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Europe / US Market Update

25th January 2018

Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

24-Jan-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1342.50	1343.00	17.0600	17.0900	1004.00	1007.00	1093.00	1096.00
HIGH	1362.00	1362.50	17.5800	17.6100	1020.00	1023.00	1112.00	1115.00
LOW	1342.50	1343.00	17.0500	17.0800	1004.00	1007.00	1093.00	1096.00
CLOSE	1359.30	1359.80	17.5400	17.5700	1016.00	1019.00	1112.00	1115.00
EFP	-0.60	-0.50	-0.0100	0.0000	3.50	4.50	-9.00	-4.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	17.1900		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1350.50	1353.70			1014.00	1016.00	1099.00	1099.00
Active Contract	GCG8 Comdty		SIH8 Comdty		PLJ8 Comdty		PAH8 Comdty	

MACRO

- US equities were mixed in a volatile session, though the Dow held on to close at a record high.
- The Dow added 41.31 points to 26,252.12, the S&P 500 edged lower 1.59 points to 2,837.54, while the Nasdaq lost 45.230 points to 7,415.059.
- There were wins for financials (+0.68%) and telecoms (+0.66%) while tech (-0.91%) and utilities (-0.59%) led the laggards.
- The VIX gauge rose 2.52% to 11.38.
- The US dollar index dropped 1% to 89.226, the EUR traded up to 1.2408, while USD/JPY traded down to 109.01.
- US treasury yields were higher, 2 year yields firmed 3.59 bps to 2.0762 while 10 year yields rallied 3.53 bps to 2.6484%.
- European shares were lower, the EuroSTOXX 600 sold off 0.50%, the German DAX fell 1.07%, while the UK FTSE shed 1.14%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent rose 1.06% to \$70.70 while WTI put on 2.05% to \$65.79.
- Base metals were broadly higher, with nickel (+5.64) leading the pack.
- In US economic data, existing home sales fell 3.6% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.57M in Dec.
- Markit Manufacturing PMI flash reading rose to 55.5 in Jan from 55.2 in Dec.
- Markit Services PMI flash reading fell to 53.3 in Jan from 53.7 in Dec.

PRECIOUS

- Bumper night for the precious as gold climbs to a 1.5 year high on US dollar weakness.
- Gold was range-bound between \$1340-42 for most of Asian hours with the SGE premium at \$7-8.
- London were on the bid from the opening bell as the USD sell-off gained pace.
- The yellow metal climbed steadily higher in NY trading with the psychological \$1350 level providing little resistance.
- Gold posted the 1.5 year high off \$1362 a couple of hours prior to the close of trading.
- Silver surged over 3% to a high of \$17.58.



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- PGMs were higher, platinum and palladium closed at \$1014 and \$1109 respectively.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 2.42%.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold flat in early Asian trade.
- Ahead today:
US Weekly Jobless Claims
US Advance Trade in Goods
US New Home Sales
US Leading Economic Indicators
EU ECB Interest Rate Decision
EU Deposit Facility Rate
Germany IFO Business Climate

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