

WEEKLY REPORT · 2026-W25

Macroeconomic & Sovereign Risk

Weekly risk snapshot · 5 axes · 5 verticals



WEEK-OVER-WEEK

▼ -6 pts WoW

FIVE-AXIS HEATMAP



SCAN INSIDE

5 industry verticals · disruption events · 60-90 day outlook



INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 1/5

Sovereign Credit & Debt

SCORE

5/10

LABEL

ELEVATED

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

▼ -2 *Wow*

COMMERCIAL BRIEF

The sovereign-credit landscape this cycle presents a bifurcated picture. On the constructive side, Fitch's upgrade of South Africa's sovereign rating — with a direct pass-through to Eskom's credit profile — signals improving fiscal credibility in sub-Saharan Africa's largest economy. Gabon's issuance of a \$1.5 billion Eurobond marks a meaningful re-entry to international capital markets for a frontier sovereign. The IMF's fifth review

OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- Fitch upgrades South Africa sovereign rating; Eskom credit profile improves in tandem (Headline 8).
- Gabon prices \$1.5bn Eurobond, restoring international capital-market access after prior fiscal stress (Headline 10).
- IMF unlocks \$188mn for Jordan following fifth programme review, confirming reform-path compliance (Headline 25).
- Nigeria's FG publicly dismisses IMF recommendations on new fiscal revenue measures, raising medium-term fiscal credibility questions

HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

[Fitch upgrades Eskom's credit rating following SA sovereign upgrade - novanews.co.za](#)

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 2/5

FX & Currency Markets

SCORE

7 /10

LABEL

HIGH

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

no change

COMMERCIAL BRIEF

The hawkish pivot from the new Federal Reserve under Chairman Warsh is the dominant FX catalyst this cycle, driving USD appreciation across G10 and EM pairs. The Korean won weakened 13.7 won against the dollar on rate-hike expectations, prompting the Bank of Korea to explicitly link won depreciation to outbound equity investment flows and to advocate for repatriation of overseas income as a stabilisation tool. The Swiss National Bank,

OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- Korean won depreciates 13.7 KRW/USD on Fed rate-hike expectations; BOK flags overseas investment as a structural FX drag (Headlines 18, 51,
- SNB Governor Schlegel signals conditional CHF FX intervention readiness; hedges forward guidance language (Headlines 3, 15).
- USD sustains gains post-Warsh debut despite transient Iran-deal-driven Treasury yield pullback (Headlines 23, 33).
- Nigerian naira-dollar rate under active market monitoring amid federal government fiscal policy uncertainty (Headline 28).

HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

Swiss central bank readies for FX intervention if safe haven franc strengthens - MSN

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 3/5

Sanctions & Capital Flows

SCORE

7 /10

LABEL

HIGH

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

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COMMERCIAL BRIEF

Sanctions and capital-flow risk is elevated across multiple jurisdictions. The UK has expanded enforcement against Russia-linked financial networks, including a newly designated Nigeria-linked entity — adding a cross-jurisdictional compliance dimension for Africa-focused financial institutions. OFAC's Cuba sanctions have frozen Antilles Gold's JV, illustrating the capital-allocation risk for extractive-sector investors operating

OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- UK designates Nigeria-linked entity in expanded Russia-network sanctions action (Headline 6).
- OFAC Cuba sanctions freeze Antilles Gold ASX-listed JV, demonstrating extraterritorial capital-flow enforcement (Headline 47).
- US Russia-oil sanctions waiver expiry raises compliance and supply-chain exposure for intermediary purchasers (Headline 46).
- Bulgaria blocks elements of EU Sanctions Package 21, creating intra-bloc enforcement fragmentation risk (Headlines 1, 14, 21, 36).

HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

Uk tightens grip on Russia networks, flags Nigeria-linked entity in sanctions list - Business Insider Africa

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 4/5

Central Banks & Policy

SCORE

8/10

LABEL

CRITICAL

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

no change

COMMERCIAL BRIEF

Central bank policy is the highest-conviction macro signal this cycle. Incoming Federal Reserve Chairman Kevin Warsh's debut has been interpreted by markets as a structurally hawkish recalibration: his inflation-hawk positioning, restructuring of internal working groups, and withholding of dot-plot submissions signal a departure from the prior forward-guidance framework, increasing rate-path uncertainty for fixed-income and EM

OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- Fed Chair Warsh debuts with hawkish inflation stance, restructured working groups, and withheld dot-plot — raising policy-path
- Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas hikes rates to bring inflation back to target, signalling EM tightening cycles remain live (Headline 12).
- PBOC accelerates bond-market development as a broader monetary easing transmission mechanism (Headline 58).
- SNB retains conditional FX intervention optionality amid CHF safe-haven appreciation pressure (Headlines 3, 15).

HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

Investors brace for less predictable Fed as Warsh rewrites playbook - Reuters

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 5/5

Trade Policy & Tariffs

SCORE

6/10

LABEL

HIGH

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

no change

COMMERCIAL BRIEF

Trade and balance-of-payments dynamics this cycle are anchored to the US–Iran agreement and its oil-market implications. The prospect of a rapid Strait of Hormuz reopening and Iranian supply restoration is driving oil-price declines, which will exert negative fiscal and current-account pressure on commodity-dependent sovereigns including Iraq, Nigeria, and Gabon. European automakers — flagged by BMW — face mounting

OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- US–Iran agreement and Strait of Hormuz reopening outlook suppresses oil prices, pressuring commodity-dependent sovereign fiscal balances
- BMW and European automakers face accelerating competitive displacement from Chinese manufacturers, weighing on EU trade-balance outlook
- India taps \$2.5bn in multilateral loans as West Asia supply-route disruption strains infrastructure capital budgets (Headline 16).
- Sri Lanka's IMF-backed programme advances recovery from prior external BoP crisis; tourism-driven current-account improvement noted (Headline

HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

[Oil Slides After Trump Signs Iran Deal, Boosting Supply Outlook - WSJ](#)

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ACTIVE DISRUPTION EVENTS

What we're tracking

Named events visible in this cycle's headlines, classified by vertical.

Warsh Fed Hawkish Recalibration

ACTIVE VERTICAL: CENTRAL-BANKS-POLICY

Incoming Federal Reserve Chairman Kevin Warsh's debut signals a structurally hawkish monetary policy shift — withholding dot-plot guidance and restructuring internal working groups — materially raising

US–Iran Diplomatic Agreement

ACTIVE VERTICAL: SANCTIONS-CAPITAL-FLOWS

A US–Iran diplomatic agreement has been signed, triggering a Strait of Hormuz supply-route normalisation outlook, driving oil-price declines and creating potential future sanctions-relief variables for Iranian

EU Russia Sanctions Package 21 — Bulgarian Resistance

ACTIVE VERTICAL: SANCTIONS-CAPITAL-FLOWS

Bulgaria's sustained opposition to specific provisions of the EU's 21st Russia sanctions package — notably over Patriarch Kirill-related designations — is creating intra-EU enforcement cohesion risk and

UK Russia-Network Sanctions Expansion

RISING VERTICAL: SANCTIONS-CAPITAL-FLOWS

The UK has expanded its Russia-network sanctions enforcement with the designation of a Nigeria-linked entity, extending cross-jurisdictional compliance exposure for African-corridor financial institutions and



FORWARD OUTLOOK · 60-90 DAYS

What we're watching

PROBABILISTIC FORECAST

Over the 60–90 day forward window, the dominant macro pressure vector is the Federal Reserve's policy-path uncertainty under Chairman Warsh: markets should anticipate continued USD strength, elevated US Treasury yield volatility, and sustained EM capital-flow headwinds — particularly for KRW, NGN, and other current-account-deficit currencies. The US–Iran agreement, if it progresses toward sanctions relief and full Strait of Hormuz normalisation, will suppress oil prices further, compressing fiscal revenues for commodity-dependent sovereigns including Iraq, Nigeria, and Gabon — partially offsetting Gabon's positive Eurobond re-entry signal. The EU's 21st Russia sanctions package remains at risk of delayed or partial implementation pending Bulgarian consensus resolution; compliance desks should monitor the intra-EU negotiation timeline closely. OFAC enforcement activity — as evidenced by the Cuba JV

THIS CYCLE

60 macro headlines analysed · 78% AI confidence

DEEP DIVE

Full live decomposition — 5 axes, 5 verticals,
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