

### **Daily Treasury Outlook**

15 January 2025

### **Highlights**

Global: Global markets paused on Tuesday, taking a breather after a sharp rebound in China's equity market and weaker-than-expected U.S. Producer Price Index (PPI) data tempered the recent global bond selloff. The DXY eased from its recent high of 110. The U.S. PPI rose 0.2% MoM in December, slightly below the market's expectation of 0.3% MoM. Meanwhile, core PPI, excluding volatile food and energy prices, was unchanged following a 0.2% gain in November. Attention now shifts to the U.S. CPI data due tonight. If CPI remains contained, core PCE inflation—a key measure tracked by the Fed—is expected to hold at around 0.2% MoM. In the UK, Chancellor Rachel Reeves reiterated her commitment to fiscal rules, stating, "we will meet them at all times." However, the latest survey revealed that two-thirds of British retailers plan to increase prices this year to offset higher employer social security costs, raising concerns about the growing risk of stagflation. The combination of stagflation risks and debt sustainability has driven a selloff in British government bonds over recent months. Elsewhere, in Japan, government bond yields climbed to a fresh 14-year high on Tuesday, with the 10-year JGB yield touching 1.25%. BOJ Deputy Governor Himino, in a speech to business leaders, left the door open to an additional rate hike in January, stating that the board remains undecided at this stage.

Market Watch: Looking ahead, market focus will turn to CPI data in both the UK and U.S., which will be critical in confirming whether both economies remain on the path of disinflation. On the central bank front, Bank Indonesia is expected to maintain its current interest rate.

Oil: Crude oil benchmarks closed lower on Tuesday, with WTI and Brent declining by 1.7% and 1.3%, respectively, to close at USD77.5/bbl and USD79.9/bbl. The dip in oil prices was attributed to prospects of easing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. This follows reports that Hamas and Israel have agreed in principle to a draft ceasefire deal, as reported by Bloomberg. Separately, the American Petroleum Institute (API) reported a drawdown of 2.6mn bbls in US crude inventories for the week ending on 10 January. However, US gasoline and distillate inventories is expected to build up. The Energy Information Administration (EIA) is scheduled to release its oil inventories tonight (15 January), with consensus anticipating a drawdown of 0.6mn bbls in US crude inventories.

| Key Market Movements |         |          |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Equity               | Value   | % chg    |  |  |  |  |
| S&P 500              | 5842.9  | 0.1%     |  |  |  |  |
| DJIA                 | 42518   | 0.5%     |  |  |  |  |
| Nikkei 225           | 38474   | -1.8%    |  |  |  |  |
| SH Comp              | 3240.9  | 2.5%     |  |  |  |  |
| STI                  | 3788.8  | -0.1%    |  |  |  |  |
| Hang Seng            | 19220   | 1.8%     |  |  |  |  |
| KLCI                 | 1576.5  | -0.6%    |  |  |  |  |
|                      | Value   | % chg    |  |  |  |  |
| DXY                  | 109.273 | -0.6%    |  |  |  |  |
| USDJPY               | 157.96  | 0.3%     |  |  |  |  |
| EURUSD               | 1.0308  | 0.6%     |  |  |  |  |
| GBPUSD               | 1.2215  | 0.1%     |  |  |  |  |
| USDIDR               | 16265   | -0.1%    |  |  |  |  |
| USDSGD               | 1.3666  | -0.2%    |  |  |  |  |
| SGDMYR               | 3.2923  | 0.4%     |  |  |  |  |
|                      | Value   | chg (bp) |  |  |  |  |
| 2Y UST               | 4.37    | -1.25    |  |  |  |  |
| 10Y UST              | 4.79    | 1.45     |  |  |  |  |
| 2Y SGS               | 2.97    | 0.30     |  |  |  |  |
| 10Y SGS              | 3.09    | -0.13    |  |  |  |  |
| 3M SORA              | 2.97    | -0.18    |  |  |  |  |
| 3M SOFR              | 4.61    | -0.64    |  |  |  |  |
|                      | Value   | % chg    |  |  |  |  |
| Brent                | 79.92   | -1.3%    |  |  |  |  |
| WTI                  | 77.5    | -1.7%    |  |  |  |  |
| Gold                 | 2677    | 0.5%     |  |  |  |  |
| Silver               | 29.90   | 1.0%     |  |  |  |  |
| Palladium            | 941     | -0.4%    |  |  |  |  |
| Copper               | 9154    | 0.7%     |  |  |  |  |
| BCOM                 | 102.73  | -0.3%    |  |  |  |  |
| Source: Bloomberg    |         |          |  |  |  |  |

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# **GLOBAL MARKETS RESEARCH**

#### **Major Markets**

CN: China's aggregate social financing increased by CNY 2.85 trillion in December, exceeding expectations due to strong government debt issuance. The stock of ASF reaccelerated to 8% YoY, up from 7.8% YoY in November. New Yuan loans rose by CNY 990 billion, CNY 180 billion less than the same period last year. Medium- to long-term loans to households remained resilient, increasing by CNY 300 billion, supported by a rebound in property transactions over the past two months. However, medium- to long-term loans to corporates dropped sharply, rising by only CNY 400 billion, the lowest level since August 2016. The weakness in corporate loans was likely influenced by local government debt swaps, as part of the implicit debts of local government financing vehicles (LGFVs) were either replaced or repaid early, reducing the demand for new corporate borrowing. On the monetary front, broad money supply (M2) growth reaccelerated to 7.3% YoY in December from 7.1% YoY in November. The contraction in M1 growth narrowed more than expected to -1.4% YoY, driven by two key factors: the CNY effect and the faster-thanexpected disbursement of fiscal funds. Additionally, China has announced plans to redefine M1 accounting, which could further narrow the contraction of M1 in 2025.

MY: The Malaysia-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) was negotiated and completed in 11 months, marking Malaysia's fastest free trade negotiations. Minister of Investment, Trade, and Industry, Minister Zafrul Abdul Aziz noted that the agreement is expected to boost bilateral trade by at least 60% within five years and strengthen economic ties with the UAE, a Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) member. This milestone paves the way for broader economic integration, with Malaysia aiming to negotiate FTAs with other GCC nations, including Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar.

ID: Communications Minister Meutya Hafid revealed that the government plans introduce a regulation that would set the minimum age for social media users, a plan that would be similar to Australia's recent move to ban users under 16 years of age from such platforms. Minister Hafid added that the plans received a strong support from President Prabowo Subianto, with aims to safeguard children in digital spaces. Indonesia's internet service provider's association survey found that internet penetration has reached 79.5% in 2024, with nearly half of children under 12 had access to internet.

VN: Vietnam and Russia signed a non-binding agreement focusing on nuclear cooperation, maritime research, and the digital economy, following a visit by Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin to the country. The collaboration includes a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between Russia's Rosatom and the Vietnam Electricity Corporation. Additionally, the two nations aim to increase bilateral trade from USD4.6bn in 2024 to USD15bn by 2030.



**TH:** The consumer confidence index (CCI) rose for the third consecutive month to 57.9 in December from 56.9 in November. This increase in CCI was broadbased across the sub-indices of 'economic situation' (51.4 versus 50.4 in November), 'income' (67.0 versus 66.1 in November), and 'job' (55.3 versus 54.3 in November). According to the University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce, the improvement in consumer confidence can be attributed to government subsidies for rice farmers, as well as handouts for the elderly and tax breaks aimed at boosting consumption.

#### **ESG**

Rest of the World: Europe's wind farms are on track to produce more electricity than the region's coal-fired power plants for the first time in 2025 if the recent pace of output growth in wind production and output cuts in coal generation extends through 2025. Europe's wind electricity production may surpass coal production by around 6% in 2025 if coal generation decreases and wind generation continues to increase. Greater full-year generation by wind farms over coal plants would mark the first time a single source of renewable energy surpassed coal-fired electricity output in any major region and would mark a key energy transition milestone.

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#### **Credit Market Updates**

Market Commentary: The SGD SORA OIS curve traded lower yesterday, with shorter tenors trading 2bps lower, and belly tenors trading 1bps lower to flat and the 10Y remained flat. As per Bloomberg, last year, new loans from Chinese banks fell for the first time since 2011, indicating weak financing demand in an economy facing deflation and a housing market downturn. China Fortune Land Development Co., which defaulted in early 2021, is contemplating a new restructuring initiative under the guidance of a Chinese court. Ho Bee Land Limited ("HOBEE") has announced that it has submitted to the directors of AVJennings Limited ("AVJ", Australian-based residential property company), a non-binding indicative offer for acquisition of all shares in AVJ that HOBEE does not currently indirectly own. This proposed plan would replace an earlier debt arrangement that had received approval from creditors, according to sources familiar with the matter. Bloomberg Asia USD Investment Grade spreads remained flat at 73bps while Bloomberg Asia USD High Yield spreads widened by 7bps to 411bps. (Bloomberg, OCBC)

#### **New Issues:**

There were eight notable issuances from seven issuers in the Asiadollar market yesterday

- Vedanta Resources Finance II PLC (guarantors: Vedanta Resources Ltd, Twin Star Holdings Ltd and Welter Trading Ltd) issued USD1.1bn of bonds in two tranches, a USD500mn 5.5NC2.5 Fixed bond at Par and USD550mn 8.25NCNC3 Fixed bond at 99.916.
- Industrial & Commercial Bank of China Ltd/Macau priced a USD250mn 3Y FRN bond at SOFR+55bps.
- Hyundai Capital Services Inc priced a USD500mn 3Y Fixed bond at T+80bps.
- Tata Capital Ltd priced a USD400mn 3.5Y Fixed bond at T+92bps.
- Yankuang Group Cayman Ltd (guarantor: Shandong Energy Group Co Ltd) priced a USD250m 3Y Green Fixed bond at 4.95%.
- Great Eastern Life Assurance Co Ltd/The priced a USD500m PerpNC7 at T+69.60bps.
- Mitsubishi Corp priced a USD500mn 10Y Fixed bond at T+93bps.

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Housing & Development Board priced a SG950mn 5Y Green Fixed bond at 3.12%.

#### **Mandates:**

Bank of Communications Co., Ltd./Hong Kong may issue USD denominated 3Y SOFR Digitally Native Notes.

| Foreign Exchange   |                 |            |               |                    |                | Equity and C                | Equity and Commodity |             |  |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|--|
|                    | Day Close       | % Change   |               | Day Close          | % Change       | Index                       | Value                | Net chang   |  |
| DXY                | 109.273         | -0.62%     | USD-SGD       | 1.3666             | -0.22%         | DJIA                        | 42,518.28            | 221.1       |  |
| USD-JPY            | 157.960         | 0.30%      | EUR-SGD       | 1.4088             | 0.41%          | S&P                         | 5,842.91             | 6.6         |  |
| EUR-USD            | 1.031           | 0.61%      | JPY-SGD       | 0.8651             | -0.53%         | Nasdaq                      | 19,044.39            | -43.7       |  |
| AUD-USD            | 0.620           | 0.29%      | GBP-SGD       | 1.6694             | -0.12%         | Nikkei 225                  | 38,474.30            | -716.1      |  |
| GBP-USD            | 1.222           | 0.11%      | AUD-SGD       | 0.8466             | 0.07%          | STI                         | 3,788.77             | -2.9        |  |
| USD-MYR            | 4.508           | -0.06%     | NZD-SGD       | 0.7659             | 0.16%          | KLCI                        | 1,576.46             | -9.1        |  |
| USD-CNY            | 7.331           | -0.01%     | CHF-SGD       | 1.4978             | 0.28%          | JCI                         | 6,956.67             | -60.2       |  |
| USD-IDR            | 16265           | -0.06%     | SGD-MYR       | 3.2923             | 0.35%          | <b>Baltic Dry</b>           | 1,093.00             | 45.0        |  |
| USD-VND            | 25389           | -0.03%     | SGD-CNY       | 5.3627             | 0.32%          | VIX                         | 18.71                | -0.4        |  |
| SOFR               |                 |            |               |                    |                | Government                  | Bond Yields (%       | )           |  |
| Tenor              | EURIBOR         | Change     | Tenor         | USD SOFR           | Change         | Tenor                       | SGS (chg)            | UST (chg    |  |
| 1M                 | 2.8500          | 0.39%      | 1M            | 4.3017             | -0.02%         | 2Y                          | 2.97 ()              | 4.36(       |  |
| 3M                 | 2.7850          | 0.69%      | 2M            | 4.3076             | -0.01%         | 5Y                          | 2.96 (+0.01)         | 4.6(        |  |
| 6M                 | 2.6550          | 0.53%      | 3M            | 4.3041             | 0.01%          | 10Y                         | 3.09 ()              | 4.78 (+0.01 |  |
| 12M                | 2.5760          | 0.47%      | 6M            | 4.2892             | -0.01%         | 15Y                         | 3.09 ()              | -           |  |
|                    |                 |            | 1Y            | 4.2596             | -0.10%         | 20Y                         | 3.04 ()              |             |  |
|                    |                 |            |               |                    |                | 30Y                         | 2.99 ()              | 4.97 (+0.01 |  |
| Fed Rate Hike Pro  | bability        |            |               |                    |                | Financial Spr               | read (bps)           |             |  |
| Meeting            | # of Hikes/Cuts | Implied Ra | ite Change Ex | ected Effective Fe | ed             |                             |                      |             |  |
| •                  | -               |            | _             | Funds Rate         |                | Value                       | Change               |             |  |
| 01/29/2025         | -0.027          | -0.007     |               | 4.323              |                | EURIBOR-OIS                 | #N/A N/A             | (           |  |
| 03/19/2025         | -0.194          | -0.049     |               | 4.281              |                | TED                         | 35.36                |             |  |
| 05/07/2025         | -0.388          | -0.097     |               | 4.232              |                |                             |                      |             |  |
| 06/18/2025         | -0.694          | -0.174     |               | 4.156              |                | Secured Overnight Fin. Rate |                      |             |  |
| 07/30/2025         | -0.827          | -0.207     |               | 4.123              |                | SOFR                        | 4.29                 |             |  |
| 09/17/2025         | -1.027          | -0.257     | 7             | 4.072              |                |                             |                      |             |  |
| nmodities Fu       | tures           |            |               |                    |                |                             |                      |             |  |
| rgy                |                 | Futures    | % chg         | Soft Com           |                | Futures                     |                      | •           |  |
| (per barrel)       |                 | 77.50      | - 1.67%       | Corn (per b        | ,              | 4.745                       |                      |             |  |
| nt (per barrel)    |                 | 79.92      | - 1.35%       | Soybean (p         | erbushel)      | 10.430                      | 0.                   | 1%          |  |
| ting Oil (per gall | lon)            | 252.53     | -0.32%        | Wheat (per         | bushel)        | 5.463                       | 0.2                  | 2%          |  |
| oline (per gallor  | า)              | 210.46     | 0.20%         | Crude Palm         | n Oil (MYR/MT) | 46.680                      | -3.                  | 1%          |  |
| ural Gas (per MN   | MBtu)           | 3.97       | 0.86%         | Rubber (JP         | Y/KG)          | 309.500                     | 2.8                  | 3%          |  |
| se Metals          |                 | Futures    | % chg         | Precious           | Metals         | Futures                     | % ch                 | ıa          |  |
| per (per mt)       |                 | 9154.00    | 0.65%         | Gold (per o        |                | 2677.5                      |                      | _           |  |
| cel (per mt)       |                 | 15956.00   | 0.35%         | Silver (per c      | •              | 29.9                        |                      |             |  |
| rce: Bloomberg     | ı. Reuters      |            |               |                    |                |                             |                      |             |  |

(Note that rates are for reference only)

### **Economic Calendar**

| D-t-             | C       | ltem                          | Period | C        | A        | Prior     | Davies d |
|------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Date             | Country |                               |        | Survey   | Actual   |           | Revised  |
| 01/15/2025       | PH      | Overseas Cash Remittances YoY | Nov    | 3.00%    |          | 2.70%     |          |
| 01/15/2025       | IN      | Exports YoY                   | Dec    |          |          | -4.80%    | -5.10%   |
| 01/15/2025 03:00 | US      | Federal Budget Balance        | Dec    | -\$80.0b | -\$86.7b | -\$129.4b |          |
| 01/15/2025 07:00 | SK      | Unemployment rate SA          | Dec    | 2.90%    | 3.70%    | 2.70%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 07:50 | JN      | Money Stock M2 YoY            | Dec    |          | 1.30%    | 1.20%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 15:00 | UK      | CPI YoY                       | Dec    | 2.60%    |          | 2.60%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 15:00 | UK      | CPI MoM                       | Dec    | 0.40%    |          | 0.10%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 15:00 | UK      | CPI Core YoY                  | Dec    | 3.40%    |          | 3.50%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 15:00 | GE      | Wholesale Price Index MoM     | Dec    |          |          | 0.00%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 15:00 | UK      | PPI Input NSA YoY             | Dec    | -1.30%   |          | -1.90%    |          |
| 01/15/2025 15:20 | ID      | BI-Rate                       | Jan-15 | 6.00%    |          | 6.00%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 20:00 | US      | MBA Mortgage Applications     | Jan-10 |          |          | -3.70%    |          |
| 01/15/2025 21:30 | US      | CPI MoM                       | Dec    | 0.40%    |          | 0.30%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 21:30 | US      | CPI YoY                       | Dec    | 2.90%    |          | 2.70%     |          |
| 01/15/2025 21:30 | US      | Empire Manufacturing          | Jan    | 3        |          | 0.2       |          |
| 01/15/2025 21:30 | US      | CPI Ex Food and Energy MoM    | Dec    | 0.30%    |          | 0.30%     |          |

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