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Europe / US Market Update
20th September 2018

Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

19-Sep-18	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1201.85	1202.35	14.1950	14.2250	817.10	820.10	1018.10	1023.10
HIGH	1205.95	1206.45	14.335	14.365	826.30	829.30	1043.40	1048.40
LOW	1201.05	1201.55	14.1450	14.1750	814.00	817.00	1015.40	1020.40
CLOSE	1203.55	1204.05	14.2300	14.2600	822.50	825.50	1038.30	1043.30
EFP	4.35	4.85	0.0100	0.0400	-1.50	1.50	-15.00	-10.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.19		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1203.00	1203.30			820.00	817.00	1014.00	1025.00
Active Contract	GCZ8 Comdty		SIZ8 Comdty		PLV8 Comdty		PAZ8 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities were mostly higher despite increased trade tensions.
- The Dow added 158.80 points to 26,405.76, the S&P 500 rose 3.64 points to 2,907.95, while the Nasdaq lost 6.07 points to 7,950.04.
- There were wins for financials (+1.76%) and materials (+1.12%), while utilities (-2.12%) and telecoms (-1.35%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge fell 1.04% to 11.80.
- The US dollar index eased 0.06% to 94.548, the EUR was as high as 1.1711 before retracing, while USD/JPY traded down to 112.15.
- US treasury yields were mixed, the 2 year yield slipped 0.8 bps to 2.79% while the 10 year yield added 1.7 bps to 3.06%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX gained 0.33%, the German DAX advanced 0.50%, while the UK FTSE put on 0.42%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent firmed 0.2% to \$79.22 while WTI added 1.8% to \$71.20.
- Base metals were mostly higher, with zinc (+3.6%) leading the charge.
- In US economic data, the current account deficit narrowed to \$102bln in Q2 from \$122bln in Q1.
- Housing starts rose to 1.282M in August from 1.168M in July.

PRECIOUS

- Modest gains for the precious as gold holds above \$1200.
- Gold opened at \$1197 in Asia which would end up being the day's low.
- USD/CNH dipped after the Chinese open and gold was bought above \$1200.
- The SGE premium was slightly firmer at \$5-6 and we saw solid buying through the session.
- The market reached \$1203 ahead of the London open.
- There was a consolidation between \$1202-04 through the London AM session.
- Gold pops up to the session high \$1206 in early NY hours but is sold off as USD rebounds.



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- The yellow metal finished at \$1203 with good two-way flows seen during the remainder of the day.
- Silver hit a high of \$14.33 before coming off, the grey metal still closed ahead at \$14.20.
- PGMs continued the march higher, palladium surged 2.7% to a 5 month high \$1038.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index added 1.97%.
- SPDR Gold Trust holdings unchanged at 742.23mt.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold trading higher in early Asian hours.
- Ahead today:
- US Weekly Jobless Claims
- US Philly Fed Index
- US Existing Home Sales
- US Leading Economic Indicators
- US Household Debt
- EU Consumer Confidence (flash)
- China Consumer Confidence

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