

News Updates

Egypt seeks debt support at IMF spring round as Ukraine war bites hard - Egypt's delegation to the spring meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) will continue discussions with the Fund to agree on a new economic reform programme focused on managing the country's high level of debt, media sources have reported. Egypt had an annual funding gap of \$10bn due to dual trade and budget deficits even before Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The country is now facing a higher commodity import bill, as a major importer of Russian wheat, and reduced tourism income, as a primary destination for visitors from Russia and Ukraine. Following the economic shocks of the past two months – ranging from rising commodity prices fuelling higher inflationary pressures to an economic slowdown denting government revenues – Fakhry el-Feky, chairman of parliament's planning and budget committee, has reportedly estimated Egypt's annual external funding needs at \$10bn-\$12bn for the foreseeable future. *(Source: Bloomberg)*

Islamic Development Bank Mandates Banks for \$Benchmark 5Y Reg S Sukuk - The Islamic Development Bank ("IsDB"), rated Aaa/AAA/AAA by Moody's/S&P/Fitch (each with stable outlook), has mandated Citi, DIB, HSBC, KFH Capital, Natixis, SMBC Nikko, SNB Capital, Societe Generale and Standard Chartered as JLMs and bookrunners to arrange a series of fixed income investor calls starting Tuesday April 19, 2022. A 5Y fixed rate Regulation S USD benchmark sukuk issuance under IsDB's \$25b trust certificate issuance program will follow, subject to market conditions. *(Source: Bloomberg)*

Oil Sinks as Dour IMF Forecast Sparks Global Growth Concerns - Oil extended losses after the International Monetary Fund downgraded its global growth forecast, intensifying market concerns of an economic slowdown in the wake of hawkish comments from U.S. Federal Reserve officials. West Texas Intermediate fell more than \$5 to settle below \$103 on Tuesday, the sharpest drop in more than a week. The IMF slashed its world growth forecast by the most since the early months of the Covid-19 pandemic and projected even faster inflation. The market opened on a downbeat after Fed Reserve Bank President James Bullard said late Monday the central bank needs to move quickly to raise interest rates to quell inflation. *(Source: Bloomberg)*

GCC Sovereign Yields

Sovereigns	Maturity	Yield %	Price Δ (YTD %)	Sovereigns	Maturity	Yield %	Price Δ (YTD %)
Abu Dhabi	2027	3.06	-6.86	KSA	2027	3.04	-5.62
Abu Dhabi	2031	3.24	-9.70	KSA	2032	3.49	-9.22
Abu Dhabi	2050	4.04	-17.35	KSA	2050	4.53	-16.17
Bahrain	2028	5.08	-2.26	Oman	2027	4.86	-3.07
Bahrain	2032	6.32	-4.42	Oman	2032	5.72	-3.53
Bahrain	2051	7.42	-6.87	Oman	2051	7.00	-5.28
Dubai	2029	3.52	-6.36	Qatar	2026	3.09	-5.77
Dubai	2050	5.04	-14.31	Qatar	2030	3.46	-8.69
Kuwait	2027	3.01	-6.39	Qatar	2050	4.13	-16.59

Bonds and Sukuk Indices

Index Name	Yield %	Duration (yrs)	1D Δ (%)	YTD Δ (%)
Bloomberg GCC FI Index	4.07	8.08	-0.32	-7.53
S&P MENA Bond and Sukuk Index	3.74	NA	-0.11	-8.37
Bloomberg Emerging Markets USD Index	6.06	6.80	-0.47	-11.87
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	2.50	7.42	-0.67	-10.04

Interbank Rates (%)

	3 Months		6 Months		12 Months	
	20/04/2022	31/12/2021	20/04/2022	31/12/2021	20/04/2022	31/12/2021
KIBOR	1.6875	1.5000	1.9375	1.7500	2.1875	2.0000
SAIBOR	2.4145	0.9057	2.4442	0.9829	2.8290	1.0600
BHIBOR	1.9267	1.5167	2.1633	1.6233	2.8833	1.7667
QATAR	1.1500	1.1250	1.2000	1.2000	1.3500	1.3250
AEIBOR	1.1178	0.3645	1.6581	0.7000	2.3424	0.7396
EURIBOR	-0.4520	-0.5730	-0.3170	-0.5460	0.0030	-0.4980
LIBOR	1.0627	0.2144	1.5567	0.3451	2.2216	0.5888

USD Swap Rates				Currencies				Commodities		
	Yield %	1D Δ (bps)	YTD Δ (%)		USD	1D Δ (bps)	YTD Δ (%)		USD	YTD Δ (%)
1-Year	2.2226	-0.18	315.4	KWD	0.3056	-0.0982	-1.00	Gold	1,946.00	6.14
2-Year	2.8299	-1.61	200.6	SAR	3.7506	-0.0053	0.14	Silver	25.21	7.65
5-Year	2.9600	-2.18	116.1	BHD	0.3770	0.0000	0.00	Copper	469.95	5.79
7-Year	2.9682	-2.15	101.1	QAR	3.6414	0.0055	0.01	Nat. Gas	7.11	101.76
10-Year	2.9790	-2.29	88.4	OMR	0.3850	0.0000	-0.06	Aluminum	3,247.00	15.74
30-Year	2.7750	-2.06	60.3	AED	3.6730	0.0000	0.00	Crude Oil	108.60	42.17

US Treasuries			UK Gilts		German Bunds	
Yield %	1D Δ (%)		Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)
2-Year	2.57	0.04	1.56	0.02	NA	NA
5-Year	2.89	0.12	1.67	0.04	0.20	-0.01
10-Year	2.92	0.20	1.96	0.08	0.74	0.06
30-Year	2.97	0.39	2.12	0.14	1.03	0.35

Sovereign Ratings			
	Moody's	S&P	Fitch
Kuwait	A1	A+	AA-
KSA	A1	A-u	A
UAE	Aa2	NR	AA-
Abu Dhabi	Aa2	AA	AA
Qatar	Aa3	AA-	AA-
Bahrain	B2	B+	B+
Oman	Ba3	BB-	BB-
Egypt	B2	B	B+
Lebanon	C	SD	RD
Jordan	B1	B+	BB-
Turkey	B2	B+	B+
Tunisia	Caa1	NR	CCC
Morocco	Ba1	BB+	BB+
US	Aaa	AA+	AAA
UK	Aa3	AA	AA-
China	A1	A+	A+

USD 5Yr CDS	20-Apr 2022	31-Dec 2021
Kuwait	51.31	40.53
KSA	52.38	50.97
Abu Dhabi	51.60	43.09
Dubai	92.60	89.58
Qatar	51.43	42.55
Bahrain	284.16	286.32
Oman	214.41	254.42
Iraq	279.71	507.35
Egypt	612.44	496.58
Morocco	98.56	85.91
Turkey	598.48	555.46
US	14.71	10.01
UK	10.19	8.91
China	69.78	39.86
Japan	16.27	16.23
Germany	11.81	7.53
France	23.52	17.87