



## MKS PAMP GROUP

### Europe / US Market Update

#### 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Range Europe / US Markets  
(from Globex open)

4 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
<b>OPEN</b>	1333.70	1334.20	17.8400	17.8700	1009.70	1012.70	983.30	988.30
<b>HIGH</b>	1339.90	1340.40	17.9400	17.9700	1012.60	1015.60	998.50	1003.50
<b>LOW</b>	1331.50	1332.00	17.7650	17.7950	1004.90	1007.90	971.00	976.00
<b>CLOSE</b>	1334.25	1334.75	17.8800	17.9300	1005.00	1008.00	971.00	976.00
<b>EFP</b>	5.10	5.20	0.0600	0.0700	2.50	3.50	-6.00	-2.00
<b>LBMA Prices</b>	AM 1334.60	PM 1333.10	17.80		AM 1011.00	PM 1007.00	AM 988.00	PM 976.00
<b>Active Contract</b>	GCZY Comdty		SI27 Comdty		PLV7 Comdty		PAZ7 Comdty	

#### MACRO

- US markets closed for labour day.
- North Korea continues to dominate headlines with the US launching a bid at the UN to impose the "strongest possible measures" on the rogue state.
- Nikki Haley, the US Ambassador to the UN said the US will present new sanctions resolution to the council.
- She suggested "Only the strongest sanctions will enable us to resolve this problem through diplomacy,".
- She also noted that "enough is enough" and that Kim Jong Un is "begging for war".
- Many experts are predicting the North will prepare for further weapons testing on September 9 which is the anniversary of its foundation in 1948.
- US equities were closed.
- European shares were lower. The Euro STOXX fell 0.4%, the German Dax lost 0.3% whilst the UK FTSE eased 0.4%.
- The dollar index dropped 0.22% to 92.614. The EUR/USD traded up to 1.1923 whilst the USDJPY traded down to 109.38.
- Base metals were higher with Nickel up the most (+2%).
- Oil prices were mixed. WTI gained 0.2% to \$47.37 whilst Brent fell 0.2% to \$52.20.
- No major European data apart from Sentix investor confidence which rose to 28.2 in September, almost matching the post GFC recovery high of 28.4

#### PRECIOUS

- Gold gapped higher on the Asia open following the news that North Korea successfully tested an H bomb.
- The yellow metal traded close to one year highs.



- Geopolitical tensions surrounding NK alongside the US debt ceiling issues continue to support the complex.
- XAU retained its bid throughout Asia trade despite notable producer selling and touched new highs leading into London.
- After trading as high as 1339.90, profit taking began to hit bids pressuring gold down to 1332 which was the session low.
- The remainder of the day was lifeless with the US closed.
- Palladium traded as high as 998.50 before a wave of selling sold the metal down to 971/76 which is where it finished the day.
- The SPDR gold trust holdings rose an impressive 1.81% to 831.21 metric tons.

### **PRE-ASIA COMMENTS**

- Gold trades quietly in early trade following the US holiday.
- Asian equities open close to flat.
- Greenback slightly higher in first hour of trade.
- Ahead today:

Korea CA Balance

Japan PMI

Philippines CPI

Australia CA Balance

China PMI

Australia RBA

India PMI

Switzerland GDP

Turkey CPI

Spain PMI

Switzerland CPI

Italy PMI

France PMI

Germany PMI

Taiwan CPI

Eurozone PMI

UK PMI

Eurozone Retail Sales

Australia RBA Lowe Speech

US Federal Reserve Brainard Speech

Brazil IP

Brazil PMI

US Durable Goods/Factory Orders

US Federal Reserve Kashkari Speech

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