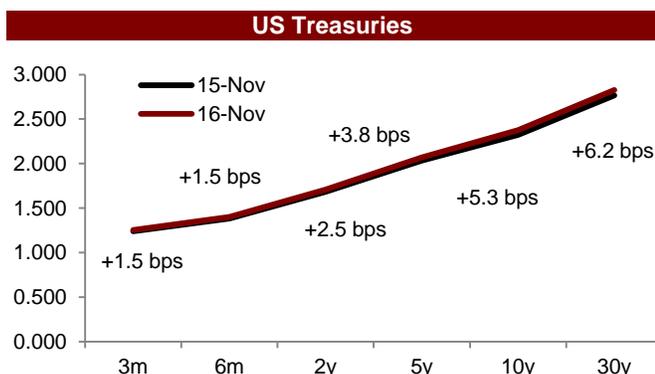
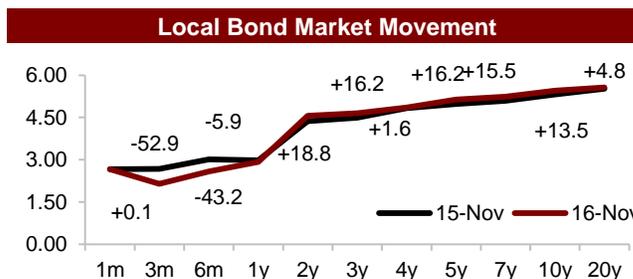
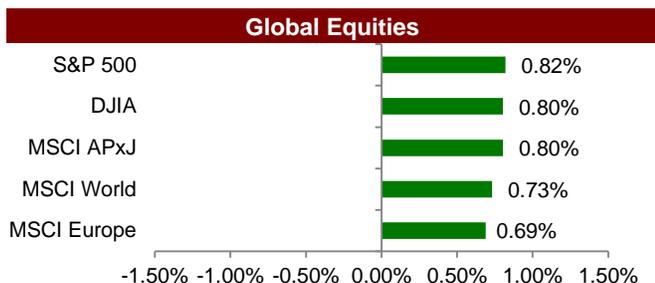
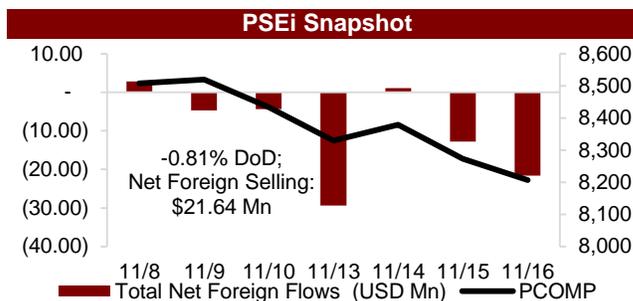


Global equities and the US Dollar broadly rose on positive sentiment coming from the passage of the US House of Representatives' version of the tax reform bill and on upbeat corporate earnings releases. Meanwhile, US Treasury yields rose amid a return of risk-on sentiment in markets.

- ✓ **Local equities** trended lower continuing to a 4-day losing streak as investors extend their profit taking amid lofty valuations for the index. The PSEi shed 67.0 points and closed at 8,206.44 (-0.81% DoD).
- ✓ **Philippine fixed income yields** fell on average following successful auction of t-bills the day prior. Yields fell by an average of 1.40 bps DoD after short term yields fell 25.51 bps DoD.

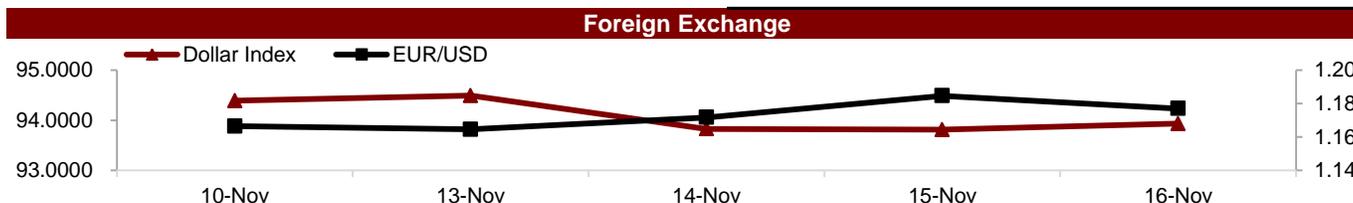


- ✓ **US stocks** advanced as the Republicans of the House of Representatives passed their version of the tax reform bill, however, positive sentiment was tempered as the Senate version may face delays due to debates on the inclusion of an Obamacare repeal. The DJIA closed at 23,458.36 (+0.80% DoD) and the S&P500 closed at 2,585.64 (+0.82%) respectively.
- ✓ **Europe equities** recovered after consecutive days of losses as a sell-off of cyclical stocks seems to have run its course, with investors reacting positively to a recent stream of upbeat corporate earnings. The MSCI Europe ended at 129.93 (+0.73% DoD)
- ✓ **Asian equities** closed higher as investors shrugged off jitters over the US tax reform and an economic slowdown in China, shifting their focus towards positive earnings releases and rising odds of US corporate tax cuts. The MSCI Asia ex-Japan went up to 556.25 (+0.80% DoD).
- ✓ **US Treasury yields** broadly rose, led by the short end, causing a flattening of the yield curve. This comes as result of a return of risk-on sentiment in markets and on expectations of a December rate hike amid a mixed bag of economic data releases despite persistently low inflation. On average, yields increased 3.49 bps with the 10-year rising to 2.375% (+5.31 bps DoD).

- ✓ The **Philippine Peso** strengthened to its highest level in a month on the back of stronger-than-expected Q3 GDP growth of 6.9%. The local currency appreciated against the greenback by 0.28% to 50.900.
- ✓ The **US dollar** edged higher on positive developments in the passage of the Republic tax reform bill and on a better-than-expected October US Industrial Production figure (mkt. est. 0.5% MoM, actual at 0.9% MoM) signalling a recovery from the devastation caused by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. The DXY edged higher, closing at 93.93 (+0.13% DoD).

Foreign Exchange

USD/PHP	Previous Close	51.040
	Close	50.900
EUR/USD	Previous Close	1.1846
	Indicative Rate	1.1787



Key Indicators

YIELDS AND PRICES	16-Nov-17	DoD	WoW	MoM	YTD
91-Day Philippine Treasury Bill Yield (PDST-R2)	2.15	-0.53%	-0.05%	0.10%	-0.52%
1-Year Philippine Treasury Bill Yield (PDST-R2)	2.92	-0.06%	-0.13%	0.07%	0.55%
ROP2021 (Price)	105.09	0.06	(0.34)	(0.97)	(3.27)
ROP2034 (Price)	133.15	0.07	(0.37)	(1.82)	2.68
3-Month US Treasury Yield	1.25	0.02%	0.03%	0.19%	1.09%
3-Month German Treasury Bill Yield	(0.79)	-0.02%	-0.01%	-0.05%	-0.27%
Dubai Crude Oil Spot (\$/bbl)	59.65	0.05%	-3.04%	6.57%	85.65%
Gold Spot (\$/oz)	1,278.70	0.05%	-0.50%	-1.26%	20.47%

Upcoming Economic Releases

Philippines

Date	Event	Period	Prior
11/20/2017	BoP Overall	Oct	\$24m
11/29/2017	Bank Lending YoY	Oct	20.1%

Developed Markets

Date	Country	Event	Period	Prior
11/20/2017	US	Leading Index	Oct	-0.2%
11/20/2017	Germany	PPI YoY	Oct	3.1%
11/20/2017	Japan	Exports YoY	Oct	14.1%

Emerging Markets

Date	Country	Event	Period	Prior
11/30/2017	India	GDP YoY	3Q	5.7%
11/30/2017	China	Manufacturing PMI	Nov	51.6
11/30/2017	Indonesia	Nikkei Indonesia Manufacturing PMI SA	Nov	50.1

Sources: BPI, Reuters, Bloomberg, PSE, CNN, MarketWatch, The Wall Street Journal, CNBC, Business World