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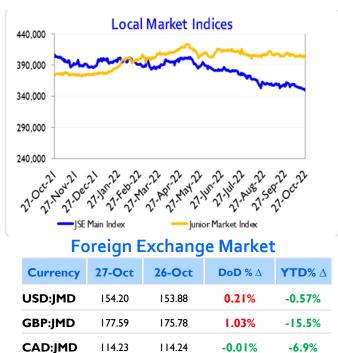
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ECB raises interest rates again

The European Central Bank (ECB) raised interest rates again on Thursday and announced it was changing the terms of its ultra-cheap loans to commercial banks, in a bid to shrink its bloated balance sheet and fight off a historic surge in inflation. Worried that rapid price growth is becoming entrenched, the ECB has raised borrowing costs at the fastest pace on record. With further hikes almost certain, it is likely that rate hikes will continue well into next year and beyond, as the ECB tries to unwind a decade's worth of stimulus. The central bank for the 19 countries that use the euro, on Thursday raised its deposit rate by a further 75 basis points to 1.5% - the highest rate since 2009. Until as recently as July, ECB rates had been in negative territory for eight years.

The euro dropped and European government bond yields fell after the announcement, which was in line with market expectations. At a news conference, ECB President Christine Lagarde, noted that while the Ukraine war and other global uncertainties meant the euro area economy faced several risks to the downside, inflation risks were skewed upwards. Markets expect the pace of the hikes to slow somewhat, with the deposit rate forecast to hit 2% in December, then peak at around 3% some time in 2023, although the unusually volatile outlook makes this time-line prone to changes. The ECB also offered no hints for now, about plans to start winding down its bond holdings, after purchasing trillions of euros of debt issued by euro zone governments since 2015.



Caribbean & Latam

Latin American currencies jumped on Thursday, leading a recovery across emerging market currencies, with Brazil's real surging 1.7% after the local central bank said it would maintain tight monetary policy till inflation came within sight of its target.

USA & Canada

 The S&P 500 and the Nasdaq posted losses on Thursday, as investors contended with solid economic data and a mixed bag of corporate earnings.

Europe

 European shares were nearly flat on Thursday as investors balanced mixed earnings reports and economic data, while the British pound retreated from mid-September highs.

<u>Asia</u>

Asian stock markets are trading mostly higher on Thursday, despite the broadly negative cues from Wall Street overnight, boosted by gains in materials and energy stocks amid the spike in commodity prices.

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******	Local	Equity M	arket		
Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% Δ	YTD % Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	364,383.57	-1,228.56	-0.34%	-9.16%	-11.1 9 %
JSE Index	350,041.76	-1,237.21	-0.35%	-11.64%	-14.02%
All Jamaican Composite In	dex 400,663.30	-1,462.75	-0.36%	- 8.59 %	-10.92%
JSE Select Index	8,862.67	-60.04	-0.67%	-10.32%	-10.50%
Junior Market Index	4,124.14	-8.04	-0.19%	20.30%	23.96%
	BEST AND W	ORST PERFO	ORMERS		
AD	VANCERS		DE	CLINERS	
SRFUSD	11.68%		AFS	-14.21%	
AMG	11.22%	TJI	HUSD	-11.11%	
KEX	7.38%	JA	MT	-10.20%	

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **91** stocks, of which **40** advanced, **41** declined and **10** traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets					International Currency Market				
Index	27-Oct	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ	Currency	27-Oct	DoD % Δ	YTD% A	ΥοΥ% Λ
S&P 500	3,807.30	-0.61%	-20.12%	-16.35%	,				
Dow Jones	32,033.28	0.61%	-11.85%	-9.74%	EUR: USD	0.9964	-1.16%	-12.37%	-14.13%
FTSE All Share	3,873.27	0.19%	-7.96%	- 6.4 1%	GBP: USD	1.16	-0.52%	-14.54%	-15.86%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,604.51	-0.02%	- 6. 4 %	- 4.60 %		1.10	-0.32/6	-14.54/6	-13.00/6
Nikkei 225	27,345.24	-0.32%	-5.02%	-6.02 %	USD: CAD	1.36	0.09%	7.34%	9.76%
MSCI World Index	581.75	-0.41%	-22.93%	-21.57%	USD: JPY	146.29	-0.05%	27.12%	28.52%

Global Interest Rates				Commodities					
Rates	27-Oct	DoD Abps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	2 7-O ct	DoD % A	YTD% 🛆	ΥοΥ% Δ
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	3.92%	-8.00	241.00	238.00	Crude Oil	89.08	1.33%	18.44%	7.77%
	3.40%	-18.00	243.00	241.00	Gold	1,663.31	-0.08%	-9.07 %	-7.43%
10-Year UK Gilt					Silver	19.60	0.10%	-15.90%	-18.54%
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	6.37%	0.00	233.00	278.00	Aluminium	2,289.50	- 1.95 %	-18.45%	-14.76%

Sources: Bloomberg, Reuters, Jamaica Stock Exchange, Bank of Jamaica, Jamaica Observer, Jamaica Gleaner, Nasdaq, Investing.com

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JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$12.9528	-9.35%	-8.45%	1.71%
Global Equity	J\$14.5723	-7.59%	-7.24%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$13.6761	3.70%	3.08%	4.76%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$11.3206	3.65%	3.03%	3.87%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.3423	0.29%	0.01%	4.02%
Local Money Market	J\$11.9449	3.93%	3.11%	5.67%

	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Global Fixed Income Funds	Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund
Objective	To preserve capital whilst	To preserve capital whilst	To achieve an attractive total	To provide long-term	To provide long-term capital
	providing US dollar (US\$)	providing Jamaican Dollar	return through capital injection and	investment growth through	growth and risk
	money market returns	(J\$) money market returns	income growth. This is offered	exposure to a diversified	diversification.
			through two separate Funds:	range of asset classes.	
			(i) A Jamaican dollar (J\$) and		
			(ii) A US dollar (US\$) fund.		
Strategy	To invest in local and global	To invest in local and global	To invest in regional, sovereign	To invest in fixed income,	To invest in the shares of
	money market instruments	money market instruments	debt securities, local and	high dividend yielding stocks,	local and international
	for safety, liquidity and	for safety and liquidity and	international corporate bonds.	REITs and structured products	companies which offer
	yield.	yield			strong growth possibilities
					and consistent income

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