

07 August

Britain's job market is booming, but concern is increasing about where companies are going to keep finding workers.

Trading in blue-chip stocks and trillions of dollars of derivatives could be thrown into turmoil by the European Union's MiFID II regulatory overhaul unless the bloc acts fast to give financial firms full freedom to transact in foreign markets.

After relying on oil to fuel its economy for more than half a century, Saudi Arabia is turning to its other abundant natural resource to take it beyond the oil age -- desert. The kingdom is converting thousands of square kilometers of sand into new cities as it seeks to diversify away from crude, create jobs and boost investment.

The South Korean prosecutor dubbed the "Chaebol Grim Reaper" is living up to that moniker, demanding that Samsung Group's Jay Y. Lee spend 12 years in prison for his alleged role in a bribery scandal that toppled the nation's president.

08 August

Irish authorities have seen a drop in the level and intensity of inquiries from finance firms seeking to set up shop in Dublin after Britain's June election led to the prospect of a softer Brexit, according to a person familiar with the matter.

Captain Tsitrelis Ioannis and the 26-strong crew of the Malibu arrived at Ulsan in early August after sailing almost 9,000 nautical miles to deliver a million barrels of Kazakh CPC crude from the Black Sea to South Korea, one of the key buyers in the world's biggest oil market.

President Donald Trump ratcheted up his rhetoric against North Korea to an unprecedented level Tuesday, warning Kim Jong Un's regime will face a devastating military strike if it continues threatening the U.S.

China's much-vaunted campaign to tackle its leverage problem has captured headlines this year. But to understand why they're taking on the challenge -- and the threat it could pose to the world's second-largest economy -- you need to dig into the mountain.

09 August

Prime Minister Theresa May's government failed to reach an agreement with Scotland's administration over repatriation of powers after Britain leaves the EU, as Scottish lawmakers said they would continue to reject the Brexit bill in its current form.

Qatar Airways hasn't given up on investing in the U.S. after scrapping plans to buy a stake in American Airlines Group Inc. amid opposition from the Fort Worth, Texas-based company.

President Donald Trump is turning to one of the few non-military tools at his disposal to confront the escalating threats posed by North Korea: his instinct for verbal combat.

Wins Finance Holdings Inc., the Chinese loan guarantor that couldn't explain a 4,555 percent surge in its stock, is set to be delisted from the Nasdaq Stock Market, which cited violations of exchange rules related to its shareholder base.

10 August

Theresa May still aims to broker a trade deal with the European Union before Britain leaves in 2019, even as members of her own cabinet express doubts over the likelihood of doing so.

Credit Suisse Group AG has banned its traders from buying or selling certain Venezuelan securities that critics of the nation's government say help fund an authoritarian regime.

Banks in the world's wealthiest nation will need to offer more yield if they tap the market as almost half of their traditional investor base has cut ties with the country.

President Donald Trump stepped up his campaign of pressure on North Korea, warning the regime not to follow through with a missile test near Guam and promising massive response to any strike against the U.S. or its allies.

11 August

The U.K. will this week seek to regain momentum in the Brexit talks by publishing outlines of its negotiating positions, after two key ministers ended their disagreement over a post-European Union transition period.

If Mario Draghi, the president of the European Central Bank, is looking for signs of wage growth, he might find comfort in Finland.

Saudi Arabia's second-quarter budget gap narrowed to 46.5 billion riyals (\$12.4 billion) from the same period last year after income from oil advanced, while non-oil revenue fell.

Commonwealth Bank of Australia Chief Executive Officer Ian Narev will step down by the end of June 2018 as the nation's largest lender seeks to mitigate the fallout from a money-laundering scandal.

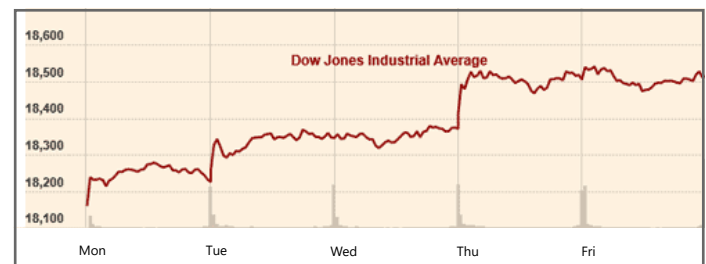
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