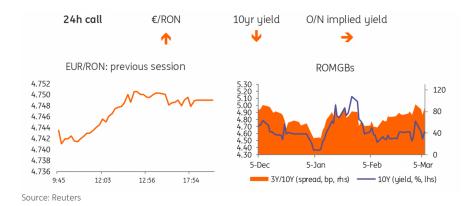


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# **Briefing Romania**

# RON500 million T-bill maturing today





# EUR/RON

The EUR/RON trading range shifted in the upper part of the 4.7400-4.7500 interval, likely helped by the cheaper leu funding rates. Nevertheless, the low turnover does not point to meaningful upside pressure for now. We expect the same 4.7400-4.7500 range for today, with a possible test above 4.7500.

# 😲 Government bonds

Romanian government bonds continue to be supported by better bids across the curve. Today's expiry of a RON500 million 1Y paper likely generated some rollover demand as well. There

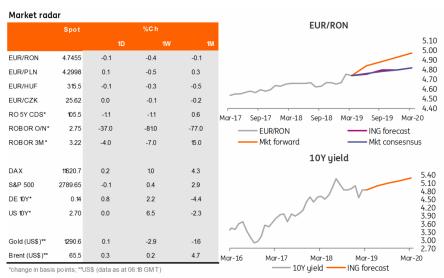
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wasn't any fresh news yesterday regarding the bank levy and in particular the ROMGBs exemption from the taxable base.

# Money Market

Better liquidity conditions continue to push implied yields lower, with short dates now trading below the National Bank of Romania's key rate of 2.50%. This level could act as an anchor for a while as some market participants might expect the central bank to drain liquidity at the key rate level.

EUR/RON forecasts					
	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	1Q20
ING forecast	4.75	4.75	4.80	4.80	4.82
FX Forward	4.76	4.84	4.88	4.93	4.97
Source: Reuters IN	G estimates				



Source: Reuters, Bloomberg, ING

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