

DAILY TECHNICAL REPORT

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EUR / USD



Bearish bias.

- EUR/USD is decreasing further, breaking hourly support at 1.2276 (14/02/2018 low) and heading to further resistance at 1.2165 (17/01/2018 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



Drifting down.

- GBP/USD is decreasing below 1.39, trading between hourly support and resistance and 1.3742 (16/01/2018 low) and 1.4151 (05/02/2018 high). The technical structure suggests further short-term decline.
- 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



Weakening.

- USD/JPY upward trend is losing steam, resuming its bearish pattern. Hourly support and resistance are given at 105.55 (16/02/2018) and 109.09 (31/01/2018 high). The technical structure suggests short-term downside 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



Increase continues.

- 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

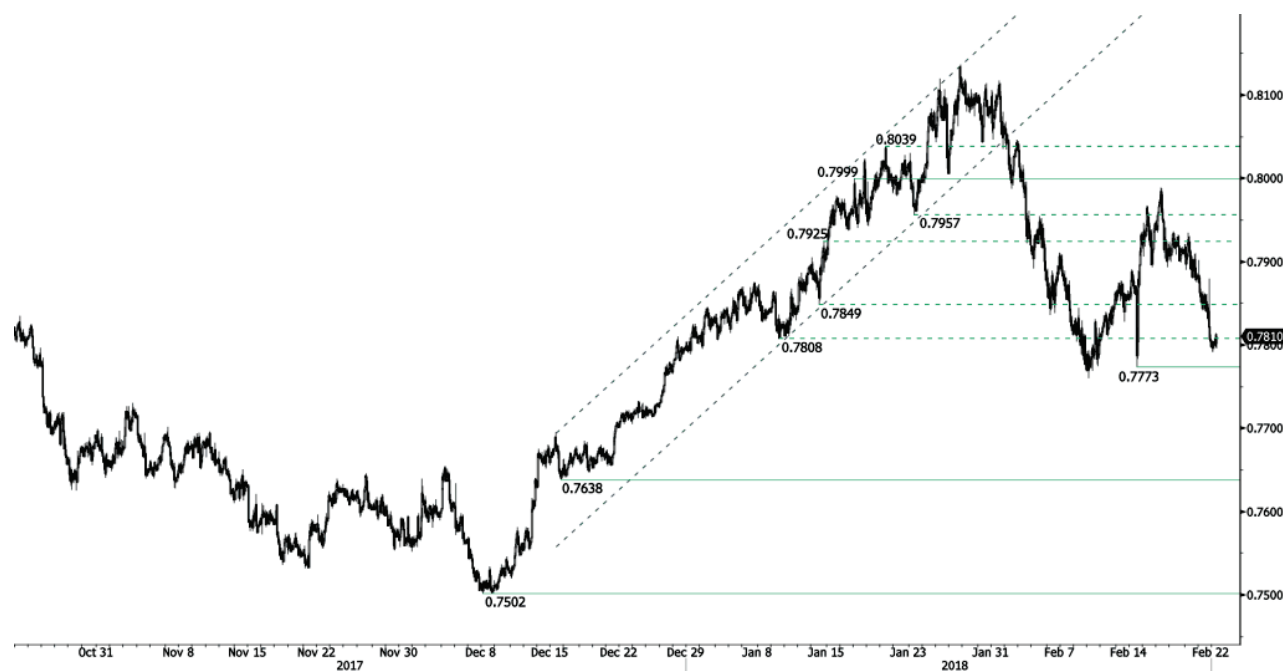


Monitoring resistance at 1.2716.

- USD/CAD keeps increasing, recovering from December downward trend. Hourly resistance at 1.2716 (04/12/2018 high) is almost reached while support at 1.2466 (15/02/2018 low) is distanced. 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 pair is trading below its 200 DMA.

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AUD / USD

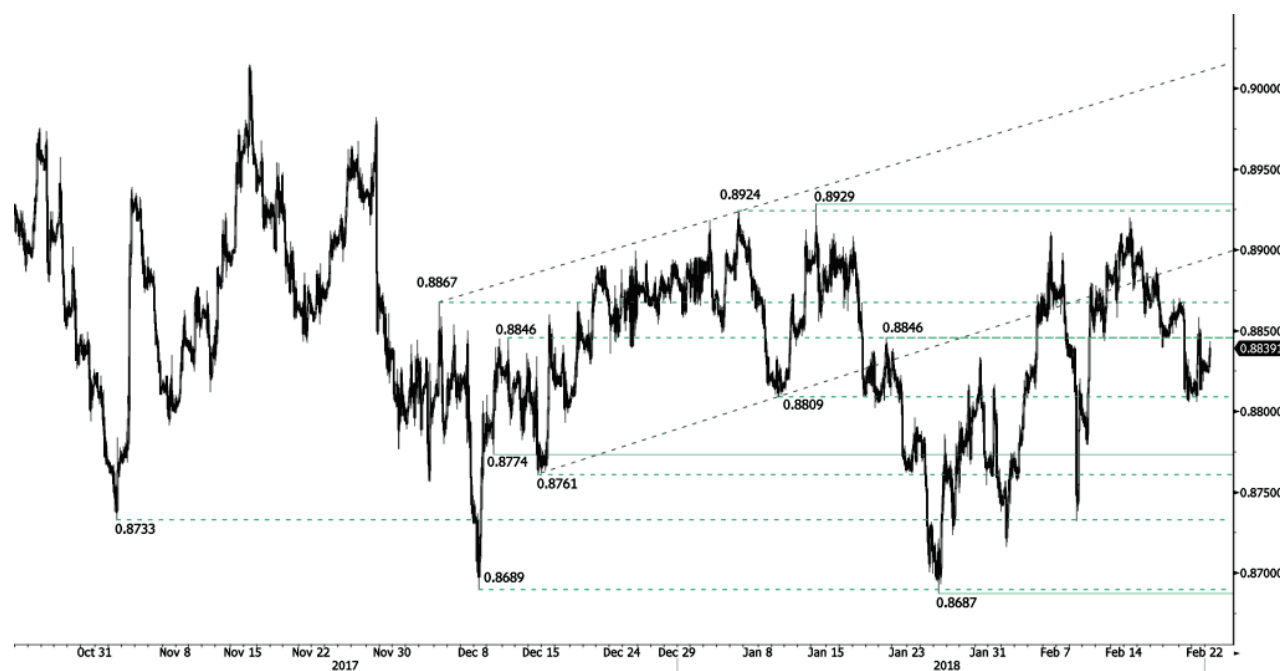


Declining.

- AUD/USD continues its descent, approaching hourly support 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



Recovery bounce continues.

- EUR/GBP strong bounce continues, breaking hourly resistance at 0.8846 (12/12/2017 high) and distancing hourly support 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. Strong resistance can be found at 0.9500 (psychological level) while support remains at 0.8304 (05/12/2016 low). The pair is trading below its 200 DMA.

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EUR / CHF



Pausing before another leg higher.

- EUR/CHF recovery is slowing down at 1.152. The pair is trading between hourly support and resistance at 1.1487 (12/92/2918 low) and 1.162 (07/02/2018 high). 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)



Bearish trend.

- 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)



Continued consolidation.

- Silver is maintained at the range of 16.45 after reaching 16.78 yesterday. Heading closer to hourly support at 16.27 (07/02/2018 low) while hourly resistance remains at 16.98 (15/02/2018 high). The technical structure suggests further short-term decrease.
- 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)



Slight increase

- Crude oil upward trend resumes, trading above 61 after reaching 62.50. Crude oil is contained between support at 58.07 (09/02/2018 low) and resistance at 63.67 (10/01/2018). The technical structure suggests short-term upside 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)



Bullish trend falters above 10000.

- Bitcoin upward trend stops following slight decrease above 10000. Expected to resume its rise. Hourly support remains at 9022 (30/11/2017 low) while resistance is given at 12130 (18/01/2018 high).
- 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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