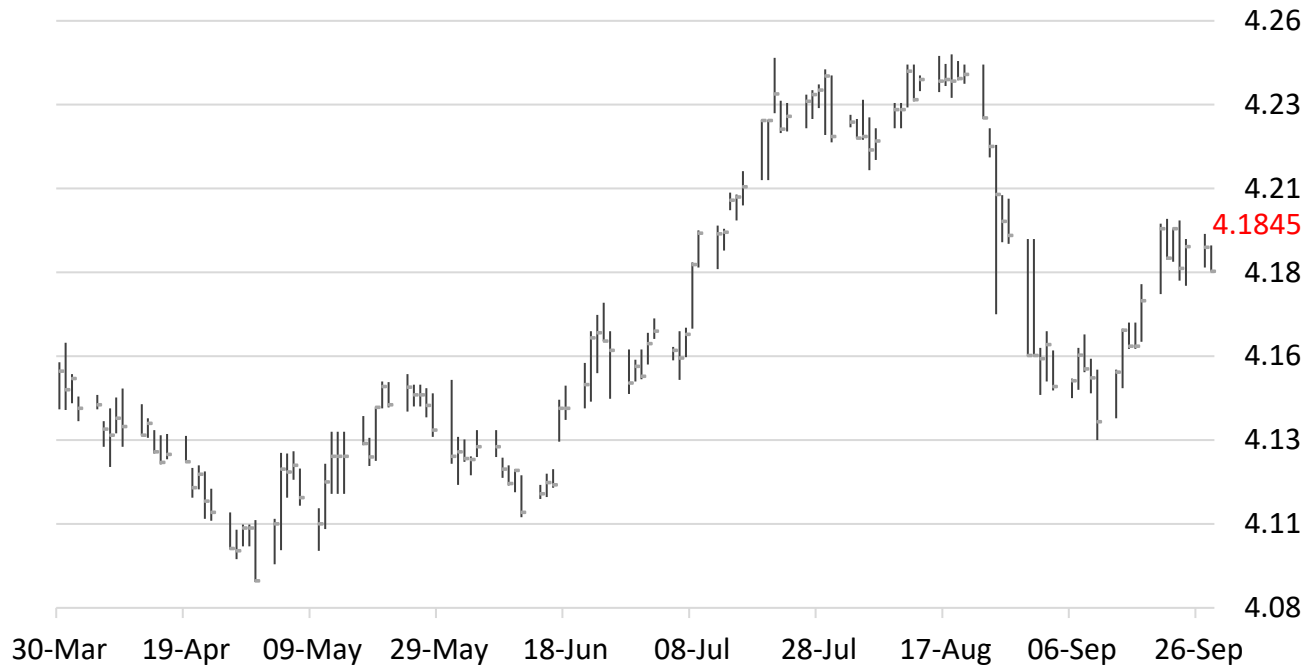


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Mid-day Currency Outlook

USD/MYR



Source: Bloomberg, HLBB Global Markets Research

Intraday Thoughts – MYR Neutral

USD/MYR opened unchanged at 4.1875 today. Markets had paid no heeds to the government’s unveiling of the 12th Malaysia Plan in the previous session. We maintain our weekly outlook, expecting the pair to exhibit a neutral to slightly bullish tilt as it attempts to breach the key 4.20 psychological handle. However, upsides will likely be capped by the Upper Bollinger of 4.2075 for now, rendering a possible range of 4.16-4.20 this week.

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, even as the headlines surrounding Malaysia’s pandemic situation have turned more positive.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
USD/MYR	4.1600	4.1710	4.1845	4.1900	4.2000

MYR Crosses

EUR/MYR



EUR/MYR Neutral to Bearish

EUR/MYR opened little changed at 4.8975. Risk sentiment turned poorer after an upbeat start to the week, pressuring the EUR/USD to below 1.17 amid Germany's political uncertainties. We are neutral on EUR as the uncertainties surrounding the tight race between Merkel's CDU and the SPD parties kept investors on the toe, for fear of an impasse to form a coalition government.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
EUR/MYR	4.8700	4.8847	4.8862	4.9000	4.9103

GBP/MYR



GBP/MYR Neutral

GBP/MYR opened little changed at 5.7373. GBP/USD remained on a relatively solid footing despite the broad USD strength and not-too-rosy Brexit related headlines. We are neutral on GBP/MYR expecting muted movements in MYR and GBP.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
GBP/MYR	5.6950	5.7103	5.7247	5.7449	5.7655

AUD/MYR



AUD/MYR Neutral

AUD/MYR opened 0.3% higher at 3.0487 after the aussie advanced on higher crude oil prices overnight. AUD/USD looks to be defending the the 0.7280 levels amid smaller than expected decline in retail sales. A loss in risk-seeking sentiment may cap on AUD's potential upside, rendering a neutral outlook for AUD/MYR today.

	S2	S1	Indicative	R1	R2
AUD/MYR	3.0190	3.0300	3.0387	3.0536	3.0777

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