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## Europe / US Market Update

### 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Range Europe / US Markets  
(from Globex open)

9-Jan-2019	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1281.65	1282.15	15.585	15.605	821.50	823.50	1329.60	1339.60
HIGH	1292.10	1292.60	15.760	15.780	824.00	826.00	1335.00	1345.00
LOW	1280.00	1280.50	15.580	15.600	818.00	820.00	1323.00	1333.00
CLOSE	1291.45	1291.95	15.695	15.715	823.50	825.50	1330.50	1340.50
EFP	0.90	1.10	0.0400	0.0500	3.50	4.50	-70.00	-55.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	15.620		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1281.30	1288.60			823.00	821.00	1339.00	1337.00
Active Contract	GCG9 Comdty		SIH9 Comdty		PLJ9 Comdty		PAH9 Comdty	

#### MACRO

- Minutes from the Federal Reserve December meeting showed members acknowledged 'some further gradual' increases in the benchmark rate would be appropriate, however the committee can 'afford to be patient about further policy firming.'
- U.S. stocks booked a fourth consecutive gain on Wednesday, buoyed by positive U.S./China trade talks and a dovish Fed.
- The DJIA closed +0.39% higher at 23,879.12 points, the S&P 500 added +0.41% to 2,584.96 points and the Nasdaq Composite jumped +0.87% to 6,957.078 points.
- European markets firmed on trade optimism while shrugging off soft trade data out of Germany. The Stoxx Europe 600 gained +0.53% to 347.70 points, the German Dax jumped +0.83% to 10,893.32 points, while in the U.K. the FTSE 100 added +0.66% to 6,906.63 points
- Currency majors were generally higher against the greenback (DXY -0.66%). The euro jumped +0.91%, the pound gained +0.6% and the safe-haven yen firmed +0.55%.
- U.S. treasury yields ended mixed overnight, with the two-year down 2.2bps to 2.563% and the 10-year 1.2bps higher to 2.728%.
- Oil prices ripped higher following comments from the Saudi Energy Minister stating exports from the Kingdom will fall in the coming months. WTI ended +4.7% higher at USD \$52.24 per barrel and Brent crude gained +4.51% to USD \$61.36 per barrel.

#### PRECIOUS

- Gold once again held range-bound on Wednesday (\$1,280 - \$1,293)
- The yellow metal withstood a test of USD \$1,280 during Asian/European hours, before turning higher in New York on the back of a softer greenback.
- Firmer regional equities and mixed dollar pricing had bullion under pressure throughout Asia, while London held the metal around USD \$1,280 in uninspiring trade.
- The dollar sell-off in early New York was the catalyst for a recovery to the yellow metal, pushing toward USD \$1,285 as the euro moved through 1.15.
- A stop loss run through USD \$1,285 saw the metal above USD \$1,290, while the dovish Fed minutes supported price action into the close.
- Silver saw volatile price action overnight, testing toward USD \$15.80 in early New York trade, before sharply paring gains to test USD \$15.60. The grey metal recovered into the close on an ailing dollar, ending around USD \$15.75.



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- Platinum firmed modestly to hold above USD \$820, while palladium held firm around USD \$1,330.

#### **PRE-ASIA COMMENTS**

- Gold trades quietly in early Asia, holding onto overnight gains.
- The yellow metal still holds range-bound (USD \$1,280 - 1,295)
- Ahead today:
  - Chinese CPI
  - U.S. Initial jobless
  - Bloomberg consumer confidence

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