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Europe / US Market Update

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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

25-Jul-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1224.75	1225.25	15.470	15.490	834.70	836.70	914.60	919.60
HIGH	1234.00	1234.50	15.620	15.640	844.00	846.00	937.00	942.00
LOW	1224	1224.50	15.450	15.470	833.00	835.00	912.00	917.00
CLOSE	1231.95	1232.45	15.600	15.620	843.30	845.30	933.80	938.80
EFP	-0.10	0.10	0.0100	0.0200	1.00	2.00	-8.00	-4.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	15.565		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1230.55	1231.50			838.00	841.00	927.00	934.00
Active Contract	GCQ8 Comdty		SIU8 Comdty		PLV8 Comdty		PAU8 Comdty	

MACRO

- President Trump met with President of the European Commission Jean-Claude Juncker in Washington on Wednesday.
- The outcome of the meeting was positive, with the US and EU vowing to maintain a close relationship with "strong trade relations".
- US equities finished higher after the meeting with a near broad advance in the markets.
- The Dow added 172.16 points to 25,414.10, the S&P rose 25.67 points to 2,846.07, while the Nasdaq gained 91.471 points to 7,932.239.
- There were wins for tech (+1.50%) and industrials (+1.33%) while telecoms (-2.88%) was the lone laggard.
- The VIX gauge lost 0.97% to 12.29.
- The US dollar index eased 0.42% to 94.219, the EUR traded up to 1.1734, USD/JPY was as low as 110.75.
- US treasury yields were higher, the 2 year yield firmed 0.3.63 bps to 2.6694% while the 10 year yield rose 2.60 bps to 2.9746%.
- European shares were lower, the EuroSTOXX lost 0.26%, the German DAX fell 0.87%, while the UK FTSE sold off 0.66%.
- Oil prices were higher, Brent added 1.29% to \$74.39 while WTI put on 1.14% to \$69.30.
- Base metals were mostly lower, with zinc (-1.19%) leading the losses.
- In US economic data, new home sales fell 5.3% to a seasonally adjusted annualised rate of 631k in June.

PRECIOUS

- Gold opened at \$1224 and was range-bound between \$1224-27 for most of Asian hours.
- The market dipped only briefly below the opening level to the days low of \$1223 and appeared well supported at that level.
- London bought the metal through \$1230 as USD came under pressure against the Asian currencies.
- The yellow metal peaked at \$1233 in early NY trading.
- Gold pulled back to \$1228 ahead of the US-EU meeting in Washington.



- The market recovered on headlines suggesting that US-EU trade tensions were easing which sent the EUR higher.
- Gold ended the session ahead at \$1231.
- Silver rallied to a week-high \$15.62.
- Palladium surged almost 3% to close just shy of the \$940 high.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index added 0.59%.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Gold edging higher in early Asian trading.
- Asian markets open lower despite a strong lead from Wall St.
- Ahead today:

US Weekly Jobless Claims

US Durable Goods Orders

US Core Capital Equipment Orders

US Advance Trade in Goods

US Housing Vacancies

EU ECB Interest Rate Decision

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