

FIS Aluminium Premiums

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Good morning,

Friday was a relatively quiet day on the CME, with just three premiums trades clearing on the CME block.

For the Midwest contract, Q223 AUP traded at 23.00 in 100x with Jan-Feb23 offered at 22.75 in 40x but not countered. Further down the curve 2H23 printed at 23.50 in 15x with selling cares on the follow.

On the euro premiums, Mar-Aug23 EDP printed at 280 in 12x. There was buying appetite for '23 for both the duty paid and unpaid contracts, with Jan-May AEP bid at 210 in smalls but no firm offers were seen.

Aluminium inventories immediately available to withdraw from London Metal Exchange warehouses surged by the most since Oct. 19, according to data from the bourse; On-warrant stockpiles rise by 37,350 tons to 261,350 tons. The World Trade Organization (WTO) ruled on Friday local time that the US tariffs imposed on steel and aluminium products in 2018 on the grounds of national security contravened the organization's regulations, recommending the US to bring its actions into conformity. Moreover, the US defended itself by invoking the WTO national security exception. In response, the WTO Dispute Settlement Body said that Washington's measures were not imposed "in time of war or other emergency in international relations." Therefore, the US could not invoke the "security exception" under Article 21 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. This ruling clarifies the criteria for using the security exception and limits for those who use this article to practice unilateralism and protectionism easily.

Friday's Trades:

AUP
Q223 @ 23.00 100x
2H23 @ 23.50 15x

EDP
Mar-Aug23 @ 280 12x

AUP Curve	Bid	Offer	Val
Dec	20.30	20.55	20.43
Q123	22.50	23.00	22.75
Q223	22.90	23.15	23.03
Q323	23.25	23.55	23.40
Q423	23.40	23.75	23.58
Cal23	23.00	23.45	23.23
Cal24	23.60	24.10	23.85

EDP Curve	Bid	Offer	Val
Dec	250	260	255
Q123	270	280	275
Q223	275	285	280
Q323	280	290	285
Q423	285	295	290
Cal23	278	288	283

AEP Curve	Bid	Offer	Val
Dec	190	200	195
Q123	195	205	200
Q223	200	210	205
Q323	205	215	210
Q423	210	220	215
Cal23	203	213	208

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