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# Poland: Weekly Macroeconomic Update

#### LAST WEEK:

The MPC, in line with market consensus view kept interest rates unchanged. The Council didn't signal the end of tightening cycle leaving the room for manoeuvre in monetary policy according to incoming data. In new NBP projection, in line with our expectations, central path of CPI was slightly lowered and central path of GDP growth was slightly higher. In line with the projection, there is a 50-percent probability that the annual price growth will be in the range of 10.2 - 13.5% in 2023 (against 11.1 - 15.3% in the November 2022 projection), 3.9 - 7.5% in 2024 (compared to 4.1 - 7.6%) and 2.0 - 5.0% in 2025 (compared to 2.1 - 4.9%). At the same time, the annual GDP growth – according to this projection – will be with a 50-percent probability in the range of -0.1 - 1.8% in 2023 (against -0.3 - 1.6% in the November 2022 projection), 1.1 - 3.1% in 2024 (compared to 1.0 - 3.1%) and 2.0 - 4.3% in 2025 (compared to 1.8 - 4.4%). The MPC reiterated that earlier rate hikes combined with economic slowdown would be curbing inflation but the strength and persistence of supply shocks that were outside control of domestic monetary policy would result in slow return of inflation to the central bank's target.

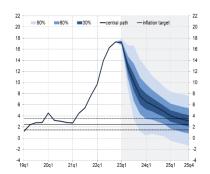
NBP President Adam Glapinski at **press conference** informed that the MPC didn't end tightening cycle and added that the NBP decisions would continue to be data dependent. He said that if inflation fell below 10%, the central bank would start discussing rate cut that might happen in Q4 this year. NBP President Glapinski expects CPI to reach peak in February and then to start falling rapidly in the coming months. He expect inflation to decline to 6-7% range in the year end versus 7.5% level envisaged by the NBP. NBP President expressed a view that core inflation won't rise significantly and added that core CPI was not a cause of inflationary pressure in Poland. In his view the zloty will remain firm due to strong fundamentals of Poland's economy.

Figure 1. NBP reference rate



Source: NBP

Figure 2. CPI projection



Source: NBP

Figure 3. GDP growth projection



Source: NBP



### **DIARY** (this week)

Date	GMT	Release/Event	DB Expected Actual	Consensus
Mar-15	9:00	CPI (Feb)	1.0% (18.7%)	0.8% (18.5%)
Mar-16	13:00	Current account (Jan)	-EUR1250mn	-EUR993mn
Mar-16	13:00	Trade balance (Jan)	-EUR1380mn	-EUR1175mn
Mar-16	13:00	Core CPI (Feb)	(11.9%)	1.1% (11.9%)

Source: Deutsche Bank Estimates., Reuters and Bloomberg Finance LP

#### **FX** and interest rate forecasts

						Reference	WIBOR	WIBOR	EURIBOR	LIBOR	CPI	Yield on 10Y
	EUR/PLN	USD/PLN	CHF/PLN	GBP/PLN	EUR/USD	rate	3M*	6M*	3M	USD 3M*	(Poland)	POLGB
(end of period)												
Mar-23	4,700	4,389	4,806	5,311	1,071	6,75	6,95	7,00	3,30	4,87	15,8	6,00
Apr-23	4,693	4,344	4,782	5,300	1,081	6,75	6,95	7,00	3,50	4,75	14,1	6,00
May-23	4,687	4,299	4,758	5,290	1,090	6,75	6,95	7,00	3,80	4,50	13,0	5,80
Jun-23	4,680	4,255	4,634	5,318	1,100	6,75	6,95	7,00	4,05	4,50	12,0	5,75
Jul-23	4,674	4,217	4,635	5,292	1,108	6,75	6,95	6,98	4,25	4,30	11,7	5,70
Aug-23	4,667	4,179	4,636	5,266	1,117	6,75	6,91	6,75	4,25	4,30	11,0	5,60
Sep-23	4,660	4,143	4,637	5,240	1,125	6,75	6,85	6,50	4,25	4,30	10,2	5,40
Oct-23	4,654	4,106	4,638	5,215	1,133	6,50	6,60	6,25	4,25	4,30	8,7	5,30
Nov-23	4,647	4,071	4,639	5,190	1,142	6,25	6,35	6,25	4,25	4,30	8,1	5,20
Dec-23	4,650	4,043	4,650	5,176	1,150	6,00	6,10	6,20	4,25	4,30	8,4	5,20
Jan-24	4,645	4,039	4,636	5,178	1,150	6,00	6,10	6,20	4,25	4,80	7,8	5,10
Feb-24	4,640	4,035	4,631	5,173	1,150	5,75	6,10	6,20	4,25	4,80	7,1	5,10

<sup>\*-</sup> According to road map published by the PFSA WIBOR cessation will occur in 2025.

Note: Due to Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2014/17/EU and Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 the way of calculation of WIBOR rates and their values may be subject to change.

Note 2: Due to increased market variability and changes in monetary and fiscal policies, forecasts are subject to higher than usual uncertainty.

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# Appendix 1

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