

News Updates

Bahrain Nogaholding mandates US\$ Reg S/144A 8-Year Sukuk– The Oil & Gas Holding Company B.S.C., also known as Nogaholding, mandates Gulf International Bank, HSBC and JPMorgan as joint lead managers and bookrunners to arrange a global investor call at 11:00AM UKT and a series of fixed income investor calls commencing on March 29. A Reg S/144A fixed rate US\$-benchmark 8-year senior unsecured sukuk offering under Nogaholding Sukuk Limited’s USD 3.0bn Trust Certificate Issuance Programme expected to be rated B+ by Fitch, will follow subject to market conditions. FCA/ICMA stabilization applies. Nogaholding is the strategic investment & development arm of the National Oil & Gas Authority and wholly-owned by the Kingdom of Bahrain, rated B+ (Stable Outlook) by Fitch. (Source: Bloomberg)

Turkey Names Morgan Stanley Banker Central Bank Deputy Governor – Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan appointed a Morgan Stanley executive to the central bank’s interest-rate setting committee, as the shake-up at the monetary authority deepens. Mustafa Duman, formerly an executive director at Morgan Stanley in Turkey, was named a deputy governor Saturday, according to a decree published in the Official Gazette. Erdogan Ousts Central-Bank Head, Installs Interest-Rate Ally. Duman joins the Turkish central bank just over a week after the Turkish president sacked the third governor in less than two years in a decision that shocked investors and sent the currency tumbling. As deputy governor, Duman will be one of the seven members of the central bank’s monetary policy committee that sets the nation’s borrowing costs. Duman replaced Murat Cetinkaya, the former chief executive of Borsa Istanbul group who had been serving as a deputy governor at the bank since August 2019. The lira declined after the news and was trading 0.7% lower at 8.2677 per dollar in Istanbul. (Source Bloomberg)

FTSE Puts Indian Bonds on Watch for Possible Index Inclusion – FTSE Russell has placed Indian government bonds on the watchlist for possible inclusion in one of its major global debt indexes, a move that may usher billions of dollars of inflows into the securities. Indian bonds will be considered for addition to the FTSE Emerging Markets Government Bond Index and their market accessibility will be reviewed for reclassification to “1” from “0,” which would put them at the minimum level needed for inclusion, the index provider said. The announcement was part of FTSE’s semi-annual country classification review released Monday. The announcement will help “ensure greater investment in debt markets and longer term, it will impose greater fiscal discipline on government finances,” said Sanjay Mathur, chief economist for Asean and India at Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd. in Singapore. The FTSE announcement is an acknowledgment of India’s efforts to liberalize its sovereign bond market, with the authorities seeking more foreign investment to help finance the nation’s fiscal deficit. Inclusion in FTSE’s index may attract about \$10 billion of inflows into rupee securities, said Dariusz Kowalczyk, a senior emerging-market strategist at Credit Agricole CIB in Hong Kong, adding that this was an initial estimate. (Source: Bloomberg)

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GCC Sovereign Yields

Sovereigns	Maturity	Yield %	Price Δ (YTD %)	Sovereigns	Maturity	Yield %	Price Δ (YTD %)
Abu Dhabi	2025	1.03	-1.32	KSA	2025	1.41	-1.31
Abu Dhabi	2030	2.14	-4.62	KSA	2030	2.52	-4.19
Abu Dhabi	2050	3.34	-10.51	KSA	2050	3.88	-9.84
Bahrain	2026	3.36	-0.91	Oman	2025	3.47	2.24
Bahrain	2030	5.62	-6.00	Oman	2029	5.21	1.26
Bahrain	2047	6.99	-10.37	Oman	2048	6.98	-2.93
Dubai	2029	2.72	-1.85	Qatar	2025	1.10	-1.41
Kuwait	2022	0.02	-0.52	Qatar	2030	2.24	-4.95
Kuwait	2027	1.54	-2.95	Qatar	2050	3.44	-10.37

Bonds and Sukuk Indices

Index Name	Yield %	Duration (yrs)	1D Δ (%)	YTD Δ (%)
Bloomberg GCC FI Index	2.79	8.08	-0.05	-2.77
S&P MENA Bond and Sukuk Index	2.38	NA	-0.07	-3.38
Bloomberg Emerging Markets USD Index	3.98	6.80	-0.09	-3.34
Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index	1.14	7.42	-0.28	-4.31

Interbank Rates (%)

	3 Months		6 Months		12 Months	
	30/3/2021	31/12/2020	30/3/2021	31/12/2020	30/3/2021	31/12/2020
KIBOR	1.4375	1.4375	1.6875	1.6875	1.9375	1.9375
SAIBOR	0.7963	0.8175	0.8438	0.8700	0.9163	0.9413
BHIBOR	1.2697	2.2500	1.3917	2.5333	1.6417	2.6833
QATAR	1.0208	1.1206	1.1208	1.1960	1.2667	1.3636
AEIBOR	0.3253	0.5125	0.5450	0.4908	0.6010	0.6538
EURIBOR	-0.5370	-0.5450	-0.5140	-0.5260	-0.4890	-0.4990
LIBOR	0.1990	0.2384	0.2033	0.2576	0.2808	0.3419

USD Swap Rates

Currencies				Commodities						
	Yield %	1D Δ (bps)	YTD Δ (%)		USD	1D Δ (bps)	YTD Δ (%)		USD	YTD Δ (%)
1-Year	0.2096	-0.44	8.9	KWD	0.3023	-0.0827	0.35	Gold	1,707.70	-10.25
2-Year	0.2738	0.25	38.4	SAR	3.7506	0.0000	0.03	Silver	24.63	-6.96
5-Year	1.0133	2.23	135.7	BHD	0.3771	0.0027	-0.01	Copper	404.55	14.80
7-Year	1.4141	2.77	116.0	QAR	3.6421	-0.0082	0.00	Nat. Gas	2.65	3.68
10-Year	1.7666	3.06	90.9	OMR	0.3850	0.0000	0.00	Aluminum	2,250.00	13.51
30-Year	2.2045	3.10	57.2	AED	3.6731	0.0000	0.00	Crude Oil	65.11	25.74

US Treasuries

	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)
2-Year	0.15	-0.01	0.05	-0.01	-0.69	0.00
5-Year	0.91	-0.11	0.33	-0.04	-0.73	-0.05
10-Year	1.74	-0.27	0.78	-0.36	-0.44	-0.23
30-Year	2.44	-0.59	1.32	-0.80	0.24	-0.89

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Copper	404.55	14.80		Nat. Gas	2.65	3.68	
Aluminum	2,250.00	13.51		Crude Oil	65.11	25.74	

UK Gilts

	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)
2-Year	0.15	-0.01	0.05	-0.01	-0.69	0.00
5-Year	0.91	-0.11	0.33	-0.04	-0.73	-0.05
10-Year	1.74	-0.27	0.78	-0.36	-0.44	-0.23
30-Year	2.44	-0.59	1.32	-0.80	0.24	-0.89

Commodities

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Aluminum	2,250.00	13.51		Crude Oil	65.11	25.74	

German Bunds

	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)	Yield %	1D Δ (%)
2-Year	0.15	-0.01	0.05	-0.01	-0.69	0.00
5-Year	0.91	-0.11	0.33	-0.04	-0.73	-0.05
10-Year	1.74	-0.27	0.78	-0.36	-0.44	-0.23
30-Year	2.44	-0.59	1.32	-0.80	0.24	-0.89

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	BBB-	BB+
US	Aaa	AA+u	AAA
UK	Aa3	AAu	AA-
China	A1	A+	A+
USD 5Yr CDS	30-Mar 2021	31-Dec 2020	
Kuwait	48.77	40.69	
KSA	68.84	63.77	
Abu Dhabi	48.91	36.03	
Dubai	99.11	104.06	
Qatar	49.00	36.70	
Bahrain	187.80	233.58	
Oman	272.25	353.60	
Iraq	525.37	542.74	
Egypt	298.35	330.47	
Morocco	90.22	102.56	
Turkey	465.06	299.47	
US	9.25	11.52	
UK	11.53	15.13	
China	33.25	26.70	
Japan	15.35	14.74	
Germany	8.96	9.09	
France	15.34	14.42	