



MKS PAMP GROUP
Europe / US Market Update
31st January 2018

Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

29-Jan-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1335.50	1336.00	17.1500	17.1800	1009.00	1012.00	1080.00	1084.00
HIGH	1349.00	1349.50	17.3300	17.3600	1010.00	1013.00	1090.00	1093.00
LOW	1334.20	1334.700	17.0700	17.1000	992.00	995.00	1050.00	1053.00
CLOSE	1339.00	1339.50	17.1500	17.1800	995.00	998.00	1055.00	1058.00
FFP	3.20	3.30	-2.50	-1.50	3.25	4.25	-8	-3
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	17.2950		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1345.70	1344.90			998.00	1004.00	1081.00	1083.00
Active Contract	GCJ8 Comdty		SIH8 Comdty		PLJ8 Comdty		PAH8 Comdty	

MACRO

- Major sell-off in US equities on fears that rising treasury yields could put a dampener on the current bull market.
- The Dow lost 362.59 points to 26,076.89, the S&P 500 slid 31.10 points to 2,822.43, while the Nasdaq sold off 64.025 points to 7,402.480.
- Healthcare (-2.13%) and Energy (-2.02%) led an almost broad decline.
- The VIX gauge climbed 7.37% to 14.86.
- The US dollar index lost 0.17% to 89.159, the EUR 1.2446 was as high as while USD/JPY traded down to 108.42.
- US treasury yields were higher, 2 year yields rose 0.6 bps to 2.1223% while 10 year yields firmed 3.00 bps to 2.7236%.
- European shares were lower, the EuroSTOXX 600 gave up 0.92%, the German DAX fell 0.95%, while the UK FTSE declined 1.09%.
- Oil prices were lower, Brent eased 0.78% to \$68.92 while WTI dropped 1.80% to \$64.38.
- Base metals were broadly lower, with nickel (-3.30%) the biggest loser.
- In US economic data, the Conference Board's consumer confidence index rose to 125.4 in Jan from 123.1 in Dec.
- The Case-Shiller home price index rose to 6.4% y/y in November.

PRECIOUS

- Volatile session for the precious with gold giving back all the early gains.
- Gold traded steadily lower through the Asian hours despite the \$8-10 SGE premium prompting good buying out of China.
- The session low of \$1334 was printed late in the Asian trading day.
- The market surged \$10 during to \$1345 during the London AM session as the USD was sold off.
- The yellow metal reached the \$1348 high just after the open in NY.
- All the gains were reversed as the 10yr US treasury yield rose above 2.7%, gold finished the session at \$1338.



- Silver posted a high of 17.30 before dropping to close at \$17.13.
- Palladium took the biggest hit, falling over 3.5% to the 2018 low of \$1048.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index lost 1.03%.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Asian markets open lower after the horror night on Wall St.
- Gold flat in early Asian trade.
- Ahead today:
 - US ADP Unemployment
 - US Employment Cost Index
 - US Chicago PMI
 - US Pending Home Sales
 - US FOMC Announcement
 - EU Unemployment Rate
 - EU Core Inflation
 - Germany Unemployment Rate

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