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Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

3-May-19	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1271.60	1272.00	14.6150	14.6350	848.90	850.90	1351.10	1361.10
HIGH	1282.60	1283.00	14.9750	14.9950	871.80	873.80	1378.30	1388.30
LOW	1267.90	1268.30	14.5950	14.6150	846.40	848.40	1340.20	1350.20
CLOSE	1279.10	1279.50	14.9300	14.9500	870.90	872.90	1368.10	1378.10
EFP	0.90	1.30	0.0000	0.0200	2.00	4.00	(15.00)	(5.00)
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.6550		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1270.05	1278.55			853.00	855.00	1357.00	1359.00
Active Contract	GCM9 Comdty		SIN9 Comdty		PLN9 Comdty		PAM9 Comdty	

MACRO

- Non-farm payrolls increased by 263k in April, outperforming the 213k expectation.
- US equities were higher on the positive employment data.
- The Dow added 197.16 points to 26,504.95, the S&P 500 rose 28.12 points to 2,945.64, while the Nasdaq gained 127.22 points to 8,164.000.
- Consumer discretionary (+1.40%), industrials (+1.24%) and communications (+1.16%) led a broad advance in the markets.
- The VIX gauge lost 10.7% to 12.87.
- The US dollar index eased 0.27% to 97.56, the EUR traded up to 1.1201, while USD/JPY slumped to 110.42.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield fell 1.2 bps to 2.333% while the 10 year yield lost 1.6 bps 2.525%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent put on 0.6% to \$70.85 while WTI firmed 0.4% to \$61.94.
- Base metals were mostly higher, with zinc (+1.5%) leading the gains.
- In US economic data, the unemployment rate fell to 3.6% in April from 3.8% in March, a 49 year low.
- Average hourly earnings rose 6c to \$27.77 an hour in April.
- The advance trade in goods deficit rose 0.7% to \$71.4 billion in March.
- The ISM non-manufacturing index fell to 55.5 in April from 56.1 in March.
- Markit services PMI fell to 53 in April from 55.3 in March.

PRECIOUS

- Strong session for precious after US NFPs outperform.
- Gold traded a tight \$1270-73 range during Asian hours with China and Japan out.
- The market was a little softer in early London hours, we saw the \$1268 low during the AM session.
- The US dollar was sold sharply following the NFP data release in NY which supported gold.
- The yellow metal surged to a session high \$1282 before closing well ahead at \$1278.
- Silver climbed over 2% to finish at \$14.96.
- PGMs were higher, platinum and palladium closed at \$869 and \$1371 respectively.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 0.78%.



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- The SPDR gold trust holdings were down 0.63% to 740.82mt.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- US President Trump announced Sunday that tariffs on \$200bln worth of Chinese goods will increase to 25% next week.
- Asian equities markets have opened sharply lower while gold opened higher at \$1285.
- Ahead today:
- EU Markit Services PMI Final
- EU Retail Sales

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