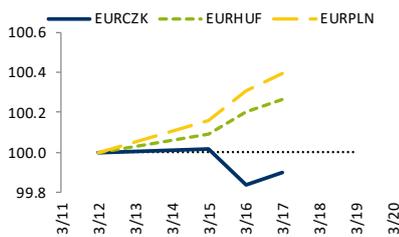




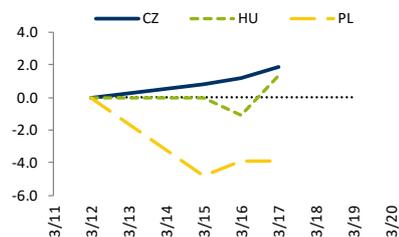
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Forex markets (index)



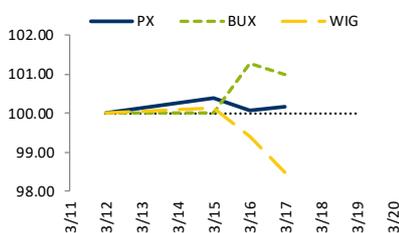
	LAST	PREVIOUS	CHANGE (%)
EURCZK	26.15	26.14	0.07
EURHUF	367.8	367.5	0.07
EURPLN	4,599	4,595	0.09

Gov. bonds 10 Y (bps change)



	LAST	PREVIOUS	CHANGE (bps)
CZGB 10Y	1.914	1.907	0.7
HUGB 10Y	2.73	2.71	0.9
PLGB 10Y	1.51	1.51	0.0

Equity indices (index)



	LAST	PREVIOUS	CHANGE (%)
PX	1079.0	1078.1	0.08
BUX	44148	44269	-0.27
WIG	58539	59089	-0.93

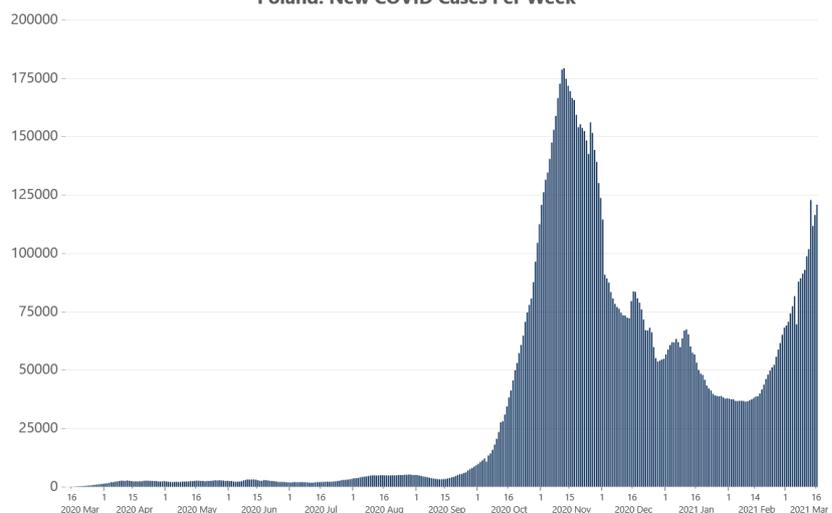
Our regional insights:

Zloty down under threat of another lockdown

The Polish zloty remains under pressure from the unfavourable domestic pandemic situation. EUR/PLN currency pair has been trying to break above the psychological level of 4.60, a ten-week maximum. Facing a permanent acceleration of new COVID-19 cases and the growing numbers of deaths, a negative macroeconomic scenario is currently coming into play, when the government will have to introduce nationwide restrictions, which will finally lead, like in the surrounding countries, to a lockdown with re-activation of restriction targeting a number of services where people can meet (retail stores, restaurants & hotels, sport events). Actually, the Polish Ministry of Health already indicated that it would wait for the next COVID-19 data from this week and then it would decide whether it would adopt respective restrictive measures so that they would be in force in particular during the upcoming Easter holidays. Hence, the Polish zloty can respond to fresh national daily COVID statistics in a very negative manner, especially if the figures in the week-by-week comparison continue growing fast. Such a scenario is, however, highly probable considering that the reproduction number R has been still very high despite a relative successful vaccination campaign.

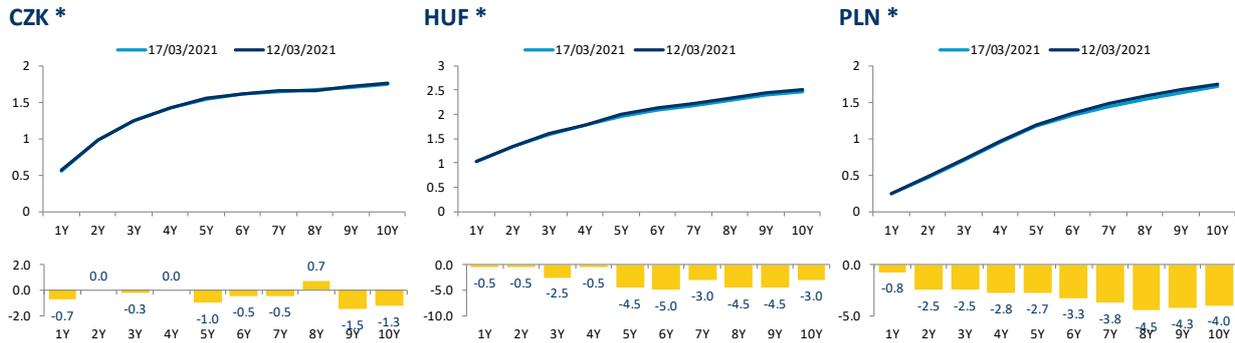
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Poland: New COVID Cases Per Week



Source: KBC Economics based on WHO

Interest-rate Swap Curves



* upper plot in each panel shows interest swap curve (%), lower plot shows change in interest rates in basis points (against previous Friday).

Calendar

Country	Date	Time	Indicator	Period	Forecast		Actual		Consensus		Previous	
					m/m	y/y	m/m	y/y	m/m	y/y	m/m	y/y
PL	03/17	10:00	Wages	%	02/01/2021				1.1	4.9	-7.3	4.8
CZ	03/17	12:00	CZ bond auction 2021-2024, 0.00%	CZK B	03/01/2021				6			
CZ	03/17	12:00	CZ bond auction 2015-2030, 0.95%	CZK B	03/01/2021				5			
CZ	03/17	12:00	CZ bond auction 2020-2040, 1.50%	CZK B	03/01/2021				2			
PL	03/18	10:00	PPI	%	02/01/2021				0.5	1.5	0.7	0.7
PL	03/18	10:00	Industrial output	%	02/01/2021				5.2	3.7	-5.1	0.9
HU	03/18	11:50	One week deposit rate	%	03/01/2021						0.8	
PL	03/19	10:00	Retail sales	%	02/01/2021				3.2	-2.8	-24.6	-6.0
HU	03/23	8:30	Current account	HUF B	4Q/2020						752	

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