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Global Markets Research

Mid-day Currency Outlook

USD/MYR



Source: Bloomberg, HLBB Global Markets Research

Intraday Thoughts – MYR Neutral to Bearish

USD/MYR opened little changed at 4.1605. The ringgit weakened against the dollar towards the end of Tuesday's session as selling pressure rose ahead of the US CPI data release. Rising risk-off sentiment across the global landscape may prompt further strengthening of the pair particularly ahead of Malaysia's public holiday tomorrow. Resistance is at 4.17.

1-Month Outlook – MYR Bearish

We are neutral to bearish on MYR expecting USD/MYR to correct from the current low back to circa 4.20-4.23 levels especially after the Fed hinted it may start to taper its asset purchase program this year, prompting a knee-jerk selloff in the USD. On the local front, Malaysia continues to report higher vaccination rates which would allow it to move on to the next phase of its National Recovery Plan but the daily infections remain high at around the 20,000 mark.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/MYR	4.1180	4.1365	4.1645	4.1700	4.1800



MYR Crosses

EUR/MYR



EUR/MYR Neutral

EUR/MYR opened little changed at 4.9134. EUR/USD bulls have continued to defend 1.18 levels even as the USD strengthened amid investors' retreat to safe havens. We remain neutral on EUR/MYR, expecting the pair to remain unwavered ahead of the Eurozone's industrial production and HICP inflation data.

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EUR/MYR	4.8725	4.8850	4.9172	4.9200	4.9326



GBP/MYR Neutral to Bearish

GBP/MYR opened 0.2% lower at 5.7480. The sterling fell modestly as risky sentiment weakened on the back of global growth concerns. This was despite UK job report showing continuos recovery. We are neutral to bearish on GBP/MYR on poor sentiment; focus shifts to today's UK CPI data followed by Friday's retail sales, before investors turning attention to the BOE's decision next week.

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	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
GBP/MYR	5.7000	5.7353	5.7439	5.7582	5.7878

AUD/MYR



AUD/MYR Neutral to Bearish

AUD/MYR opened 0.2% lower at 3.0457. AUD/USD dipped to the lower edge of 0.73 levels alongside the decline of other commodity currencies. The concerns over global growth slowdown continue to weigh on AUD while the much weaker Chinese data may further compound the fear. Up next is Australia's August job report which will reflect the impact of multiple regional lockdowns on the labour market.

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	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
AUD/MYR	3.0117	3.0290	3.0424	3.0624	3.0821

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