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What to watch next week

Local market movers	Preliminary Q3 GDP figures and October CPI data are due out next week in Hungary. High frequency indicators point to a strong rebound of economic activity in Q3, real GDP growth may be minus 5-6% compared to minus 13.6% in Q2. Headline inflation may have retreated further in October, the y-o-y figure could come out at 3.1-3.2%.				
External developments	The US macro diary will be rather light, the focus will remain on developments regarding the presidential elections. The German ZEW index is widely expected to show deteriorating sentiment in tandem with the worsening pandemic situation. Preliminary Q3 EZ GDP figures could confirm the strong recovery reflected in the flash readings.				

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Summary of recent macro and market developments

The industrial recovery continues, retail sales disappoints

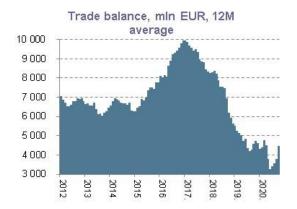
The industrial recovery continued in September, albeit at a slower rate. Output increased by 2.3% m-o-m (wda) but remained 1% below last years level. Unadjusted data showed 2.2% y-o-y rise. Output were down 9.2% in the January-September period. The recovery may get more fragile alongside with the worsening COVID situation and the reintroduction of containment measures across Europe, but the recently released PMIs and the latest German IP and orders figures suggest that the COVID impact on manufacturing may be less severe compared to Q2 (factories remain open, global demand picture more supportive, no serious supply chain disruptions, yet).

The relatively benign external demand picture was confirmed by the September trade statistics as well-Exports rose by 4.6% in EUR terms, but imports remained down by 2.4% y-o-y (weak consumption and investments), hence the monthly surplus jumped above EUR 1 bln (EUR 1.141 bln), the surplus of the Q1-Q3 period reached EUR 3.67 bln suggesting that the FY positive balance could reach or even slightly surpass EUR 5 bln.

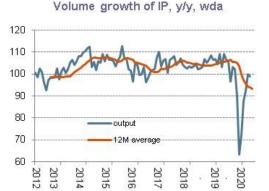
The worsening labor market situation, the fragile sentiment and rising cautiousness took a toll on retail sales in September; sales were down 2% y-o-y.

Although mirroring the global pattern, the Hungarian economy posted a strong rebound in Q3 (that is likely to be confirmed by flash GDP figures to be released next week), the downside risks have intensified lately. FY 2020 GDP growth is very likely to be minus 5-6% (lower than our previous estimate). However, due to the current COVID situation we do not feel like upgrading our 2021 GDP forecast of 3.9% despite the lower base.

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HUF rallies

The HUF posted an impressive rebound this week alongside with strengthening global risk appetite. EUR/HUF that hovered around 370 even last week, fell below 358 on Thursday. Other CE currencies also gained, but the forint managed to surpass its regional peers this time. However, we do not expect the rally to continue with this speed, once the US election is out of the picture, the worsening COVID situation may grab the markets' attention, yet again.

The appreciation of the Hungarian unit, however, is certainly a welcome development for the central bank and so is the expected CPI trajectory for the remaining part of the year. The stable and firmer FX rate alongside with falling headline inflation create room for the NBH to keep rates stable. The central bank left the 1W depo rate on hold this week (this is the effective interest rate anchoring Bubor rates), and barring a renewed strong wave of HUF



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depreciation, the 1W rate is likely to remain unchanged in the upcoming period. Bubor rates may even retreat a few basis points if inflation releases will be as supportive as anticipated.







CE3 GOVERNMENT BOND YIELDS									
	HU		PL		(EU			
SPOT (bid)	yield (%)	spread (bp)	yield (%)	spread (bp)	yield (%)	spread (bp)	yield (%)		
1Y	0,73	145	0,00	72	-0,16	56	-0,72		
3Y	1,29	212	-0,02	81	0,30	113	-0,83		
5Y	1,70	251	0,30	111	0,57	137	-0,81		
10Y	2,25	288	1,13	177	1,00	163	-0,63		
60-DAY AVG	yield (%)	spread (bp)	yield (%)	spread (bp)	yield (%)	spread (bp)	yield (%)		
1Y	0,64	126	0,08	69	0,06	67	-0,62		
3Y	1,28	203	0,25	100	0,36	111	-0,75		
5Y	1,73	245	0,61	133	0,59	131	-0,72		
10Y	2,37	289	1,37	189	0,98	150	-0,52		

Source: Reuters



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Macroeconomic and market forecasts

	Unit	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
GDP growth, y/y - CIB forecast (*)	%	4,3	5,1	4,9	-5,6	3,9
GDP growth, y/y - Market consensus	%	-	-	-	-5,5	4,7
Industrial production, y/y	%	4,6	3,5	5,6	-6,8	5,2
Trade balance	EUR mIn	8078	5520	4334	5427	5187
CPI, y/y, average - CIB forecast	%	2,4	2,8	3,4	3,4	3,4
CPI, y/y, average - Market consensus	%	-	-	-	3,5	3,1
CPI, y/y, end of period - CIB forecast	%	2,1	2,7	4,0	3,2	3,1
CPI, y/y, end of period - Market consensus	%	-	-	-		
Budget balance / GDP						
(ESA, including one-off revenues)	%	-2,2	-2,2	-1,6	-6,7	-3,4
Unemployment rate (eop)	%	3,8	3,6	3,5	4,9	4,5

	EXCHANGE RATES	, QUARTERLY	AVERAGE	
	2019 Q4	2020 Q2	2020 Q4	2021 Q4
EUR/HUF	332	352	362	356
CHF/HUF	303	331	339	320
USD/HUF	300	320	304	305
EUR/CHF	1,10	1,06	1,07	1,11
EUR/USD	1,11	1,10	1,19	1,16
GBP/USD	1,29	1,24	1,30	1,31
GBP/HUF	386	397	394	400

INTEREST RATE FORECASTS									
(eop)	2019.12	2020.06	2020.12	2021.12					
NHB base rate	0,90%	0,75%	0,60%	0,60%					
HU 3M BUBOR	0,16%	0,74%	0,77%	0,65%					
Fed Funds rate	1,75%	0,25%	0,25%	0,25%					
ECB refi rate	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%					
SNB 3M Libor target	-0,75%	-0,75%	-0,75%	-0,75%					



Macro diary

Week 45

				MONDAY 11/02/2020								
Country HU EZ US	т т т	Time 9:00 10:00 16:00	r r	Data Manufacturing PMI, final Manufacturing PMI, final ISM index	c c	Period October October October	- F 	Previous 48,8 54,4 55,4	7 7 7	Forecast 54,4 55,8	т т т	Result 50,1 54,8 59,3
				TUESDAY 11/03/2020								
Country	۲	Time	•	Data No major data release AUKCIÓK	F	Period	• F	Previous	7	Forecast	۲	Result
				AUKCIUK	•	mount		Previous		Forecast		Result
HU		11:30		3M T-bill		JF 30 bln	r'	0.49%	7	orecasi	r.	0.50%
110		11.50		WEDNESDAY 11/04/2020	110	50 511		0,4370				0,0070
Country		Time		Data	F	Period	F	Previous		Forecast		Result
EZ EZ	-	10:00 10:00		Services PMI, final Composite PMI, final	C	October October	-	46,2 49,4	÷	46,2 49,4	-	46,9 50,1
US US	-	14:15 16:00	-	ADP, change in private sector employment, thousands Services ISM index	_	October October	-	749 57,8	÷	650 57,5	-	365 56,6
				THURSDAY 11/05/2020								
Country DE HU EZ US US	r r r	Time 8:00 9:00 11:00 14:30 20:00	r r r	Data Industrial orders, m/m Retail sales, y/y Retail sales, m/m Initial jobless claims, thousands Fed interest rate decision	Se Se Se	Period eptember eptember eptember weekly ovember	т т т	Previous 4,9% -0,8% 4,2% 758 0,125%	7 7 7 7	Forecast 2% -1% 732 0,125%	r r r	Result 0,5% -2% -2% 751 0,125%
				AUCTIONS								
HU HU HU		11:30 11:30 11:30		3Y T-bond 5Y T-bond 10Y T-bond	HU HU	JF 20 bln JF 30 bln JF 30 bln JF 30 bln	- F	Previous 1,26% 1,71% 2,28%	•	Forecast	- - -	Result 1,15% 1,54% 2,08%
Course time		Time		FRIDAY 11/06/2020	-	Denied						
Country DE HU HU US US		Time 8:00 9:00 9:00 14:30 14:30		Data IP, final, m/m IP, prelim., y/y Trade balance, prelim., EUR m Unemployment rate NFP, change in non-farm payrolls, thousands	Se Se Se	Period eptember eptember eptember October October	•	Previous 0,5% -2,1% 272 4,7% 661	7 7 7 7 7 7	Forecast 2,7% 0%	r r r r	1,6% 2,2% 1141



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				Week 46					
				MONDAY 11/09/2020					
Country	۳	Time	•	Data No major data release	Period #N/A	Previous F	Forecast	٠	Result
				TUESDAY 11/10/2020					
Country		Time		Data	Period	Previous	Forecast		Result
HU		9:00		CPI, y/y	October	3,4%	3,1%		
HU		9:00		Core inflation, y/y	October	4%	3,8%		
DE		10:00	۳	ZEW index	November	56,1	45,4		
				AUKCIÓK					
					Amount	Previous	Forecast		Result
HU		11:30		3M T-bill	HUF 30 bln	0,50%	•	<u> </u>	
				WEDNESDAY 11/11/2020					
Country	_	Time	_	Data	Period	Previous	Forecast	_	Result
	<u> </u>			No major data release	#N/A	•		- C	
				AUKCIÓK					
					Amount	Previous	Forecast		Result
HU		11:30		12M T-bill	HUF 30 bln	<u> </u>	*	<u> </u>	
				THURSDAY 11/12/2020					
Country	_	Time	_	Data	Period	Previous	Forecast	_	Result
HU		9:00		IP, final, y/y	September		2,2%	5	
EZ	۳.	11:00		IP, final, m/m	September	0,7%	0,9%		
US		14:30		Initial jobless claims, thousands	weekly	751			
US		14:30	- C	CPI, m/m	November	0,2%	0,2%		
				AUCTIONS					
					Amount	Previous	Forecast	_	Result
HU		11:30		3Y T-bond	HUF 20 bln	1	· *	5	
HU		11:30		5Y T-bond	HUF 30 bln	1		5	
HU		11:30		10Y T-bond	HUF 30 bln	×			
				FRIDAY 11/13/2020					
Country	_	Time	_	Data	Period	Previous	Forecast	_	
HU		9:00		GDP growth, flash, y/y	Q3	-13,6%	-5,5%	- E	
SK		9:00		GDP growth, flash, y/y	Q3	-12,1%	-5%		
PL		9:00		GDP growth, flash, y/y	Q 3	-8,4%	*		
EZ		11:00		GDP growth, flash, q/q	Q 3	12,7%	12,7%		
EZ		11:00		GDP growth, flash, y/y	Q 3	-4,3%	-4,3%		
US		14:30		PPI, m/m	October	0,4%	0,2%		
US		16:00		UM consumer confidence index, flash	November	81,8	82		



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