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Asset Price Monitor

Local Equity Markets

- Global equity markets had another negative performance in September as global central banks continued to hike policy rates.
- The Euro Stoxx 50 fell by 5.5%, having lost 3.7% during Q3.
- The FTSE 100 ended the month down 5.2%.

Global Equity Markets

- The S&P 500 witnessed a 9.2% drop in September, and the Japanese Topix lost 5.5%.
- The MSCI Emerging Markets index was down 11.7% at month-end.

Bond/FX Markets

- Bond markets continued their downward trend in September, with the European government bond index down 3.8% at monthend.
- The European corporate bond index was down 3.3%.
- The Euro had a mixed performance in September, losing 2.6% against the US Dollar. Meanwhile, gaining 1.7% and 1.5% against the Japanese Yen and the British Pound, respectively.









Total Returns as of September 30, 2022												
	Euro Stox 50	^X FTSE 100	SMI	US (S&P)	Japan (Topix)	Em/Mkts (MSCI)	€ Govt	€ Corp	CHF in EUR	USD in EUR	JPY in EUR	GBP in EUR
1 Month	-5.5%	-5.2%	-5.3%	-9.2%	-5.5%	-11.7%	-3.8%	-3.3%	1.3%	2.6%	-1.7%	-1.5%
3 Month	-3.7%	-2.7%	-4.3%	-4.9%	-0.8%	-11.4%	-5.0%	-3.1%	3.3%	6.9%	0.2%	-2.0%
1 Year	-15.3%	0.9%	-9.3%	-15.5%	-7.1%	-27.8%	-17.0%	-15.1%	11.7%	18.1%	-9.1%	-2.1%
YTD	-20.5%	-3.7%	-18.0%	-23.9%	-5.5%	-26.9%	-16.5%	-14.6%	7.2%	16.0%	-7.7%	-4.2%

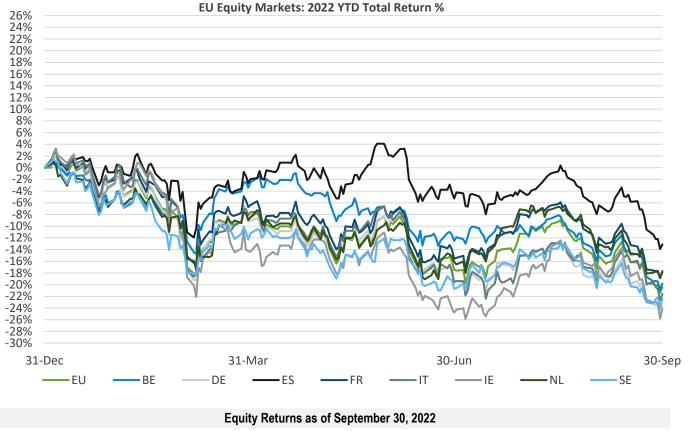
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Eurozone Equity

- All major European equities posted losses for September.
- The Irish equity market was the worst performer of the month, down 9.3%. The index is also the worst performing equity market in the region year-to-date, having lost 24.1%.
- Italian equities suffered the smallest loss in the region in September, falling by 4.1%.
- The Spanish equity market remains as the outperformer year-to-date, down 13.1% for the year so far.



Equity Returns as of September 30, 2022											
	EU	Belgium	Germany	Spain	France	Italy	Ireland	Netherlands	Sweden		
1 Month	-5.5%	-6.0%	-5.6%	-6.6%	-5.8%	-4.1%	-9.3%	-5.8%	-4.6%		
3 Month	-3.7%	-8.4%	-5.2%	-8.3%	-2.5%	-2.4%	0.9%	-2.2%	-2.2%		
QTD	-3.7%	-8.4%	-5.2%	-8.3%	-2.5%	-2.4%	0.9%	-2.2%	-2.2%		
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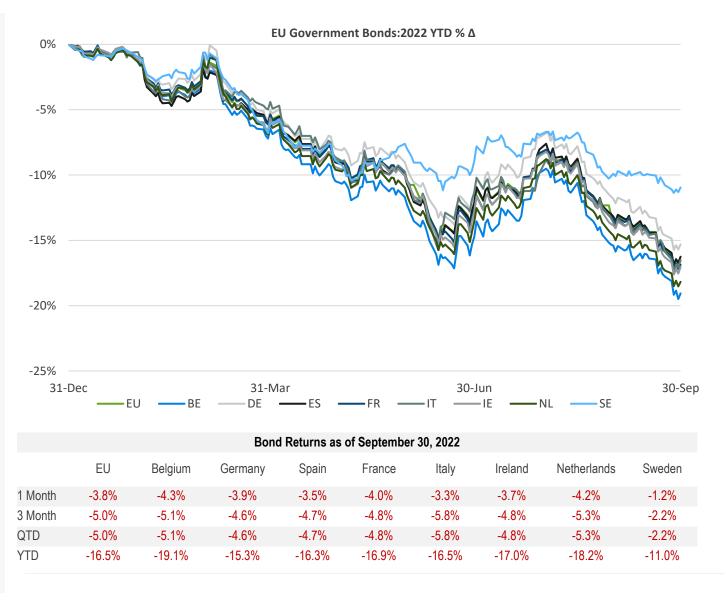


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Eurozone Government Bonds

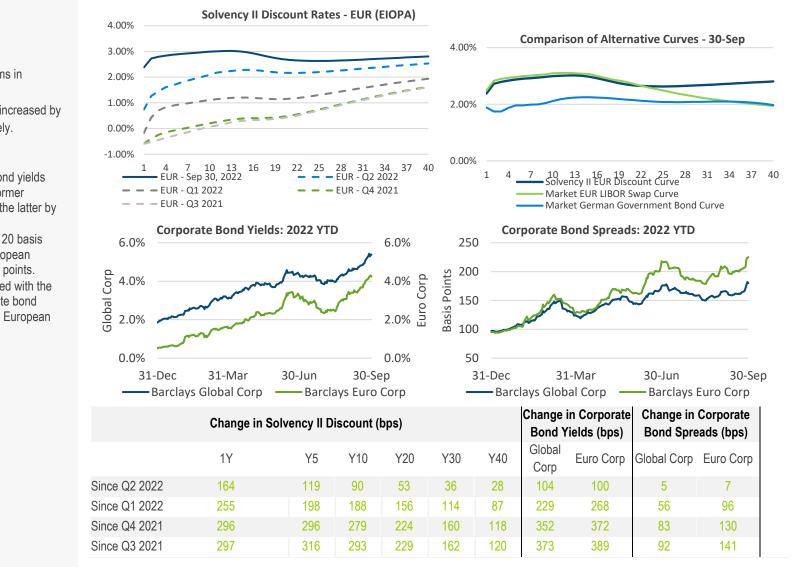
- All major European government bond indices continued their slide in September and made losses for the month.
- The Swedish government bond index dropped the least in comparison to its peers, down 1.2%. Swedish government bonds have also suffered the smallest loss for the year, down 11.0% year-to-date.
- The Belgian government bond index saw the biggest fall, losing 4.3%. The index is also the worst performer year-to-date, down 19.1% for the year so far.





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Liability Valuation Monitor

Risk Free Rates

- EUR risk-free rates rose at all terms in September.
- The 5 and 10-year risk-free rates increased by 70 and 66 basis points, respectively.

Corporate Bonds

- European and global corporate bond yields rose sharply in September. The former increased by 88 basis points and the latter by 87 basis points.
- Global credit spreads widened by 20 basis points in September and their European counterparts widened by 23 basis points.
- The rise in risk-free rates, combined with the widening in the European corporate bond spreads, resulted in losses for the European corporate bond index.

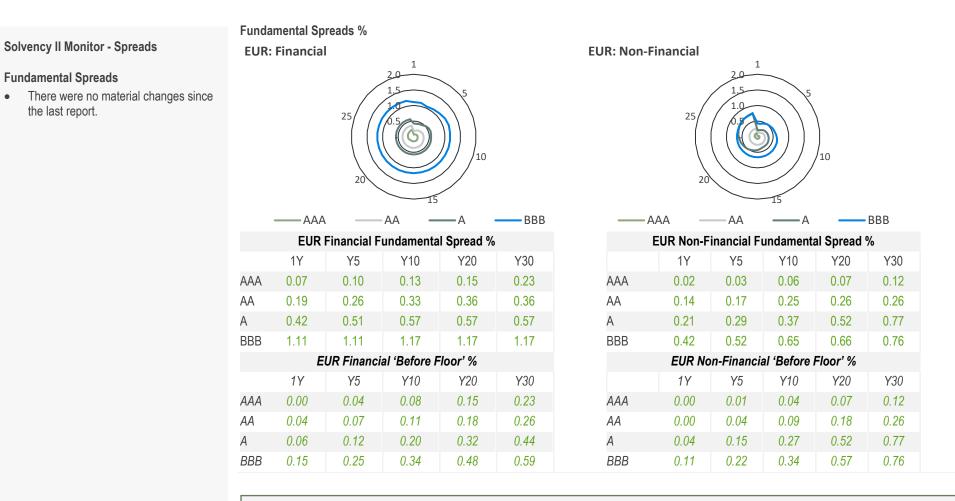
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The Solvency II risk-free discount rates are based on applying the Smith-Wilson Extrapolation to LIBOR swap rates sourced from Refinitiv and applying the Credit Risk Adjustment as defined in the Technical Specs. The data is provided by EIOPA and as of 30/09/22.

The Credit Risk Adjustment is a component of the risk-free discount curve defined by EIOPA. It is calculated from actual experience in the 'LIBOR-OIS' spread (3) months for EUR), and is bounded between 0.10 and 0.35. We show actual LIBOR-OIS spread levels and the defined CRA, for EUR.

EIOPA fundamental spreads show the credit spread corresponding to the risk of default or downgrading of an asset. This is shown here across financial and nonfinancial assets, credit quality steps 0-3 and durations of 1-30 years. The data is provided by EIOPA and as of 30/09/22. Fundamental spread = maximum (probability of default + cost of downgrade; 35% of long-term average spread). In the tables we show the 'before floor' measure = probability of default + cost of downgrade.

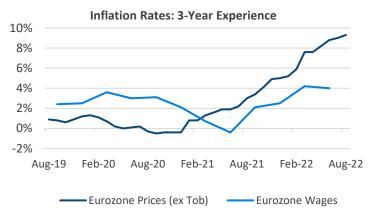


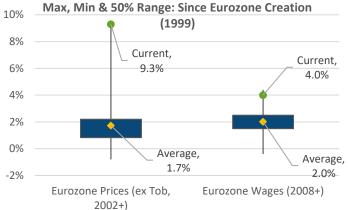
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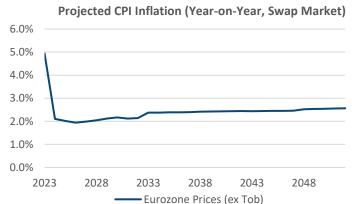
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Inflation Monitor

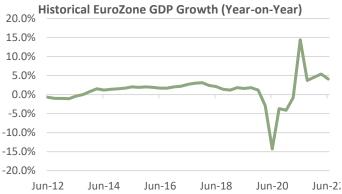
- Eurozone price inflation rose to 9.3% in August, an increase of 30 basis points from the previous month.
- The Eurozone projected CPI curve declined at the very near-term with the 1-year forward CPI falling by 2.8%, whilst the longer-end of the curve saw a marginal increase.
- There were no updates to the wage inflation figure this month.











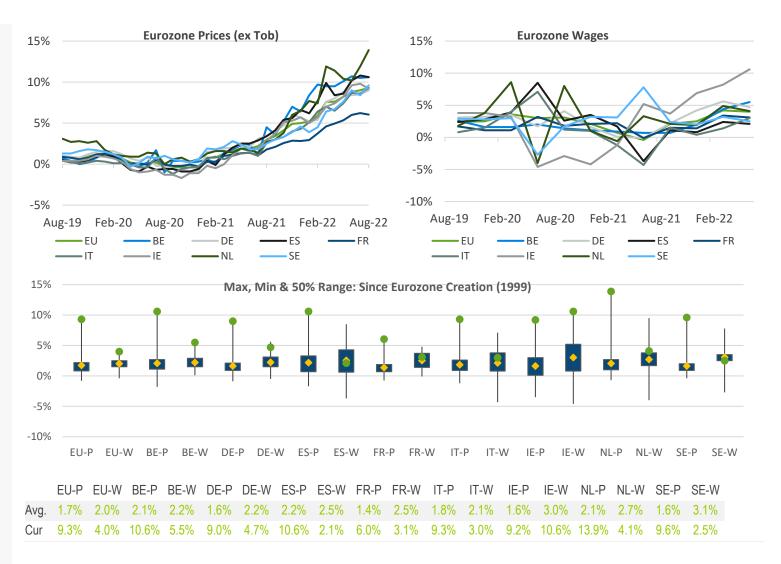


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Inflation Monitor

- Inflation figures for major European economies were mixed in August.
- Dutch price inflation saw the largest increase in the region in August, with the headline figure increasing by 200 basis points to 13.9%, which was the highest price inflation in the Euro area in August.
- Irish prices fell by 60 basis points to 9.2%, the largest drop in comparison to the other European economies.
- France remained the country with the lowest price inflation in the Eurozone, at 6.0%.
- There were no updates to the wage inflation figures this month.





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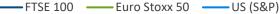
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Volatility and Hedging Cost Monitor

- Realised volatilities on major indices increased in September as equity markets witnessed a wide selloff.
- The FTSE 100 ended the month with a realised volatility of 15.9%. The same measure stood at 20.2% and 24.7% on the Euro Stoxx 50 and the S&P 500.
- ** Please note that due to some missing data ٠ the volatility risk premiums have only been updated to the 28th of June. **

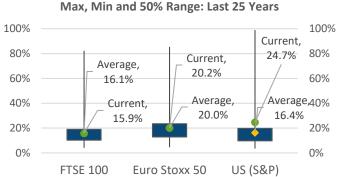
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Expected Volatility (Milliman Guarantee Index) 10% 2023 2024 2025





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