



Daily Trading Highlights



Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Foreign Exchange

The US dollar was under pressure against all of its major pairs on Monday. On the economic data front, the Chicago federal national activity index fell to -0.45 in April (estimated -0.20) from 0.05 in the previous month.

The Euro was lower against most of its major pairs except for the GBP and USD. In Europe, the German PPI index increased by 0.5% in April (+0.3% expected) after a 0.1% decline a month earlier. According to Rightmove, the UK house prices were up by 0.9% in May after a 1.1% rise in April.

The Australian dollar was higher against all of its major pairs.

Gold spot Intraday: consolidation in place.

Pivot: 1279.00

Our preference: short positions below 1279.00 with targets at 1275.00 & 1273.50 in extension.

Alternative scenario: above 1279.00 look for further upside with 1282.00 & 1284.50 as targets.

Comment: as long as 1279.00 is resistance, expect a return to 1275.00.



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EUR/USD Intraday: turning up.

Pivot: 1.1150

Our preference: long positions above 1.1150 with targets at 1.1180 & 1.1200 in extension.

Alternative scenario: below 1.1150 look for further downside with 1.1135 & 1.1120 as targets.

Comment: the RSI calls for a new upleg.



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GBP/USD Intraday: under pressure.

Pivot: 1.2755

Our preference: short positions below 1.2755 with targets at 1.2710 & 1.2685 in extension.

Alternative scenario: above 1.2755 look for further upside with 1.2780 & 1.2805 as targets.

Comment: as long as the resistance at 1.2755 is not surpassed, the risk of the break below 1.2710 remains high.



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USD/JPY Intraday: the upside prevails.

Pivot: 109.85

Our preference: long positions above 109.85 with targets at 110.15 & 110.35 in extension.

Alternative scenario: below 109.85 look for further downside with 109.70 & 109.50 as targets.

Comment: the RSI calls for a new upleg.



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AUD/USD Intraday: watch 0.6955.

Pivot: 0.6905

Our preference: long positions above 0.6905 with targets at 0.6935 & 0.6955 in extension.

 $\textbf{Alternative scenario}: below \ 0.6905 \ look \ for \ further \ downside \ with \ 0.6890 \ \& \ 0.6875 \ as \ targets.$

Comment: the RSI calls for a rebound.



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USD/CAD Intraday: the downside prevails.

Pivot: 1.3445

Our preference: short positions below 1.3445 with targets at 1.3395 & 1.3375 in extension.

Alternative scenario: above 1.3445 look for further upside with 1.3470 & 1.3490 as targets.

Comment: the RSI is bearish and calls for further downside.



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USD/SGD Intraday: turning down.

Pivot: 1.3765

Our preference: short positions below 1.3765 with targets at 1.3740 & 1.3730 in extension.

Alternative scenario: above 1.3765 look for further upside with 1.3780 & 1.3800 as targets.

Comment: the RSI calls for a drop.



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MA (50) & MA (20): The most simple trend indicators are Moving Averages. They simply correspond to an average calculated on an evolving time scale (20 and 50 periods): every day, the oldest value (often taken at the close) in the average calculus is replaced by the value of the new session.

Bollinger bands: are represented by 3 different bands and are derived from moving averages. The middle band corresponds to a simple moving average (MA (20)). The level of the upper band, in every point, corresponds to the sum of the level of the middle band and twice the value of the standard deviation associated to the 20-day moving average. Reciprocally, the level of the lower band corresponds to the level of the middle band diminished by twice the value of the standard deviation associated to the 20-day moving average. An envelop of the stock price is thus determined. This makes it possible to then identify the variation margin in which the stock should stay almost systematically. In the case of a stock following a Gauss law, 95 % of the trades will thus occur between these bands.

RSI (14): the Relative Strength Index aims at establishing a reference scale independently from the stock prices levels themselves. As the RSI has boundaries (0 and 100), it then becomes very easy to determine overbought (above 70) and oversold (below 30) areas. In addition, just as on prices themselves, supports and resistances can appear, especially when nearing the neutrality zone (near 50). Thus, the RSI is one of the most commonly used counter-trend indicators.

It is based on the average of rises and drops of price, with the formula:

RSI = 100 - [100 / (1 + RS)]

Where RS represents the average of up closes divided by the average of down closes on the considered period (14).



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