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MAIN WEEKLY VARIATIONS



INTERNATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

6	Pa Pa	rity W	1.0801	-0.43%	N
9	Pa Pa	rity W-1	1.0848	-0.4370	
,20					
,15			MAX 1	2M	1.1236
10		Mr.	AVG.1	2M	1.0827
.05	mount	V Mart	SPOT	06/07/24	1.0801
,00			MIN 1	2M	1.0467
,95					
90					

	USD/MAD	EUR/MAD
Basket Effect ⁽¹⁾	-0.20%	+0.13%
Market Effect ^[2]	-0.62%	-0.62%

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Week from 06/03/2024 to 06/07/2024

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

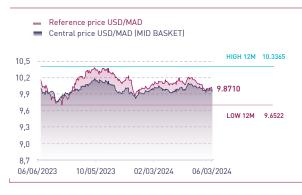
Key rate : ECB decides on a -25 BPS rate cut

EUR/USD depreciated this week to 1.0801 from 1.0848 the previous week.

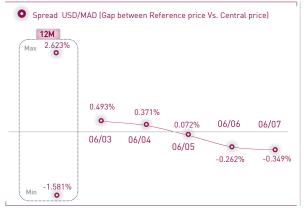
As widely anticipated, the ECB decided on Thursday to lower its 3 main key rates by -25 BPS. This decision marks a first step towards an accommodating monetary policy after a cycle of monetary tightening which began in July 2022. The ECB's refinancing rate thus increases from a historic high of 4.50% reached since September 2023 to 4.25% from this month of June.

At the end of the week, the NFP report came out strong. Job creations stood at 272K in May against a consensus of 182K, which strengthened the Dollar this week.

MAD EVOLUTION AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET LIQUIDITY INDICATORS







VOLATILITY INDICATORS

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	USDMAD	EURMAD	JPYMAD	CADMAD	GBPMAD	CHFMAD
1 MONTH	3.68%	3.24%	6.40%	4.81%	3.58%	5.61%
2 MONTH	S 4.73%	3.44%	7.93%	4.48%	4.28%	4.91%
3 MONTH	IS 4.36%	3.93%	7.67%	4.43%	4.74%	4.97%

The Dirham strengthens thanks to the liquidity effect

The MAD strengthened this week against the US Dollar at 9.87 against 9.95, a low of more than 5 months.

This evolution is mainly explained by a positive liquidity effect for the MAD. Indeed, the latter stands at -0.62% thanks to the liquidity improvement in the Moroccan interbank foreign exchange market.

Liquidity spreads eased by -62 BPS this week, to a level of -0.35%. This is due to export flows greater than import flows during this week as the summer period is starting.

ECB's next decisions remain uncertain

The ECB decided to cut rates this week but its next decisions remain uncertain. This is due to persistent inflationary risks. These could be fueled by imported inflation following the divergence of monetary policies between the Fed and the ECB.

We recommend importers to hedge their Dollar transactions over maturities ranging from 1 to 3 months.

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🔘 EUR/USD OUTLOOK – BLOOMBERG

99	SPOT	Q3-24	Q4-24	Q1-25	Q2-25	2025	2026	2027	2028
MEDIAN		1.08	1.09	1.10	1.10	1.12	1.13	1.10	1.13
AVERAGE	1.0801	1.08	1.08	1.09	1.09	1.11	1.11	1.11	1.12
+HIGH	06/07/2024	1.12	1.12	1.14	1.15	1.18	1.19	1.20	1.20
+LOW		1.04	1.02	1.01	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.02	1.01
FORWARD		1.09	1.09	1.10	1.10	1.11	1.12	1.14	1.16

Broker forecasts for the EUR/USD pair were generally stable this week. The pair is expected to move to 1.08 in Q3-24 and Q4-24 before increasing to 1.09 in Q1-25. It would stabilize at 1.09 in Q2-25 compared to 1.08 a week earlier to settle at 1.11 in 2025. At the LT, the target level is at 1.11 in 2026 and 2027. In 2028, it would be 1.12.

In the United States, inflation fell slightly to 3.4% in April after 3.5% in March. High inflation combined with a strong NFP report in May helped reduce expectations for a rate cut in 2024. A monetary pause is expected in June for the Fed and the first rate cut is not anticipated until Q3 this year.

In the Euro Zone, inflation accelerated to 2.6% in May after 2.4% in April. As widely anticipated, the ECB decided to lower its 3 key rates by -25 PBS in June. The Central Bank's next decisions, however, remain very uncertain because these essentially depend on the trajectory of inflation in the Euro Zone.

On the ST, the ECB started reducing its rates before the Fed, which would explain CT forecasts for EUR/USD close to the spot rate. At MLT, the reduction in the rate divergence between the Fed and the ECB would benefit to the Euro.

WE MAINTAIN OUR 1-MONTH, 2-MONTHS AND 3-MONTHS HORIZON FORECASTS

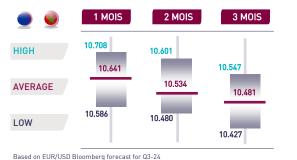


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Taking into account the forecasts for the EUR/USD pair and the liquidity conditions on the foreign exchange market, we have maintained our forecasts for the USD/ MAD pair.

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Week from 06/03/2024 to 06/07/2024

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 gradually relax over the next 2 months and 3 months compared to the spot level on the sidelines of the summer period.

Under these conditions, the target levels of the USD/ MAD parity stand at 10.10, 10.00 and 9.95 over horizons of 1, 2 and 3 months against a spot price of 9.87.

The target levels of the EUR/MAD parity stand at 10.64, 10.53 and 10.48 over 1, 2 and 3 month horizons against a spot price of 10.74.

Based on EUR/USD Bloomberg forecast for Q3-24

MAD YTD PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD IN FRONT OF A REFERENCE BASKET

	USD/MAD	EUR/MAD	JPY/MAD	CAD/MAD	GBP/MAD	CHF/MAD
1 WEEK	-0.82%	-0.49%	+0.28%	-1.10%	-0.30%	+0.93%
1 MONTH	-1.63%	-0.57%	-2.31%	-1.64%	+0.28%	+0.25%
YTD 2023	-0.22%	-1.85%	-9.07%	-3.36%	+0.25%	-6.06%

Prices as at 06/07/2024







APPENDIX 1 : BLOOMBERG FORECASTS OF CURRENCY PAIRS TENORS

		Q3-24	Q4-24	Q1-25	Q2-25	2025	2026	2027
FORECAST	USD/JPY	152	149	147	146	140	137	
FORWARD	157	154	152	150	149	145	140	135
FORECAST	USD/CAD	1.36	1.36	1.34	1.33	1.31	1.31	1.3
FORWARD	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.35	1.34
FORECAST	USD/CHF	0.92	0.92	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.93	0.93
FORWARD	0.90	0.89	0.88	0.87	0.86	0.85	0.82	0.80
FORECAST	GBP/USD	1.26	1.27	1.27	1.29	1.30	1.31	1.30
FORWARD	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.28	1.28

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

	Date	Q3-2024	Q4-2024	Q1-2025	Q2-2025	2025
	Date	Q3-2024	Q4-2024	QT-2025	Q2-2025	2025
RBC Capital Markets	06/07/24	1.05	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.08
Wells Fargo	05/20/24	1.06	1.07	1.08		
Commerzbank	05/17/24	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.05
BNP Paribas	04/22/24	1.05	1.06	1.07		1.1
JPMorgan Chase	04/12/24	1.05	1.09	1.12		
Standard Chartered	12/13/23	1.07	1.09			1.11
United Overseas Bank	06/07/24	1.1	1.12	1.14	1.15	1.18
AFEX	06/06/24	1.08	1.1	1.11		
Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg	06/06/24	1.06	1.03	1.01	1	1
PNC Financial	06/06/24	1.09	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.18
Rabobank	06/06/24	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.09	1.11
MUFG	06/04/24	1.1	1.12	1.12		
Bank Julius Baer	06/03/24	1.04	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.1
Ipopema Securities	06/03/24	1.1	1.11	1.11	1.12	1.13
Mizuho Bank	06/03/24	1.07	1.06	1.05	1.05	
Polski Instytut Ekonomiczny	06/03/24	1.07	1.06	1.04	1.03	1.02
Prestige Economics LLC	06/03/24	1.05	1.06	1.07	1.1	

In gray, the main brokers selected to compute the EURUSD consensus for Q3-24 Prices as at 06/07/2024

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