1260.30	1260.80	16.0800	16.1100	912.00	915.00	1024.00	1027.00
EFP	2.95	3.05	0.0300	0.0400	-1.00	0.00	-10.00	-5.00
LBMA Prices	AM 1263.10	PM 1260.35	16.1550		AM 908.00	PM 914.00	AM 1019.00	PM 1016.00
Active Contract	GCG8 Comdty		SIH8 Comdty		PLF8 Comdty		PAH8 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities fell overnight with REIT's weighing on the market.
- The Dow Jones fell 37.45 points or -0.15%, the S&P500 lost 8.69 points or -0.32%, while the Nasdaq declined 30.91 points or -0.44%
- The best performing sector was consumer staples (+0.35%) whilst REIT's were down the most (-1.86%).
- European shares were mixed. the Euro STOXX lost 0.42%, the German Dax eased 0.72% while the UK FTSE rose 0.09%.
- The VIX gauge jumped 6.4% to 10.14.
- The dollar index fell 0.26% to 93.45. The EUR touched a high of 1.1850, while USDJPY traded down to 112.51
- U.S. housing starts increased +3.3% MoM during November (exp: -3.1%) to a seasonally adjust annual rate of 1.297 million.
- U.S. building permits eased -1.4% MoM during November (exp: -3.5%)
- Republican tax reform is one step closer with the House voting in favour 227-203 votes. The bill now moves to the senate.
- Business sentiment in Germany unexpectedly declined during December according to the latest IFO survey results. The IFO business climate index eased to 117.2 from a record 117.6 in November.



PRECIOUS

A quiet session for gold on Tuesday, however resilient despite UST yields ripping higher

- Demand out of Asia in early session pricing saw the metal pull away from USD \$1,260 to test toward USD \$1,265.
- Chinese physical interest continued to support price action, seeing the on-shore premium toward USD \$11.
- Europe continued the bid tone, however early session offers out of the U.S. saw support toward USD \$1,260 tested once again.
- Late session dollar weakness saw the metal importantly close above the support level to end the session generally unchanged.
- Silver was able to consolidate above the USD \$16 support level, recovering into the close following weakness in early New York.
- Platinum price action remains elevated with the metal adding a further +0.5% on Tuesday.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold is holding unchanged in early flows, with the USD \$1,260 support level still in play.
- Ahead today:
U.S. MBA mortgage applications
U.S. existing home sales

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