

WEEKLY REPORT · 2026-W26

# Macroeconomic & Sovereign Risk

Weekly risk snapshot · 5 axes · 5 verticals



WEEK-OVER-WEEK

▲ +3 pts wow

## FIVE-AXIS HEATMAP



SCAN INSIDE

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



INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 1/5

# Sovereign Credit & Debt

SCORE

**6**/10

LABEL

**HIGH**

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

▲ **+1** *Wow*

## COMMERCIAL BRIEF

Moody's has revised Gabon's outlook to negative, citing rising debt risk—a signal of widening spreads for sub-Saharan frontier credits. Bangladesh has approached the IMF for a fresh loan while the World Bank simultaneously extends a \$450 million banking-reform facility, indicating overlapping multilateral engagement. Brazil is planning its largest-ever panda bond issuance to diversify sovereign funding into CNY markets, a

## OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- Moody's cuts Gabon's sovereign outlook to 'negative' on rising debt-service risk (headlines 49, 52).
- Bangladesh approaches IMF for new loan programme; World Bank parallel \$450m banking-reform facility approved (headlines 28, 30).
- Brazil plans record CNY-denominated panda bond issuance to diversify sovereign funding (headline 24).
- China markets record €5 billion sovereign Eurobond, signalling EUR-denominated reserve diversification (headline 35).

## HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

[Moody's cuts Gabon's outlook to 'negative' on rising debt risk - Reuters](#)

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 2/5

# FX & Currency Markets

SCORE  
**7** /10

LABEL  
**HIGH**

WEEK-OVER-WEEK  
**no change**

## COMMERCIAL BRIEF

The Korean won has breached the 1,540 level against the dollar for a second consecutive session—the weakest reading since the global financial crisis—prompting acute investor caution and domestic retail-sector repricing. Libya's central bank executed a \$6 billion foreign-exchange injection to arrest dinar depreciation pressure. The naira's daily exchange-rate reporting reflects persistent NGN volatility. The dollar-yen rate is

## OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- Korean won at post-financial-crisis high vs. USD at 1,540; second consecutive session at that level (headline 7).
- Libya's central bank injects \$6 billion to stabilise dinar; largest single FX intervention on record for that sovereign (headline 5).
- USD/JPY momentum stalls as BOJ rate-path signals remain mixed; market upside caution prevails (headline 16).
- Euro softens against yen as weak German data collides with ECB internal divergence and intervention warnings (headline 40).

## HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

[Won-Dollar Closes in 1,540 Won Range for Second Day... Hits Highest Level Since Financial Crisis Again \(Updated\) - ?????](#)

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 3/5

# Sanctions & Capital Flows

SCORE

8/10

LABEL

CRITICAL

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

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## COMMERCIAL BRIEF

OFAC has issued authorisation for certain Iran crude oil and petroleum product transactions, but EU and OFSI sanctions remain fully operative, creating a tripartite regulatory divergence that imposes complex compliance obligations on energy traders, tanker operators, and correspondent banks. Concurrently, the WSJ reports a crypto exchange serving as a conduit for illicit Iranian capital flows, a vector now directly within OFAC's enforcement

## OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- OFAC partially authorises Iran crude transactions; EU and OFSI sanctions remain fully in force, creating compliance divergence
- US lifts sanctions on seven Russians, two Turkish firms, and two vessels in a targeted SDN rollback (headline 9).
- OFAC designates ISIS operators for crypto-based terror financing; crypto-exchange Iran cash-flow nexus identified (headlines 57, 34).
- ICC judges sue Trump administration to overturn sanctions listings; UK launches new enforcement era for its regime (headlines 58, 60).

## HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

*OFAC Authorizes Certain Iran Crude Oil and Petroleum Transactions but Questions Remain and EU and UK Sanctions Remain in Force -*

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 4/5

# Central Banks & Policy

SCORE

7 /10

LABEL

HIGH

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

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## COMMERCIAL BRIEF

The US 2-year Treasury yield is signalling potential Fed rate hike optionality, complicating the consensus rate-cut narrative and tightening financial conditions for EM sovereigns. The BOJ's board member Tamura has explicitly called for rate increases every few months, while a Japanese government blueprint is simultaneously nudging the BOJ toward demand stimulus—clouding the rates path further. Japan's 20-year bond auction recorded its

## OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- US 2-year Treasury yield signals potential Fed rate hike; dollar steady ahead of key inflation data (headlines 3, 14).
- BOJ's Tamura advocates rate hike every few months; government blueprint simultaneously calls for demand stimulus (headlines 20, 31).
- Japan 20-year bond auction weakest since May 2025 rout; fiscal-funding demand risk elevated (headline 27).
- PBOC moves to overnight reverse repo as next policy-shift stage; Fed balance sheet rises to \$6.74 trillion (headlines 4, 18).

## HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

[U.S. Two-Year Treasury Yield Might Signal Fed's Next Move to Be a Hike - WSJ](#)

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INDUSTRY VERTICAL · 5/5

# Trade Policy & Tariffs

SCORE

6/10

LABEL

HIGH

WEEK-OVER-WEEK

no change

COMMERCIAL BRIEF

The reopening of the Strait of Hormuz is flooding global oil markets with supply, pushing prices back to pre-escalation levels and materially altering the terms of trade for Gulf-dependent sovereigns and commodity-indexed debt. US-Iran talks are making headway, contributing to oil-futures retreat and creating optionality for further OFAC sanction relief on Iranian petroleum—a shift with major BoP implications for Iran and ripple

OPERATIONAL SIGNALS

- Hormuz reopening floods oil markets with supply; prices retreat to pre-escalation levels, reshaping Gulf sovereign BoP (headlines 12,
- US-Iran diplomatic progress advances; OFAC partial Iran crude authorisation signals potential further trade-flow normalisation
- Turkish arms-sale dispute between Trump administration and Congress elevates bilateral trade-sanction linkage risk (headline 45).
- World Bank raises India FY growth forecast to 6.6%; Brazil panda bond signals USD-channel diversification (headlines 53, 24).

HEADLINE THIS CYCLE

[Hormuz Reopening Is Quickly Flooding Oil Markets With Supply - Bloomberg](#)

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ACTIVE DISRUPTION EVENTS

# What we're tracking

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

## OFAC Iran Crude Partial Authorisation

**ACTIVE** VERTICAL: SANCTIONS-CAPITAL-FLOWS

OFAC has authorised certain Iran crude oil and petroleum product transactions, while EU and OFSI sanctions remain fully operative, creating a tripartite compliance divergence that directly affects energy

## Korean Won Post-Financial-Crisis Depreciation

**ACTIVE** VERTICAL: FX-CURRENCY

The Korean won has weakened to the 1,540 per dollar range for a second consecutive session, reaching its softest level since the global financial crisis and prompting heightened caution among institutional FX

## BOJ Rate-Path Divergence vs. Government Blueprint

**RISING** VERTICAL: CENTRAL-BANKS-POLICY

BOJ board member Tamura's public call for rate hikes every few months is in direct tension with a Japanese government policy blueprint urging the central bank to support domestic demand, materially clouding the

## Gabon Sovereign Outlook Cut to Negative

**ACTIVE** VERTICAL: SOVEREIGN-CREDIT

Moody's has revised Gabon's sovereign credit outlook to negative, citing rising debt risk and signalling potential spread widening for sub-Saharan frontier-market credits in the near term.



FORWARD OUTLOOK · 60-90 DAYS

# What we're watching

## PROBABILISTIC FORECAST

Over the next 60–90 days, the most consequential pressure points are the Federal Reserve's rate-path optionality and the BOJ's policy ambiguity, both of which will drive volatility in USD/JPY, Korean won, and broader EM FX crosses. If the Fed's 2-year yield signal materialises into explicit hawkish forward guidance, EM sovereigns with high external-debt rollover needs—including Bangladesh and sub-Saharan frontier credits such as Gabon—face widening spreads and constrained Eurobond access. The OFAC partial Iran crude authorisation will be closely monitored by EU and UK compliance functions; any broadening of waivers risks secondary-sanctions friction for European energy majors. China's €5 billion Eurobond and Brazil's panda bond issuance mark an accelerating structural shift in sovereign funding away from USD channels, a trend that will attract further CFIUS and EU FDI-screening scrutiny. The Hormuz supply

## THIS CYCLE

60 macro headlines analysed · 78% AI confidence

## DEEP DIVE

**Full live decomposition — 5 axes, 5 verticals,**  
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