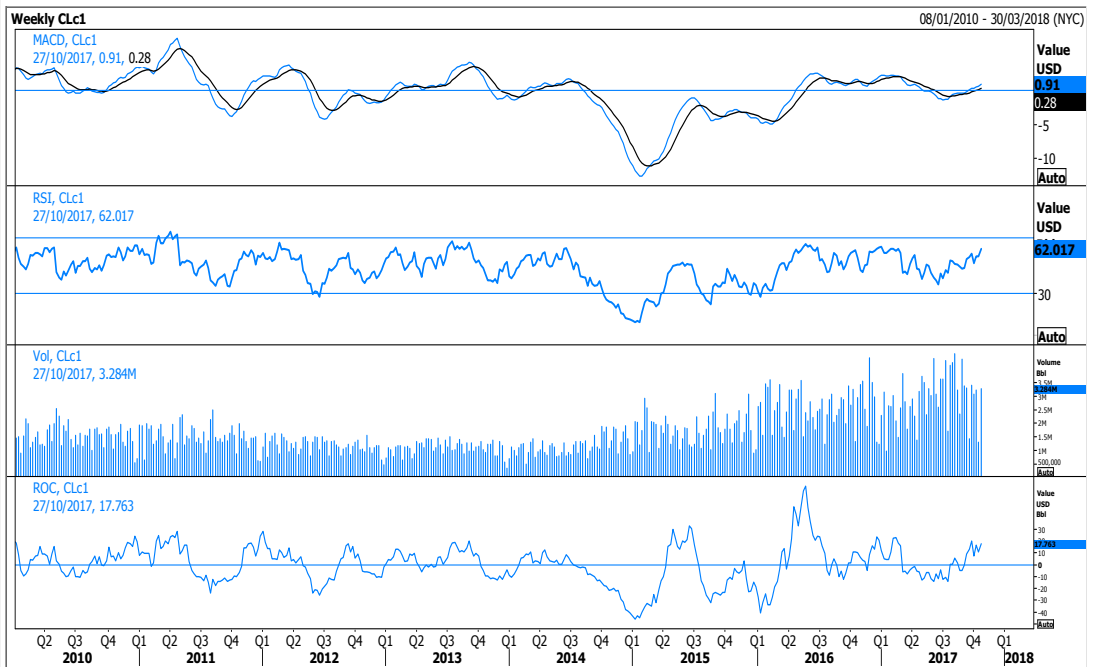


### US Crude Oil

**US Crude oil <Clc1> closed at USD53.90.** The overall outlook is positive as the price is moving within an ascending trend line, forming higher-highs and higher-lows pattern on the daily chart. Eyes now have shifted towards this year high at USD55.24, which if broken would seal a more constructive outlook and promote the high of year 2015 at around USD62.60. On the other side, some attempts to go down cannot be ignored as part of a natural correction, knowing that the nearby support levels are located at USD52.86, USD51.50 and USD49.10 but only below the last line will call for a deeper bearish tone.



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## Definitions

**Technical Analysis:** Aims to identify the direction of prices and reveal any indication of possible changes as soon as possible, so it can be used as much as possible in making buying and selling decisions in the most appropriate time in order to minimize risk and maximize profits.

**Trend:** The general direction of a market or of the price of an asset.

**Resistance:** A chart point or range that caps an increase in the level of a stock or index over a period of time.

**Support:** The price level which, historically, a stock has had difficulty falling below. It is thought of as the level at which a lot of buyers tend to enter the stock.

**Breakout:** A signal that prices are beginning to trend, either upward or downward.

**Bull:** An investor who thinks the market, a specific security or an industry is likely to rise.

**Bear:** An investor who thinks the market, a specific security or an industry is likely to decline.

**Channel:** is two parallel trend lines either rising or declining.

**Consolidation Area:** is a sideways movement in prices that interrupts or reverse a trend.

**Moving Average (MA):** The most common applications of MAs are to identify the trend direction and to determine support and resistance levels.

**MACD (Moving Average Convergence-Divergence):** A trend-following momentum indicator that shows the relationship between two moving averages of prices.

**Relative Strength Index:** A technical momentum indicator (ranges from 0 to 100) that compares the magnitude of recent gains to recent losses in an attempt to determine overbought and oversold conditions of an asset.

**Overbought:** A situation in which the price of a security has risen to such a degree that an oscillator has reached its upper bound. This is generally interpreted as a sign that the price of the asset is becoming overvalued and may experience a pullback.

**Oversold:** A situation in which the price of a security has fallen to such a degree that an oscillator has reached its upper bound. This is generally interpreted as a sign that the price of the asset is becoming undervalued and may represent a buying opportunity for investors.

**Fibonacci:** A term refers to areas of support or resistance and to help identify strategic places for transactions to be placed, target prices or stop losses.

**On Balance Volume (OBV):** is a simple running total of up day (added) and down day (subtracted) volume. If OBV is moving with price, it confirms the current trend. Divergences between OBV and price indicates the price may be due for a reversal.

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