Market Trends

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Market - Ticker (Futures contract month)	Weekly Closing Price	Price / % change from last week	Short-term trend	Long-term trend	Short-term price target	Long-term price target	Position Bias
EURUSD - EC (Jun '18)	1.2447	+0.0076/ +0.61%	→↑	↑	1.2876	1.2573, 1.2631, 1.2825, 1.3011	long
GBPUSD - BP (Jun '18)	1.4196	+0.0200 / +1.43%	↑	↑	-	1.4661	long
Crude WTI - CL (May '18)	65.88	+3.47/ +5.56%	↑	↑	-	67.89	long
SX5E (Eurostoxx 50)	3298.07	-139.33 / -4.05%	→↓	↓	-	**3320.69**	short
S&P500 - ES (Jun '18)	2597.75	-158.25/ -5.74%	↓	→↑	-	-	-
Gold - GC (Apr '18)	1349.9	+37.6/ +2.87%	→↓	↑	-	-	-
30-year Bond - ZB (Jun '18)	144 23/32	+ 9/32 / +0.19%	→↓	↓	-	-	short

Bold: Price target achieved on close
Italic: Price target hit but not on close

EURUSD: Last week we wrote: ***"****It's getting trickier by the day even though the longer term uptrend remains intact. We maintain that we have entered a zone of ambiguity as conflicting evidence is emerging. The consequences of this are that we may be stuck in some range-trading for a while (50% probability) or we may be at the initial stages of a deeper correction (25%). Until we close above the 1.2550 area, consider the bullish case with some reserve."* No change.

GBPUSD: The bulls are winning convincingly the argument. Next stop are the post referendum highs in the 1.44 area we achieved earlier this year and of course our price target at 1.4661.

Eurostoxx50: We've been warning since mid-February about the weak state of European equities. This week we achieved on close our long-term price target of 3320.69. The situation is deteriorating by the minute. We've never been ones to pick bottoms and we can assure you that this down-move has a long way to go. If you don't want to be short, then stay out.

Crude WTI: Crude breaks to the upside. Our next price target is 67.89.

S&P500: We give it a 50% probability that THE top is now in. As far as the recent sell-off goes, we're now oversold by many measures according to our model. Two things to keep in mind as further evidence that something has changed in the underlying structure of the market: a) investors are increasingly unwilling to hold stock over the weekends. We keep getting Friday sell-offs, something that was totally absent for a long time; and b) the market opens flat and following (occasional) mini intra-day rallies, it closes lower. This is the exact opposite to the pre-volatility days where the market opened flat to slightly down and levitated (almost) always to a higher close. We're still within 10% of the all-time high. Buckle-up, the bear is waking up from its hibernation and it's very hungry.

Gold: Gold rises but the weight of the evidence remains kind of murky. We continue to stand aside.

30-year bond: Last week we wrote: *"Bonds remain oversold in the short-term and exhausted. From a quantitative perspective our model indicates that shorts should be considered however we currently struggle to find a high-probability and attractive risk-reward trade. Manage risk carefully."* No change in spite of this week's FOMC

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