

DAILY

# **Morning Briefing**

#### **OVERNIGHT NEWS**

- FX majors, bond yields rangebound, risk on before parade of central bank meetings. China data point to stabilisation of demand.
- Week ahead: BoJ tomorrow (exit NIRP?), Fed Wednesday (two instead of three rate cuts in 2024, higher inflation?). SNB 25bp cut in the balance on Thursday. RBA, BoE and Norway to stand pat. Brazil and Czech CB forecast to cut 50bp on Wednesday. Turkey forecast to keep rates on hold, Banxico forecast to cut 25bp.
- China: Jan-Feb activity data beats forecasts for industrial production (7.0% yoy) and FAI (4.2% yoy). Retail sales up 5.5% yoy.
- Norway: mainland GDP +0.4% m/m in January, above forecast. December revised down to -0.3%.
- CFTC positions: Euro net longs up to 10.4% of OI, Yen shorts reduced to 31.4%, GBP longs drop to 25.3%, AUD shorts raised to 39.5%, CAD shorts increased to 16%, CHF shorts reduced to 21.7%, MXN longs trimmed to 31.6%. 10y UST shorts cut to 14.2%.
- Nikkei +2.7%, EUR 10y IRS unchanged at 2.70%, Brent crude +0.5% at \$85.8/b, Gold -0.3% at \$2148/oz.

#### **CALENDAR**

#### Key events of the day

SNB sight deposits (10:00)

EUR trade balance, cons (11:00)

EUR CPI final, cons 2.6% yoy; core 3.1% yoy (11:00)

CL 4Q GDP, cons (12:00)

CA industrial production (13:30)

BRA economic activity, cons 2.8% yoy (13:00)

POL core CPI, cons 5.4% yoy (14:00)

#### Chart of the day: Central bank meetings galore this week

|       |        | SG forecast | Risk/ guidance   |
|-------|--------|-------------|--|
| Tues  | ВоЈ    | +10bp       | One hike and done, no cycle<br>YCC revamp, JGB purchases                     |
|       | RBA    | On hold     |  |
| Weds  | Fed    | On hold     | Two dots for 2024, not three<br>Balance sheet: QT tapering<br>details/timing |
|       | Brazil | -50bp       | -50bp next meeting   |
|       | Czech  | -50bp       | Close call -25bp   |
| Thurs | SNB    | -25bp       | No change, guidance for June<br>Willingness to intervene in FX               |
|       | BoE    | On hold     | Dovish hold? MPC 7-1-1 , wages down  |
|       | Norway | On hold     | On hold for some time ahead  |
|       | Turkey | On hold     | Rate hike vs macro prudential measures                                       |
|       | Mexico | -25bp       |  |

Source: SG Cross Asset Research/Corporate

#### **MARKET REVIEW**

#### **FOREX**

**EUR/USD:** 1.0881 – 1.0896 overnight range. Spot stagnates around 1.09, bias neutral into the Fed. Support 1.0830, resistance 1.0930. Euro zone data second tier this week. EUR/JPY bid above 162.50 before BoJ. Will EUR/CHF extend to 0.97 on SNB?

**USD/JPY:** 148.91 – 149.33 overnight range. Spot bid with G10/JPY on bullish equities. Support 148.00, resistance 149.80. Nikkei daily confident BoJ will end negative rates tomorrow after wage increases. Core machinery orders tumble 1.7% m/m in January.

**GBP/USD:** 1.2726 – 1.2742 overnight range. Cable digs in at 1.2750 after hedge funds trimmed longs before Fed and BoE. Support 1.2660, resistance 1.2820. EUR/GBP topside on dovish BoE hold? Rightmove house price +1.5% m/m in March, 3m avg decent 1.2%.

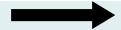
**AUD/USD:** 0.6554 – 0.6570 overnight range. Frustration again for AUD bulls after underwhelming reaction to decent China activity and demand data, and the 1% gain for the CSI-300. Spot pinned back near 200dma (0.6560). Support 0.6500, resistance 0.6640.

#### **RATES**

**EU:** 10y IRS opens virtually flat above 2.70%, upper end of 2-week range. Oil prices stay bid above \$85 on China data. Support 2.60%, resistance 2.78%. Bunds to follow USTs into Fed, 10y spread consolidates at 185bp (50dma). De Cos backs June ECB cut.

**US:** 10y IRS consolidates near 2-week high after 20bp ascent last week on CPI/PPI/oil. Support 3.83%, resistance 3.99%. Fed updated dot plot and inflation forecasts, QT comments key for direction in rates and curve. 2s/10s UST fraction tighter at -40bp.

**UK:** Neutral start for 10y IRS at 3.81% after 15bp rally in three days, bias neutral. Support 3.69%, resistance 3.94%. CPI on Wednesday, BoE dovish hold on Thursday? Question whether MPC could swing from 6-2-1 to 7-1-1 (Mann single remaining hawk?).



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#### **OUTLOOK**

Strap in. Ten central bank meetings are scheduled across G10 and EM this week but the positive start for risk assets on the back of decent Chinese data, and the decline in USD/JPY vol, suggests investors harbour no fears of higher rates in Japan and potentially fewer rate cuts in the US. Cuts are on the table in Switzerland, Brazil, Mexico and Czechia. The Fed will stand pat at 5.25%-5.50% but may back up, rather than back out, on three cuts. Psychologically, for the bond and FX markets, the effect of removing the rate cut that the FOMC added to the dot plot for 2024 last December cannot be underestimated, even if it does not change the direction of travel. Doing so would not come as a huge surprise following the latest trifecta of upward surprises on inflation last week: CPI, PPI and NY Fed inflation expectations. They urge the Fed to proceed carefully. There will be three more CPI releases before the June meeting. A cut then is still odds on, but two more before the November election could be tight. An adjustment upwards in the 2024 median from 4.6% (2025 3.6%) would go to the heart of the debate on the economy: is the neutral rate higher than pre-pandemic? The stickiness of inflation and stubborn low unemployment rate / jobless claims suggest the sensitivity to tight policy has declined. The argument that past tightening is still feeding its way through the economy may soon no longer stack up. On the flip side, we wonder if the economy is (finally) starting to lose some zip, the gloss of exceptionalism coming off: the Atlanta Fed GDP tracker dropped to 2.3% last week and 'control sales' were flat in February. On this evidence, the Fed would not have to tweak the path ahead and could wait until June. Futures are discounting about 72bp by December.

The decision of the Fed comes at a moment with bond yields are straddling key levels across the curve in the US and Europe. The abrupt turnaround boosted yields by double digits last week and put 10y real rates (2%) and the DXY (103.50) within touching distance of the levels of last December when the Fed was viewed to have pivoted dovishly. Financial conditions have eased since then, adding fuel to the rally in stocks and credit. High beta currencies in the main have struggled, though FX volatility has come down. Even if the BoJ exits negative rates tomorrow, there could be more frustration for JPY bulls until the Fed cuts. The BoJ may have greater confidence in a virtuous wage/price spiral, but one 10bp hike is unlikely to signal the start of a cycle. The SNB could be the first G10 central bank to cut rates on Thursday, three months before the ECB. This could guide EUR/CHF into a 0.97/0.98 range. Inflation is undershooting the bank's forecast for 1Q by 0.55ppt. For 10y UST, we're monitoring 4.36%/4.40% as a key topside area. Bunds are likely to follow US rates, but we should not ignore oil. Brent trades above \$86/bbl this morning. In the bigger technical scheme, with industrial activity in China picking up and oil processing reportedly at an all-time high, the rise in oil and other commodity prices is inflationary.

In China, the good news for January and February is that industrial output surprised to the upside and retail sales point to stabilising demand. Our economists identify "Some green shoots for a better 2024" (analysis here). However, in their view, housing still showed little definitive signs of bottoming out, and inflation pressure remained muted. Having said this, non-resident investors could be compelled to wade back into stocks if the CSI-300 bridges the gap to 200dma (3626). Commercial banks are forecast to leave the 1y and 5y LPR on hold at 3.45% 3.95% respectively this Wednesday after the 25bp cut in the benchmark 5y LPR last month. In EM, Banxico is set to join other Latam banks and deliver a first 25bp cut on Thursday, in our view. Elsewhere, our house call is for 50bp in Brazil and the Czech Republic this Wednesday. No changes are pencilled in for Indonesia and Turkey. Colombia could sink rates by 50bp to 12.25% on Friday.

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#### **TECHNICAL ANALYSIS**

**USD/JPY** defended the 200-DMA near 146.50/146 resulting in a rebound. It is now probing the lower limit of previous brief consolidation. Graphical zone of 150.90/152 representing last year peak and the high achieved in February remains a key hurdle. It would be interesting to see if USD/JPY can establish above this resistance and signal a larger uptrend. Failure to cross could mean continuation in pullback towards the recent pivot low at 146.50/146 and multiyear trend line near 144.30.

**USD/MXN** failed to establish above 200-DMA near 17.20 in recent attempt extending the decline towards last year low of 16.60 which is a potential support. Daily MACD has been posting positive divergence denoting receding downward momentum but signals of reversal in downtrend are not yet visible. Cross above the 200-DMA near 17/17.20 would be crucial to avert one more leg of decline. In case the pair fails to defend 16.60, ongoing down move is likely to persist towards next projections at 16.40 and 16.10.

#### USD/JPY, daily chart.



#### USD/MXN, daily chart.



Source: SG Cross Asset Research/Corporate

|            |             | 1-2 Month range | 1-2 Month View  | Daily View       | Supports       | Resistances    |
|------------|-------------|-----------------|---|------------------|----------------|----------------|
|            | EUR/USD     |                 | EUR/USD has retracted some of recent gains after facing     | 1.0830/1.0795 is | 1.0830,        | 1.0930,        |
|            |             | 1.0795-1.1080   | interim hurdle at 1.0980. The 200-DMA near                  | important        | 1.0795,        | 1.0960,        |
|            |             | 1.0795-1.1080   | 1.0830/1.0795 is important support near term. This must     | support          | 1.0760         | 1.0980         |
|            | _           |                 | be defended to avert deeper drop.                           |                  |                |                |
|            | GBP/USD     |                 | GBP/USD recently crossed above last pivot high and          | Break above      | 1.2680/1.2660, | 1.2820,        |
|            |             | 1.2590-1.3140   | upper part of multi month range resulting in up move        | 1.2820 can       | 1.2590,        | 1.2900,        |
|            |             | 1.2390-1.3140   | towards 1.2900. Currently a pullback is under way but 50-   | extend up move   | 1.2500         | 1.2960         |
|            | •           |                 | DMA near 1.2680 could provide support.                      |                  |                | į              |
|            | EUR/CHF     |                 | EUR/CHF has experienced an extended up move after           | Initial pullback | 0.9570/0.9560, | 0.9635,        |
|            | <b>*</b>    | 0.9460-0.9680   | breakout above multiyear trend line. Next hurdle is         | not ruled out    | 0.9540,        | 0.9680/0.9690, |
| Currencies |             | 0.9460-0.9660   | located at last November high of 0.9680/0.9690. Inability   |                  | 0.9510         | 0.9730         |
|            | •           |                 | to cross this can lead to short-term pullback.              |                  |                |                |
| rre        | EUR/HUF     |                 | EUR/HUF up move has stalled after approaching March         | Downside could   | 390,           | 396,           |
| ln:        |             | 386-402         | 2023 high of 402. An initial pullback is taking shape but   | remain           | 387/386,       | 399,           |
|            |             | 360-402         | signals of larger downside are not yet visible; 50-DMA      | contained        | 383            | 402            |
|            | •           |                 | near 387/386 is likely to be near term support.             |                  |                |                |
|            | USD/KRW     |                 | USD/KRW has rebounded sharply from interim low of           | Gradually        | 1322,          | 1338,          |
|            |             | 1303-1346       | 1308 formed last week. Recent pivot high at 1346 could      | heading          | 1318,          | 1346,          |
|            |             | 1303-1340       | remain near term resistance. Failure to cross this can lead | towards hurdle   | 1308           | 1351           |
| İ          |             |                 | to a pullback.  | of 1346          |                |                |
|            | USD/BRL     |                 | USD/BRL recently carved out a higher trough at 4.80 and     | Further uptrend  | 4.91,          | 5.07,          |
|            | <b></b>     | 4.80-5.07       | has established above 200-DMA. Defence of MA near 4.91      | likely           | 4.83,          | 5.11,          |
|            |             | 4.60-5.07       | can extend up move towards multiyear trend line near        |                  | 4.80           | 5.22           |
|            | -           |                 | 5.07.   |                  |                | į              |
| 10         | EUR 10y IRS |                 | EUR 10y IRS defended February low of 2.52% resulting in     |                  | 2.60%,         | 2.78%,         |
| Rates      | <b>A</b>    | 2.52%-2.83%     | brief rebound. It is still below 100-DMA and away from      | lacking          | 2.57%,         | 2.83%,         |
| Rai        |             | 2.32%-2.83%     | recent pivot high of 2.83%. This hurdle must be overcome    |                  | 2.52%          | 2.91%          |
| _          | •           |                 | to confirm a larger upside.                                 |                  |                | i              |

<sup>\*</sup> Note: The trend shown in first column is over 1-2-month period, support / resistance levels are for near term.

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## Weekly economics release calendar

**During the Week** 

|          |                                    |     |        |          | SG        |
|----------|------------------------------------|-----|--------|----------|-----------|
|          |                                    | GMT | Period | Previous | Forecasts |
| Brazil   | Formal Job Creation Total          |     | Feb    |          |           |
|          | Tax Collections                    |     | Feb    | 280636m  |           |
| China    | FDI YTD (% YoY) CNY                |     | Feb    | -11.7    |           |
| Germany  | Import Price Index (% MoM)         |     | Jan    | -1.1     |           |
|          | Import Price Index (% YoY)         |     | Jan    | -8.5     |           |
|          | Import Price Index (% MoM)         |     | Feb    |          |           |
|          | Import Price Index (% YoY)         |     | Feb    |          |           |
| Ireland  | Consumer Confidence Index          |     | Mar    | 70.2     |           |
| Slovakia | Unemployment Rate                  |     | Feb    | 5.2      |           |
| Taiwan   | Money Supply M2 Daily Avg (% YoY)  |     | Feb    | 5.44     |           |
|          | Money Supply M1B Daily Avg (% YoY) |     | Feb    | 3.56     |           |

**Monday 18 Mar 2024** 

|             |   |         |        |          | SG        |
|-------------|---|---------|--------|----------|-----------|
|             |   | GMT     | Period | Previous | Forecasts |
|             |   | 23:50(- |        |          |           |
| Japan       | Core Machine Orders (% MoM)                 | 1D)     | Jan    | 2.7      |           |
|             | 0 11 11 0 1 (0) 1/ 10                       | 23:50(- |        |          |           |
|             | Core Machine Orders (% YoY)                 | 1D)     | Jan    | -0.7     | •         |
| UK          | Rightmove House Prices (% MoM)              | 0:01    | Mar    | 0.9      |           |
|             | Rightmove House Prices (% YoY)              | 0:01    | Mar    | 0.1      |           |
| Japan       | Bloomberg March Japan Economic Survey       | 1:00    |        |          |           |
| China       | Retail Sales YTD (% YoY)                    | 2:00    | Feb    |          | 5.5       |
|             | Property Investment YTD (% YoY)             | 2:00    | Feb    |          |           |
|             | Fixed Assets Ex Rural YTD (% YoY)           | 2:00    | Feb    |          | 3.2       |
|             | Surveyed Jobless Rate                       | 2:00    | Feb    |          |           |
|             | Industrial Production YTD (% YoY)           | 2:00    | Feb    |          | 4.7       |
|             | Residential Property Sales YTD (% YoY)      | 2:00    | Feb    |          |           |
| Euro area   | Bloomberg March Eurozone Economic Survey    | 7:30    |        |          |           |
| Germany     | Bloomberg March Germany Economic Survey     | 7:35    |        |          |           |
| France      | Bloomberg March France Economic Survey      | 7:40    |        |          |           |
| Italy       | Bloomberg March Italy Economic Survey       | 7:45    |        |          |           |
| Spain       | Bloomberg March Spain Economic Survey       | 7:50    |        |          |           |
| Czech       |   |         |        |          |           |
| Republic    | PPI Industrial (% MoM)                      | 8:00    | Feb    | 2.5      |           |
|             | PPI Industrial (% YoY)                      | 8:00    | Feb    | -1.8     |           |
| Slovakia    | Industrial Orders (% MoM)                   | 8:00    | Jan    | 14.3     |           |
|             | Industrial Orders (% YoY)                   | 8:00    | Jan    | 3.5      |           |
|             | CPI EU Harmonized (% MoM)                   | 8:00    | Feb    | 0.8      |           |
|             | CPI EU Harmonized (% YoY)                   | 8:00    | Feb    | 4.4      |           |
| Switzerland | Bloomberg March Switzerland Economic Survey | 8:35    |        |          |           |
| Spain       | Trade Balance                               | 9:00    | Jan    | -3402m   |           |
| Switzerland | Domestic Sight Deposits CHF                 | 9:00    | 15 Mar | 468.4b   |           |
|             | Total Sight Deposits CHF                    | 9:00    | 15 Mar | 477.4b   |           |
| Euro area   | CPI (% YoY)                                 | 10:00   | Feb F  | 2.8      | 2.6       |
|             | CPI (% MoM)                                 | 10:00   | Feb F  | 0.6      | 0.6       |
|             | CPI Core (% YoY)                            | 10:00   | Feb F  | 3.1      | 3.1       |
|             | Trade Balance SA                            | 10:00   | Jan    | 13.0b    |           |
|             | Trade Balance NSA                           | 10:00   | Jan    | 16.8b    |           |
| Brazil      | FGV Inflation IGP-10 (% MoM)                | 11:00   | Mar    | -0.65    |           |
|             | FGV CPI IPC-S                               | 11:00   | 15 Mar | 0.56     |           |
|             | Central Bank Weekly Economist Survey        | 11:25   |        |          |           |
|             | Economic Activity (% MoM)                   | 12:00   | Jan    | 0.82     | 0.2       |
|             | Economic Activity (% YoY)                   | 12:00   | Jan    | 1.36     | 2.9       |
| US          | New York Fed Services Business Activity     | 12:30   | Mar    | -7.3     |           |
|             | NAHB Housing Market Index                   | 14:00   | Mar    | 48       |           |
| Brazil      | Trade Balance Weekly                        | 18:00   | 17 Mar |          | •         |

Tuesday 19 Mar 2024

|           |                         | GMT  | Period | Previous | SG<br>Forecasts |
|-----------|-------------------------|------|--------|----------|-----------------|
| Japan     | BOJ Policy Balance Rate |      |        | -0.1     | 0               |
|           | BOJ 10-Yr Yield Target  |      |        | 0        | NA              |
| Australia | RBA Cash Rate Target    | 3:30 |        | 4.35     | 4.35            |

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| Japan       | Industrial Production (% MoM) | 4:30  | Jan F  | -7.5   |      |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|------|
|             | Industrial Production (% YoY) | 4:30  | Jan F  | -1.5   |      |
|             | Capacity Utilization (% MoM)  | 4:30  | Jan    | -0.1   |      |
| Switzerland | Exports Real (% MoM)          | 7:00  | Feb    | -0.4   |      |
|             | Imports Real (% MoM)          | 7:00  | Feb    | -4.3   |      |
|             | Swiss Watch Exports (% YoY)   | 7:00  | Feb    | 3.1    |      |
| Brazil      | FIPE CPI - Weekly             | 8:00  | 15 Mar | 0.45   |      |
| Switzerland | SECO March Economic Forecasts | 8:00  |        |        |      |
| Euro area   | ZEW Survey Expectations       | 10:00 | Mar    | 25     |      |
|             | Labour Costs (% YoY)          | 10:00 | 4Q     | 5.3    |      |
| Germany     | ZEW Survey Expectations       | 10:00 | Mar    | 19.9   | 19.5 |
|             | ZEW Survey Current Situation  | 10:00 | Mar    | -81.7  | -83  |
| Portugal    | PPI (% YoY)                   | 11:00 | Feb    | -4.3   |      |
|             | PPI (% MoM)                   | 11:00 | Feb    | 0.3    |      |
| Mexico      | Aggregate Supply and Demand   | 12:00 | 4Q     | 2.7    |      |
| US          | Building Permits (% MoM)      | 12:30 | Feb    | -1.5   |      |
|             | Building Permits              | 12:30 | Feb    | 1470   |      |
|             | Housing Starts                | 12:30 | Feb    | 1331   | 1410 |
|             | Housing Starts (% MoM)        | 12:30 | Feb    | -14.8  | 5.9  |
|             | FOMC Begins Two-Day Meeting   | 14:00 |        |        |      |
|             | Total Net TIC Flows           | 20:00 | Jan    | 139.8b |      |
|             | Net Long-term TIC Flows       | 20:00 | Jan    | 160.2b |      |

Wednesday 20 Mar 2024

|              |   | GMT     | Period   | Previous  | SG<br>Forecasts |
|--------------|---|---------|----------|---|-----------------|
| Mexico       | Banamex Survey of Economists                            | O.III I | renou    | Tievious  | ·               |
| China        | 5-Year Loan Prime Rate                                  | 1:15    |          | 3.95  | 3.95            |
| O            | 1-Year Loan Prime Rate                                  | 1:15    |          | 3.45  | 3.45            |
| Germany      | PPI (% MoM)   | 7:00    | Feb      | 0.2   | 56              |
| <b>3</b> 0a, | PPI (% YoY)   | 7:00    | Feb      | -4.4  |                 |
| UK           | CPI (% MoM)   | 7:00    | Feb      | -0.6  | 0.5             |
| 0.1          | CPI (% YoY)   | 7:00    | Feb      | 4   | 3.4             |
|              | CPI Core (% YoY)  | 7:00    | Feb      | 5.1   | 4.5             |
|              | CPI Services (% YoY)                                    | 7:00    | Feb      | 6.5   | 6               |
|              | CPIH (% YoY)  | 7:00    | Feb      | 4.2   |                 |
|              | Retail Price Index                                      | 7:00    | Feb      | 378   | •               |
|              | RPI (% MoM)   | 7:00    | Feb      | -0.3  | 0.5             |
|              | RPI (% YoY)   | 7:00    | Feb      | 4.9   | 4.3             |
|              | RPI Ex Mort Int.Payments ((% YoY))                      | 7:00    | Feb      | 3.8   | 1.0             |
|              | PPI Output NSA (% MoM)                                  | 7:00    | Feb      | -0.2  | •               |
|              | PPI Output NSA (% YoY)                                  | 7:00    | Feb      | -0.6  | •               |
|              | PPI Input NSA (% MoM)                                   | 7:00    | Feb      |   | •               |
|              | PPI Input NSA (% YoY)                                   | 7:00    | Feb      |   |                 |
| Indonesia    | BI-Rate   | 7:20    | 1 05     |   | 6               |
| Taiwan       | Export Orders (% YoY)                                   | 8:00    | Feb      |   | -9.4            |
| Euro area    | ECB's Lagarde Speaks in Frankfurt                       | 8:45    | 1 05     | 1.5   | 5.4             |
| Italy        | Industrial Production (% MoM)                           | 9:00    | Jan      | -0.6<br>-0.8<br>-3.3<br>6<br>1.9<br>1.1<br>-2.1<br>-8 |                 |
| italy        | Industrial Production WDA (% YoY)                       | 9:00    | Jan      |   | •               |
|              | Industrial Production NSA (% YoY)                       | 9:00    | Jan      |   |                 |
| Euro area    | ECB's Lane Speaks in Frankfurt                          | 9:30    | Jan      | 0   | •               |
| UK           | House Price Index (% YoY)                               | 9:30    | Jan      | -1 /  |                 |
| Euro area    | Construction Output (% MoM)                             | 10:00   | Jan      | 0.8   | •               |
| Luio aica    | Construction Output (% YoY)                             | 10:00   | Jan      | 1.9   |                 |
| Ireland      | Property Prices (% YoY)                                 | 11:00   | Jan      | 4.4   | •               |
| IICIAIIU     | Property Prices (% MoM)                                 | 11:00   | Jan      | 1.5   |                 |
| US           | MBA Mortgage Applications                               | 11:00   | 15 Mar   | 1.5   | •               |
| Euro area    | ECB's De Cos Speaks in Frankfurt                        | 12:00   | 13 Iviai |   |                 |
| Czech        | LOD's De Cos Opeaks III i falikituit                    | 12.00   |          |   | •               |
| Republic     | Repurchase Rate   | 13:30   |          | 6.25  |                 |
| Euro area    | ECB's Schnabel Speaks in Frankfurt                      | 13:45   |          |   |                 |
|              | Consumer Confidence                                     | 15:00   | Mar P    | -15.5   |                 |
| Mexico       | International Reserves Weekly                           | 15:00   | 15 Mar   |   |                 |
| US           | FOMC Ends Two-Day Meeting                               | 18:00   |          |   | •               |
|              | FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)                        | 18:00   |          | 5.5   | 5.5             |
|              | FOMC Rate Decision (Lower Bound)                        | 18:00   |          | 5.25  | 5.25            |
|              | Interest on Reserve Balances Rate                       | 18:00   | 21 Mar   | 5.4   | 5.4             |
|              | Fed Chair Powell Holds Post-Meeting Press<br>Conference | 18:30   | 2        | <b>3.</b> .   |                 |
| Brazil       | Selic Rate  | 21:30   |          | 11.25   | 10.75           |

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|              |                                       | GMT      | Period | Previous  | SG<br>Forecasts |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|-----------|-----------------|
|              |                                       | 22:00 (- | renou  | 1 1641005 | i Urecasti      |
| Australia    | Judo Bank Australia PMI Composite     | 1D)      | Mar P  | 52.1      |                 |
|              |                                       | 22:00 (- |        |           |                 |
|              | Judo Bank Australia PMI Mfg           | 1D) `    | Mar P  | 47.8      |                 |
|              | Ğ                                     | 22:00 (- |        |           |                 |
|              | Judo Bank Australia PMI Services      | 1D) `    | Mar P  | 53.1      |                 |
|              |                                       | 23:50 (- |        |           |                 |
| Japan        | Trade Balance                         | 1D)      | Feb    | -1758.3b  |                 |
|              |                                       | 23:50 (- |        |           |                 |
|              | Trade Balance Adjusted                | 1D)      | Feb    | 235.3b    |                 |
|              |                                       | 23:50 (- |        |           |                 |
|              | Exports (% YoY)                       | 1D)      | Feb    | 11.9      |                 |
|              |                                       | 23:50 (- |        |           |                 |
|              | Imports (% YoY)                       | 1D)      | Feb    | -9.6      |                 |
| France       | Retail Sales SA (% YoY)               |          | Feb    | -3.1      |                 |
| Taiwan       | CBC Benchmark Interest Rate           |          |        | 1.88      | 1.875           |
| South Korea  | Exports 20 Days (% YoY)               | 0:00     | Mar    | -7.8      |                 |
|              | Imports 20 Days (% YoY)               | 0:00     | Mar    | -19.2     |                 |
| Australia    | Employment Change                     | 0:30     | Feb    | 0.5       | 30              |
| , idoli diid | Unemployment Rate                     | 0:30     | Feb    | 4.1       | 4.1             |
|              | Participation Rate                    | 0:30     | Feb    | 66.8      | 66.8            |
|              | •                                     |          |        |           | 00.0            |
|              | Full Time Employment Change           | 0:30     | Feb    | 11.1      |                 |
|              | Part Time Employment Change           | 0:30     | Feb    | -10.6     |                 |
| Japan        | Jibun Bank Japan PMI Composite        | 0:30     | Mar P  | 50.6      |                 |
|              | Jibun Bank Japan PMI Mfg              | 0:30     | Mar P  | 47.2      |                 |
|              | Jibun Bank Japan PMI Services         | 0:30     | Mar P  | 52.9      |                 |
| China        | Swift Global Payments CNY             | 1:00     | Feb    | 4.51      |                 |
| India        | HSBC India PMI Mfg                    | 5:00     | Mar P  | 56.9      |                 |
|              | HSBC India PMI Composite              | 5:00     | Mar P  | 60.6      |                 |
|              | HSBC India PMI Services               | 5:00     | Mar P  | 60.6      |                 |
| Japan        | Tokyo Condominiums for Sale (% YoY)   | 5:00     | Feb    | 56.6      | •               |
| •            | , ,                                   |          |        |           | •               |
| Euro area    | EU27 New Car Registrations            | 7:00     | Feb    | 12.1      |                 |
| UK           | Public Finances (PSNCR)               | 7:00     | Feb    | -23.3b    |                 |
|              | Central Government NCR                | 7:00     | Feb    | -19.5b    |                 |
|              | Public Sector Net Borrowing           | 7:00     | Feb    | -17.6b    |                 |
|              | PSNB ex Banking Groups                | 7:00     | Feb    | -16.7b    | 7               |
| France       | Business Confidence                   | 7:45     | Mar    | 98        | 99              |
|              | Manufacturing Confidence              | 7:45     | Mar    | 100       | 101             |
|              | Production Outlook Indicator          | 7:45     | Mar    | -8        | -5              |
|              | Own-Company Production Outlook        | 7:45     | Mar    | 5         | 7               |
| Spain        | House transactions (% YoY)            | 8:00     | Jan    | -15.6     |                 |
| Switzerland  | Money Supply M3 (% YoY)               | 8:00     | Feb    | -2        | •               |
|              |                                       |          |        |           | 47.0            |
| France       | HCOB France Manufacturing PMI         | 8:15     | Mar P  | 47.1      | 47.6            |
|              | HCOB France Services PMI              | 8:15     | Mar P  | 48.4      | 48.6            |
|              | HCOB France Composite PMI             | 8:15     | Mar P  | 48.1      | 48.4            |
| Germany      | HCOB Germany Manufacturing PMI        | 8:30     | Mar P  | 42.5      | 42.7            |
|              | HCOB Germany Services PMI             | 8:30     | Mar P  | 48.3      | 48.3            |
|              | HCOB Germany Composite PMI            | 8:30     | Mar P  | 46.3      | 46.3            |
| Switzerland  | SNB Policy Rate                       | 8:30     |        | 1.75      |                 |
| Euro area    | HCOB Eurozone Manufacturing PMI       | 9:00     | Mar P  | 46.5      | 46.5            |
|              | HCOB Eurozone Services PMI            | 9:00     | Mar P  | 50.2      | 50.4            |
|              | HCOB Eurozone Composite PMI           | 9:00     | Mar P  | 49.2      | 49.3            |
|              | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |          |        |           | 49.3            |
|              | ECB Current Account SA                | 9:00     | Jan    | 31.9b     |                 |
| _            | ECB Publishes Economic Bulletin       | 9:00     |        |           |                 |
| Greece       | Current Account Balance               | 9:30     | Jan    | -2248m    |                 |
| Italy        | Current Account Balance               | 9:30     | Jan    | 1136m     |                 |
| Portugal     | Current Account Balance               | 9:30     | Jan    | -954m     |                 |
| Slovakia     | Current Account Balance               | 9:30     | Jan    | -791m     |                 |
| UK           | S&P Global UK Manufacturing PMI       | 9:30     | Mar P  | 47.5      | 47              |
|              | S&P Global UK Services PMI            | 9:30     | Mar P  | 53.8      | 54              |
|              | S&P Global UK Composite PMI           | 9:30     | Mar P  | 53        |                 |
| Mexico       | Retail Sales (% YoY)                  | 12:00    |        | -0.2      | 2.2             |
| INICAICO     | ,                                     |          | Jan    |           |                 |
| 1 112        | Retail Sales (% MoM)                  | 12:00    | Jan    | -0.9      | 0.7             |
| UK           | Bank of England Bank Rate             | 12:00    |        | 5.25      | 5.25            |
| US           | Current Account Balance               | 12:30    | 4Q     | -200.3b   |                 |
|              | Philadelphia Fed Business Outlook     | 12:30    | Mar    | 5.2       |                 |
|              | Initial Jobless Claims                | 12:30    | 16 Mar |           |                 |
|              | Continuing Claims                     | 12:30    | 09 Mar |           |                 |
|              | S&P Global US Manufacturing PMI       | 13:45    | Mar P  | 52.2      |                 |
|              | S&P Global US Services PMI            | 13:45    | Mar P  | 52.3      | •               |
|              |                                       |          |        |           |                 |
|              | S&P Global US Composite PMI           | 13:45    | Mar P  | 52.5      | •               |
|              | Leading Index                         | 14:00    | Feb    | -0.4      |                 |
|              | Existing Home Sales                   | 14:00    | Feb    | 4.00m     | 3.95            |
|              | Existing Home Sales (% MoM)           | 14:00    | Feb    | 3.1       | -1.3            |
| Mexico       | Overnight Rate                        | 19:00    |        | 11.25     | 11              |

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|             |   | GMT             | Period   | Previous | SG<br>Forecasts |
|             |   | 21:00 (-        | i chou   | Tievious | rorcousts       |
| South Korea | PPI (% YoY)   | 1D) `           | Feb      | 1.3      |                 |
|             |   | 23:30 (-        |          |          |                 |
| Japan       | Natl CPI (% YoY)                                      | 1D)             | Feb      | 2.2      | 3.1             |
|             |   | 23:30 (-        |          |          |                 |
|             | Natl CPI Ex Fresh Food (% YoY)                        | 1D)             | Feb      | 2        | 2.9             |
|             | Netl ODLE: Free Feed Free W. (0/ VeV)                 | 23:30 (-        | Feb      | 3.5      | 3.3             |
|             | Natl CPI Ex Fresh Food, Energy (% YoY)                | 1D)<br>23:50 (- | reb      | 3.5      | 3.3             |
|             | Foreign Buying Japan Stocks                           | 23:50 (-<br>1D) | 15 Mar   |          |                 |
|             | r oreign buying sapan stocks                          | 23:50 (-        | 15 Iviai |          | •               |
|             | Japan Buying Foreign Bonds                            | 1D)             | 15 Mar   |          |                 |
|             |   | 23:50 (-        |          |          | ·               |
|             | Foreign Buying Japan Bonds                            | 1D) `           | 15 Mar   |          |                 |
|             |   | 23:50 (-        |          |          |                 |
|             | Japan Buying Foreign Stocks                           | 1D)             | 15 Mar   |          |                 |
| UK          | GfK Consumer Confidence                               | 0:01            | Mar      | -21      |                 |
|             | Retail Sales Inc Auto Fuel (% MoM)                    | 7:00            | Feb      | 3.4      |                 |
|             | Retail Sales Inc Auto Fuel (% YoY)                    | 7:00            | Feb      | 0.7      |                 |
|             | Retail Sales Ex Auto Fuel (% MoM)                     | 7:00            | Feb      | 3.2      | 0.7             |
|             | Retail Sales Ex Auto Fuel (% YoY)                     | 7:00            | Feb      | 0.7      | -0.1            |
| France      | Wages (% QoQ)   | 7:45            | 4Q F     | 0.3      | 0.3             |
| Taiwan      | Unemployment Rate                                     | 8:00            | Feb      | 3.39     | 3.4             |
| Euro area   | ECB's Nagel Speaks                                    | 9:00            |          |          |                 |
| Germany     | IFO Business Climate                                  | 9:00            | Mar      | 85.5     | 85.2            |
| •           | IFO Current Assessment                                | 9:00            | Mar      | 86.9     | 86.6            |
|             | IFO Expectations                                      | 9:00            | Mar      | 84.1     | 83.9            |
| Euro area   | ECB's Holzmann Speaks in Vienna                       | 10:00           |          |          |                 |
| Brazil      | FGV Consumer Confidence                               | 11:00           | Mar      | 89.7     |                 |
| Ireland     | PPI (% MoM)   | 11:00           | Feb      | 1.4      |                 |
|             | PPI (% YoY)   | 11:00           | Feb      | 2.2      |                 |
| UK          | CBI Trends Total Orders                               | 11:00           | Mar      | -20      |                 |
|             | CBI Trends Selling Prices                             | 11:00           | Mar      | 17       |                 |
| Mexico      | Economic Activity IGAE (% MoM)                        | 12:00           | Jan      | -0.05    | 0.4             |
|             | Bi-Weekly CPI (% YoY)                                 | 12:00           | 15 Mar   | 4.35     | 4.41            |
|             | Economic Activity IGAE (% YoY)                        | 12:00           | Jan      | 1.09     | 2.2             |
|             | Bi-Weekly CPI   | 12:00           | 15 Mar   | 0.06     | 0.21            |
|             | Bi-Weekly Core CPI (% YoY)                            | 12:00           | 15 Mar   | 4.66     | 4.6             |
|             | Bi-Weekly Core CPI                                    | 12:00           | 15 Mar   | 0.19     | 0.25            |
| Colombia    | Colombia Overnight rate                               | 18:00           | Mar      | 12.75    | 12.25           |
| US          | Fed's Bostic Participates in Moderated Conversation   | 20:00           | mai      | 12.70    | 12.20           |
|             | 1 00 0 200110 1 articipates in moderated conversation | 20.00           |          |          | •               |

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