

## Financial Markets Daily

### Main drivers for the financial markets today...

- **Stock markets mixed, government bond yields positive and the USD higher. Cautiousness prevails amongst trading ahead of the Fed's monetary policy decision later today, in which we expect, in line with consensus, a 25bps rate cut which would lower the Fed funds rate range to 4.00-4.25%**
- **The decision will be accompanied by the SEP update, with particular focus on the 'dot plot'. On the latter, it will be relevant the number of members anticipating one or two cuts in the short term. We'll also be following Powell's press conference closely regarding its next moves**
- **Today's agenda also includes monetary policy decisions in Canada and Brazil, with a 25bps rate cut also expected for the former. Meanwhile, in Indonesia the central bank cut its policy rate to 4.75%, surprising consensus**
- **On data, US housing starts and building permits for August will be released. In the UK, inflation in August came in line with expectations at 3.8% y/y for the headline and 3.6% for the core**
- **In other news, China ordered its tech companies (such as Alibaba and ByteDance) to stop purchasing and cancel all orders of AI chips from Nvidia**

### The most relevant economic data...

|                        | Event/Period                                         | Unit      | Banorte | Survey | Previous |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|--------|----------|
| <b>Eurozone and UK</b> |                                                      |           |         |        |          |
| 2:00                   | UK Consumer prices - Aug                             | % y/y     | --      | 3.8    | 3.8      |
| 2:00                   | Core - Aug                                           | % y/y     | --      | 3.7    | 3.8      |
| 5:00                   | EZ Consumer prices - Aug (F)                         | % y/y     | --      | 2.1    | 2.1      |
| 5:00                   | Core - Aug (F)                                       | % y/y     | --      | 2.2    | 2.3      |
| <b>Canada</b>          |                                                      |           |         |        |          |
| 9:45                   | Monetary policy decision (BoC)                       | %         | --      | 2.50   | 2.75     |
| <b>Mexico</b>          |                                                      |           |         |        |          |
| 11:00                  | International reserves - Sep 12                      | US\$bn    | --      | --     | 245.5    |
| <b>United States</b>   |                                                      |           |         |        |          |
| 8:30                   | Housing starts** - Aug                               | thousands | --      | 1,365  | 1,428    |
| 8:30                   | Building permits** - Aug                             | thousands | --      | 1,370  | 1,362    |
| 14:00                  | FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)                     | %         | 4.25    | 4.25   | 4.50     |
| 14:00                  | FOMC Rate Decision (Lower Bound)                     | %         | 4.00    | 4.00   | 4.25     |
| 14:00                  | Interest Rate on Excess Reserves (IOER)              | %         | 4.40    | 4.40   | 4.40     |
| 14:30                  | Fed Chair Powell Holds Post-Meeting Press Conference |           |         |        |          |
| <b>Brazil</b>          |                                                      |           |         |        |          |
| 17:30                  | Monetary policy decision (C. bank of Brazil)         | %         | 15.00   | 15.00  | 15.00    |

Source: Bloomberg and Banorte. (P) preliminary data; (R) revised data; (F) final data; \* Seasonally adjusted, \*\* Seasonally adjusted annualized rate.

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### A glimpse to the main financial assets

|                        | Last      | Daily chg. |
|------------------------|-----------|------------|
| <b>Equity indices</b>  |           |            |
| S&P 500 Futures        | 6,667.00  | 0.0%       |
| Euro Stoxx 50          | 5,373.04  | 0.0%       |
| Nikkei 225             | 44,790.38 | -0.2%      |
| Shanghai Composite     | 3,876.34  | 0.4%       |
| <b>Currencies</b>      |           |            |
| USD/MXN                | 18.30     | 0.1%       |
| EUR/USD                | 1.18      | -0.2%      |
| DXY                    | 96.80     | 0.2%       |
| <b>Commodities</b>     |           |            |
| WTI                    | 64.18     | -0.5%      |
| Brent                  | 68.17     | -0.4%      |
| Gold                   | 3,675.96  | -0.4%      |
| Copper                 | 462.35    | -1.5%      |
| <b>Sovereign bonds</b> |           |            |
| 10-year Treasury       | 4.02      | -1pb       |

Source: Bloomberg

## Equities

- The overall sentiment in the stock markets remains cautiously optimistic, although momentum has moderated ahead of the Fed's monetary policy meeting
- US futures point to a flat opening, following yesterday's pause in the S&P 500's streak of record highs. In particular, Nvidia is down 1.2% pre-market, following reports that China has ordered local companies to stop using its AI chips, dragging down the rest of the tech sector. Apple recorded a 6% drop in iPhone sales in China ahead of the launch of the model 17
- European markets trade mixed, with gains in technology and retail offset by weakness in energy. In Asia, equities moved within a tight range, as advances in Hong Kong and China balanced declines in South Korea and Taiwan

## Sovereign fixed income, currencies and commodities

- Slightly constructive bias for global rates, with 10-year benchmarks in Europe posting gains of 1-2bps. US Treasuries are trading within a  $\pm 1$ bps range across the front and belly of the curve, while the long end (10-year sector onward) is up by 1-2bps. Considering a 25bps rate cut by the Fed today, the US curve is pricing in 70bps of easing for 2025
- Dollar indices are modestly firmer following two consecutive sessions of losses. Within G10, price action remains contained, though the overall balance is negative, with only JPY and GBP showing marginal gains. In EM, performance is mixed, with the MXN trading near flat around 18.30
- Commodities are broadly lower. Crude is down 0.5%, pausing after a three-day rally. Metals are also under pressure, with gold falling 0.4%, though still hovering near all-time highs

## Corporate Debt

- HR Ratings affirmed the 'HR AAA' rating with a Stable Outlook for the UNIRECB 24 issuance for up to \$500 million. The affirmation of the rating is supported by the Maximum Default Rate of 22.4% that backs the issuance under a stress scenario
- PCR Verum affirmed the long-term rating of 'BBB/M' and the short-term rating of '3/M' for Altor Casa de Bolsa. The long-term rating outlook was revised to 'Positive' from 'Stable'. The change in outlook is based on the proper execution of its business plan during the last 36 months, which has allowed it to strengthen and diversify its value proposition

## Previous closing levels

|                        | Last       | Daily chg. |
|------------------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Equity indices</b>  |            |            |
| Dow Jones              | 45,757.90  | -0.3%      |
| S&P 500                | 6,606.76   | -0.1%      |
| Nasdaq                 | 22,333.96  | -0.1%      |
| IPC                    | 62,102.13  | 0.0%       |
| Ibovespa               | 144,061.74 | 0.4%       |
| Euro Stoxx 50          | 5,372.31   | -1.3%      |
| FTSE 100               | 9,195.66   | -0.9%      |
| CAC 40                 | 7,818.22   | -1.0%      |
| DAX                    | 23,329.24  | -1.8%      |
| Nikkei 225             | 44,902.27  | 0.3%       |
| Hang Seng              | 26,438.51  | 0.0%       |
| Shanghai Composite     | 3,861.87   | 0.0%       |
| <b>Sovereign bonds</b> |            |            |
| 2-year Treasuries      | 3.50       | -3pb       |
| 10-year Treasuries     | 4.03       | -1pb       |
| 28-day Cetes           | 7.25       | 0pb        |
| 28-day TIIE            | 8.02       | 0pb        |
| 2-year Mbono           | 7.52       | 0pb        |
| 10-year Mbono          | 8.83       | 0pb        |
| <b>Currencies</b>      |            |            |
| USD/MXN                | 18.29      | -0.5%      |
| EUR/USD                | 1.19       | 0.9%       |
| GBP/USD                | 1.36       | 0.4%       |
| DX                     | 96.63      | -0.7%      |
| <b>Commodities</b>     |            |            |
| WTI                    | 64.52      | 1.9%       |
| Brent                  | 68.47      | 1.5%       |
| Mexican mix            | 61.91      | 0.0%       |
| Gold                   | 3,689.98   | 0.3%       |
| Copper                 | 469.40     | -0.5%      |

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