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Asian markets failed to find a footing in Wednesday trade and many fell again. Hong Kong and China markets were mixed with some stocks helped by commentary in a state-backed newspaper that called for extra stimulus to support growth. But elsewhere Seoul hit 17-month lows as the IMF growth downgrade sank in and North Korea exposed stocks fell on disappointing news on a new US-NK summit. South-East Asia was also weak although Jakarta rose for a third day running.

European shares fell sharply as worries over the abrupt increase in US bond yields weighed, while tech shares sank on indication of a slowdown in the semi sector. The tech sector fell 4.3% after VAT Group said it was cutting work hours after a fall in demand. Luxury Goods also sold off on indications the slowdown in China was affecting sales there. Italian Banks were an exception and flatlined on positive comments from the Economy Minister about the budget plans. UK shares also fell on a rise in sterling.

US markets suffered their worst day since February's sell off led by tech which sold off as investors abandoned risky assets after Treasury yields rose again. News from a handful of corporates that sanctions on Chinese goods were beginning to hit margins also weighed on sentiment. The Nasdag suffered its largest daily drop in almost 2.5 years with tech losing the most in seven years. Energy stocks fell on lower oil prices, and consumer discretionary and industrial names were also notably weak.

US bond yields fell late in the day after holding their elevated level for most of it after traders finally bought bonds post the rout in equities. An auction of \$36bn in bonds was mixed with 10yrs outbid while 3yrs flatlined.

Oil prices fell more than 2% as the rise in bond yields and subsequent fall in equities hurt commodities. Investors chose to ignore Hurricane Michael that has closed some output in Texas and concentrated instead on the potential for a slowing global economy.

Asia (ex Japan) Equity



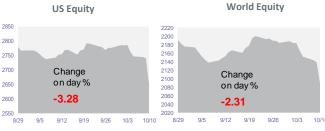


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Interest rate

LIBOR USD 3-month #



Data as or	October 10, 2018		
US Indexes	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
Dow Jones Industrial Average	25,598.74	-3.15	3.56
Nasdaq Composite	7,422.05	-4.08	7.51
S&P 500	2,785.68	-3.29	4.19
S&P 500 Volatility (Vix)	22.96	43.95	107.97
MSCIUS	2,649.79	-3.28	4.13

Europe Indexes	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
Euro Stoxx 50	3,266.90	-1.65	-6.77
FTSE 100 (UK)	7,145.74	-1.27	-7.05
DAX (Germany)	11,712.50	-2.21	-9.33
CAC-40 (France)	5,206.22	-2.11	-2.00
FTSE MIB Index (Italy)	19,719.04	-1.71	-9.77
lbex35 (Spain)	9,162.90	-1.05	-8.77
MSCI Europe ex UK	160.95	-1.32	-5.70

Asia Indexes	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
S&P/ASX (Australia)	6,049.81	0.15	4.39
NZX 50 Index (New Zealand)	9,050.82	-0.21	7.77
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	26,193.07	0.08	-12.45
Hang Seng China Enterprise Index	10,442.71	0.21	-10.82
Jakarta Composite Index (Jakarta)	5,820.67	0.41	-8.42
KLCI (Malaysia)	1,735.18	-2.20	-3.43
KOSPI (Korea)	2,228.61	-1.12	-9.32
PSEi (Philippines)	7,001.14	-0.83	-18.20
BSE Sensex 30 (India)	34,760.89	1.35	2.07
SET (Thailand)	1,721.82	1.47	-1.82
Shanghai SE Composite (Shanghai)	2,725.84	0.18	-17.58
Shanghai Shenzhen CSI 300 Index (A-shares)	3,281.60	-0.22	-18.59
MSCI China Index (H-shares)^	72.69	-1.44	-18.65
Straits Tmes Index (Singapore)	3,131.48	-1.11	-7.98
Topix (Japan)	1,763.86	0.16	-1.13
Nikkei 225 (Tokyo)	23,506.04	0.16	4.94
Taiw an Taiex Index (Taiw an)	Holiday	Holiday	-1.65
Ho Chi Minh Stock Index	993.96	-0.22	0.99
MSCI Asia ex Japan	608.64	-0.51	-14.69
World Index	Last	% Cha	%YTD Cha

Others	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
Bovespa (Brazil)	83,679.11	-2.80	9.52
Mexbol (Mexico)	48,136.18	-0.76	-2.47
MSCI Latin America	2,691.97	(2.25)	-4.82
MSCI Emerging Markets	985.67	(0.84)	-14.91

Government Bonds -			
10 Yr Benchmark (Yield/bid)	Last	Net Chg	Net YTD Chg
US Generic Govt 10-year	3.16	-0.04	0.76
UK Govt 10-year Note Generic	1.73	0.01	0.54
German Govt Bonds 10-year	0.55	0.00	0.13
Italy Govt Bonds 10-year	3.51	0.03	1.49
Japan Govt Bonds 10-year	0.16	-0.01	0.09
Singapore Govt Bonds 10-year	2.64	-0.01	0.63

Bond Indexes	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
Citigroup World Govt Bond	Holiday	Holiday	-1.57
JP Morgan Asian Credit +	210.22	0.08	-2.09
JP Morgan EMBI Eurobonds +	646.15	-0.10	-4.85
Citigroup US HY Market	1,009.23	-0.37	1.59
JP Morgan Asian HY Corp +	279.89	0.03	-2.63

Net Chg

Holiday

Net YTD Chg

Commodities +	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
Oil (Light Crude)	73.17	-2.39	20.27
Gold	1 189 30	0.18	-9 17

Holiday

Currencies	Last	% Chg	%YTD Chg
(Base Currency: 1 USD)			
Euro	0.87	0.47	-3.67
Yen	113.20	-0.01	0.39
Pound	0.76	0.87	-2.13
AUD	1.41	0.53	-9.62
SGD	1.38	0.29	-3 41

Source: Eastspring Investments (Singapore) Limited., MSCI from Bloomberg in USD terms. ^MSCI China Index (H-shares): HKD. All data extracted from Bloomberg are in local currency terms except those denoted by "+", which are in USD terms. % Chg and net change refers to the change compared to previous trading day. YTD stands for year to date. # Libor rates come from British Bankers Association. NA represents not available.

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MSCI World Index

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