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Summary

- Janet Yellen's speech and the favourable macroeconomic statistics powered growth on stock markets.
- In America, the Dow, the NASDAQ, and the S&P500 all closed at fresh highs.
- The European Parliament has approved the EU-Canada free trade deal.
- Europe's decision-makers worry about Greece again.
- The intraday USD appreciation vanished by the close.
- EIA sees US oil inventories growing steadily.

Having recovered from a brief selling pressure in mid-afternoon, Western Europe's key indices closed with gains on Wednesday. Investors' optimism was fuelled by Janet Yellen's Tuesday testimony at Congress, when the Fed chair said it would not be wise to delay rate hikes too long.

America's likewise optimistic trading benefited from the Fed chair's words as well as from the better-than-forecast macroeconomic data. The 2.5% year/year inflation, the 2.3% core inflation, and the faster-than-expected growth (0.4% month/month) in retail sales intensified expectations that interest rate hikes are imminent. The odds of a fed fund rate hike in March increased from 17.7% to 26.6% in a single day, according to the CME Group's estimation, based on futures prices. The Dow, the NASDAQ, and the S&P500 all closed at record highs.

This morning Japan's Nikkei225 closed 0.5% lower, while Hong Kong's HangSeng upped 0.4%, and mainland China's Shanghai Composite advanced 0.5%. The Japan stock exchange's loss stemmed from the yen's steady appreciation versus the USD.

The European Parliament approved the free trade agreement between the EU and Canada ('Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement'; CETA) yesterday. Some parts of the treaty take effect in April, while the implementation of some other chapters is pending on approval from member states' parliaments.

Eurozone finance ministers are to meet in Brussels on 20 February, when the debate on the sustainability of Greece's debt will be back on the agenda. Greece has failed to implement a number of measures that were requirements for resolution, and it is due to repay EUR 8 billion in July.

The yield on the ten-year US Treasury Note was up three basis points, reaching 2.5%, while that on the 10Y German bund dropped to 0.38%.

The USD marched higher versus the EUR and the JPY in the afternoon, but it eroded all the gains by the time American markets closed, ending the day weaker against both currencies.

The Brent and the WTI slipped as the EIA reported larger-than-expected oil inventories. Wednesday's 0.7% increase in gold price brought the yellow metal's year-to-date gains to 7%, owing to the escalating political and geopolitical risks. Zinc was the only industrial metal to sink into the red (-1%).

Today's important publications include the minutes of the latest ECB rate decision, as well as housing market data from the USA.

	Stocks				Bonds				Commodity & FX			
	Product name	Close	Daily change (%)	YTD (%)	Product name	Yield	Daily change*	YTD*	Product name	Close	Daily change (%)	YTD (%)
Global	S&P500	2349,3	0,5	4,9	VIX	12,0	11,5	-15	WTI	53,11	-0,2	-1
	DOW	20611,9	0,5	4,3	US 2Y	1,26	2,1	6	Brent	55,75	-0,4	-2
	Nasdaq100	5302,4	0,5	9,0	US 10Y	2,50	3,2	7	Gold	1232,6	0,4	7
	DAX	11793,9	0,2	2,7	GER 2Y	-0,79	0,8	1	Silver	17,98	0,2	13
	CAC40	4924,9	0,6	1,3	GER 10Y	0,38	1,4	17	EUR/USD	1,0598	0,2	0,8
	FTSE 100	7302,4	0,5	2,2	PT10Y	4,09	5,2	33	EUR/GBP	0,8502	0,3	0
	FTSE MIB	19056,2	-0,7	-0,9	IT 10Y	2,25	2,1	42	EUR/NOK	8,8370	-0,5	-2,7
	Stoxx600	371,5	0,3	2,8	SP 10	1,68	1,1	29	USD/CAD	1,3077	0,0	-2,6
	- Banks	140,8	1,4	5,0	iTRAXX	71,4	-2,4	-1	AUD/USD	0,7708	0,6	6,8
	Nikkei 225	19378,9	2,5	-1,3	JPY 2Y	-0,24	-0,4	-6	USD/JPY	114,15	-0,1	-2
SSEC	3229,6	0,5	4,1	JPY 10Y	0,10	0,4	5	GBP/USD	1,2458	-0,1	1	
Regional	RTS	1172,6	-0,1	1,8	RUS10	8,10	0,4	-3	USD/RUB	57,167	0,2	-7
	WIG20	2184,33	0,5	12,1	POL 10	3,89	0,6	7	EUR/PLN	4,3074	0,1	-2,2
	PX50	972,8	0,7	5,6	CZ10	0,67	25,6	43	EUR/RON	4,5107	0,2	-0,5
Hungary	BUX	33982	0,8	6,2	3M TB	0,16	0	0	EUR/HUF	307,95	0,1	-0,3
	OTP	9271	0,5	10,4	1Y	0,33	0	15	USD/HUF	290,64	-0,1	-1,0
	MOL	20700	1,2	0,3	3Y	1,61	5	75	CHF/HUF	289,03	0,0	0,4
	MTelekom	525	1,2	5,4	5Y	2,32	1	55	PLN/HUF	71,500	0,0	2,1
	Richter	6682	0,6	7,6	10Y	3,63	6	43	GBP/HUF	362,12	-0,2	0

* In the case of bond yields, the change is in basispoint instead of percentage (VIX and ITRAXX not included).

Data	Cd.	Event/Data	Period	Fact	Cons.	Prev.
2017 2. 13.	0 : 50 JP	GDP (preliminary, mom, %)	Q4	0,2	0,3	0,5
	0 : 50 JP	GDP (preliminary, annualized qoq, %)	Q4	1,0	1,1	1,3
	9 : 00 HU	Construction output (yoy, %)	dec.	-14,9	-	-14,4
	9 : 00 HU	Construction output (yoy, %)	2016	-18,8	-	8,1
	14 : 00 PL	Inflation (yoy, %)	jan.	1,8	-	0,8
14.	2 : 30 CN	CPI (yoy, %)	jan.	2,5	2,4	2,1
	2 : 30 CN	CPI (mom, %)	jan.	1,0	0,7	0,2
	8 : 00 DE	CPI (final, yoy, %)	jan.	1,9	1,9	1,9*
	8 : 00 DE	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %, NSA)	Q4	1,2	1,7	1,5
	8 : 00 DE	GDP (preliminary, qoq, %, SA)	Q4	0,4	0,5	0,2
	9 : 00 CZ	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %)	Q4	1,7	-	1,9
	9 : 00 HU	Industrial production (final, yoy, %)	dec.	-0,5	-	-0,5*
	9 : 00 HU	Core inflation (yoy, %)	jan.	1,6	-	1,7
	9 : 00 HU	Inflation (yoy, %)	jan.	2,3	2,0	1,8
	9 : 00 HU	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %)	Q4	1,6	2,1	2,2
	9 : 00 RO	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %)	Q4	4,7	-	4,3
	9 : 00 SK	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %)	Q4	3,1	-	3,0
	10 : 00 IT	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %)	Q4	1,1	1,0	1,0
	10 : 00 PL	GDP (preliminary, yoy, %)	Q4	2,7	2,5	2,5
	10 : 30 UK	CPI (yoy, %)	jan.	1,8	1,9	1,6
	11 : 00 EZ	Industrial production (mom, %)	dec.	-1,6	-1,2	1,5
	11 : 00 EZ	GDP (second estimate, qoq, %)	Q4	0,4	0,5	0,5*
	11 : 00 EZ	GDP (second estimate, yoy, %)	Q4	1,7	1,8	1,8*
	11 : 00 EZ	Industrial production (yoy, %)	dec.	2,0	1,7	3,2
	16 : 00 US	Fed MPC Report	febr.	-	-	-
	16 : 00 US	Janet Yellen speech (Senate Banking Committee)	febr.	-	-	-

Dátum	Cd.	Esemény/adat	Időszak	Tény	Konsz.	Előző
15.	8 : 00	RO Inflation (yoy, %)	jan.	0,1	-	-0,5
	9 : 00	SK Inflation (yoy, %)	jan.	0,7	-	0,2
	14 : 30	US Retail sales (mom, %)	jan.	0,4	0,1	0,6
	14 : 30	US New York Fed Manufacturing index (points)	febr.	18,7	7,0	6,5
	14 : 30	US CPI (yoy, %)	jan.	2,5	2,4	2,1
	14 : 30	US CPI (mom, %)	jan.	0,6	0,3	0,3
	14 : 30	US core-CPI (yoy, %)	jan.	2,3	2,1	2,2
	14 : 30	US core-CPI (yoy, %)	jan.	0,3	0,2	0,2
	15 : 15	US Industrial production (mom, %)	jan.	-0,3	0	0,8
	16 : 00	US Janet Yelllen speech (Financial Services Committee)	febr.	-	-	-
	16 : 00	US Business inventories (mom, %)	dec.	0,4	0,4	0,7
16.	13 : 30	EZ ECB Minutes	jan.		-	-
	14 : 30	US Housing starts (annualized monthly, '000s)	jan.		1230	1228
	14 : 30	US New home sales (annualized monthly, '000s)	jan.		1222	1226
17.	10 : 30	UK Retail sales (mom, %)	jan.		0,9	-1,9
	14 : 00	PL Retail sales (yoy, %)	jan.		7,6	6,4
	16 : 00	US Leading index (mom, %)	jan.		0,5	0,5

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