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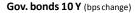
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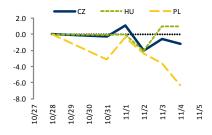
## **Regional Overview**

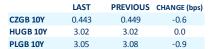
#### Forex markets (index)



EURCZK	27.02	27.02	0.01
EURHUF	306.9	307.1	-0.06
EURPLN	4.319	4.320	-0.02







Equity indices (index)



	LAST	PREVIOUS	CHANGE (%)
РХ	897.0	909.7	-1.39
BUX	29834	29872	-0.13
WIG	47709	47900	-0.40

### Macro, FX & Rates: CNB continues according to plan

November's CNB Board meeting saw no dramatic changes. The new forecast only negligibly differs from the previous one and consequently has enabled the **CNB** to **reaffirm its hard as well as soft commitments, i.e. an exit "not before 2017 Q2"**. At the same time, **the CNB Board "considers it likely that the commitment will be discontinued in mid-2017"**. The CNB still expects that "according to the forecast, sustainable fulfilment of the target, which is a condition for a return to conventional monetary policy, will occur from mid-2017 onwards".

Therefore, the tenor of the latest meeting **has not** even **changed our view** of the **unleashing of the koruna**, which we think should take place **around the third quarter of next year**. Inflation will already be very close to the target at that time (albeit probably not significantly above it); nonetheless, even this can be seen as meeting the assumption above. We see the **risks** of the timing **of the exit abroad** in particular – specifically at the **ECB**, which has not yet decided whether to terminate its **QE** (quantitative easing) according to its plan, i.e. in March 2017, or to extend it, or to phase it out gradually. A termination or phase-out would favour the exit of the koruna, while a possible QE extension would probably also postpone the end of interventions in the Czech Republic.

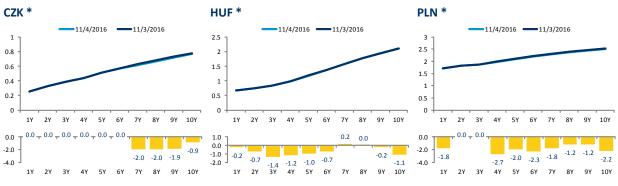
### Equities: Erste & MOL results above consensus

**(CZ)** Erste reported 21.8% y/y growth in net profit to EUR 337.4mn, 2.6% above market consensus. Erste is on track for a dividend of EUR 1/shr (3.5% DY). Slightly above current market estimate at ca EUR 0.9/shr. / SLGHT NEGATIVE. Erste beat market consensus by 2.6% on net profit line due to lower cost of risk, which declined faster than expected. The operating profit is 2.5% below cons. Dividend is a mild positive surprise as is some 10% above market consensus. On the other hand the outlook for 2017 seems to be relatively cautions in our view and this is likely to overshadow 3Q16 beat and proposed dividend.

**(HU) MOL:** Company reported its 3Q16 results today. / **POSITIVE**. In general, reported figures **beat the market** across the lines. Revenues at HUF 962bn and EBITDA at HUF 165bn beat the market estimates by 9.8% and 5% respectively. While Revenues were even above our estimates (+ 6.7%), EBITDA fully matched our forecast. EBIT at HUF 93bn and Net Income beat the market by 13.7% and 19.4% respectively. As we expected the main surprise came from upstream business line that has delivered first growth since 2011 thanks to higher volumes (production in Hungary and Croatia increased by 22% and 15% respectively) and strict cost control. Following strong beat, management raised the full year guidance targeting EBITDA at USD 2.2bn, currently.



## **Interest-rate Swap Curves**



\* upper plot in each panel shows interest swap curve (%), lower plot shows change in interest rates in basis points

# Calendar

Country	Country Time Indicator		Period	Forecast		Actual		Consensus		Previous		
country Time		malcator		renou	m/m	y/y	m/m	y/y	m/m	y/y	m/m	y/y
CZ	0:00	Earnings Erste Group Bank		3Q/2016								
HU	0:00	Earnings MOL Group		3Q/2016								

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