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European markets fall after Asian sell-off

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European stock markets opened the week under pressure after heavy losses in Asia. Investors reacted to economic uncertainty and geopolitical tensions, triggering a broad sell-off. Milan's stock exchange was among the markets recording the sharpest early declines.

European stock markets started Monday in negative territory following a turbulent session in Asia. Major indices across the continent fell shortly after the opening bell as investors responded to a sharp decline in Asian markets and renewed concerns about global economic stability. The Milan stock exchange, represented by the FTSE MIB index, showed one of the strongest early losses among the main European financial centers. Similar trends were observed in Frankfurt, Paris and London, where traders adopted a cautious stance amid growing uncertainty in international markets.

The downturn was largely influenced by developments in Asia, where several key markets experienced significant losses during the previous trading session. The negative momentum quickly spread to European markets, a common phenomenon in globally interconnected financial systems. Analysts note that fluctuations in Asian exchanges often shape investor sentiment at the start of trading in Europe, especially when uncertainty about economic growth, geopolitical developments or commodity prices intensifies.

In Milan, banking and industrial stocks were among the sectors most affected during the early phase of trading. Financial institutions often react quickly to shifts in investor confidence, while industrial companies are sensitive to concerns about slowing global demand. Market participants also monitored movements in energy prices and currency markets, which can further influence equity performance during volatile trading sessions.

Despite the negative opening, financial analysts emphasize that market volatility remains a recurring feature of global finance. Investors are now closely watching upcoming economic data and international developments that could influence market sentiment in the coming days. For European exchanges, the challenge will be to stabilize after the shock coming from Asian markets while assessing the broader outlook for the global economy.

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