

FIS European Close

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	Previous Close	Current Close	% Change		Previous Close	Current Close	% Change
Cape 1 month forward	19550	17750	-9.2%	Pmx 1 month forward	15250	15025	-1.5%
Cape Q2 23	21550	20275	-5.9%	Pmx Q2 23	16125	16000	-0.8%
Cape Cal 24	16475	16200	-1.7%	Pmx Cal 24	13475	13300	-1.3%

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Smx 1 month forward	15600	15200	-2.6%	Brent	75.59	74.86	-1.0%
Smx Q2 23	16025	15700	-2.0%	WTI	69.47	69.1	-0.5%
Smx Cal 24	13500	13450	-0.4%	Iron ore	118.05	117.9	-0.1%

Iron Ore

Source FIS/Bloomberg

Iron ore headed for its biggest weekly loss since October on increasing concern over Chinese steel demand. The steel-making staple edged higher in Singapore on Friday but is down around 8% this week. In an ominous sign for demand, stockpiles of steel at Chinese mills have been rising steadily in March. That's even as output volumes increase to meet construction demand before a likely government-mandated cut in nationwide production of the alloy for environmental reasons (Bloomberg). The futures remain bearish but in divergence, warning we have the potential to see a momentum slowdown on the intraday. For more information on the technical please follow the link. Iron Ore April 23 (rolling Front Month) 24/03/23 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/FIS-Iron-Ore-Technical-24-03-23.pdf>.

Copper

Aluminum and copper extended gains, heading toward the best weekly gains in more than two months, on increasing demand in China and a weakening dollar. Aluminum added more than 1% on Friday and copper rose for a seventh straight session. The dollar has declined this week amid speculation the Federal Reserve may be close to ending its aggressive rate-hike cycle. That has made commodities priced in the currency cheaper (Bloomberg). We were a cautious bull this morning as the futures remained in divergence with the RSI, we traded to a new high but have since sold off with price USD 92 lower USD 8,939 going into the close. The futures remain technically bullish with key support at USD 8,664, the technical is bullish above this level and neutral below.

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Capesize

The index is up again today with price USD 215 higher at USD 15,611, momentum based on price is turning to the buyside, but we need to see the index move clear from it's average for confirmation. Having moved back into bull territory yesterday on the back of the H&S pattern failing, the April futures entered a corrective phase today. Technically we remain bullish with key support at USD 17,355, below this level the technical will have a neutral bias, whilst below USD 16,625 would suggest that we are in a complex corrective wave 4. Momentum is supported, but not strong at this point, if we trade above USD 21,125 it will confirm the price is on a bullish wave 5, meaning we have a potential upside target at USD 25,958. We maintain our view that downside moves should be considered as countertrend at this point.

Panamax

The index continues to move lower but momentum is slowing, down USD 111 today at USD 12,813. Having moved higher yesterday we failed to break the USD 15,785 resistance; the April contract has had a more sedate day today with price closing USD 225 lower at USD 15,025. Technically we remain bearish, in what looks to be a countertrend wave 4, if we trade below USD 14,200 it would suggest that we are going to be a complex corrective wave; likewise, above USD 16,600 would warn we could be in the early stages of a bullish wave 5. The MA on the RSI looks like it could be turning, but momentum is more neutral at this point.

Supramax

A small down day on the index today with price USD 11 lower at USD 14,657, below USD 14,645 momentum based on price will seem to be weakening. The futures rejected the USD 15,661 resistance yesterday, resulting in the April contract moving lower today. Technically we are still in bullish territory at this point, but with a neutral bias, below USD 14,900 the intraday will be bearish. However, like the rest of the freight complex, we see this move lower as countertrend, the question is, will the upside move start before we roll into May?

Oil

Oil retreated for a second session, tracking a slide in equity markets and feeling the effects of a stronger dollar. Crude eliminated most of its weekly gains as fresh signs of stress in the banking sector caused investors to move away from riskier assets ahead of the weekend. As long as banking concerns remain at the forefront of markets, crude fundamentals may have a limited effect on its price movements, analysts said (Bloomberg). Monday will be interesting, as the futures looked to be rolling to the downside earlier, but we now have a bit of a rejection tail forming. Our wave analysis would still suggest that upside moves should be considered as countertrend. for more information on the technical, please click on the link. FIS Technical – Brent May 23 24/03/23 <https://fisapp.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/FIS-Oil-Technical-Report-24-03-23.pdf>

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