

Managing Capital Flows in Frontier and Emerging Markets: The Case of Zambia

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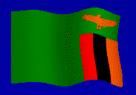
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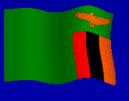


OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- 1.0 General Overview of Capital Flows in Zambia
- 2.0 Source Countries, Recipient Sectors, Costs and Benefits of Capital Flows
- 3. Future Prospects and Policy Options



1.0 General Overview of Capital Flows in Zambia



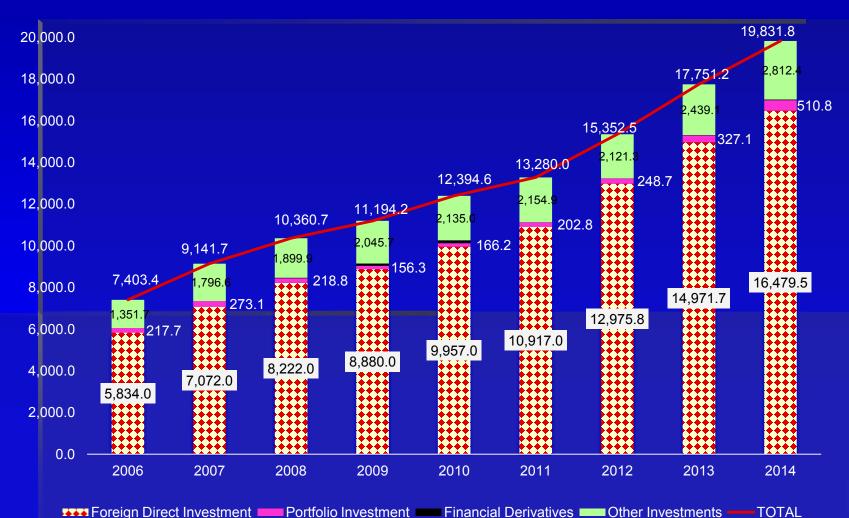
- Zambia has in recent years recoded a notable increase in capital flows Driven by;
 - Economic liberalization and other institutional reforms implemented since the early 1990's,
 - Positive macroeconomic performance
 - Natural resource endowments
 - Favourable commodity prices on the international market
 - Supportive investment policies.
- The stock of private capital rose to US \$19.8 billion -Dec 2014 (73.7% of GDP) from US \$7.4 billion in 2006.
 - o Annual average growth of 12.5%.
 - Composition :
 - o FDI (83.1%), Other investments(I4.2%), Portfolio (2.6%), Financial derivatives (0.1%).



1.0 General Overview of Capital Flows in Zambia (Cont.)

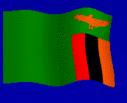


Chart 1: Recent Trends in the Stock of Foreign Private Capital in Zambia, 2006-2014 (US \$ mn.).



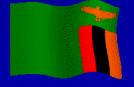


2.0 Source Countries, Recipient Sectors, Costs and Benefits of Capital Flows



- ❖ FDI largely from Canada, UK, China and RSA, mainly in mining manufacturing, telecom and the financial sector,
- Portfolio -from UK and the United States of America.
- Other investments predominantly from RSA, UK and China, -mainly in mining, manufacturing and the agriculture sectors.
- ❖ Private capital flows have been instrumental in:
 - o Providing financing for investments,
 - o Stimulating growth,
 - Contributing to exchange rate stability,
 - o Creating opportunities for reserves accumulation,
 - o Development of our financial market.
- ❖ Macroeconomic and financial-stability challenges include;
 - Increased exchange rate volatility
 - O High sterlisation costs associated with withdrawing excess liquidity arising from high reserves accumulation.





3.0 Future Prospects and Policy Options

- Private capital flows in Zambia are projected to maintain the recent growth momentum, driven by;
 - Investments in new mining projects which are already in the development stage,
 - o Favourable investment climate
 - High interest rates on Government securities which are expected to attract more portfolio investment.

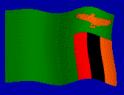


3.0 Future Prospects and Policy Options (Cont.)



- To maximize gains, and minimize vulnerability to capital flows, there is need to:
 - o Improve private capital flows data quality and timeliness
 - Maintaining solid/stable macroeconomic fundamentals through sound monetary, exchange rate and prudent fiscal policy.
 - Maintain a flexible exchange rate system, while minimizing volatility
 - Building adequate international reserves buffers
 - Monitor performance of financial institutions by implement macro-prudential measures that improve the resilience of the financial sector.
 - o Promote investments in long term debt securities
 - O Closely collaborate with fiscal authorities to minimize adverse effects associated with high fiscal deficits.





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Thank You!