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Neutral policy stance as a result of Board members' opposed opinions

- The Board sends a clear message of neutrality concerning its policy stance. Consensus on the convenience of the current policy stance, or even a tightening one if necessary, was reached. A rate cut remains as a bias.
- The neutrality stance is the resulting position after a myriad of opinions regarding the inflation balance of risks. Exchange rate future path and its effects on prices was a relevant discussion point too.
- The minute confirms our assessment that there had been incongruous to cut the fondeo rate on December 2nd after the USD auctions announced by the Exchange Commission.
- Based on the debate across the Board over the economic activity and, in particular, over the inflation balance of risks, we consider that, unless global economic activity deteriorates, the possibility of a rate cut has diminished. However, it is worth noting that a further impairment in economic growth can not be dismissed.

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