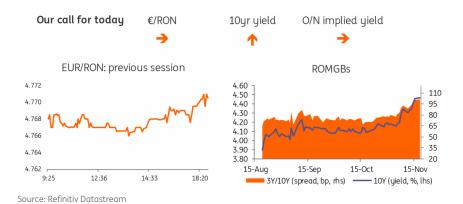
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EUR/RON testing 4.7700





EUR/RON

The EUR/RON once again tested the 4.7700 level, which remains a strong resistance these days. Shifting higher remains a matter of time in our view but for now 4.7700 should hold.

Government bonds

Today will be a good occasion to see if the recent sell-off in Romanian government bonds has driven yields to attractive enough levels. The Ministry of Finance auctions RON500 million in June-2024, a tenor usually in demand from local players. Should MinFin want to pay up towards the 4.10% area, we believe it could upsize the target amount around these levels. On Friday, the ROMGB yield curve was little changed after the previous day's sell-off.

Money market

Cash is becoming slightly more expensive these days and we should see diminished interest for the central bank's deposit taking auction today, despite relatively favourable settlement dates. A prudent stance from local banks could lead to carry inching towards the deposit facility in the last days of the reserve period.

EUR/RON forecasts (eop)							
	4Q19	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20		
ING forecast	4.80	4.82	4.82	4.84	4.85		
FX Forward	4.78	4.82	4.86	4.90	4.95		

Market rado	ar			10Y yield	
	Spot 1	%Ch D 1W	1M	5.50 5.30	
EUR/RON		.0 0.1	0.4	AA. A 5.10	
EUR/PLN		0.1	-0.2	4.59 4.70 4.51 4.31	
EUR/HUF		.2 0.4	1.1		
EUR/CZK	25.579 0	.1 0.4	-0.5	4.10	
RO 5Y CDS*	90.0 -0	0.1 -0.2	-0.7	3.70 3.50	
ROBOR O/N*	2.60	8 12	76	3.30	
ROBOR 3M*	2.97	0 0	-6	Dec-16 Dec-17 Dec-18 Dec-19 Dec-20	
ROBOR 3M*	2.97		-6	Dec-16 Dec-17 Dec-18 Dec-19	

*change in basis points; **US\$ (data as at 06:29 GMT)

Source: Refinitiv Datastream, ING estimates

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