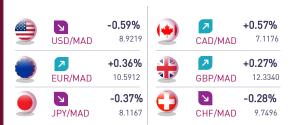
#### Week from 08/30/2021 to 09/03/2021

**EUR/MAD** 

# MAIN WEEKLY VARIATIONS



#### (近 | Basket<sup>[1]</sup> effect | -0.59% +0.36% | Market<sup>2]</sup> effect | 0.00% 0.00% 40

USD/MAD

(1) Impact of the variation of the parity EUR/USD (2) Impact of the variation in the liquidity spread (Supply / Demand)



(3) Calculated over the period from 08/26/2021 to 09/01/202

# Disappointing US employment Data

The euro crosses the \$ 1.18 threshold, i.e. a weekly performance of + 0.72% at 1.1880. The dollar remains penalized by the continued spread of the Delta variant within the United States and its consequences on the Fed monetary policy.

The labour market is starting to show signs of slowing down. In more details, 235K jobs were created in the non-agricultural sector, which is 3 times less than the consensus forecast in August of 750K. This is due to a weak demand within the US service sector.

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# MAD EVOLUTION AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET LIQUIDITY INDICATORS





#### Spread USD/MAD (Gap between Reference price Vs. Central price) Bank foreign exchange position, in MAD Mn High10.040 10.040 9.508 9.110 -1.637% 08/27 08/26 08/30 08/31 N9/N1 -2.655 -4 915% -4.955% -4 970% • •4.984% -4.975% 4.978%

# The currency position hits a 12M high

The MAD appreciated this week by 0.6% against the dollar. This evolution is explained by a EUR/USD effect of -0.6%. In contrast, the market effect is neutral this week.

In parallel, the spread between the reference price and the MAD central rate remains unchanged at -4.97%. Liquidity spreads remain at levels close to the lower limit of the MAD fluctuation band. The bank foreign exchange position reached an annual high this week at MAD 10 Bn supported by tourism receipts during the summer period in Morocco.

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**CURRENCIES** 

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## **VOLATILITY INDICATORS**

				(*)	<b>1</b>	
	USDMAD	EURMAD	JPYMAD	CADMAD	GBPMAD	CHFMAD
1 MONTH	3.03%	2.02%	5.36%	7.47%	4.04%	5.61%
2 MONTHS	2.93%	1.87%	5.81%	9.40%	6.37%	5.05%
3 MONTHS	3.65%	2.47%	6.02%	7.98%	6.03%	4.93%

# Interesting hedging levels of dollar

The increased level of volatility of the EUR / USD parity supports our recommendation to hedge export flows over the short-term horizons. Given the current levels of the dirham as well as the level of market liquidity, we recommend that USD importers to hedge their operations over a 3-month horizon.

Week from 08/30/2021 to 09/03/2021

# EUR/USD OUTLOOK – BLOOMBERG

**WEEKLY** 

MAD INSIGHTS

**CURRENCIES** 

•	SPOT	Q4-21	Q1-22	Q2-22	Q3-22	2022	2023	2024	2025
MEDIAN		1.18	1.19	1.20	1.22	1.21	1.19	1.22	1.25
AVERAGE	1.1880	1.19	1.19	1.20	1.22	1.20	1.19	1.21	1.25
+HIGH	09/03/2021	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.25	1.26	1.26	1.25	1.25
+L0W		1.14	1.13	1.12	1.15	1.12	1.10	1.11	1.25
FORWARD		1.19	1.19	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.21	1.23	1.25

The EUR / USD forecasts of the main international brokers is revised upwards this week. The pair would stand at 1.19 in Q4-21. A level which would remain unchanged by Q1-22. It would approach 1.20 in Q2-22 and 1.22 in Q3-22 to return to 1.20 at the end of 2022. It should fall back to 1.19 in 2023 to reach 1.21 in 2024. For their part, the euro's LT forecasts have been revised upwards. The target level stands at 1.25 against 1.23 a week earlier.

LT expectations of market operators favour the euro in a context marked by growing concerns about the strength of growth in the United States. This was confirmed the week before when the monthly US employment report was released. Indeed, inflationary concerns as well as a slowdown in US employment call into question the strength of the US economic recovery as well as the reduction projections in asset buybacks by the Fed. This situation penalizes the dollar over the SMT.

# EUR/MAD AND USD/MAD OUTLOOK - AGR



Based on EUR/USD Bloomberg forecast for Q4-21



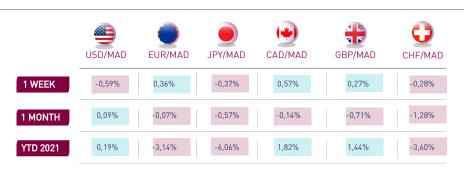
Based on EUR/USD Bloomberg forecast for Q4-21

Given the stable liquidity conditions on the foreign exchange market, we kept our MAD forecast over the ST unchanged. The MAD appreciates against the dollar in 1, 2 and 3 month horizons. Against the euro, it would depreciate over the same horizons.

The MAD would appreciate against the dollar by 0.1%, 0.0% and 0.1% in 1, 2 and 3 month horizons. The USD / MAD parity would reach 8.91, 8.92 and 8.91 at 1, 2 and 3 month horizons, against a spot price of 8.92.

Against the euro, the MAD would depreciate by 0.2%, 0.3% and 0.2% over the next 3 months against a spot rate of 10.59. The EUR/MAD parity would reach 10.61, 10.62 and 10.61 in 1, 2 and 3 month horizons.

# MAD YTD PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD IN FRONT OF A REFERENCE BASKET



Prices as of 09/03/2021

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# **APPENDIX 1: BLOOMBERG FORECASTS FOR TENOR CURRENCIES**

		Q4-21	Q1-22	Q2-22	2022	2023	2024	2025
FORECAST	USD/JPY	110	111	112	110	113	106	
FORWARD	110	110	109	109	109	108	107	105
FORECAST	USD/CAD	1.24	1.24	1.23	1.22	1.21	1.17	1.17
FORWARD	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.26	1.26	1.26
FORECAST	USD/CHF	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.92		
FORWARD	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.90	0.89	0.87	0.86
FORECAST	GBP/USD	1.39	1.40	1.41	1.43	1.42	1.42	
FORWARD	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.40

# APPENDIX 2: MAIN BROKERS FORECASTS FOR THE EUR/USD PARITY

	Date	Q4-2021	Q1-2022	Q2-2022	2022	2023
Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg	09/01/21	1.18	1.16	1.15	1.15	1.18
Australia & New Zealand Banking Group	08/31/21	1.2	1.23	1.25	1.25	1.25
X-Trade Brokers Dom Maklerski	08/31/21	1.18	1.19	1.18	1.19	1.23
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria	08/30/21	1.17	1.18	1.2	1.21	1.24
Mouvement Desjardins	08/30/21	1.18	1.19	1.2	1.18	1.19
Swedbank	08/26/21	1.17	1.2	1.18	1.16	1.16
Rabobank	08/20/21	1.17	1.16	1.16	1.17	1.18
Standard Chartered	08/20/21	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.26
BNP Paribas	08/09/21	1.17	1.16	1.15	1.14	1.32
ING Financial Markets	08/09/21	1.23	1.23	1.2	1.15	1.1
Maybank Singapore	08/04/21	1.24	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
PNC Financial	08/03/21	1.18	1.17	1.17	1.17	1.16
United Overseas Bank	08/02/21	1.15	1.14	1.13	1.12	1.11
Intesa Sanpaolo	07/27/21	1.15	1.16	1.19	1.21	1.22
NAB/BNZ	07/26/21	1.23	1.24	1.26	1.3	1.24
Westpac Banking	07/26/21	1.22	1.23	1.22	1.21	1.19
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	07/07/21	1.13	1.12	1.14	1.18	1.3

Prices as of 09/06/2021

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