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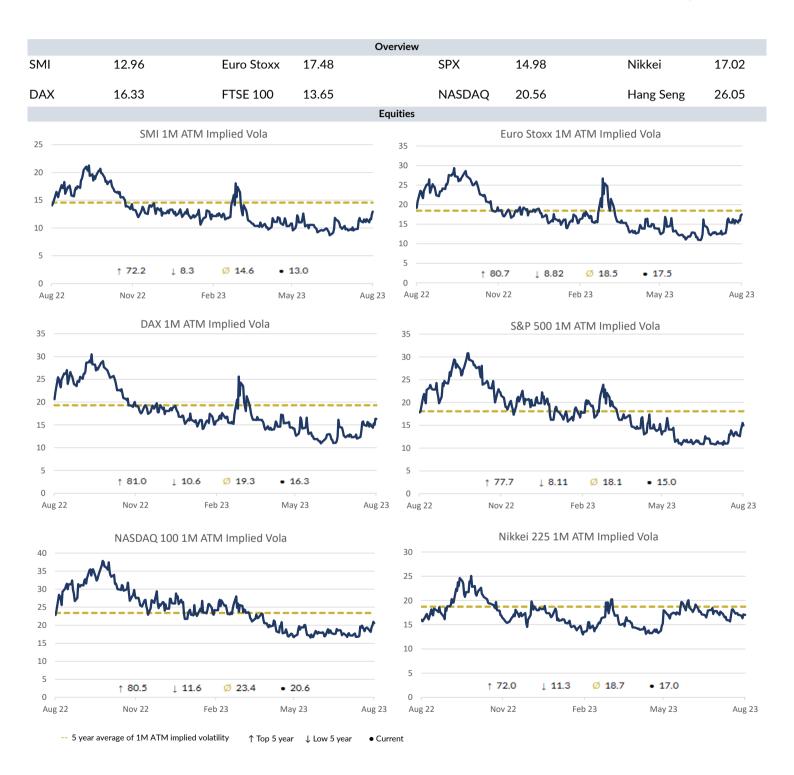
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Vola Headlines

- The implied volatility of stock indices rose considerably from historically low levels in July in the first trading days of August.
- S&P same-day-expiry options have recently traded more vs all other expiries combined.
- The FX Volas in the G10 universe are still trading at elevated levels compared to the 5 year average, despite a decline since the beginning of the year. Implied Volatilities in precious metals remain under pressure.

It can be assumed that the implied volatilities of the stock indices have bottomed out and will rise moderately in the coming months.

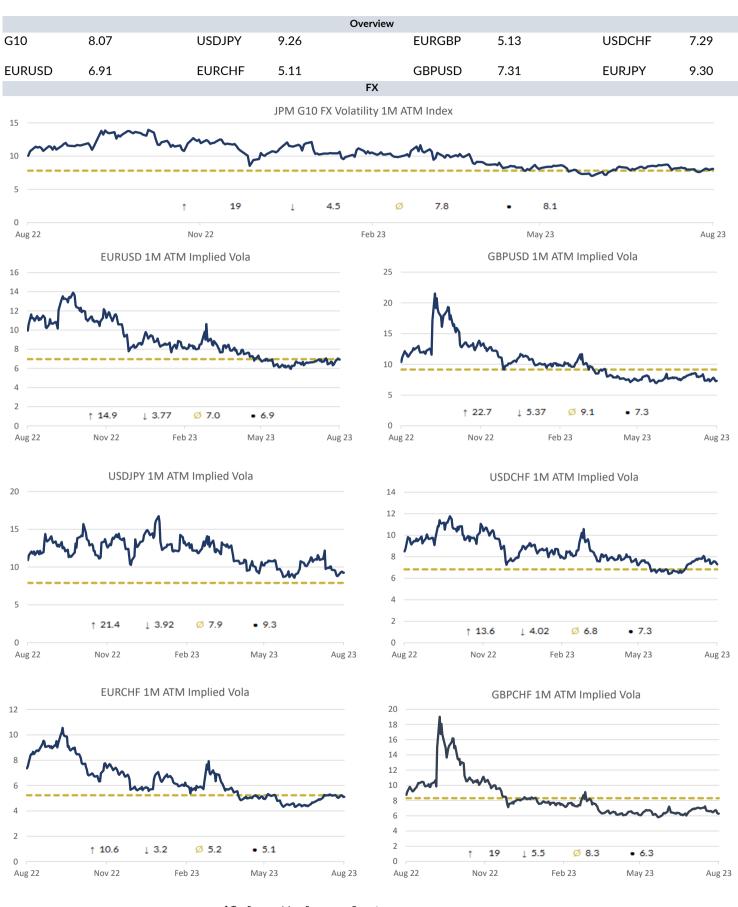


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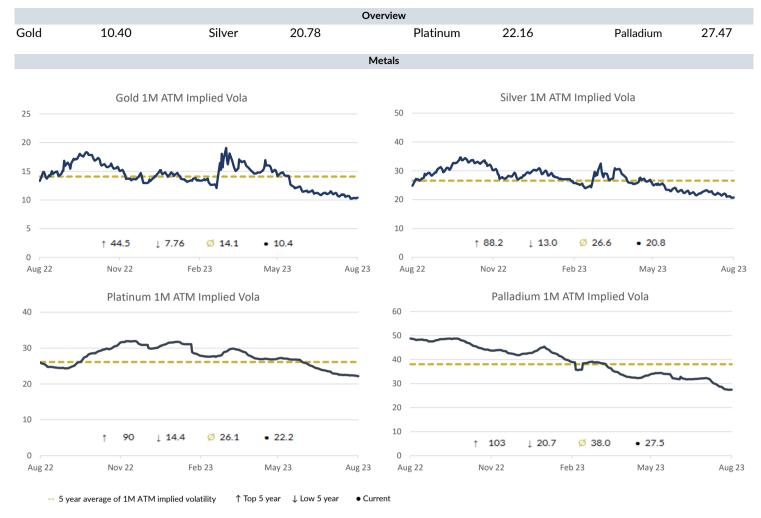
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-- 5 year average of 1M ATM implied volatility

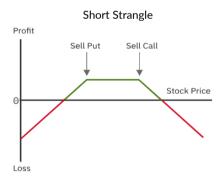
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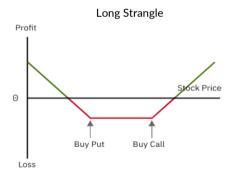


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Sell a Put below stock price and sell a Call above the stock price.
Your view is that the stock will not cross the call or put strikes.

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