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Europe / US Market Update
21st December 2018

Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

20-Dec-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1245.35	1245.85	14.585	14.605	786.70	788.70	1253.80	1263.80
HIGH	1264.90	1265.40	14.830	14.850	796.00	798.00	1265.00	1275.00
LOW	1244.90	1245.40	14.570	14.590	785.00	787.00	1250.00	1260.00
CLOSE	1264.15	1264.65	14.785	14.805	796.00	798.00	1260.40	1270.40
EFP	3.50	3.70	0.0600	0.0700	-0.50	0.50	-80.00	-65.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	14.770		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1255.00	1259.75			791.00	791.00	1274.00	1271.00
Active Contract	GCG9 Comdty		SIH9 Comdty		PLF9 Comdty		PAH9 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities continue to get hammered following the FOMC decision.
- The Dow tanked 464.06 points, the S&P500 fell 39.54 points whilst the Nasdaq retraced 108.42 points.
- European shares were also softer. The Euro STOXX fell 1.7%, the German Dax lost 1.7% whilst the UK FTSE eased 0.8%.
- The VIX gauge rallied 12% to 28.66.
- The DXY was 0.75 points lower, closing at 96.27.
- US treasury yields were firmer. The 2 year yield rallied 2.5bps to 2.673% whilst the 10 year yield rose 3.7 bps to 2.785%.
- Oil prices were lower again. WTI fell 1.8% to \$46.17 whilst Brent lost 2.7% to \$54.67.
- The CRB index fell 2% to 172.67.
- BOE left rates unchanged.
- UK retail sales rebounded.
- The Philadelphia Fed Index hit its lowest level since August 2016.

PRECIOUS

- A firm day for the precious with gold trading around \$20 higher from the lows!
- The yellow metal posted its first close above the 200dma since May this year.
- Money continues to flow out of equities and into gold.
- After getting hammered following the FOMC decision, XAU consolidated around the lows in Asia edging marginally higher leading into Europe.
- SGE premium was around \$7 providing a small bid to the market.
- London were happy to buy the metal and the market began to gain ascendancy pushing back through 1250 up to a high of 1255 prior to the NY open.
- NY were also buyers pushing the metal a further \$10 higher.
- Silver also traded higher but was lacklustre compared to gold.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index surged 4.78% to 69.79.



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PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold retains its bid in early Asia.
- Asian equities open lower following Wall Street's rout.
- Ahead today: US GDP

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