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Technical Analysis





EUR/USD tumbled to settle near 1.0830

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"Looking ahead, it should take at least until the second half of the year before German headline inflation at least crosses the 1%-threshold again."

- ING (based on WBP Online)

Pair's Outlook

EUR/USD posted minor losses during the first trading day of 2016, even though daily highs and lows ranged from 1.0950 to 1.0780. Weak US production data limited that Euro's decline on Monday, and the pair managed to close above the crucial support represented by the monthly pivot point and July 2015 low. Focus remains on the downside, as it seems that EUR/USD is building another bearish channel in the daily chart. However, inability to violate the 1.08 demand for a second time could result in purchases of the pair and an advance in the direction of the weekly pivot point at 1.09.

■ Traders' Sentiment

The SWFX bulls are still remaining in the minority of 43%, while the bears are holding 57% of all positions at the moment.

Net Sentiment	Last	1 day ago	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	-14%	-14%	-14%	-13%
Orders (±50 pips)	-12%	20%	-4%	-11%
Orders (±100 pips)	-32%	8%	10%	-11%

Indicator/Period	Day 📦	Week	Month 🕥
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Sell	Sell	Sell
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Buy	Neutral	Buy
ADX (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Sell
CCI (14)	Buy	Neutral	Neutral
AROON (14)	Sell	Sell	Sell
Alligator (13; 8; 5)	Buy	Sell	Sell
SAR (0.02; 0.2)	Sell	Sell	Sell



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■ Resistance 3	1.0997/1.1008	Bollinger band; 50% Fibo
Resistance 2	1.0948	Weekly R1
Resistance 1	1.0853/1.09	55/20-day SMAs; 38.2% Fibo; weekly PP
Support 1	1.0812/08	Monthly PP; weekly S1; July 2015 low
Support 2	1.0761/51	Bollinger band; weekly S2; 23.6% Fibo
Support 3	1.0669	Weekly S3





GBP/USD in tight range between 1.4650 and 1.48

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"Global weakness could throw a wrench against another U.S. rate hike."

- Western Union Business Solutions (based on Business Recorder)

■ Pair's Outlook

Cable's volatility yesterday was limited by the immediate support and resistance, while the GBP/USD ended the day relatively unchanged with a slight move to the downside. Even though the pair remains in a bearish trend, a corrective rally might occur today, without the violation of the resistance in face of the weekly PP. Technical indicators, however, keep giving mixed signals in the daily timeframe, unable to support the positive outlook, suggesting a decline towards the weekly S1 and the Bollinger band around 1.4655 is possible.

■ Traders' Sentiment

Today 51% of all open positions are long, compared to 65% yesterday. The percentage of buy orders increased from 49 to 63%.

Net Sentiment	Last	1 day ago	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	2%	30%	32%	28%
Orders (±50 pips)	32%	-4%	2%	1%
Orders (±100 pips)	26%	-2%	18%	10%

Indicator/Period	Day 📦	Week 🕥	Month 🕥
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Buy	Sell	Sell
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Buy	Buy	Buy
ADX (14)	Sell	Neutral	Sell
CCI (14)	Buy	Buy	Buy
AROON (14)	Sell	Sell	Sell
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■ Resistance 3	1.5012	Weekly R2
Resistance 2	1.4878/1.4936	Weekly R1; monthly PP; 20-day SMA
Resistance 1	1.4802	Weekly PP
Support 1	1.4668/39	Bollinger band; weekly S1
Support 2	1.4593/65	Weekly S2; monthly S1; 2015 low
Support 3	1.4459	Weekly S3





USD/JPY anchored around 119.40

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"The Japanese yen could outperform amid a continued retreat in expectations for further near-term BOJ easing. This would leave the currency well positioned to benefit from any softer U.S. data flow or rise in risk aversion. Tactically we favour USD/JPY shorts."

- CitiFX (based on Reuters)

Pair's Outlook

The Greenback retreated from intraday losses on Monday, after having slumped nearly 150 pips. Today the USD/JPY is located in a rather small trading range between 119.10 and 119.80, the two clusters that attempt to hold the pair's volatility. Technical studies again are not in favour of any specific outcome, whereas the 55-day SMA's breach of the 200-day one to the upside three weeks ago suggests the Buck might soon rebound. However, no sharp movement today is expected, but the bullish momentum is still likely to prevail after an unexpected plunge on Monday.

■ Traders' Sentiment

Less traders are confident in the US Dollar's ability to outperform the Yen, as 61% of them hold short positions (previously 59%).

Net Sentiment	Last	1 day ago	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	-22%	-18%	-30%	-30%
Orders (±50 pips)	-14%	44%	4%	4%
Orders (±100 pips)	4%	42%	18%	16%

Indicator/Period	Day 📦	Week	Month 🕢
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Buy	Sell	Sell
RSI (14)	Buy	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
ADX (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Buy
CCI (14)	Buy	Neutral	Neutral
AROON (14)	Sell	Buy	Buy
Alligator (13; 8; 5)	Sell	Buy	Buy
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■ Resistance 3	120.94/121.30	Weekly R2; weekly R3; monthly PP; 100-day SMA
Resistance 2	120.29/58	Weekly PP; weekly R1
Resistance 1	119.64/93	Weekly S2; weekly S1
Support 1	119.29/118.93	Weekly S3; Bollinger band. Monthly S1
■ Support 2	118.06	Oct 2015 low
Support 3	117.63	Monthly S2





Gold's bulls are penetrating two-month downtrend

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"The Middle East tensions will continue to support gold for the time being."

- a trader in Hong Kong (based on CNBC)

■ Pair's Outlook

Risk-averse sentiment among market participants made the precious metal increasingly buoyant on Monday. After piercing through the Nov-Dec downtrend line, gold approached a vital resistance in face of the weekly R2, monthly R1, upper Bollinger band and 55-day SMA at 1,084. However, the daily close was fixed around 1,075 and below the two-month trend-line. However, Tuesday morning we are seeing extra bullish momentum, which is pushing the bullion higher. Any consolidation above 1,075 will expose the 1,084 supply zone. Moreover, the bulls are getting additional support from monthly/weekly PPs at 1,065.

■ Traders' Sentiment

Yesterday the portion of SWFX bullish positions deteriorated back to 54%, down from 56% where the share of the longs stood since Thursday of the previous week.

Net Sentiment	Last	1 day ago	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	8%	12%	10%	10%

Indicator/Period	Day 🕗	Week	Month 🕥
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Buy	Buy	Buy
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
ADX (14)	Neutral	Sell	Sell
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■ Resistance 3	1,107/10	Monthly R2; 100-day SMA
Resistance 2	1,091	Weekly R3
Resistance 1	1,084/87	Bollinger band; weekly R2; monthly R1; 55-day SMA
Support 1	1,074/70	Weekly R1; downtrend; 20-day SMA
Support 2	1,065	Weekly and monthly PP
Support 3	1,055/53	Bollinger band; weekly S1





EXPLANATIONS

Signals

- Buy the pair shows a clear uptrend
- Sell the pair shows a clear downtrend
- Neutral no specific trend for the pair

Chart

- SMA (55) Simple Moving Average of 55 periods
- SMA (200) Simple Moving Average of 200 periods

Indicators

- MACD Moving average convergence divergence momentum indicator
- RSI Relative strength index compares the magnitude of recent gains to recent losses in attempt to determine 'overbought' and 'oversold' conditions of the asset
- Stochastic technical momentum indicator that compares a currency pair's closing price to its price range over a given time period
- ADX Average directional index trend strength indicators
- CCI oscillator used in technical analysis to help determine when a currency has been overbought or oversold
- SAR trending indicator shows the direction of a trend
- AROON measures strength of a trend and likelihood that it will continue
- Alligator trending indicator demonstrates presence of a trend and its direction

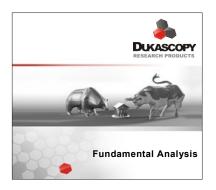
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Third Quartile - separates 25% of the highest forecasts

Second Quartile – the median price based on the projections of the industry

First Quartile - separates 25% of the lowest forecasts













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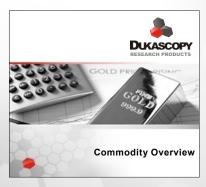
















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