

Weekly Round Up

8th November 2019
This week's highlights

EUR/\$
Lower

Bond Yields
Higher

BOE
Stays on hold

EA PMIs
A touch better

Euro Area

- The euro's gains post last week's Fed meeting prove short-lived as the single currency falls back to circa \$1.10
- Core bond yields notably higher on the week with German 10-year yields rising by more than 10bps to -0.26%
- The composite PMI advances a little in October (to 50.6) but still signalling only very modest GDP growth

UK

- The Bank of England MPC keeps interest rates on hold but 2 (of 9) Committee members vote for a 25bps cut
- The two dissenters cite the weak global economy and persistent Brexit uncertainties as reasons to lower rates
- Pound unchanged on the week against the euro (at 86p) but about 1.5 cents lower against the dollar (at \$1.28)

US

- 10-year bond yields rise by circa 20bps, to 1.91%, amid positive soundings surrounding US-China trade talks
- The ISM non-manufacturing index rebounded in October, which also contributed to the move higher in yields
- Having cut interest rates three times this year, Fed members say monetary policy is now in 'a good place'

Ireland

- The unemployment rate edged down in October, dipping to 4.8% from September's 4.9% (revised from 5.3%)
- Having picked up in August and September, the annual inflation rate nudged down in October to 0.7%
- Output of the foreign-owned multinational sector (MNE) rose 12.4% y-o-y in Q2 with non-MNE output up 3.2%

The week ahead

Monday	UK GDP (Q3), Industrial Production, Services Index, Construction Output
Tuesday	EA ZEW Index; UK Labour Market Report; US Small Business Optimism
Wednesday	EA Industrial Production; UK CPI, House Prices, RICS Housing Report; US CPI, Fed's Powell addresses Congress
Thursday	IRL Residential Property Prices, New Dwelling Completions; EA GDP (Q3); UK Retail Sales; US Jobless Claims
Friday	IRL Goods Exports & Imports, EA CPI, Trade Balance; US Retail Sales, Industrial Production, Import Prices

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