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### **Key Market Highlights:**

- Euro area annual inflation rose to 2.3%, up from 2.0% in October. This increase was driven by a smaller decline in energy prices (-1.9%, compared to -4.6% in October) and steady inflation in services (3.9%) and food, alcohol, & tobacco (2.7%). Non-energy industrial goods inflation also edged up to 0.7%. These trends highlight persistent inflationary pressures despite energy deflation, raising concerns for the European Central Bank's policy approach. Meanwhile, the markets are pricing in a 75% probabilty of a 25bps rate in the ECB's next meeting, while there is also a 25% probability of a more aggressive 50bps cut.
- Tokyo's core consumer price index (CPI), excluding fresh food, rose by 2.2% year-on-year, surpassing expectations and remaining above the Bank of Japan's (BOJ) 2% target. This uptick was driven by increased prices in both food and services, partly due to the phase-out of utility subsidies and rising service-sector costs, indicating potential wage-driven inflation. Consequently, market speculation has intensified regarding a possible BOJ interest rate hike in December, with traders now assigning a 58% probability to such a move.

# EUR/USD 3-Month Performance 1.14 1.12 1.10 1.08 1.04 1.02 1.00 Sep-24 Oct-24 Oct-24 Nov-24

Technical Levels	Support 2	Support 1	Spot	Resistance 1	Resistance 2
EUR	1.0420	1.0475	1.0525	1.0585	1.0640
GBP	1.2600	1.2640	1.2690	1.2750	1.2800
JPY	149.50	150.00	150.50	151.00	151.50
CHF	0.8740	0.8795	0.8845	0.8890	0.8940

Currencies	Closing	YTD %		Closing	YTD %
EUR/USD	1.0575	4.62	EUR/GBP	0.8304	4.35
GBP/USD	1.2737	0.30	GBP/JPY	190.59	6.50
USD/JPY	149.75	6.81	EUR/JPY	158.35	1.90
USD/CHF	0.8809	5.15	EUR/CHF	0.9320	0.27

## **Brief Technical Commentary**

EURUSD has remained comfortable above (1.0500) and is currently trading at (1.0525). Resistance for the pair will be at (1.0585) followed by (1.0640). A break below the figure will push the pair to test support at 1.0475. Short term outlook is bearish.

USDJPY tested the recent lows of (149.50). The pair is currently trading at (150.50). Resistance is at (151.0) and (151.50). If the pair continues its move to downside then it may test support at the figure (150.00) followed by the previous low of (149.50).

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<b>Economic Events</b>	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous	Lo
02-Dec-24	USD	ISM Manufacturing PMI		47.7	46.5	ΚV
03-Dec-24	USD	JOLTS Job Openings		7.49M	7.44M	US
04-Dec-24	AUD	GDP q/q		0.5%	0.2%	EU
04-Dec-24	GBP	BOE Gov Bailey Speaks				GB
04-Dec-24	USD	ADP Non-Farm Employment Change		166K	233K	
04-Dec-24	USD	ISM Services PMI		55.5	56.0	Go
04-Dec-24	USD	Fed Chair Powell Speaks				Un
05-Dec-24	USD	Unemployment Claims		215K	213K	Ge
06-Dec-24	CAD	Unemployment Rate			6.5%	Un
06-Dec-24	USD	Unemployment Rate		4.2%	4.1%	Ja

Commodities	Last Price	% Change	<b>Global Indices</b>	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	73.59	0.75	Dow Jones	44,910.65	0.42
Brent	72.94	0.47	Nikkei 225	38,208.03	0.37
West Texas	68.14	0.49	S&P 500	6,032.38	0.56
Gold	2,628.94	0.94	KuwaitSE	7,245.99	0.00

Local & Global Rates (%)	O/N	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	3.50	3.69	3.94	4.13	4.31
USD	4.57	4.53	4.47	4.38	4.25
EUR	3.13	3.00	2.93	2.70	2.46
GBP	4.70	4.70	4.66	4.55	4.38
Government Yields (%)	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	4.29	4.19	4.10	4.22	4.39
Germany	2.22	1.91	1.91	2.08	2.31
United Kingdom	4.47	4.22	4.09	4.24	4.74
Japan	0.50	0.61	0.74	1.07	2.28

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