

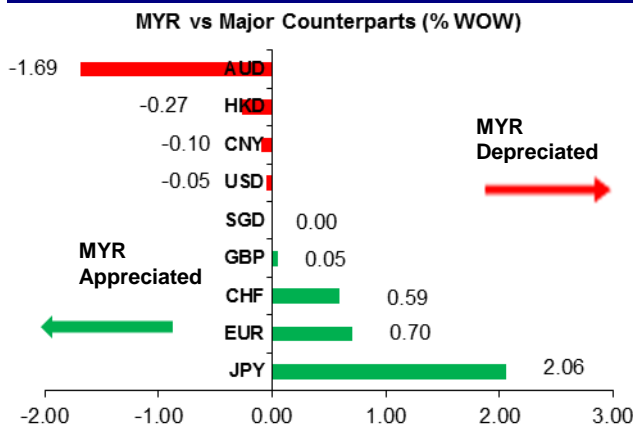
Global Markets Research

Weekly Market Highlights

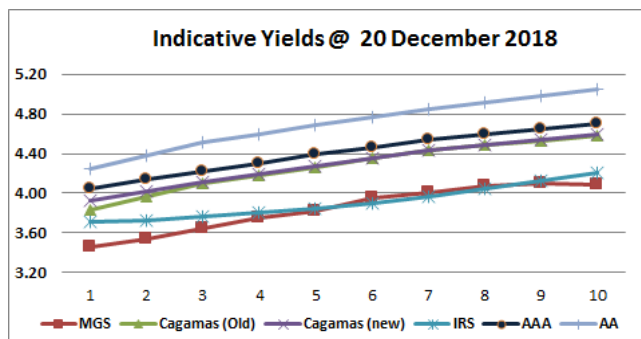
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Weekly MYR Performance



Indicative Yields



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Macroeconomics

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- Data releases are muted in the last week of 2018- US releases are mostly second-tiered namely manufacturing surveys, remaining batches of housing data and advanced goods trade report. There will be no key releases in the Eurozone and UK. In Asia, key watches are Japan's IPI, job report, and retail sales, Hong Kong trade report, China industrial profit and Singapore CPI and IPI.

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Macroeconomics

6-month Macro Outlook

| | Economy | Inflation | Interest Rate | Currency |
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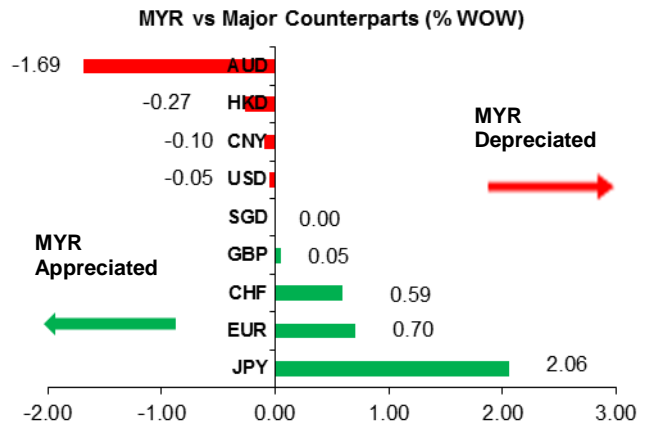
The Week in Review

- In a week packed with central bank meetings, policy statements and central bank chiefs' remarks reflected generally aligned expectations where the theme is one of exercising cautions amidst softer global growth outlook and rising trade protectionism. The Fed delivered its fourth rate hike of the year, raising the fed fund rate target range by 25bps to 2.25%- 2.50%, but the FOMC statement and economic revisions appeared to be dovish. Instead of the previously projected 3 hikes in 2019, members now see 2 hikes next year and 1 hike in 2020. GDP growth for 2018 was revised from 3.1% to 3.0% YOY and 2.5% to 2.3% in 2019. Outlook for inflation also softened as the core PCE inflation is expected to be 1.9% in 2018 and only reaching the Fed's target of 2.0% in 2019. Elsewhere, the BOE held Bank Rate steady at 0.75% and pointed out that Brexit uncertainties have intensified and this alongside slowing economy are weighing down on the UK near term outlook. The BOJ left its monetary policy lever unchanged as widely expected. While maintaining its overall economic assessment, governor Haruhiko Kuroda said that risks are now tilted towards the downside. Bank Indonesia paused rate hike, keeping its 7-day reverse repo rate unchanged at 6.0% to end a tumultuous 2018.
- Stocks sold off this week – US benchmarks fell in the two days leading up to FOMC and extended further decline after the Fed's dovish rate guidance. Equity rout in the past one month has led the Dow, S&P 500 and NASDAQ to each lock in a YTD loss of 7.52%, 7.71% and 5.43%. Tech heavy NASDAQ was seen nearing bear territory coming off nearly 20% from August record high. Crude oil fell victim to slower growth outlook as well as persistent oversupply concern – WTI was last traded below \$46/barrel while Brent settled at sub \$55/barrel.
- Data in focus this week are mostly November CPI readings. Plague by falling oil prices, headline inflation of major economies mostly ticked lower but that said, underlying inflation also failed to pick up any momentum as the Eurozone, UK and Japan all witnessed slower core CPI in November further indicating a lack of price pressure in those economies. At home, Malaysia headline CPI rose a mere 0.2% YOY, slightly above our expectation of 0.1% YOY reinforcing the notion that prices gain continued to be well contained from the reintroduction of SST, while core CPI inched up slightly higher to 0.5% YOY (Oct: +0.4%) but remained benign.
- Initial jobless claims in the US rose by 8k to 214k last week but remained low, housing data surprised to the upside last month where homebuilding activities were seen picking up after a subdued period. Existing home sales also defied expectations to record a two straight month of increases. UK retail sales rebounded in holiday season, but consumer and business sentiments weakened. Australia labour market strengthened further with more than expected new jobs created and an expanded labour force. New Zealand 3Q GDP growth moderated to 0.3% QOQ from the elevated level in 2Q.

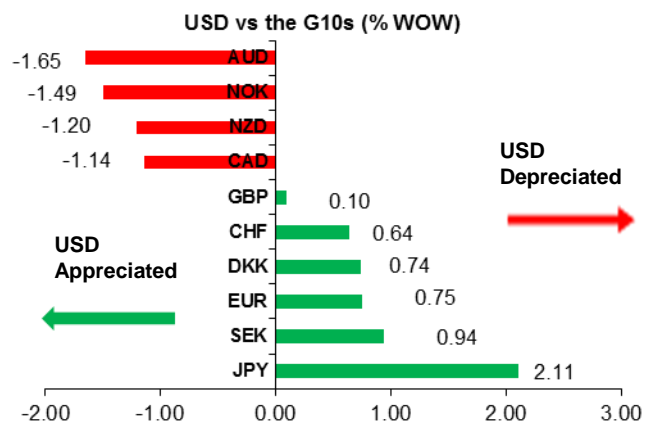
The Week Ahead

- Data flow is limited as we head into the last week of the year –in the US, releases are mostly second tiered namely regional manufacturing surveys (Kansas City Fed, Richmond Fed and Chicago PMI) as well as the advanced goods trade reports alongside wholesale and retail inventories. The remaining batches of housing data are also in the pipeline –new home sales, pending home sales, S&P CoreLogic Case Schiller for the 20 largest US cities as well as FHFA house prices index. There are no major data releases in the Eurozone and the UK.
- In Asia, bulk of the economic releases will come from Japan. Key watches being the preliminary reading of November industrial production as well as job report, followed by retail sales and then housing starts and construction orders. November trade report is due in Hong Kong whereas the NBS is set to publish industrial profit figure in China. Key releases for Singapore are November CPI and industrial productions whereas the Statistic Office of Vietnam will publish the country's 4Q GDP, trade data, industrial production, CPI as well as retail sales.

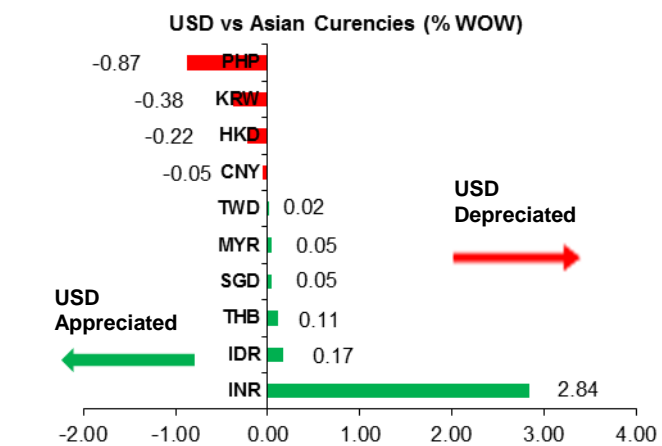
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- EUR:** EUR climbed 0.75% WOW to 1.1446 against a weak USD and advanced against 7 G10s, supported by improved sentiment in the European region following the break of EU-Italy impasse on budget plan. We expect investor sentiment to pick up slightly after EU-Italy achieved a consensus on budget, thus allowing more room for EUR to appreciate against a soft USD. Macro factors will be absent next week, thus we expect EUR will be driven by the performance of USD. EURUSD finally broke above 1.1400 and with that, there is more room for further gains going forward. We expect EURUSD to take aim at 1.1580 next, but caution that after recent gains, a modest pullback to circa 1.1400 cannot be ruled out.
- GBP:** GBP inched 0.1% WOW higher to 1.2656 against USD, rebounding from losses in the early week, but still slipped against 5 G10s amid unabating Brexit jitters. We expect a slightly bullish GBP only to the extent of a soft USD. In the absence of major macro flows, Brexit headlines will continue to have strong influence on GBPUSD direction, and could swing GBP to either sides. We continue to note that the importance of GBPUSD's technical landscape is likely secondary to that of the fundamental outlook. Technical outlook is currently positive for GBPUSD, with room to climb to 1.2720 in the next leg higher.
- JPY:** JPY surged 2.11% WOW to 111.28 against USD and jumped to the top of the G10 list as sell-off in the market extended. USDJPY is now likely to challenge 113.85 – 113.90 next. We anticipate further loss of risk appetite in the markets next week, thus keeping refuge demand intact and JPY firm. Also, in line with our view of a soft USD, JPY is likely to remain firm. USDJPY was rejected and has tumbled since. USDJPY is now inclined to the downside, and we set sights on a drop to circa 109.90 next.
- AUD:** AUD tumbled 1.65% WOW to 0.7108 against USD and fell against all G10s, pressured by extended risk-off in the market. AUD fell 0.22% WOW to 0.7227 against USD but advanced against 5 G10s. In line with our view of continued decline in risk appetite next week, we stay bearish on AUD against USD. AUDUSD remains bearish amid firmer downward momentum. We set sights on a drop to 0.7020 – 0.7040 next. But going forward, we note the possibly formation of a bullish chart pattern which, if completed, will drive AUDUSD higher in the weeks ahead.
- SGD:** SGD inched 0.05% WOW firmer to 1.3707 against a weak USD but retreated against 6 G10s as risk aversion prevailed in the markets. We are slightly bullish on SGD in anticipation of a soft USD, but gains are likely modest given that risk appetite is likely to retreat further next week. USDSGD has turned bearish after losing 1.3712 and is now likely targeting a move to 1.3678. Below this, there is room for a slide to circa 1.3621.

Technical Analysis:

| Currency | Current price | 14-day RSI | Support - Resistance | | Moving Averages | | | Call |
|----------|---------------|------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | | | 30 Days | 100 Days | 200 Days | |
| EURUSD | 1.1444 | 57.8830 | 1.1281 | 1.1436 | 1.1356 | 1.1485 | 1.1691 | Negative |
| GBPUSD | 1.2648 | 44.7900 | 1.2507 | 1.2863 | 1.2741 | 1.2909 | 1.3223 | Negative |
| USDJPY | 111.4300 | 33.5720 | 111.6500 | 114.4100 | 113.0900 | 112.4100 | 110.9200 | Positive |
| USDCNY | 6.8896 | 46.1600 | 6.8359 | 6.9663 | 6.9154 | 6.8897 | 6.6599 | Neutral |
| USDSGD | 1.3693 | 44.5210 | 1.3655 | 1.3775 | 1.3730 | 1.3736 | 1.3567 | Negative |
| AUDUSD | 0.7112 | 37.0480 | 0.7081 | 0.7368 | 0.7233 | 0.7213 | 0.7376 | Positive |
| NZDUSD | 0.6775 | 45.3990 | 0.6744 | 0.6945 | 0.6831 | 0.6671 | 0.6834 | Positive |
| USDMYR | 4.1792 | 51.5520 | 4.1523 | 4.2013 | 4.1814 | 4.1450 | 4.0506 | Neutral |
| EURMYR | 4.7828 | 57.1200 | 4.7083 | 4.7874 | 4.7482 | 4.7639 | 4.7499 | Negative |
| GBPMYR | 5.2858 | 43.1770 | 5.2354 | 5.3788 | 5.3363 | 5.3562 | 5.3704 | Negative |
| JPYMYR | 3.7506 | 70.8420 | 3.6580 | 3.7360 | 3.6968 | 3.6892 | 3.6612 | Negative |
| CHFMYR | 4.2331 | 60.1760 | 4.1614 | 4.2431 | 4.1944 | 4.1887 | 4.1152 | Negative |
| SGDMYR | 3.0522 | 58.7650 | 3.0365 | 3.0577 | 3.0458 | 3.0195 | 2.9915 | Positive |
| AUDMYR | 2.9725 | 36.4260 | 2.9653 | 3.0797 | 3.0267 | 2.9963 | 2.9971 | Positive |
| NZDMYR | 2.8314 | 45.7700 | 2.8267 | 2.8975 | 2.8562 | 2.7698 | 2.7777 | Positive |

Trader's Comment:

The FOMC hiked rates by 25bps as widely expected and reduced the hike expectations for 2019 from 3 to 2 hikes. Markets were however expecting a more dovish outcome with Trump having repeatedly told the FOMC to stop hiking rates. In immediate response USD rose from short coverings, but did not sustain as short USD positions were soon re-established.

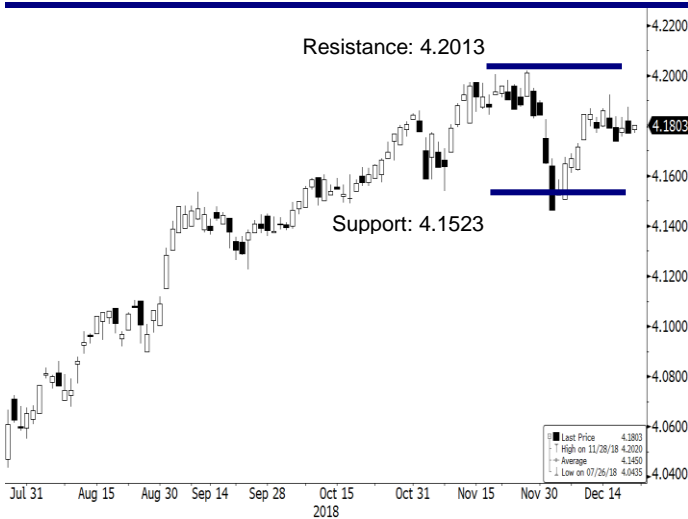
DXY subsequently plunged to month-low of 96.17 led by USDJPY which broke multiple support levels to a low of 110.81 overnight. The risk-off move was led by aggressive sell-down in equities especially in the US, with SPX having fallen 12.8% since the start of the month. Oil prices too continued to slide to a new year-lows, having fallen close to 40% from the October high. Concerns of a partial US government shutdown and US's accusations of Chinese officials of intellectual property theft all weighed on risk.

With the rather large price movements in the past week, expect some price corrections from position reductions as we head into the final week of the year.

Locally, USDMYR traded sideways within the familiar range of 4.1750-4.1900. Govies are looking to close the week slightly better around 1-2bps lower across the curve. Expect activities to be minimal next week and USDMYR should continue to consolidate within 4.1400-4.1900 range to end the year.

Technical Charts

USDMYR



Source: Bloomberg

EURMYR



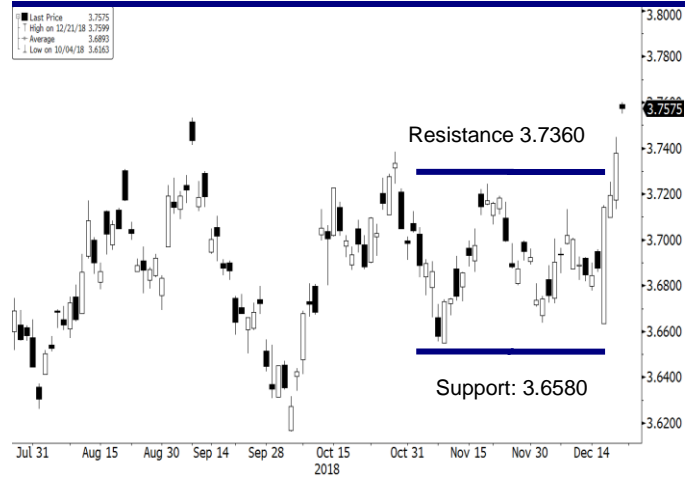
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GBPMYR



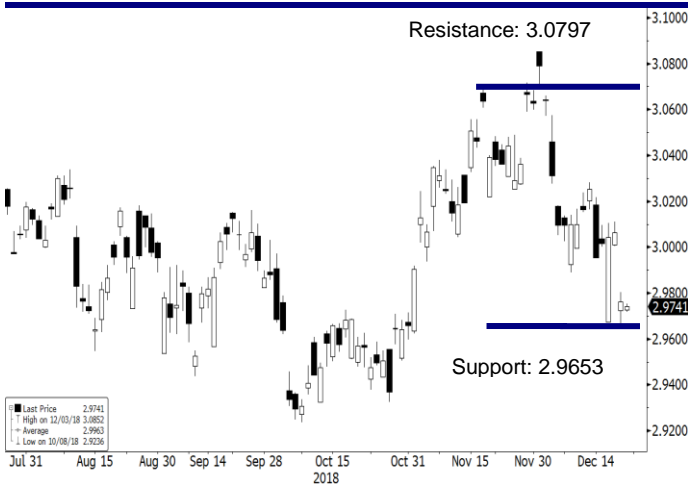
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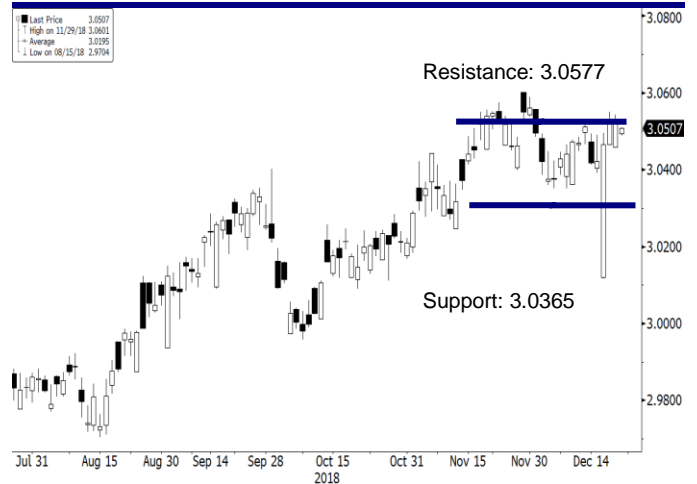
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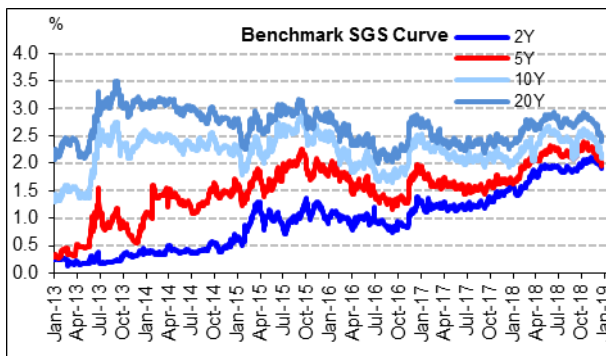
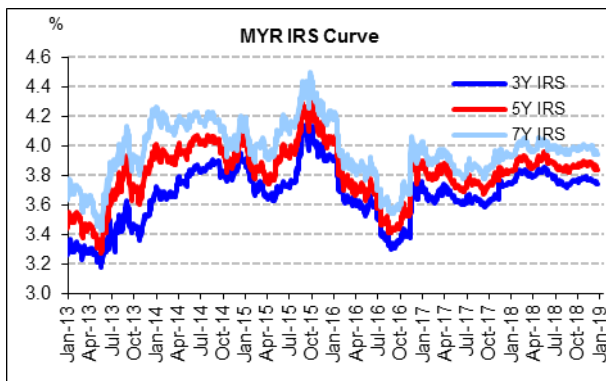
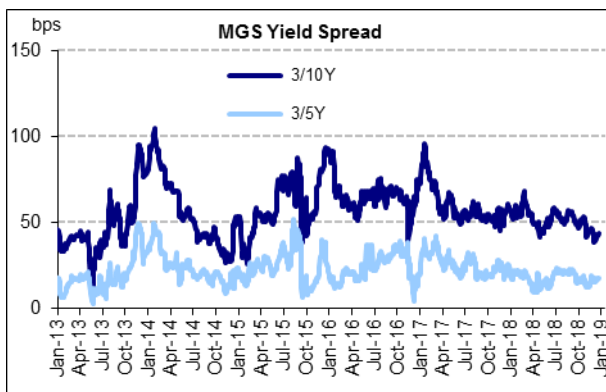
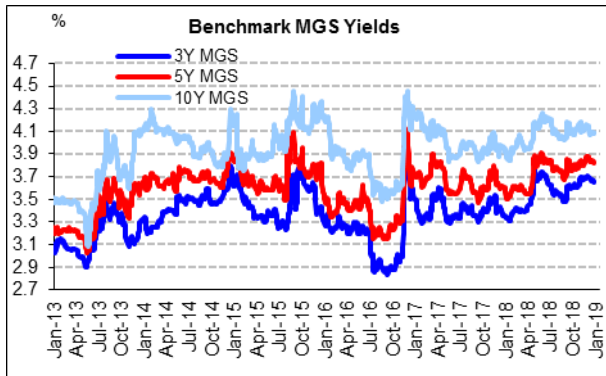
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- Corporate bonds/sukuk saw momentum improve as investors were mainly seen adjusting their portfolios with secondary market volume spiking to RM2.83b from prior week's RM1.71b. Overall yields generally ended mostly mixed across the GG to AA-part of the curve for most tenures. Both TNB 8/38 (AAA) and LDF aka DUKE3 (AA3) topped the weekly volume closing mixed between -1 to +6bps compared to previous-done levels at 4.97% and 5.29% respectively; followed by GENM Capital 7/23 (AAA) which rose 3bps higher at 4.74%. The prominent new issuances during the week include the AAA-rated quasi-govt CAGAMAS Berhad's 1Y notes and Al-Aqar Capital Sdn Bhd's 5Y callable bonds amounting to RM1.35b and RM112m respectively.
- The SGS (govvies) yield curve saw the curve shift lower aggressively on a slight flattening-bias; somewhat mirroring the UST movements for the week under review with overall yields ending between 8-20bps lower across the curve The 2Y closed unchanged at 1.92%; lowest since September whilst the 5Y and 10Y however moved within a wide range of ~7-8bps; closing sharply higher on yields at 2.11% and 2.09% respectively. Meanwhile, the SGD is holding steady as other currencies weaken slightly following Fed's not-so-dovish 2019 rate hike outlook. Meanwhile Noble group has restructured its debt and transferred most of its assets in a new entity known as New Noble.

| Rating Action | | | |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Issuer | PDS Description | Rating/Outlook | Action |
| BNP Paribas Malaysia Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AA2/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| Lebuhraya Kajang-Seremban Sdn Bhd's (LEKAS) | RM633 million Junior Sukuk Istisna' (Junior Sukuk) (2007/2025). | C2/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| ORIX Leasing Malaysia Berhad | CP/MTN Programme of up to RM500 million (2013/2020) | AA2/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| | MTN Programme of up to RM500 million (2016/2031). | AA2/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| AMMB Holdings Berhad | Corporate Credit rating | From AA3/Stable/P1 to AA2/Stable/P1 | Upgraded |
| AmBank (M) Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AA2/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| AmBank Islamic Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AA2/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| | RM3 billion Senior Sukuk Musyarakah Programme (2010/2040) | AA2/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| | RM3 billion Subordinated Sukuk Murabahah Programme (2014/2044) | AA2/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| AmInvestment Bank Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AA2/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| Golden Assets International Finance Limited (Golden Assets) | RM5.0 billion Islamic MTN Programme (2012/2027) | A1(s)/stable rating | Reaffirmed |
| Dynasty Harmony Sdn Bhd (DHSB) | RM165 million 10.0-14.5-year tranche (proposed Sukuk) of a RM300 million Islamic MTN Programme | AA3/stable | Assigned |
| CIMB Bank Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AAA/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| | RM10 billion Tier-2 Subordinated Debt Programme (2013/2073): | AA1/Stable AA2/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| | RM10 billion Additional Tier-1 Capital Securities Programme | A1/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| | RM20 billion MTNs Programme | AAA/Stable | Reaffirmed |
| CIMB Investment Bank Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AAA/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| CIMB Islamic Bank Berhad | Financial Institution rating | AAA/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |
| | RM10.0 billion Sukuk Wakalah Programme | AAA/Stable/P1 | Reaffirmed |

Source: RAM, MARC

ECONOMIC CALENDAR

| Dates | Countries | Events | Reporting Period | Survey | Prior | Revised |
|--------------|--------------|---|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 02/01 | Malaysia | Nikkei Malaysia PMI | Dec | -- | 48.2 | -- |
| 04/01 | | Trade Balance MYR | Nov | 10.3b | 16.3b | -- |
| | | Exports YoY | Nov | 8.8% | 17.7% | -- |
| 24/12 | US | Chicago Fed Nat Activity Index | Nov | -- | 0.24 | -- |
| 26/12 | | S&P CoreLogic CS 20-City YoY NSA | Oct | 4.8% | 5.2% | -- |
| | | Richmond Fed Manufact. Index | Dec | 16.0 | 14.0 | -- |
| 27/12 | | Initial Jobless Claims | 22 Dec | -- | 214k | -- |
| | | FHFA House Price Index MoM | Oct | 0.3% | 0.2% | -- |
| | | New Home Sales MoM | Nov | 4.1% | -8.9% | -- |
| | | Conf. Board Consumer Confidence | Dec | 133.6 | 135.7 | -- |
| 28/12 | | Advance Goods Trade Balance | Nov | -\$75.3b | -\$77.2b | -\$77.0b |
| | | Wholesale Inventories MoM | Nov P | -- | 0.8% | -- |
| | | Retail Inventories MoM | Nov | -- | 0.9% | 0.8% |
| | | Chicago Purchasing Manager | Dec | 61.0 | 66.4 | -- |
| | | Pending Home Sales MoM | Nov | 0.3% | -2.6% | -- |
| 31/12 | | Dallas Fed Manf. Activity | Dec | 17.6 | 17.6 | -- |
| 02/01 | | Markit US Manufacturing PMI | Dec F | 58.2 | 55.3 | -- |
| 03/01 | | MBA Mortgage Applications | 28 Dec | -- | -5.8% | -- |
| | | ADP Employment Change | Dec | 175k | 179k | -- |
| | | Construction Spending MoM | Nov | 0.3% | -0.1% | -- |
| | | Initial Jobless Claims | 29 Dec | -- | -- | -- |
| | | ISM Manufacturing | Dec | 58.2 | 59.3 | -- |
| | | ISM Prices Paid | Dec | 58.0 | 60.7 | -- |
| 04/01 | | Change in Nonfarm Payrolls | Dec | 180k | 155k | -- |
| | | Unemployment Rate | Dec | 3.7% | 3.7% | -- |
| | | Average Hourly Earnings YoY | Dec | 3.0% | 3.1% | -- |
| | | Labor Force Participation Rate | Dec | -- | 62.9% | -- |
| | | Markit US Services PMI | Dec F | -- | 54.7 | -- |
| 02/01 | Eurozone | Markit Eurozone Manufacturing PMI | Dec F | 51.4 | 51.8 | -- |
| 04/01 | | Markit Eurozone Services PMI | Dec F | 51.4 | 53.4 | -- |
| | | PPI YoY | Nov | 4.3% | 4.9% | -- |
| | | CPI Core YoY | Dec A | 1.0% | 1.0% | -- |
| | | CPI Estimate YoY | Dec | 1.8% | 2.0% | -- |
| 28/12 | UK | Nationwide House PX MoM | Dec | -- | 0.3% | -- |
| 02/01 | | Markit UK PMI Manufacturing SA | Dec | 52.5 | 53.1 | -- |
| 03/01 | | Markit/CIPS UK Construction PMI | Dec | 52.8 | 53.4 | -- |
| 04/01 | | Mortgage Approvals | Nov | 66.0k | 67.1k | -- |
| | | Markit/CIPS UK Services PMI | Dec | 50.7 | 50.4 | -- |
| 25/12 | Japan | Leading Index CI | Oct F | -- | 100.5 | -- |
| | | Coincident Index | Oct F | -- | 104.5 | -- |
| 27/12 | | Housing Starts YoY | Nov | -0.1% | 0.3% | -- |
| | | Construction Orders YoY | Nov | -- | -16.5% | -- |
| 28/12 | | Job-To-Applicant Ratio | Nov | 1.63 | 1.62 | -- |
| | | Jobless Rate | Nov | 2.4% | 2.4% | -- |
| | | Retail Trade YoY | Nov | 2.1% | 3.5% | 3.6% |

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| | | Industrial Production YoY | Nov P | 0.4% | 4.2% | -- |
| | | Dept. Store, Supermarket Sales | Nov | -0.4% | -0.8% | -- |
| 04/01 | | Nikkei Japan PMI Mfg | Dec F | -- | 52.2 | -- |
| 27/12 | Hong Kong | Exports YoY | Nov | 7.3% | 14.6% | -- |
| | | Trade Balance HKD | Nov | -38.5b | -44.5b | -- |
| 03/01 | | Retail Sales Value YoY | Nov | -- | 5.9% | -- |
| 04/01 | | Nikkei Hong Kong PMI | Dec | -- | 47.1 | -- |
| 27/12 | China | Industrial Profits YoY | Nov | -- | 3.6% | -- |
| 31/12 | | Non-manufacturing PMI | Dec | 53.1 | 53.4 | -- |
| | | Manufacturing PMI | Dec | 50.0 | 50.0 | -- |
| 02/01 | | Caixin China PMI Mfg | Dec | 50.1 | 50.2 | -- |
| 04/01 | | Caixin China PMI Services | Dec | -- | 53.8 | -- |
| 24/12 | Singapore | CPI YoY | Nov | 0.6% | 0.7% | -- |
| | | CPI Core YoY | Nov | 1.9% | 1.9% | -- |
| 26/12 | | Industrial Production YoY | Nov | 4.1% | 4.3% | -- |
| 03/01 | | Purchasing Managers Index | Dec | -- | 51.5 | -- |
| 04/01 | | Nikkei Singapore PMI | Dec | -- | 53.8 | -- |
| 25-31/12 | Vietnam | Trade Balance | Dec | -- | -\$400m | -- |
| | | Exports YTD YoY | Dec | -- | 14.4% | -- |
| | | GDP YoY | 4Q | -- | 6.88% | -- |
| | | CPI YoY | Dec | -- | 3.46% | -- |
| | | Industrial Production YoY | Dec | -- | 9.6% | -- |
| | | Retail Sales YTD YoY | Dec | -- | 11.5% | -- |
| 02/01 | VN | Nikkei Vietnam PMI Mfg | Dec | -- | 56.5 | -- |
| 06-13/01 | VN | Domestic Vehicle Sales YoY | Dec | -- | 35.5% | -- |

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