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EUR / USD



Decreasing.

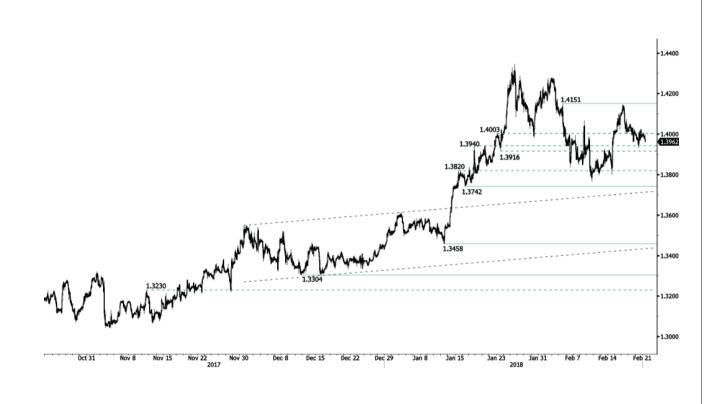
• EUR/USD is decreasing further, heading for support at 1.2276 (14/02/2018 low). Hourly resistance at 1.2510 (15/02/2018 high) is distanced. The technical structure suggests further downside moves.

• In the longer term, the momentum is turning largely positive. We favor a continued bullish bias. Key resistance is holding at 1.2886 (15/10/2014 high) while strong support lies at 1.1554 (08/11/2017 low).



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GBP / USD



Sideways price action.

• GBP/USD is maintained at the 1.40 range, trading between hourly resistance and support at 1.4151 (05/02/2018 high) and 1.3742 (16/01/2018 low). The technical structure suggests further sideway moves.

• The long-term technical pattern is reversing. The Brexit vote had paved the way for further decline but the pair is moving to 2016 highs. Long-term support and resistance are given at 1.1841 (07/10/2017 low) and 1.5018 (24/06/2016 high).



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USD / JPY



Riding higher.

• USD/JPY is rising further, approaching hourly resistance at 109.09 (31/01/2018 high). Hourly support remains at 105.55 (16/02/2018). The technical structure suggests short-term upside moves.

• We favor a long-term bearish bias. Support at 105.55 (03/05/2016 low) is almost reached. A gradual rise toward the major resistance at 125.86 (05/06/2015 high) seems unlikely. Expected to decline further support at 101.20 (09/11/2016 low).



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USD / CHF



Rising higher.

• USD/CHF ended its short-term downward trend, heading for further rise along 0.94. Hourly resistance stands at 0.9470 (08/02/2018 high) while hourly support remains at 0.9188 (16/02/2018 low).

• In the long-term, the pair is still trading in range since 2011 despite some turmoil when the SNB unpegged the CHF. Key support lies at 0.9072 (07/05/2015 low) while resistance at 1.0344 (15/12/2016 high) is distanced. The technical structure favours a long term bullish bias since the unpeg in January 2015.



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USD / CAD



Increase continues.

• USD/CAD keeps increasing, recovering from December downward trend. The pair is approaching hourly resistance at 1.2716 (04/12/2018 high) and distancing support at 1.2466 (15/02/2018 low). The technical structure indicates that continued rise is expected in the short-term.

• In the longer term, the pair is trading between resistance point at 1.3805 (05/05/2017 high) and support at 1.2128 (18/06/2015 low). Strong resistance is given at 1.4690 (22/01/2016 high). The pair is likely to head lower. The pairs is trading below its 200 DMA.



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AUD / USD



Riding lower.

• AUD/USD is trading lower following recent stabilization, heading for further decrease along hourly support given at 0.7773 (14/02/2018 low). Hourly resistance is maintained at 0.7999 (17/01/2018 high).

• In the long-term, the upward trend resumes after failing to reach key resistance at 0.8164 (14/05/2015 low). Key support stands at 0.6009 (31/10/2008 low). A break of the key resistance at 0.8164 (14/05/2015 high) is needed to invalidate our long-term bearish view.



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EUR / GBP



Fast recovery.

• EUR/GBP is bouncing back from 0.8806 (21/02/2018 low) following strong overnight selling pressures, approaching hourly resistance at 0.8846 (12/12/2017 high). Hourly resistance remains at 0.8774 (11/12/2017 low). The technical structure suggests further short-term upside moves.

• In the long-term, the pair has largely recovered from 2015 lows. The technical structure suggests further upside pressure. The pair is trading below its 200 DMA. Strong resistance can be found at 0.9500 (psychological level) while support remains at 0.8304 (05/12/2016 low).



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EUR / CHF



Strengthening.

• EUR/CHF is increasing following recent consolidation, trading between hourly resistance and support at 1.162 (07/02/2018 high) and 1.1487 (12/92/2918 low). The technical structure suggests further short-term upside moves.

• In the longer term, the technical structure has reversed. Strong resistance is given at 1.20 (level before the unpeg). Yet, the ECB's slowing QE program is likely to cause buying pressures on the euro, which should weigh in favour of the EUR/CHF. Support can be found at 1.0234 (20/04/2015 low).



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GOLD (in USD)



Decrease confirmed.

• Gold is trading further down, approaching hourly support at 1306 (04/01/2018 low). Hourly resistance at 1366 (25/01/2018 high) is maintained. The technical structure suggests further downside moves.

• In the long-term, the technical structure suggests that there is a growing upside momentum. A break of 1'392 (17/03/2014) is required to confirm it. A major support can be found at 1'045 (05/02/2010 low).



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SILVER (in USD)



Stabilizing.

• Silver is stabilizing at the range of 16.50, trading close to hourly support at 16.27 (07/02/2018 low). Hourly resistance remains at 16.98 (15/02/2018 high). The technical structure suggests further short-term consolidation.

• In the long-term, the trend remains negative/ sideways. Further downside is very likely. The pair is trading below its 200 DMA. Resistance is located at 21.58 (10/07/2014 high). Strong support can be found at 11.75 (20/04/2009).



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CRUDE OIL (in USD)



Decreasing.

• Crude oil upward trend weakens after reaching 62.74 (20/02/2018 high). Crude oil is contained between resistance at 63.67 (10/01/2018) and support at 58.07 (09/02/2018 low). The technical structure suggests short-term downside moves.

• In the long-term, crude oil has recovered after its sharp decline last year. However, we consider that further weakness is very likely. For the time being, the pair lies in an upside trend since June 2017. Support lies at 42.20 (16/11/2016) while resistance is located at 77.83 (20/11/2014). Crude oil is trading largely above its 200 DMA.



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BITCOIN (in USD)



Bouncing back after slight drop.

• Bitcoin upward trend resumes following slight decrease at 10676 (21/02/2018 low), heading for hourly resistance at 12130 (18/01/2018 high). Strong support remains at 9022 (30/11/2017 low). The short-term technical structure suggests further upside moves.

• In the long-term, the digital currency has had an exponential growth but also presented important downturns. There is decent likelihood that the currency could stabilize between 7'000 - 12'000 in 2018. Bitcoin is trading above its 200 DMA (6'500 range).



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