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1. Today's Trading Playbook

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KEY THEMES

U.S. equities ended yesterday's session on a flattish note, after being down during the day. However, U.S. indices were able to recover their intraday losses after the Fed said that while the overall intension is to hike interest rate to counter inflation, the decisions of hiking will be made on a meeting-by-meeting basis. Meanwhile, Asian shares were mostly higher today as investors weighed geopolitical tensions vs. a slightly less than expected hawkish Fed. Moreover, Brent oil prices recovered some of its losses recorded in the past two trading sessions after Russian-backed rebels in eastern Ukraine accused Kyiv government forces on Thursday of shelling their territory with mortars.

Elsewhere, yesterday we published our <u>MACROView note</u>, summarizing the event of the CBE conference call, which took place last Thursday. In short our takeaways are:

- The CBE's projection of growth comes above our expectations, as we see the rapid growth rate recorded in H1 FY22 was driven by the low base effect; thus, it will not be sustainable.
- o In our view, the situation of NFAs at commercial banks cannot be unsustainable, and it will take its toll on the country access to external funding
- From the deputy's narrative about the CBE's monetary policy, we believe that the monetary policy will remain in its current stance as long as possible
- o We also expect inflation expectations to remain well-anchored around the CBE's target

For more details, please check out our <u>MACROView note</u> from yesterday.

Now, on to the top news and analysis for the day.



2. Top News & Analysis

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MACRO NEWS

Egypt's economy grew at a 9% clip in H1 FY2022, with 8.3% growth during Q2 FY22. (Extra news)

The Federation of Egyptian Banks announced the details of the new import rules approved by the CBE during the past two days. The actual implementation is scheduled to start on February 22. The CBE excluded from the implementation of the decision many food commodities, import of meds, vaccines, and the active ingredients required to manufacture them locally. (Economy Plus)

Prime Minister has announced that hike in bread price is a matter of time. The government will raise the price of the loaf of bread, but it will consider all social aspects impact of such decisions. (<u>Economy Plus</u>)

Several of Europe's biggest banks are providing us with USD1.5bn to finance the construction of the new Mazut hydrocracking complex at the Assiut refinery. (Ministry of Petroleum)

More Israeli natural gas will flow to Egypt via a new route through Jordan by the end of February. Around 2.5-3.0bcm will flow to Egypt via the new route in 2022, potentially increasing to 4.0bcm in the coming years. (Reuters)

Saudi Aramco signed an agreement with the Red Sea National Petrochemicals Company for long-term supply of Arabian light crude to the petrochemical complex set to be built in Ain Sokhna. (Ministry of Petroleum)

CORPORATE NEWS

Palm Hills Developments [PHDC] BoD has approved Sharia compliant Sukuk issuance worth EGP3.25bn to finance Badya project. The BoD also agreed on to reduce its paid capital by writing off 40.65mn of treasury shares. (Mubasher)

Speed Medical's [SPMD] net earnings in 2021 came at EGP136mn (+72% y/y) on 110% y/y leap in top line. (Company disclosure)

Arabia Investments Holding's [AIH] BoD held on 15 February 2022 has approved to use the treasury shares reserve amounting to EGP27mn to close down a part of AIH's retained losses. (Company disclosure)





EFG Hermes Holding's [HRHO] subsidiary, valU, have signed a three- year exclusive agreement with Al-Ahly Sporting Club as a strategic partner to offer financing solutions for membership. (Enterprise)

Egyptian Transport and Commercial Services' [ETRS] BoD held on 15 February 2022 has agreed for a proposal to restructure ETRS activities as follow: (1) to create subsidiaries which each will specialize in one of ETRS's current business lines, (2) searching for growth potentials either with local and regional partnerships, or M&As, and (3) studying plans to list one or more subsidiaries on EGX. (Company disclosure)

Contact Financial Holding [CNFN] announced its implementation of a strategic investment in the e-commerce application "Wasla". This investment will be made through a series of investments in several stages to reach USD9mn. (Company disclosure)

The Minister of supply and internal trade stated that the automation for all segments including the mills and silos affiliated to the Central Egypt Flour Mills [CEFM] will be finalized by the end of the current year among the country's digital transformation efforts. (Al-Mal, El Shrouk)

GLOBAL NEWS

Federal Reserve officials last month agreed that, with inflation tightening its grip on the economy and employment strong, it was time to raise interest rates, but also that any decisions would depend on a meeting-by-meeting analysis of inflation and other data, according to the minutes of the Jan. 25-26 policy meeting. (Reuters)

U.S. retail sales increased by the most in 10 months in January, lifting the level of sales to a record high amid a surge in purchases of motor vehicles and other goods, but higher prices could limit the boost to economic growth this quarter. (Reuters)

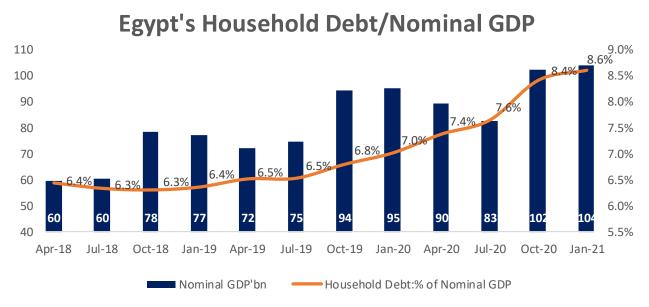
China's factory-gate inflation eased to its slowest pace in six months and consumer price growth also softened in January amid weakening property sector demand, new COVID-19 curbs and government efforts to rein in surging materials costs. (Reuters)





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Sources: ceicdata.

Egypt's household debt has increased during 2020. This comes despite the household debt as a percentage of nominal GDP being minimal compared to other countries.



4. MARKETS PERFORMANCE

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Curre	Current equity market cap (EGPbn) 72				729.2	Equity turnover (EGPmn): Last, ytd avg.			st, ytd avg.	718.5	1,178.6
				daily chg.	ytd chg.					daily chg.	ytd chg.
H	71	EGX 30	11,568.14	0.04%	(3.19%)	\	71	Gold	1,869.80	0.87%	2.50%
	7	EGX 30 TR	4,568.69	0.02%	(3.14%)		7	Silver	23.60	1.00%	0.86%
	7	EGX 70 EWI	1,985.37	(0.06%)	(9.83%)	8	7	Brent Oil	94.81	(1.52%)	20.04%
	7	EGX 100 EWI	2,992.40	(0.06%)	(8.07%)		7	WTI	93.66	(1.59%)	22.55%
	7	DFMGI	3,325.68	1.43%	4.06%	♦	7	Natural Gas	4.72	1.06%	27.80%
	71	ADSMI	9,202.21	0.73%	8.41%	EGP	7	USD/EGP	15.72	(0.05%)	0.00%
5,000	7	TASI	12,495.22	1.17%	10.76%	€	7	EUR/USD	1.14	(0.13%)	(0.11%)
	71	QE Index	12,746.10	0.25%	9.64%	£	7	GBP/USD	1.36	(0.02%)	0.38%
760	71	S&P 500	4,475.01	0.09%	(6.11%)	¥	7	USD/JPY	115.52	0.08%	(0.12%)
	7	Dow 30	34,934.27	(0.16%)	(3.86%)	Н	7	6M TB yield	12.11	0	(62)
	7	NASDAQ	14,124.09	(0.11%)	(9.72%)		7	1Y TB yield	13.22	1	45
	7	VIX	24.29	(5.49%)	41.06%		7	10Y TB yield	14.72	1	33
0	7	STOXX 50	4,137.22	(0.16%)	(3.75%)	*	7	2Y TB yield	1.49	(8)	136
EM	71	MSCI Emerging	1,244.19	1.23%	0.99%		7	10Y TB yield	1.99	(6)	106
FM	7	MSCI Frontier	650.06	0.02%	(2.34%)		7	30Y TB yield	2.32	(5)	66

^{*} As of market close, except for commodities and currencies at 8.3am CLT. Change in Treasuries is in basis points. Source: Bloomberg, CBE.

5. LATEST EGX VALUATION MULTIPLES

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Find out how your favorite stocks compare to the rest of the market.

6. KEY DATES

DATE	TICKER	TYPE	EVENT
17-Feb-22	BIOC	EGM	Discussing the sale of some assets.
17-Feb-22	AIFI	EGM	Amending Articles No. 5 & 6 of the company's bylaws.
20-Feb-22	CSAG	Cash dividend	Date for paying out a dividend of EGP1.27/share.
22-Feb-22	ETEL	EGM	Amending Article No. 21 of the company's bylaws.
23-Feb-22	ODID	EGM	Discussing applying a reward system for employees.
23-Feb-22	CANA	Stock dividend	Last date for eligibility for a 0.32-for-1 stock dividend.
24-Feb-22	CANA	Stock dividend	Date for distributing a 0.32-for-1 stock dividend.
24-Feb-22	ETEL	Earnings	Announcing 2021 financial results.
		Announcement	
26-Feb-22	SPMD	OGM	A board reshuffle.
26-Feb-22	SPMD	EGM	Amending Article No. 21 of the company's bylaws.
3-Mar-22	RTVC	EGM	Approving valuation & selling Amban for tourism investments.
3-Mar-22	FWRY	EGM	Approving increasing the issued capital & amending Articles No. 6 &
			7 of the company's bylaws.
5-Mar-22	PRDC	EGM	Amending Article No. 32 of the company's bylaws.



5-Mar-22	OLFI	OGM	Approving financial statements ending 31 Dec. 2021 and the
			proposed dividends.
6-Mar-22	PRCL	OGM	A board reshuffle.
10-Mar-22	EGTS	OGM	Approving financial statements and other agenda items.
10-Mar-22	FAIT	OGM	Approving financial statements ending 31 Dec. 2021 and the
			proposed dividends.
15-16 Mar-22		FOMC	Discussing Policy Rate.
20-Mar-22	SPMD	OGM	Approving financial statements ending 31 Dec. 2021 and the proposed
			dividends.
24-Mar-22		MPC Meeting	Determining the CBE's policy rate.
31-Mar-22	PACH	Cash dividend	Date for paying out a dividend of EGP0.50/share (2nd installment).

7. LATEST RESEARCH

DATE	PUBLISHED REPORT
16-Feb-22	MACROView – A Soothing Message From the CBE and Our Takeaways
14-Feb-22	Abu Qir Fertilizers [ABUK] – Another Record-High Quarter
13-Feb-22	Misr Chemical Industries [MICH] – Annually Wild, Quarterly Tamed
10-Feb-22	MACROView – Ebb and Flow
10-Feb-22	MACROView – The Cloudy Year Has Just Begun
9-Feb-22	Elsewedy Electric [SWDY] – Ending 2021 on a Good Note
8-Feb-22	MACROView – A Fall in Disguise
7-Feb-22	Macro Group Pharmaceuticals [MCRO] – Not the Usual Pharma Stock
1-Feb-22	MACROView – The Ripple Effect
31-Jan-22	Obour Land For Food Industries [OLFI] – Double-Digit Growth Complements a Resilient Story
30-Jan-22	STANDPoint - Egypt Valuation Repertoire — 2022 Outlook
12-Jan-22	QNB Alahli [QNBA] – Slow Earnings Pace Despite Assets Growth
10-Jan-22	MACROView – The Last Reading Ahead of a Cloudy Year
30-Dec-21	EGYPTCeramics – From Dusk to Dawn
26-Dec-21	Obour Land For Food Industries [OLFI] – A Play on Consumption Recovery
22-Dec-21	MACROView – The Return of the 'Vigilante'
14-Dec-21	MACROView – When "Bad" Inflation Clouds the Path of "Good" Inflation
9-Dec-21	MACROView – Another Retreat Until Further Notice
8-Dec-21	MACROView – For Stormy Days, Eyes on the Ball
7-Dec-21	EGYPTBanks – Takeoff Time
5-Dec-21	MACROView – Searching for Lost Momentum
21-Nov-21	TAKEStock – Nitrogen Fertilizers Local Price Hike



17-Nov-21	<u>EFG Hermes Holding [HRHO] – Earnings Growth Skyrocketing ex-One-Offs</u>
17-Nov-21	Orascom Construction [ORAS] – BESIX – Back on Track Again
15-Nov-21	B Investments Holding [BINV] – Growth Dented Across the Board – Take 2
15-Nov-21	Elsewedy Electric [SWDY] – A Quarter to Forget?
14-Nov-21	Misr Chemical Industries [MICH] – A Healthy Kick-off to a Promising Year
14-Nov-21	Abu Qir Fertilizers [ABUK] – A "One-of-a-Kind" Quarter
14-Nov-21	Commercial International Bank [COMI] – Elegant Earnings Growth on All Fronts
10-Nov-21	MACROView – The Calm Before the Storm, or Maybe Not
10-Nov-21	Cl Capital Holding [CICH] – Record-Breaking Quarter
7-Nov-21	Crédit Agricole Egypt (CAE) [CIEB] – Earnings Recover on Lower Provisions
4-Nov-21	MACROView – Underlying Strength, but Gathering Headwinds
3-Nov-21	MACROView – Gathering Clouds
1-Nov-21	TAKEStock – Separating the Wheat from the Chaff
31-Oct-21	TAKEStock – Natural Gas Price Hike
19-Oct-21	MACROView – The Storm Is Gone but the Headwinds Persist
13-Oct-21	e-finance [EFIH] – An Eye-Opening IPO
10-Oct-21	MACROView – Walking a Tightrope
6-Oct-21	MACROView – On "Risk Control" Mode
6-Oct-21	MACROView – The Tortuous Path to Recovery
19-Sep-21	TAKEStock – Consumer Staples (Food & Beverage) – All You Can Eat Festival
15-Sep-21	MACROView – Deciphering the Din of Battle
14-Sep-21	TAKEStock – Orascom Investment Holding [OIH] — Monetization at Play
9-Sep-21	MACROView – Hot Summer Winds
7-Sep-21	MACROView – The Global Blessing Windfall
6-Sep-21	MACROView – Tempered, But Cautious, Optimism
5-Sep-21	Misr Chemical Industries [MICH] – Nice While It Lasted
29-Aug-21	Orascom Construction [ORAS] – Recovery on Track Although Below Estimates
24-Aug-21	Abu Qir Fertilizers [ABUK] – When the Stars Align
18-Aug-21	EFG Hermes Holding [HRHO] – Solid Business, Strong Financial Growth
17-Aug-21	Elsewedy Electric [SWDY] – Impressive Set of Results
17-Aug-21	Commercial International Bank [COMI] – Adjustment Post Stock Dividend
16-Aug-21	B Investments Holding [BINV] – Growth Dented Across the Board



11-Aug-21	<u>Crédit Agricole Egypt (CAE) [CIEB] – Non-Interest Income Heals Earnings Growth</u>
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9-Aug-21	CI Capital Holding [CICH] – Robust Exit Saves the Day
5-Aug-21	MACROView – The Sky Is No Blue
4-Aug-21	MACROView – Constrained Recovery
26-Jul-21	EFG Hermes Holding [HRHO] – FV and 12MPT Adjustment to Bonus Share Action
13-Jul-21	Commercial International Bank [COMI] – Tamed Credit Provisions Spur Annual Growth
8-Jul-21	MACROView – Inflation Edged Up, As Expected
8-Jul-21	MACROView – External Buffers Still Powering Ahead
6-Jul-21	MACROView – A Steady and Slow Recovery in the Making
5-Jul-21	Abu Qir Fertilizers [ABUK] – Talking U
16-Jun-21	B Investments Holding [BINV] – Strong Financials, Growing Investments
14-Jun-21	Al-Shams Housing & Development [ELSH] – Earnings Flattened by Factoring Cost
10-Jun-21	MACROView – Inflation Risk Rising, but Still Within Target
8-Jun-21	TAKEStock – Telecom Egypt [ETEL] – Show Me the Dividends
6-Jun-21	MACROView – Further Enhancement
3-Jun-21	MACROView – Contraction Eased
23-May-21	Orascom Construction [ORAS] – Earnings Short of Our Estimates
23-May-21	CI Capital Holding [CICH] – Earnings Dented by One-off ESOP Expense
22-May-21	Commercial International Bank [COMI] – Earnings Growth Driven by Lower Provisions
20-May-21	Crédit Agricole Egypt (CAE) [CIEB] – Slowing Lending Inhibits Earnings Growth
20-May-21	EFG Hermes Holding [HRHO] – Recovery Signs; Back on Track
18-May-21	B Investments Holding [BINV] – Exits Kick Off, Unlocking Value
18-May-21	Elsewedy Electric [SWDY] – Financials promise a buoyant year ahead
17-May-21	Misr Chemical Industries [MICH] – Another Chapter of Strong Annual Growth
11-May-21	MACROView – Inflation Eased but Stage Still Set for a Pick-Up
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12-Apr-21	Orascom Construction [ORAS] - Rich in Value
11-Apr-21	MACROView – Monthly Reading Pressured By Seasonality





6-Apr-21	MACROView – FX Assets Well Placed to Mitigate Potential Risks
6-Apr-21	MACROView – Still Downbeat
28-Mar-21	Taaleem Management Services [TALM] – Enriching the Education Sector
18-Mar-21	EFG Hermes Holding [HRHO] – Challenging Year, Yet Growth Continues
10-Mar-21	MACROView – Still Below the Target, but Global Headwinds Cloud the Horizon
8-Mar-21	MACROView – Buffers Grew Despite Signs of Unwelcome Tightening of Financial Conditions
7-Mar-21	Al-Shams Housing & Development [ELSH] – Making Hay While the Sun Shines
3-Mar-21	MACROView – Weak Demand Still Weighing on the Rebound Trajectory
2-Mar-21	MACROView – Commodity Supercycle: Real or Hype?
1-Mar-21	Commercial International Bank [COMI] – Earnings Beat Despite Higher Provisions
25-Feb-21	Elsewedy Electric [SWDY] – Strong Set of Results Driven by Turnkey
22-Feb-21	CL Capital Holding [CICH] – Got the Hit. Yet Better Than Expected



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