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# The IMF in the New Member States of the EU

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- IMF and Poland
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# IMF Basics

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Founded 1944 at Bretton Woods to

- Promote international monetary cooperation
- Foster balanced growth and international trade
- Assist in the multilateral system of payments
- Help countries deal with BoP difficulties



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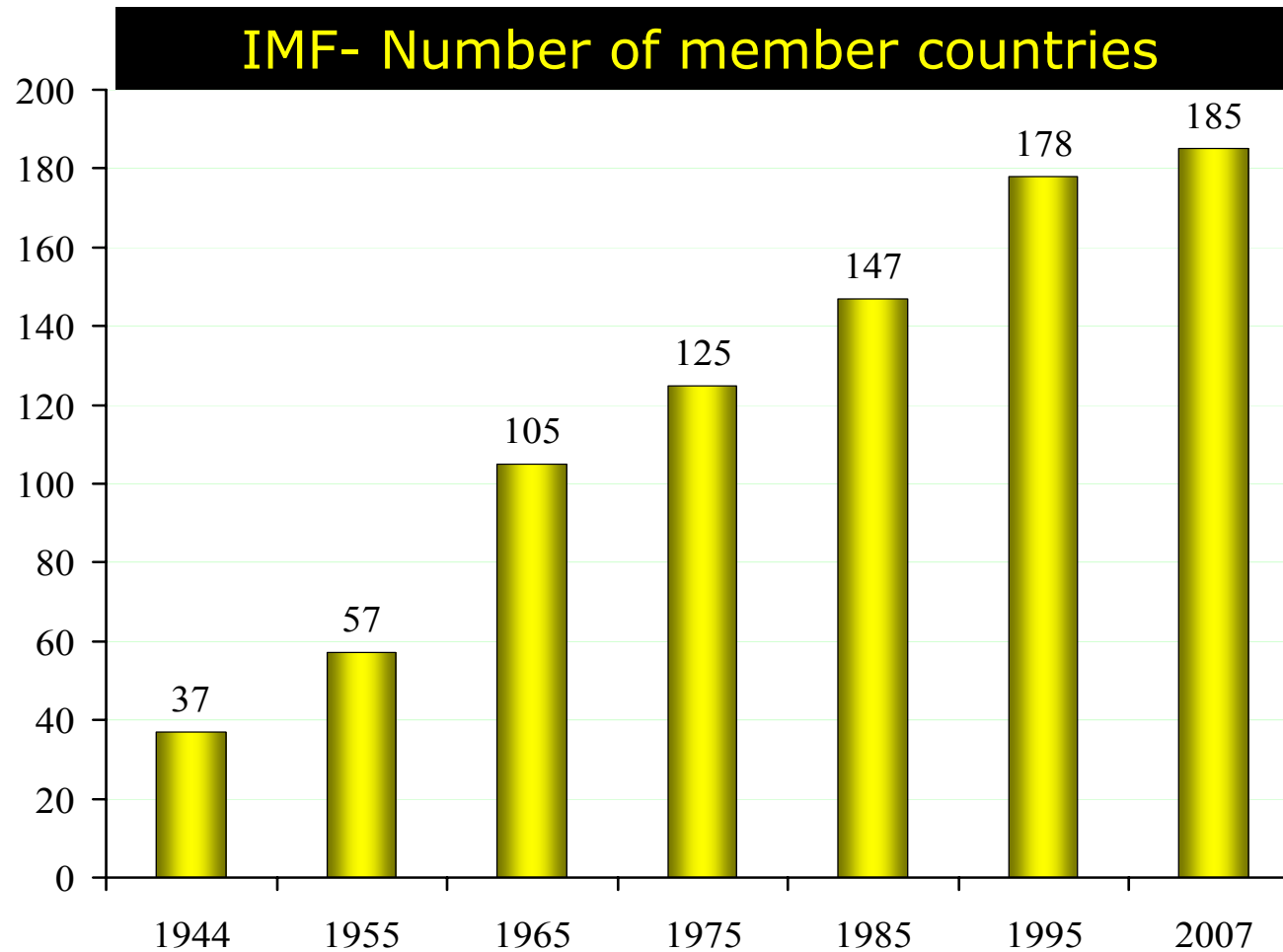
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## Core activities today

- Surveillance (Art IV)
- Lending to members with external payments difficulties
- Institution Building (technical assistance, training)



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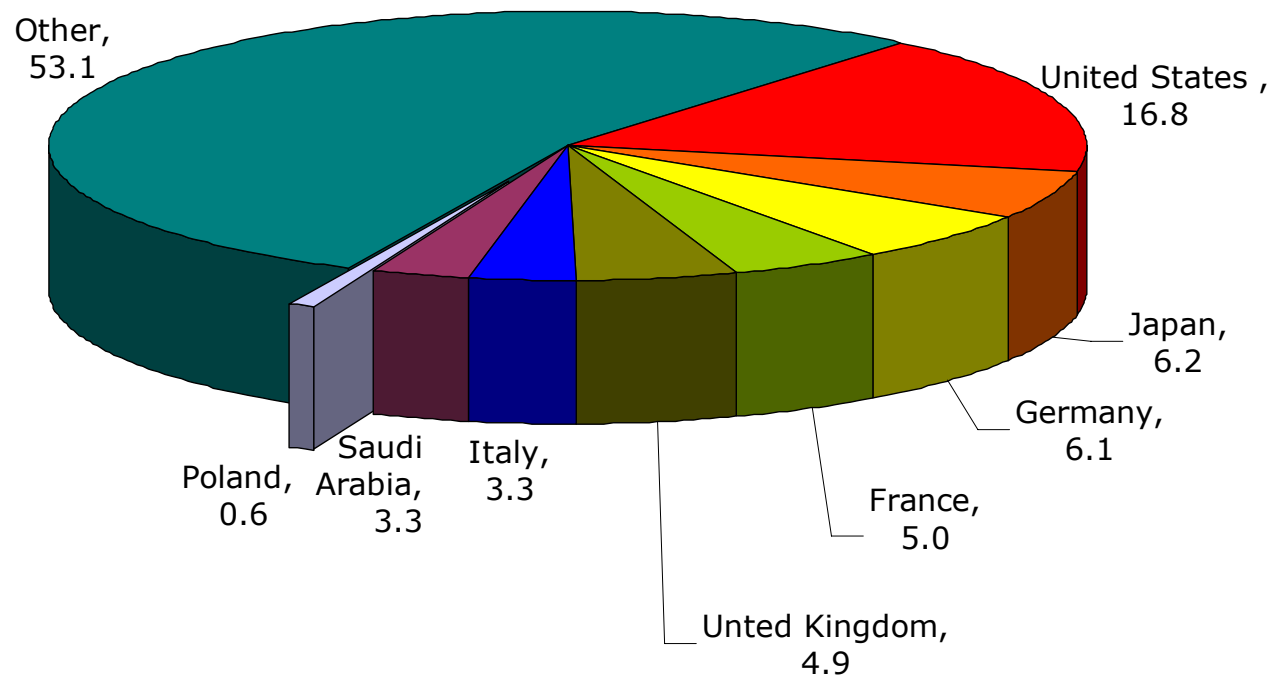


Source: IMF.



# IMF Basics

## Quotas and voting rights (in percent of total)



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# IMF Basics

## Composition of the Executive Board

Country	Votes	Executive Director	Alternate Director
<b>US</b>	16.83	Vacant	Meg Lundsager
<b>Japan</b>	6.04	Shigeo Kashiwagi	Michio Kitahara
<b>Germany</b>	5.9	Klaus D. Stein	Stephen von Stenglin
<b>Belgium</b> , Austria, Belarus, Czech Republic, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Luxemburg, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey	5.16	Willy Kiekens	Johan Prader (Austria)
<b>France</b>	4.87	Pierre Duquesne	Bertrand Dumont
<b>UK</b>	4.87	Tom Scholar	Jens Larsen
<b>Netherlands</b> , Armenia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Georgia, Israel, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Ukraine	4.77	Jeroen Kremers	Yuriy G. Yakusha (Ukraine)
<b>Venezuela</b> , Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Spain	4.21	Roberto Guarnieri	Ramon Guzman (Spain)
<b>Italy</b> , Albania, Greece, Malta, Portugal, San Marino, Timor-Leste	4.12	Arrigo Sadun	Miranda Xafa (Greece)
<b>Australia</b> , Kiribati, Korea, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Mongolia, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Seychelles, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu	3.86	Richard Murray	Wilhemina C. Manalac (Phillipines)
<b>China</b>	3.67	GE Huayong	HE Jianxiong
<b>Canada</b> , Antigua and Barbuda, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Ireland, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines	3.65	Jonathan Fried	Peter Charleton (Ireland)
<b>Finland</b> , Denmark, Estonia, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden	3.45	Tuomas Saareheimo	Jon Thorvardur Sigurgeirsson (Iceland)



# IMF Basics

## Composition of the Executive Board cont.

Country	Votes	Executive Director	Alternate Director
<b>Egypt</b> , Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Maldives, Oman, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Yemen	3.21	A. Shakour Shaalan	Samir El-Khouri (Lebanon)
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	3.17	Abdallah S. Alazzaz	Ahmed Al Nassar
<b>Malaysia</b> , Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Fiji, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic republic, Myanmar, Nepal, Singapore, Thailand, Tonga, Vietnam	3.12	Hooi Eng Phang	Chantavam Sucharritakul (Thailand)
<b>Kenya</b> , Angola, Botswana, Burundi, Eritrea, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia	2.95	Peter Gakunu	Samura Kamara (Sierra Leone)
<b>Switzerland</b> , Azerbaijan, Kyrgyz Republic, Poland, Republic of Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan	2.80	Thomas Moser	Andrzej Raczko (Poland)
<b>Russian Federation</b>	2.7	Aleksei V. Mozhin	Andrei Lushin
<b>Iran</b> , Afghanistan, Algeria, Ghana, Morocco, Pakistan, Tunisia	2.43	Abbas Mirakhor	Mohammed Dairi (Morocco)
<b>Brazil</b> , Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guyana, Haiti, Panama, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago	2.43	Eduardo Loyo	Maria Ines Agudelo (Colombia)
<b>India</b> , Bangladesh, Bhutan, Sri Lanka	2.36	Adarsh Kishore	Amal Uthum Heart (Sri Lanka)
<b>Peru</b> , Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay	1.96	Javier Silva-Ruete	Hector R. Torres (Argentina)
<b>Rwanda</b> , Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central Africa Republic, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Congo, Cote d' Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Niger, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Togo	1.39	Laurean U.W. Rutayisire	Kossi Assimaidou (Togo)





# IMF Basics

## Management

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Managing Director:

*Rodrigo de Rato (Spain)*

First Deputy Managing Director

*John Lipsky (US)*

Deputy Managing Director

*Takatoshi Kato (Japan)*

Deputy Managing Director

*Murilo Portugal (Brazil)*

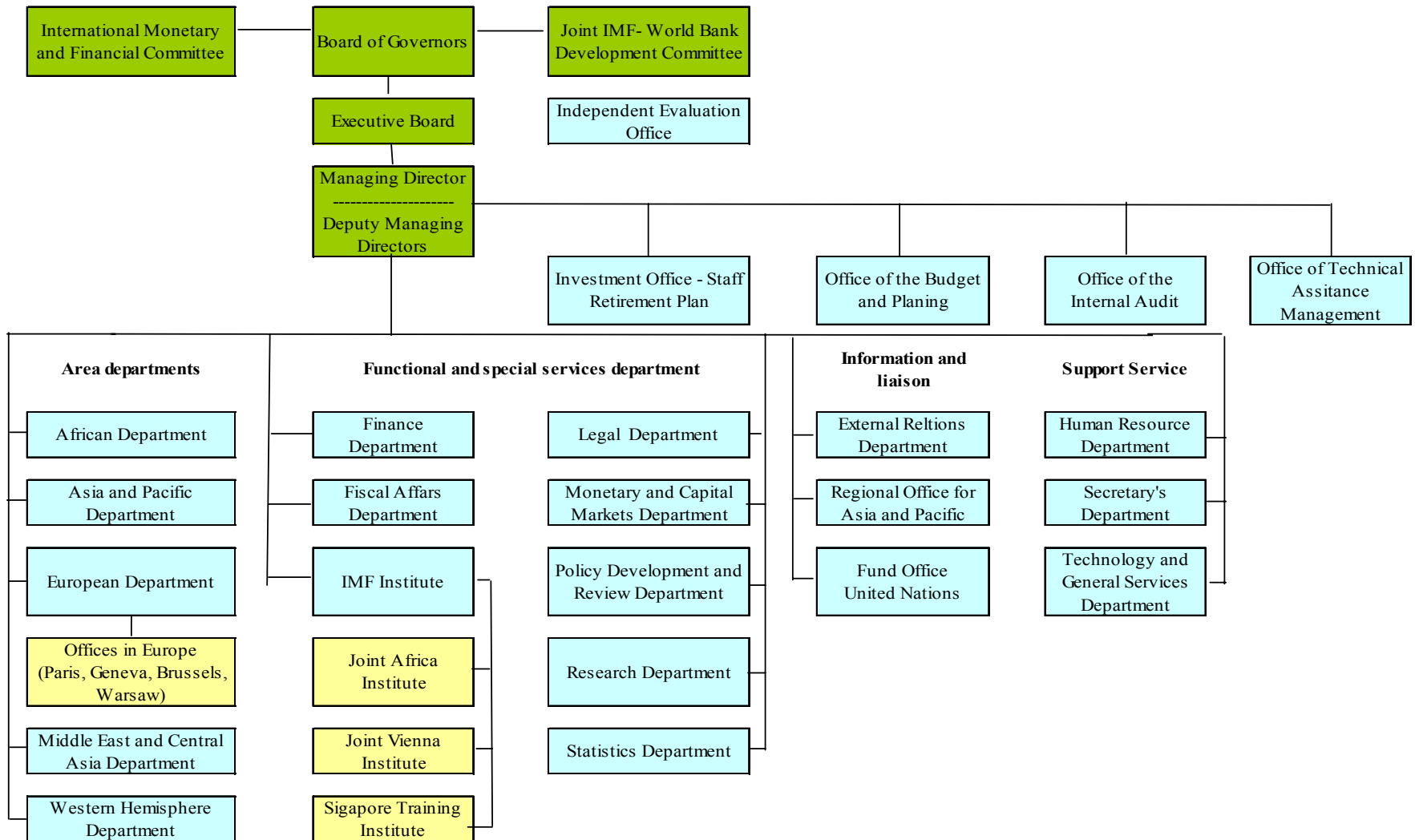
Director of the European Department

*Michael Deppler (US)*



# IMF Basics

## Organizational Chart

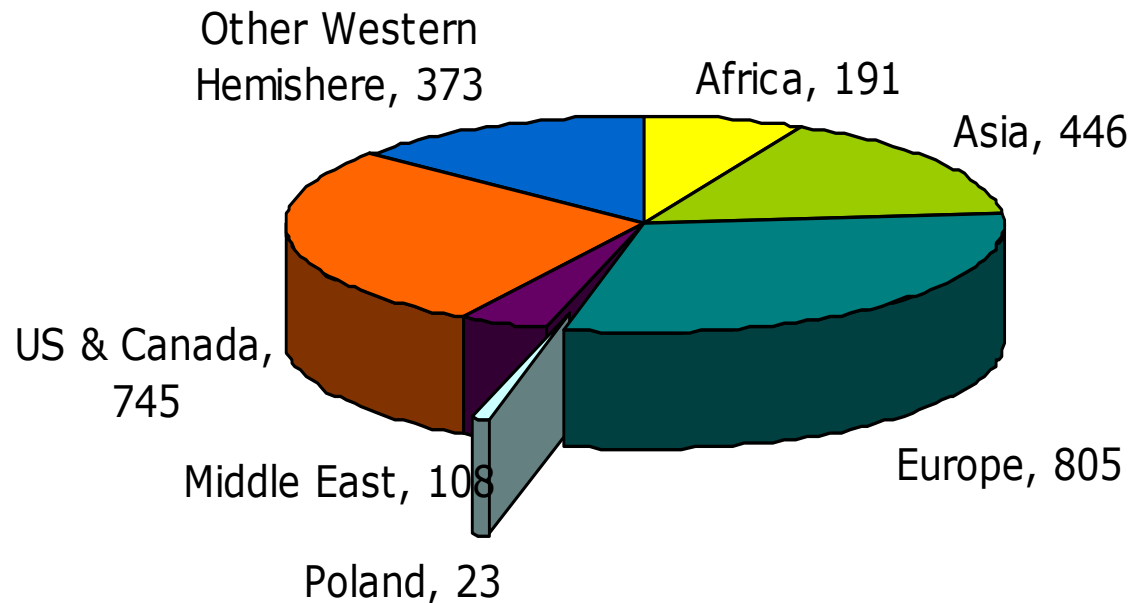




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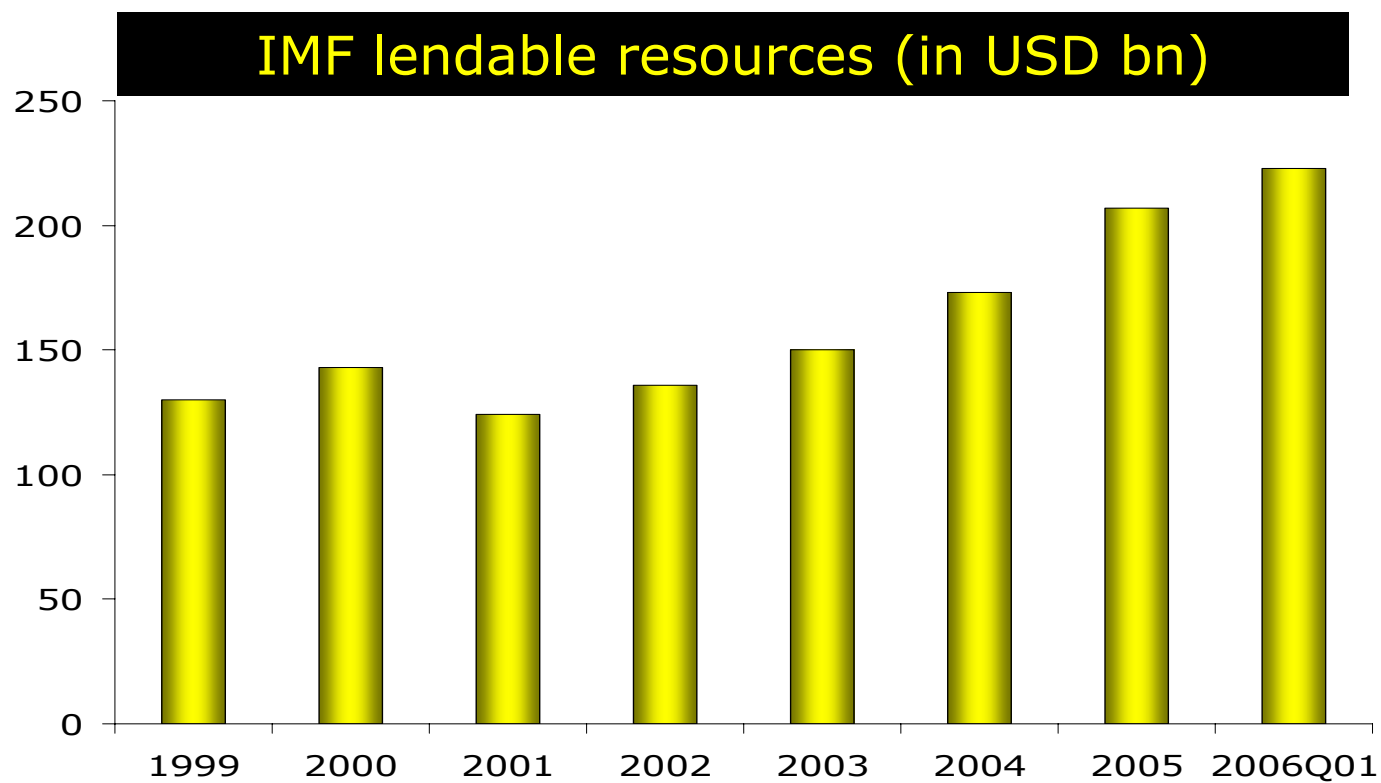
## Staff

Total Staff: 2691, of which 1313 economists  
(mostly with Ph.D. and specialization in  
macroeconomics and financial markets)



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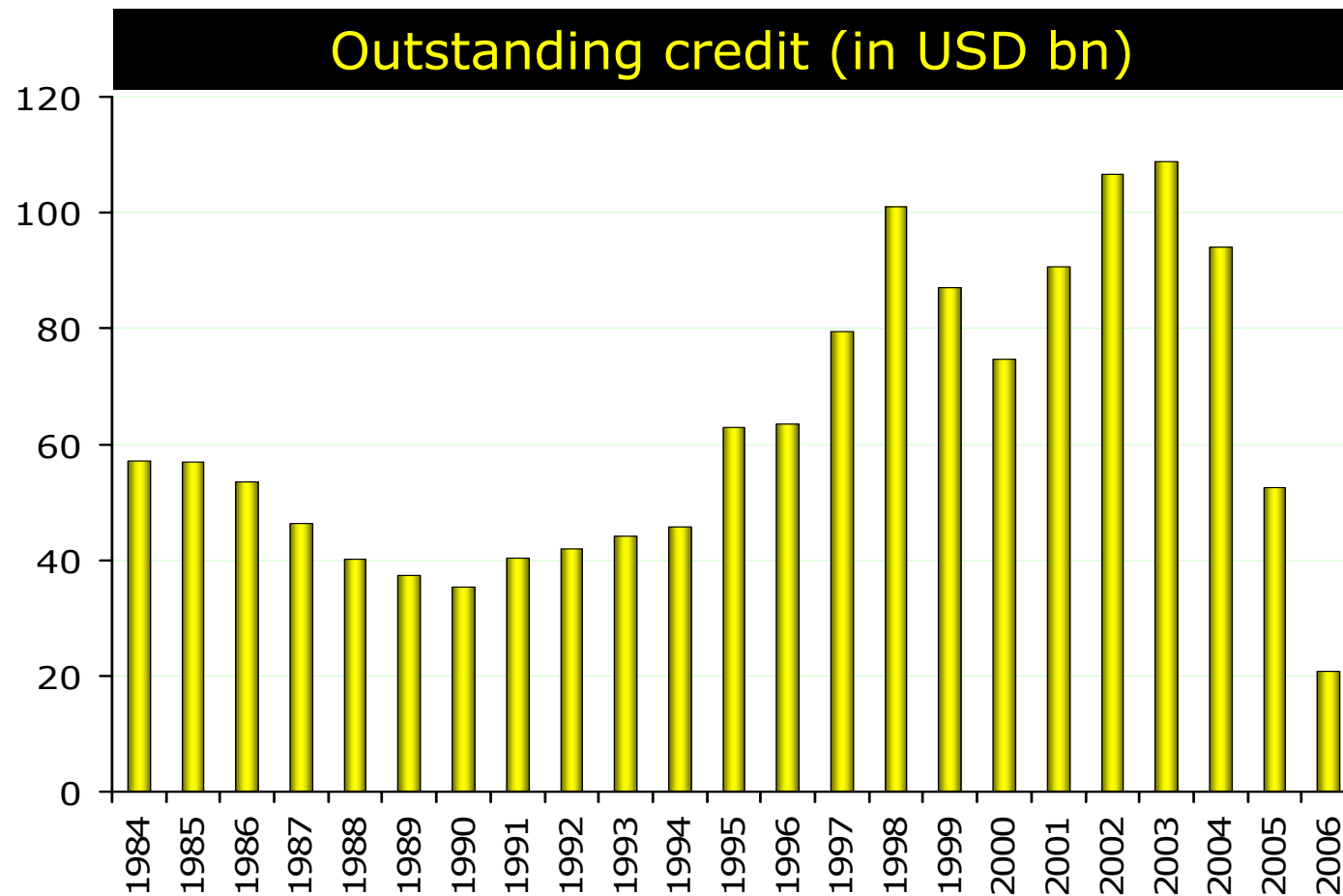
## Lending



Source: IMF.



# IMF Basics



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# IMF Basics

Outstanding Credit by Country (bn USD)	
Turkey	10.404
Pakistan	1.463
Democratic Republic of Congo	0.837
Ukraine	0.825
Bangladesh	0.480
Dominican Republic	0.462
Iraq	0.449
Bulgaria	0.344
Liberia	0.337

# IMF Basics

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- Proposals to secure the long-term financing of the IMF
  - Expand investment income
  - Create investable assets to generate income through limited gold sales
  - Charge for TA and training



# IMF and Poland

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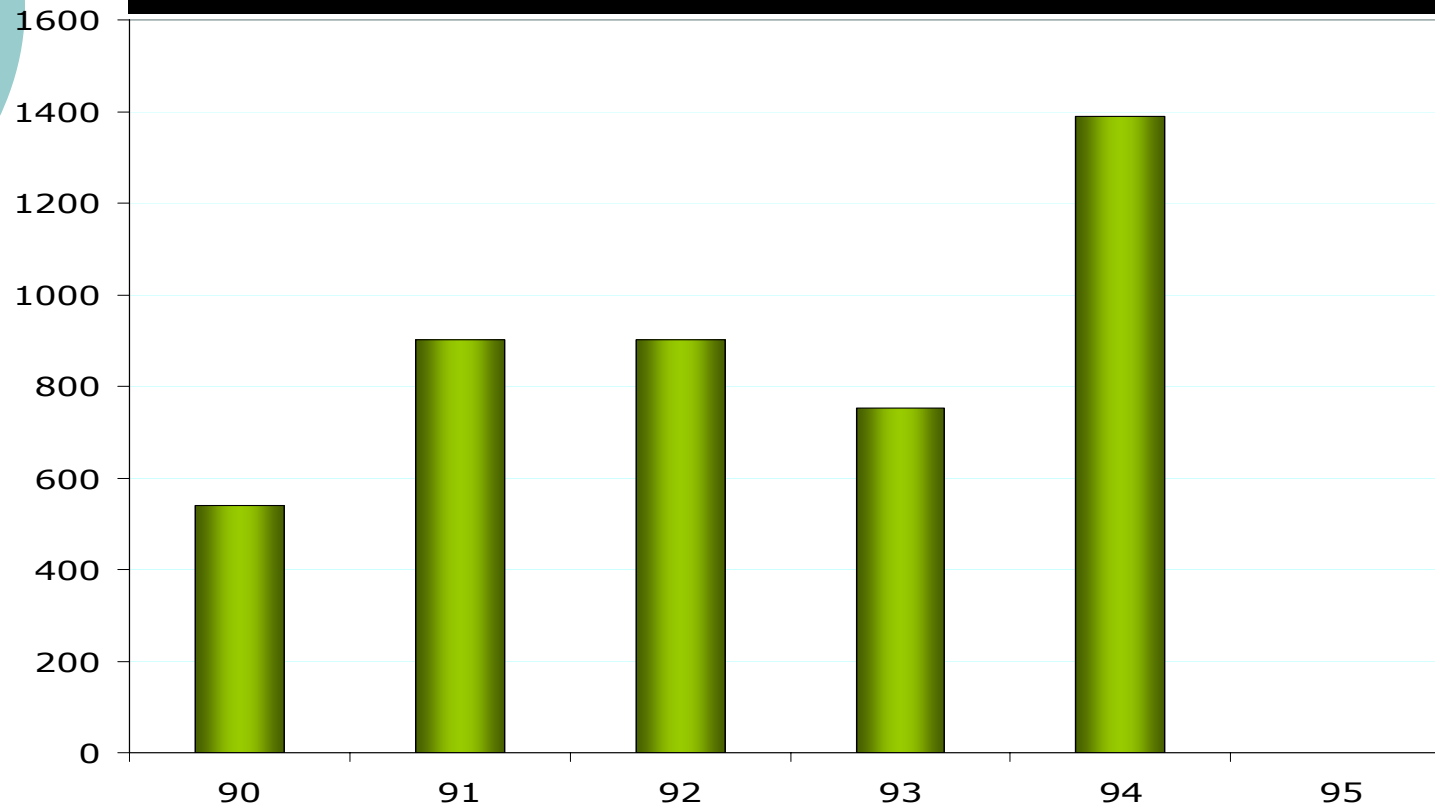
- Member since 1986  
(Quota 2069 mn USD)
- Financial Arrangements
  - 1990-91 Stand-By 540.5 mn USD
  - 1991-93 EFF 115.6 mn USD
  - 1993-94 Stand-By 539.6 mn USD
  - 1994-95 Stand-By 428.2 mn USD
- Since 1997 surveillance relationship:  
one Article IV Consultations and one  
staff visit per year





# IMF and Poland

Financial Position vis-à-vis the IMF (mn USD)





# IMF and Poland

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## Recent issues in surveillance

- Monetary Policy – is/was it too tight?
- Fiscal Policy – how to achieve sustainability, how to meet EU requirements
- Euro adoption – how to prepare
- Credit growth – should we worry?
- GDP growth – will it last?

# Regional Office for Central Europe and the Baltics

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Objective:

*"...to enhance the Fund's ability to carry out surveillance in the eight new, Central and Eastern European members of the EU, particularly in connection with framing and executing plans for euro adoption"*

# Regional Office for Central Europe and the Baltics

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Specific tasks according to the ToR:

- *"Complement the work of regular mission teams"*
- *"Provide information and analysis to HQ on developments"*
- *"Maintain broad contacts with groups and individuals involved in the issues"*
- *"Serve as a conduit of analysis prepared by HQ"*



# Warsaw Office Staff



**Christoph Rosenberg**, Senior Regional Representative



**Robert Sierhej**, Senior Economist  
Poland, Lithuania, Estonia, Latvia; fiscal issues



**Marcel Tirpak**, Economist  
Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Slovenia;  
financial stability and ERM2 issues



**Agata Kariozen**, Research Assistant  
Cross-country data base



**Barbara Kostrzewa**, Office Manager



**Wiesiek Glocer**, Man for all seasons and all reasons



# Recent Topics of Regional Surveillance

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- Euro Adoption
- Growth and real convergence
- Capital flows
- Current account sustainability in the Baltics
- Globalization and inflation



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