



LMC Weekly Market Summary and Islamic Capital Markets News



Good day,

Stocks, bonds and commodities gyrated violently this week. Equity markets began the week with an upward surge after U.S. President Donald Trump and China's President Xi Jinping agreed to put further tariff increases on hold for 90 days. Their meeting at the G20 summit in Argentina supposedly led to a commitment by China to buy more U.S. goods, and to engage in meaningful negotiations on technology transfer and intellectual property protection. As a result, global equities swung into a steep downdraft that picked up more steam on Thursday after Canada arrested Chinese tech giant Huawei's Chief Financial Officer on suspicion of violating U.S. trade sanctions on Iran. That move, which enraged Chinese officials, added a whole new level of strain to the U.S.-China relationship, and doused most of whatever hope remained for a near-term easing of trade tensions.

Crude oil prices also began the week with a surge, after reports that Russia and Saudi Arabia had agreed to a production cut. But as Day One of the meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) Thursday in Vienna failed to produce a deal, prices plunged, only to snap higher again after an agreement was announced Friday. While lower oil prices act like a tax cut to consumers, the sharp drop in recent months is increasingly impacting the outlook for capital spending and investment in the energy sector, forcing energy-producing regions to lower their economic growth forecasts. Major equity markets in Europe and Japan dropped in tandem with those in the North America as the political uncertainties in Britain and Italy continued to weigh on investor sentiment, and violent protests against fuel taxes erupted in France. Germany's DAX Index and the U.K.'s FTSE 100 both tumbled to their lowest levels in two years.

Regionally, Eagle Hills Sharjah is set to present Maryam Island through its participation in Sharjah FDI Forum 2018. Maryam Island spans across 460,000 sqm, offering views of the Arabian Gulf and Sharjah's downtown skyline, featuring residential apartments, retail outlets, four and five-star hotels, waterfront food and beverage outlets, as well as a Souq and various facilities such as a spa, a fitness club, a swimming pool, and a children's play area. Bahrain Bourse, Bahrain. APM Terminals Bahrain, the exclusive operator of Bahrain's Khalifa Bin Salman Port (KBSP), has announced the initial public offering (IPO) of 18,000,000 of its shares. The IPO, which will offer 20% of the company's total issued share capital, is now open to Bahraini and non-Bahraini corporate and individual investors, starting November 9th, 2018.

Market Summary

Week of Nov 30 – Dec 07

| Index | Value | Weekly Change | YTD Change |
|----------------------------------|----------|---------------|------------|
| <u>Dow Jones Industrial AVG</u> | 24388.95 | -4.50 | -1.75 |
| <u>FTSE 100 Index</u> | 6778.11 | -2.90 | -8.73 |
| <u>NIKKEI 225</u> | 21678.68 | -3.01 | -7.78 |
| Nymex Crude oil Future WTI | 52.61 | +3.30 | -12.85 |
| Gold | 1248.35 | +2.11 | -4.16 |
| EUR-USD | 1.1379 | +0.55 | -5.27 |
| USD-JPY | 112.69 | -0.77 | +0.05 |
| GBP-USD | 1.2726 | -0.18 | -5.75 |
| <u>3 month Libor \$</u> | 2.77106 | +3 bps | +107 bps |
| <u>5 year swap \$</u> | 2.8073 | -15 bps | +56 bps |
| <u>US Treasury 10 year yield</u> | 2.8470 | -14 bps | +44 bps |

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Week of Dec 02 – Dec 09

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- Malaysia Sells 2037 Islamic Bonds At Average 4.787% Yield - [Bloomberg...](#)
- Fitch Assigns Senaat's Sukuk Final 'A' Rating - [More...](#)
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Kindly find below the indicative rates,

| Tenor | Indicative Rates |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 1 month | 2.30 % |
| 2 months | 2.35 % |
| 3 months | 2.55 % |
| 6 months | 2.80 % |
| 1 Year | 3.10 % |

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