

International Market News Update

US Indices				
	Closing	Net Change	% Change	YTD
DJIA	18,432.24	-138.61	-0.75%	5.78%
S&P 500	2,173.60	-1.43	-0.07%	6.34%
NASDAQ Composite	5,162.13	+61.97	1.22%	3.09%

Europe Indices				
	Closing	Net Change	% Change	YTD
UK - FTSE 100	6,724.43	-6.05	-0.09%	7.72%
Eurozone - STOXX 50	2,877.62	-4.28	-0.15%	-7.18%
France - CAC 40	4,439.81	+58.71	1.34%	-4.25%
Germany - DAX	10,337.50	+190.04	1.87%	-3.77%
Netherlands - AEX	449.83	-3.52	-0.78%	1.81%
Switzerland - SMI	8,127.20	-67.53	-0.82%	-7.83%

BRICS Indices				
	Closing	Net Change	% Change	YTD
Brazil - Ibovespa	57,308.21	+306.13	0.54%	32.20%
Russia - MICEX	1,944.62	+17.72	0.92%	10.40%
India - SENSEX	28,051.86	+248.62	0.89%	7.41%
China - Shanghai	2,979.34	-33.48	-1.11%	-15.82%
South Africa - JSE Africa	52,797.58	-207.64	-0.39%	4.15%

Asia-Pacific Indices				
	Closing	Net Change	% Change	YTD
Japan - Nikkei 225	16,569.27	-57.98	-0.35%	-12.95%
Hong Kong - Hang Sen	21,891.37	-72.90	-0.33%	-0.11%
South Korea - KOSPI	2,016.19	+5.85	0.29%	2.80%
Australia - ASX 200	5,562.36	+64.17	1.17%	5.03%

Commodities				
	Closing	Net Change	% Change	YTD
Gold Spot	1,351.28	+28.55	2.16%	27.35%
Silver Spot	20.34	0.70	3.58%	46.85%
Platinum Spot	1,148.58	66.49	6.14%	28.83%
Palladium Spot	710.18	25.18	3.68%	26.15%
Crude Oil (WTI)	41.60	-2.59	-5.86%	12.31%
Crude Oil (Brent)	43.53	-2.16	-4.73%	16.77%
Baltic Dry Ind	656.00	-62.00	-8.64%	37.24%

Money Markets				
	Closing	Net Change (5-D)	Net Change (6-M)	Net Change (YTD)
3M Libor	0.759	0.038	0.147	0.146
12M Libor	1.432	0.060	0.292	0.254
3M Euribor	(0.297)	-	(0.135)	(0.166)
12M Euribor	(0.049)	0.001	(0.064)	(0.109)
10Y US	1.453	(0.113)	(0.468)	(0.816)
10Y UK	0.685	(0.113)	(0.875)	(1.275)
10Y Germany	(0.119)	(0.089)	(0.444)	(0.748)
10Y Japan	(0.190)	0.030	(0.290)	(0.455)
10Y India	7.167	(0.084)	(0.616)	(0.594)

Currencies			
	Closing	Closing	
GBP/USD	1.323	EUR/USD	
USD/JPY	102.060	AUD/USD	0.760
USD/CHF	0.970	EUR/AED	4.073
USD/INR	66.995	EUR/INR	74.435
USD/CNY	6.635	EUR/CHF	1.083
USD/RUB	66.026	AED/INR	18.162

Source: Bloomberg

Wall Street, seeking direction as the S&P 500 has been stuck in a narrow trading range for 12 days, will next week shift its attention from second-quarter corporate earnings reports to economic data. Investors will be looking for signs of economic strength to reinforce the positive direction hit Friday, when the S&P 500 hit an intraday record high. Data estimates for next week show the manufacturing and services sectors are expected to have expanded in July while the economy is seen having added a healthy 180,000 jobs this month. The U.S. stock market has been trading flat as second-quarter earnings have come in better than initially expected, but the outlook for third-quarter earnings has worsened. The S&P 500 is trading near its record high, at roughly 17.2 times the earnings of its component companies over the next 12 months, a valuation that is expensive when compared to its 15.5 median, according to Thomson Reuters data.

The Bank of England (BoE) must decide over the coming week how much trouble Britain's economy is in following the shock vote to leave the European Union, and how much firepower it can throw at the problem. Japan's government has promised a \$272 billion economic stimulus spending package and Britain's new finance minister Philip Hammond has said he might deliver a fiscal boost at the end of the year once the scale of the Brexit slowdown is clearer. A poll of economists published on July 26 predicted the British central bank would cut its benchmark Bank Rate to 0.25 percent from 0.50 percent on Aug. 4, but most said it would not revive its massive bond-buying program for now.

European shares edged higher in early trading on Friday, with EDF surging after its board approved Hinkley Point nuclear project, while Kering gained after positive update from its flagship fashion brand Gucci. Financials were in demand, with the STOXX Europe 600 Banks index gaining 1.8 percent. Barclays rose 3.8 percent after results, while UBS gained 2.8 percent after beating second quarter earnings. The pan-European STOXX 600 and the FTSEurofirst 300 indexes both rose 0.4 percent after closing nearly 1 percent lower in the previous session.

Tokyo stocks rose in volatile trade on Friday as banks and insurers gained. Financial stocks surged as investors took heart from the central bank's decision to hold off from cutting interest rates charged on a portion of excess reserves financial institutions park at the BOJ deeper into negative territory. The Nikkei ended 0.6 percent higher to 16,569.27, recovering from a 1.8 percent drop to 16,174.35 after the BOJ's policy decision was released. For the week, the Nikkei fell 0.35 percent.

Commodity in Focus

U.S. oil rebounded from bear-market territory, but Brent stayed lower as the market has become divided by bargain buyers and renewed concerns of oversupply.

Crude Oil (WTI) for September delivery gained 1.1% (46 cents) to \$41.60 a barrel. Brent Crude lost 4.73% in the week to close at \$43.53.

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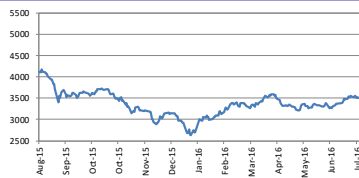
Middle East Market News Update

Trading volumes on the Dubai Gold & Commodities Exchange (DGCX) witnessed a new daily trading record on Tuesday, leading the exchange to record its highest ever daily volume of 176,645 contracts valued at \$3.6 billion. The new daily volume record surpasses the previous high of 150,570 contracts registered on June 24, recording an increase of 17 percent, DGCX said in a statement. It added that the exchange also recorded the highest daily Open Interest of 344,610 contracts valued at \$6 billion.

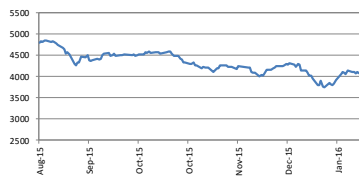
Saudi Arabia's market regulator is quickening the pace on easing restrictions for foreign investors, with measures set to be introduced by the end of this year instead of next, it has been reported. The Capital Market Authority (CMA) announced plans in May to allow foreign investors to own larger stakes in listed companies in Saudi Arabia. It said it hoped to implement the changes along with other regulations by mid-2017, and launched a public consultation on the plans. The consultation concluded last week, but CMA chairman Mohammed Al Jadaan told the Wall Street Journal in an interview that the new rules could be implemented by as early as the end of September. Al Jadaan reportedly said that the Tadawul lacked the liquidity at present to be able to absorb the huge aramco IPO, so needed to prepare for an influx of foreign investment.

Key Indices	Net			
	Closing	Change	% Change	YTD
Dubai - DFM	3,484.32	-33.06	-0.94%	10.58%
Abu Dhabi - ADX	4,575.34	+7.69	0.17%	6.22%
Saudi Arabia - TASI	6,295.59	-227.97	-3.49%	-8.91%
Qatar - QE	10,603.96	+118.40	1.13%	1.67%
Bahrain - BHSE	1,155.62	-5.13	-0.44%	-4.96%
Oman - MSM 30	5,843.78	+25.64	0.44%	8.09%
Kuwait	5,450.98	+56.41	1.05%	-2.92%

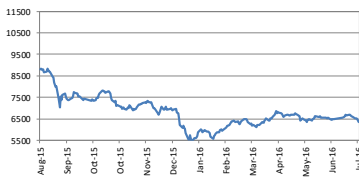
Dubai - DFM 52-Week Performance



Abu Dhabi - ADX 52-Week Performance



Saudi - TASI 52-Week Performance



Source: Bloomberg

En Bref..... Biggest Market News

European regulators gave most of their banks a clean bill of health Friday, with only a clutch of lenders struggling to ride out an economic meltdown. The European Banking Authority presented results of a test showing how much capital banks would have left on their balance sheets after a severe downturn. At the bottom of the pack of 51 banks sat Italy's Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena Spa, confirming that the bank needs to raise substantial fresh funds. Other major banks that were hard hit by the test included, UniCredit SpA, Barclays PLC and Deutsche Bank AG. Of the 'systemically important' European banks, Italy's UniCredit fared the worst with a top-quality capital ratio of 7.1%. The bank is likely to raise capital later this year, according to a person familiar with the matter. Barclays, had a capital ratio of 7.3%. Deutsche Bank AG, whose capital levels are being closely scrutinized, had a 7.8% capital level.

Events in the week ahead

- 2 Aug – Reserve Bank of Australia Rate Decision.
- 4 Aug – Bank of England Rate Decision.
- 5 Aug – USD Unemployment Rate (July)

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