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Eurozone Sentix investor sentiment weakens
Eurozone investor confidence weakened in Nov., as the economy struggles to emerge from the slump, the behavioural research institute Sentix showed on Monday [10/11]. The investor confidence index fell unexpectedly to -7.4 in November from -5.4 in October. (www.rttnews.com 10/11/25)

Eurozone banks tilting loan pricing towards greener firms, ECB blog says
Eurozone banks are offering loans on more favourable terms to companies with better climate performance and maybe punishing polluters, according to the European Central Bank on Monday [10/11]. The ECB has been pushing banks for years to disclose and manage their climate risk, using a range of tools like binding supervisory orders, fines and collateral repricing. (www.reuters.com 10/11/25)

US shutdown nears end as senate passes deal, house readies vote
A record-setting 41-day US government shutdown is on a path to end as soon as November 12, after the Senate passed a temporary funding measure backed by a group of eight centrist Democrats.The Senate’s 60-40 vote Monday comes amid escalating flight disruptions, food aid delays and frustrations in a federal workforce that has mostly gone without pay for more than a month.
(www.bloomberg.com 11/11/25)

PBOC pushes Yuan borrowing abroad to internationalise currency
China’s central bank vowed to further encourage financing in the yuan by overseas entities, betting cheap borrowing costs and increased demand for the currency offshore will be crucial drivers for its globalisation. The country will promote the role of the yuan as a funding currency as one of the key steps to advance its internationalisation, the Bank of China said. (www.bloomberg.com 11/11/25)

UK unemployment rate rises
The UK unemployment rate increased in Q3, data published by the Office for National Statistics shows today. The ILO jobless rate rose to 5.0% in the three months to September which was above the economists' forecast of 4.9%. The unemployment rate was 4.8% in the three months to August. In October, payroll employees decreased 32,000 from September to 30.3m. (www.rttnews.com 11/11/25)

BoE proposes changes to systemic stablecoin regime
The Bank of England has scaled back the proportion of reserves that systemic issuers of sterling stablecoins will need to hold in unremunerated accounts at the central bank. The BoE said issuers of sterling stablecoins would only need to hold 40% of their reserves at the bank, rather than the previous level of 100%. (www.centralbanking.com 10/11/25)

Germany needs sweeping reform to regain competitiveness, minister says
Germany must undertake sweeping reforms to regain its economic competitiveness, Economy Minister Katherina Reiche has said, warning that the country is mired in a structural crisis. "The situation is serious," Reiche said in a keynote speech in Berlin, adding that Germany had fallen behind internationally. Reiche also urged a market-oriented energy policy, noting German firms pay up to five times more for gas than their US counterparts.
(www.reuters.com 10/11/25)

Japan Eco watchers index rises further; outlook brightens
A measure of the public assessment of the current situation of the Japanese economy strengthened further in Oct., to the highest level in nineteen months, survey data from the Cabinet Office shows. The current conditions index of the Economy Watchers' Survey rose to 49.1 in October. (www.rttnews.com 11/11/25)

EXCHANGE RATES OF SELECTED CURRENCIES

CURRENCIES	BUYING		SELLING	
+USD/GBP	1.3160	(1.3159)	1.3161	(1.3160)
+USD/EUR	1.1563	(1.1577)	1.1563	(1.1577)
*GHS/USD	10.9145	(10.9145)	10.9255	(10.9255)
*GHS/GBP	14.3635	(14.3624)	14.3790	(14.3779)
*GHS/EUR	12.6206	(12.6352)	12.6320	(12.6477)

+SOURCE: BOG INTERNAL TRANSACTION RATES: 11/11/25 (Rates for 10/11/25 in brackets)
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Turkey industrial output growth eases to 2.9%

Turkey's industrial production expanded at the weakest pace in six months in Sept., the Turkish Statistical Institute reported Monday [10/11]. Industrial output rose 2.9% on a yearly basis in Sept., much slower than the 7.3% increase in Aug. Further, this was the slowest rate of increase since the current sequence of growth began in March. (www.rttnews.com 10/11/25)

India's unemployment rate eases to 5.2% in September quarter, women's employment rises

India's unemployment rate fell to 5.2% in the July–Sept., quarter from 5.4% in the previous 3 months, driven by increased rural employment during the farming season and pick up in female participation, government data showed on Monday[10/11]. (www.reuters.com 10/11/25)

Australian consumer confidence soars on outlook for economy

Australia's consumer confidence soared in Nov., as households turned more positive on prospects for the economy, a result that's likely to further reduce the chances of a near-term interest-rate cut. Sentiment surged 12.8% to 103.8 points, a Westpac Banking Corp. survey shows. (www.bloomberg.com 11/11/25)

Portugal trade gap narrows in September

Portugal's trade deficit decreased somewhat in September from a year ago as exports grew faster than imports, the Statistics Portugal said. The trade deficit dropped to €2.59bn in Sept., from €2.65bn in the same month last year. In nominal terms, exports surged 14.3% year-on-year in Sept. (www.rttnews.com 10/11/25)

Israel's budget deficit jumps 33% in Oct.

Israel's budget deficit in Oct., reached ₪15.3bn (around $4.7bn), up from ₪11.5bn in Oct., last year, a year-on-year rise of 33%, according to the state's Ministry of Finance. Israel's cumulative 12-month deficit reached ₪102.5bn between Nov. 2024 and Oct. 2025, representing 4.9% of GDP, up from ₪98.6bn, or 4.7% of GDP, recorded in the previous 12 months. (www.xinhuanet.com 11/11/25)

Oil slips on oversupply worries, sanctions risk in focus

Oil prices dipped in Asian trade today as oversupply concerns outweighed uncertainty over the impact of US sanctions on Russian oil majors Rosneft and Lukoil and optimism over progress toward reopening the US government. Brent crude futures fell 12 cents, or 0.2%, to $63.94 a barrel by 0426 GMT. (www.reuters.com 11/11/25)

South Africa's G-20 is looking threadbare with Trump snub

When world leaders meet in Johannesburg this month, it looks increasingly likely that major powers will be missing and not just the US President Trump has escalated a months-long spat into a full diplomatic walkout with his weekend announcement that his administration won't send any representative to the Group of 20 summit. (www.bloomberg.com 10/11/25)

Senegal Eurobonds see record drop on Prime Minister's debt stand

Senegal's Eurobonds plunged after Prime Minister Ousmane Sonko ruled out a debt restructuring following negotiations with the International Monetary Fund, leaving the country with few options to ease its fiscal strain. (www.bloomberg.com 10/11/25)

United Arab Emirates plans to conclude trade deal with Chad by end 2025

The United Arab Emirates could conclude negotiations for a bilateral trade agreement with the central African state of Chad by the end of the year, the Gulf state's trade minister said on Monday [10/11]. (www.reuters.com 10/11/25)

Bank of Botswana warns of 'risk spillovers' to banking sector

The Bank of Botswana's financial stability council (FSC) warned the banking sector could be hit by "risk spillovers" from the government and external sectors, after the council met last week. A statement on the council meeting, published on Nov. 7, said banks overall remained "safe and sound", but faced risks from highly concentrated exposures to the household sector. (www.centralbanking.com 10/11/25)