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► Global Growth Slow, Policy Response Needed Says OECD Strong growth in the global economy remains a difficult achievement, according to the OECD.

International Business Times

► People's Bank Of China Ramps Up Frequency Of Open Market Operations To Boost Short-Term Liquidity

In the latest bid to boost the country's floundering economy, the People's Bank of China (PBOC) on Thursday announced that it will carry out open...

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► EUR/USD remains vulnerable near 2-week lows

EUR/USD continued to edge lower and posted fresh 2-week lows at the beginning of the New York session, with the pair barely reacting to the latest string of US data.

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▶ USD/CAD rises off 2-week lows in early trade

The U.S. dollar rose against its Canadian counterpart on Thursday, easing off a two-week low after the release of upbeat U.S. economic reports and as the commodity-related Canadian currency seemed to...

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Oil extended gains above \$31 a barrel in New York after industry data showed a decline in U.S. crude inventories, while Iran cautiously supported a proposal by Saudi Arabia and Russia to freeze production at...

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I do not believe the Saudis really want a cut, says Bruno Stanziale, Eurasia Group, weighing in on OPEC's efforts to put production on hold in an effort to bring stability back to the...

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British PM makes pledge as European council president Donald Tusk describes 'very difficult and sensitive negotiations' as make-or-break.

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► Turkey blames Kurdish militants for Ankara bomb, vows response in Syria and Iraq

Turkish Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu blamed a Syrian Kurdish militia fighter working with Kurdish militants inside Turkey for a suicide car bomb...

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The Business Times

'Selfish' oil firms relish new production despite glut

As oil firms scrap dozens of billions worth of mega projects essential for supplies in decades ahead, fresh output from huge fields already being developed is set to weigh for many more months on an oil market struggling...

Business Recorder

Gold eases as equities rise, dollar steadies

Gold eased on Thursday as a run higher in equities tempered upward momentum in the precious metal, though uncertainty over the direction of U.S. monetary policy supported prices above \$1,200 an ounce.

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Zhang Jingwei

How long could the current oil war continue?

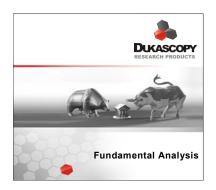
This is a most embarrassing moment for OPEC. The international crude oil price fell below US\$26 per barrel last week.

Matthew Lynn

► The eurozone can't survive another banking crisis

There were no queues around the block in Hanover or Dusseldorf as people tried to withdraw their life savings from the bank, and there was no Lehman moment where angry and bewildered looking bankers were turfed out onto the streets of Frankfurt.



























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