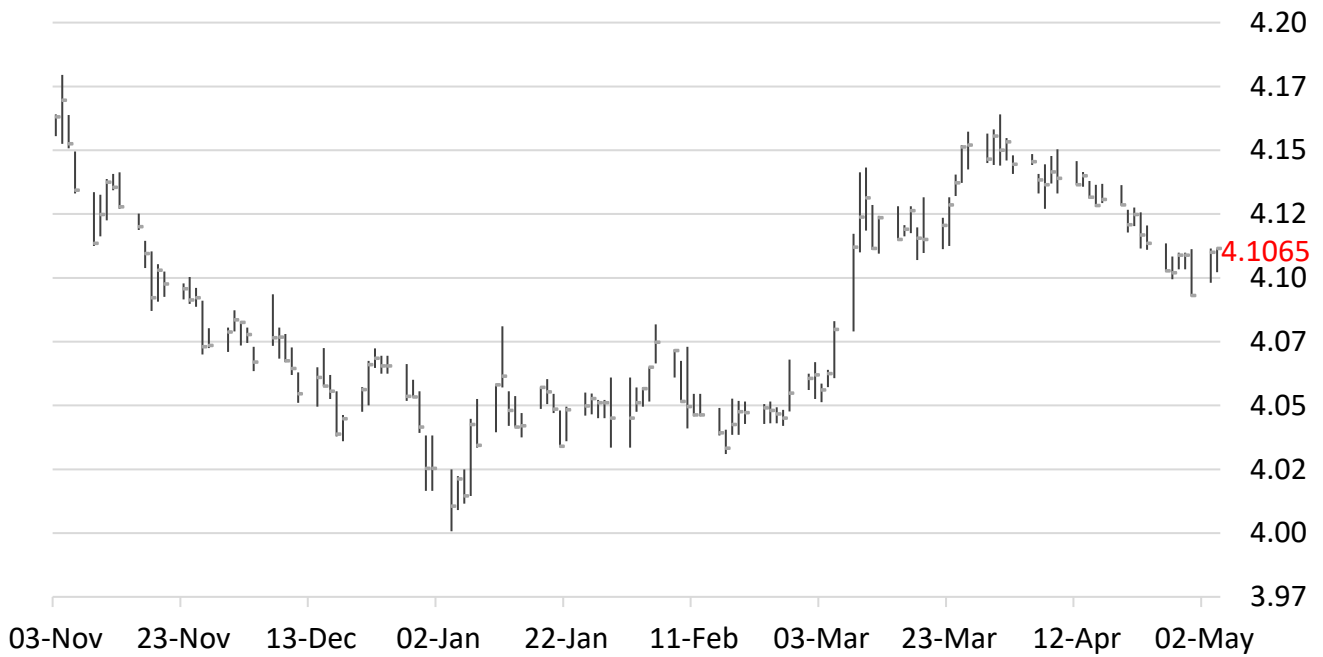


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Mid-day Currency Outlook

**USD/MYR**



Source: Bloomberg, HLBB Global Markets Research

**Intraday Thoughts – MYR Neutral to Bullish**

USD/MYR opened 0.1% lower at 4.1010. We maintain a neutral to slightly bullish view on the MYR, anticipating slight downside in the USD while a neutral BNM rhetoric at this week’s MPC meeting will likely be supportive of the MYR. We maintain a range of 4.09-4.12.

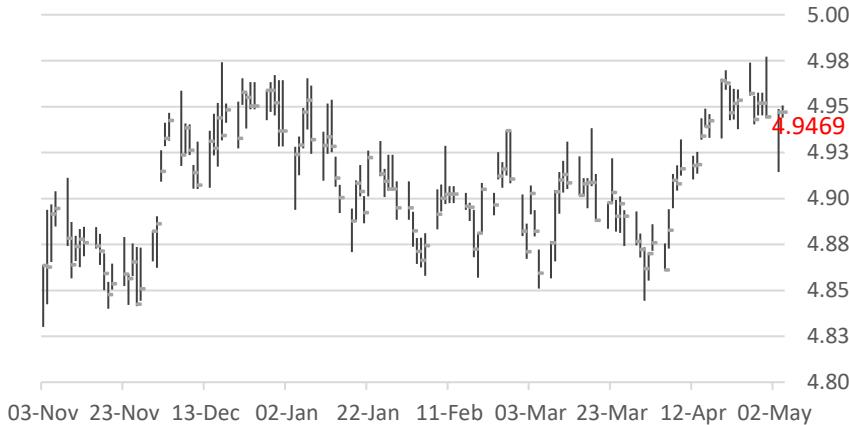
**1-Month Outlook – MYR Bearish**

No change to our present view of a stronger dollar which is likely to benefit from higher US yields as the economy recovered further in the US. We continue to expect the dollar to strengthen towards 2Q before trending down in 2H of the year and thus a higher USD/MYR in the medium term.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/MYR	4.0700	4.1000	4.1065	4.1150	4.1300

## MYR Crosses

### EUR/MYR



### EUR/MYR Neutral to Bullish

EUR/MYR opened 0.1% higher at 4.9504. Upside momentum drove the pair back above 4.94, but the sharp movements in the previous two sessions have led to some stabilisations today. Focus turns to the Eurozone's retail sales data.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
EUR/MYR	4.9150	4.9280	4.9469	4.9550	4.9650

### GBP/MYR



### GBP/MYR Neutral to Bullish

GBP/MYR opened 0.4% higher at 5.7073 after GBP outperformed other G10s overnight. GBP/USD is now trading at just below 1.39, with 1.40 remains a critical resistance level. We continue to anticipate some upward movements for GBP/USD thus GBP/MYR as well. Focus is on the Bank of England's policy announcement on 6 May, where rhetoric may move the pair.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
GBP/MYR	5.6565	5.6875	5.7010	5.7100	5.7285

### AUD/MYR



### AUD/MYR Neutral to Bullish

AUD/MYR opened 0.4% higher at 3.1848, catching up with stronger AUD/USD overnight. The mixed trade data had failed to move AUD, as markets anticipate the RBA meeting around noon. We expect the RBA to maintain cash rate but express more optimism on Australian growth outlook.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
AUD/MYR	3.1550	3.1700	3.1788	3.1850	3.2000

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