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### Business Recorder

- ▶ [RCB to resist calls for tighter money in 2017 kickoff](#)

The European Central Bank will hold to its course at its first meeting of 2017 Thursday, analysts said, resisting clamour to tighten monetary policy from critics pointing to increasing inflation.

### RTT News

- ▶ [IMF Raises U.S. Growth Outlook](#)

The International Monetary Fund raised its U.S. growth outlook citing likely shift in policy mix under the leadership of President-elect Donald Trump, while global growth projections were kept unchanged.

## ▶▶▶ Currencies

### The Business Times

- ▶ [China's yuan firms, academics urge Beijing to loosen grip](#)

China's yuan firmed slightly against the US dollar on Tuesday, buoyed by its firmer offshore counterpart and as corporates eased off heavy US dollar purchases this week.

### Reuters

- ▶ [Pound quivers near three-month low, stocks weak before May's Brexit stance speech](#)

The pound hovered near three-month lows versus the dollar on Tuesday and stocks were mostly weaker as investors waited for British Prime Minister Theresa May to lay out plans to exit the European Union amid...

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### CNBC

- ▶ [PM expected to say UK not looking for 'half in, half out' deal](#)

CNBC's Nancy Hungerford takes a look at what the U.K. Prime Minister Theresa May is expected to say during her Brexit speech on Tuesday.

### Bloomberg

- ▶ [UBS Chairman Weber: I'm Quite Optimistic About 2017](#)

UBS Chairman Axel Weber discusses the outlook for the global economy in 2017 with Bloomberg's Francine Lacqua at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.

## ▶▶▶ Politics

### Deutsche Welle

- ▶ [Lavrov expresses readiness to meet US President-elect Trump once in office](#)

In his annual press conference, Russian foreign minister Sergei Lavrov also invited the Trump administration to attend Syrian peace talks. But he has claimed US diplomats engaged in espionage against Russia.

### The Japan Times

- ▶ [Trump's emerging Europe policy prompts calls for unity](#)

European governments called for cool heads and tighter unity as they reacted with shock to President-elect Donald Trump's remarks slamming NATO and predicting European Union nations would follow the U.K. out of the bloc.

## ▶▶▶ Markets

### FXStreet

- ▶ [Gold strongest since mid-Nov, eyes 100-DMA](#)

Gold accelerates its bullish momentum into early Asia, as the traditional safe-haven asset remains in demand as we progress towards the UK PM May's speech, which is expected to suggest a Hard-Brexit.

### Market Watch

- ▶ [Nikkei falls as key U.K. speech looms; China shares volatile](#)

Asian shares were broadly lower Tuesday, ahead of a crucial speech by U.K. Prime Minister Theresa May, who is set to announce a clean break from the European Union.

## ▶▶▶ Opinions

### China Daily

- ▶ [Trump playing with fire with his Taiwan game](#)

When it comes to tolerance, it is our tradition to display a big heart. That is why one can normally get away with making the same mistake twice, as one will be given the benefit of the doubt.

### Stephen Innes

- ▶ [FX Markets Post Pound's Pounding](#)

The pound remains center stage, but after yesterday's early APAC mayhem, predictably the remainder of Monday's trading session was subdued.



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