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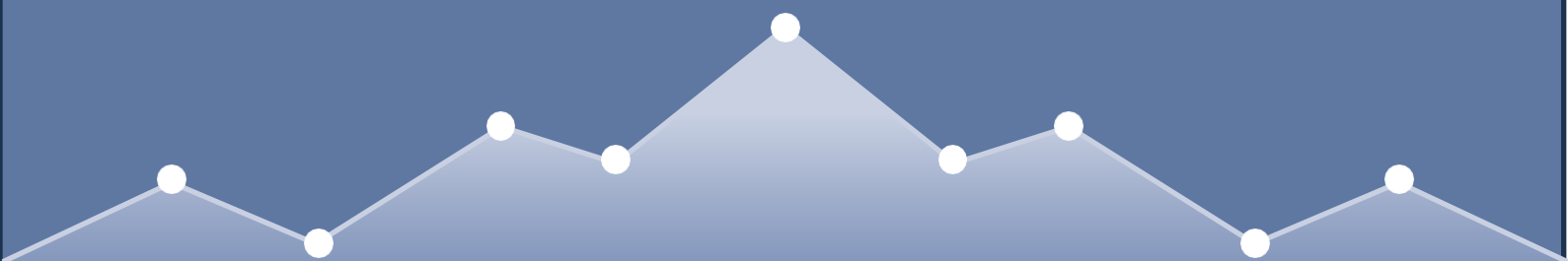
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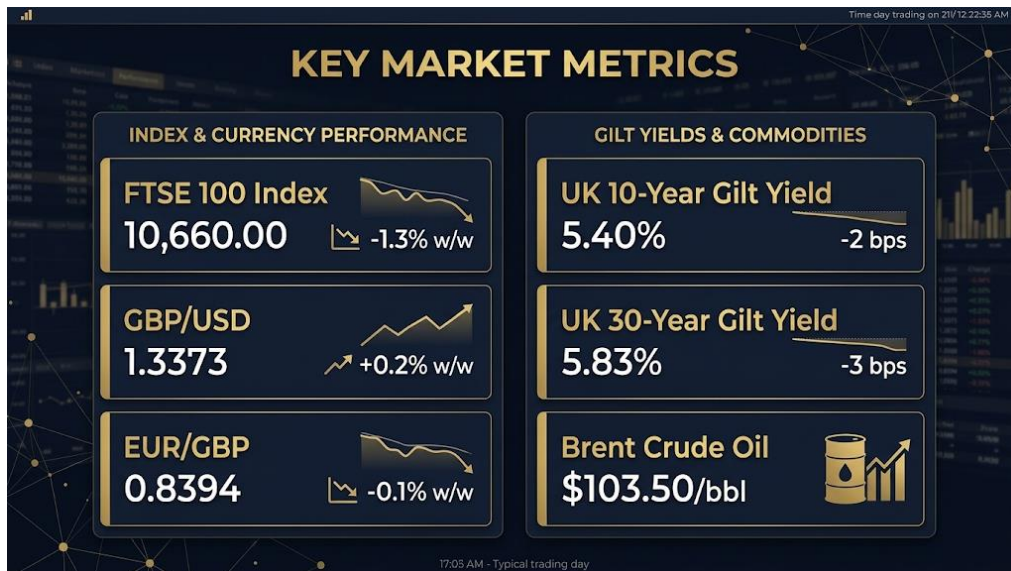
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Welcome to this week's edition of the **London Investment Markets** Weekly Newsletter: Your weekly institutional-grade breakdown of global equities, forex, commodities, and upcoming macro catalysts.

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY & WEEK AT A GLANCE

Financial markets enter a pivotal multi-central bank decision week alongside the highly anticipated **UK Autumn Budget (Wednesday, 28 October)**. With the **FTSE 100** hovering near the **10,660–10,730** zone and **Sterling (GBP/USD)** recovering from recent multi-month lows around **1.3370**, institutional focus is sharply divided between fiscal policy announcements in Westminster and monetary policy updates from Washington, Frankfurt, and Tokyo.





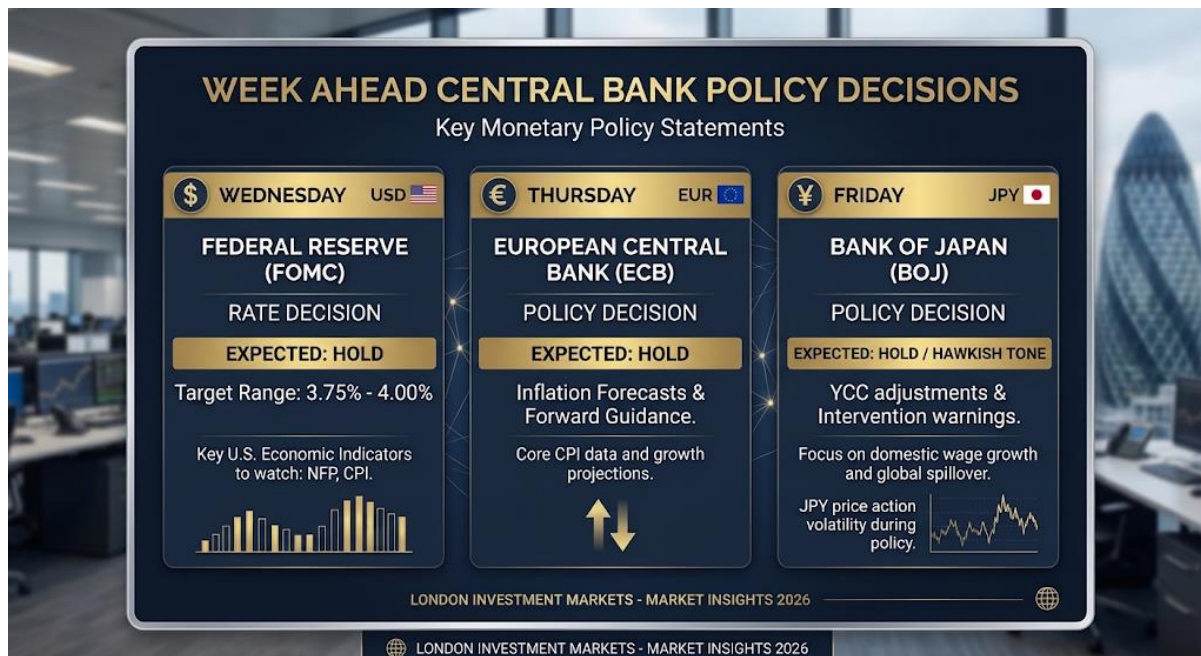
2. MACRO HIGHLIGHT: THE UK AUTUMN BUDGET & GILTS

All eyes in the City are on HM Treasury this Wednesday as the Chancellor delivers the **Autumn Budget**.

Fiscal Credibility Under the Spotlight

- **Gilt Yield Sensitivity:** Following intense volatility in the UK sovereign debt market—where 30-year yields reached peak levels near **6.04%** earlier this month—investors are demanding high fiscal discipline.
- **Borrowing Estimates:** Markets are anticipating proposed fiscal headroom and tax updates aiming to raise approximately **£10bn to £15bn**.
- **Impact on Cable (GBP/USD) & EUR/GBP:**
 - **Bullish Scenario:** A credible fiscal plan that avoids unbacked spending could anchor UK gilt yields and propel **GBP/USD back toward 1.3500**, pushing **EUR/GBP below 0.8350**.
 - **Bearish Scenario:** Unfunded fiscal commitments or unexpected inflationary measures could trigger a sell-off in UK debt, placing downside pressure on Sterling toward key technical support at **1.3180 / 1.3137**.

3. GLOBAL CENTRAL BANK DASHBOARD (FED, ECB & BOJ)



1. **Federal Reserve (Wednesday):** The FOMC is widely expected to pause interest rates at its current target range. However, Fed Chair commentary will be scrutinized for hints regarding a potential rate adjustment in December.
2. **European Central Bank (Thursday):** President Lagarde faces stagnant growth across Eurozone economies paired with sticky core services inflation. A neutral tone is anticipated, keeping **EUR/USD** bound within tight technical channels.
3. **Bank of Japan (Friday):** Following Tokyo CPI figures on Thursday, the BoJ meeting will be closely watched by JPY traders. Any hawkish signals could trigger sharp moves in **GBP/JPY** and **USD/JPY**.

4. FTSE 100 & EQUITY SECTOR OUTLOOK

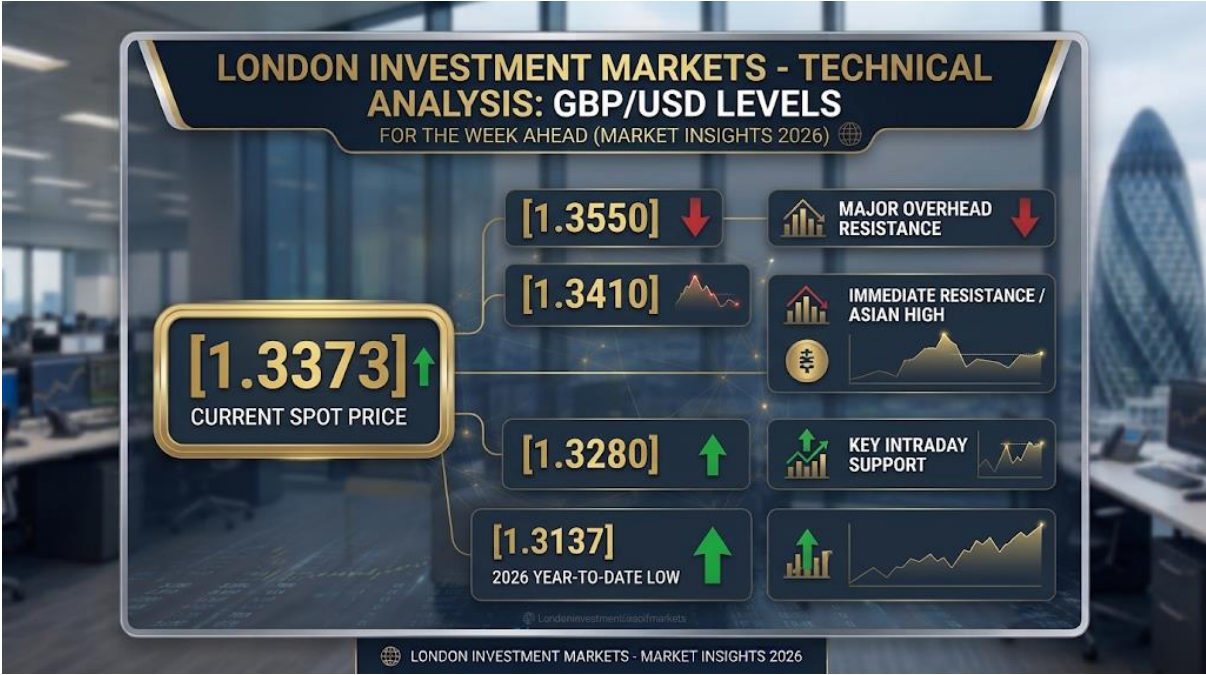


- **Banking Sector Momentum:** UK banks (NatWest, Barclays, HSBC) continue to show resilience, anchored by elevated base rates ahead of the Bank of England's monetary policy committee meeting on **5 November**.
- **Corporate Earnings to Track:** HSBC Holdings, Santander, and BP are scheduled to report quarterly results this week, driving single-stock volatility across the blue-chip index.



5. TECHNICAL LEVELS & TRADING SIGNALS

GBP/USD (Cable)



- **Bias:** Neutral-to-Bullish above **1.3280**.
- **Trade Setup:** Look for potential breakout trades above **1.3410** post-Budget, targeting **1.3500**. A failure to hold **1.3280** exposes the YTD low at **1.3137**.

FTSE 100 (UK100)

- **Key Resistance:** 10,780 / 10,910 (Record High Range)
- **Current Level:** 10,660
- **Key Support:** 10,550 / 10,480
- **Bias:** Range-bound between **10,550** and **10,780** pending fiscal outcome.

6. ECONOMIC CALENDAR & RISK EVENTS



Key Highlights Included:

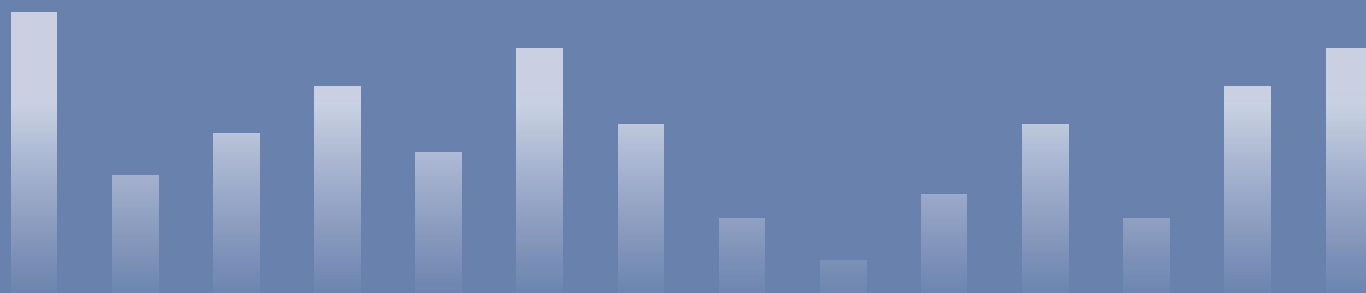
- **The UK Autumn Budget (28 October):** Analysis of UK Gilt yield sensitivity, fiscal credibility, and GBP/USD price scenarios.
- **Global Central Bank Super-Week:** Previews of policy rate announcements from the **Fed**, **ECB**, and **Bank of Japan**.
- **FTSE 100 Sector Analysis:** Sector-by-sector outlook across UK banking, energy, and mining names.
- **Technical Levels & ASCII Charts:** Clear levels for **GBP/USD** and the **FTSE 100**, paired with an economic event risk schedule for the week.

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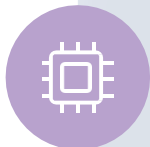
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