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## ▶▶▶ Economy

### China Daily

▶ [China walks economic globalization talk with concrete steps](#)

Jenny Shipley, board member of the Boao Forum for Asia and former New Zealand prime minister, should feel encouraged that her country became the first Western developed economy to sign a cooperation agreement...

### The Straits Times

▶ [Japan retail sales tepid in February, raising concerns about consumption and growth](#)

"I was expecting consumption to pick up in January-March, but so far things look weak," said Hidenobu Tokuda, senior economist at Mizuho Research Institute.

## ▶▶▶ Currencies

### Market Watch

▶ [British pound under pressure on Brexit trigger-day](#)

The British pound declined against the U.S. dollar and the yen on Wednesday as investors braced for formal Brexit procedures to be triggered by the U.K. government later in the global day.

### RTT News

▶ [Australian Dollar Rises Amid Rising Risk Appetite](#)

The Australian dollar strengthened against the other major currencies in the Asian session on Wednesday amid rising risk appetite, tracking the positive lead overnight from Wall Street after data showed that U.S. consumer confidence rose to a sixteen-year high in March.

## ▶▶▶ Top Videos

### Bloomberg

▶ [Here's Why Everyone Is Short Sterling](#)

Barclays Head of Global FX Strategy Marvin Barth discusses Brexit negotiations, the British pound and his outlook for the currency markets.

### CNBC

▶ [Triggering Article 50 tells us no more about Brexit: BNP Paribas](#)

Edmund Shing, global head of equity derivative strategy at BNP Paribas, says that the Brexit referendum and President Donald Trump related market volatility has been short-lived.

## ▶▶▶ Politics

### Reuters

▶ [Trump signs order dismantling Obama-era climate policies](#)

President Donald Trump on Tuesday signed an order to undo Obama-era climate change regulations, keeping a campaign promise to support the coal industry and calling into question U.S. support for an international deal to fight global warming.

### France 24

▶ [French presidential candidate Fillon's wife charged over fake job scandal](#)

The wife of France's conservative presidential candidate Francois Fillon was charged Tuesday with complicity in the abuse of public funds in a scandal that has engulfed her husband's campaign.

## ▶▶▶ Markets

### FXStreet

▶ [WTI hits fresh weekly tops near \\$ 49, awaits EIA report](#)

Oil futures on NYMEX extend gains for the second straight session on Wednesday, now printing eight-day tops, as sentiment remains underpinned by concerns over Libyan supply disruptions and renewed hopes of an extension of the OPEC production cuts beyond June.

### The Business Times

▶ [Gold slips on technicals as US dollar firms on US rate hike cues](#)

Gold fell on Wednesday in the face of technical resistance and positive economic data that boosted expectations for further US interest rate hikes this year, supporting the dollar and equities markets.

## ▶▶▶ Opinions

### Stephen Pope

▶ [Please Theresa May, don't pull Article 50 trigger in anger](#)

Today, Wednesday, March 29 2017, is the date on which the official phase of the process by which the UK will leave the European Union (EU) will be activated.

### Frank Holmes

▶ [7 Reasons To Be Bullish Emerging Europe](#)

For the month of March, the preliminary purchasing manager's index (PMI) for the eurozone reached 56.7, its highest reading since April 2011.



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