

News Updates

Emirates NBD Bank mandates banks for Additional Tier 1 USD RegS PerpNC6 –

Emirates NBD Bank PJSC mandates Emirates NBD Capital as structuring agent along with Emirates NBD Capital, First Abu Dhabi Bank, JPMorgan, HSBC, NCB Capital and Standard Chartered Bank as joint lead managers and joint bookrunners to arrange a global investor conference call and a series of fixed income investor calls from May 18. A benchmark fixed rate resettable USD Regulation S Additional Tier 1 perpetual non-call six-year unrated bond will follow, subject to market conditions. FCA/ICMA stabilisation applies. Emirates NBD is rated A+ (stable) by Fitch and A3 (negative) by Moody's, and is 55.76% owned by Investment Corporation of Dubai, the principal investment arm of the government of Dubai. (Source: Bloomberg)

Fitch Affirms Oman at 'BB-'; Outlook Negative – Oman's ratings balance hydrocarbon dependence, large fiscal and external deficits and debt ratios against high GDP per capita and other strong structural features relative to 'BB' category peers. Oman's sovereign gross external asset position has weakened, but remains a source of financing flexibility for the government. The Negative Outlook reflects risks to sustained enactment of fiscal consolidation plans given the challenging economic and social context. Nonetheless, initial implementation of the Medium-Term Fiscal Plan (MTFP) has boosted prospects for debt reduction. (Source: Bloomberg)

Sudan's Economic Revival Gets a Boost as Debt Relief Beckons –

Sudan got assurances billions of dollars of external debt will be canceled after the clearing of its arrears with the International Monetary Fund, a boost for the impoverished African country emerging from decades of dictatorship. France, Germany and Norway were among countries signaling their readiness to forgo repayment at a Monday conference in Paris that showcased Sudan's return to the international community. Removing IMF arrears, facilitated by a \$1.5 billion bridge loan from France, clears the way for Sudan to get relief from global creditors under the Highly Indebted Poor Countries initiative, or HIPC. (Source: Bloomberg)

Oil Sinks Below \$65 as Stockpiles Expand, Iran Talks Cast Shadow –

Oil headed for a back-to-back loss after an industry report showed a rise in U.S. crude stockpiles and traders tracked talks between world powers on a revival of the Iran nuclear deal. West Texas Intermediate for June delivery tumbled 1.2%, while global benchmark Brent -- which topped \$70 a barrel briefly in early Tuesday trade -- also declined. The American Petroleum Institute reported that domestic oil stockpiles increased by 620,000 barrels last week, according to people familiar with the figures. At the same time, gasoline and distillate inventories dropped. A return to the 2015 Iranian agreement could pave the way for the removal of U.S. sanctions and a rise in the country's crude exports just as the OPEC+ alliance loosens output curbs. (Source: Bloomberg)

GCC Sovereign Yields

Sovereigns	Maturity	Yield %	Price Δ (YTD %)	Sovereigns	Maturity	Yield %	Price Δ (YTD %)
Abu Dhabi	2025	0.89	-1.02	KSA	2025	1.28	-0.97
Abu Dhabi	2030	2.01	-3.65	KSA	2030	2.45	-3.72
Abu Dhabi	2050	3.21	-8.25	KSA	2050	3.70	-7.17
Bahrain	2026	3.37	-1.38	Oman	2025	3.27	2.79
Bahrain	2030	5.56	-5.67	Oman	2029	4.91	3.20
Bahrain	2047	6.97	-10.18	Oman	2048	6.76	-0.18
Dubai	2029	2.57	-0.98	Qatar	2025	0.96	-1.19
Kuwait	2022	0.20	-0.93	Qatar	2030	2.11	-4.23
Kuwait	2027	1.50	-2.85	Qatar	2050	3.35	-8.92

Bonds and Sukuk Indices

Index Name	Yield %	Duration (yrs)	1D Δ (%)	YTD Δ (%)
Bloomberg GCC FI Index	2.68	8.08	0.04	-1.16
S&P MENA Bond and Sukuk Index	2.31	NA	0.01	-2.00
Bloomberg Emerging Markets USD Index	3.86	6.80	0.05	-1.74
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	1.16	7.42	0.25	-2.83

Interbank Rates (%)

	3 Months		6 Months		12 Months	
	19/5/2021	31/12/2020	19/5/2021	31/12/2020	19/5/2021	31/12/2020
KIBOR	1.5000	1.4375	1.6875	1.6875	2.0000	1.9375
SAIBOR	0.7914	0.8175	0.8414	0.8700	0.9143	0.9413
BHIBOR	1.4500	2.2500	1.5367	2.5333	1.6833	2.6833
QATAR	1.1750	1.1206	1.2375	1.1960	1.3625	1.3636
AEIBOR	0.3503	0.5125	0.5077	0.4908	0.5775	0.6538
EURIBOR	-0.5480	-0.5450	-0.5150	-0.5260	-0.4780	-0.4990
LIBOR	0.1496	0.2384	0.1865	0.2576	0.2645	0.3419

USD Swap Rates

USD Swap Rates				Currencies				Commodities		
	Yield %	1D Δ (bps)	YTD Δ (%)		USD	1D Δ (bps)	YTD Δ (%)		USD	YTD Δ (%)
1-Year	0.1742	-0.02	-9.5	KWD	0.3010	0.1495	0.76	Gold	1,869.70	-1.74
2-Year	0.2516	0.04	27.2	SAR	3.7508	0.0000	0.04	Silver	28.16	6.11
5-Year	0.9088	0.47	111.3	BHD	0.3771	-0.0106	-0.01	Copper	469.50	33.13
7-Year	1.2741	0.54	94.6	QAR	3.6421	-0.0082	0.00	Nat. Gas	3.00	14.86
10-Year	1.6080	0.55	73.8	OMR	0.3850	0.0000	0.00	Aluminum	2,461.25	23.73
30-Year	2.0497	0.46	46.2	AED	3.6730	0.0000	0.00	Crude Oil	68.05	32.16

US Treasuries

	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	UK Gilts	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	German Bunds	Yield %	1D Δ (%)
2-Year	0.15	0.00	0.08	-0.01	-0.67	0.00		
5-Year	0.82	-0.01	0.38	0.00	-0.62	-0.02		
10-Year	1.64	-0.03	0.86	-0.04	-0.24	-0.09		
30-Year	2.36	-0.04	1.41	-0.34	0.46	-0.45		

Sovereign Ratings

	Moody's	S&P	Fitch
Kuwait	A1	AA-	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	B+	BB-
Egypt	B2	B	B+
Lebanon	C	SD	RD
Jordan	B1	B+	BB-
Turkey	B2	B+u	BB-
Tunisia	B3	NR	B
Morocco	Ba1	BB+	BB+
US	Aaa	AA+u	AAA
UK	Aa3	AAu	AA-
China	A1	A+	A+
USD 5Yr CDS	19-May 2021	31-Dec 2020	
Kuwait	46.26	40.69	
KSA	61.82	63.77	
Abu Dhabi	42.29	36.03	
Dubai	89.13	104.06	
Qatar	42.40	36.70	
Bahrain	187.49	233.58	
Oman	249.33	353.60	
Iraq	527.61	542.74	
Egypt	327.86	330.47	
Morocco	89.80	102.56	
Turkey	396.13	299.47	
US	7.34	11.52	
UK	9.70	15.13	
China	38.01	26.70	
Japan	15.89	14.74	
Germany	9.26	9.09	
France	23.35	14.42	