

OTP Morning Brief

- Western Europe's markets edged higher on interest rate cut expectations; the BUX underperformed
- US stock exchanges grew vigorously, events at OpenAl boosted the tech sector
- Government bond yields barely moved yesterday
- The EUR/USD climbed to 1,094, but the EUR/HUF remained below 380
- Oil prices rose by further 2% on expectations of output cuts
- The Fed minutes, existing home sales data, and Nvidia's earnings are things to watch in the USA today. In Hungary, the MNB makes rate decision.

Western Europe posted modest gains on expectations of interest rate cuts next year; Hungary's BUX underperformed

Most of Western Europe's stock markets ground higher in Monday's trading, with the exception of the UK's FTSE100 and Germany's DAX (-0.1% each). The Stoxx600 edged 0.1% higher as investors prepare for rate cuts to kick in next year, even if the recent communication of the European Central Bank's policymakers tried to dampen such expectations. Overall, Monday's trading did not bring any sharp moves following last week's strong rally in equity markets. Of the Stoxx600's sub-indices, the oil&gas and travel&leisure sectors made the strongest gains, while healthcare was in the worst shape. The latter's performance was affected by Bayer's announcement: the drugmaker's price plunged 18% yesterday, after it had halted a late-stage large-scale clinical trial of its new anticoagulant, and Bayer was ordered to pay nearly USD 1.6 billion in damages in the USA in the latest lawsuit over the widely used herbicide Roundup. Italy's FTSE-MIB slightly outperformed, as Italy's banks gained traction after Moody's had upgraded its outlook on the country's sovereign debt.

Crude oil prices rose another 2% on Monday (topping Friday's 4% gain), and OPEC+ members are likely to agree on further production cuts at their meeting on Sunday. The front-month price of natural gas on TTF increased by 2% higher on Monday. Although mild weather is expected in many parts of Europe until the end of November, the heating season is beginning, reducing storage capacities from their full levels.

Just like on Friday, the Budapest Stock Exchange underperformed its CEE peers: the BUX shed 0.2% yesterday. Trading volumes were thin; OTP (-0.6%) and MOL (-0.1%) slipped, Richter closed flat, and MTelekom gained 0.8%.

The USA's key stock indices posted gains on Monday, fuelled by the tech sector, on OpenAI news

The week started with dynamic growth in America, where the Nasdaq Composite added more than 1%, and the S&P500 excelled on Monday, largely on the back of the tech sector's outstanding performance. Microsoft (+2%) hit new high on the announcement that it would hire OpenAl's fired executives. The news also benefited large-cap stocks such as Nvidia (+2.3%) and Apple (+0.9%). Market sentiment benefited from the fact that the Q3 earnings season turned out better than expected and government bond yields also started to decline. Of the S&P500's sector indices (besides technology), the telecommunications sector also excelled; only the cyclical consumer goods and utilities sectors closed in the red. Bayer's nose-dive dragged down the US-based Bristol Myers Squibb, too. Boeing's price soared nearly 5% after Deutsche Bank raised its Hold investment recommendation on the aircraft maker to Buy, and significantly raised its target price on the stock, from USD 204 to USD 270.

Government bond yields barely moved yesterday; the EUR/USD was steadily above 1.09, the EUR/HUF oscillated below 380

Advanced economies' government bond yields barely moved on Monday: the 10Y US yields hovered above 4.4%, and Germany's Bund yield was above 2.6%; both are 60 and 40 basis points below previous highs. The dollar's continued weakening drove the EUR/USD 0.3% higher, to around 1.093.

Hungary's bond yields did not budge, either. The EUR/HUF hovered below 380 yesterday, and Hungary's 5Y-20Y bond remained below 7%, before today's interest rate decision.

Today's highlights

Monday's rally in the USA also boosted Asia's stock markets; Japan's market was the only laggard. The Nikkei sank less than 0.1% before the today's close, after hitting levels last seen in 1990, on Monday. The Shanghai Composite added 0.5% and the Hang Seng increased by 1.1%. China's CSI300 blue chip index marched 0.8% higher.

Index futures for the USA and Western Europe were in positive territory, with a few exceptions. Crude oil prices eased slightly this morning.

Today, investors will watch US existing home sales statistics, the minutes of the Fed's latest rate-setting meeting, and ECB policymaker Isabel Schnabel's speech. Nvidia publishes its much-awaited earnings report. Stock exchanges tend to have light trading volumes ahead of Thanksgiving weekend.

In Hungary, the MNB will make rate decision today. Last week, deputy governor Barnabás Virág said that another 75 basis point cut could bring down the base rate to 11.5%. The ÁKK auctions 3M discount T-Bills worth HUF 15 billion.

	Stocks				Bonds				Commodity & FX			
	Product name	Close	Daily change (%)	YTD (%)	Product name	Yield	Daily change*	YTD*	Product name	Close	Daily change (%)	YTD (%)
	S&P500	4547	0.7	18.4	VIX	13.4	-2.8	-38.1	WTI	77.60	2.3	-3.3
	DOW	35151	0.6	6.0	US 2Y	4.91	0.4	50.8	Brent	82.32	2.1	-4.2
	Nasdaq Comp.	14285	1.1	36.5	US 10Y	4.42	-1.9	59.1	TTF Natural Gas	45.8	1.7	-38.2
	DAX	15901	-0.1	14.2	GER 2Y	3.02	5.3	28.6	Gold	1977.19	-0.1	8.4
	CAC40	7247	0.2	11.9	GER 10Y	2.62	2.8	5.5	EUR/USD	1.0940	0.3	2.2
Global	FTSE 100	7496	-0.1	0.6	PT10Y	3.26	1.1	-31.1	EUR/GBP	0.8749	-0.1	-1.1
G	FTSE MIB	29542	0.1	24.6	IT 10Y	4.36	-0.7	-34.5	EUR/NOK	11.7110	-0.7	11.6
	Stoxx600	456.3	0.1	7.4	SP 10	3.61	0.8	-4.8	USD/CAD	1.3726	0.0	1.3
	- Banks	162	0.0	15.2	iTRAXX	68.4	-1.8	-24.0	AUD/USD	0.6557	0.7	-3.8
	Nikkei 225	33371	-0.1	27.9	JPY 2Y	0.04	-0.4	0.6	USD/JPY	148.38	-0.8	13.2
	SSEC	3078	0.3	-0.4	JPY 10Y	0.70	-4.6	28.0	GBP/USD	1.2505	0.3	3.4
lal	RTS	1143	1.8	17.7	RUS10	12.0	-0.2	15.7	EUR/CZK	24.516	0.1	1.5
Regional	WIG20	2251	1.0	25.6	POL 10	5.5	0.6	-19.8	EUR/PLN	4.35	-0.8	-7.2
Re	PX50	1387	0.2	15.4	CZ10	4.3	-2.8	-16.4	EUR/RON	4.972	0.1	0.6
	BUX	56895	-0.2	29.9	3M DKJ	7.95	-1.0	-437	EUR/HUF	379.88	0.2	-4.9
<u>></u>	ОТР	13800	-0.6	36.5	1Y	8.18	0.0	-564	USD/HUF	347.18	-0.1	-7.0
Hungar	MOL	2810	-0.1	8.0	3Y	7.42	1.0	-329	CHF/HUF	392.40	0.0	-3.3
	MTelekom	613	0.8	80.8	5Y	6.78	-1.0	-295	PLN/HUF	87.15	1.0	1.7
	Richter	8730	0.0	5.2	10Y	6.84	-1.0	-214	GBP/HUF	433.56	0.2	-4.1

^{*}In the case of bond yields, the change is in basis points instead of percentage (VIX and iTRAXX not included).

Sources: Refinitiv, OTP Research

Date		Cd.	Event/Data	Period	Fact	Cons.	Prev.
2023 11. 20.	16:00	US	Leading index (MoM, %)	Oct	-0.8	-0.7	-0.7
21.	14:00	HU	Interest rate decision (%)	Nov		11.5	12.25
	16:00	US	Existing home sales (annualized monthly, '000s)	Oct		3910	3960
	19:15	DE	Lecture by ECB board member Isabel Schnabel			-	-
	20 : 00	US	FOMC Minutes	Nov		-	-
22.	14:30	US	Durable goods orders (MoM, %)	Oct		-3.0	4.6
	14:30	US	Initial jobless claims ('000s)	weekly		225	231
	14:30	US	Continuing jobless claims ('000s)	weekly			1865
	16:00	EZ	Consumer confidence (point)	Nov		-17.5	-17.9
23.	8 : 30	HU	Gross wages (YoY, %)	Sept			15.2
	9:15	FR	HCOB Manufacturing PMI (points)	Nov		43.0	42.8
	9:15	FR	HCOB Service PMI (points)	Nov		45.7	45.2
	9:30	DE	HCOB Manufacturing PMI (points)	Nov		41.3	40.8
	9:30	DE	HCOB Service PMI (points)	Nov		48.5	48.2
	10:00	EZ	HCOB Manufacturing PMI (points)	Nov		43.4	43.1
	10:00	EZ	HCOB Service PMI (points)	Nov		48.0	47.8
	10 : 30	UK	S&P Global Manufacturing PMI (points)	Nov		45.0	44.8
	10 : 30	UK	S&P Global Service PMI (points)	Nov		49.7	49.5
	12:00	TR	Interest rate decision (%)	Nov			35.0
	13 : 30	EZ	ECB Minutes	Oct		-	-
	21 : 30	PT	Speech ECB board member Isabel Schnabel			-	-
24.	0:30	JP	core-CPI (YoY, %)	Oct		3.0	2.8
	0:30	JP	CPI (YoY, %)	Oct			3.00
	8:00	DE	GDP (detailed, QoQ, %)	Q3		-0.1	-0,1*
	8 : 30	HU	Unemployment rate (%)	Oct			4.1
	10:00	DE	IFO Economic sentiment index (points)	Nov		87.4	86.9
	11:00	EZ	C. Lagarde and J. Nagel participate in a town hall (Bundesbank)			-	-
	15 : 45	US	S&P Global Manufacturing PMI (points)	Nov		49.7	50.0
	15 : 45	US	S&P Global Service PMI (points)	Nov		50.4	50.6

^{*} preliminary data

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