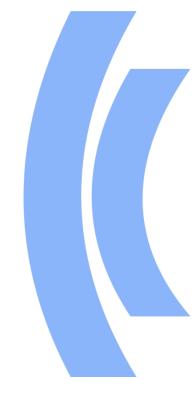


RAISING MEDIUM TERM GROWTH PROSPECTS



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The key challenges to raise growth

- 1. To safeguard multilateral frameworks / the UE
- 2. To invest in human resources
- 3. To better allocate capital (UE Euro area)

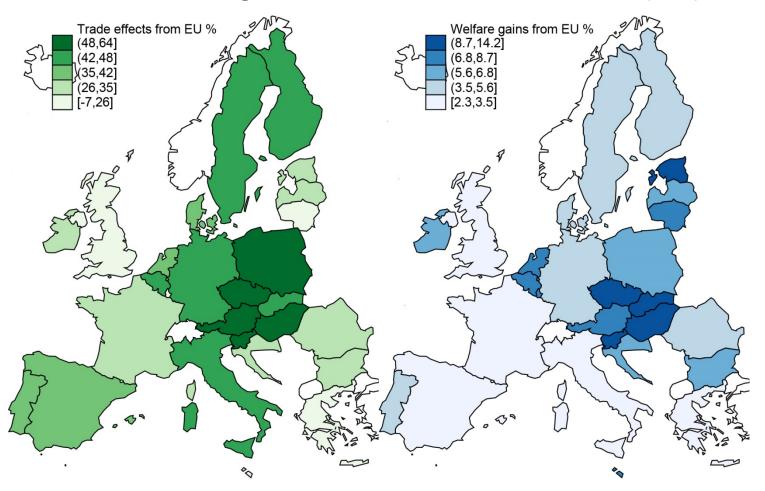
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THE BENEFITS OF EU MEMBERSHIP: MORE TRADE AND **WELFARE GAINS**

Trade and welfare gains simulated between 2003 and 2014 (in %)

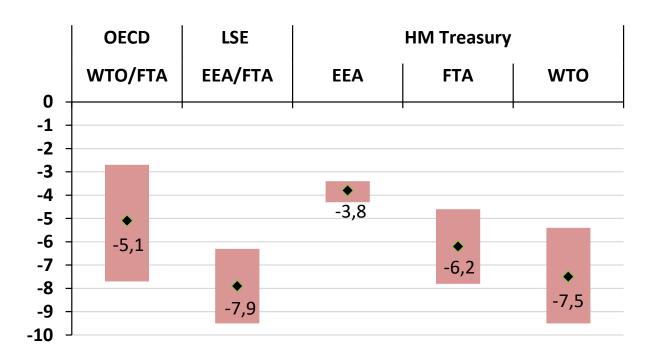






AND THE COST OF LEAVING IT: THE CASE OF BREXIT

Estimations of the long term impact of Brexit on UK GDP (% difference from a "remain" scenario)



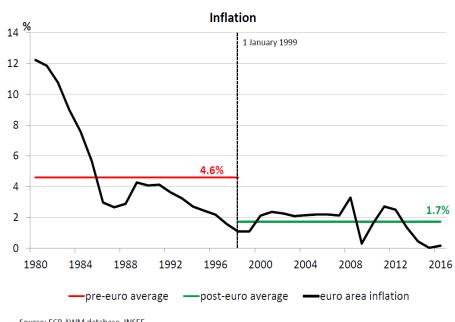
Note: bars show estimations intervals





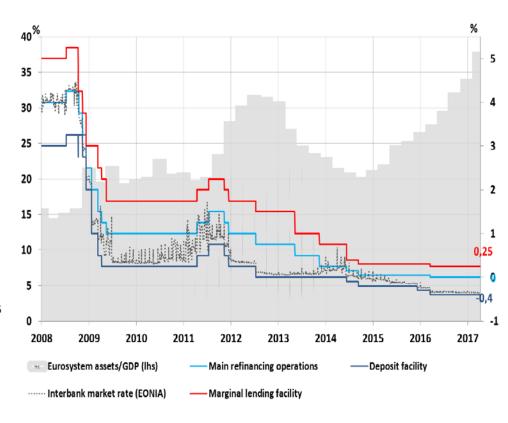
THE BENEFITS OF THE EURO: BETTER CONTROLLED INFLATION AND RESILIENCE

Better controlled inflation



Source: ECB AWM database, INSEE

Successful crisis management

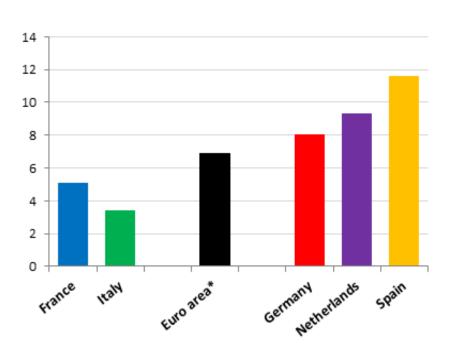






THE PAY-OFFS (AND COSTS) OF REFORMS: THE SPANISH EXAMPLE

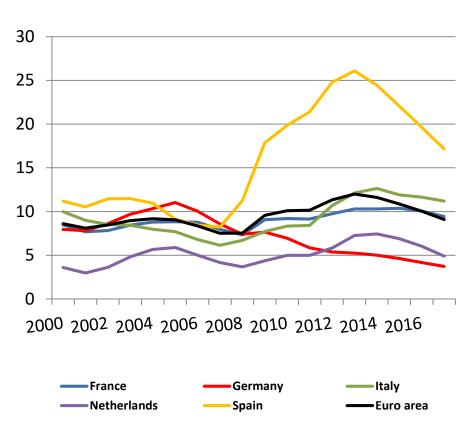
GDP, cumulated growth over 2014-2017 (%)



*except Ireland.

Unemployment rate

(% of labour force)

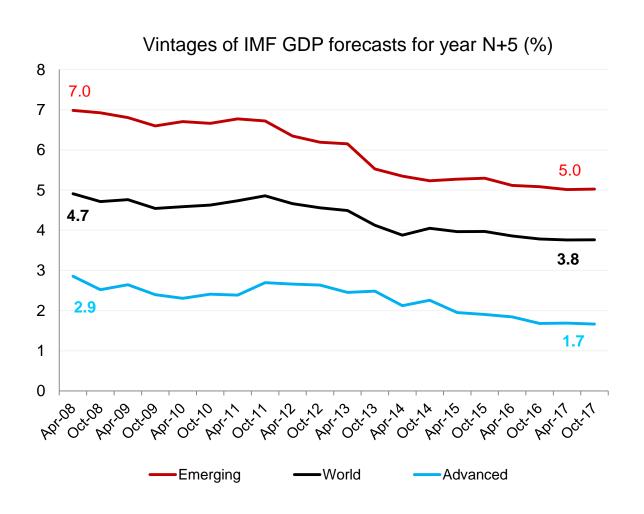


Source: OECD





MEDIUM TERM PROSPECTS HAVE BEEN CONSISTENTLY REVISED REVISED DOWNWARDS SINCE THE FINANCIAL CRISIS

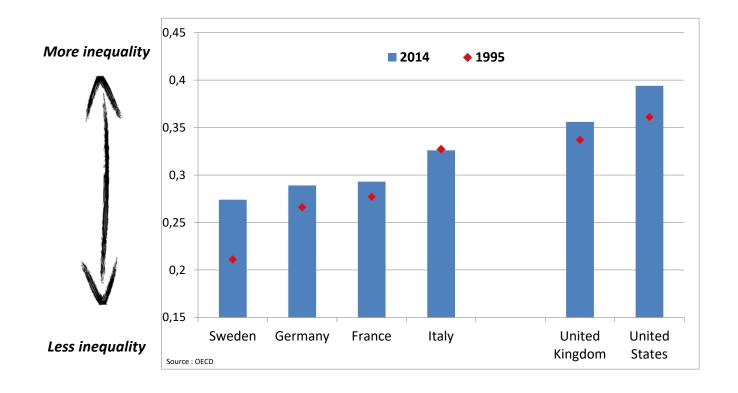




A PERIL TO THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL MODEL

Gini inequality index: variation between 1995 and 2014

(after taxes and transfers)





HOW TO BOOST GROWTH IN A CHANGING ENVIRONMENT

A changing environment

- Globalization and technological diffusion have been an engine for income convergence between countries
- But also a source of growing inequalities between individuals and firms
- New technological revolution or secular stagnation ?
- Strong uncertainty about future productivity growth (Cette, Lecat, Ly-Marin, 2016)

Policy challenges

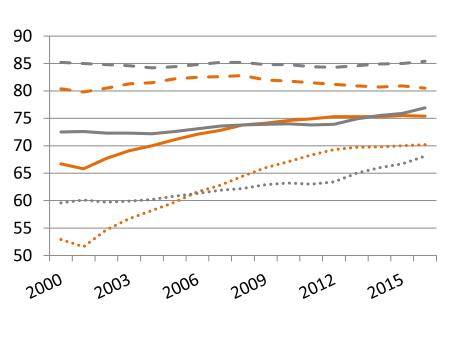
- Making economic growth more inclusive
- Identify the winners and losers from technological progress to target redistributive policies
- Promote innovation and firm growth in an environment that spurs social mobility
- Build a society of competences to increase labor force participation and improve matching





A MORE INCLUSIVE LABOUR MARKET TO SUPPORT GROWTH AND TACKLE THE AGEING PROBLEM

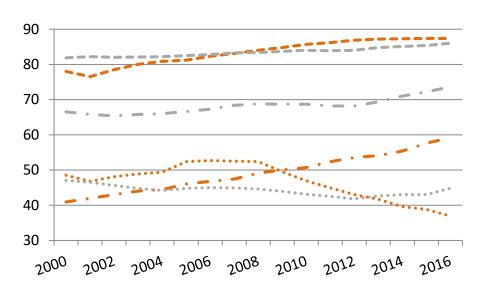
Labor force participation rate by gender (age group 15-64), in %, in Spain and in Japan



Spain Women ——Spain Total

Japan Women —— Japan Total

Labor force participation rate, by age, in %, in Spain and in Japan





Source : OECD

Spain Men

Japan Men

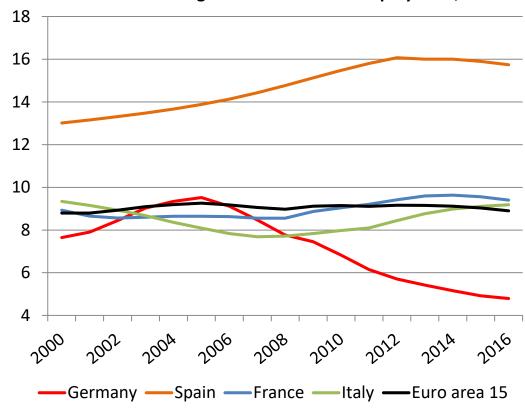




INVEST IN EDUCATION AND LIFELONG TRAINING TO IMPROVE MATCHING BETWEEN WORKERS AND FIRMS

- Tackling structural unemployment should remain a priority
- There are job vacancies even in countries with high unemployment rate (between 200 000 and 300 000 in France in 2017)
- The availability of skilled labour is an important concern for SMEs in the euro area (SAFE, 2017)
- Investing in education, apprenticeship and lifelong training is crucial

Structural unemployment rate, Non accelerating inflation rate of unemployment, in %



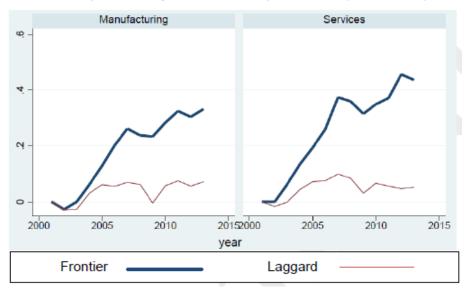


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INNOVATION AND COMPETITION: WORRYING TRENDS IN INNOVATION DIFFUSION BUT WE MUST FIGHT THE 'FAT CATS'

- OECD points to an increasing dispersion of productivity across firms =>
- This could be related to different phenomenons:
 - OCDE: a decrease in innovation diffusion;
 - BdF (based on French data): slow reallocation of factors after shocks (globalization, technological, financial crisis...)
- But it could also emerge from concentration and monopoly rents, intensified by the technology transformation where 'the winner takes it all'

Labour productivity: value added per worker (2001-2013)



ANDREWS, CRISCUOLO, GAL: 'THE GLOBAL PRODUCTIVITY SLOWDOWN, TECHNOLOGY DIVERGENCE AND PUBLIC POLICY: A FIRM LEVEL PERSPECTIVE' OECD/GFI (2016)

Need to create an environment favorable to investment and innovation which benefits to all firms and workers





A FINANCING UNION FOR INVESTMENT AND INNOVATION

Savings
exceed
investment
by about
350 bns EUR,
but remains
fragmented

Completion of Banking Union; Consolidation of European banks

Incentives for cross-border investments;
Harmonisation of accounting, tax and insolvency rules

Innovation and digital

SMEs

A "microeconomic" accelerator

A financing union for investment and innovation

Pan-European savings products; European venture capital

Control of vital financial activities and risks

Green finance and energy transition



A NETWORK TO COOPERATE AND ACT ON SUSTAINABLE FINANCE: 'NETWORK FOR GREENING THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM'

- Climate stability is, in the long run, part of the determinants of financial stability
- An open and multilateral dialogue at a global level: the Central Banks and Supervisors Network for Greening the Financial System (so called NGFS) (8 Central Banks and Supervisors)
- Work program for the coming years: experience sharing and identification of best practices on the supervisory and macro-financial dimensions of climate-related and environmental risks as well as on options to scale up green financing





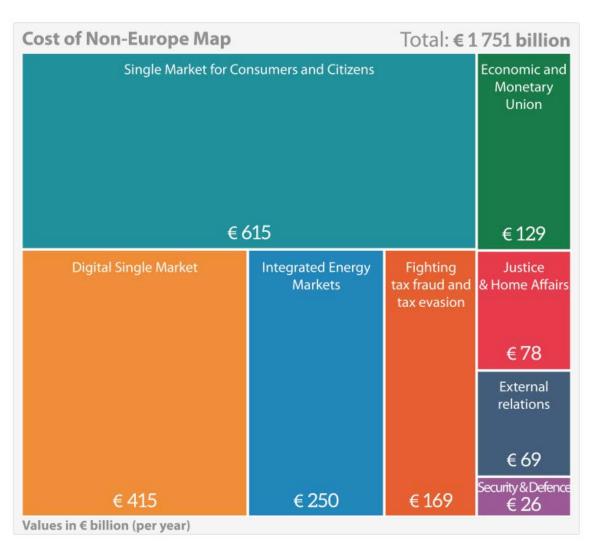
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THE COST OF NON-EUROPE

The European Parliament provides a regular assessment of potential gains of European common actions in selected fields

According to this approach, the cost of non-Europe is estimated at 1 751 billion EUR, i.e. 12% of total EU GDP

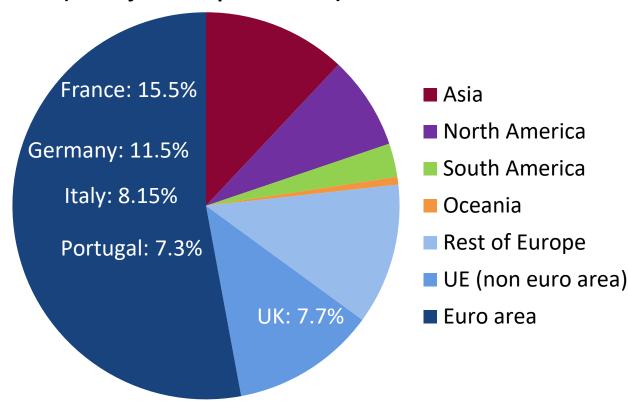




AN EVER DEEPER INTERCONNECTION AMONG EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

- There has not been any "fortress Europe" effect
- But there is by now solid empirical evidence that intraeuro area trade in goods and services has risen by 12% on average since the introduction of the euro, and this without trade diversion

Breakdown of Spanish exports by partners (in % of total exports - 2016)





A FINANCING UNION FOR INVESTMENT AND INNOVATION

Green finance **Innovation** and **SMEs** et digital **Competitive and** Access to equity reliable ITC

Investment needs*

Expected flows from Juncker plans**

> Regulatory policies to implement

~ 160 Bns €/year

infrastructures

~ 28 Bns €

Digital single market **Digital tax**

financing

Equity/assets: 38% (euro area SMEs)

~ 75 Bns €

Standardised information **Insolvency laws**

energy transition

Renewable energy and conservation

~ 230 Bns €/year

~ 53 Bns €

Green bonds Carbon markets and pricing

