Week from 01/22/2024 to 01/26/2024

MAIN WEEKLY VARIATIONS

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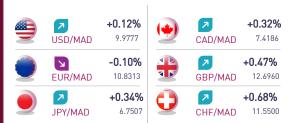
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USD/MAD EUR/MAD (近 | Basket Effect⁽¹⁾| +0.13% -0.09% | Market Effect⁽²⁾| -0.01% -0.01% 40

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



[3] Calculated over the period from 12/23/2022 to 12/30/2022

INTERNATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



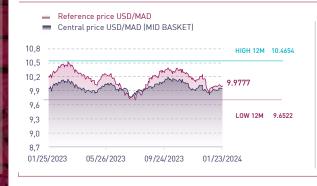
ECB: Monetary policy status quo

EUR/USD moved this week by -0.41% from 1.0898 to 1.0853, a 6-week low.

The ECB decided this week to keep its 3 key rates unchanged. The main refinancing rate stands at 4.50%, its highest level since the creation of the Euro in 1999. The President of the ECB declared that it is still soon to talk about reducing rates and calls for beung cautious. She recalls that the objective remains the control of inflation in a sustainable way.

As for the United States, economic indicators such as the PMI indices for January and the quarterly GDP for Q4-23 came out better than expected, thus benefiting to the Dollar this week.

MAD EVOLUTION AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET LIQUIDITY INDICATORS





• Spread USD/MAD (Gap between Reference price Vs. Central price) 12M 3.850% 0.624% 0.578% 0.527% n 478% 0.405% 0 0 0 01/22 01/23 01/24 01/25 01/26 -1.581% Min •

Stability of Dirham liquidity spreads

The Dollar appreciated slightly against the Dirham this week to 9.98, a variation of +0.12%.

This evolution is mainly explained by a basket effect of +0.13% after the appreciation of the Dollar internationally this week. The *liquidity effect*, for its part, is almost neutral at -0.01%.

Liquidity spreads stabilize this week, at 0.58%. This is due to a balance between import and export flows this week.

Capital Market - Sales **VOLATILITY INDICATORS** Loubaba Alaoui Mdaghri

| | | | | (*) | 1 | |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
| | USDMAD | EURMAD | JPYMAD | CADMAD | GBPMAD | CHFMAD |
| 1 MONTH | 6.12% | 6.90% | 12.48% | 6.19% | 7.57% | 12.59% |
| 2 MONTHS | 6.38% | 6.20% | 14.72% | 6.24% | 7.48% | 9.78% |
| з монтня | 6.33% | 5.90% | 13.20% | 5.94% | 6.79% | 8.65% |

Markets attentive to the first rate cuts

The timing of the first key rate reductions of the Fed and the ECB is a determining factor in the direction of the EUR/USD pair.

The main international brokers anticipate an appreciation of the Dollar against the Euro on the ST.

To this end, we recommend importers to hedge their operations in Dollars over time horizons ranging from 1 to 3 months.

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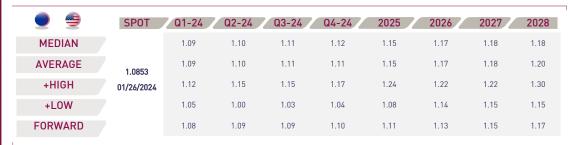
EUR/USD OUTLOOK - BLOOMBERG

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Broker forecasts for the EUR/USD pair were generally stable this week. The pair would move to 1.09 in Q1-24 then to 1.10 in Q2-24. This would increase to 1.11 from Q3-24 to Q4-24 compared to 1.12 the previous week. On an annual basis, the target is 1.15 in 2025. At the long term, the pair stands at 1.17 in 2026. In 2027, it stands at 1.18 and in 2028 at 1.20 against 1.21 the previous week.

American inflation stood at 3.4% in December after 3.1% in November. Expectations of Fed Funds rate reductions have decreased significantly in recent weeks following solid economic figures of the US economy. The probability of a first rate cut in March has thus fallen below 50%.

Inflation in the Euro Zone rebounded to 2.9% in December 2023 after 2.4% the previous month. As widely anticipated, the ECB decided on monetary status quo in January. The President of the ECB is considering rate cuts to start by the summer but calls for prudence in order to control inflation in a sustainable manner.

At MLT, the reduction in the rate divergence between the Fed and the ECB should benefit to the Euro.

DOWNWARD REVIEW OF OUR 1-MONTH, 2-MONTHS AND 3-MONTHS HORIZON FORECASTS



Based on EUR/USD Bloomberg forecast for Q1-24



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Taking into account the forecasts for the EUR/USD parity and the liquidity conditions on the foreign exchange market, we have reviewed downwards our forecasts for the USD/MAD pair over a 1 month, 2 month and 3 month horizons.

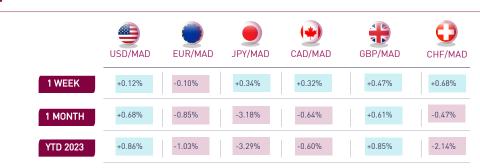
Brokers' EUR/USD forecasts are in favor of an appreciation of the Dollar over the next 3 months compared to spot levels.

MAD liquidity spreads should stabilize over a 1-month horizon then tighten over a 2-month and 3-month horizons compared to spot levels.

Under these conditions, the target levels of the USD/MAD parity stand at 10.07, 10.12 and 10.17 over horizons of 1, 2 and 3 months against a spot price of 9.98

The target levels of the EUR/MAD parity stand at 10.75, 10.81 and 10.86 over 1, 2 and 3 month horizons against a spot price of 10.83.

MAD YTD PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD IN FRONT OF A REFERENCE BASKET



Prices as of 01/26/2024

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APPENDIX 1: BLOOMBERG FORECASTS FOR TENOR CURRENCIES

| | | Q1-24 | Q2-24 | Q3-24 | Q4-24 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 |
|----------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|
| | | | | | | | | |
| FORECAST | USD/JPY | 143 | 140 | 138 | 135 | 132 | 124 | 115 |
| FORWARD | 148 | 146 | 144 | 143 | 141 | 136 | 131 | 126 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| FORECAST | USD/CAD | 1.35 | 1.34 | 1.33 | 1.32 | 1.27 | 1.27 | 1.26 |
| FORWARD | 1.35 | 1.34 | 1.34 | 1.34 | 1.34 | 1.34 | 1.34 | 1.33 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| FORECAST | USD/CHF 0.86 | 0.87 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.87 |
| FORWARD | | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 0.81 | 0.79 | 0.77 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| FORECAST | GBP/USD 1.27 | 1.26 | 1.26 | 1.27 | 1.28 | 1.30 | 1.35 | 1.36 |
| FORWARD | | 1.27 | 1.27 | 1.27 | 1.27 | 1.27 | 1.27 | 1.27 |
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APPENDIX 2: MAIN BROKERS FORECASTS FOR THE EUR/USD PARITY

| | Date | Q1-2024 | Q2-2024 | Q3-2024 | Q4-2024 | 2025 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Wells Fargo | 01/22/24 | 1.09 | 1.1 | 1.12 | 1.13 | |
| Commerzbank | 01/19/24 | 1.12 | 1.15 | 1.14 | 1.12 | 1.1 |
| BNP Paribas | 12/15/23 | 1.1 | 1.12 | 1.14 | 1.15 | 1.18 |
| Standard Chartered | 12/13/23 | 1.04 | 1.05 | 1.07 | 1.09 | 1.11 |
| RBC Capital Markets | 11/09/23 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.05 | 1.08 | |
| JPMorgan Chase | 10/20/23 | 1.03 | 1.05 | 1.1 | | |
| Commonwealth Bank of Australia | 01/29/24 | 1.05 | 1.09 | 1.12 | 1.15 | 1.24 |
| TD Securities | 01/29/24 | 1.1 | 1.13 | 1.13 | 1.15 | 1.18 |
| Alpha Bank | 01/26/24 | 1.1 | 1.11 | 1.12 | 1.13 | 1.17 |
| Australia & New Zealand Banking Group | 01/26/24 | 1.11 | 1.13 | 1.14 | 1.15 | 1.18 |
| Mouvement Desjardins | 01/26/24 | 1.08 | 1.09 | 1.1 | 1.12 | 1.16 |
| Rabobank | 01/26/24 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.07 | 1.09 | 1.2 |
| Cinkciarz.pl | 01/24/24 | 1.11 | 1.13 | 1.15 | 1.17 | 1.2 |
| AFEX | 01/23/24 | 1.1 | 1.11 | 1.07 | | |
| Ebury | 01/23/24 | 1.07 | 1.08 | 1.09 | 1.1 | 1.14 |
| Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg | 01/23/24 | 1.08 | 1.08 | 1.09 | 1.1 | 1.13 |
| Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken | 01/23/24 | 1.1 | 1.12 | 1.13 | 1.14 | 1.18 |

In gray, the main brokers retained to calculate the EURUSD consensus for Q1-24 Prices as of 01/30/2024

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