



## MKS PAMP GROUP

### Europe / US Market Update

#### 21st September 2017

Range Europe / US Markets  
(from Globex open)

**Ranges: Europe/US Markets:**

20-Sep-17	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
<b>OPEN</b>	1311.15	1311.65	17.3150	17.3450	952.85	955.85	911.48	914.48
<b>HIGH</b>	1316.40	1316.90	17.4000	17.4300	958.35	961.35	917.76	920.76
<b>LOW</b>	1296.20	1296.70	16.9710	17.0010	934.95	937.95	903.45	906.45
<b>CLOSE</b>	1300.60	1301.10	17.1500	17.1800	943.10	946.10	912.00	915.00
<b>FFP</b>	3.30	3.40	0.0350	0.0450	1.00	2.00	-7.00	-3.00
<b>LBMA Prices</b>	AM	PM	17.38		AM	PM	AM	PM
	1314.90	1311.30			953.00	945.00	908.00	907.00
<b>Active Contract</b>	<del>GCZ7 Comdty</del>		<del>SIZ7 Comdty</del>		<del>PLV7 Comdty</del>		<del>PAZ7 Comdty</del>	

**MACRO:**

- The S&P500 traded up to all-time highs aided by rallying bank stocks following the FOMC indicating another hike and that it would begin the unwinding of its balance sheet next month.
- The Dow Jones rose 41.79 points, the S&P500 climbed 1.59 points whilst the Nasdaq retreated 5.27 points.
- Energy stocks were up a solid 0.69% whilst staples lagged, down 0.89%.
- European shares were mixed. The Euro STOXX lost 0.2%, German Dax rose 0.1% whilst the UK FTSE was flat.
- The VIX gauge fell 3.93% to 9.78.
- The dollar index rallied 0.68% to 92.419. The EUR traded down to 1.1861 whilst the USDJPY touched a high of 112.65.
- Oil prices were higher. WTI rose 1.1% to \$50.29 whilst Brent gained 1.5% to \$56.18.
- Base metals were higher led by Nickel, up 2%.
- The CRB index rallied 1.1% to 184.63.
- US treasury yields were higher. The 2 year yield was up 4.4 bps to 1.438% whilst the 10 year yield was up 3.5 bps to 2.271%.

**PRECIOUS:**

- As expected the Fed announced that they intend to hike rates sooner rather than later and will begin to unwind its balance sheet.
- The skyrocketing USD put pressure on the complex, with all four metals finishing the session considerably lower.
- With the market still considerably long, we expect the topside to remain offered.
- Asia opened to some small buying and the yellow metal edged higher leading into Europe.
- The Europeans were also on the bid, but interest and volumes were on the light side ahead of the FOMC.



- Once the announcement was made, gold saw an initial spike up to the days highs, but resting offers hammered the market with stops triggered all the way down to 1296.70.
- Silver also came crashing lower, touching a low of 17.00
- PGM's were a little more resilient but still finished the day lower.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index fell 2%.
- The SPDR gold trust holdings unchanged at 846.03 metric tons

**PRE-ASIA COMMENTS:**

- Gold trades heavily in early trade following the carnage overnight.
- The greenback retains its bid with USDJPY trading towards the highs.
- Asian equities open slightly lower.
- Ahead today:
  - NZ Credit Card Spending
  - Thailand Trade Balance
  - Japan All Industry Index
  - Australia RBA Lowe Speech
  - EZ ECB Smets Speech
  - Denmark Consumer Confidence/Retail Sales
  - Malaysia Foreign Reserves
  - Norway Norges Bank
  - Taiwan Rate Decision
  - Philippines Rate Decision
  - HK CPI
  - EZ ECB Praet Speech
  - Brazil Inflation
  - US Initial Jobless Claims/Phily Fed
  - US FHFA House Price Index
  - Mexico Retail Sales
  - EZ ECB Draghi Speech
  - EZ Consumer Confidence
  - US Leading Index

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