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Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

11-Dec-18	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1246.80	1247.30	14.5950	14.6250	782.00	785.00	1211.60	1226.60
HIGH	1249.20	1249.70	14.725	14.755	789.30	792.30	1234.90	1249.90
LOW	1241.50	1242.00	14.5300	14.5600	778.10	781.10	1211.10	1226.10
CLOSE	1242.40	1242.90	14.5400	14.5700	782.30	785.30	1220.60	1235.60
EFP	5.20	5.70	0.0650	0.0950	-1.00	2.00	-65.00	-50.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.64		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1248.25	1245.30			780.00	786.00	1240.00	1256.00
Active Contract	GCG9 Comdty		SIH9 Comdty		PLF9 Comdty		PAH9 Comdty	

MACRO

- China is set to cut US car import tariffs to 15%, according to two unidentified sources. Trump tweeted that talks were going well.
- UK lawmakers have reportedly sent enough letters to trigger a no-confidence vote in Prime Minister May.
- A relatively lacklustre night for equities with the Dow Jones down 53.02 points whilst the S&P500 retreated 0.94 of a point.
- European shares were higher. The Euro STOXX climbed 1.3%, the German Dax rose 1.5% whilst the UK FTSE posted a gain of 1.3%
- The VIX gauge eased 1.8% to 22.25.
- US treasury yields were firmer. The 2 year yield gained 4.5 bps to 2.774% whilst the 10 year yield rose 2.2 bps to 2.879%.
- Oil prices were higher. WTI rose 1% to \$51.67 whilst Brent gained 0.2% to \$60.21.
- Base metals were mixed. Copper was up 1.3% whilst nickel fell 0.3%.
- The CRB index rose 0.1% to 181.80.
- US PPI rose 0.1% m/m or up 2.5% y/y matching expectations.
- UK labour figures were solid, with 79k jobs created in three months to October, whilst the unemployment rate was steady at 4.1%

PRECIOUS

- A subdued session for the precious with gold trading in a tiny \$5 range.
- XAU drifted marginally lower over the course of the day on the back of the firmer greenback.
- 1240-1250 appears to be the range for the time being.
- Palladium continues to outperform, trading up to a high of 1235 thanks to continued tightness in the forward market with March EFP's trading in the -70's overnight.
- Despite Pd's strength, platinum is still unable to find a bid, lagging around 790.
- USDCNH trading under 6.90 should provide a bid for the yellow metal in Asia.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index fell 0.46%.
- The SPDR gold trust holdings rose 0.43% to 763.63 metric tons.



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PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trading.
- Asian equities open higher.
- Ahead today: US CPI and Summit of EU Leaders

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