

OPEC+: Keeps crude-oil policy unchanged with a supply cut of 2 Mbbl/d

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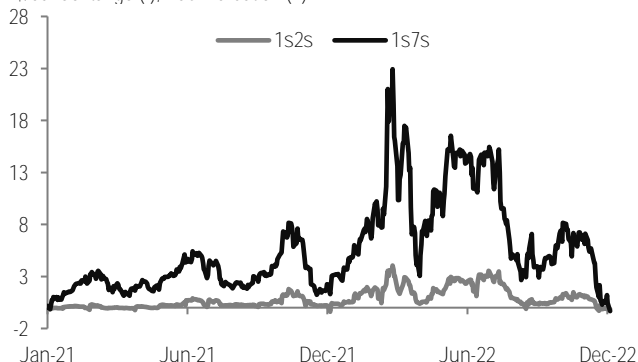
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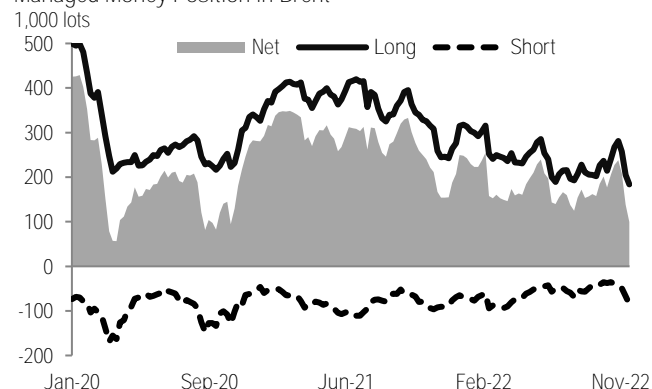
- On December 4th, OPEC and allies decided to maintain their crude-oil policy unchanged. Specifically, output cuts will remain at 2 Mbbl/d, as agreed at the [meeting](#) held on October 5th. The group said that market participants recognized this measure as necessary and appropriate to maintain the stability of the energy market
- The decision took place amid high uncertainty on both supply and demand ahead. On the former, geopolitical tensions remain in the spotlight after the European Union’s ban of most seaborne imports of Russian crude-oil, while agreeing on a price cap of 60 \$/bbl. On the latter, the OECD and the IMF cut their growth forecasts for 2023 and most central banks continue with a restrictive policy to curb inflation. With recession fears on the rise, global demand for crude-oil has come under pressure, although China is starting to show signs of easing its COVID-zero policies
- Following the decision, the market reaction was slightly positive. However, both Brent and WTI ended today down about 3.5% to 82.6 and 76.9 \$/bbl, respectively. This was induced by greater risk aversion, the start of EU sanctions, and Saudi Arabia’s price cut for Asia and Europe which signals that demand remains fragile. In this context, the crude-oil futures curve is starting to turn towards ‘contango’ (futures higher than the spot price), while investors are drastically reducing their long positions
- Given the current backdrop, we expect Brent to end the year between 80 and 110 \$/bbl, without ruling out further episodes of high volatility
- The next OPEC+ Ministerial Meeting will be held on June 4th, 2023, while the Joint Ministerial Monitoring Committee will be held on February 1st. However, the group left the door open for extraordinary meetings if they deem it necessary

WTI time spread (1st - 2nd month and 1st - 7th month)
\$/bbl Contango (-), Backwardation (+)



Source: Bloomberg, Banorte

Managed Money Position in Brent



Source: Banorte with data from Bloomberg, CFTC and ICE

Recent trade ideas

Trade idea	P/L	Initial date	End date
Pay TIE-IRS (26x1), receive 2-year SOFR	L	18-Aug-22	28-Oct-22
Pay 2-year TIE-IRS (26x1)	P	4-Feb-22	4-Mar-22
Tactical longs in Mbono Mar'26	P	14-May-21	7-Jun-21
Receive 6-month TIE-IRS (6x1)	P	17-Dec-20	3-Mar-21
Long positions in Udibono Nov'23	L	11-Feb-21	26-Feb-21
Long positions in Mbono May'29 & Nov'38	P	7-Sep-20	18-Sep-20
Long positions in Udibono Dec'25	P	23-Jul-20	10-Aug-20
Long positions in Udibono Nov'35	P	22-May-20	12-Jun-20
Long positions in Mbono May'29	P	5-May-20	22-May-20
Tactical longs in 1- & 2-year TIE-28 IRS	P	20-Mar-20	24-Apr-20
Long positions in Udibono Nov'28	P	31-Jan-20	12-Feb-20
Long positions in Udibono Jun'22	P	9-Jan-20	22-Jan-20
Long positions in Mbono Nov'47	L	25-Oct-19	20-Nov-19
Long positions in Mbonos Nov'36 & Nov'42	P	16-Aug-19	24-Sep-19
Long positions in the short-end of Mbonos curve	P	19-Jul-19	2-Aug-19
Long positions in Mbonos Nov'42	L	5-Jul-19	12-Jul-19
Long positions in Mbonos Nov'36 & Nov'38	P	10-Jun-19	14-Jun-19
Long positions in Mbonos Jun'22 & Dec'23	P	9-Jan-19	12-Feb-19
Long floating-rate Bondes D	P	31-Oct-18	3-Jan-19
Long CPI-linked Udibono Jun'22	L	7-Aug-18	31-Oct-18
Long floating-rate Bondes D	P	30-Apr-18	3-Aug-18
Long 20- to 30-year Mbonos	P	25-Jun-18	9-Jul-18
Short Mbonos	P	11-Jun-18	25-Jun-18
Long CPI-linked Udibono Jun'19	P	7-May-18	14-May-18
Long 7- to 10-year Mbonos	L	26-Mar-18	23-Apr-18
Long CPI-linked Udibono Jun'19	P	20-Mar-18	26-Mar-18
Long 5- to 10-year Mbonos	P	5-Mar-18	20-Mar-18
Long floating-rate Bondes D	P	15-Jan-18	12-Mar-18
Long 10-year UMS Nov'28 (USD)	L	15-Jan-18	2-Feb-18

P = Profit, L = Loss

Track of directional fixed-income trade recommendations

Trade idea	Entry	Target	Stop-loss	Closed	P/L	Initial date	End date
Long Udibono Dec'20	3.05%	2.90%	3.15%	3.15%	L	9-Aug-17	6-Oct-17
5y10y TIE-IRS steepener	28bps	43bps	18bps	31bps	P ²	15-Feb-17	15-Mar-17
5y10y TIE-IRS steepener	35bps	50bps	25bps	47bps	P	5-Oct-16	19-Oct-16
Long Mbono Jun'21	5.60%	5.35%	5.80%	5.43%	P	13-Jul-16	16-Aug-16
Long Udibono Jun'19	1.95%	1.65%	2.10%	2.10%	L	13-Jul-16	16-Aug-16
Receive 1-year TIE-IRS (13x1)	3.92%	3.67%	4.10%	3.87% ¹	P	12-Nov-15	8-Feb-16
Long spread 10-year TIE-IRS vs US Libor	436bps	410bps	456bps	410bps	P	30-Sep-15	23-Oct-15
Receive 9-month TIE-IRS (9x1)	3.85%	3.65%	4.00%	3.65%	P	3-Sep-15	18-Sep-15
Spread TIE 2/10 yrs (flattening)	230bps	200bps	250bps	200bps	P	26-Jun-15	29-Jul-15
Long Mbono Dec'24	6.12%	5.89%	6.27%	5.83%	P	13-Mar-15	19-Mar-15
Relative-value trade, long 10-year Mbono (Dec'24) / flattening of the curve					P	22-Dec-14	6-Feb-15
Pay 3-month TIE-IRS (3x1)	3.24%	3.32%	3.20%	3.30%	P	29-Jan-15	29-Jan-15
Pay 9-month TIE-IRS (9x1)	3.28%	3.38%	3.20%	3.38%	P	29-Jan-15	29-Jan-15
Pay 5-year TIE-IRS (65x1)	5.25%	5.39%	5.14%	5.14%	L	4-Nov-14	14-Nov-14
Long Udibono Dec'17	0.66%	0.45%	0.82%	0.82%	L	4-Jul-14	26-Sep-14
Relative-value trade, long Mbonos 5-to-10-year					P	5-May-14	26-Sep-14
Receive 2-year TIE-IRS (26x1)	3.75%	3.55%	3.90%	3.90%	L	11-Jul-14	10-Sep-14
Receive 1-year TIE-IRS (13x1)	4.04%	3.85%	4.20%	3.85%	P	6-Feb-14	10-Apr-14
Long Udibono Jun'16	0.70%	0.45%	0.90%	0.90%	L	6-Jan-14	4-Feb-14
Long Mbono Jun'16	4.47%	3.90%	4.67%	4.06%	P	7-Jun-13	21-Nov-13
Receive 6-month TIE-IRS (6x1)	3.83%	3.65%	4.00%	3.81%	P	10-Oct-13	25-Oct-13
Receive 1-year TIE-IRS (13x1)	3.85%	3.55%	4.00%	3.85%	--	10-Oct-13	25-Oct-13
Long Udibono Dec'17	1.13%	0.95%	1.28%	1.35%	L	9-Aug-13	10-Sep-13
Receive 9-month TIE-IRS (9x1)	4.50%	4.32%	4.65%	4.31%	P	21-Jun-13	12-Jul-13
Spread TIE-Libor (10-year)	390bps	365bps	410bps	412bps	L	7-Jun-13	11-Jun-13
Receive 1-year TIE-IRS (13x1)	4.22%	4.00%	4.30%	4.30%	L	19-Apr-13	31-May-13
Long Udibono Jun'22	1.40%	1.20%	1.55%	0.97%	P	15-Mar-13	3-May-13
Receive 1-year TIE-IRS (13x1)	4.60%	4.45%	4.70%	4.45%	P	1-Feb-13	7-Mar-13
Long Mbono Nov'42	6.22%	5.97%	6.40%	5.89%	P	1-Feb-13	7-Mar-13
Long Udibono Dec'13	1.21%	0.80%	1.40%	1.40%	L	1-Feb-13	15-Apr-13
Receive 1-year TIE-IRS (13x1)	4.87%	4.70%	5.00%	4.69%	P	11-Jan-13	24-Jan-13
Receive TIE Pay Mbono (10-year)	46bps	35bps	54bps	54bps	L	19-Oct-12	8-Mar-13
Spread TIE-Libor (10-year)	410bps	385bps	430bps	342bps	P	21-Sep-13	8-Mar-13
Long Udibono Dec'12	+0.97%	-1.50%	+1.20%	-6.50%	P	1-May-12	27-Nov-12
Long Udibono Dec'13	+1.06%	0.90%	+1.35%	0.90%	P	1-May-12	14-Dec-12

¹ Carry+roll-down gains of 17bps

² Closed below target and before the proposed horizon date due to changes in market conditions that have differed from our expectations.

Short-term tactical trades

Trade Idea	P/L*	Entry	Exit	Initial Date	End date
Long USD/MXN	P	19.30	19.50	11-Oct-19	20-Nov-19
Long USD/MXN	P	18.89	19.35	20-Mar-19	27-Mar-19
Long USD/MXN	P	18.99	19.28	15-Jan-19	11-Feb-19
Long USD/MXN	P	18.70	19.63	16-Oct-18	3-Jan-19
Short USD/MXN	P	20.00	18.85	2-Jul-18	24-Jul-18
Long USD/MXN	P	19.55	19.95	28-May-18	4-Jun-18
Long USD/MXN	P	18.70	19.40	23-Apr-18	14-May-18
Long USD/MXN	P	18.56	19.20	27-Nov-17	13-Dec-17
Long USD/MXN	L	19.20	18.91	6-Nov-17	17-Nov-17
Long USD/MXN	P	18.58	19.00	9-Oct-17	23-Oct-17
Short USD/MXN	L	17.80	18.24	4-Sep-17	25-Sep-17
Long USD/MXN	P	14.40	14.85	15-Dec-14	5-Jan-15
Long USD/MXN	P	13.62	14.11	21-Nov-14	3-Dec-14
Short EUR/MXN	P	17.20	17.03	27-Aug-14	4-Sep-14
Short USD/MXN	L	12.70	13.00	26-Jul-13	21-Aug-13

Source: Banorte

Track of the directional FX trade recommendations*

Trade Idea	Entry	Target	Stop-loss	Closed	P/L*	Initial Date	End date
Long USD/MXN	18.57	19.50	18.20	18.20	L	19-Jan-18	2-Apr-18
Long USD/MXN	14.98	15.50	14.60	15.43	P	20-Mar-15	20-Apr-15
Short EUR/MXN	17.70	n.a.	n.a.	16.90	P	5-Jan-15	15-Jan-15
Short USD/MXN	13.21	n.a.	n.a.	13.64	L	10-Sep-14	26-Sep-14
USD/MXN call spread**	12.99	13.30	n.a.	13.02	L	6-May-14	13-Jun-14
Directional short USD/MXN	13.00	12.70	13.25	13.28	L	31-Oct-13	8-Nov-13
Limit short USD/MXN	13.25	12.90	13.46	--	--	11-Oct-13	17-Oct-13
Short EUR/MXN	16.05	15.70	16.40	15.69	P	29-Apr-13	9-May-13
Long USD/MXN	12.60	12.90	12.40	12.40	L	11-Mar-13	13-Mar-13
Long USD/MXN	12.60	12.90	12.40	12.85	P	11-Jan-13	27-Feb-13
Tactical limit short USD/MXN	12.90	12.75	13.05	--	--	10-Dec-12	17-Dec-12
Short EUR/MXN	16.64	16.10	16.90	16.94	L	03-Oct-12	30-Oct-12

* Total return does not consider carry gain/losses

** Low strike (long call) at 13.00, high strike (short call) at 13.30 for a premium of 0.718% of notional amount

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