



# LMC Weekly Market Summary and Islamic Capital Markets News



## Good day,

Equity markets recorded a second week of solid gains, as investors digested the first fourth-quarter earnings reports and celebrated some strong economic data. Momentum picked up again late in the week, with consumer discretionary, energy, financials, health care, and industrials and business services shares all recording solid gains. Real estate and utilities stocks underperformed for the week as long-term U.S. Treasury bond yields rose, making their ample dividend payments less attractive in comparison. The action in the bond market was sparked initially by reports that Chinese officials were recommending slowing or halting purchases of U.S. Treasuries, a notion that China later labelled as "fake news." Then on Friday, reports of an acceleration in U.S. core inflation further fueled the rise in bond yields. Major European equity markets all saw solid gains and the euro jumped to a three-year high, as a broad range of data underscored the area's economic momentum and Germany came closer to forming a government. The euro area's jobless rate ticked down to the best level since early 2009, Germany's reported industrial production blew away estimates, and pre-Christmas retail sales were surprisingly strong.

Regionally, Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA) has approved a total budget of AED 26.417 billion for 2018, compared to AED 24.358 billion in 2017. The annual budget incorporates investments in conventional and non-conventional energy sources, advanced technologies and innovative projects. DEWA aims at achieving the Dubai Clean Energy Strategy 2050 to provide 75% of Dubai's total power output from clean energy by 2050. Saudi authorities announced on Saturday that the Haramain high-speed rail project will be launched soon. The Saudi Railway Company (SAR) is still carrying out tests alongside the 450-kilometer railway, which connects the holy cities of Mecca and Medina. Security forces in Medina were asked to participate in the demo rides that are carried out on Saturday morning at 9 AM, according to Mohamed Fedda, the project's general manager.

## Market Summary

## Week of January 05 – January 12

Index	Value	Weekly Change	YTD Change
<u>Dow Jones Industrial AVG</u>	25803.19	+2.01	+3.94
<u>FTSE 100 Index</u>	7778.64	+0.70	+1.00
<u>NIKKEI 225</u>	23653.82	-0.26	+0.63
<u>Bloomberg GCC 200 Index</u>	84.38	0.00	0.00
<u>Nymex Crude oil Future WTI</u>	64.3	+4.65	+6.51
<u>Gold</u>	1337.95	+1.41	+2.72
<u>EUR-USD</u>	1.2202	+1.44	+1.58
<u>USD-JPY</u>	111.06	-1.76	-1.39
<u>GBP-USD</u>	1.3728	+1.16	+1.67
<u>3 month Libor \$</u>	1.72152	+2 bps	+2 bps
<u>5 year swap \$</u>	2.3947	+6 bps	+15 bps
<u>US Treasury 10 year yield</u>	2.5480	+7 bps	+14 bps

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<b>2 months</b>	<b>2.00 %</b>
<b>3 months</b>	<b>2.20%</b>
<b>6 months</b>	<b>2.85 %</b>
<b>1 Year</b>	<b>3.00 %</b>

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