

Market Corner

Asian equities rose, supported by a jump in Chinese shares on reopening hopes, helping the regional benchmark head for its best month since 1998.

The MSCI Asia Pacific Index erased a drop of as much as 0.5% to rise 0.9% on Wednesday, led by consumer discretionary and technology shares, as China staged a late rally. Benchmarks in South Korea and Taiwan gained while Japanese key gauges capped a fourth day of losses.

Asian equities have seen stellar performances in November with multiple benchmarks capping their best months in years. The key MSCI Asian measure has jumped nearly 15%, outperforming a gauge of global stocks by the most since 1993.

Chinese equities rose for a second day, buoyed by optimism from the removal of lockdown curbs in some districts of Guangzhou which added to hopes that the nation is laying the ground for an eventual Covid-Zero exit. Economic data released earlier Wednesday showed China's factory and services activity contracted further in November due to Covid curbs. Traders are now awaiting a speech from Fed Chair Jerome Powell.

US equities closed sharply higher Wednesday capping two straight months of gains, the first back-to-back advance in 15 months, as Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell's comment that the central bank may need to slow its rate hikes as soon as the December meeting prompted a relief rally.

The S&P 500 closed up 3.1% to surpass the key 4,000 mark, crossing above the 200-day moving average for the first time since April. All of 11 major industry groups were higher, led by information technology and communication services sectors. The tech-heavy Nasdaq 100 rose 4.6%, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average climbed 2.2% to post a 20% gain from its September low.

Though the Fed's aggressive rate-hiking path, high inflation and the threat of a recession have kept a lid on stocks for most part of the year, the benchmark US index has staged a rebound over the past two months as investors swooped in to buy stocks that are in many cases trading at multiyear lows. With the latest dovish comments from Powell, the index now looks primed for a brisk year-end rally.

World Indices		Last		<u>1D Cha</u>	nge	
World marces	Dow Jones	34 589		2,18		
	<u>S&P 500</u>	4 080		3,09		
	Nasdaq	11 468,00 3 964,72 7 573,05		4,41		
	Eurostoxx 50			0,77		
	FTSE 100			0,81%		
	CAC 40	6 738	6 738,55		1,04%	
	DAX	14 397,04		0,29%		
	SMI	11 127,77		0,45%		
	Nikkei	28 226,08		0,92%		
	Hang Seng	18 911	,79	1,69	%	
	<u>CSI 300</u>	3 894,77		1,08	%	
	<u>VIX Index</u>	20,58		-5,98	%	
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World Bor	nds	Last	1D (Change		
	<u>US 10Y</u>	3,6163		,30%		
マ	<u>EUR 10Y</u>	1,8490	-4	,20%		
	<u>Swiss 10Y</u>	1,0700	-3	,86%		
	<u>UK 10Y</u>	3,16	1	,97%		

Source: Bloomberg



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Crypto Corner

Mystery continues to shroud the missing billions at bankrupt crypto exchange <u>FTX</u> after its disgraced founder Sam Bankman-Fried denied trying to perpetrate a fraud while admitting to grievous managerial errors.

In his first major public appearance following the Nov. 11 implosion of FTX and sister trading house Alameda Research, Bankman-Fried said he "screwed up" at the helm of the exchange and should have focused more on risk management, customer protection and links between FTX and Alameda.

"I made a lot of mistakes," the 30-year-old said Wednesday by video link at the New York Times DealBook Summit. "There are things I would give anything to be able to do over again. I didn't ever try to commit fraud on anyone."

Bankman-Fried's participation was controversial given there are outstanding questions about how Bahamas-based FTX ended up with an \$8 billion hole in its balance sheet and whether it mishandled customer funds. Reports that FTX lent client money to Alameda for risky trades have stoked such concerns.

Interviewed by New York Times columnist Andrew Ross Sorkin, who said Bankman-Fried was joining from the Bahamas, the fallen crypto mogul didn't give a straight answer about whether he had at times lied.

Bankman-Fried told the summit that he "didn't knowingly commingle funds." At the same time, he said that FTX and Alameda were "substantially more" linked than intended and that he failed to pay attention to the trading house's "too large" margin position.

He said he wasn't running Alameda and added that he was "nervous about a conflict of interest." No person oversaw position risk at FTX, he said, describing the lack of oversight as a mistake.



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Commodity Corner

Gold advanced in Asia -- following a 1.1% gain on Wednesday -- as Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell signaled the pace of interest-rate hikes would slow at the next meeting.

Bullion capped an 8% gain in November, driven by drops in the dollar and Treasury yields on signs the Fed is becoming less hawkish. Gold, which doesn't offer any interest, tends to weaken when bond yields are rising.

Powell was optimistic inflation could be contained without the US economy tipping into recession but said borrowing costs would still need to keep rising and remain restrictive for some time.

US job openings fell in October, while hiring at American companies cooled in November and wage gains moderated -- hopeful signs for the Fed as it seeks to cool inflation by weakening the labor market.

Spot gold rose 0.5% to \$1,777.45 an ounce as of 12:20 p.m. in Singapore. The Bloomberg Dollar Spot Index fell 0.3% after dropping 4.8% in November. Silver, platinum and palladium climbed.

Precious Metals		Last	1D Change
	<u>Gold</u>	1 779,53	0,62%
2	<u>Silver</u>	22,22	0,10%
	<u>Platinium</u>	1 040,09	0,28%
\sim	<u>Palladium</u>	1 913,55	1,65%

Oil fluctuated after a three-day rally as investors assessed more signals China that may be softening its Covid Zero policy and looked ahead to an OPEC+ meeting that will set supply levels for 2023.

West Texas Intermediate eased toward \$80 a barrel after climbing 5.6% in the week's first three sessions. China's official in charge of the fight against Covid-19 said efforts are entering a new phase as vaccinations rise, another sign Beijing may be amending its strategy. Following protests against strict curbs some changes are evident, with some virus-infected people in the capital allowed to isolate at home instead of at government quarantine sites.

After hitting the lowest level since late 2021 on Monday, crude is now headed for a weekly gain as demand prospects brighten. US Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell signaled on Wednesday the central bank may temper its aggressive pace of tightening, stoking gains in risk assets including commodities. The market's latest shift will form the backdrop to a weekend meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies.

Wolrd Commodities		<u>Last</u>	1D Change
	<u>WTI Crude</u>	80,37	-0,22%
	<u>Brent Crude</u>	86,76	- 0,2 4%
	<u>Nat Gas (HH)</u>	6,98	0,65%
	<u>Nickel</u>	26 879,50	0,53%
	<u>Copper</u>	376,85	1,05%
	<u>Corn</u>	658,50	-0,53%
	<u>Wheat</u>	771,50	1,81%
	<u>Soybean</u>	1 465,50	- 0,27%
	<u>Coffee</u>	167,70	0,60%
	<u>Cotton</u>	86,05	5,45%
	Sugar	19,63	0,51%

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FX Corner

EUR/USD is recovering ground to near 1.0450 in the early European morning, as the US Dollar comes under renewed selling pressure after USD/JPY crumbles on hawkish BoJ's pivot. China's reopening optimism adds to the Dollar's downside. All eyes are on US PCE and ISM PMI.

GBP/USD : Test of the descending triangle breakout will provide a buying opportunity at bargain prices. Fed's view of policy moderation has infused fresh blood into risk-sensitive currencies. Oscillation in the bullish range of 60.00-80.00 by the RSI (14) adds to the upside filters.

USD/JPY came under intense selling pressure and approached 136.00, down over 1% on the day. The Japanese Yen rallied hard on comments from BoJ policymaker Noguchi, hinting at a potential exit from the central bank's easy monetary policy.

AUD/USD grinds higher after refreshing multi-day top, firmer during three-day uptrend. Convergence of previous resistance line, 61.8% Fibonacci retracement restricts downside. September's high, 200-DMA lure buyers amid firmer oscillators.

World Currencies		<u>Last</u>	1D Change
	<u>EURUSD</u>	1,0444	0,37%
	<u>EURCHF</u>	0,9846	-0,06%
	<u>EURGBP</u>	0,8639	-0,10%
	<u>EURJPY</u>	142,18	1,06%
	<u>USDCHF</u>	0,9428	0,31%
	<u>USDJPY</u>	136,14	1,42%
	<u>USDCAD</u>	1,3417	-0,04%
	<u>USDTRY</u>	18,64	-0,13%
	<u>GBPUSD</u>	1,2089	0,26%
	<u>AUDUSD</u>	0,6823	0,52%
	<u>NZDUSD</u>	0,6327	0,48%

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Currencies	S3	S2	S1	R1	R2	R
URUSD	1.0099	1.0237	1.0322	1.0460	1.0513	1.065
JSDJPY	134.06	136.30	137.18	139.42	140.78	143.0
GBPUSD	1.1643	1.1829	1.1944	1.2130	1.2201	1.238
JSDCAD	1.3109	1.3291	1.3351	1.3533	1.3655	1.383
AUDUSD	0.6491	0.6622	0.6705	0.6836	0.6884	0.701
ZDUSD	0.6021	0.6144	0.6220	0.6343	0.6390	0.651
JSDCHF	0.9249	0.9364	0.9410	0.9525	0.9594	0.970
JSDTRY	18.4758	18.5470	18.5811	18.6523	18.6894	18.760
AUUSD	1711.41	1736.32	1752.43	1777.34	1786.14	1811.0
AGUSD	19.8208	20.8405	21.5174	22.5371	22.8799	23.899

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12/01 00:50 JN		Û		Company Profits YoY	3Q	16.1%		17.6%	
12/01 00:50 JN		Û		Company Sales YoY	3Q	10.8%		7.2%	
12/01 00:50 JN		Û		Japan Buying Foreign Bonds	Nov 25			-¥526.6b	
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12/01 06:00 JN		Û		Consumer Confidence Index	Nov	30.0		29.9	
12/01 07:00 RU		Û		S&P Global Russia Manufacturing PMI	Nov			50.7	
12/01 08:00 GE		Û		Retail Sales MoM	Oct	-0.5%		0.9%	1.0%
12/01 08:00 GE		Û		Retail Sales NSA YoY	Oct	-2.9%		-0.6%	
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Source: Refinitiv

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