



**MKS PAMP GROUP**  
**Europe / US Market Update**  
**7<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

Range Europe / US Markets

6-Jun-2018	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1297.05	1297.55	16.5200	16.5400	901.30	903.30	991.90	996.90
HIGH	1301.65	1302.15	16.7300	16.7500	907.60	909.60	1021.80	1026.80
LOW	1293.65	1294.15	16.5200	16.5400	900.60	902.60	990.20	995.20
CLOSE	1297.15	1297.65	16.6900	16.7100	905.40	907.40	1017.50	1022.50
EFP	3.80	4.20	0.0050	0.0250	-0.50	0.50	-10.00	-5.00
LBMA Prices	AM	PM	16.545		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1295.25	1300.10			902.00	901.00	998.00	1008.00
Active Contract	GCQ8 Comdty		SIN8 Comdty		PLN8 Comdty		PAU8 Comdty	

**MACRO**

- Mortgage applications in the U.S. increased +4.1% during the week ended June 1 to follow a -2.1% decline the week prior.
- The U.S. ran a trade deficit of \$46.2 billion during April (exp: \$49.0 billion deficit), easing from a \$47.2 billion deficit previously on the back of a +0.3% rise in exports.
- U.S. equities ripped higher overnight, supported by a rally to financial stocks as bond yields pushed higher.
- The DJIA surged +1.40% to end at 25,146.39 points, the S&P 500 gained +0.86 points to 2,772.35 points and the Nasdaq Composite added +0.67% to a record 7,689.243 points..
- The greenback eased on Wednesday to see the DXY index off -0.22%. The buck notably traded heavily against the euro following comments from ECB officials suggesting the bank is ready to discuss ending QE.
- Treasury yields in the U.S. ticked higher overnight to see the 10-year 4.4bps higher to 2.971% and the two-year add 2.4bps to 2.516%
- Stocks in Europe ended generally higher on Wednesday, however participants were cautious following comments from ECB officials. The Stoxx Europe 600 eased just 0.01 points higher at 386.88 points, while the German Dax tacked on +0.34% to 12,830.07 points.
- In the U.K. gains to resources stocks helped the bourse book a +0.33% return to 7,712.37 points.



### **PRECIOUS**

- Mixed trade for gold on Wednesday as the metal made another break above USD \$1,300, however was unable to close above the figure.
- A generally robust Asian session as Chinese interest underpinned the price action to attempt a break above USD \$1,300 into European hours.
- The metal pared gains in Europe to see the session low of USD \$1,294.15 printed, however caught a bid once more on the back of the ECB comments as the euro tested toward 1.18
- A modest recovery to the greenback in New York restricted any further top-side gains, seeing bullion ease back underneath USD \$1,300 and close toward USD \$1,297.50 to be flat on the session.
- Gains to base metals helped both silver and palladium higher on Wednesday. Silver recaptured USD \$16.50 and extended gains to add over +1%, while palladium ripped higher in light volumes to break above USD \$1,000 and book a +2.6% gain.

### **PRE-ASIA COMMENTS**

- Price action has remained buoyant during early Asian trade on Thursday, with gold holding just underneath USD \$1,300.
- The overnight break again above USD \$1,300 should instil some confidence in bullion with a base forming around USD \$1,290 - \$1,294. Participants will however be looking for a close above USD \$1,300.

Data today includes;

German factory orders

U.K. house prices

Eurozone GDP

U.S. initial jobless claims

Bloomberg U.S. consumer confidence

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