



## Market Update

Thursday, 03 December 2020

### Global Markets

Emerging Asian currencies and stocks broadly firmed on Thursday, as news that Britain would start vaccinating citizens against the coronavirus next week fanned hopes of a swift global economic rebound next year as the pandemic subsides.

Britain on Wednesday became the first western country to approve Pfizer Inc's COVID-19 vaccine, with its chief executive confident that vaccine supply would outpace demand by the end of 2021. "Vaccines have provided a shot in the arm for sentiment thanks to the improving likelihood of a faster and more robust growth recovery," Societe Generale analysts said in a report.

That optimism more than offset disappointing U.S. jobs numbers for November and helped boost the euro despite widespread expectations the European Central Bank will enhance its quantitative easing next week.

While U.S. legislators have failed to reach agreement on fresh relief for a pandemic-hit U.S. economy, there were early signs that a \$908 billion bipartisan proposal could be gaining traction. Signs of progress in U.S. stimulus talks overnight also supported risk appetite and investors shunned the U.S. dollar in favour of currencies with higher yields and other emerging market assets.

The dollar slid to a 2-1/2-year low against a basket of major currencies on Thursday as investors wagered that more economic stimulus from Washington and the expected start of COVID-19 vaccinations would support riskier assets.

Brent crude was down 13 cents at \$48.11 a barrel while U.S. light crude eased 15 cents to \$45.13.

### Domestic Markets

The JSE faces mixed Asian markets on Thursday morning, with Covid-19 still the major issue influencing sentiment, along with fiscal efforts to offset its damage.

The UK has approved a vaccine and intends to roll it out next week, even as cases surge in some countries, including the US and Germany. In Germany, officials have warned lockdown conditions may be extended, while in SA, localised restrictions in hotspots in the Western and Eastern Cape are being contemplated.

Focus is also on the US, where an almost \$1-trillion (R15.3-trillion) stimulus bill is making its way through Congress.

The rand was 0.25% weaker at R15.31/\$.

The rand had come under some pressure on Wednesday amid the fear of further lockdowns, Peregrine Treasury Solutions executive director Bianca Botes said in a note. "The weakening was, however, short-lived as vaccine and stimulus hopes continue to bolster risk appetite," she said.

Gold was up 0.27% to \$1,835/oz while platinum rose 0.2% to \$1,013.10.

Source: Thomson Reuters

## Corona Tracker

Note: The numbers of new cases can be distorted by cut-off times.

Corona Tracker				
	Confirmed Cases	New Cases	Total Deaths	Total Recovered
Global Cases	64,469,705	681,592	1,492,029	41,498,838

Source: Bloomberg



## Market Overview

MARKET INDICATORS		03 December 2020			
<b>Money Market TB's</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
3 months	↓	3.70	-0.107	3.80	3.70
6 months	↓	3.76	-0.053	3.82	3.76
9 months	↑	3.81	0.026	3.78	3.81
12 months	→	3.81	0.000	3.81	3.81
<b>Nominal Bonds</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
GC21 (BMK: R2023)	↑	4.21	0.102	4.11	4.18
GC22 (BMK: R2023)	↑	4.49	0.011	4.47	4.52
GC23 (BMK: R2023)	↑	4.65	0.117	4.54	4.64
GC24 (BMK: R186)	↓	7.04	-0.035	7.07	7.03
GC25 (BMK: R186)	↑	7.27	0.092	7.18	7.24
GC26 (BMK: R186)	↑	7.30	0.032	7.26	7.28
GC27 (BMK: R186)	↑	7.81	0.014	7.79	7.80
GC30 (BMK: R2030)	↑	9.27	0.038	9.23	9.36
GC32 (BMK: R213)	↑	10.06	0.013	10.05	10.08
GC35 (BMK: R209)	↑	11.24	0.073	11.17	11.26
GC37 (BMK: R2037)	↑	11.94	0.057	11.88	11.98
GC40 (BMK: R214)	↑	12.64	0.067	12.57	12.66
GC43 (BMK: R2044)	↑	13.17	0.031	13.13	13.19
GC45 (BMK: R2044)	↑	13.48	0.052	13.42	13.50
GC50 (BMK: R2048)	↑	13.56	0.060	13.50	13.56
<b>Inflation-Linked Bonds</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
GI22 (BMK: NCPI)	↑	4.07	0.000	4.07	4.08
GI25 (BMK: NCPI)	↓	4.20	-0.001	4.20	4.20
GI29 (BMK: NCPI)	↑	5.14	0.072	5.07	5.18
GI33 (BMK: NCPI)	↓	6.67	-0.002	6.67	6.67
GI36 (BMK: NCPI)	↑	6.92	0.000	6.92	6.92
<b>Commodities</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
Gold	↑	1,831	0.88%	1,815	1,834
Platinum	↑	1016	1.31%	1003	1017
Brent Crude	↑	48.3	1.75%	47.42	48.10
<b>Main Indices</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
NSX Local Index	↑	566	1.80%	556	566
JSE All Share	↑	58,282	1.34%	57,510	58,282
S&P 500	↑	3,669	0.19%	3,662	3,669
FTSE 100	↑	6,463	1.22%	6,385	6,463
Hangseng	↑	26,683	0.57%	26,533	26,683
DAX	↓	13,313	-0.52%	13,382	13,313
<b>JSE Sectors</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
Financials	↑	11,238	0.71%	11,159	11,307
Resources	↑	53,562	1.63%	52,703	55,473
Industrials	↑	79,068	0.13%	78,966	79,065
<b>Forex</b>		<b>Last Close</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Prev Close</b>	<b>Current Spot</b>
N\$/US Dollar	↑	15.32	0.46%	15.25	15.33
N\$/Pound	↓	20.44	-0.10%	20.46	20.52
N\$/Euro	↑	18.52	0.60%	18.41	18.58
US Dollar/ Euro	↑	1.212	0.17%	1.21	1.21
<b>Interest Rates &amp; Inflation</b>		<b>Namibia</b>		<b>RSA</b>	
		<b>Nov-20</b>	<b>Oct-20</b>	<b>Nov-20</b>	<b>Oct-20</b>
Central Bank Rate	→	3.75	3.75	3.50	3.50
Prime Rate	→	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00
		<b>Nov-20</b>	<b>Oct-20</b>	<b>Oct-20</b>	<b>Sep-20</b>
Inflation	↓	2.3	2.4	3.3	3.0

**Notes to the table:**

- The money market rates are TB rates
- “BMK” = Benchmark
- “NCPI” = Namibian inflation rate
- “Difference” = change in basis points
- Current spot = value at the time of writing
- NSX is a Bloomberg calculated Index

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