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GLOBAL MARKETS & ECONOMIES

GLOBAL MARKETS

U.S. & Global Markets – U.S. stocks closed lower after choppy trade on Monday, as some investors showed signs of earnings season nerves, while political worries in Europe led the dollar to strengthen against the euro and sterling.

The euro continued its slide on uncertainty over Italy's budget and the British pound fell on news that Brexit negotiations with the European Union over Northern Ireland remained in deadlock.

The U.S. Treasury yield curve was the flattest in more than two weeks, while two-year note yields hit their highest level in a decade. Gains in longer-dated notes were limited due to worries about rising inflation pressures and further U.S. Federal Reserve rate hikes.

Fixed income trading appeared to weigh on U.S. financial companies, making the sector the biggest drag on the S&P 500. A flat yield curve tends to hurt bank profits.

The third-quarter earnings season and U.S. midterm elections were also dampening equity investor enthusiasm, along with the rising dollar, according to money managers.

"We've seen decent results but not universally and there are some negative issues companies have talked about," said Tim Ghriskey, Chief Investment Strategist at Inverness Counsel in New York.

Investors should expect more volatility at least until U.S. congressional elections on Nov. 6, Ghriskey said.

"People are looking at the negatives and saying that it's a situation where there are more headwinds. At least until the midterms, it's going to be difficult to make any significant progress on the upside. The drift will be lower," said Alan Lancz, president, Alan B. Lancz & Associates Inc., an investment advisory firm in Toledo, Ohio.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 126.93 points, or 0.5 percent, to 25,317.41, the S&P 500 lost 11.9 points, or 0.43 percent, to 2,755.88 and the Nasdaq Composite added 19.60 points, or 0.26 percent, to 7,468.63.

U.S. EARNINGS

Investors looked ahead to the peak week for the U.S. earnings season, with Amazon, Alphabet, Microsoft and Caterpillar among the companies reporting.

Helped by a strong economy and deep corporate tax cuts, S&P 500 earnings per share are expected to grow 22 percent in the third quarter, according to Refinitiv estimates.

The dollar index rose 0.32 percent, with the euro down 0.41 percent to \$1.1466.

Sterling, meanwhile, was down 0.8 percent against the dollar. British Prime Minister Theresa May said the majority of Britain's deal to exit the EU has been agreed upon but repeated her opposition to an EU proposal regarding the Irish border.

Benchmark 10-year notes last rose in price to yield 3.1978 percent, from 3.202 percent late on Friday.

U.S. crude rose 0.42 percent to \$69.57 per barrel and Brent was last at \$80.11, up 0.41 percent on the day.

Spot gold dropped 0.3 percent to \$1,221.97 an ounce.

After rising as much as 0.7 percent during the European session, stocks there ended lower as relief over Moody's decision to keep Italy's sovereign rating outlook stable was short-lived and the focus turned to Europe's response to Rome's budget plans.

In China, Shanghai blue chips had gained 4.3 percent in their biggest one-day gain since November 2015, after Beijing promised stimulus support for stock markets in the world's second-largest economy.

(Source Reuters, Research – Elli)

GLOBAL ECONOMIES

China – China's new home prices increased at a firm pace in September, supported by gains in smaller cities and showing the market remained resilient despite pressures from softer investment, a slowing economy and government curbs on the sector.

Average new home prices in China's 70 major cities rose 0.9 percent in September from a month earlier, Reuters calculated from official data published on Saturday, slower than the previous month's reading of 1.4 percent, which was the fastest growth in two years.

Compared with a year ago, however, new home prices climbed 7.9 percent, the quickest year-on-year gain since August 2017 and faster than the previous month's 7 percent rise.

Prices continued to rise despite tougher curbs designed to rein in a near-three-year real estate boom that has spilled over from megacities to the hinterland.

In a sign of continued broad-based market strength, 64 out of the 70 cities surveyed by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) reported a monthly price increase for new homes, though the number was down from 67 in August.

While solid growth in the sector could cushion the impact of a vigorous multi-year government crackdown on debt and escalating trade tensions with the United States, it could also stoke fears of a bubble if prices climb aggressively.

Real estate has been one of the few bright spots in China's investment landscape, partly due to robust sales in smaller cities where a government clampdown on speculation has not been as aggressive as it has in larger cities.

Xia Dan, an analyst at Bank of Communications in Beijing, warned market expectations for property prices was moderating as the government tightened its property market controls.

"There are increasing uncertainties about the future trends in the housing market," Xia said.

There have already been some signs of caution in the market, as authorities stepped up controls in hundreds of cities. Transactions fell sharply over the period dubbed "Golden September and Silver October", traditionally a high season for new home sales.

Prices in China's largest cities where the strictest control measures are in place, were mostly stable in September, though Guangzhou prices rose 0.4 percent on-month and 4.3 percent year-on-year.

The top price performer in September was Xian, the capital of China's northwestern Shaanxi province, whose prices rose a blistering 6.2 percent from the previous month, NBS data showed.

Official data this week showed growth in China's real estate investment eased in September while home sales fell for the first time since April, as developers dialled back expansion plans amid economic uncertainties and as additional curbs on speculative investment kicked in.

Real estate investment, which mainly focuses on residential but also includes commercial and office space, rose 8.9 percent in September from a year earlier, compared with a 9.2 percent rise in August.

Property sales by floor area fell 3.6 percent in September from a year earlier, compared with a 2.4 percent gain in August, according to Reuters calculations, the first decline since April. In year-to-date terms, property sales rose 2.9 percent in the first three quarters.

Japan – Risk-taking in Japan's financial sector hit a near three-decade high in the April-September, a central bank gauge showed, in a sign years of ultra-easy monetary policy may be overheating some parts of the industry.

The Bank of Japan, in a semi-annual report on the financial system, said there were no signs of excessive risk-taking among Japanese financial institutions. But it warned that banks continue to increase real estate investment and lending to middle-risk borrowers, or companies with higher credit risk.

The report also said while the banking system generally remains stable, there is a growing divergence among Japan's approximately 100 regional banks in terms of profitability.

"Core capital ratios for domestic banks have gradually declined recently," as they struggle to earn profits that match the risks, the BOJ said in the report issued on Monday.

"In times of stress, downward pressure on the economy from the financial system, such as through a decline in financial institution's risk taking, could intensify more than in the past," it said.

Some financial institutions were also increasing high-risk lending overseas due to intensifying competition, which could make their balance sheet vulnerable to sharp rises in overseas interest rates, it said.

The index measuring excess risk-taking showed such financial activity was at its highest level since 1990, when Japan experienced the burst of an asset-inflated bubble.

The report has drawn more attention than usual as some BOJ policymakers have publicly warned of the growing demerits of the central bank's massive stimulus programme, such as the hit to bank profits from years of near-zero rates.

Responding to such concern over the rising cost of prolonged easing, the BOJ took steps in July to make its policy framework more sustainable such as allowing bond yields to move more flexibly around its zero percent target.

The report will be among factors the BOJ takes into account when it meets for a rate review on Oct. 30-31.

Many of Japan's regional banks grapple with diminishing returns from their traditional lending business and have blamed the BOJ's ultra-loose policy for their plight.

Some of them have shifted their investment targets to riskier assets, such as foreign bonds, to offset weakening profits at their core business. But this strategy has met challenges with rising U.S. interest rates hurting bond prices.

The BOJ and financial regulators argue that structural factors, such as a shrinking population outside Japan's biggest cities, are also behind diminishing profits at regional banks.

Australia – The Australian and New Zealand dollars recovered from an early stumble on Monday as the prospect of more economic stimulus in China helped stocks there bounce and supported the outlook for commodity demand.

The Aussie dollar stood at \$0.7114, having edged up from a \$0.7077 low, but it has had no luck piercing tough chart resistance around \$0.7150.

The kiwi dollar was a fraction firmer at \$0.6598 and near its highest in three weeks, though it had trouble holding above \$0.6600.

Talk of Chinese stimulus sent Shanghai blue chips up more than 4 percent and aided risk appetite across Asia.

Beijing's planned tax cuts for next year will likely exceed the extent of those seen in the United States, a central bank adviser said in remarks published on Monday.

The government also published a draft version of new rules for tax deductions available to individuals.

The news helped offset political uncertainty in Australia, where the ruling Liberal party suffered a major defeat in a by-election that saw the largest swing ever.

The loss stripped the government of its one-seat majority in parliament and will make it harder to get legislation enacted, though its survival is not automatically threatened.

"While the level of political noise may rise over coming months, we do not think this is a 'game changer' for the economy and markets," Nomura economist Andrew Ticehurst said in a note.

"We also judge that the probability of an early election has not risen materially and believe that May 2019 is still the most likely timing."

However, Ticehurst said he suspected the punishing vote would tempt the government to offer more fiscal sweeteners ahead of the election, perhaps delaying the budget's return to surplus.

Australian government bond futures fell, with the three-year bond contract down 1.5 ticks at 97.880. The 10-year contract dropped 2.5 ticks to 97.2800.

The New Zealand government bond market was closed for a holiday.

U.K – British households' confidence in their finances worsened this month as their earnings from employment rose at the weakest rate since February, adding to growing signs of caution among consumers, a survey showed on Monday.

The IHS Markit Household Finance Index, watched by the Bank of England as a gauge of consumers' financial health, cooled to a three-month low of 45.1 from 45.7 in September, though the reading is still one of the highest since the survey's 2009 launch.

The survey's findings may raise eyebrows among BoE officials who expect inflation pressure to pick up over the next couple of years, driven by a gradual pick-up in wage growth.

Data firm IHS Markit said the British public's inflation expectations for the next 12 month fell this month to the lowest in two years, while optimism about house prices was the lowest since July 2016 - - just after the Brexit vote.

"UK households cast their most downbeat assessment of current finances in three months in October as weaker earnings growth from employment limited cash availability," IHS Markit economist Joe Hayes said.

"Looking ahead, households were more concerned about their future budgets."

Other gauges of financial sentiment among households have also soured recently.

Expectations for personal finances over the next 12 months struck a five-month low in September, according to a closely-watched report from pollsters GfK.

And the latest Thomson Reuters/Ipsos Primary Consumer Sentiment Index showed 23 percent of households expect their finances to weaken over the next year -- the biggest proportion since March 2013.

IHS Markit said households' expectations for Bank of England interest rates were barely changed compared from a month ago, with half of households expecting another interest rate hike within the next six months.

The survey of 1,500 people was conducted between Oct. 11 and Oct. 16.

Germany – Germany's economy struggled in the third quarter on a dip in car manufacturing but the drivers of its recent expansion

remain in place, so growth should rebound in the final three months of the year, the Bundesbank said on Monday.

With the European Union implementing a new motor vehicle emissions certification system, German auto makers struggled to gain regulatory clearance while production was also dampened by big dealership discounts to clear stock before the new rules came into effect.

Germany has been the engine of the euro zone's five-year growth run and its recent wobbles have increased worries that growth cycle may be coming to a premature end, before some countries have had time to fully recover from the bloc's debt crisis less than a decade ago.

"The economic upswing in Germany is still fundamentally intact," the Bundesbank said in a regular monthly economic report.

"Business climate improved noticeably in the third quarter, according to the Ifo Institute, so a significant expansion of economic output is expected for the current quarter," the bank added.

Still, third quarter growth figures, due to be published in mid-November, are likely to be sluggish as retail sales were modest and construction output pulled back from earlier highs, exacerbating the hit to growth from a big drop in industrial production.

The car industry's struggles continued until the end of the quarter but other segments of industry fared better and the backlog of industrial orders also remained high, the Bundesbank added.

The German government recently cut its 2018 growth forecast to 1.8 percent from 2.3 percent and also lowered the 2019 projection to 1.8 percent from 2.1 percent, citing the impact of global trade disputes, labour shortages and the auto sector's difficulties.

Italy – Italy told the European Commission on Monday it would stick to its contested 2019 budget plans in defiance of EU fiscal rules, but promised not to inflate its deficit any further in the years ahead.

In a letter to the Commission, Economy Minister Giovanni Tria said he recognised that the budget, which is set to hike next year's deficit to 2.4 percent of gross domestic product (GDP), was not in line with the EU Stability and Growth Pact.

However, looking to silence growing alarm from EU allies, he said the government had to respond to years of anaemic growth in the euro zone's third largest economy.

"(The budget) was a hard, but necessary decision in light of Italy's delay in catching up to pre-crisis levels of GDP and the desperate economic conditions in which the most disadvantaged citizens find themselves," Tria wrote.

The European Commission sent Rome a warning letter about the budget last week -- the first formal step of a procedure that could lead to Brussels rejecting the package and imposing fines.

An EU spokesman said the Commission would decide on Tuesday its next step.

Underscoring the growing tensions, German Finance Minister Olaf Scholz said Italy had to be "careful" over its debt, while Austrian Chancellor Sebastian Kurz called on the EU Commission to reject the budget unless changes were made.

Italian Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte dismissed Kurz's criticism as "incautious" and reiterated that Rome wanted to have "constructive dialogue" over the budget, which includes tax cuts, welfare hikes and a rolling back of tough pension reform.

"READ MY LIPS"

In a wide-ranging news conference, Conte also stressed that his government, which comprises the right-wing League and anti-establishment 5-Star Movement, had no intention of abandoning either the euro currency or the European Union.

"Read my lips. There is no way Italy will leave the euro," Conte said. However, he added that the European Union was damaging itself by not meeting the needs of ordinary people.

Italy's economy is still some six percent smaller than it was at the start of 2008, hobbled by a slew of long-standing problems, including a national debt mountain at around 131 percent of GDP -- the second highest in Europe after Greece.

Conte predicted that growth would "take off" once government reforms were enacted. To help fund its expansionary programme, the Treasury sharply hiked the deficit goal from a targeted 1.8 percent this year.

"For us, 2.4 percent is the ceiling," Conte said. "As the budget comes into force, we are ready to contain it. We are not obliged to reach that figure and we certainly won't exceed it.

Concerns over the budget have weighed heavily on Italian government bonds in recent weeks, with the spread between German and Italian benchmark 10-year paper hitting 5-1/2 year highs on Friday.

However, Italian yields headed on Monday for their biggest daily drop since June after Moody's held off cutting the country's credit rating outlook to negative.

Moody's downgraded Italy's rating to Baa3 - the lowest investment grade category - on Friday as expected. But investors had fretted it would also set the outlook at "negative" because of the budget proposals.

(Source Reuters, Research – Elli)

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

| DATE | WIB | CTY | INDICATORS | PER | ACTUAL | FORECAST | PREV. | REV. |
|----------------------|-------|-----|---|------|--------|----------|-------|-------|
| Mon/22-Oct-18 | N/A | KR | Exports 20 Days YoY | Oct | -- | -- | 21.6% | |
| | N/A | KR | Imports 20 Days YoY | Oct | -- | -- | 14.0% | |
| | 11:30 | JP | All Industry Activity Index MoM | Aug | 0.5% | 0.4% | 0.0% | |
| | 16:00 | EZ | Govt Debt/GDP Ratio | 2017 | 86.8% | -- | 86.7% | 89.1% |
| | 19:30 | US | Chicago Fed Nat Activity Index | Sep | 0.17 | 0.21 | 0.18 | 0.27 |
| | 19:30 | CA | Wholesale Trade Sales MoM | Aug | -0.1% | -0.2% | 1.5% | 1.1% |
| Tue/23-Oct-18 | 04:00 | KR | PPI YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 3.0% | |
| | 05:35 | AU | Remarks by RBA's Debelle in Sydney | | | | | |
| | 10:00 | AU | RBA's Bullock speaks on panel in Sydney | | | | | |

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| | 11:30 | AU | RBA's Debelle speaks on panel in Sydney | | | | | |
| | 13:00 | JP | Machine Tool Orders YoY | Sep F | -- | -- | 2.8% | |
| | 13:00 | DE | PPI MoM | Sep | -- | -- | 0.3% | |
| | 13:00 | DE | PPI YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 3.1% | |
| | 15:30 | HK | CPI Composite YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 2.3% | |
| | 17:00 | GB | CBI Business Optimism | Oct | -- | -- | -3 | |
| | 17:00 | GB | CBI Trends Selling Prices | Oct | -- | -- | 13 | |
| | 17:00 | GB | CBI Trends Total Orders | Oct | -- | -- | -1 | |
| | 17:30 | GB | BOE Chief Economist Haldane Speaks in Paris | | | | | |
| | 20:30 | US | Fed's Kashkari Speaks at Early Childhood Development Event | | | | | |
| | 21:00 | EZ | Consumer Confidence | Oct A | -- | -- | -2.9 | |
| | 21:00 | US | Richmond Fed Manufact. Index | Oct | -- | 25 | 29 | |
| | 22:20 | GB | Carney Speaks at a Conference in Toronto | | | | | |
| Wed/24-Oct-18 | 06:30 | JP | Nikkei Japan PMI Mfg | Oct P | -- | -- | 52.5 | |
| | 07:00 | AU | Skilled Vacancies MoM | Sep | -- | -- | 0.6% | |
| | 12:00 | JP | Coincident Index | Aug F | -- | -- | 117.5 | |
| | 12:00 | JP | Leading Index Cl | Aug F | -- | -- | 104.4 | |
| | 14:30 | DE | Markit Germany Services PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 55.9 | |
| | 14:30 | DE | Markit/BME Germany Composite PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 55 | |
| | 14:30 | DE | Markit/BME Germany Manufacturing PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 53.7 | |
| | 15:00 | EZ | Markit Eurozone Composite PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 54.1 | |
| | 15:00 | EZ | Markit Eurozone Manufacturing PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 53.2 | |
| | 15:00 | EZ | Markit Eurozone Services PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 54.7 | |
| | 15:30 | GB | UK Finance Loans for Housing | Sep | -- | -- | 39402 | |
| | 20:00 | US | FHFA House Price Index MoM | Aug | -- | 0.3% | 0.2% | |
| | 20:45 | US | Markit US Composite PMI | Oct P | -- | -- | 53.9 | |
| | 20:45 | US | Markit US Manufacturing PMI | Oct P | -- | 55.5 | 55.6 | |
| | 20:45 | US | Markit US Services PMI | Oct P | -- | 54 | 53.5 | |
| | 21:00 | CA | Bank of Canada Rate Decision | Oct-24 | -- | 1.75% | 1.5% | |
| | 21:00 | US | New Home Sales | Sep | -- | 628k | 629k | |
| | 21:00 | US | New Home Sales MoM | Sep | -- | -0.2% | 3.5% | |
| | 21:30 | US | DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory | Oct-19 | -- | -- | 1776k | |
| | 21:30 | US | DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories | Oct-19 | -- | -- | 6490k | |
| | 21:30 | US | DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory | Oct-19 | -- | -- | -827k | |
| | 21:30 | US | DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories | Oct-19 | -- | -- | -2016k | |
| Thu/25-Oct-18 | 00:00 | US | Atlanta Fed's Bostic Speaks at Energy Summit in Baton Rouge | | | | | |
| | 00:10 | US | Fed's Mester Speaks at Forecasters Club in New York | | | | | |
| | 01:00 | US | U.S. Federal Reserve Releases Beige Book | | | | | |
| | 04:45 | NZ | Exports NZD | Sep | -- | 4.17b | 4.05b | |
| | 04:45 | NZ | Imports NZD | Sep | -- | 5.58b | 5.54b | |
| | 04:45 | NZ | Trade Balance 12 Mth YTD NZD | Sep | -- | -5067m | -4814m | |
| | 04:45 | NZ | Trade Balance NZD | Sep | -- | -1385m | -1484m | |
| | 06:00 | KR | GDP SA QoQ | 3Q P | -- | -- | 0.6% | |
| | 06:00 | KR | GDP YoY | 3Q P | -- | -- | 2.8% | |
| | 06:50 | JP | PPI Services YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 1.3% | |
| | 13:00 | DE | GfK Consumer Confidence | Nov | -- | -- | 10.6 | |
| | 15:00 | DE | IFO Business Climate | Oct | -- | -- | 103.7 | |
| | 15:00 | DE | IFO Current Assessment | Oct | -- | -- | 106.4 | |
| | 15:00 | DE | IFO Expectations | Oct | -- | -- | 101 | |
| | 15:30 | HK | Exports YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 13.1% | |
| | 15:30 | HK | Imports YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 16.4% | |
| | 15:30 | HK | Trade Balance HKD | Sep | -- | -- | -52.1b | |
| | 17:00 | CA | CFIB Business Barometer | Oct | -- | -- | 61.4 | |
| | 18:45 | EZ | ECB Deposit Facility Rate | Oct-25 | -- | -- | -0.4% | |
| | 18:45 | EZ | ECB Main Refinancing Rate | Oct-25 | -- | -- | 0.0% | |
| | 18:45 | EZ | ECB Marginal Lending Facility | Oct-25 | -- | -- | 0.25% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Advance Goods Trade Balance | Sep | -- | -\$74.2b | -\$75.8b | |
| | 19:30 | US | Cap Goods Orders Nondef Ex Air | Sep P | -- | -- | -0.9% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Cap Goods Ship Nondef Ex Air | Sep P | -- | -- | -0.2% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Continuing Claims | Oct-13 | -- | -- | -- | |
| | 19:30 | US | Durable Goods Orders | Sep P | -- | -0.8% | 4.4% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Durables Ex Transportation | Sep P | -- | 0.4% | 0.0% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Initial Jobless Claims | Oct-20 | -- | -- | -- | |
| | 19:30 | US | Retail Inventories MoM | Sep | -- | -- | 0.7% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Wholesale Inventories MoM | Sep P | -- | -- | 1.0% | |
| | 21:00 | US | Pending Home Sales MoM | Sep | -- | -0.5% | -1.8% | |
| | 21:00 | US | Pending Home Sales NSA YoY | Sep | -- | -- | -2.5% | |
| | 22:00 | US | Kansas City Fed Manf. Activity | Oct | -- | -- | 13 | |
| Fri/26-Oct-18 | 04:00 | KR | Consumer Confidence | Oct | -- | -- | 101.7 | |
| | 06:30 | JP | Tokyo CPI Ex-Fresh Food YoY | Oct | -- | -- | 1.0% | |
| | 06:30 | JP | Tokyo CPI Ex-Fresh Food, Energy YoY | Oct | -- | -- | 0.7% | |

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| | 06:30 | JP | Tokyo CPI YoY | Oct | -- | -- | 1.3% | |
| | 06:30 | JP | Tokyo Oct CPI | | | | | |
| | 08:00 | US | Fed's Mester Speaks to Money Marketeers in New York | | | | | |
| | N/A | DE | Germany Sovereign Debt to be rated by S&P | | | | | |
| | N/A | GB | United Kingdom Sovereign Debt to be rated by Fitch | | | | | |
| | N/A | GB | United Kingdom Sovereign Debt to be rated by S&P | | | | | |
| | 15:00 | EZ | ECB Survey of Professional Forecasters | | | | | |
| | 19:30 | US | Core PCE QoQ | 3Q A | -- | -- | 2.1% | |
| | 19:30 | US | GDP Annualized QoQ | 3Q A | -- | 3.2% | 4.2% | |
| | 19:30 | US | GDP Price Index | 3Q A | -- | 2.4% | 3.0% | |
| | 19:30 | US | Personal Consumption | 3Q A | -- | -- | 3.8% | |
| | 21:00 | US | U. of Mich. 1 Yr Inflation | Oct F | -- | -- | 2.8% | |
| | 21:00 | US | U. of Mich. 5-10 Yr Inflation | Oct F | -- | -- | 2.3% | |
| | 21:00 | US | U. of Mich. Current Conditions | Oct F | -- | -- | 114.4 | |
| | 21:00 | US | U. of Mich. Expectations | Oct F | -- | -- | 89.1 | |
| | 21:00 | US | U. of Mich. Sentiment | Oct F | | 98.6-- | 99 | |
| Sat/27-Oct-18 | 00:00 | US | Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count | Oct-26 | -- | -- | -- | |
| | 08:30 | CN | Industrial Profits YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 9.2% | |
| 27-Oct - 02-Nov | N/A | DE | Retail Sales MoM | Sep | -- | -- | -0.1% | |
| 27-Oct - 02-Nov | N/A | DE | Retail Sales YoY | Sep | -- | -- | 1.6% | |

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ASIAN STOCK INDEX

Japan's Nikkei edged higher on Monday as investors took heart from a rally in Chinese shares on the promise of additional stimulus measures, triggering buying in firms exposed to China.

After ending the morning session lower, the Nikkei share average changed course and rose 0.37 percent to close at 22,614.82, moving off a six-week low of 22,212.57 hit during the previous session.

Japan's benchmark index is now down around 7.5 percent since hitting a 27-year high on Oct. 2 as worries over trade disputes, Saudi Arabia and Italy's free-spending budget in recent weeks have weighed on sentiment.

On Monday, Asian share markets swung into the black as the promise of more Chinese stimulus helped offset some of those geopolitical concerns while investors braced for the peak of the U.S. earnings season.

"I think the rebound in Shanghai shares had a big impact," said Yutaka Miura, a senior technical analyst at Mizuho Securities. "After that, the yen weakened somewhat. That, in turn, led to buying of Nikkei futures."

Shares of equipment maker Yaskawa Electric Corp and industrial robot maker Fanuc Ltd, benefited from the jump in Chinese shares, rising 3.6 percent and 0.5 percent, respectively.

Nabtesco Corp, another firm with a large China-focus, ended down half a percent but managed to partly recover steeper losses from earlier in the day.

Kawasaki Heavy Industries Ltd plummeted 9.3 percent to close at its lowest level since November 2016 after the company slashed its forecasts for the current fiscal year, hurt by losses related to its railcar business and to Rolls Royce's Trent 1000 engine problems.

The heavy industrial manufacturer cut its operating profit forecast for the fiscal year ending March 2019 to 66 billion yen (\$587 million) from 75 billion yen, while leaving its sales forecast intact at 1.65 trillion yen.

Index-heavyweights such as SoftBank Corp and Nintendo declined 1.0 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively.

Investors awaited corporate earnings season in Japan to get into full swing later this week.

Toru Ibayashi, executive director of Wealth Management at UBS Securities Japan, said he expected corporate earnings to show

slower growth in net profit for Topix as a whole, especially the Topix 500.

"To be honest, I think earnings will peak out," said Ibayashi. "I think it will be a bit tough, since markets haven't fully priced that in."

The broader Topix edged 0.15 percent higher to end at 1,695.31, with 23 of the 33 subsectors finishing the day in positive territory.

South Korea's KOSPI stock index climbed on Monday buoyed by a strong Chinese market. The won led gains in Asian currencies, while bond yields rose.

At 06:31 GMT, the KOSPI was up 5.45 points or 0.25 percent at 2,161.71.

KOSPI rebounded in the morning as Chinese stocks surged on stimulus expectations, and expanded its upturn in the afternoon, said Noh Dong-kil, an analyst at Shinhan Investment.

South Korean central bank chief Lee Ju-yeol said he will positively consider a rate hike at the November monetary meeting, unless the real economy shows big troubles. The Bank of Korea left its policy rate steady last week, pressured by fragile economic growth.

The won was quoted at 1,128.4 per dollar on the onshore settlement platform, 0.33 percent firmer than its previous close at 1,132.1.

In offshore trading, the won was quoted at 1,128.33 per U.S. dollar, up 0.25 percent from the previous day, while in one-year non-deliverable forwards it was being transacted at 1,109.53 per dollar. MSCI's broadest index of Asia-Pacific shares outside Japan was up 0.90 percent, after U.S. stocks ended the previous session with mild losses. Japanese stocks rose 0.37 percent.

The KOSPI is down around 12.6 percent so far this year, and down by 7.17 percent in the previous 30 days.

The current price-to-earnings ratio is 12.10, the dividend yield is 1.28 percent and the market capitalisation is 1,242.04 trillion won.

The trading volume during the session on the KOSPI index was 303,503,000 shares and, of the total 897 traded issues, the number of advancing shares was 379.

Foreigners were net sellers of 128,707 million won worth of shares.

The U.S. dollar has risen 5.81 percent against the won this year. The won's high for the year is 1,053.55 per dollar on April 2 and the low is 1,146.26 on Oct. 11.

In money and debt markets, December futures on three-year treasury bonds fell 0.07 points to 108.48.

The Korean 3-month Certificate of Deposit benchmark rate was quoted at 1.7 percent, while the benchmark 3-year Korean treasury bond yielded 2.008 percent, higher than the previous day's 1.99 percent.

Hong Kong Shares and China benchmark blue-chip index surged over 4 percent on Monday for its best daily performance in almost three years and shares in Hong Kong added more than 2 percent, as investors took heart from Chinese regulators' statements of support.

The market was also encouraged by news that China is preparing to overhaul its income tax law for individuals, with Shanghai trading turnover rising to a three-month high.

The blue-chip CSI300 index rose 4.3 percent, to 3,270.27, its best day since November 2015. The Shanghai Composite Index jumped 4.1 percent, its biggest one-day gain since March 2016. Shenzhen's start-up board ChiNext surged 5.2 percent.

The gains extended to Hong Kong, where the Hang Seng index added 2.3 percent to 26,153.15 points and the China Enterprises Index ended 2.6 percent higher.

The day's gains extended a rally that started on Friday, when Chinese Vice Premier Liu He, who oversees the economy and financial sector, joined the heads of the China Securities Regulatory Commission, the China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission, and the People's Bank of China in coordinated statements to rally investor confidence amid a bruising market slump.

Over the weekend, President Xi Jinping added his voice to the chorus, declaring that the Communist Party would always support private firms' development, and that the role of the private economy is unquestionable, according to the official Xinhua news agency.

Yang Hai, an analyst at Kaiyuan Securities in Xi'an, said the statements of support "laid the foundations for a rebound" after a slump caused by factors including the Sino-U.S. trade war, domestic economic adjustments and especially concerns over the rising risk of forced margin calls.

"We see a high likelihood that the A-share market will enter a period of rebound," Yang said in a note. He added that planned tax cuts and the release of individual income tax deductions would particularly support banks, insurance and consumer firms.

China's government on Saturday published a draft version of new rules for deductions available to individuals as it overhauls its individual income tax law, in a bid to spur growth.

Investors snapped up shares across sectors, with securities firms seen as particularly likely to benefit from official moves to support stock markets. A sub-index of the CSI300 tracking securities firms leaped the daily limit of 10 percent.

The CSI financial sector sub-index gained 4.37 percent, the consumer staples sector added 4.35 percent, the real estate index jumped 4.50 percent and the healthcare sub-index was 5.07 percent higher at midday.

The smaller Shenzhen index ended 4.9 percent higher.

In Hong Kong, the sub-index of the Hang Seng tracking energy shares rose 2.3 percent, while the IT sector rose 3.56 percent, the financial sector ended 2.36 percent higher and the property sector rose 1.97 percent.

Despite Monday's surge, the Shanghai Composite index is still down 19.7 percent for the year, while the CSI300 has fallen 18.9 percent. The Hang Seng is down 12.6 percent for the year to date.

China's currency remained fell slightly against the U.S. dollar, but losses were limited thanks to the surge in equities. The yuan was quoted at 6.9372 per U.S. dollar at the end of its onshore trading session, compared with an onshore trading close of 6.9290 per dollar on Friday.

(Source: Reuters, Research: rizal)

ASIA AND GLOBAL MARKET SPOT PRICE 2018

| HIGH / LOW | .N225 | .KS200 | .HSI | .DJI | /.SPX | /.SSEC |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| RECORD HIGH | 38915.87 (29/Dec/89) | 339.59 (02/Nov/2017) | 33154.12 (26/Jan/2018) | 26616.71 (26/Jan/2018) | 2914.04 (29/Aug/2018) | 6124.04400 (16/Oct./07) |
| 2017 HIGH | 23439.15 (13/Nov/2017) | 339.59 (02/Nov/2017) | 30199.69 (22/Nov/2017) | 24876.07 (18/Dec/2017) | 2694.97 (18/Dec/2017) | 3450.49490 (14/Nov/2017) |
| 2018 HIGH | 24270.62 (02/Oct/2018) | 338.05 (29/Jan/2018) | 33484.08 (29/Jan/2018) | 26828.39 (03/Oct/2018) | 2930.83 (20/Sep/2018) | 3587.50890 (29/Jan/2018) |
| 2018 LOW | 20617.86 (23/Mar/2018) | 275.15 (11/Oct/2018) | 25266.37 (11/Oct/2018) | 23360.29 (08/Feb/2018) | 2532.69 (08/Feb/2018) | 2486.41860 (18/Oct/2018) |
| 2017 LOW | 18224.68 (17/Apr/2017) | 258.64 (02/Jan/2017) | 21883.82 (03/Jan/2017) | 19677.94 (19/Jan/2017) | 2245.13 (03/Jan/2017) | 3016.53050 (11/May/2017) |
| RECORD LOW | 85.25 (06/Jul/50) | 31.96 (16/Jun/98) | 58.61 (31/Aug/67) | 388.20 (17/Jan/55) | 132.93 (23/Nov./82) | 325.92200 (29/Jul/94) |

Closing Prices – 18 Oktober 2018

| | CLOSE | CHANGE | | CLOSE | CHANGE |
|--------|----------|-----------------|-------------|------------|------------------|
| .DJI | 25379.45 | ↓ 327.23/1.27% | .N225 | 22658.16 | ↓ 182.96/0.80% |
| /.SPX | 2768.78 | ↓ 40.43/1.44% | .KS200 | 277.48 | ↓ 2.57/0.92% |
| /.IXIC | 7485.139 | ↓ 137.564/2.06% | .HSI | 25454.55 | ↓ 7.71/0.03% |
| JPY= | 112.18 | ↓ 0.46/0.41% | /.SSEC | 2486.41860 | ↓ 75.19540/2.94% |
| KRW= | 1137.60 | ↑ 10.07/0.89% | /CLc1 (Oil) | 68.65 | ↓ 1.40/2.00% |

1YMZ8(Dow Jones Dec Futures) – Exp. Date: 21 December 2018



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | SETTLE | CHANGE | % CHANGE | VOLUME |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 22 Oct | 25369 | 25566 | 25220 | 346 | 25308 | 25308 | ↓ 120 | 0.47 | 229955 |
| 19 Oct | 25383 | 25596 | 25338 | 258 | 25435 | 25435 | ↑ 54 | 0.21 | 266017 |
| 18 Oct | 25704 | 25726 | 25217 | 509 | 25398 | 25398 | ↓ 338 | 1.31 | 314590 |
| 17 Oct | 25725 | 25845 | 25461 | 384 | 25745 | 25745 | ↓ 37 | 0.14 | 269053 |
| 16 Oct | 25166 | 25805 | 25166 | 639 | 25768 | 25768 | ↑ 567 | 2.25 | 247243 |
| 15 Oct | 25344 | 25471 | 25111 | 360 | 25182 | 25182 | ↓ 134 | 0.53 | 293363 |
| 12 Oct | 25209 | 25545 | 24990 | 555 | 25348 | 25348 | ↑ 163 | 0.65 | 436511 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 25566 | 25220 | 26966 | 24893 | 26820 | 25764 | 26966 | 23088 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (03/Oct) | (11/Oct) | (21/Sep) | (11/Sep) | (03/Oct) | (06/Feb) |

| ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 25726 | High Oct 18,2018 |
| | 25663 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 25566 | High Oct 22,2018 |
| | 25411 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| SUPPORT | 25246 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 25166 | Low Oct 16,2018 |
| | 24990 | Low Oct 12,2018 |
| | 24893 | Low Oct 11,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ---- |
| | SELL | 25340 |
| | STOP LOSS | 25440 |
| | TARGET | 25190 25090 |

SSlamZ8 (Nikkei Dec Futures) – Last Trading Date: 17 Dec 2018



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | SETTLE | CHANGE | % | VOLUME |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| 22 Oct SSIpmZ8 | 22670 | 22710 | 22410 | 300 | 22470 | --- | ↓ 200 | 0.88 | 34961 |
| 22 Oct SSIamZ8 | 22390 | 22670 | 22265 | 405 | 22670 | 22670 | ↑ 150 | 0.66 | 49058 |
| 19 Oct SSIpmZ8 | 22510 | 22690 | 22405 | 285 | 22450 | --- | ↓ 70 | 0.31 | 36505 |
| 19 Oct SSIamZ8 | 22300 | 22540 | 22215 | 325 | 22520 | 22520 | ↓ 75 | 0.33 | 58083 |
| 18 Oct SSIpmZ8 | 22605 | 22755 | 22160 | 595 | 22325 | --- | ↓ 270 | 1.19 | 47676 |
| 18 Oct SSIamZ8 | 22870 | 22895 | 22580 | 315 | 22595 | 22595 | ↓ 290 | 1.27 | 43432 |
| 17 Oct SSIpmZ8 | 22900 | 22925 | 22640 | 285 | 22900 | --- | ↑ 15 | 0.07 | 29289 |
| 17 Oct SSIamZ8 | 22875 | 22950 | 22760 | 190 | 22885 | 22885 | ↑ 465 | 2.07 | 58681 |
| 16 Oct SSIpmZ8 | 22420 | 22890 | 22405 | 475 | 22860 | --- | ↑ 440 | 1.96 | 31270 |
| 16 Oct SSIamZ8 | 22255 | 22540 | 22225 | 315 | 22420 | 22420 | ↑ 220 | 0.99 | 66790 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 22710 | 22265 | 24480 | 22035 | 24290 | 22165 | 24480 | 20130 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (01/Oct) | (15/Oct) | (28/Sep) | (07/Sep) | (01/Oct) | (23/Mar) |

| ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 22950 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 22850 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 22755 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 22655 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| SUPPORT | 22390 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 22285 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 22190 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 22035 | Low Oct 16, 2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ---- |
| | SELL | 22500 |
| | STOP LOSS | 22600 |
| | TARGET | 22350 22300 |

KSZ8 (Kospi Dec Futures) – Exp. Date: 13 Dec 2018



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | SETTLE | CHANGE | % CHANGE | VOLUME |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 22 Oct | 277.20 | 280.60 | 276.65 | 3.95 | 279.90 | 279.90 | ↑ 0.70 | 0.25 | 272447 |
| 19 Oct | 276.40 | 279.70 | 274.50 | 5.20 | 279.20 | 279.20 | ↑ 0.95 | 0.34 | 341011 |
| 18 Oct | 279.60 | 280.60 | 278.00 | 2.60 | 278.25 | 278.25 | ↓ 2.95 | 1.05 | 241834 |
| 17 Oct | 281.00 | 282.50 | 279.65 | 2.85 | 281.20 | 281.20 | ↑ 3.55 | 1.28 | 255162 |
| 16 Oct | 278.90 | 280.10 | 276.80 | 3.30 | 277.65 | 277.65 | ↓ 0.25 | 0.09 | 259963 |
| 15 Oct | 279.45 | 279.60 | 277.20 | 2.40 | 277.90 | 277.90 | ↓ 2.30 | 0.82 | 317675 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 280.60 | 276.65 | 302.70 | 274.50 | 303.70 | 290.75 | 340.30 | 274.50 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (01/Oct) | (19/Oct) | (27/Sep) | (07/Sep) | (29/Jan) | (19/Oct) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 283.40 | High Oct 11,2018 |
| | 282.05 | High On 1-Hourly Chart (Oct 11,2018) |
| | 281.45 | High On 1-Hourly Chart (Oct 11,2018) |
| | 280.60 | High Oct 22,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 278.00 | Low Oct 18,2018 |
| | 277.20 | Low Oct 15,2018 |
| | 276.25 | Low Oct 12,2018 |
| | 275.55 | Low Oct 11,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ---- |
| | SELL | 280.20 |
| | STOP LOSS | 281.20 |
| | TARGET | 278.70 277.70 |

HSIV8 (Hang Seng Oct Futures) – Exp. Date: 30 October 2018



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | SETTLE | CHANGE | % CHANGE | VOLUME |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| 22 Oct | 25490 | 26222 | 25487 | 735 | 26132 | 26132 | ↑ 675 | 0.02 | 298404 |
| 19 Oct | 25111 | 25723 | 25059 | 664 | 25457 | 25457 | ↑ 50 | 0.20 | 312860 |
| 18 Oct | 25675 | 25690 | 25211 | 479 | 25407 | 25407 | ↓ 20 | 0.08 | 251213 |
| 17 Oct | -- | H | O | L | I | D | A | Y | -- |
| 16 Oct | 25486 | 25680 | 25208 | 472 | 25387 | 25387 | ↑ 44 | 0.17 | 258268 |
| 15 Oct | 25545 | 25649 | 25330 | 319 | 25343 | 25343 | ↓ 347 | 1.35 | 233336 |
| 12 Oct | 25440 | 25788 | 25263 | 525 | 25690 | 25690 | ↑ 503 | 2.00 | 322934 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 26222 | 25487 | 27760 | 25059 | 28049 | 26170 | 33516 | 25059 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (02/Oct) | (19/Oct) | (26/Sep) | (12/Sep) | (29/Jan) | (19/Oct) |

| ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 26771 | High Oct 08,2018 |
| | 26470 | High Oct 10,2018 |
| | 26222 | High Oct 22,2018 |
| | 26090 | High on 1 Hourly Chart |
| SUPPORT | 25809 | Low on 1 Hourly Chart |
| | 25668 | Low on 1 Hourly Chart |
| | 25583 | Low on 1 Hourly Chart |
| | 25373 | Low on 1 Hourly Chart |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | 25960 |
| | SELL | ---- |
| | STOP LOSS | 25810 |
| | TARGET | 26190 26310 |

FOREX/CURRENCIES

U.S. dollar rises against pound as Brexit talks remain in flux - Reuters News

The U.S. dollar rose on Monday as the British pound fell on news that Brexit negotiations with the European Union over Northern Ireland remain in flux and as the euro continued its slide on political uncertainty over Italy's budget.

Prime Minister Theresa May on Monday said most of Britain's deal to exit the EU has been agreed on but repeated her opposition to a EU proposal regarding

the Irish border, according to excerpts from her statement to Parliament. Sterling was down 0.73 percent in the North American session at \$1.297, continuing a slide that began at the start of last week. With just over five months until Britain is scheduled to exit the EU, talks have stalled over a disagreement on the so-called Northern Irish "backstop," an insurance policy to ensure there will be no return to a hard border on the island of Ireland if a future trading relationship is not agreed upon in time

The dollar index, which measures the greenback against a basket of six other currencies, was up 0.36 percent on the day, last at 96.003.

"The dollar moved on the back of sterling and the euro," said Shahab Jalinoos, global head of foreign exchange strategy at Credit Suisse.

The euro failed to hold early-session gains as investors focused on the likelihood of further political uncertainty in Europe over Italy's spending plans, despite a large drop in Italian government borrowing costs.

Rating agency Moody's downgraded Italy's credit rating on Friday but unexpectedly kept the outlook at stable.

That, along with more conciliatory comments from Italian officials that they were ready to sit down with EU officials and did not intend to expand the deficit beyond 2019, boosted demand for Italian debt after a weeks-long sell-off.

But the euro, its fortunes increasingly linked this year to Italian bond prices, failed to hold early gains and dropped 0.71 percent from a session high of \$1.1550. It was last at \$1.147.

"We have more conciliatory tones from both sides, but it is still clear that this dispute is not over yet," Commerzbank analyst Thu Lan Nguyen said.

The single currency also weakened against the Swiss franc by 0.40 percent and was last at 1.423. But it remained stronger against the pound, up 0.27 percent, last at 88.37 pence.

Equity markets were mostly positive as hopes that China's tax cuts next year could be worth more than 1 percent of gross domestic product sparked a rally in Asian shares that fed across to Europe and the United States.

(Source Reuters, Research – Elli).

EUR/USD

Interest Rate: 0.00% (EU)/ 2.00%-2.25% (US)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 1.15107 | 1.15490 | 1.14546 | 94,4 | 1.14628 | ↓ 43,7 | 1.15065 |
| Oct 19 | 1.14526 | 1.15334 | 1.14318 | 101,6 | 1.15065 | ↑ 55,3 | 1.14512 |
| Oct 18 | 1.14978 | 1.15261 | 1.14481 | 78,0 | 1.14512 | ↓ 48,9 | 1.15001 |
| Oct 17 | 1.15709 | 1.15793 | 1.14948 | 84,5 | 1.15001 | ↓ 71,9 | 1.15720 |
| Oct 16 | 1.15809 | 1.16202 | 1.15648 | 55,4 | 1.15720 | ↓ 6,1 | 1.15781 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 1.15490 | 1.14546 | 1.16235 | 1.14318 | 1.18139 | 1.15252 | 1.25542 | 1.12997 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (01/Oct) | (19/Oct) | (24/Sep) | (10/Sep) | (16/Feb) | (15/Aug) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 1.1757 | High Sep 27,2018 |
| | 1.1651 | High Sep 28,2018 |
| | 1.1628 | High Oct 01,2018 |
| | 1.1580 | High Oct 02,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 1.1431 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 1.1392 | Low Aug 20,2018 |
| | 1.1363 | Low Aug 17,2018 |
| | 1.1297 | Low Aug 15,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ----- |
| | SELL | 1.1475 |
| | STOP LOSS | 1.1525 |
| | TARGET | 1.1405 |
| | | 1.1375 |

USD/JPY

Interest Rate: 2.00%-2.25% (US)/-0.1% (JP)

30/05/2018 - 30/10/2018 (JAK)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 112.449 | 112.874 | 112.337 | 53,7 | 112.802 | ↑ 24,9 | 112.553 |
| Oct 19 | 112.177 | 112.635 | 112.130 | 50,5 | 112.553 | ↑ 39,1 | 112.162 |
| Oct 18 | 112.679 | 112.717 | 111.935 | 78,2 | 112.162 | ↓ 46,0 | 112.622 |
| Oct 17 | 112.279 | 112.664 | 112.003 | 66,1 | 112.622 | ↑ 37,6 | 112.246 |
| Oct 16 | 111.759 | 112.327 | 111.719 | 60,8 | 112.246 | ↑ 48,8 | 111.758 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 112.874 | 112.337 | 114.538 | 111.613 | 113.654 | 110.367 | 114.538 | 104.623 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (04/Oct) | (15/Oct) | (28/Sep) | (07/Sep) | (04/Oct) | (23/Mar) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 114.54 | High Oct 04,2018 |
| | 113.94 | High Oct 08,2018 |
| | 113.73 | High on 1-Hourly Chart (Oct 08,2018) |
| | 113.28 | High Oct 10,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 112.59 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 112.11 | Low Oct 19,2018 |
| | 111.72 | Low Oct 16,2018 |
| | 111.14 | Low Sep 13,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | 112.75 |
| | SELL | ----- |
| | STOP LOSS | 112.25 |
| | TARGET | 113.45 113.75 |

GBP/USD

Interest Rate: 0.75% (GB)/ 2.00%-2.25% (US)

03/04/2018 - 01/11/2018 (JAK)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 1.30640 | 1.30887 | 1.29554 | 133,3 | 1.29558 | ↓ 105,4 | 1.30612 |
| Oct 19 | 1.30187 | 1.31030 | 1.30102 | 92,8 | 1.30612 | ↑ 45,0 | 1.30162 |
| Oct 18 | 1.31019 | 1.31302 | 1.30148 | 115,4 | 1.30162 | ↓ 93,4 | 1.31096 |
| Oct 17 | 1.31818 | 1.31913 | 1.30982 | 93,1 | 1.31096 | ↓ 65,6 | 1.31752 |
| Oct 16 | 1.31498 | 1.32348 | 1.31397 | 95,1 | 1.31752 | ↑ 26,0 | 1.31492 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 1.30887 (22/Oct) | 1.29554 (22/Oct) | 1.32566 (12/Oct) | 1.29210 (04/Oct) | 1.32970 (20/Sep) | 1.27842 (05/Sep) | 1.43754 (17/Apr) | 1.26605 (15/Aug) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 1.3129 | High Aug 02,2018 |
| | 1.3103 | High Oct 19,2018 |
| | 1.3068 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 1.2986 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| SUPPORT | 1.2938 | Low Oct 02,2018 |
| | 1.2895 | Low Sep 10,2018 |
| | 1.2852 | Low Sep 03,2018 |
| | 1.2797 | Low Aug 24,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ----- |
| | SELL | 1.2980 |
| | STOP LOSS | 1.3030 |
| | TARGET | 1.2850 1.2880 |

USD/CHF

Interest Rate: 2.00%-2.25% (US)/-1.25 to -0.25% (CH)

Daily CHF=

18/05/2018 - 30/10/2018 (JAK)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 0.99636 | 0.99789 | 0.99386 | 40,3 | 0.99534 | ↓ 19,1 | 0.99725 |
| Oct 19 | 0.99525 | 0.99764 | 0.99486 | 27,8 | 0.99725 | ↑ 17,6 | 0.99549 |
| Oct 18 | 0.99453 | 0.99738 | 0.99189 | 54,9 | 0.99549 | ↑ 5,7 | 0.99492 |
| Oct 17 | 0.99009 | 0.99532 | 0.98991 | 54,1 | 0.99492 | ↑ 44,9 | 0.99043 |
| Oct 16 | 0.98690 | 0.99078 | 0.98579 | 49,9 | 0.99043 | ↑ 2,9 | 0.99014 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 0.99789 | 0.99386 | 0.99789 | 0.98058 | 0.98177 | 0.95409 | 1.00668 | 0.91863 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (01/Oct) | (28/Sep) | (21/Sep) | (13/Jul) | (16/Feb) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 1.0138 | High Mar 10,2018 |
| | 1.0099 | High May 11,2018 |
| | 1.0068 | High Jul 13,2018 |
| | 1.0010 | High Jul 20,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 0.9896 | Low Oct 17,2018 |
| | 0.9879 | Low Oct 12,2018 |
| | 0.9831 | Low Oct 03,2018 |
| | 0.9763 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | 0.9950 |
| | SELL | ---- |
| | STOP LOSS | 0.9900 |
| | TARGET | 1.0020 1.0050 |

AUD/USD

Interest Rate: 1.5% (AU)/ 2.00%-2.25% (US)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 0.71116 | 0.71239 | 0.70750 | 48,9 | 0.70790 | ↓ 37,9 | 0.71169 |
| Oct 19 | 0.70977 | 0.71489 | 0.70878 | 61,1 | 0.71169 | ↑ 19,1 | 0.70978 |
| Oct 18 | 0.71075 | 0.71497 | 0.70961 | 53,6 | 0.70978 | ↓ 11,1 | 0.71089 |
| Oct 17 | 0.71416 | 0.71585 | 0.71053 | 53,2 | 0.71089 | ↓ 31,0 | 0.71399 |
| Oct 16 | 0.71373 | 0.71498 | 0.71107 | 39,1 | 0.71399 | ↑ 12,0 | 0.71279 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 0.71239 (22/Oct) | 0.70750 (22/Oct) | 0.72369 (02/Oct) | 0.70399 (08/Oct) | 0.73141 (26/Sep) | 0.70839 (11/Sep) | 0.81346 (26/Jan) | 0.70399 (08/Oct) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

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|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 0.7314 | High Sep 26,2018 |
| | 0.7237 | High Oct 02,2018 |
| | 0.7197 | High Oct 03,2018 |
| | 0.7149 | High Oct 19,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 0.7043 | Low Oct 11,2018 |
| | 0.7018 | Fibo.Projections on D-Chart (23.6%) |
| | 0.6977 | Fibo.Projections on D-Chart (38.2%) |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ----- |
| | SELL | 0.7085 |
| | STOP LOSS | 0.7135 |
| | TARGET | 0.7015 0.6985 |

NZD/USD

Interest Rate: 1.75% (NZ)/ 2.00%-2.25% (US)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 0.65976 | 0.65989 | 0.65425 | 56,4 | 0.65477 | ↓ 39,2 | 0.65869 |
| Oct 19 | 0.65376 | 0.66059 | 0.65219 | 84,0 | 0.65869 | ↑ 46,6 | 0.65403 |
| Oct 18 | 0.65456 | 0.65765 | 0.65331 | 43,4 | 0.65403 | ↓ 4,40 | 0.65447 |
| Oct 17 | 0.65837 | 0.66000 | 0.65432 | 56,8 | 0.65447 | ↓ 20,1 | 0.65648 |
| Oct 16 | 0.65905 | 0.65956 | 0.65583 | 37,3 | 0.65648 | ↑ 16,4 | 0.65484 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 0.65989 | 0.65425 | 0.66271 | 0.64231 | 0.66979 | 0.64998 | 0.74359 | 0.64231 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (01/Oct) | (08/Oct) | (21/Sep) | (11/Sep) | (16/Feb) | (08/Oct) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 0.6725 | High Aug 28, 2018 |
| | 0.6697 | High Sep 21, 2018 |
| | 0.6638 | High Sep 28, 2018 |
| | 0.6601 | High Oct 17, 2018 |
| SUPPORT | 0.6491 | Low Oct 15, 2018 |
| | 0.6443 | Low Oct 15, 2018 |
| | 0.6422 | Low Oct 15, 2018 |
| | 0.6388 | Fibo.Projections on D-Chart (23.6%) |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ----- |
| | SELL | 0.6565 |
| | STOP LOSS | 0.6615 |
| | TARGET | 0.6495 0.6465 |

EUR/JPY

Interest Rate: 0.00% (EU)/-0.1% (JP)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 129.444 | 130.185 | 129.183 | 100,2 | 129.327 | ↓ 19,2 | 129.519 |
| Oct 19 | 128.500 | 129.667 | 128.457 | 121,0 | 129.519 | ↑ 106,2 | 128.457 |
| Oct 18 | 129.565 | 129.712 | 128.305 | 140,7 | 128.457 | ↓ 108,0 | 129.537 |
| Oct 17 | 129.927 | 130.137 | 129.155 | 98,2 | 129.537 | ↓ 36,6 | 129.903 |
| Oct 16 | 129.446 | 130.277 | 129.411 | 86,6 | 129.903 | ↑ 49,4 | 129.409 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 130.185 (22/Oct) | 129.183 (22/Oct) | 132.445 (01/Oct) | 128.305 (18/Oct) | 133.113 (21/Sep) | 128.000 (07/Sep) | 137.486 (02/Feb) | 124.602 (29/May) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 131.41 | High Oct 05,2018 |
| | 130.70 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 130.49 | High Oct 10,2018 |
| | 129.79 | High Oct 15,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 128.31 | Low Oct 18,2018 |
| | 127.85 | Low Sep 10,2018 |
| | 127.33 | Low Aug 22,2018 |
| | 126.24 | Low Aug 21,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ----- |
| | SELL | 129.45 |
| | STOP LOSS | 129.95 |
| | TARGET | 128.15 128.45 |

USD/CAD

Interest Rate: 2.00%-2.25% (US)/1.25% (CA)



| WEEKLY OPEN | CURRENT PRICE |
|-------------|---------------|
| 1.3094 | 1.3094 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 1.3126 | 1.3075 | 1.3132 | 1.2778 | 1.3226 | 1.2880 | 1.3385 | 1.2246 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (19/Oct) | (01/Oct) | (06/Sep) | (20/Sep) | (27/Jun) | (31/Jan) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 1.3351 | High Jun 28,2018 |
| | 1.3289 | High Jul 20,2018 |
| | 1.3226 | High Sep 06,2018 |
| | 1.3174 | High Sep 11,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 1.3015 | Low Oct 18,2018 |
| | 1.2981 | Low on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 1.2934 | Low Oct 08,2018 |
| | 1.2890 | Low Oct 05,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ---- |
| | SELL | 1.3110 |
| | STOP LOSS | 1.3160 |
| | TARGET | 1.3040 1.3010 |

PRECIOUS METAL

Gold falters as rising dollar dents appeal - Reuters News

Gold prices slipped on Monday, pressured by a rallying dollar and the metal's failure to break above a key technical level.

Spot gold fell 0.3 percent to \$1,222.13 per ounce at 14:46 p.m. EDT (1646 GMT), having hit a 2-1/2-month peak last week at \$1,233.26 per ounce.

Prices were on track to register their biggest daily percentage decline since Oct. 12.

U.S. gold futures fell 0.3 percent to \$1,224.80.

"The strength of the dollar and the gold market's inability to trade above the 100 day moving average (at \$1,224 on Monday) has given people the impression that gold has no chance of rallying," said Walter Pehowich, executive vice president of investment services at Dillon Gage Metals.

The dollar rose against a basket of major currencies, denting demand for gold, which is priced in the U.S. currency, while Wall Street failed to capitalise on gains in European and Asian stock markets.

Despite the market gathering a fair amount of technical momentum last week, breaking free of stock market fluctuations, some analysts said the outlook was not straightforward.

"The fundamental outlook for gold is still looking a little bleak despite the recent recovery, so I would not be surprised if gold was to falter from here," said Fawad Razaqzada, an analyst with Forex.com.

Gold speculators cut their net short position in COMEX gold contracts by 65,637 contracts to 37,372 contracts, the smallest since late July, in the week to Oct. 16, data showed.

In other precious metals, palladium surged 3.7 percent to \$1,120 per ounce, having hit its highest in more than nine months at \$1,123.20.

The autocatalyst metal has seen fresh buying on the back of a recovery in Chinese equity markets, said Pehowich. Industrial commodities tend to benefit from sharper appetite for risk.

Promises of tax cuts and coordinated official statements of support for stock markets in the world's second-largest economy saw Chinese shares stage their biggest one-day surge in three years.

Meanwhile, silver was 0.4 percent lower at \$14.54, while platinum slid 0.8 percent, to \$822.90.

(Source Reuters, Research – Elli)

GOLD (XAU/USD)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|----------|----------|----------|-------|----------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 1226.940 | 1229.440 | 1219.980 | 9.46 | 1221.900 | ↓ 4.54 | 1226.440 |
| Oct 19 | 1225.520 | 1230.680 | 1222.970 | 7.71 | 1226.440 | ↑ 0.79 | 1225.650 |
| Oct 18 | 1221.820 | 1230.010 | 1218.560 | 11.45 | 1225.650 | ↑ 3.53 | 1222.120 |
| Oct 17 | 1224.240 | 1229.370 | 1220.530 | 8.84 | 1222.120 | ↓ 2.55 | 1224.670 |
| Oct 16 | 1227.370 | 1232.320 | 1223.330 | 8.99 | 1224.670 | ↓ 2.49 | 1227.160 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 1229.440 | 1219.980 | 1233.160 | 1183.150 | 1212.540 | 1180.670 | 1365.910 | 1160.130 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (15/Oct) | (08/Oct) | (13/Sep) | (28/Sep) | (25/Jan) | (16/Aug) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 1247.90 | High Jul 13,2018 |
| | 1244.81 | High Jul 17,2018 |
| | 1235.04 | High Oct 17,2018 |
| | 1229.54 | High Oct 22,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 1215.74 | Low Oct 12,2018 |
| | 1191.18 | Low Oct 11,2018 |
| | 1185.23 | Low Oct 10,2018 |
| | 1171.74 | Low Aug 17,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ---- |
| | SELL | 1223.00 |
| | STOP LOSS | 1228.00 |
| | TARGET | 1216.00 |
| | | 1212.00 |

SILVER (XAG/USD)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 14.626 | 14.673 | 14.501 | 0.17 | 14.543 | ↓ 0.07 | 14.614 |
| Oct 19 | 14.559 | 14.699 | 14.544 | 0.15 | 14.614 | ↑ 0.06 | 14.558 |
| Oct 18 | 14.588 | 14.635 | 14.437 | 0.20 | 14.558 | ↓ 0.04 | 14.595 |
| Oct 17 | 14.638 | 14.708 | 14.579 | 0.13 | 14.595 | ↓ 0.05 | 14.642 |
| Oct 16 | 14.683 | 14.828 | 14.598 | 0.23 | 14.642 | ↓ 0.03 | 14.673 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 14.673 | 14.501 | 14.894 | 14.223 | 14.700 | 13.923 | 17.682 | 13.923 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (02/Oct) | (10/Oct) | (28/Sep) | (11/Sep) | (25/Jan) | (11/Sep) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 15.05 | High Aug 15,2018 |
| | 14.90 | High Oct 02,2018 |
| | 14.77 | High Oct 15,2018 |
| | 14.65 | High Oct 18,2018 |
| SUPPORT | 14.47 | Low Oct 22,2018 |
| | 14.41 | Low Oct 18,2018 |
| | 14.26 | Fibo.Projections on D-Chart (23.6%) |
| | 14.00 | Fibo.Projections on D-Chart (50.0%) |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | ---- |
| | SELL | 14.60 |
| | STOP LOSS | 14.75 |
| | TARGET | 14.35 |
| | | 14.25 |

OIL

Oil little changed despite Saudi pledge to boost output - Reuters News

Oil futures were little changed on Monday after paring earlier losses despite Saudi Arabia's pledge to raise crude production to a record high, two weeks before U.S. sanctions potentially choke off Iranian supplies.

Saudi Energy Minister Khalid al-Falih told Russia's TASS news agency that his country had no intention of unleashing a 1973-style oil embargo on Western consumers, but rather was focused on raising output to

compensate for supply losses elsewhere, such as Iran.

Falih said Saudi Arabia would soon raise output to 11 million barrels per day (bpd) from the current 10.7 million. He added that Riyadh had capacity to increase production to 12 million bpd.

"Oil prices are finely balanced in today's trading session despite the Saudi pledge to boost production. It is still not a foregone conclusion that the kingdom's production increase will be enough to compensate for the potential output loss from Iran and Venezuela," said Abhishek Kumar, senior energy analyst at Interfax Energy in London.

Brent crude futures for December delivery rose 5 cents to settle at \$79.83 a barrel. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) for November delivery also rose 5 cents to settle at \$69.17 on its last day as the U.S. front-month. In intraday trade, WTI fell as low as \$68.27, its lowest since Sept. 14.

Several U.S. lawmakers, meanwhile, have suggested imposing sanctions on Saudi Arabia over the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi. The kingdom, the world's largest oil exporter, pledged to retaliate against any sanctions with "bigger measures."

"The White House's dithering highlights the unwillingness of the Trump Administration to take any meaningful action against Riyadh, just a few weeks prior to the U.S. Iran sanctions coming into play," said Fiona Cincotta, senior market analyst at City Index by online trading services firm Gain Capital, in a note.

"A veiled threat of using oil as a weapon is essentially tying U.S. hands. Investors are watching and waiting for the next chapter before positioning themselves accordingly," Cincotta said.

U.S. sanctions on Iran's oil sector start on Nov. 4 and analysts believe up to 1.5 million bpd in supply could be at risk.

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) agreed in June to boost supply to make up for the expected disruption to Iranian exports.

An internal document reviewed by Reuters suggested OPEC is struggling to add barrels as an increase in Saudi supply was offset by declines elsewhere, including Iran and Venezuela.

The outlook for demand next year, meanwhile, is deteriorating.

OPEC estimates demand for its crude will fall to an average of 31.8 million bpd next year, from an average 32.8 million bpd this year.

(Source Reuters, Research – Elli)

CLX8/USD (OIL)

(Exp.: 22 Oct 2018 - Reuters)



| DATE | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | RANGE | CLOSE | CHANGE | PREVIOUS |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|----------|
| Oct 22 | 69.58 | 69.82 | 68.45 | 1.37 | 69.51 | ↓ 0.01 | 69.52 |
| Oct 19 | 68.74 | 69.87 | 68.61 | 1.26 | 69.52 | ↑ 0.85 | 68.67 |
| Oct 18 (CLZ8) | 69.92 | 69.95 | 68.54 | 1.41 | 68.67 | ↓ 1.32 | 69.99 |
| Oct 18 (CLX8) | 70.04 | 70.04 | 68.47 | 1.57 | 68.62 | ↓ 1.41 | 70.03 |
| Oct 17 | 72.15 | 72.42 | 69.43 | 2.99 | 70.03 | ↓ 2.11 | 72.14 |
| Oct 16 | 71.70 | 72.26 | 71.02 | 1.24 | 72.14 | ↑ 0.43 | 71.71 |

| WEEKLY | | OCTOBER | | SEPTEMBER | | 2018 | |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW | HIGH | LOW |
| 69.82 | 68.45 | 76.88 | 68.45 | 73.71 | 66.85 | 76.88 | 58.06 |
| (22/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (03/Oct) | (22/Oct) | (28/Sep) | (07/Sep) | (03/Oct) | (09/Feb) |

ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATION

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| RESISTANCE | 72.74 | High Oct 11,2018 |
| | 72.42 | High Oct 17,2018 |
| | 71.34 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| | 70.32 | High on 1-Hourly Chart |
| SUPPORT | 68.29 | Low Sep 18,2018 |
| | 67.79 | Low Sep 14,2018 |
| | 66.67 | Low Sep 10,2018 |
| | 65.63 | Low Aug 22,2018 |
| RECOMMENDATION | BUY | 69.05 |
| | SELL | ---- |
| | STOP LOSS | 68.05 |
| | TARGET | 70.55 71.05 |