

### Currency Markets

(Spot : 29 Apr 2019)

#### International Market

Currency	Mid Yesterday 5pm	Bid	Offer	Mid
EUR/USD	1.1205	1.1156	1.1157	1.1157
USD/JPY	111.7750	111.9400	111.9600	111.9500
GBP/USD	1.2962	1.2906	1.2909	1.2908
USD/CHF	1.0173	1.0200	1.0208	1.0204
USD/CAD	1.3480	1.3488	1.3490	1.3489
AUD/USD	0.7038	0.7018	0.7021	0.7020
NZD/USD	0.7038	0.7018	0.7021	0.7020

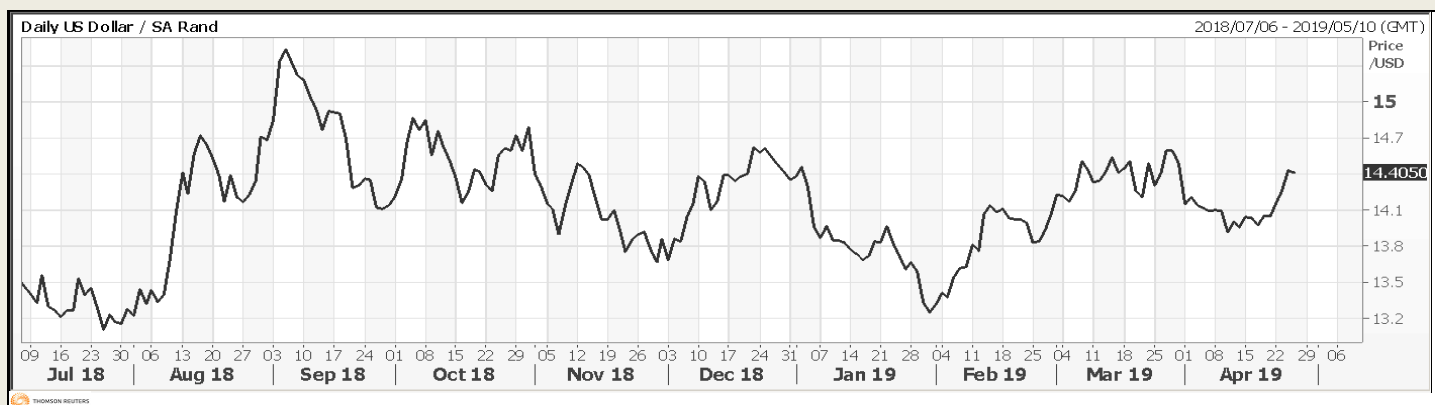
Yesterday the US dollar rallied which put pressure on emerging markets. China stated that it would enhance efforts to accelerate its Reserve Requirement Ratio (RRR) for small and medium size banks to support smaller companies. The Euro was under pressure after Germany printed lower business surveys (by the IFO economic institute) for April at 99.2 compared to 99.7 in March. The Bank of England is looking to employ a new governor starting in February 2020. North Korea's Kim Jong Un arrived in Russia yesterday ahead of the summit scheduled with Putin today. Supply concerns eased marginally after learning that the US crude oil stockpiles increased to its highest level since October 2017. US durable goods figures (for March) and US jobless claims are anticipated later today. All eyes will be on the US GDP figures for the first quarter that will be released tomorrow. Gold reached a high of USD1279.23 (ask) an ounce.



#### Local Market

Currency	Mid Yesterday 5pm	Bid	Offer	Mid
USD/ZAR	14.4025	14.4000	14.4200	14.4100
EUR/ZAR	16.1369	16.0715	16.0815	16.0765
GBP/ZAR	18.6667	18.5910	18.6150	18.6030
JPY/ZAR	0.1289	0.1286	0.1287	0.1287
AUS/ZAR	10.1311	10.1078	10.1158	10.1118
CAD/ZAR	10.6759	10.6742	10.6827	10.6785
MUR/ZAR	0.4110	0.4091	0.4132	0.4112

Yesterday, the rand was under pressure (on the back of US dollar strength) and reached a high of 14.4850 (ask) and a low of 14.2600 (ask). South Africa's consumer confidence for the first quarter was released at its lowest level since 2017 which placed further pressure on the rand. Eskom was in the spotlight after electricity disruptions were experienced at Cape Town International Airport last night. In other news, the inflated price of data on cellular phones in South Africa is under scrutiny by the Competition Commission. South Africa's PPI figures for March will be released later today.



### Financial Markets

Commodity	Previous Close	Bid	Ask	Last	Change
Brent Crude	74.57	74.69	74.70	74.69	0.13
Light Crude	65.89	65.90	65.91	65.90	0.02
Gold	1 274.96	1 276.25	1 276.54	1 276.25	1.29
Platinum	878.50	883.76	885.26	883.76	5.26
Silver	14.92	14.91	14.93	14.91	-0.01

Index	Previous Close	Last	Change
ALSI	53 313.00	-	-
S&P 500	2 933.68	2 927.25	-6.4
JSE All Share	59 544.80	-	-
Dow Jones	26 656.39	26 597.05	-59.3

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