

## Base Metals

|               | Previous | CMP    | % Change |
|---------------|----------|--------|----------|
| Comex Copper  | 2.664    | 2.669  | 0.19     |
| LME Copper    | 6160     | 6032   | -2.08    |
| LME Aluminium | 1984     | 1967   | -0.86    |
| LME Zinc      | 2622     | 2550   | -2.75    |
| LME Lead      | 1958     | 1939   | -0.97    |
| LME Nickel    | 11755    | 11765  | 0.09     |
| MCX Copper    | 434.65   | 437.3  | 0.61     |
| MCX Aluminium | 143.35   | 144.05 | 0.49     |
| MCX Zinc      | 190.45   | 191.75 | 0.68     |
| MCX Lead      | 142.9    | 142.3  | -0.42    |
| MCX Nickel    | 867      | 868.4  | 0.16     |

## Base Metal Related News

Concerns over the steep cash/three-month backwardation for zinc prices on the London Metal Exchange sapped much of the buying interest in the spot market, leaving most premiums unchanged in the week to Tuesday October 30.

Zinc TCs continue uptrend while lead terms fall; China manganese ore price increases; Asian slab prices dip

Aluminium touches lowest since August 2017

\* Lead weakens after inventories rise

\* LME copper stocks reach lowest since July 2008

\* Nickel steady after previous session's 10-month low

After a one-month consultation, Fastmarkets MB has decided to launch this assessment to reflect growing appetite for nickel briquettes for lithium-ion batteries in the electrical vehicle (EV) market.

## LME Inventory 31/10/2018

| Commodity | LME Stock | Change | Shanghai Stock | Change | Change in Canceled Warrants | CW as % of LME Stocks |
|-----------|-----------|--------|----------------|--------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Copper    | 136000    | -1625  | 136051         | -1950  | 4250                        | 72.59                 |
| Aluminium | 104125    | -875   | 873155         | -8785  | -875                        | 296.90                |
| Zinc      | 149825    | -1200  | 34168          | 4232   | -1200                       | 32.91                 |
| Lead      | 116125    | 2875   | 16847          | -1054  | -14950                      | 24.65                 |
| Nickel    | 218754    | -108   | 15749          | -1929  | -174                        | 23.91                 |

## Base Metal Outlook

We expect range bound movement in the Base metal as prices are trading in the congestion zone. Until this zone will break either of side, prices may trade with sideways movement.

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| Important Events For The Week |     |                                |          |          |          |
|-------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
|                               | Cur |                                | Actual   | Forecast | Previous |
| 29-Oct                        |     |                                |          |          |          |
| 29th-2nd                      | EUR | German Retail Sales m/m        |          |          | -0.10%   |
| 29th-2nd                      | EUR | German Import Prices m/m       |          |          |          |
| Tentative                     | EUR | EU Economic Forecasts          |          |          |          |
| 30-Oct                        |     |                                |          |          |          |
| All Day                       | EUR | German Prelim CPI m/m          | 0.20%    | 0.10%    | 0.40%    |
| Tentative                     | EUR | Italian Prelim GDP q/q         | 0.00%    | 0.20%    | 0.20%    |
| 3:30pm                        | EUR | Prelim Flash GDP q/q           | 0.20%    | 0.40%    | 0.40%    |
| Tentative                     | EUR | Italian 10-y Bond Auction      | 3.36 1.5 |          | 2.90 1.4 |
| 7:30pm                        | USD | CB Consumer Confidence         | 137.9    | 136.3    | 135.3    |
| EVENTS FOR TODAY              |     |                                |          |          |          |
| 6:30am                        | CNY | Manufacturing PMI              |          |          | 5080.00% |
|                               | CNY | Non-Manufacturing PMI          |          |          | 5490.00% |
| Tentative                     | JPY | BOJ Policy Rate                |          |          | -0.10%   |
| Tentative                     | JPY | Monetary Policy Statement      |          |          |          |
| Tentative                     | JPY | BOJ Press Conference           |          |          |          |
| 1:30pm                        | EUR | Spanish Flash GDP q/q          |          |          | 0.60%    |
| 3:30pm                        | EUR | CPI Flash Estimate y/y         |          |          | 2.10%    |
|                               | EUR | Core CPI Flash Estimate y/y    |          |          | 0.90%    |
|                               | EUR | Unemployment Rate              |          |          | 8.10%    |
| 5:45pm                        | USD | ADP Non-Farm Employment Change |          |          | 230K     |
| 7:15pm                        | USD | Chicago PMI                    |          |          | 6040.00% |
| 7:15am                        | CNY | Caixin Manufacturing PMI       |          |          | 50       |
| All Day                       | EUR | French Bank Holiday            |          |          |          |
| All Day                       | EUR | Italian Bank Holiday           |          |          |          |
| 3:00pm                        | GBP | Manufacturing PMI              |          |          | 53.8     |
| 5:30pm                        | GBP | BOE Inflation Report           |          |          |          |
|                               | GBP | Monetary Policy Summary        |          |          |          |
|                               | GBP | Official Bank Rate             |          | 0.75%    | 0.75%    |
|                               | GBP | Asset Purchase Facility        |          | 435B     | 435B     |
| 6:00pm                        | USD | Unemployment Claims            |          |          | 215K     |
| 7:15pm                        | USD | Final Manufacturing PMI        |          |          | 55.9     |
| 7:30pm                        | USD | ISM Manufacturing PMI          |          |          | 59.8     |
| 8:00pm                        | USD | Natural Gas Storage            |          |          | 58B      |
| All Day                       | USD | Total Vehicle Sales            |          |          | 17.4M    |
| 02-Nov                        |     |                                |          |          |          |
| 2:30pm                        | EUR | Final Manufacturing PMI        |          |          | 52.1     |
| 6:00pm                        | USD | Average Hourly Earnings m/m    |          |          | 0.30%    |
|                               | USD | Non-Farm Employment Change     |          |          | 134K     |
|                               | USD | Unemployment Rate              |          |          | 3.70%    |
|                               | USD | Trade Balance                  |          |          | -53.2B   |
| 7:30pm                        | USD | Factory Orders m/m             |          |          | 2.30%    |

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