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Asia week ahead

Asia week ahead: Still a long road ahead

While China reported no new coronavirus cases for the first time last week, <u>early evidence of the second wave of cases</u> in rest of Asia has kept optimism muted. As such, we expect some more easing with a rate cut from the Thai central bank and trade data to drop further this week



Asia Economic Calendar

| Country | Time Data/event | ING Survey | | Prev. |
|----------------------------|--|------------|-----|----------|
| | Saturday 21 March | | | |
| Taiwan | - Feb Money supply (M2) (YoY%) | - | - | 4.6 |
| | Monday 23 March | | | |
| Singapore | 0500 Feb CPI (YoY%) | 0.3 | - | 8.0 |
| | 0500 Feb CPI core (YoY%) | 0.3 | - | 0.3 |
| Hong Kong | 0800 Feb CPI (YoY%) | 0.5 | - | 1.4 |
| Taiwan | 0800 Feb Industrial production (YoY%) | -5.9 | - | -1.51 |
| | - Feb Money supply (M2) (%YoY) | 3.72 | | 4.6 |
| Thailand | 0330 Feb Exports (Cust est, YoY%) | -13.5 | - | 3.35 |
| | 0330 Feb Imports (Cust est, YoY%) | -11.4 | - | -7.9 |
| | 0330 Feb Trade balance (US\$bn) | 3.2 | - | -1.6 |
| | Wednesday 25 March | | | |
| Malaysia | 0400 Feb CPI (YoY%) | 1.0 | - | 1.6 |
| Thailand | 0705 Benchmark Interest Rate | 0.50 | - | 1.00 |
| | Feb Manufacturing index (YoY%) | -9.0 | - | -4.6 |
| | Thursday 26 March | | | |
| Hong Kong | 0830 Feb Exports (YoY%) | -39.0 | - | -22.7 |
| | 0830 Feb Imports (YoY%) | -35.1 | - | -16.4 |
| | 0830 Feb Trade balance (HK\$ bn) | -40.6 | - | -30.6 |
| Singapore | 0500 Feb Industrial production (MoM/YoY%) | -/-6.7 | -/- | 18.2/3.4 |
| South Korea | 2100 Mar BOK Consumer Sentiment Index | - | - | 96.9 |
| | Friday 27 March | | | |
| China | - Feb Industrial profits (YoY%) | -80.0 | | -14.0 |
| Philippines | - Feb Fiscal balance (PHP bn) | -43.7 | | 23.0 |
| Source: ING Bloombera *GMT | | | | |

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