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► <u>S&P Downgrades Russia Outlook To 'Negative', Affirms 'BBB' Rating</u> Standard and Poor's Ratings Services downgraded Russia's rating outlook to 'Negative', citing the possible consequences of the EU and U.S. sanctions on the country's creditworthiness following the incorporation...

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► Fed stress tests only find one black sheep out of 30 banks

According to fresh bank stress tests, 29 banks have met capital requirements, with a negative result coming only from Zions Bancorporation.

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Xinhua

Yuan weakens again amid new QE stance

The central parity rate of the Chinese currency renminbi, or the yuan, on Friday depreciated for a fourth straight day against the U.S. dollar to its weakest point in more than four months.

ICN.com

► <u>Dollar consolidates after a record high against the euro</u>

The dollar along with major pairs are consolidating mainly on pure technical and correctional movements after that the green Benjamin advanced to the strongest level in two weeks against the euro after...

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► It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like 2007

Stutland Volatility Group Options Trader Joe Tigay discusses volatility and big moves in the market with Julie Hyman on Bloomberg Television's "Street Smart."

9NEWS

► Russia to impose sanctions on US

The crisis over Russia's plan to take control of Crimea has intensified, with the US imposing further sanctions - targeting individuals and a major bank.

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France24

► EU targets Putin's inner circle with growing blacklist

A further 12 Russians and Crimeans are to be hit with travel bans and asset freezes by the European Union, French President François Hollande announced on Friday, in the bloc's latest move to punish Vladimir Putin for Moscow's takeover of Crimea.

The New Yorker

► Political scene: how far will Putin go?

Jon Lee Anderson has been in Ukraine reporting on Russia's takeover of Crimea. "This was done in mob style," he says.

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Citywire

Overnight Markets: US stocks rebound on economic data

The Dow Jones rose 109 points after a batch of economic data pointed to an improving economy, overshadowing concern that interest rates may rise in the middle of next year.

CNBC

► Gold heads for biggest weekly fall in four months

Gold edged up in thin trade on Friday but was on track for its biggest weekly fall since November as the dollar firmed after the U.S. Federal Reserve hinted at an interest rate hike in the first half of 2015.

▶▶▶ Blogs

Matt Phillips

► S&P says Russia's Crimea caper has already hurt the economy

The credit rating company Standard & Poor's says it may cut its rating on the Russian Federation's government bonds, citing the economic damage that Russia's move into Crimea has already done to the country.

Ed Dolan

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