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Key events in EMEA and Latam next week

Hungary and the Czech Republic will likely keep rates on hold next week while Turkey will probably cut rates further



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Turkey: A further rate cut is probable

The Central Bank of Turkey has already cut the policy rate significantly with an extended easing cycle since mid-2019, pulling it markedly below the annual inflation rate. But given its inflation estimate at 7.4% and focus on ex-ante real rate (by relying on its own forecast) to guide its policy decisions, the central bank is likely to ease by a further 50 basis points.

Hungary: Expect a dovish hold

The main event in Hungary next week is the rate-setting meeting. We have downgraded our GDP outlook to -5.1% in 2020 but we think the National Bank of Hungary will still forecast moderate growth in its upcoming Inflation Report. We do expect a dovish tone from the bank next week, showing a readiness to step in, if price stability warrants it. But the NBH might be able to provide some stimulus without cutting rates if it wants to. For example, it could install a hard cap on its one-week deposit tender. The NBH could then easily increase liquidity in the interbank market, pushing short-end Bubor gently lower. This cap would add another handy tool to the already complex monetary policy set-up, to micromanage the monetary transmission channel.

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Czech Republic: Rates likely to remain on hold

During the last two monetary meetings, the Czech National Bank delivered a larger-than-expected cut of 75 basis points versus the 50 basis points expected by the market. At the last meeting, the CNB board admitted that the cut was bigger than the staff-recommended forecast, as they decided to frontload the decision to avoid cutting again in the second half of the year. This suggests that rates could remain stable for some time, at least into next week. This also confirms the latest comments from CNB Board members, including Governor Jiri Rusnok, who have signalled that rates will stay on hold this month.

Yeland: Gradual rebound predicted

We expect a gradual recovery in retail sales from -22.6% to -14% year-on-year. The headline figure should be subdued by the collapse in car and fuel sales, which have fallen 50% and 20% YoY, respectively. In the case of other components, the contraction should be in the single digits.

EMEA and Latam economic calendar

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Country	Time Data/event	ING	Survey	Prev.
	Sunday 21 June			
Hungary	2300 Jun Economic Sentiment	-24.1	-	-28.1
	2300 Jun Business Confidence	-21.0	-	-24.5
	Monday 22 June			
Turkey	0900 May Foreign Tourist Arrivals (YoY%)	-	-	-99.3
Poland	0900 May Retail Sales (YoY%)	-14.0	-12.9	-22.6
Hungary	0730 1Q C/A (€mn)	230	-	-775
Ukraine	- National Bank of Ukraine Publishes Minut	es of Rate	e Meeting	
Israel	1100 Apr Industrial Production (SA, MoM%)	-	-	0.2
	1100 May Monthly Unemployment Rate (%)	-	-	3.3
	Tuesday 23 June			
Poland	1300 May M3 Money Supply (YoY%)	14.1	15.0	14.00
	- May Budget Level (YTD PLN mn)	-	-	-18883
Hungary	1300 Policy Rate (%)	0.90	-	0.90
	1300 Overnight Deposit Rate (%)	-0.05	-	-0.05
South Africa	0800 Apr Leading Indicator	-	-	104
	1030 1Q Unemployment Rate (%)	-	29.6	29.1
Israel	- May Leading 'S' Indicator (MoM%)	-	-	-0.3
	Wednesday 24 June			
Turkey	0800 Jun Real Sector Confidence Index SA	-	-	73.5
	0800 Jun Capacity Utilization (%)	-	-	62.6
Poland	0900 May Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	6.1	5.8
Czech Rep	0800 Jun Business Confidence	-	-	-18.6
	0800 Jun Consumer & Business Confidence	-	-	-17.8
	0800 Jun Consumer Confidence	-	-	-14.3
	1200 Repo Rate	0.25	-	0.25
South Africa	0900 Apr CPI (MoM/YoY%)	-/-	-0.5/3.0	0.3/4.1
	0900 Apr Core CPI (MoM/YoY%)	-/-	-0.1/3.5	0.6/3.7
	1200 Mar Retail Sales (MoM%)	-	0.5	-0.4
Brazil	1330 May C/A Balance (\$mn)	3200	-	3840
	Thursday 25 June			
Turkey	1200 Benchmark Repurchase Rate	7.75	-	8.25
Kazakhstan	- May M3 Money Supply (MoM%)	-	-	-1.6
Serbia	1100 Apr Real Wages (YoY%)	-	-	8.7
South Africa	1030 Apr PPI (MoM/YoY%)	-/-	-/-	0.1/3.3
Brazil	1200 Central Bank Quarterly Inflation Report			
Mexico	1200 Apr Retail Sales (YoY%)	-18.0	-	-1.3
	1900 Overnight Rate	5.00	-	5.50
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