

**Market Comment****Equity stabilized but bonds remain well demanded**

- **Actions to curtail the Covid-19 impact have continued today.** Both Hong Kong and Taiwan's central banks have cut interest rates today, while S. Korea, one of the most affected countries by Covid-19, announced USD 9.8bn of additional stimulus, and said it would consider outright purchases of treasury bonds if market volatility continues. The BoJ also said they are ready to act if the epidemic is prolonged. In Europe, the Eurogroup said the finance ministers are prepared to implement country-specific fiscal measures to support growth.
- **The Fed fund futures price an additional 25bps interest cut at its March meeting,** while the odds of a 50bps interest rate cut are also high. For the ECB, the OIS futures prices in an 85% probability of a 10bps ECB interest rate cut next week. While expectations of an ECB liquidity stimulus aimed at helping SMEs are also high.
- **Meanwhile, the U.S. service confidence showed a strong reading in February,** in light of the impact of Covid-19. The ISM Non-Manufacturing PMI index (57.3, consensus 54.8, previous 55.5) extended further into the expansion territory, also increasing above market expectations and reaching a one-year high.
- **Sovereign bond markets remained well demanded, while this time search for yield benefited peripheral.** The UST yields continue its downward trend, led by the short-term tenors, which are more linked to the monetary policy. The US 10Y breaking down 1% level reached historical lows, amid an epidemic threatening both supply and demand worldwide. Furthermore, overnight Repo was fully oversubscribed, showing that money-markets are keeping cash into Treasury bills. The long-term German yield remains below the -0.6% level, while peripheral bonds –except the Italian– attracted search for yield demand, with their risk premium narrowing slightly. In addition, the corporate debt spread inched up again today.
- In FX markets, the USD dollar appreciated against the main G10 currencies, while the euro lost the ground gained yesterday. EM FX slightly depreciated in Latam, but slightly appreciated in Asia and Turkey.
- In commodities, **Brent oil prices failed to maintain yesterday's gains**, moving around levels of \$51 per barrel.
- Equities worldwide recovered slightly come around, after a sharp decline, while the S&P 500 implied volatility edged down but remained relatively high. The downward trend in yields continued to weigh on the banking sector across the board.

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## DEBT MARKETS (10Y, %, CHANGE IN BPS)

Developed Markets	level	Daily	Weekly	Month	YTD
US (2-yr)	0,62	-7,8	-54,3	-73	-95
<b>US</b>	0,96	-4,2	-38	-57	-96
GER (2-yr)	-0,85	-3,1	-14,6	-17	-24
<b>Germany</b>	-0,64	-1,4	-13,4	-20	-45
France	-0,32	0,2	-9,1	-14	-44
Spain	0,18	-1,2	-7,4	-12	-29
Italy	1,01	2,5	2,0	6	-40
Portugal	0,24	-1,7	-3,2	-3	-20
Greece	1,21	-1,8	4,7	1	-26
Japan (2-yr)	-0,27	-2,5	-6,9	-12	-14
<b>Japan</b>	-0,13	-1,9	-4,0	-7	-11

Emerging Markets	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
Brazil	6,52	-11,0	-27,6	-11	-27
Chile	2,72	-15,0	-36,6	-21	3
Colombia	5,77	-16,0	-2,6	-8	-57
Mexico	6,26	-16,6	-25,4	-35	-63
Peru	3,12	-6,7	-13,2	-13	-41
Poland	1,72	-0,4	-15,7	-45	-40
Russia	6,11	-17,2	-5,7	-26	-30
Turkey	11,24	-59,0	-86,0	122	-62
India	6,23	-11,7	-12,0	-28	-33
Indonesia	6,54	-25,2	-9,3	-15	-52

COUNTRY RISK (BP, CHANGE IN BPS)	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
Developed Markets	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
10-yr sovereign spread vs Germany					
France	32	1,6	4,3	6	1
Italy	166	3,9	15,4	26	6
Portugal	89	-0,3	10,2	17	26
Spain	82	0,2	6	8	16
2-yr sovereign spread vs Germany					
France	9	1,6	4,6	4	7
Italy	76	4,5	20,8	28	20
Portugal	41	0,9	13,3	17	34
Spain	36	-0,3	10,4	11	13
Emerging Markets	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
5-yr sovereign CDS *					
Brazil	119	-5,6	12	15	20
Chile	64	-2,5	14	13	23
Colombia	96	-4,7	15	14	24
Argentina	7324	-131,4	1095	1112	2456
Mexico	97	-4,5	15	14	19
Peru	64	-3,1	16	16	23
Poland	51	0,3	2	2	-7
Russia	77	-6,0	10	12	20
Turkey	333	-30,6	29	94	56
China	45	-4,3	5	2	14
India	76	-1,5	14	11	10
Indonesia	90	-1,9	25	22	28

RISK INDICATORS	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
Volatility indicators (change in pp)	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
VIX	33	-3,8	5	15	19
VSTOXX	30	-3,7	5	13	16
EM EFT volatility Index	27	-5,5	1	6	10
Dollar/euro volatility	6	-1,0	0	2	1
EM FX volatility index	8	-0,3	1	1	1
Credit spread (BAA) (change in bps)	254	4,2	35	43	56
US bonds volatility index	103	-1,9	16	30	45
Inflation expectations (%), change in pp)	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
US Inflation expectations (5Y5Y)	1,86	-	-2	-13	-21
EZ Inflation expectations (5Y5Y)	1,13	-	-5	-13	-20
Banking 5y CDS (bps) *	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
US	63	0,1	15	21	22
EZ	56	-7,3	11	15	11
UK	51	-4,9	7	7	10
Large Spanish	40	-5,6	4	8	8
Medium Spanish	77	4,3	12	11	0
Corporate 5y CDS (bps) *	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
US Non-financial	203	-3,7	25	-1	35
EZ Non-financial	88	-8,4	16	17	24
UK Non-financial	112	-2,1	11	13	16

INTERBANK MARKETS (%), CHANGE IN BPS)	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
ESTR Index	-0,54	0	0	-1	n.a.
Euribor 3m	-0,47	-1	-5	-8	-9
Euribor 12m	-0,36	0	-5	-7	-11
Liber 3m	1,31	0	-38	-50	-60
Liber 12m	1,25	0	-49	-65	-76

STOCK MARKETS (%)	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
Main indices	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
<b>S&amp;P500</b>	3049	1,5	-2,2	-6,2	-6
Dow Jones	26448	2,0	-1,9	-6,9	-7
Nikkei	21100	0,1	-5,9	-8,1	-11
FTSE 100	6816	1,4	-3,2	-7,0	-10
<b>EuroStoxx 50</b>	3421	1,4	-4,4	-6,6	-9
IBEX	8910	1,1	-4,4	-5,3	-7
DAX	12128	1,2	-5,1	-7,0	-8
CAC	5465	1,3	-3,9	-6,3	-9
MIB	21946	0,9	-6,3	-6,5	-7
ASE Athens	771	0,6	-5,0	-14,7	-16
<b>MSCI Latam *</b>	92508	-0,5	-5,0	-6,4	-8
Ibovespa (Brazil)	105172	-0,3	-0,5	-8,3	-9
Mexbol (Mexico)	43039	1,3	0,7	-2,4	-1
Merval (Argentina)	36873	2,4	1,2	-11,3	-12
<b>MSCI EM Europe *</b>	5732	3,1	-5,2	-8,7	-10
Poland	1861	-1,5	-3,8	-10,2	-13
Micex 10 (Russia)	4866	0,4	-6,6	-8,2	-9
Ise 100 (Turkey)	110785	-0,4	-3,8	-7,1	-3
<b>MSCI EM Asia *</b>	871	0,6	-2,2	-0,7	-5
Shanghai Com (China)	3012	0,6	0,8	9,7	-1
Jakarta (Indonesia)	5650	5,4	-2,4	-4,9	-10
Banking sector	level	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	YTD
<b>US banks</b>	136,0	-0,2	-7,2	-14,5	-17
JPM	116,0	-0,8	-8,4	-13,0	-17
Citi	64,8	-0,4	-5,0	-13,8	-19
BoA	27,8	0,3	-9,2	-15,6	-21
MS	44,4	0,1	-5,9	-15,5	-13
GS	203,7	0,1	-5,6	-14,8	-11
<b>EZ banks</b>					