Daily Bond Auction Preview - 28th May 2026

Previews of UK, EU and US government bond auctions including the size of issuance, time of the auction(s), estimates, redemptions, coupons and analyst commentary.

UK to sell GBP 1bln 1.125% 2039 Treasury Gilt

Analysis:

- The Middle East conflict and political turmoil has caused 10yr gilts to peak at 5.20%, a new multi-decade high. However, as newsflow around PM Starmer's future slow and optimism of a US-Iran deal, yields have fallen back below the 5% handle and currently trades around the 4.85% area.
- Wednesday's 2033 Gilt auction held up quite well, bringing in a b/c of 3.38x and a tail of 0.2bps.
- UniCredit highlighted 3 main reasons to be cautious on UK gilts before Wednesday's auction: 1) political uncertainty, 2) inflationary pressure well above BoE's target, and 3) weakening macro fundamentals.

Recent History:

- No recent history

Results due shortly after the 10:00BST bidding deadline

Italy to sell EUR 6-7.25bln 3.15% 2031, 3.80% 2036, 2.25% 2036 BTP and EUR 2.5-3.25bln 3.237% 2036, 3.237% 2035 CCTeu

Analysis:

- Italian 10yr yields have stabilised in a broad 3.66-4.01% band following the initial volatility spike at the start of the Iran conflict.
- In comparison to its French counterpart, Italian debt has underperformed. Analysts state that Italian BTPs may underperform French OATs due to projections that Italy's debt burden may rise faster than estimated. Recent projections by the European Commission estimate that Italy's debt-to-GDP ratio will reach 139.2% by year-end, higher than the 138.5% stated by the government (would be the highest debt burden amongst Europe's biggest economies, according to Bloomberg).

Recent History:

- 3.15% 2031: b/c 1.53x & gross yield 3.32%
- 3.80% 2036: No recent history
- 2.25% 2036: No recent history

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US to sell USD 77bln 7-year Note

Recent History:

- Tail: prev. 0.5bps, six-auction average 0.3bps
- High Yield: prev. 4.175%, six-auction average 3.992%
- B/C: prev. 2.51x, six-auction average 2.48x
- Dealer: prev. 11.6%, six-auction average 11.3%
- Direct: prev. 30.0%, six-auction average 27.5%
- Indirect: prev. 58.4%, six-auction average 61.2%

Results due shortly after the 18:00BST bidding deadline