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Good Morning ... European Markets off 10-60 bps (Denmark +1.7%, Ireland +1.2%, Spain +0.17%, Turkey -2.5%) ... NKY +1.44%, SHCOMP -2.04%, HSI -0.32%, KOSPI +0.81%, TWSE +0.18%, ASX -0.12%

EUR 1.3748 (+0.09%) JPY 102.38 (+0.12%) GBP 1.6693 (+0.22%) RUB -0.46% CNY -0.42%
US 10yr 2.7391%

Futures: Dow -17, Nasdaq -4, S&P -2 DXY \$80.13 (-0.09%) Crude \$102.10 (-0.70%) Gold \$1333.30 (-0.35%)

Asian markets were mixed overnight despite a firm hand-off from the US. HK managed to trade in positive territory most of the day on strength in energy and Macau plays, however the HSI rolled over late in the PM session on China weakness – Macau names were higher on talk of strong Feb GGR growth along with reports that Sands (+4.6%) and Wynn (+3.3%) are looking to develop casinos in Japan. HSBC (-2.7%) weighed on the banking space post yesterday's weaker results. In China, the SHCOMP broke down in the PM session to close on the lows. Developers continued yesterday's slide despite local reports that Merchants Bank (-1.4%), Ping An Bank (-1.3%), CITIC Bank (-4.5%) and the Big 4 banks all said there has been no adjustments to real estate related loan policy and have not halted real estate financing operations. The Shanghai Property Index closed -2.1%, a fresh 8 month low. There were also some late reports of the arrest of an Executive Director of the BOC in a corruption probe that didn't help sentiment. Japan was higher, driven by a +4.1% gain in Softbank after the company said it is seeking a stake in Naver's (+7.5%) LINE unit (Naver later denied the story). Australia broke a 7day streak of gains, closing marginally in the red as weakness in materials/miners offset a strong gains out of QBE (+5.3%) and RHC (+6.7%) post results. Softer tone to start in Europe this morning as well with most indices in the red. Ukraine interim leader signals that a parliament vote on the formation of a new coalition government should take place on Thursday. And Italy's new PM Matteo Renzi won a confidence vote in the Senate in a 169-139 vote yesterday (he faces one more vote this afternoon in the lower house). Fresenius Medical trading -7.3% and Fresenius SE -9.2% on weaker guidance. Moncler -6.6% on profit taking after posting inline numbers when many were looking for a beat. Tesco investor day today and there has been some recent reports in the press suggesting they may abandon their margin targets. In the US we will get Case-Shiller and Consumer Confidence a little later this morning. SPA's -2 handles =1843.70.

Case-Shiller House Price Index @ 9am, Consumer Confidence & Richmond Fed @ 10am

AMT, DPZ, EXPD, HD, M, TMUS, TOL #'s pre-open / AVGO, EIX, FSLR, MIDD, RRC, SBAC #'s after close

- Stifel Financial reports Q4 adj eps ahead of estimates, FY results increased 24% yoy (trading +5.9%)
- Tenet Healthcare reports better eps but slowing rev per admit growth, joins CommonWell (trading -4.1%)
- Sina beats eps estimates on increased advertising on Weibo which more than doubled its revs (trading -2.4%)
- Mineral Technologies (MTX) increases offer to buy Amcol Intl (ACO) to \$42.50/share from \$42/share
- KKR receives PE bids of close to \$800 million for Ipreo (capital markets data & software provider) (FT)
- Moncler FY revs ahead, net income inline, net debt slight worse, may not be enough (trading -6.6%)
- Vivendi FY net income beats, EBITDA ahead, revs fine, Canal+ fine, focus on SFR commentary (trading -4.5%)
- Fresenius SE Q4 revs inline, EBITDA ahead, RHK integration & FME guidance will weigh (trading -9.2%)
- Fresenius Medical FY net income inline, net income guidance 13% below market (trading -7.3%)
- BASF Q4 revs better, EBITDA ahead, EPS fine, mixed outlook in challenging environment (trading -1.7%)
- Oerlikon FY revs inline, EBITDA shade better, sees stable order intake & profitability (trading +1.7%)
- Scania: independent committee recommends s/h to not make final VOW GY decision (trading +0.05%)
- Persimmon FY revs inline, op profit fine, EPS ahead, upbeat outlook with strong order book (trading -0.60%)
- GKN Holdings FY revs beat, op profit inline, EPS ahead, good outlook but FX headwinds (trading -2.0%)
- Ladbrokes FY revs ahead, profit inline, digital underperforms as World Cup approaches (trading +3.0%)
- Straumann FY revs inline, EBITDA ahead, EPS below, sees low single digit rev growth (trading +2.5%)
- Golden Ocean Q4 revs light, EBITDA ahead, EPS better, good vessel visibility, soft guidance (trading -3.4%)

- CRH FY revs & EBITDA inline, believe 2013 represented trough for profits (trading +4.4%)
- Norway Prime Minister Erna Solberg to target policies that prevent the Krone from strengthening
- Italy's Renzi 3 pledges: payroll tax cuts, boost small business lending, paying down Rome's arrears (WSJ)

Leading European Sectors: Construction +0.59%, Real Estate +0.31%, Travel/Leisure +0.27%
Lagging European Sectors: Basic Resources -1.70%, Media -0.72%, Fin Services -0.52%

TSCO boosts buyback \$1B – WMGI earnings mixed – MMSI eps/revs better

PPO eps/revs better – NLS #'s inline – BAGL CEO resigning

TXRH inline & boosts div – ROVI buys Veveo – OKS #'s inline

SGY earnings mixed – TUES mgmt appointments – VOLC #'s light

XPO eps light revs inline – GB reports inline – ROIC penny better

LYV ebitda better – HVT eps better – VNO earnings inline

ROSE eps better – QEP Jana agreement – DLR #'s better

EOG better & 2:1 split – CHMT #'s better – TTEC eps better

PERY slashes forecast – GLF #'s mixed – NA CN #'s inline

Secondaries (announced/priced): TRNX, AINV, ALSN, SAMAS FH

IPO's: N/A

US Key Research:

- Barcap upgrades ED & downgrades AEE, CS & GS initiates SNOW,
- DB initiates BLOX (buy) & PKT (sell), Jefferies downgrades BAS/MWE
- Raja initiates AVGO (op) & upgrades PEBO (buy), Susquehanna initiates ADBE (pos)
- Stifel initiates CARA/ALGT/ALK/DAL/SAVE/UAL (buy) & HA/JBLU/LUV (hold)
- Canaccord upgrades GSS & cuts RFMD, Opco upgrades NDSN

➤ Brean upgrades TQNT, JPM cuts VVUS

Europe Key Research:

- BofAML downgrade DLG IM, SWEDA SS, Berenberg downgrade CGL LN, resume BEI GY (buy)
- Cana downgrade ASHM LN, upgrade ABG LN, Citi downgrade BVS LN, HSBA LN, CWC LN
- Equinet downgrade FRE GY, BION SW, GS add EDCL LN to focus list
- HSBC upgrade BMPS IM, JPM downgrade CARLB DC, Nordea d/g JYSK DC, Cantor d/g KER FP
- KepChev upgrade PRS SM, initiate ZEH SW, KABA SW, FORN SW (buy)

Reporting Pre-Open: AMT, EXPD, FE, HD, M, ANFI, ARIA, ASTE, AYR, BLMN, BMO CN, CAS, CBRL, CRZO, CTG, DPZ, DRH, EME, EXH, EXLP, FCH, FNP, GLDD, GLF, GPX, GTLS, HFC, HPT, HSII, INFI, LMOS, LNT, MSO, ODP, OGE, PCRX, RLGY, RST, SAFM, SDLP, SDRL, SHOO, STCK, TAM, TECD, TMUS, TNC, TOL, UNS, UNT, UTHR, VC, VSI, WCIC, WPC, ZINC

Reporting Post-Close: AVGO, EIX, FSLR, QEP, RRC, SBAC, VRSK, ACCL, AEGN, AMC, AMRS, AMSG, ARC, ATHL, ATNI, AXTI, BEEN, BGFV, BOOM, BSQR, BTUI, CBI, CDR, CERS, CFI, CLGX, CNL, CPRT, DKL, DMD, DWA, DY, EXPG, EIGI, EPIQ, EXAM, FENG, FMI, FR, FRGI, FST, HEI, HT, HURN, IL, JAZZ, LMAT, MATX, MIDD, NATL, NDSN, NLY, OAS, ONVI, ORA, OTEL, PACD, PEGA, QCOR, QEPM, QLTQ, RCKY, RGR, RRC, RRD, RSO, SAM, SLCA, SLRC, SPN, SSS, STV, STXS, SUNS, WEYS, WFT, WIFI, XCO, Y, ZAGG, ZLTQ

Economic Data: S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Index @ 9am, Consumer Confidence / Richmond Fed Manufacturing Index @ 10am

Conferences: BMO Metals and Mining (Hollywood, FL), Citi Global Healthcare (NYC), JPM High Yield & Leveraged Finance (Miami)

Conferences: JPM Emerging Markets Corporate (Miami), Mobile World Congress (Barcelona), MS Houston Energy Summit (Houston)

Conferences: Baird Business Solutions (NYC), RBC Healthcare (NYC), Bofa Global Agriculture (Ft. Lauderdale), Key Consumer (NYC)

Analyst/Investor Days: PWR, JPM, RST, CERN, THI, VC

Non-Deal Roadshows: ABB, AMCC, ARAY, ASUR, CIG, DCI, ECHO, EL, EPM, EXAR, FLWS, HA, HAIN, HLIT, MRVL, OSK, PSTI, R, RDWR, SYNA, TLOG, TOT, WETF, WNC, WWE, XOOM, ZEP, ZIXI, UTX, ACXM

Shareholder Meetings: NVS, NDSN, TSCO, NCS, AVL, SLP, STA, UMPQ

Equity/Mixed Shelves: AMGN

Other Newspaper Articles & Stories

WSJ cautious: CF Industries (CF) [WSJ](#)

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Key Events This Week

Wednesday: MBA Mortgage Applications, New Home Sales, Wells Fargo Real Estate Securities Conference (NYC), Earnings (AES, CHK, CNP, CVC, DLTR, LOW, NFX, TGT, TJX, ADSK, BIDU, LB, RIG)

Thursday: Durable & Capital Goods Orders, Kansas City Fed Manufacturing Index, Goldman Sachs Social Media Forum (NYC), Earnings (BBY, CTRX, KSS, PLL, SRE, WPX, CRM, GPS, MNST)

Friday: MSCI index rebalance, GDP, Chicago PMI, U. of Michigan Confidence, Earnings (IRM, LINTA, LMCA, NRG, POM, SWN)

Key Events on the Horizon

March – Local elections in Turkey

Mar 4 – Obama to publish his budget

Mar 18 – German Constitutional Court will rule on legality of ESM bailout mechanism & fiscal pact

Apr 11 – DBRS to decide on whether to downgrade Spain or Italy

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