

Global Markets Monitor

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Risk-on Sentiment prevails amid uncertainty

Equity markets mostly continue to gain while sovereign yields edge lower, with markets remaining focused on the US policy agenda. Amid relief that no immediate tariffs have yet been imposed by the US administration, equity markets generally continue to gain with US equity futures this morning also supported by robust corporate earnings results. Treasury yields continued to ease yesterday, likely reflecting optimism that a more gradual approach on tariffs would be taken. Contacts again note the significant uncertainty regarding potential tariffs, however, and Chinese financial markets were weighed down by threats by US President Trump to impose tariffs on China. In the meantime the dollar index has retraced all its gains made in 2025, and following Monday's threat to impose tariffs on Canada and Mexico, the CAD and MXN are now roughly 1% stronger respectively, compared to last Friday. This morning emerging market currencies were mostly stronger against the dollar, with the Malaysian ringgit outperforming its Asian peers after Bank Negara Malaysia kept its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 3%, as expected. Elsewhere, France's first syndicated bond sale in eight months attracted significant investor demand while in India, equities reached the weakest level since last June, amid foreign outflows.

Key Global Financial Indicators

Last updated:	Level		C				
1/22/25 12:38 PM	Last 12m	Latest	1 Day	7 Days	30 Days	12 M	YTD
Equities				9	%		%
S&P 500		6049	0.9	4	2	25	3
Eurostoxx 50	- washing	5223	1.1	4	7	17	7
Nikkei 225	mymm	39646	1.6	3	2	8	-1
MSCI EM	manner.	43	1.1	4	1	12	2
Yields and Spreads							
US 10y Yield	www.	4.57	-0.2	-8	5	47	1
Germany 10y Yield	man and a	2.51	-0.1	-5	22	22	14
EMBIG Sovereign Spread	with the same	319	-2	-3	-13	-80	-5
FX / Commodities / Volatility				9	%		
EM FX vs. USD, (+) = appreciation	manne	43.4	0.3	1	0	-8	1
Dollar index, (+) = \$ appreciation	and market	108.0	0.0	-1	0	5	0
Brent Crude Oil (\$/barrel)	and when a	79.4	0.1	-3	9	-1	6
VIX Index (%, change in pp)	mundemen	14.8	-0.2	-4	-4	2	-3

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Mature Markets

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United States

Risk assets gain on Tuesday after President Trump's inauguration but uncertainty remains. Contacts note that investors have been reassured somewhat after the new administration did not introduce immediate new tariffs, raising traders' hopes that the President only use tariffs as a negotiation tool and that the worst outcomes would not materialize. While nervousness for what could lie ahead remain, for now, investors' base case is that potential tariff measures would not derail US growth, albeit with a great deal of uncertainty. Treasury yields declined across the term structure (10y -5bps to around 4.6%; 2y -1bps to around 4.3%), and equity markets gained, with the S&P500 (+0.8%) closing at its highest level so far this year. Amongst the steps taken, President Trump rescinded ex-president Biden's executive order on AI, announced a new Al investment, and scheduled to meet Congressional Republican leaders to discuss tax cuts later Tuesday. Meanwhile, the SEC announced the creation of a task force to develop a regulatory framework for digital assets, criticizing the agency's approach under the previous administration. Al-related shares and small caps outperformed, while Bitcoin rebounded. The Brent crude price fell back to \$79/bbl yesterday with Goldman Sachs highlighting as contributing factors President Trump not imposing immediate sanctions on Iran or Russia on his first day in office, and also market expectations for US supply after Monday's declaration of National Energy Emergency. The dollar depreciated against major currencies yesterday.

Analysts estimate that some commodity markets are pricing in high probabilities of tariffs. According to Goldman Sachs Research, relatively high near-term tariff risk is priced in for copper and Canadian oil markets. The analysts find that the oil market is pricing in roughly a 40% probability of a 25% US tariff on Canadian goods, including oil, that President Trump has referenced, based on price differentials in and outside the US. The 40% probability is higher than the odds-implied probability in a prediction market. Similarly, the analysts estimate that the copper market is pricing in roughly a 50% probability of a 10% US tariff on copper by the end of Q1.

Exhibit 3: The Widening in Canadian Oil (WCS) Locational Differentials Indicates A Sharp Repricing Of Tariff Risks

WCS Hardisty-WCS Houston differentials need to be at least \$7/bbl wide to cover uncommitted pipeline transportation costs. The polymarket probability refers to the question: \"Will Trump impose 25% tariff on Mexico OR Canada? The market implied probability for tariffs on Canada alone is thus likely lower.

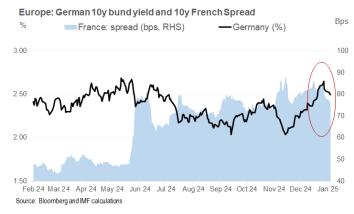
Source: Polymarket, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research

Europe

European equities were trading higher this morning with several indices reaching record highs. The Stoxx 600 index was 0.7% higher in early morning trade and reached an intraday record high for the first time since last September, according to Bloomberg data. Some commentary suggests the positive tone in risk assets indicates investor optimism at the lack (so far) of US tariffs on Europe, while others point to

at 2.50%).

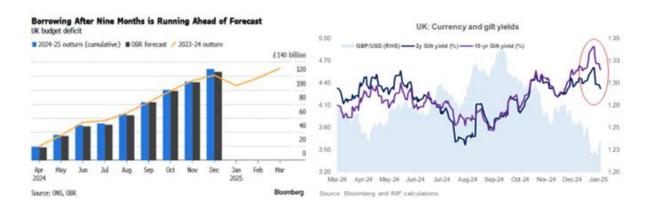
France's first syndicated bond sale in eight months attracts significant investor demand. According to Bloomberg data, orders for the new €10bn note maturing in 2042 exceeded €130bn yesterday, beating the previous record of €98bn set a year ago with a bid to cover ratio of 13.0x. Pricing for the issue settled at around eight bps over comparable bonds. Elsewhere, French Finance Minister Lombard said that he had secured support from Brussels for his deficit reduction plan. The new administration is



targeting a budget deficit of 5.4% this year, slightly larger the 5% targeted by the previous government. The 10Y French-German bund spread has narrowed to around 74bps, down from 83bps at the end of December. Separately, ECB Governing Council member Nagel said that he expects inflation to reach the 2% target by mid-2025, allowing policymakers to lower rates towards the neutral rate. This morning ECB President Lagarde, speaking at Davos, said that policymakers will maintain a gradual approach to easing monetary policy and that "we don't see ourselves behind the curve". Money market pricing for ECB rate cuts expects around 100bps of easing by December 2025, broadly unchanged relative to a week ago.

United Kingdom

Debt interest costs push up UK government borrowing. UK government borrowing rose to £17.8bn in December 2024, more than double the figure recorded in the prior year and the highest figure for December since the pandemic, according to Bloomberg data. The main driver of the increase was the cost of servicing inflation-linked debt, which accounts for around a quarter of the total stock of UK government debt. In addition, increases in welfare payments and public-sector pay also added to the increase in borrowing. Chief Treasury Secretary Jones reiterated the government's commitment to its fiscal rules saying that they remain "non-negotiable" and that the government will retain and "iron grip on public finances". Gilt yields were little changed this morning. Over the past week 10-year gilt yields have declined substantially (-14bps to 4.59%) outperforming German bunds (-5bps to 2.50%) and US Treasuries (-8bps to 4.57%), while money markets have added to expectations of BoE easing and now expect around 67bps of easing by December 2025, up from 56bps last week.



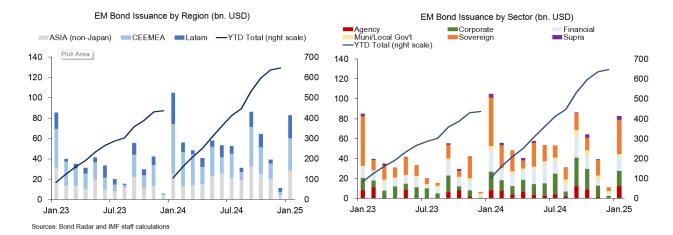
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EMEA equities and currencies mostly traded higher this morning as markets continued to rally on headlines of no immediate US tariffs. In CEE, equities edged higher with those in Poland (+1.3%) outperforming. The Polish zloty advanced (+0.3%) against the euro, trading at PLN 4.23/€, despite today's Polish industrial production data disappointing (+0.2%y/y growth reported for December (versus expected 2.5%, from -1.5%y/y). In Türkiye equities gained (+0.2%) while the lira was little changed against the dollar trading at TRY35.64/\$. Asian equities and currencies were mixed with Chinese assets underperforming amid renewed tariff threats from Trump while others gained. In line with market expectations, Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) kept its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 3%. BNM expects growth momentum to continue and inflation remaining under control this year. Following the central bank decision, the Malaysian ringgit gained 0.9% against the dollar, outperforming its Asian peers. Regional assets in Latin America were mixed as market participants assessed the decline in commodity prices and evolving US trade policies. The Mexican peso depreciated -0.6% against the US dollar following the announcement that Mexico could face potential tariffs of up to 25% on goods exported to the US. The Chilean Peso also declined marginally (-0.2%), weighed down by copper prices. Local currency government bond yields eased, in line with US rates, with 10-year Mexico and Colombia bond yields declining -20 and -16 bps, respectively. Local equities posted modest gains, with the broad MSCI Latin America index rising by 0.29%.

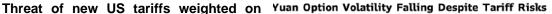
Emerging Market Bond Issuance

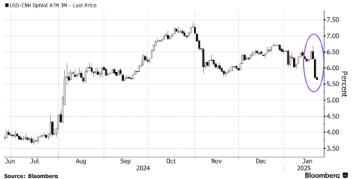
EM international bond issuances moderated in the past week. Issuances moderated to \$22.9bn, declining from a record \$60bn at the start of the year, according to data compiled by Bond Radar. Although market access has become more challenging, Benin's issuance of a \$500mn 6-year bond last week saw strong demand, with demand for the bond amounting to \$3.5 bn (7x oversubscribed) and the yield of the bond 8.625%, lower than the initial-price talks of 9.25–9.375%. Benin's successful issuance marks the first African sovereign dollar-bond offering in 2025. In contrast, Bahrain's Arab Banking Corp. (ABC) canceled its inaugural AT1 bond sales as investors withdrew their orders after its final price was set at 7.875%, lower than the initial price talk of around 8%. ABC halted the \$400 mn transaction despite initially garnering over \$750 mn in orders at the initial price talk. This cancellation marks the first pulled deal in the CEEMEA region for 2025. Year-to-date aggregate issuances currently stand at \$83 bn, slightly lower than the \$105 bn recorded in January 2024.



China

Chinese financial markets. US President Trump indicated possible new tariffs on Chinese goods and said a 10% tariff could come as soon as next month. The onshore yuan depreciated by 0.1% against the US dollar to CNY 7.275, the most in three weeks, while the offshore CNH weakened to 7.278 per dollar. Meanwhile, the benchmark CSI 300 Index fell for the first time in five days (-0.9%) and the Hong Kong Hang Seng

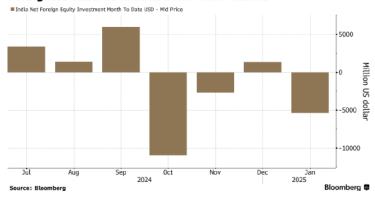




Index lost 1.6%, underperforming its Asian peers. While the 10% levy is lower than the 60% mentioned on the campaign trial, market observers expect heightened uncertainty to persist. That said, currency market traders noted that bearish Renminbi sentiment appears to be declining. Dollar-offshore yuan implied volatility, a measure of the currency pair's expected future movement, continued to fall even after Trump's renewed threat of tariffs on China, with the three-month tenor falling the most since December. Traders noted that hedge funds have been unwinding dollar-offshore yuan option trades this week, as the outlook for the Renminbi begins to stabilize.

India

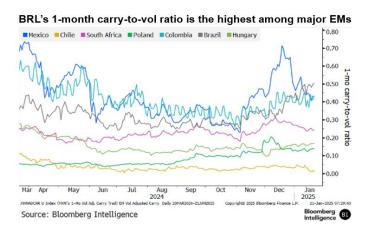
Indian equities fell to its weakest level Foreigners Resume Exodus From India Stocks since last June amid foreign outflows. Global funds pulled out \$5.4 bn from Indian equities on a net basis in January, per Bloomberg, more than offsetting robust domestic inflows into mutual funds. Since October, global funds have withdrawn over \$17 bn from Indian equities. Analysts note that worries about India's growth outlook, combined with weak corporate earnings results have weighted on the benchmark NSE



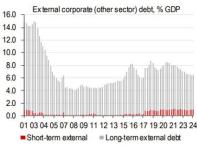
Nifty 50 Index, which has lost 12% since September and is currently at its lowest level since June. Bloomberg data show that foreign investors have mainly sold shares of financials, energy and other sectors vulnerable to slowing growth. That said, Indian shares remain expensive globally, with a forward PE ratio of about 19. In comparison, the S&P 500, which is near its historic high, has a forward PE ratio of 22 and has gained 6% since last October. Investors are shifting their focus to the federal budget announcement on February 1 for insights on government measures to stimulate consumption and growth.

Brazil

High carry offered by Brazilian Real may deter speculators to open shorts at current levels. The Brazilian Real continues to provide significant value for carry trades despite recent depreciation pressures, with a one-year interest rate now exceeding 10%, thus making it costly for investors to position themselves against the currency. Bloomberg analysts highlight that the 1-month carry-to-vol ratio is now the highest amongst major EM currencies, despite its recent volatility (left chart). Earlier last week, HSBC analyst also noted that the Brazilian Real is less vulnerable to global trade policies and external risks (right chart), while investors are also cognizant of central bank's intervention. Nevertheless, while downside risk to the currency appears to be manageable, the analysts argue that a significant strengthening of the currency would require a positive catalyst.



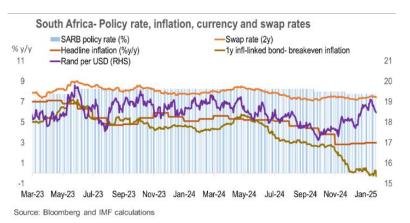
7...fortunately, BRL depreciation does not imply any serious financial stability concerns due in part to low external corporate debt



Source: CEIC, HSBC

South Africa

Inflation surprises on the downside in December. The rand edged higher (+0.2%) against the dollar this morning, trading at ZAR18.48/\$, while stocks gained +0.5% and 10y South Africa's domestic government bond yields declined by -6bps to 10.31%, after the December inflation print showed headline inflation increased by less than expected (3.0%y/y versus 3.2%, from 2.9% expected November) while core inflation



unexpectedly eased (3.6%y/y in December versus expected increase to 3.8% from 3.7%y/y). The South African Reserve Bank (SARB) has already cut its policy repo rate by -50bps since September, and analysts at Deutsche Bank and Bloomberg expect the central bank to pause easing in 2025 after the January cut given rising inflationary pressures from increasing wages. With inflation at the lower bound of the SARB's 3%–6% target range since November, money markets are currently pricing in another -25bps rate cut with 42% likelihood at the upcoming SARB's MPC meeting on January 30. Deutsche Bank analysts forecast inflation at 4.9% by the end of 2025 and averaging at 4.5% in 2026, against GDP growth of 1.7% in 2025 supported by structural rail and port reforms involving private investments and by fiscal consolidation with the deficit forecast to decline to 3.7% of GDP in 2025/26.

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Global Financial Indicators

	Level						
1/22/25 12:53 PM	Last 12m	Latest	1 Day	7 Days	30 Days	12 M	YTD
Equities					%		%
United States		6,049	0.9	3.6	2.0	24.7	3
Europe	way was	5,223	1.1	3.8	7.4	16.6	7
Japan	myfun	39,646	1.6	3.1	1.2	8.6	-1
China	and there	3,797	-0.9	0.0	-3.5	17.5	-4
Asia Ex Japan	manham	73	0.9	4.3	-0.1	16.1	1
Emerging Markets	months.	43	1.1	4.2	0.6	11.8	2
Interest Rates				basis	points		
US 10y Yield	my	4.6	0	-8	5	47	0
Germany 10y Yield	many -	2.5	0	-5	22	22	14
Japan 10y Yield		1.2	1	-6	14	54	10
UK 10y Yield	monument	4.6	0	-14	8	69	2
Credit Spreads							
US Investment Grade	many	117	0	-3	-3	-11	-3
US High Yield	manhan	296	-1	-13	-22	-95	-32
Exchange Rates					%		
USD/Majors	~~~~~~~	108.0	-0.1	-1.2	0.4	4.5	0
EUR/USD	- which	1.04	0.1	1.4	0.3	-4.1	1
USD/JPY	~~~~	155.9	0.3	-0.4	-0.8	5.3	-1
EM/USD	morning	43.4	0.3	0.9	-0.1	-8.4	1
Commodities					%		
Brent Crude Oil (\$/barrel)	and when	79.4	0.1	-3.3	9.4	4.4	6
Industrials Metals (index)	~~~~	144.7	-0.8	0.4	2.5	7.6	3
Agriculture (index)	man man man and man an	58.8	-0.2	1.1	4.9	-4.0	3
Implied Volatility	·						
VIX Index (%, change in pp)	mulunh	14.8	-0.2	-3.9	-3.5	1.7	-2.5
Global FX Volatility	whom	8.4	0.0	-0.6	-0.7	1.0	-0.8
EA Sovereign Spreads			10-Ye				
Greece	montheman	85	-2	5	-1	-19	-1
Italy	monmo	107	-1	-7	-9	-48	-9
France	mount	75	-2	-5	-5	25	-8
Spain	and the	62	-2	-3	-8	-30	-8

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Emerging Market Financial Indicators

Last updated:	Exchange Rates						Local Currency Bond Yields (GBI EM)								
1/22/2025	Leve			Change (in %)				Level	Change (in basis points)						
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		vs. USD	(-	(+) = EM appreciation					% p.a.						
China	~~~~	7.27	0.0	0.9	0.4	-1.0	0.4	are made	1.7	-2	1	-2	-88	-1	
Indonesia		16285	0.3	0.2	-0.7	-4.0	-1.1	and have been a	7.1	-2	-15	-1	45	5	
India		86	0.3	0.0	-1.4	-3.8	-0.8	many	7.2	1	-16	-9	-5	-17	
Philippines		59	0.0	0.2	-0.1	-3.8	-1.1		5.1	1	-1	16	-36	24	
Thailand	mayon	34	0.8	2.7	1.2	5.5	0.8	and the same of th	2.4	0	0	12	-35	11	
Malaysia	~~~~	4.44	0.9	1.4	1.2	6.7	0.8	my	3.8	0	-1	-3	1	0	
Argentina		1046	0.0	-0.6	-2.0	-21.5	-1.4	- A	25.0	-38	86	-334	-5600	-421	
Brazil		6.00	0.4	0.2	3.2	-16.9	2.9	and the same	15.3	3	-4	43	505	-65	
Chile	Myssight	997	0.6	0.9	-0.6	-8.8	-0.2		5.7	-4	-16	18	30	6	
Colombia	monum	4306	0.3	-0.3	2.6	-9.4	2.3	when when	11.5	-9	-20	6	174	-35	
Mexico		20.54	0.4	-0.4	-1.8	-16.3	1.4	~~~~	10.1	-10	-20	-19	76	-21	
Peru	Lunder	3.7	0.2	1.2	-0.2	0.3	0.3	work was	6.7	1	-5	-8	2	3	
Uruguay		44	0.1	0.6	1.3	-11.6	0.5		9.7	2	5	4	41	5	
Hungary	, may a part	394	0.2	1.5	0.6	-10.5	0.9	and the same of th	6.6	-3	-17	21	85	18	
Poland	~~~~~	4.05	0.6	2.1	1.2	-1.1	1.9	www.w.	5.6	-4	-14	12	56	5	
Romania	~~~~	4.8	0.1	1.4	0.3	-4.1	0.7		7.8	4	8	37	150	51	
Russia	Many	98.9	0.9	3.7	2.4	-10.9	14.8								
South Africa	mann	18.5	0.2	1.7	0.5	4.0	2.0	manyman	10.5	-6	-25	-3	-80	5	
Türkiye		35.65	-0.1	-0.6	-1.2	-15.2	-0.8	maring	27.6	-44	-120	-308	-11	-211	
US (DXY; 5y UST)	~~~~~	108	-0.1	-1.2	0.3	4.5	-0.5	man man	4.39	0	-5	2	37	1	

		Bond Spreads on USD Debt (EMBIG)											
	Level		Change (in %)					Level		Change (in basis points)			
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China	- han	3,797	-0.9	0.0	-3.5	17.5	-3.5	warmen of the same	95	4	-2	-67	-1
Indonesia	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	7,257	1.0	2.5	2.3	0.0	2.5	AND	94	1	-1	-17	3
India	mondan	76,405	0.7	-0.4	-2.7	8.6	-2.2	monthymas	88	0	5	-39	2
Philippines	-www.	6,348	0.1	0.3	-2.9	-4.1	-2.8	And appropriate for the state of the state o	86	1	1	-9	7
Thailand	my white	1,362	0.7	0.6	-1.8	0.4	-2.7						
Malaysia	myhmmy	1,588	0.5	1.6	-0.5	6.1	-3.3	menty	71	-1	1	-21	1
Argentina	~~~~~~	2,619,719	3.3	-4.2	6.2	114.7	3.4	Market Market	638	58	-33	-1332	1
Brazil	and your	123,768	0.3	0.9	1.4	-2.2	2.9	humbrun	226	-5	-16	18	-21
Chile	my m	7,029	-0.1	1.9	4.9	18.7	4.8	markan	119	1	5	-8	6
Colombia	many	1,392	0.3	-0.4	1.8	9.5	0.9	mounter	315	-4	-7	6	-11
Mexico	mm	50,450	0.5	1.2	1.7	-7.8	1.9	my why war	304	-8	-8	-31	-8
Peru	www	29,295	-1.2	-0.8	0.6	11.4	1.2	muhhhum	137	-3	-4	-18	-4
Hungary		85,824	1.0	2.3	9.0	32.6	8.2	**********	155	-2	-1	-13	0
Poland	my	85,464	1.2	3.1	7.5	14.0	7.4	Vy wash have	113	3	0	9	1
Romania	monmy	17,004	0.5	0.0	1.6	9.8	1.7	-	257	5	18	43	22
South Africa		85,199	0.3	2.0	0.7	17.8	1.3	manyam	296	5	5	-42	3
Türkiye		10,049	0.4	3.2	3.3	25.5	2.2	mannin	274	9	14	-77	15
EM total	my	43	0.2	4.2	0.6	11.8	1.7	- John State of the state of th	359	-2	-9	-3	-5

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