

## Market snapshot

	curr.*	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17
<b>Poland</b>				
EUR/PLN	4.318	4.35	4.30	4.30
Key rate	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50
10y bond	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1
<b>Hungary</b>				
EUR/HUF	308.3	315	310	310
Key rate	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
10y bond	3.0	2.7	2.8	2.9
<b>Czech Republic</b>				
EUR/CZK	27.02	27.0	27.0	27.0
Key rate	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
10y bond	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.7
<b>Romania</b>				
EUR/RON	4.449	4.50	4.45	4.50
Key rate	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75
10y bond	3.0	3.5	3.6	3.8
<b>Croatia</b>				
EUR/HRK	7.485	7.60	7.60	7.50
Key rate	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
10y bond	3.5	3.9	3.9	3.9
<b>Russia</b>				
USD/RUB	63.71	65.0	63.0	63.0
Key rate**	10.50	9.50	9.00	9.00
10y bond**	7.9	8.8	8.5	8.5
<b>Turkey</b>				
USD/TRY	2.942	3.10	3.10	3.10
Key rate	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
10y bond	9.4	10.5	10.1	9.2
EUR/USD	1.127	1.05	1.03	0.99

\* prices as of 08 September 2016, 11:59 p.m. CEST

\*\* forecasts under revision

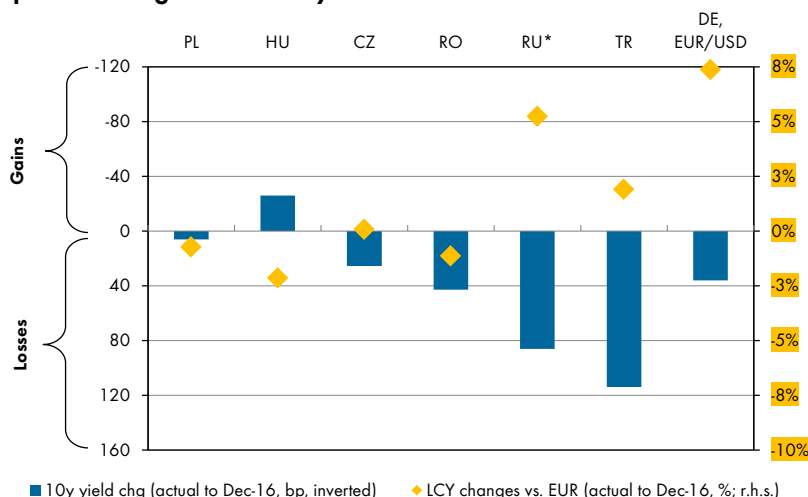
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## Highlights

Central banks had been in the market focus in (Western) Europe this week. ECB surprised “QE believers” with a slightly hawkish positioning in their perception. Nevertheless, market reaction on core markets as well as in CE/SEE was moderate. Markets remained positioned for more ECB QE to come (i.e. prolongation well beyond March 2017). Tight valuations on CE/SEE markets may still result in some selling pressure (profit taking) in case we see some moderate upward drift for core market yields or euro area periphery yields in the course of the next days/weeks. Croatia may suffer from country-specific factors, i.e. a challenging post-election government formation following upcoming parliamentary elections on Sunday (see our Focus on coverage on page 2-3). The Polish National Bank (NBP) also surprised with a somewhat hawkish positioning, possibly even accepting some resulting upside pressure on PLN. This week the Czech Central Bank governor surprised with a statement that he could imagine an abandoning of the FX regime in mid-2017 while additionally mentioning he would prefer a one-off removal. The news led to a restart on speculation of CZK strengthening for the course of 2017 visible in the forward market. Next week will feature the rate setting meeting in Russia where we expect a 50bp interest rate cut especially on benign inflation developments, solid disinflation prospects as well as a rather prudent fiscal policy stance in pre-election times. We have revised our RUB outlook towards a somewhat stronger development into 2017 on continued oil recovery (with correlation between oil price and RUB remaining high), while we see limited effects from ongoing moderate deleveraging or seasonal patterns on the currency up to now. Moreover, we do not see an explicit “weak RUB” stance at present, while it looks like plans to rebuild FX reserves a shelved for the time being. In line with RUB we also see some additional upside for OFZs and therefore put our forecasts under revision. Later today Moody’s review of the Polish rating should be in the spotlight. Whereas we would assign a 60% chance to no change in the rating the fact that Moody’s rates Poland one notch higher than Fitch and two notches higher than S&P could cause Moody’s to downgrade in some form of precautionary action.

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## Expected changes from today until December 2016



Source: Thomson Reuters, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

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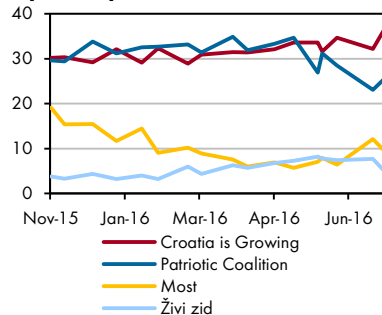
## Data highlights upcoming week

Date	Indicator	Period	Forecast	High	Mean	Low	Previous
13-Sep	CZ: C/A balance, CZK bn	Jul	-18.0	-4.0	-16.0	-38.6	-8.5
13-Sep	PL: C/A balance, EUR bn	Jul	-0.3	0.1	-0.4	-1.5	-0.2
15-Sep	UA: Key rate, %	Sep	15.00	15.50	15.00	15.00	15.50
16-Sep	RU: Key rate, %	Sep	10.00	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.50

Source: Bloomberg, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

## Focus on: Croatian snap elections

### Opinion polls (%)

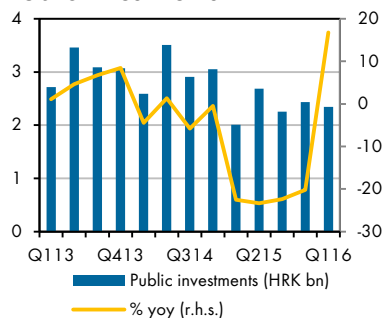


Source: Promocija plus, IPSOS PULS, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

**Early elections** are set to take place this Sunday (11 September). Most likely, **neither of the main parties will secure a decent majority**, hence forming the government could take time (as in November 2015). The **latest polls** suggest that the SDP and their “People’s coalition” might win a higher number of votes than the HDZ, but will fall short of an absolute majority. Thus MOST could once again act as the kingmaker. There is a greater chance of HDZ-MOST coalition talks than between the SDP and MOST. However, MOST is a tough negotiator, and does not support the (populist) demands by (traditional) leading parties. Discussions between HDZ and MOST could take less time now as MOST is now much better prepared (with a clear economic programme and aims). However, the number of undecided voters (about 20%) remains high. A lot of votes may end up with small parties. Moreover, we would not be surprised if smaller (anti-establishment) parties score better than expected. The potential behaviour of the “Club of minorities” in Parliament (8 seats) adds to the high degree of ambiguity as well. Despite the traditional pattern that minorities go with the winner, their club was divided in the last parliamentary session. Most members stood with the opposition, while a smaller part of the Club supported HDZ.

If the election results reflect the latest polls **we may see a long and painful period of assembling a parliamentary majority, with an uncertain outcome**. Looking at the **economic programmes** and the **election campaigns** of the main political parties, all of them focused on taxes. Tax relief was a prominent and popular feature, showing awareness of the high tax burden. The election campaigns of major parties provided less visibility about potential further structural reforms, exports, competitiveness, efficiency of the legal system, etc. Political programmes are mostly aimed at relieving income pressure and gradually reducing VAT. Furthermore, unlike the SDP, the HDZ and some smaller parties announced a reduction of corporate income tax and a continuation of the pension reform. A debate regarding spending has largely been missing. Despite limited fiscal space, both major parties (at least publicly) have not addressed the consequences of prospective tax cuts for public debt. Political actors are banking on strong GDP growth to stabilise the fragile fiscal metrics.

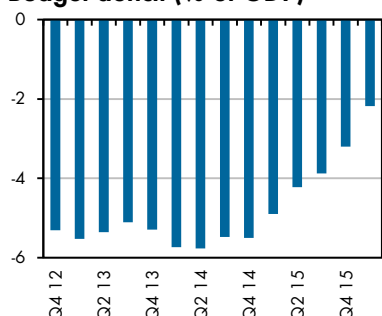
### Public investments



Source: Eurostat, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

Following tough negotiations, a continuation of the **HDZ-MOST cooperation is likely to be the most market-friendly outcome**. Such a government could remain focused on growth-friendly fiscal consolidation, EU-fund absorption and meeting EDP criteria. This time, Mr. Plenković (HDZ leader) is much more acceptable as PM to MOST, while the current Minister of Finance (Mr. Marić, HDZ) could be re-appointed. Moreover, MOST would act as a corrective factor and watchdog over the promised reforms. An **SDP-People’s coalition** would be more focused on supporting economic growth via the public sector. Hence fiscal consolidation would be less ambitious. Moreover, EU relations could turn sour as we are not confident that such a government would meet EDP deadlines. What the market could also be afraid of are populist measures, like the compulsory CHF conversion that may become a financial burden for the sovereign due to (international) legal proceedings (direct interference in contractual relations); the potential introduction of a banking sector tax is unlikely to immediately compensate for potential one-offs related to CHF conversion litigation. If the SDP regains power, Mr. Milanović is the most likely candidate for PM. The only name rumoured as a potential SDP candidate for the Minister of Finance position is Mr. Lalovac. There is a small chance of a **grand HDZ-SDP coalition**, if the major parties find themselves hard-pressed by political responsibility. In fact, one more parliamentary election would be a blow to the popularity and credibility of political elites, resulting in further support for smaller (anti-establishment) movements. The economic policy stance of a grand coalition is quite hard to predict, but would most likely not be focused on cutting expenditures or implementing tough reforms. Finally, we would not exclude the possibility of no stable government being established. Such a scenario could also lead to another round of elections within the next 6-9 months. In such a scenario, i.e. non-functioning of legislative bodies (in first line parliament), crucial reforms necessary for structural fiscal consolidation and a sustainable economic recovery could be discontinued. In this context it has to be stressed that according to recent data (economic, fiscal and market) it seems that a non-functioning “state” makes things easier for the private sector in Croatia (at least from a short-term perspective), while government revenue expansion is capped. Private-sector investments have shown a recovery since Q3 2015. Data for Q4 2015 and H1 2016 confirm that political uncertainty may also lead to some “natural” fiscal consolidation (improving economy, less spending). Paired with a lower deficit and continued privatisation, public

### Budget deficit (% of GDP)\*



\* rolling year in % of rolling GDP  
Source: Eurostat, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

debt stabilised. However, although fiscal metrics improved under such conditions, structural problems remain. Therefore, a longer period of a “non-functioning” state is not a substitution for much-needed structural fiscal consolidation.

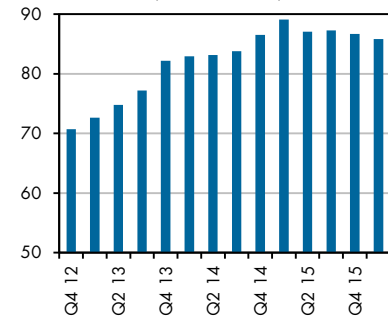
In light of the lingering political risks as well as the threat of more reform fatigue, **we remain cautious regarding the debt sustainability outlook**. Despite improving deficit numbers the public debt-to-GDP ratio remains elevated. This holds especially true when taking the income level and low maturity of the economy into account. Moreover, **refinancing needs** are elevated over the coming years (about 20% of GDP). Despite ample liquidity on the local market, solid absorption by large institutional investors (e.g. pension funds) and the readiness of banks to lend to the state, we think that refinancing needs cannot be fully covered on the domestic market. Moreover, **banking exposure** to central government already accounts for 20% of assets, while we see a limited willingness to boost exposures further. Sovereign limits of a lot of (major) local banks are also set up in coordination with their foreign parents. Any further political volatility is likely to add to an already risk-averse attitude. However, local banking sector balance sheet structures have to be taken into account as well. Local banks have to cope with changing capital requirements (CRR, CRD IV). Until 2019 only LCY investments in government debt are unlimited. But, deposits in FCY (EUR) dominate on the funding side. The growing demand for LCY loans in the private sector leaves some space for additional government financing, but in FCY only. In terms of refinancing, 2017 could be far more challenging than 2016. H1 2017 shows a sizeable amount of sovereign maturities (Feb: HRK 5.5 bn; April: USD 1.5 bn). Overall, including additional maturing bonds in November (HRK 4 bn) and EUR 1 bn of Croatian motorway debt maturing, total refinancing needs in 2017 could be HRK 27 bn. Therefore, **tapping the international markets – which would require decent investor confidence – will be a must rather than an option**. So there are supply-side risks with potential effects on secondary markets (i.e. the main question is at what price Croatia may issue in 2017).

**Eurobonds**

Any failure to address fiscal policy challenges in Croatia could backfire with a series of rating downgrades and a loss of market confidence going forward. Currently, Croatia is rated BB/BB/Ba2 with a negative outlook by S&P, Fitch and Moody’s. **Rating agencies are likely to become increasingly concerned about excessive public debt and the lack of measures to control growth in the case of a prolonged period of political uncertainty, a weak government and/or stalled reforms**. We see a high chance of at least a one-notch rating downgrade going forward. In our opinion, **there is a 60% chance that at least one of the three agencies could downgrade Croatia by one notch in six months’ time**. The patience that rating agencies have shown up to now (giving the latest reform-minded government some leeway) may run short as the agencies have already waited (too) long for a turnaround. The last series of downgrades appeared in 2014, with S&P and Fitch switching their outlooks back to negative in 2015 once again. We believe that next year could be very decisive for Croatia with further rating downgrades (not just by one agency) being a strong possibility. In combination with the challenging refinancing outlook this could lead to **strong market repercussions going forward**. This holds especially true as **Croatia’s Eurobond market has experienced a tailspin rally over the last 3-6 months**, which compressed spreads to ultra-tight levels. Meanwhile Croatia’s rating spread (difference between HR EMBIG USD and the average for BB-rated EMBIG) slipped deeper into negative territory at -40bp, while Croatia’s spread to Serbia tightened back to almost zero without any meaningful fundamental improvements in Croatia. Surprisingly, the markets are demonstrating a high degree of complacency in the current “hunt for yields” environment. Croatia’s EUR Eurobonds in particular benefited strongly as investors rushed to buy higher-yielding paper in the post-Brexit markets. In our view, Croatia offers no upside at current valuations, while the possible downside could be painfully deep due to the complexity of the domestic political situation. In this regard **we uphold our sell recommendation for Croatia** as we find the recent rally unsustainable taking into account rating downgrade risks and a high likelihood of political difficulties following the upcoming elections. We would particularly **recommend underweighting Croatia’s Eurobonds due to the higher risk of poorer ratings, while we also believe that Croatia should be traded outside of Serbia** (i.e. with a positive spread).

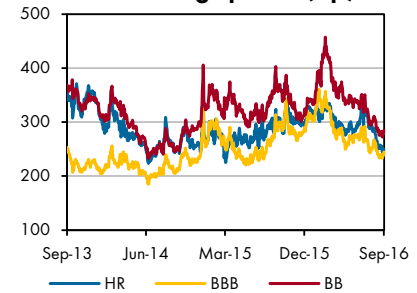
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**Public debt (% of GDP)\***



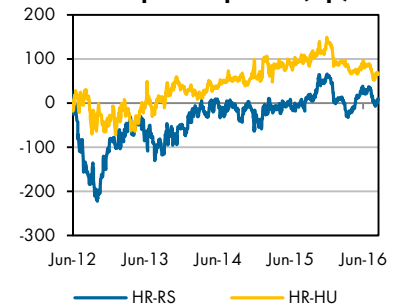
\* Maastricht definition  
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**Croatia vs rating spread (bp)\***



\* EMBIG USD spread, BBB and BB averages for respective sovereigns included into particular rating brackets  
Source: Bloomberg, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

**Croatia vs peers spread (bp)\***



\* EMBIG USD spread in basis points, HR-RS - Croatia minus Serbia spread, HR-HU - Croatia minus Hungary spread  
Source: Bloomberg, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

## Data calendar and country coverage

### Key data releases (previous and upcoming)

Indicator	Period	Actual	Forecast	Previous	Indicator	Period	Forecast	High	Mean	Low	Previous
<b>Monday, 5 September</b>											
RO: Retail sales, % yoy	Jul	13.8	n.a.	16.2	RU: Trade Balance, USD bn	Jul	n.a.	8.5	7.2	5.8	8.1
SK: Retail sales, % yoy	Jul	-0.6	n.a.	2.6	<b>Monday, 12 September</b>						
CZ: Real wages, % yoy	Q2	3.7	3.9	3.9	RO: CPI, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-0.8
HU: Retail sales, % yoy	Jul	3.8	n.a.	5.7	HR: Retail sales, % yoy	Jul	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	4.5
TR: CPI, % yoy	Aug	8.1	n.a.	8.8	PL: CPI, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-0.8
CZ: Retail sales, % yoy	Jul	-0.4	4.0	6.4	RS: CPI, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1.2
RU: CPI, % yoy	Aug	6.9	7.0	7.2	SK: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.4
<b>Tuesday, 6 September</b>											
RO: GDP, % yoy	Q2	6.0	n.a.	6.0	<b>Tuesday, 13 September</b>						
CZ: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	-14.1	-5.0	3.9	RO: C/A balance, EUR bn	Jul	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-2.5
SK: GDP, % yoy	Q2	3.7	n.a.	3.7	CZ: C/A balance, CZK bn	Jul	-18.0	-4.0	-16.0	-38.6	-8.5
HU: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	-0.1	n.a.	-0.3	PL: C/A balance, EUR bn	Jul	-0.3	0.1	-0.4	-1.5	-0.2
HU: GDP, % yoy	Q2	2.6	n.a.	2.6	PL: Trade balance, EUR bn	Jul	-0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.9	0.4
<b>Wednesday, 7 September</b>											
HU: Budget balance, HUF bn	Aug	-274.0	n.a.	-464.8	BG: CPI, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-0.2
HR: GDP, % yoy	Q2	2.8	n.a.	2.8	<b>Wednesday, 14 September</b>						
PL: Key rate, %	Sep	1.5	1.5	1.5	RO: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-0.5
RS: PPI, % yoy	Aug	-0.1	n.a.	-0.7	SK: CPI, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-0.9
<b>Thursday, 8 September</b>											
SK: Trade balance, EUR mn	Jul	59.6	n.a.	515.4	<b>Thursday, 15 September</b>						
HU: CPI, % yoy	Aug	-0.1	n.a.	-0.3	HR: CPI, % yoy	Aug	-1.4	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-1.5
HU: Trade balance, EUR mn	Jul	662.0	n.a.	1112.0	UA: Key rate, %	Sep	15.00	15.50	15.00	15.00	15.50
TR: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	-4.9	n.a.	1.1	RU: Industrial output, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	1.7	0.6	0.0	-0.3
HR: PPI, % yoy	Aug	-5.1	-3.5	-5.5	BY: C/A balance, USD bn	Q2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-1468.0
RS: Key rate, %	Sep	4.0	4.0	4.0	<b>Friday, 16 September</b>						
UA: CPI, % yoy	Aug	8.4	n.a.	7.9	BY: Industrial output, % yoy	Aug	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-4.4
<b>Friday, 9 September</b>											
RO: Trade balance, EUR mn	Jul	-642.9	n.a.	-695.8	RU: Key rate, %	Sep	10.00	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.50
SK: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	-14.3	n.a.	2.3	BG: C/A balance, EUR bn	Jul	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	562.8
TR: GDP, % yoy	Q2	3.1	n.a.	4.7	RU: PPI, %	Aug	n.a.	4.8	4.5	4.0	4.5
CZ: CPI, % yoy	Aug	0.6	0.7	0.5							
BG: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	2.3	n.a.	4.0							
SI: Industrial output, % yoy	Jul	7.4	n.a.	6.1							

Source: Bloomberg, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

**Croatia (HR)** – The week was highlighted by unexpected central bank FX action, although the EUR/HRK has been relatively stable over the last two months. So in our view, without any fundamental reasons, the CNB bought EUR 69 mn from commercial banks and released additional HRK liquidity. Although the official reasoning behind the move is to stimulate the economic recovery and lending further, the fact remains that the local market is flush with liquidity, which keeps the interest rate low. In this context we predict no changes in the coming weeks or even quarters. For the time being the accommodative monetary policy enjoys broad support due to the lack of any inflationary pressures.

In the meantime the HRK is bolstered by FCY inflows from tourism, as the latest July figures showed double-digit growth rates. We are pretty much convinced that this will be the best tourist season ever, in terms of nights and arrivals, but also revenues. On the other hand, despite solid growth rates for exports, the latest data again warns of the high dependence on imports. Namely, in H1 the foreign trade deficit deepened by 6.4% yoy, reducing the coverage of imports by exports to 60.4% (0.5pp lower than in H1 2015). However, negative trends in merchandise trading were partly offset by the annual drop in oil prices on the world commodity markets. Consequently, August's PPI figures also confirmed the trend in negative growth rates (-5.0% yoy) and the same impact is expected on next week's CPI release scheduled for Thursday (-1.4% yoy).

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**Czech Republic (CZ)** – Last week the data for the industrial output for July shocked the market. With a year-on-year decline at -14.1% the result was deeply below median market expectation at -5.7%. Such a drop was even scarier taking into account the July drop of the PMI. Nevertheless, there are several points which can to a large extent excuse such a bad result. First of all July 2016 compared to 2015 was short of three working days. Besides that calendar and also weather was more than convenient for taking days off. Moreover, large corporations including carmakers announced general factory holidays. This led to a drop of production also for the factory suppliers. Analyst estimates were simply not able to fully assess the overall negative impact of these matters. Nevertheless, the continuing improvement of the labour market in July and August and increase of PMI in August show that the extremely weak holiday industrial output was just a one of event. Consumer prices in August declined by 0.2% month-on-month due to lower prices of fuel and food. The year-on-year



inflation accelerated by 10bp to 0.6%. That was 10bp below market expectation but in line with the forecast of the central bank. Unless the oil price decreases again and given the declining comparative base from last year together with the strengthening domestic demand, the inflation should rise close to above 1.5% in November and could reach the 2% by the end of Q1 2017.

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**Hungary (HU)** – In Tuesday's publication, the statistical office published revised real and nominal GDP figures for the second quarter, and industrial production figures for July. The Hungarian economy expanded by 2.6% in Q2, a better-than-expected surge from the 1.1% growth (upwardly revised from 0.9%) in the first three months of the year. The details confirmed that the economic recovery is becoming more balanced, though consumer spending remained the key driver. We expect economic growth in H2 to be around 2.7%, driven mostly by domestic demand. Services increased by 3.3% in the second quarter, contributing the most with 1.8 percentage points, while industrial output increased by 3.9%, adding only 0.9 percentage points to the growth. Industrial output shrank further by 0.1% in July, and is likely to rebound in the second half of this year. The latest CPI data was in line with expectations. Consumer prices fell for a fourth consecutive month in August by 0.1%, and are expected to bounce back in the second half of the year. We see headline inflation exceeding 1% by the end of 2016. Next Friday, Standard & Poor's will publish an update on Hungary's credit rating, which is currently in junk territory and has been one notch below investment grade for almost half a decade. Although Fitch upgraded Hungary to investment grade in May, another positive rating action is unlikely in the near term. Meanwhile, the forint is still trading around the bottom of its range as yields fell across the curve.

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**Poland (PL)** – As expected, the Polish MPC left interest unchanged. The council remained surprisingly unconcerned with the GDP results for Q2, which the markets interpreted as disappointing. While the Q2 results were a reason for concern about the future state of the Polish economy for the majority of analysts, in the MPC's view the key point is that growth was balanced and slightly better than in Q2. The NBP Governor declared that the MPC is not tempted to cut rates; on the contrary, the MPC still expects a rate hike will be the first change made to interest rates. In his opinion the two conditions for an initial hike are improving, GDP growth and CPI are back close to the lower band of the CPI target (1.5%). Taking into account our oil and FX forecasts, the rise in CPI might materialise in early 2017. Improving GDP growth also remains our baseline scenario. While the two conditions given by the MPC might be fulfilled in early 2017 we reckon rate hikes are likely to come no sooner than late 2017.

Although the MPC comments strongly contrasted with market speculations on interest rate cuts, there was no significant reaction on the bond market, which seemed to focus more on the ECB's meeting. This, however, delivered no support for bonds either. For the next few days, Moody's update on the Polish rating remains the key issue. Since we expect no rating change, despite the fact that risks are clearly concentrated on the downside, the decision might generate short-term support for Polish assets. Over a longer-term perspective, the negative comments still likely from Moody's (meaning higher credit risk) and strong real economic data for August (meaning a lower probability of cuts) could generate negative pressure on PLGBs in our opinion.

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**Romania (RO)** – According to the data released on 6 September by the national Statistical Office, real GDP advanced by 1.5% qoq and 6.0% yoy in Q2, matching the flash estimates released in mid-August. The solid economic progress in Q2 was shared by all sectors. One key driver was domestic demand, while both private consumption and gross fixed capital formation recorded impressive gains in Q2. The Senate voted through an amendment to the Fiscal Code containing several measures affecting the pension system. The most important is the tax exemption of all pensions. Currently, the 16% tax rate applies to pensions exceeding RON 1050. According to local media, if enforced, these measures would be effective starting from 1 January 2017 and would generate a negative budgetary impact of RON 2.2 bn, or around 0.3% of GDP, in 2017. However, the Chamber of Deputies is the decision-making body of Parliament in this case, and it will make the final vote on the package of measures in the forthcoming period.

In terms of the macroeconomic data calendar, the week ahead contains some interesting releases, starting with inflation in August (on Monday). We expect the data to show a slight decrease in consumer prices in monthly terms (-0.2% mom), consistent with depressed inflationary pressures. The data on industrial output dynamics for July (due on 14 September) and on construction (15 September) will provide new information regarding economic activity in Q3. Also, the NBR is set to publish the current account balance for July on 13 September.

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**Russia (RU)** – Taking into consideration the oil price development and the corresponding RUB reaction over the recent months, we have decided to revise our rouble outlook for the coming years towards a somewhat stronger rouble compared to previous estimates. This revision is largely based on our expectation of continued oil price stabilisation. Additionally we are putting our OFZ yield forecasts under revision on a more sustainable disinflationary trend.

This week the CBR held another depo auction to absorb excessive liquidity from the banking system. While the limit was set at RUB 190 bn, the banks offered RUB 483 bn and the weighted average rate at the auction reached 10.36% p.a.; the maximum rate of this tool is 10.5%. We note that the number of banks participating in the depo auction increased almost two-fold (up to 138), which is probably the result of budget-fund spending by their direct recipients (not through the money market). This spending is expected to accelerate towards year end. It appears that the regulator did not expect such an inflow of liquidity. According to CBR data, during the week of 31 August - 6 September the inflow of budget funds into the banking system was only RUB 335 bn (probably partly absorbed through the CBR's fixed-rate depo, RUB 137 bn). We cannot rule out that this situation will force the CBR to launch its fine-tuning absorption tools. Going forward we expect the depo auctions to be held on a regular basis with increasing limits, given the seasonally higher budget-fund spending at year-end. Meanwhile, the excessive liquidity (RUB 300 bn) is supporting the OFZ market, while the offer at the auctions remains very low.

This week, the MinFin offered only RUB 15 bn while the demand was 3x higher, allowing the ministry to place the whole offered amount without any price discount to the secondary market.

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**Serbia (RS)** – The International Monetary Fund (IMF) published its Serbia Country report following the official approval of the 4th and 5th review under the precautionary Stand-By Arrangement (SBA). Though the IMF is content with the economic and fiscal over-performance, they are encouraging the government to take more decisive action in terms of the state-owned enterprise reforms, especially Srbijagas and RTB Bor, as well as further rightsizing in the public sector, especially in education and health (6,500 in H2 2016), while recommending new pension system reform given the high pension spending (12.3% of GDP vs the 11% target and the increasing ageing of the population).

The key rate-setting meeting of the Executive Board (EB) of the National Bank of Serbia (NBS) brought no surprises. As the market expected, the NBS took no action, keeping the rate at 4.0%, a decision supported by the institution's wish to monitor the effects of the previous monetary easing, as well as the expected inflation sentiment in the forthcoming period. Also, the uncertainties on the global financial markets, namely the timing of the Fed's rate hike and the ECB's views on extending QE beyond March 2017, were taken into account. The NBS reiterated its expectation of inflation moving into the targeted range in H1 2017 following the steady aggregate demand recovery in Serbia, inflation growth on the international markets and low oil derivative prices. On the other hand, low food production costs will hamper more robust inflation growth.

The EUR/RSD enjoyed more or less stable sentiment, whereas the NBS countered brief dinar appreciation against the euro with FX interventions. The intervention volumes were very moderate, in line with the recent recommendation of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) that intervention frequency should be reduced, allowing the exchange rate to be more market-based.

In terms of monetary policy, the IMF suggested it should remain accommodative as the interest-rate corridor could gradually be narrowed again, strengthening the signalling role of the policy rates (currently 4% +/- 1.5pp); it also mentioned a further gradual reduction of the RSD portion of reserve requirement on FX deposits and reiterated that the frequency of interventions should be reduced, allowing the exchange rate to be more market-based.

Next week is more or less devoid of data, apart from the CPI release on Monday. Following July's surge (+1.2% yoy), we expect the inflation reading will exhibit more moderate growth in August, due to the base effect, but it will continue growing from September. However, inflation will hover around the lower edge of the targeted range until the end of H1 2017.

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# Monetary policy and money markets overview

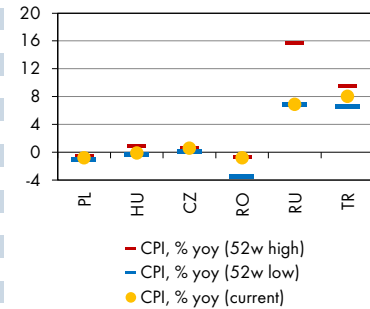
## CEE key interest and money markets outlook

	current*	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	5y high	5y low
<b>Poland</b>						
Key interest rate	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	4.75	1.50
3m money market rate	1.71	1.65	1.65	1.65	5.14	1.65
<b>Hungary</b>						
Key interest rate	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	7.00	0.90
3m money market rate	0.88	0.85	0.80	0.80	7.65	0.84
<b>Czech Republic</b>						
Key interest rate	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.75	0.05
3m money market rate	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.30	1.25	0.00
<b>Romania</b>						
Key interest rate	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	6.25	1.75
3m money market rate	0.74	0.80	0.90	1.20	6.45	0.73
<b>Russia</b>						
Key interest rate **	10.50	9.50	9.00	9.00	17.00	5.25
3m money market rate **	10.66	10.30	9.80	9.80	29.93	4.81
<b>Serbia</b>						
Key interest rate	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	11.75	4.00
3m money market rate	3.54	3.55	3.70	3.90	13.13	3.26
<b>Turkey</b>						
Key interest rate	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	10.00	4.50
3m money market rate	9.35	9.80	9.20	8.30	12.44	4.85

Benchmark key rates	current	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	5y high	5y low
ECB key interest rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00
Fed key interest rate	0.50	0.75	0.75	1.00	0.50	0.25

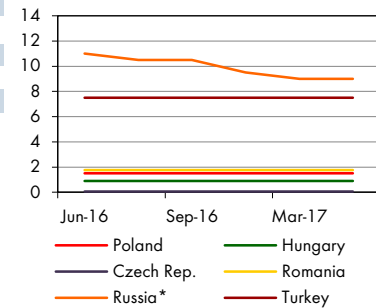
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## Inflation snapshot



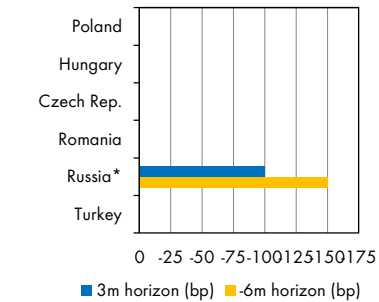
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## Key rate trends (%)



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## Key rate forecast (chg., bp)



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## Rate setting meetings

	Sep	Oct
<b>Poland (NBP)</b>	7	5
<b>Hungary (MNB)</b>	20	25
<b>Czech Republic (CNB)</b>	29	-
<b>Romania (BNR)</b>	30	4
<b>Serbia (NBS)</b>	8	13
<b>Russia (CBR)</b>	16	28
<b>Turkey (TCMB)</b>	22	20

Source: National Central Banks, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

## Central bank watch

<b>Poland (NBP)</b>	Quite hawkish comments from MPC recently, dashing rate cut expectations to pieces. We and NBP expect fiscal loosening to boost GDP growth going forward. This in conjunction with considerable wage pressure should help reflation, hence, MPC's wait-and-see stance to remain in place.
<b>Hungary (MNB)</b>	Details regarding the 3m deposit cap expected in September. MNB is planning to cap its main policy tool (3m deposit facility) to encourage banks to offer cheaper loans and to buy HGBs. Main sterilization instrument offered only once a month in the future (earlier there were weekly tenders).
<b>Czech Republic (CNB)</b>	Exit from FX intervention regime - keeping koruna above EUR/CZK 27.00 floor - will, mainly due to stuttering reflation, likely be delayed to end-2017. CNB, however, tries to weaken the related expectations. Negative interest rates should be introduced only as the last resort measure in case of excessive capital inflows.
<b>Romania (BNR)</b>	Excess liquidity remains high and central bank fails to tighten its grip on liquidity and set an end to procyclical policies. We expect BNR to remain defensive in the short term, but verbal interventions might point to tightening stance if FX volatility increases.
<b>Serbia (NBS)</b>	NBS remains on hold due CPI expectations which are for an uptick in the headline rate already in September. We assume that the easing cycle is over, despite annual CPI likely to enter 4% +/- 1.5pp target range only in late H1 2017.
<b>Russia (CBR)</b>	Due to decreasing inflationary risks continuation of rate cuts in September nearly a done deal (rate cutting cycle started in June and CBR's inflation fighting credibility has spread). However, due to residual inflationary risks, only gradual base rate reduction going forward. We currently are changing the timing, not the amount of rate cuts.
<b>Turkey (TCMB)</b>	Another cut to o/n lending rate in August brings cumulative cuts to the upper boundary of the corridor to 225bp YTD. While weaker business confidence justifies the ongoing easing, political pressure to cut rates and long-term policy outlook may speak against the easing bias. We believe that the bank will continue to symmetrizing the corridor around the stable 1w repo rate in the months ahead.

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# Foreign exchange market overview

## FX forecasts

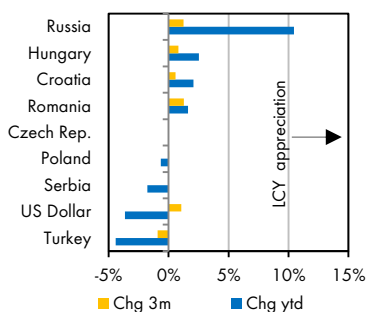
EUR vs	current*	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	5y high	5y low	Comment
PLN	4.318	4.35	4.30	4.30	4.46	4.08	We expect EUR/PLN to move in a range around 4.35 for the rest of 2016 with zloty volatility remaining elevated compared to peers
HUF	308.3	315	310	310	316	291	EUR/HUF should remain in the old 310-315 trading range; overall volatility in HUF remains moderate
CZK	27.02	27.0	27.0	27.0	27.7	25.1	Statements by CNB governor Rusnok led to increased speculation about an end to the FX regime in mid-2017; this and rising CPI rates could make higher interventions necessary over the coming months
RON	4.449	4.50	4.45	4.50	4.52	4.33	Despite strong economic data uncertainty related to the parliamentary elections by the end of 2016 is likely to result in some depreciation pressure for the leu after the summer months
HRK	7.485	7.60	7.60	7.50	7.66	7.52	Stability to be kept within the trading range of 7.47-7.50 kuna per euro
RSD	123.5	124	123	123	124	106	NBS kept key interest rate at 4.0%; RSD remains stable against EUR (usual for the summer months); the central bank intervenes only moderately to stabilise EUR/RSD at the level of 123
RUB	71.83	68.3	64.9	62.4	79.3	40.3	see USD/RUB below
UAH	30.05	30.5	29.9	28.7	30.5	10.4	see USD/UAH below
BYN	2.230	2.31	2.36	2.34	2.36	1.09	see USD/BYN below
TRY	3.317	3.26	3.19	3.07	3.26	2.35	see USD/TRY below
USD	1.127	1.05	1.03	0.99	1.38	1.05	Expectation on further US Fed rate hikes to support USD against euro

USD vs	current*	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	5y high	5y low	Comment
RUB	63.71	65.0	63.0	63.0	73.0	30.5	We have revised our RUB outlook towards a stronger rouble, aligning it to expectations of continued oil price recovery over the coming quarters; volatility in USD/RUB continued to decline over recent months, reaching levels last seen in end-2014; rate cut by 50bp expected at next rate setting meeting on 16 September
UAH	26.66	29.0	29.0	29.0	29.0	8.01	Renewed tensions with Russia put pressure on UAH; further loosening of FX administrative restrictions likely over the coming months, but speed and magnitude of UAH depreciation will largely depend on central bank
BYN	2.008	2.10	2.25	2.27	2.25	0.84	From July 2016 the old Belarusian rouble (BYR) was replaced by a new BYN at a ratio of 10,000:1; it is the third denomination of the local currency after 1994 and 2000; overall depreciation trend in BYN expected to continue on weak fundamentals
TRY	2.942	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.10	1.78	Political uncertainty and ongoing military actions are keeping us cautious on TRY; weaker US data supported TRY, but possible US rate hike towards year-end 2016 could put pressure on lira given high USD indebtedness of Turkish economy

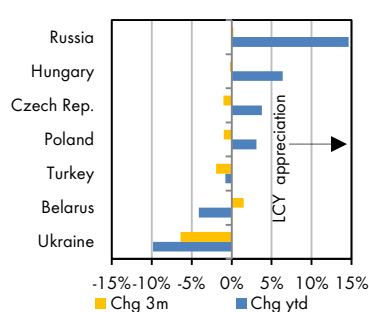
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### Change of LCY value to EUR (%)



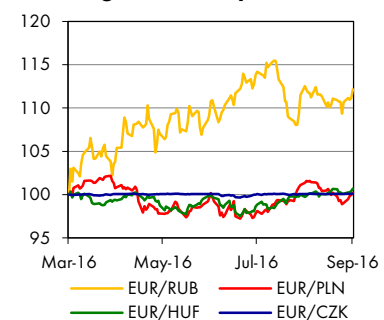
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### Exchange rate comparison

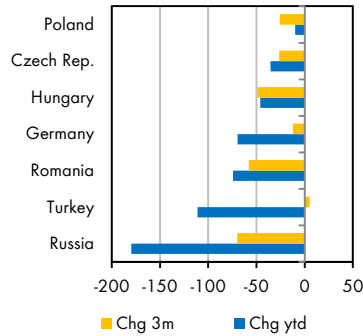


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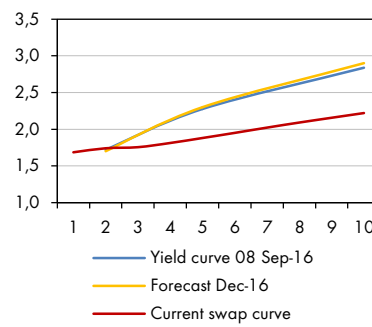
# Local currency bond market overview and forecasts

**Change of LCY 10y bond yields (bp)**



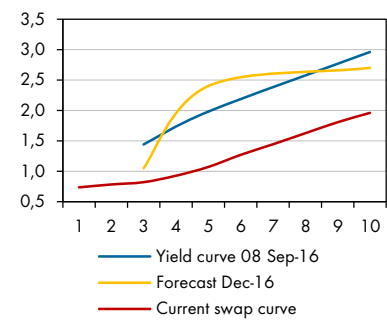
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**PLN yield curve**



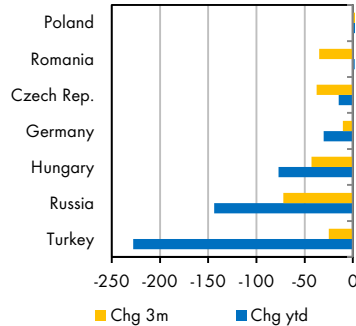
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**HUF yield curve**



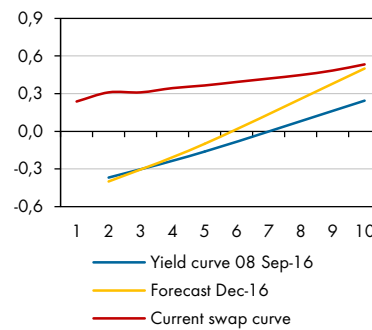
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**Change of LCY 2y bond yields (bp)**



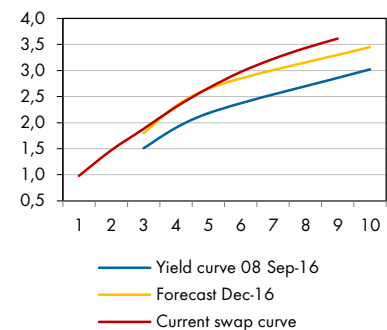
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**CZK yield curve**



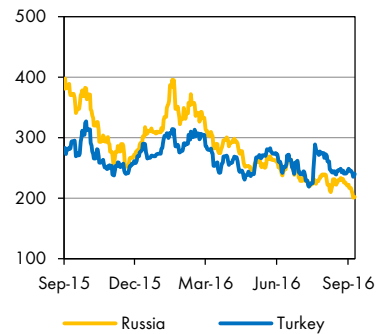
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**RON yield curve**



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**5y USD CDS spreads**

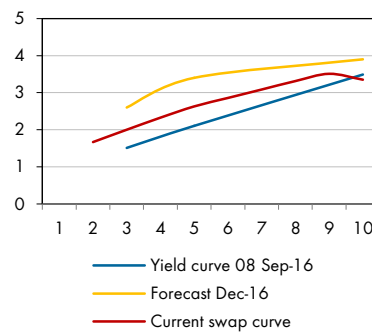


Turkey 5y high 343.7, 5y low 111.7

Russia 5y high 628.7, 5y low 119.4

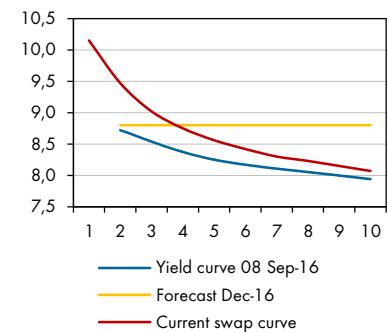
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**HRK yield curve**



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**RUB yield curve**



\* forecasts under revision

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## Yield forecasts

	2y T-bond yields (%)						10y T-bond yields (%)					
	current*	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	5y high	5y low	current*	Dec-16	Mar-17	Jun-17	5y high	5y low
Poland	1.72	1.7	1.8	1.9	4.9	1.6	2.84	2.9	3.0	3.1	5.9	2.5
Hungary **	1.44	1.1	1.0	1.2	9.2	1.1	2.96	2.7	2.8	2.9	9.9	2.7
Czech Republic	-0.37	-0.4	-0.4	0.0	1.8	-0.4	0.24	0.5	0.6	0.7	3.6	0.5
Romania	0.61	1.2	1.3	1.4	7.3	1.2	3.02	3.5	3.6	3.8	7.5	3.5
Croatia	1.51	1.9	1.9	2.0	6.3	1.5	3.49	3.9	3.9	3.9	7.2	3.8
Russia***	8.72	8.8	8.5	8.6	15.8	6.2	7.94	8.8	8.5	8.5	14.1	6.9
Turkey	8.69	10.0	9.5	8.5	11.5	6.1	9.36	10.5	10.1	9.2	10.5	6.6
Germany	-0.64	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	0.2	-0.5	-0.13	0.3	0.5	0.7	1.9	0.3
USA	0.78	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.1	0.2	1.62	2.1	2.3	2.6	3.0	1.8

\* Bid yields as of 08 September 2016, 11:59 p.m. CEST; \*\* 3y yield; \*\*\* forecasts under revision

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# Local currency bond market overview

## CEE local currency bond market snapshot

	Maturity	Coupon (%)	Bid Price	YTM (%)	Spread to Bunds (bp)	MDur.	Comment
<b>Poland</b>							
PLN 2y Gov. Bond	25/07/2018	2.50	101.37	1.75	239	1.8	POLGBs basically supported by favourable global sentiment, but headwinds from rating risks. We softened our fairly bearish outlook for local debt market, but re-intensifying political/fiscal risks should push the HU-PL 10y spread into negative territory.
PLN 5y Gov. Bond	25/07/2021	1.75	116.57	-1.51	-100	4.7	
PLN 10y Gov. Bond	25/07/2026	2.50	96.99	2.85	289	8.8	
<b>Hungary</b>							
HUF 3y Gov. Bond	30/10/2019	2.00	101.82	1.40	204	3.0	Bond-market-supporting MNB measures - i.e. 3m deposit cap - to show effect in autumn, which could lower also long-end of the curve.
HUF 5y Gov. Bond	27/10/2021	2.50	102.71	1.94	245	4.8	
HUF 10y Gov. Bond	27/10/2027	3.00	100.65	2.93	296	9.4	
<b>Czech Republic</b>							
CZK 2y Gov. Bond	17/03/2018	0.85	102.23	-0.62	2	1.5	CZGB yields are likely to remain near their historical lows, especially as positioning for exit from FX regime re-intensified. We expect EUR/CZK cap policy exit is likely to be delayed till the end of 2017.
CZK 5y Gov. Bond	29/09/2021	3.85	120.67	-0.22	29	4.7	
CZK 10y Gov. Bond	26/06/2026	1.00	107.41	0.23	27	9.4	
<b>Croatia</b>							
HRK 2y Gov. Bond	10/07/2018	5.25	106.53	1.60	210	1.8	After calm summer months, during the week ahead trading volumes are expected to increase.
HRK 10y Gov. Bond	14/12/2026	4.25	106.81	3.46	349	8.4	
<b>Romania</b>							
RON 2y Gov. Bond	17/01/2018	3.25	103.15	0.88	152	1.3	Notwithstanding the massively downwards distorted short-end yields, the back end of the ROMGB seems also overpriced, especially vs. peers like HU and PL. Correction expected due to intensifying election risks.
RON 5y Gov. Bond	22/03/2021	3.25	104.55	2.18	269	4.2	
RON 10y Gov. Bond	24/02/2025	4.75	112.79	3.01	304	7.1	
<b>Russia</b>							
RUB 2y Gov. Bond	15/03/2018	7.50	98.71	8.61	925	1.4	Our mildly bullish stance on OFZs remains in place due to ongoing rate cuts and likely stronger RUB vs. EUR. Biggest risks are international politics/revived Ukraine fears.
RUB 5y Gov. Bond	18/08/2021	7.50	97.55	8.28	879	4.3	
RUB 10y Gov. Bond	03/02/2027	8.15	102.12	8.00	803	7.1	
<b>Turkey</b>							
TRY 2y Gov. Bond	11/07/2018	8.70	99.80	8.81	945	1.8	We continue to remain "Hands-off" in Turkey, especially as the "reversal" rally after the failed coup attempt should have come to an end. We anticipate renewed market weakness due to underestimated political risks.
TRY 5y Gov. Bond	17/02/2021	10.70	105.30	9.22	973	3.6	
TRY 10y Gov. Bond	11/02/2026	10.60	106.75	9.50	953	6.2	

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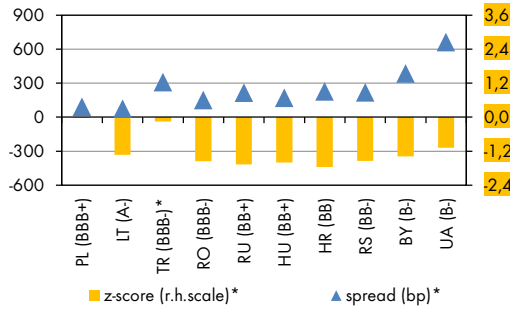
## Bond auctions

		ISIN	Coupon	Maturity	Volume
<b>12 September 2016</b>					
RO	7.6 y T-Bonds	RO1624DBN027	3.25	n.a.	RON 500 mn
<b>13 September 2016</b>					
AL	7y T-Bonds	AL0017NF7Y23	n.a.	15.09.2023	ALL 3 bn
<b>14 September 2016</b>					
RU	Bonds	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
<b>15 September 2016</b>					
HU	T-Bonds	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

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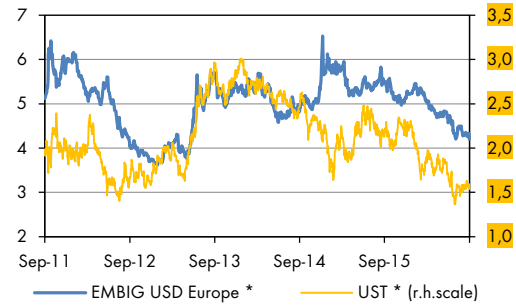
# Eurobond market overview

CEE USD EMBIG spread valuation\*



\* z-score – EMBIG USD country spread deviation from mean normalised by 1 standard deviation, score at or below minus 1 = expensive, at or above 1 = cheap  
Source: Thomson Reuters, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

CEE EMBIG USD vs. UST YTM\*



\* YTM – yield to maturity EMBI Global USD, UST – 10 year US Treasury note  
Source: Thomson Reuters, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

Issuer/rate/due	Market price			YTM		Spread	Mdur	ISIN	
	Bid	Ask	wow, %	5y high	5y low	% p. a.	bp		years
<b>EUR</b>									
BGARIA 4 1/4 07/09/17	103.4	103.8	-0.05	111.8	100.3	-0.14	45	0.8	XS0802005289
CROATI 5 7/8 07/09/18	110.0	110.3	-0.03	112.1	88.8	0.26	92	1.8	XS0645940288
REPHUN 3 7/8 02/24/20	112.3	112.8	-0.11	113.1	69.3	0.23	88	3.2	XS0212993678
REPHUN 4 3/8 07/04/17	103.7	104.0	-0.01	108.0	77.3	-0.33	26	0.8	XS0284810719
REPHUN 5 3/4 06/11/18	109.8	110.2	-0.02	115.1	79.7	0.01	66	1.7	XS0369470397
REPHUN 6 01/11/19	113.1	113.5	-0.08	118.4	86.4	0.26	91	2.2	XS0625388136
LITHUN 4.85 02/07/18	107.2	107.5	0.03	114.3	94.5	-0.35	27	1.4	XS0327304001
POLAND 5 5/8 06/20/18	110.5	110.7	-0.16	122.6	102.1	-0.33	32	1.7	XS0371500611
POLAND 1 5/8 01/15/19	103.6	104.0	-0.12	105.5	98.0	0.00	65	2.3	XS0874841066
POLAND 3 3/4 01/19/23	121.6	122.3	-0.26	125.5	99.9	0.26	73	5.7	XS0794399674
POLAND 3 3/8 07/09/24	121.0	121.8	0.10	125.6	99.6	0.57	91	7.0	XS0841073793
ROMANI 4 7/8 11/07/19	114.8	115.2	0.00	117.8	99.3	0.10	76	2.9	XS0852474336
TURKEY 5 7/8 04/02/19	110.2	110.8	0.35	118.9	100.9	1.63	229	2.4	XS0285127329
TURKEY 5 1/8 05/18/20	110.2	110.8	0.27	115.9	95.2	2.12	276	3.3	XS0503454166
<b>USD</b>									
BELRUS 8.95 01/26/18	104.9	105.7	0.18	111.2	70.0	4.88	423	1.3	XS0583616239
CROATI 6 3/8 03/24/21	112.0	112.5	0.75	117.8	86.7	3.43	231	3.9	XS0607904264
CROATI 5 1/2 04/04/23	110.5	111.1	1.09	110.8	94.4	3.64	224	5.4	XS0908769887
REPHUN 5 3/8 02/21/23	114.1	114.5	0.80	114.6	93.1	2.92	153	5.5	US445545AH91
REPHUN 7 5/8 03/29/41	154.0	154.8	1.04	155.1	79.5	4.09	196	13.3	US445545AF36
LITHUN 7 3/8 02/11/20	118.5	118.9	0.12	130.7	104.8	1.70	74	3.1	XS0485991417
LITHUN 6 5/8 02/01/22	123.4	123.8	0.32	128.6	101.0	1.98	75	4.6	XS0739988086
LATVIA 2 3/4 01/12/20	104.0	104.5	-0.09	104.5	91.4	1.43	48	3.2	XS0863522149
LATVIA 5 1/4 06/16/21	116.0	116.5	0.07	117.2	90.9	1.69	54	4.2	XS0638326263
POLAND 6 3/8 07/15/19	113.0	113.3	-0.11	125.9	107.4	1.62	73	2.6	US731011AR30
POLAND 3 03/17/23	104.0	104.4	0.00	105.1	87.6	2.31	90	5.8	US731011AT95
ROMANI 6 3/4 02/07/22	121.4	121.8	0.32	124.4	99.2	2.45	120	4.6	US77586TAA43
ROMANI 4 3/8 08/22/23	110.9	111.3	0.64	111.1	90.8	2.62	116	6.0	US77586TAC09
RUSSIA 4 1/2 04/04/22	108.2	108.8	0.92	114.7	82.0	2.83	158	4.8	XS0767472458
RUSSIA 7 1/2 03/31/30	121.6	121.8	-0.02	128.6	99.6	2.23	50	3.9	XS0114288789
RUSSIA 5 5/8 04/04/42	117.4	118.2	2.22	124.9	76.0	4.45	230	14.2	XS0767473852
SERBIA 5 1/4 11/21/17	103.4	103.9	0.13	107.1	96.8	2.12	150	1.1	XS0856951263
SERBIA 4 7/8 02/25/20	104.9	105.4	0.77	105.3	89.6	3.29	232	3.2	XS0893103852
TURKEY 6 1/4 09/26/22	111.0	111.5	0.59	127.0	101.0	4.12	279	4.9	US900123BZ27
TURKEY 6 7/8 03/17/36	119.8	120.3	0.99	139.6	99.2	5.23	327	11.2	US900123AY60
TURKEY 6 3/4 05/30/40	119.7	120.3	1.07	139.4	97.3	5.26	316	12.6	US900123BG46
UKRAIN 7 3/4 09/01/19	101.0	101.5	0.50	101.3	88.0	7.27	637	2.6	XS1303918269
UKRAIN 7 3/4 09/01/23	99.2	99.7	0.78	99.9	84.6	7.86	640	5.3	XS1303921487
UKRAIN 7 3/4 09/01/27	97.6	98.2	1.10	98.4	81.2	8.04	641	7.2	XS1303927179

YTM mid - yield to maturity based on mid market price, bmk - benchmark, Mdur - modified duration, ISIN - international security identification number; prices as of 09 Sep 2016, 11:27 AM CET  
Source: Bloomberg, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH

## Summary: Ratings & macro data

### Country ratings: CE, SEE, EE

	LCY	S&P FCY	Outlook	LCY	Moody's FCY	Outlook	LCY	Fitch FCY	Outlook
<b>CE</b>									
Poland	A-	BBB+	negative	A2	A2	negative	A	A-	stable
Hungary	BB+	BB+	stable	Ba1	Ba1	positive	BBB-	BBB-	stable
Czech Republic	AA	AA-	stable	A1	A1	stable	AA-	A+	stable
Slovakia *	A+	A+	stable	A2	A2	stable	A+	A+	stable
Slovenia *	A	A	stable	Baa3	Baa3	stable	BBB+	BBB+	positive
<b>SEE</b>									
Romania	BBB-	BBB-	stable	Baa3	Baa3	positive	BBB	BBB-	stable
Bulgaria	BB+	BB+	stable	Baa2	Baa2	stable	BBB	BBB-	stable
Croatia	BB	BB	negative	Ba2	Ba2	negative	BB+	BB	negative
Serbia	BB-	BB-	stable	B1	B1	positive	BB-	BB-	stable
<b>EE</b>									
Russia	BBB-	BB+	negative	Ba1	Ba1	negative	BBB-	BBB-	negative
Ukraine	B-	B-	stable	Caa3	Caa3	stable	CCC	CCC	stable
Belarus	B-	B-	stable	Caa1	Caa1	negative	B-	B-	stable
Kazakhstan	BBB-	BBB-	negative	Baa3	Baa3	negative	BBB	BBB	stable
Turkey	BB+	BB	negative	Baa3	Baa3	negative	BBB	BBB-	negative

\* Euro area (Euro currency) members; positive rating/outlook changes (in previous week) in green, negative changes in red  
Source: rating agencies websites

### Main macro data & forecasts\*

Country	Year*	GDP, % avg. yoy	CPI, % avg. yoy	Unem- ployment, %	Nominal wages, EUR	Fiscal balance, % GDP	Public debt, % GDP	Export **, % GDP	C/A, % GDP	Ext. Debt, % GDP	FXR***% ext. debt	Import cover, months
Croatia	2015	1.6	-0.5	16.3	1000	-3.2	86.7	24.7	5.2	103.7	30.3	9.5
	2016e	2.3	-1.0	14.9	1031	-2.8	87.3	25.5	2.0	97.8	30.6	9.0
	2017f	2.5	1.5	14.2	1040	-2.9	86.9	25.9	2.1	96.2	28.9	8.4
Czech Rep.	2015	4.6	0.3	6.5	970	-0.4	41.1	73.2	0.9	69.4	51.2	6.1
	2016e	2.3	0.7	5.6	1020	-0.3	40.3	76.4	1.4	74.6	65.6	8.1
	2017f	2.7	1.7	5.4	1070	-0.2	39.1	78.8	1.1	79.5	73.0	9.3
Hungary	2015	2.9	0.0	7.0	800	-2.0	75.5	83.4	4.4	105.7	26.5	4.4
	2016e	2.2	0.4	6.2	838	-2.2	74.9	84.8	4.5	98.5	23.6	3.6
	2017f	2.7	2.2	5.7	915	-2.7	74.5	82.1	4.1	87.2	22.9	3.2
Poland	2015	3.6	-0.9	10.5	932	-2.6	51.3	40.1	-0.2	70.1	29.1	6.2
	2016e	3.5	-0.4	9.1	933	-2.9	52.1	42.6	-0.9	73.8	29.1	6.0
	2017f	3.8	1.7	8.6	996	-3.4	52.6	42.2	-1.2	73.9	25.0	5.2
Romania	2015	3.8	-0.6	6.8	568	-0.7	38.4	30.6	-1.1	56.7	39.2	7.5
	2016e	4.0	-1.6	6.4	614	-3.0	39.2	30.8	-2.8	53.3	40.4	6.9
	2017f	3.6	1.2	6.2	656	-3.2	39.9	31.4	-3.3	52.7	39.2	6.3
Russia	2015	-3.7	15.6	5.6	499	-3.6	12.7	25.9	5.0	39.3	73.0	23.3
	2016e	-0.5	7.4	6.0	475	-4.4	13.5	23.2	3.9	37.8	82.4	26.6
	2017f	1.0	6.1	6.0	594	-3.3	14.0	24.2	4.3	30.1	87.4	22.5
Ukraine	2015	-9.9	48.7	9.5	172	-2.3	72.6	39.2	-0.1	131.5	11.4	4.2
	2016e	1.5	15.5	9.0	n.a.	-3.5	79.3	37.8	-3.3	140.0	14.5	5.4
	2017f	2.0	12.0	9.0	n.a.	-3.0	78.9	39.3	-3.4	140.4	15.5	5.5
Turkey	2015	4.0	7.7	10.3	n.a.	-1.2	34.0	21.2	-4.5	55.4	28.4	6.8
	2016e	3.0	7.3	10.0	n.a.	-2.0	32.0	21.5	-5.1	56.9	28.1	6.7
	2017f	2.5	7.6	10.0	n.a.	-1.5	33.0	21.5	-5.2	54.7	28.3	6.6

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Source: Thomson Reuters, National Statistics, RBI/Raiffeisen RESEARCH



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Financial Instruments/Companies	Initial publication date of the recommendation
10Y Czech Rep.	01/01/1997
10Y Hungary	01/01/1997
10Y Poland	01/01/1997
10Y Romania	01/01/1997
10Y Russia	01/01/1997
10Y Turkey	01/01/1997
2Y Czech. Rep.	01/01/1997
2Y Poland	01/01/1997
2Y Russia	01/01/1997
2Y Turkey	01/01/1997
5Y Czech Rep.	01/01/1997
5Y Hungary	01/01/1997
5Y Poland	01/01/1997
5Y Romania	01/01/1997
5Y Russia	01/01/1997
5Y Turkey	01/01/1997
BG EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
BY EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
CZ EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
HR EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
HR EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
HU EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
HU EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
KZ EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
LT EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
LT EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
MK EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
PL EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
PL EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
RO EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
RO EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
RS EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
RU EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
RU EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
SI EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
SI EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
SK EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
TR EUROBOND EUR	01/01/2001
TR EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001
UA EUROBOND USD	01/01/2001

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Recommendation	Basis: all analysed Government bonds
Buy	0%
Hold	0%
Sell	94%
Not rated	6%

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Buy	24%
Hold	44%
Sell	31%
Not rated	0%

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Date	10Y Czech Rep.	10Y Hungary	10Y Poland	10Y Romania	10Y Russia	10Y Turkey
26/08/2016						
25/08/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Sell
29/07/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Sell
21/07/2016						Sell
20/06/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy
31/05/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy
13/05/2016						
26/04/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
20/04/2016						
30/03/2016						
29/03/2016						
24/03/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell
17/03/2016						
23/02/2016	Buy	Buy	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
11/02/2016	Buy	Buy	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
25/01/2016	Buy	Buy	Hold	Hold	Not rated	Hold
17/12/2015	Hold	Buy	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold
03/12/2015						
04/11/2015	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
07/10/2015						
22/09/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Sell	Hold	Sell

Date	2Y Czech Rep.	2Y Poland	2Y Russia	2Y Turkey	5Y Czech Rep.	5Y Hungary
26/08/2016						
25/08/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Sell		
29/07/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Sell		
21/07/2016				Sell		
20/06/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy		
31/05/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy		
13/05/2016						
26/04/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold		
20/04/2016						
30/03/2016						
29/03/2016						
24/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell		
17/03/2016						
23/02/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold		
11/02/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold		
25/01/2016	Hold	Buy	Not rated	Hold	Not rated	Not rated
17/12/2015	Hold	Buy	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy
03/12/2015						
04/11/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy
07/10/2015						
22/09/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell	Hold	Sell

Date	5Y Poland	5Y Romania	5Y Russia	5Y Turkey	BG EUROBOND EUR	BY EUROBOND USD
26/08/2016						
25/08/2016						
29/07/2016					Hold	
21/07/2016						
20/06/2016					Buy	Hold
31/05/2016						
13/05/2016					Hold	Hold
26/04/2016					Hold	Hold
20/04/2016					Buy	Hold
30/03/2016						Hold
29/03/2016					Buy	Hold
24/03/2016					Hold	Hold
17/03/2016					Hold	
23/02/2016					Hold	Hold
11/02/2016						
25/01/2016	Not rated	Not rated	Not rated	Not rated	Hold	Hold
17/12/2015	Buy	Buy	Buy	Hold	Hold	Hold
03/12/2015					Hold	Hold
04/11/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
07/10/2015					Hold	
22/09/2015	Sell	Sell	Hold	Sell	Hold	Sell

Date	CZ EUROBOND EUR	HR EUROBOND EUR	HR EUROBOND USD	HU EUROBOND EUR	HU EUROBOND USD	KZ EUROBOND USD
26/08/2016						Hold
25/08/2016						
29/07/2016				Hold	Hold	Buy
21/07/2016						
20/06/2016	Hold	Sell	Sell	Buy	Buy	Hold
31/05/2016						
13/05/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
26/04/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
20/04/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy
30/03/2016						
29/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy
24/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy
17/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy
23/02/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy
11/02/2016						
25/01/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
17/12/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Buy	Buy	Buy
03/12/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Buy	Buy	Buy
04/11/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Buy	Buy	Hold
07/10/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Buy	Buy	Hold
22/09/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Hold	Hold	Buy

Date	LT EUROBOND EUR	LT EUROBOND USD	MK EUROBOND EUR	PL EUROBOND EUR	PL EUROBOND USD	RO EUROBOND EUR
26/08/2016						
25/08/2016				Hold	Hold	
29/07/2016			Buy			Hold
21/07/2016						
20/06/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell	Sell	Sell
31/05/2016						
13/05/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell	Sell	Hold
26/04/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell	Sell	Hold
20/04/2016	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold
30/03/2016						
29/03/2016	Buy	Hold	Buy	Buy	Hold	Hold
24/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy	Hold
17/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy	Hold
23/02/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy	Hold
11/02/2016						
25/01/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy	Hold
17/12/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy
03/12/2015	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy
04/11/2015	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy
07/10/2015	Hold	Hold		Buy	Hold	Buy
22/09/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	Hold	Buy

Date	RO EUROBOND USD	RS EUROBOND USD	RU EUROBOND EUR	RU EUROBOND USD	SI EUROBOND EUR	SI EUROBOND USD
26/08/2016		Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	
25/08/2016						
29/07/2016	Hold		Buy	Buy		
21/07/2016						
20/06/2016	Sell	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy
31/05/2016						
13/05/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy
26/04/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold	Buy	
20/04/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	
30/03/2016						
29/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	
24/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	
17/03/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold	Buy	
23/02/2016	Hold	Hold	Buy	Buy	Buy	
11/02/2016						
25/01/2016	Hold	Sell	Buy	Buy	Buy	
17/12/2015	Buy	Sell	Buy	Hold	Hold	
03/12/2015	Buy	Sell	Hold	Hold	Hold	
04/11/2015	Buy	Sell	Buy	Buy	Hold	
07/10/2015	Buy	Sell	Hold	Hold	Hold	
22/09/2015	Buy	Sell	Hold	Hold	Hold	

Date	SK EUROBOND EUR	TR EUROBOND EUR	TR EUROBOND USD	UA EUROBOND USD
26/08/2016	Hold			
25/08/2016				
29/07/2016	Sell			
21/07/2016		Sell	Sell	
20/06/2016	Hold	Buy	Hold	Hold
31/05/2016				
13/05/2016	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
26/04/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Hold
20/04/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Hold
30/03/2016				
29/03/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Hold
24/03/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Sell
17/03/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Sell
23/02/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Sell
11/02/2016				
25/01/2016	Hold	Buy	Buy	Sell
17/12/2015	Hold	Buy	Hold	Sell
03/12/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Sell
04/11/2015	Hold	Hold	Hold	Hold
07/10/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Hold
22/09/2015	Hold	Sell	Sell	Hold



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