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A bright outlook for African frontier markets

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| | R | Real GD | P | Cons | sumer Pr | ices | Curre | ent Acco | unt | Fisca | l Balanc | e |
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| | 2010F | 2011F | 2012F | 2010F | 2011F | 2012F | 2010F | 2011F | 2012F | 2010F | 2011F | 2012F |
| US | 2.9 | <u>3.1</u> | 3.8 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 2.0 | -3.7 | -4.1 | -4.3 | -8.8 | -9.7 | -6.9 |
| Japan | 4.2 | 0.8 | 1.9 | -0.7 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 4.2 | -8.8 | -8.2 | -8.0 |
| Euroland | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 1.8 | -0.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | -6.0 | -4.8 | -3.7 |
| Germany | 3.7 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 5.4 | 4.8 | 4.1 | -3.7 | -2.8 | -2.0 |
| France | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | -1.9 | -2.2 | -2.6 | -7.6 | -6.2 | -4.8 |
| Italy | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 1.9 | -3.2 | -2.8 | -2.4 | -5.0 | -4.1 | -3.1 |
| Spain | -0.3 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | -5.0 | -4.5 | -3.6 | -9.0 | -6.5 | -4.8 |
| UK | 1.4 | <u>1.8</u> | 2.0 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 1.8 | -2.4 | -2.0 | -1.7 | -9.5 | -7.9 | -4.4 |
| Sweden | 5.2 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 6.0 | -1.0 | -0.5 | 0.5 |
| Denmark | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 3.5 | -4.1 | -3.5 | -3.0 |
| Norway | -0.3 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 13.0 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 8.5 |
| Poland | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 2.8 | -2.8 | -3.2 | -3.8 | -7.9 | -6.6 | -5.7 |
| Hungary | 8.0 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -3.8 | -2.9 | -4.0 |
| Czech Republic | 2.4 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 2.2 | -1.5 | -1.0 | -1.2 | -5.2 | -4.6 | -4.2 |
| Australia | 2.7 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | -2.7 | -2.7 | -4.0 | -4.5 | -3.5 | -2.2 |
| Canada | 2.9 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 2.4 | -3.3 | -3.6 | -3.4 | -3.5 | -2.0 | -1.7 |
| Asia (ex Japan) | 9.4 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 2.9 | -3.2 | -2.9 | -2.4 |
| India | 9.8 | 8.2 | 8.5 | 9.4 | 7.7 | 6.9 | -2.6 | -3.0 | -3.0 | -8.5 | -7.8 | -7.2 |
| China | 10.0 | 8.7 | 8.4 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 3.5 | 4.8 | 4.1 | 3.6 | -2.5 | -2.0 | -1.5 |
| Latin America | 6.0 | 4.3 | 4.0 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 7.3 | -0.8 | -1.6 | -2.0 | -2.4 | -2.2 | -2.1 |
| Brazil | 7.7 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 5.9 | 5.4 | 4.8 | -2.2 | -3.0 | -3.7 | -2.0 | -2.1 | -2.0 |
| EMEA | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 0.5 | -0.4 | -1.2 | -4.7 | -3.4 | -3.0 |
| Russia | 4.0 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 6.8 | 8.3 | 7.4 | 5.2 | 3.7 | 2.1 | -4.0 | -2.0 | -1.7 |
| G 7 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.6 | | | | | | |
| World | 4.8 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 3.2 | | | | | | |

(a) Euroland forecasts as at the last forecast round on 10/12/10. Bold figures signal upward revisions, bold, underlined figures signal downward revisions. (b) GDP figures refer to working day adjusted data. (c) HICP figures for euro-zone countries and the UK (d) Current account figures for Euro area countries include intra regional transactions

| Forecasts: G7 quarterly GDP growth | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| G7 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 2.7 | <u>1.4</u> | 2.8 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.8 |

Sources: National authorities, DB Global Markets Research

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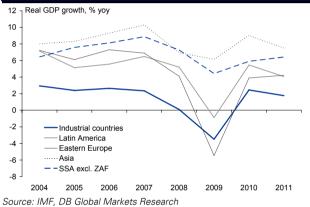
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Introduction

Robust economic growth, macro-economic stabilisation and resilience during the crisis have brought sub-Saharan African frontier markets¹_ back onto the radar of international investors. So we examine whether the long-term growth drivers are still intact and whether local capital markets will continue their rapid development.

Robust growth prospects. After a swift recovery in 2010, sub-Saharan African (SSA) countries are set to grow by 5.2% yoy on average in 2011. This makes SSA the second fastest growing region in the world after Asia (see chart 1). Fuelled by rising real incomes, private consumption is likely to be the main growth driver in 2011. While rising commodity prices and exports will certainly contribute to growth, the main growth engines in terms of sectors are the agricultural and service sectors.





Resilience in the crisis. Many SSA countries reduced their macro-economic vulnerabilities before the 2008/2009 global crisis by reducing inflation and public debt and building up reserves. In addition, more prudent management of the commodity boom led to the build-up of fiscal buffers in commodity-exporting countries such as Nigeria and Angola. The development of local capital markets was also kick-started. Thanks to the right policy responses by governments (counter-cyclical fiscal policy, monetary easing and increased borrowing from domestic markets) and the help of IMF/World Bank/ADB, they weathered the crisis relatively well.

Growing track-record of sound macro-economic policy.

Although public debt levels increased slightly during the crisis, strong growth coupled with moderate fiscal deficits will help to bring public debt levels back to pre-crisis levels this year (see chart 2). Average inflation rates spiked in 2008, but should to return to single digits in 2011 (see chart 3).

Bright short-term outlook despite political risks

⁻¹ According to the IMF's definition this group includes Cape Verde, Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya, Mauritius, Tanzania, Uganda, Botswana, Mozambique, Namibia and Zambia. Angola, Cote d'Ivoire, Gabon and Malawi are also often included.



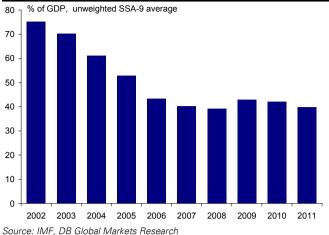
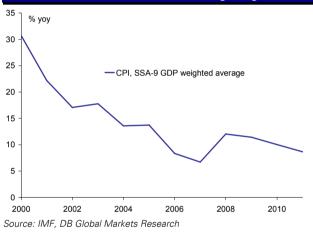


Chart 3. SSA: Inflation back to the single digit



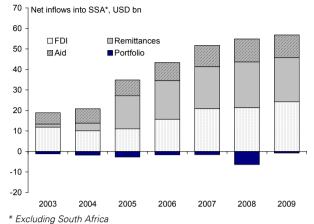
Political risks still high. Elections in 17 SSA countries (e.g. Nigeria, Uganda, Zambia) this year could delay reforms and lead to increased political and financial market volatility. Although we do not expect the post-election crisis in Cote d'Ivoire to be repeated in other SSA countries, it serves as a reminder not to be complacent about the political risks in SSA.

Compelling long-term growth story

Several trends support SSA's long-term growth prospects.

Increasing private capital inflows. Mainly driven by rising FDI, private capital inflows have risen constantly over the past couple of years (see chart 4). As we have excluded South Africa due to its different level of international financial integration, portfolio inflows remain negligible in our SSA aggregate total. But we expect portfolio inflows to increase strongly over the next couple of years, as local capital markets becoming more sophisticated investors look down the risk curve towards frontier markets.

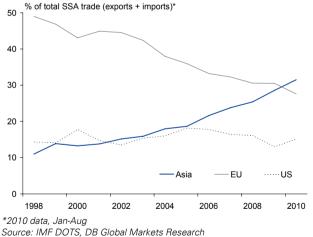
Chart 4. Private capital inflows outpace official flows by far



Source: IMF, DB Global Markets Research

Diversification of trading partners. Over the past decade, the EU's trade share with SSA has declined from 43% to 28%, while Asia's share has nearly doubled from 13% to 32%. In 2010, SSA trade with Asia exceeded that with Europe for the first time (chart 5). We note this increasing orientation towards fast-growing parts of the world is certainly beneficial for the SSA's economic dynamism.

Chart 5. Asia has surpassed the EU as main trading partner



Rising global demand for natural resources and arable land. SSA is endowed with a large share of the world's natural resources (e.g. oil, gas, gold, diamonds, copper, cobalt, etc.). Moreover, Africa's Guinea Savannah zone contains probably the largest area of underutilized agricultural land in the world2._ As demand for energy and

⁻² World Bank, Awakening Africa's sleeping giant, 2009

other commodities is expected to continue to rise faster than GDP³_ (Table 6), this bodes well for the growth outlook of resource-rich countries. As SSA continues to be marginalized in the international industrial scene⁴_, the rising global demand for natural resources and food also provides the region with opportunity of moving up the global value chain, not only by extracting but also processing natural resources. Examples of other emerging markets that successfully followed that route of development are Chile and Brazil (see chart 7).

Table 6: Commodity prices to stay high or increase even further 2010 2011 2012 2013 WTI (USD/bbl) 79.6 96 98 95 Natural gas (mmBtu) 5.3 5.5 4.4 4.3 Copper (USD/t) 7357 10250 11500 10000 Gold (USD/oz) 700 1224 917 819 Source: Deutsche Bank as of January 17

| Chart | 7. | Brazil: | Food | exports | as | basis | for |
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South-South cooperation blossoms. The strengthening south-south cooperation is not only visible in trade flows, but also in FDI flows, infrastructure financing and political ties. For emerging markets (especially the BRIC countries) Africa provides a source of natural resources, a large and growing consumer market and an opportunity to exert more influence on the global multilateral stage. For Africa, big emerging market countries offer a new source of investment, an additional link to the global economy and different trade and investment modalities. For example, FDI from BRICs to SSA often involves governments or state-owned enterprises (e.g. Brazil's Petrobras, China's

National Offshore Oil Corporation, India's oil and natural gas corporation)⁵.-

Outlook for local capital markets

Although the financial systems of SSA frontier markets are still very much bank-dominated, local capital markets have been developing rapidly. Domestic institutional players such as banks, insurance companies, pension funds and local private investors account for the lion's share of investors in the SSA capital markets. Although international investors fled the region during the crisis, international investor confidence is returning. We now take a closer look at growth drivers of external and local bond markets, equity markets and private equity markets.

More external bond issuance to come in 2011. After the international sovereign bond debuts of Ghana and Gabon in 2007 and Senegal in December 2009, Nigeria kicked-off 2011 issuance with an USD 500 m bond on January 21. Five other countries — Zambia, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Angola — have revived their pre-crisis plans to issue debut international bonds and might enter markets within the next two years (table 8). In addition, Ghana and Senegal plan follow-up issuances in 2011. EMBIG (Emerging Markets Bond Index Global) spreads of Ghana and Gabon have come back to pre-crisis levels of around 260 bps and 360 bps respectively. Increased supply should have a positive impact on 2011 debt trading volumes of local and international bonds (see chart 9).

| Table 8: International sovereign bond debuts: | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Ghana | USD 750 m in Sep 07 | | | | |
| Gabon | USD 1 bn in Dec 07 | | | | |
| Senegal | USD 200 m in Dec 09 | | | | |
| Nigeria | USD 500 m in Jan 11 | | | | |
| Planned: | | | | | |
| Zambia | USD 500 m in 2011 | | | | |
| Kenya | USD 500 m in 2011 | | | | |
| Tanzania | USD 500 m-1 bn in 2011/12 | | | | |
| Uganda | USD 1 bn in 2011/12 | | | | |
| Angola | USD 1-2 bn in 2011 | | | | |
| Source: DB Global | Markets Research, Bloomberg Finance LP | | | | |

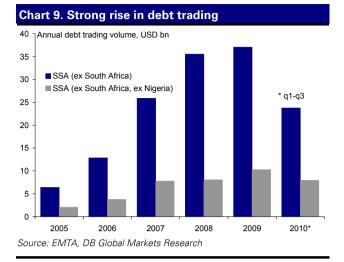
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³ Global Economic Prospects, Commodities at the Crossroads, World Bank, 2008.

⁴-UNIDO, Industrial development report 2009

⁻⁵ South-South Cooperation, UNCTAD 2010



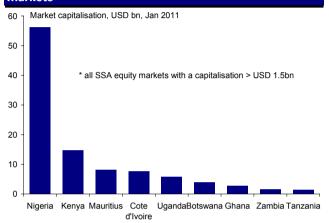
Strong growth in local bond markets. Driven by government funding needs and growing demand from local institutional investors, local government bond markets are growing rapidly. Tenors are lengthening (e.g. up to 20 years in Kenya), yield curves are developing and debt management offices have been established. Corporate issuance, however, is only slowly taking off. Key issues to be tackled are still the relatively low liquidity (table 10) and the relatively narrow investor base. On the supply side, a new driver is sub-sovereign issuance (e.g. at the state level in Nigeria), while pension reform (e.g. Nigeria, Ghana) remains a major driver on the demand side.

| Table 10: Local bond market snapshot | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--|-------------------------------|--|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Tenor | Foreign investor access discouraged by | Daily transacti on size | Income tax for foreign investors | Entry / exit tax | | | | |
| Angola | 1-10y | exchange control regulations | na. | 20% tax | | | | | |
| Ghana | 1-5y | bonds of 3y and more | USD 10- 15 m | none | none | | | | |
| Kenya | 1-20y | allowed through agents | USD 10 m | 10-15% withholding tax | none | | | | |
| Nigeria | 3-20y | bonds of 1y and more | USD 340 m | none | none | | | | |
| South Africa | 1-25y | not restricted | USD 1.6 bn | none | none | | | | |
| Sources: J | ır ıvıorgan, | , Absa Capital | | | | | | | |

Equity markets boosted by IPOs. In all markets except Nigeria, equity market capitalisation still remains below USD 50 bn (see chart 11), which is considered a critical threshold to attract investments from global emerging markets funds. Even though liquidity has improved in most markets over recent years, only Nigeria has reached half the turnover ratio of South Africa. As all stock markets apart from Mauritius underperformed the MSCI in the post-crisis recovery, valuations could still be attractive. Moreover, they offer diversification benefits as correlation with international markets remains relatively low (see table

12). Gradual convergence to international regulatory standards (e.g. IFRS reporting standards introduced in Nigeria), further improvements of the capital markets infrastructure (e.g. extension of daily trading session, reduction in transaction costs) and efforts for regional stock market integration should support further growth in equity markets.

Chart 11. Nigerian market dwarfs other equity markets*



Source: Bloomberg Finance LP, National Stock Exchanges, DB Global Markets Research

Table 12: Only moderate correlation with international markets

Correlation coeffiicient, Jan 06 - Jan 11

| | MSCI world | S&P 500 | MSCI EM |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Ghana | -0.07 | -0.08 | -0.35 |
| Mauritius | -0.06 | -0.11 | 0.64 |
| Kenya | 0.90 | 0.88 | 0.56 |
| Nigeria | 0.51 | 0.44 | 0.33 |
| Botswana | 0.45 | 0.41 | 0.61 |
| Namibia | 0.67 | 0.66 | 0.95 |
| South Africa Sources: Bloomberg F | 0.88 Finance LP, DB Glo | 0.84 obal Markets Re | 0.40 search |

Private equity and mezzanine funds evolving. Given that local bond and equity markets are relatively small and that yields have compressed strongly, new mezzanine and private equity funds are evolving with the aim of offering a better risk-reward relationship for foreign investors. In terms of size, USD 9 bn in private equity have been raised in the region in the last 5 years (chart 13) and USD 10-15 bn are set to be raised in the next five years, according to industry specialists⁶. The typical investment horizon is 4-10

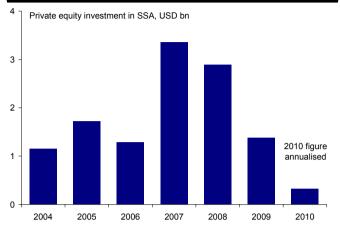
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⁶⁻ IFRS SSA capital markets conference, London, 2010

years and the favoured exit strategies are either an IPO, a buy-out or a strategic sell to the main players in the sector.

Chart 13 Private equity investment peaked in 2007



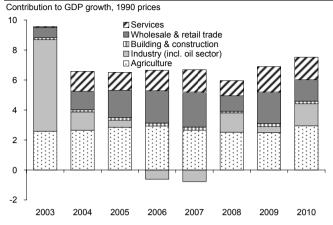
Source: Emerging Markets Private Equity Association, DB Global Markets Research

Close-up on Nigeria, Kenya, Ghana and Angola

We have selected these four countries as they represent two thirds of total SSA GDP (excl. South Africa), have increasingly sophisticated capital markets, reasonable macro-economic stability and a compelling growth story.

Nigeria: Oil giant with most developed financial markets. Driven by robust non-oil sector growth (e.g. agriculture and wholesale & retail trade) and modest oilsector growth (see chart 14), the Nigerian economy is expected to continue its strong expansion at 7% vov this year. Due to election-related spending, the fiscal balance is set to remain in deficit in excess of the fiscal target of 3.6% of GDP. With the oil savings account now almost fully depleted, the Nigerian economy has to rebuild its fiscal buffer to be shielded against a renewed fall in oil prices. Public and external debt ratios should continue to rise (also due to a bank bailout in 2009), but remain at very comfortable levels of below 20% of GDP. Continuously falling FX reserves point at depreciation pressure for the naira and could further push up inflation. Political risk has been heightened by the upcoming presidential elections in April. But the re-election of incumbent President Jonathan, which would bode well for policy and reform continuity, is very likely in our view. Poor infrastructure, weak institutions and ongoing conflict with separatists in the Niger Delta remain the main deterrents to investment.

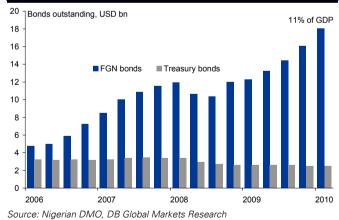
Chart 14. Nigeria: Agriculture and services as main growth drivers



Source: Central Bank of Nigeria, DB Global Markets Research

Capital market snapshot: The domestic bond market is likely to continue to grow strongly (chart 15) as the government runs fiscal deficits financed from the domestic bond market. Equity market capitalisation was boosted by the USD 14 bn IPO of Dangote Cement last November. The ongoing clean-up of the banking sector, including the recent establishment of a bad bank, should give further impetus to the equity market as banks account for roughly 40% of total market capitalisation. The very recent debut bond issuance is set to be included in the EMBIG index as of March and set an important benchmark for future corporate issuances.

Chart 15. Nigeria: Growing domestic debt stock



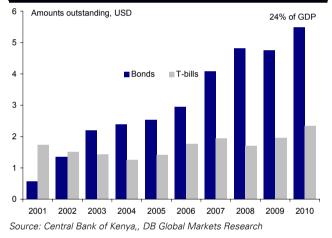
Kenya: Commercial and financial hub of East-Africa

Kenya is the trade hub and financial centre for East Africa. After a challenging period including the 2008 election crisis, severe droughts and the global economic crisis, the Kenyan economy is expected to grow by 6% this year. Kenya's exports are fairly diversified with tea, horticulture and tourism as main sources of FX inflows. A three-year

USD 500 mn IMF program should help to gradually reduce the fiscal deficit (currently at 7% of GDP) and bring the public debt level below 45% of GDP by 2013. Kenya's new constitution (introduced in August 2010) offers the prospect of more consensual politics in future. Kenya's current coalition government is expected to remain intact until the next election in 2012.

Capital market snapshot: Kenya's domestic bond market is one of the most advanced in SSA with maturities up to 20 years. As the government continues to run fiscal deficits and external bond issuance plans have been put on hold so far, the domestic bond market should continue to grow (see chart 16). The Kenyan stock market is the third largest in SSA and not dominated by any one sector. An ambitious goal is the integration of the trading platform with those of Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania, which we think is a good way to increase economies of scale and attract investor attention.



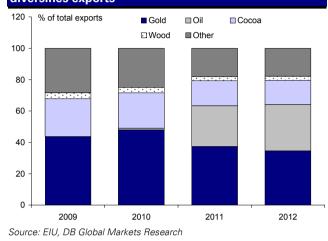


Ghana: Diversified commodity exporter with history of political stability

Due to the start of oil production in December 2010, Ghana's real GDP growth will likely be boosted to double digits this year and then decline to around 7% you in 2012. Oil exports are set to become Ghana's second biggest export item after gold. This turns Ghana into a relative diversified commodity exporter (38% gold, 26% oil and 16% cocoa -chart 17), but is still prone to commodity price shocks. Ghana's Achilles' heel is its huge twin fiscal and current account deficits, but those are expected to be reduced to around 5% of GDP by the rising oil revenues and the 60% upward revision in nominal GDP that was announced last year. Fiscal management remains one of Ghana's main challenges as reflected in arrears to domestic suppliers (to be cleared by 2012) and the 3-year, USD 600 million IMF programme Ghana requested in July 2009. The Ghanaian banking system is relatively well

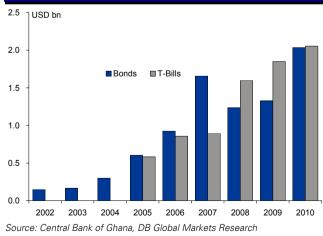
developed and well capitalized, but suffers from high non-performing loans (18% of total in September 2010). Politically, Ghana is one of the few functioning democracies in SSA and saw a peaceful take-over of power by the opposition in 2008.

Chart 17. Ghana: Start of oil production in 2010 diversifies exports



Capital market snapshot: High inflation has led to increased T-bill issuance over the last two years, but bond issuance already picked up in the first half of last year (chart 18). Moreover, the government might issue a follow-up international bond this year after its USD 750 m issue in 2007. The stock market is heavily dominated by AngloGoldAshanti, making up over 60% of total market capitalisation.

Chart 18. Ghana: Rising stock of domestic bonds



Angola: Rising oil economy plagued by opaque policy making

Angola is SSA's second biggest oil producer after Nigeria (chart 19). Real GDP growth has recovered quickly from the slowdown to around 2% in 2009 and is set to reach

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7% this year. Despite the strong dominance of the oil sector, agriculture, the diamond and the retail sector show strong potential. Helped by a USD 1.4 bn IMF stand-by-arrangement, macro-economic stability has been restored and the government is working on repaying arrears to domestic contractors by the end of this year. The fiscal and current account balances are back in surplus and public and external debt levels remain below 20% of GDP. Inflation spiked to 16% in December and is expected to remain in the double-digits in 2011. President Dos Santos and his ruling party dominate the political scene and are expected to be re-elected in the 2012 elections.

Capital market snapshot: Local Treasury bill and bond markets are dominated by local investors. The opening of a stock exchange has again been delayed, but might finally become reality this year.

Chart 19. Angola: Almost surpassed Nigeria in oil production



Conclusion and outlook

Good growth prospects, macroeconomic stability and resilience in the face of the global economic crisis have brought SSA frontier markets back onto the radar of international investors. Driven by high government financing needs and increasing demand from local institutional investors, local bond markets will continue to grow strongly. Corporate bond issuance is still in its infancy. External sovereign bond issuance for 2011 has been kick-started by the very recent issuance of Nigeria. Other countries might follow suit this year to profit from low yields and set a benchmark for corporate issuance. Equity markets still suffer from relatively small size and low liquidity, but new IPOs, a push for regional integration, better regulatory standards and upgrades in capital markets infrastructure should bring these markets to a higher level.

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Central Bank Watch

US

The Fed's stated intention is to purchase \$600 bn of longer-term US Treasury securities by June under QE2. We expect that intention to be fulfilled and not extended beyond 600 bn unless the economy takes a significant turn for the worse. The improving US economic picture suggests that once QE2 terminates, the Fed will likely turn next to ending the MBS rollover program later this summer or fall. It will likely also begin to modify its "extended period" language sometime during that time frame, signaling that the initial rate hike will follow within several meetings. With economic news improving, we see a good chance of an initial hike in policy rates occurring between late-2011 and mid-2012--our US economics team's call has been for this December. Prior to hiking rates, the Fed will probably engage in reverse repo operations and term deposits to reduce the liquidity of its liabilities. And it should begin to sell off some of its holdings of MBS and Treasury securities after it has begun to raise policy rates. How quickly it proceeds in raising rates and selling its holdings of longer-term assets will depend on how the markets and the economy are responding to this shift toward policy tightening.

Current Mar11 Jun11 Dec11 Fed funds rate 0 - 0.25 0 - 0.25 0 - 0.25 0.50

Japan

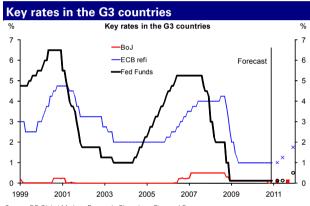
Had there been a severe slump in the economy in 4Q 2010 and 1Q 2011, the BoJ may have been forced to enact further monetary easing purely from the business cycle viewpoint but it seems reasonable to consider that the decline in economic activity now assumed likely has effectively eliminated the possibility of further monetary easing. After a temporary increase in the current account balance of commercial banks with the BoJ (bank reserves) to ¥22trn to satisfy year-end rise in demand for funds (Figure 12), we expect the bank reserves to settle at around the ¥18trn level once again in January 2011. The BoJ started the purchase of ¥5trn worth of financial assets proposed in the 5 October 2010 "Comprehensive Monetary Easing" (¥1.5trn long-term government securities, ¥2trn short-term Treasury bills, ¥500bn CPs,¥500bn corporate bonds, ¥450bn ETFs, and ¥50bn REITs) but we are not certain that the total amount will definitely lead to an increase in BoJ total assets by the same magnitude.

ON rate Current Mar11 Sep11 ON rate 0 - 0.10 0.10 0.10

Euroland

The euro sovereign debt crisis was not off the agenda at the first ECB meeting of the year. Trichet's calls for a "quantitative and qualitative" improvement in the EFSF was like a new mantra. But there was much more discussion in this month's press conference on the inflation outlook. Medium-term inflation risks are currently broadly balanced but the ECB sees a risk that the inflation outlook deteriorates. Trichet reminded us that the ECB has a history of taking decisions on rates that markets did not foresee and governments disagreed with, for example the hikes at the end of 2005 and in July 2008. The message is that if necessary the ECB is prepared to hike. The non-standard and standard monetary policy stances can be disconnected. It is possible the ECB maintains nonstandard policies but adjusts rates to address inflation risks. We see the first hike at the end of Q2'11.

Current Mar11 Jun 11 Dec 11 Refi rate 1.00 1.00 1.25 1.75



Source: DB Global Markets Research, Bloomberg Finance LP

UK

Following a much weaker GDP print than expected, and dovish remarks by the Governor of the Bank of England, we have put back our view of the start of the tightening cycle from May to August 2011. Most members of the MPC seem happy to accommodate the first round effects of higher taxes & commodity prices along with lower sterling on inflation. However, with inflation having risen more sharply than we expected in December and likely to increase further to above 4% in January, the Bank will be monitoring closely inflation expectations and wage pressures over the coming months.

| | Current | Mar11 | Jun 11 | Dec 11 |
|-----------|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| Bank rate | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.75 | 1.25 |

Sweden

The Riksbank raised rates from 1.00% to 1.25% at its December meeting, as the market expected. We expect another hike before the end of Q1 (next meeting: 15 Feb).

| | Current | Mar11 | Jun 11 | Dec 11 |
|-----------|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| Repo rate | 1.25 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.50 |

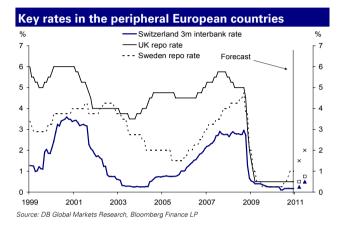
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Central Bank Watch (continued)

Switzerland

The SNB left policy rates unchanged in December. While the economy has performed better than expected, we see the franc continuing to limit the rise in core inflation. The next meeting is on March 17.

Current Mar11 Jun 11 Dec 11 3M Libor tgt 0.25 0.25 0.50 1.00



Canada

Assuming the economy grows by 0.2% to 0.3%m/m in December (reinforced by a rebound in manufacturing output), growth for the final quarter should be close to the BoC forecast of 2.3%. Looking forward, the solid growth of employment in December (revised from 22K to 30.4k) and strong (+74k) growth of full time employment over the past three months should support domestic demand through the first half of 2011. Based on this somewhat better - than - expected increase in growth in November and the evidence of increasing U.S. momentum we continue to expect the BoC will start to hike in mid April.

| | Current | Mar11 | Jun11 | Dec11 |
|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| ON rate | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.25 |

Australia

As expected, the RBA left the cash rate unchanged on 1st February meeting. Bank's focus remains (appropriately) on the medium-term outlook for inflation, and its "preliminary assessment" is that the net additional demand from rebuilding is unlikely to have a major impact on the medium-term outlook for inflation. We think that the market is under-pricing the risk of further rate rises this year. The improving global backdrop is critical in this context, with the RBA today citing a pick-up in global "price pressures, particularly for food and raw materials". Once uncertainty from the impact of the floods dissipates, we therefore suspect the RBA's message will turn back to the threat of growing inflationary pressures. While the 'pause' in the tightening phase is likely to continue over the months immediately ahead, we remain hesitant

therefore to discount the risk of a further rate rise around mid-year.

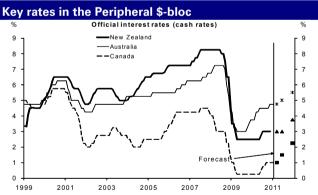
| | Current | Mar11 | Jun11 | Dec11 |
|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| OC rate | 4.75 | 4.75 | 5.00 | 5.50 |

New Zealand

In our view the RBNZ seems to be very comfortably on hold, with no inclination to reverse last year's rate hikes in reaction to disappointments thus far nor any immediate inclination to raise the OCR further. As we set out in our Macro Forecast Update, we think it will be some time before we see the "obvious signs" of either a more robust recovery or increasing underlying inflation pressures that would be needed to prompt the RBNZ to raise the OCR. We continue to nominate the September MPS as the most likely date for the Bank to recommence the process of moving policy settings to more neutral levels. A rate hike could occur marginally earlier (perhaps in July) if the economy and/or underlying inflation strengthens considerably more than we presently expect or be delayed beyond September if the economy fails to gather pace over coming months. Whilst clearly not on the table at present, in the near term we think the only conceivable change is a wind-back of the rate hikes implemented last year should signs emerge that the economy is set to continue sideways crawl of the second half of 2010 for a significant part of 2011.

 Current
 Mar11
 Jun11
 Dec11

 OC rate
 3.00
 3.00
 3.75



Source: DB Global Markets Research, Bloomberg Finance LP

China

Given the strong GDP growth trend, the rapid increase in daily agriculture prices in the past a couple of weeks, as well as elevated inflation expectations, we raised our annual average CPI inflation forecast to 5% (from the previous 4.4%) for 2011. We now expect yoy CPI inflation to peak at 6% in June (vs previous expectation of 5.5%). These changes suggest a growing likelihood of broaderbased price controls and more aggressive macro policy responses. We expect the PBOC to raise the RRR by 3-4 more times in the first half of this year.

Central Bank Watch (continued)

We maintain our forecasts of a total of 75bps rate hike in 2011 by PBOC to fight inflation and expectations.

| | Current | Mar11 | Jun11 | Dec11 |
|-------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1-year rate | 2.75 | 3.00 | 3.50 | 3.50 |

India

Stressing that "inflation is clearly the dominant concern," the Reserve Bank of India resumed monetary policy tightening in its January review, raising the repo and reverse repo rates to 6.5% and 5.5%, respectively. Apart from elevated food and fuel inflation risks, the central bank sees emerging demand side risk to inflation as well. The output gap has been closing, wage growth is robust, and public social spending programs are boosting income of the rural poor. Given these risks, the central bank revised up its inflation forecast for March 2011 to 7% (from 5.5%), a little lower than our projection of 7.5%. It also recognized that the risk to the forecast was to the upside. Curiously, the RBI statement did not entertain the inflation trajectory beyond March. Incorporating the risks highlighted by the central bank, we see inflation remaining around 7.5-8% through the course of the year.

The RBI justified the rate hikes by arguing that the growth-inflation balance of risk has tilted toward the intensification of inflation. We see the RBI remaining open to further rate hikes, especially as we see no major respite from inflation pressure in the coming months. The central bank also seems ready to allow for some growth to be sacrificed, if necessary, in its fight on inflation. If the non-core to core price spillover begins, which seems rather likely in our view, the central bank will have no choice but to act. We expect 50 more basis points in rate hikes during the first half of 2011.

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|-----------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Current | Mar11 | Sep11 | Dec11 |
| Repo rate | 6.50 | 6.75 | 7.0 | 7.0 |

Brazil

The Central Bank initiated anew tightening cycle in January, raising the SELIC overnight rate by 50bp to 11.25%. The increase in interest rates was inevitable given the strength of domestic demand and sharp deterioration in inflation expectations. Market participants currently expect inflation to surpass the 4.5% target in 2011 and 2012. The official statement released by the Central Bank explained that the hike in the SELIC rate was the "beginning of a process of adjustment," indicating that it planned to implement additional hikes. At the same time, however, the Central Bank stated that "macro-

prudential measures" (such as the increase in reserve requirements on bank deposits announced in December) would complement the increase in interest rates, implying that they could help reduce the magnitude of the tightening cycle. We expect another 50bp hike in March and a 25bp hike in April, although the continuing deterioration in inflation expectations has increased the likelihood of a longer cycle.

| | Current | Mar11 | Jun11 | Dec11 |
|---------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| CBR refi rate | 11.25 | 11.75 | 12.00 | 12.00 |

Russia

Starting from May 30th 2010 the CBR reduced the refinancing rate by 25 basis points to 7.75%. This was the 14th reduction in the refinancing rate since April 2009 when the rate stood at a 13%. Most recently, at the end of December, the CBR raised its deposit rate by 25bp to 2.75% (for overnight operations) pointing to an upward trend in rates. The markets were expecting the CBR to increase refinancing rate on 31 January, but instead, the regulator opted to leave rates unchanged and to raise reserve requirements as an instrument to combat inflation (from 2.5% to 3% for liabilities to residents and from 2.5% to 3.5% for liabilities to non-residents). The rationale behind this measure was to limit the scope for capital inflows while forging ahead with anti-inflationary measures. In the statement that followed the decision to leave rates intact, the CBR pointed to mounting inflationary pressures as a major concern, while leaving open the possibility for rate hikes in the first half of 2011. We continue to expect the CBR to raise the refinancing rate in the first quarter of the current year by 50 basis points.

CBR refi rate 7.75 8.25 8.25 8.00



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| | | | | | Glo | bal centra | al bank po | olicy rate | hikes sind | e Septem | ber 2008 | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|----------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| | Trough | 2009 | | | | 2010 | | , | | | | | | | | 2011 | Total bps |
| | policy rate | Aug | Oct | Nov | Dec | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | hike |
| Israel | 0.50% | 0.75% | | 1.00% | 1.25% | 1.50% | | | | 1.75% | | 2.00% | | | | 2.25% | 175 |
| Australia | 3.00% | | 3.25% | 3.50% | 3.75% | 4.00% | 4.25% | 4.50% | | | | | | 4.75% | | | 175 |
| Norway | 1.25% | | 1.50% | | 1.75% | | | 2.00% | | | | | | | | | 75 |
| Vietnam | 7.00% | | | | 8.00% | | | | | | | | | 9.00% | | | 200 |
| Malaysia | 2.00% | | | | | 2.25% | | 2.50% | | 2.75% | | | | | | | 75 |
| India | 4.75% | | | | | 5.00% | 5.25% | | | 5.75% | | 6.00% | | 6.25% | | 6.50% | 175 |
| Brazil | 8.75% | | | | | | 9.50% | | 10.25% | 10.75% | | | | | | 11.25% | 250 |
| Peru | 1.25% | | | | | | | 1.50% | 1.75% | 2.00% | 2.50% | 3.00% | | | | 3.25% | 200 |
| Canada | 0.25% | | | | | | | | 0.50% | 0.75% | | 1.00% | | | | | 75 |
| Chile | 0.50% | | | | | | | | 1.00% | 1.50% | 2.00% | 2.50% | 2.75% | 3.00% | 3.25% | | 275 |
| New Zealand | 2.50% | | | | | | | | 2.75% | 3.00% | | | | | | | 50 |
| Taiwan | 1.25% | | | | | | | | 1.38% | | | 1.50% | | | 1.63% | | 38 |
| Sweden | 0.25% | | | | | | | | | 0.50% | | 0.75% | 1.00% | | 1.25% | | 100 |
| S Korea | 2.00% | | | | | | | | | 2.25% | | | | 2.50% | | 2.75% | 75 |
| Thailand | 1.25% | | | | | | | | | 1.50% | 1.75% | | | | 2.00% | 2.25% | 100 |
| Serbia | 8.00% | | | | | | | | | | 8.50% | 9.00% | 9.50% | 10.50% | 11.50% | 12.00% | 400 |
| Uruguay | 6.25% | | | | | | | | | | | 6.50% | | | | | 25 |
| Nigeria | 6.00% | | | | | | | | | | | 6.25% | | | | 6.50% | 50 |
| China | 2.25% | | | | | | | | | | | | 2.50% | | 2.75% | | 50 |
| Hungary | 5.25% | | | | | | | | | | | | | 5.50% | 5.75% | 6.00% | 75 |
| Poland | 3.50% | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3.75% | 25 |

Note: Reserve Bank of India hiked twice in July, each by 25bps

Source: DB Global Markets Research, Bloomberg Finance LP



| Global data monitor: Re | ecent devel | opmen | ts and | near-te | erm fore | casts | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------|--------|---------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | B'bergcode | Q1-10 | Q2-10 | Q3-10 | Q4-10 | Sep-10 | Oct-10 | Nov-10 | Dec-10 | Jan-11 | Feb-11 |
| OECD leading indicators | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (6M change, %, ann.) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OECD | | 10.0 | 8.1 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 2.0 | 1.3 | | | |
| US | OLEDUSA | 11.0 | 9.8 | 5.3 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 2.7 | | | |
| Euro area | OLEDEU12 | 9.5 | 6.8 | 2.3 | -0.3 | 1.0 | 0.1 | -0.6 | | | |
| Japan | OLEDJAPN | 7.2 | 7.6 | 4.6 | 2.3 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 1.9 | | | |
| China | OLEDCHIN | 23.6 | 17.4 | 12.3 | 11.5 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 11.6 | | | |
| India | OLEDINDI | 14.3 | 11.3 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 8.8 | | | |
| Russia | OLEDRUSS | 15.9 | 14.3 | 10.3 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 8.9 | | | |
| Brazil | OLEDBRAZ | 20.8 | 13.4 | 5.4 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 1.3 | | | |
| | OLLDBITAL | 20.0 | 10.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 1.0 | | | |
| Purchasing manager indices | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Global (manufacturing) | | 56.0 | 56.4 | 54.3 | 55.3 | 53.5 | 54.9 | 55.3 | 55.7 | | |
| US (manufacturing ISM) | NAPMPMI | 58.6 | 57.6 | 55.2 | 57.9 | 55.3 | 56.9 | 58.2 | 58.5 | 56.0 | |
| Euro area (composite) | | 54.4 | 56.6 | 55.7 | 55.0 | 54.1 | 53.8 | 55.5 | 55.5 | 56.3 f | |
| Japan (manufacturing) | SEASPMI | 52.5 | 54.1 | 50.8 | 47.6 | 49.5 | 47.2 | 47.3 | 48.3 | 51.4 | |
| China (manufacturing) | EC11CHPM | 56.7 | 52.8 | 51.4 | 54.8 | 52.9 | 54.8 | 55.3 | 54.4 | 54.5 | |
| India (manufacturing) | | 58.0 | 57.8 | 56.6 | 57.4 | 55.1 | 57.2 | 58.4 | 56.7 | 56.8 | |
| Russia (manufacturing) | | 50.4 | 52.2 | 52.3 | 52.2 | 51.2 | 51.8 | 51.1 | 53.6 | 53.5 | |
| Other business surveys | | | | | | | | | | | |
| US dur. goods orders (%pop1) | DGNOCHNG | 1.8 | 0.7 | 1.8 | -1.9 | 4.9 | -3.1 | -0.1 | -2.5 | | |
| Japanese Tankan (LI) | JNTSMFG | -14.0 | 1.0 | 8.0 | 5.0 | | | | | | |
| Euro area EC sentiment | EUESEMU | 96.3 | 99.1 | 102.1 | 105.3 | 103.2 | 103.9 | 105.3 | 106.6 | 106.5 | |
| Industrial production (%pop1) |) | | | | | | | | | | |
| US | IP CHNG | 7.2 | 7.1 | 6.7 | 2.3 | 0.3 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | |
| Euro area | EUITEMUM | 9.7 | 9.9 | 4.4 | 5.6 | -0.7 | 0.8 | 1.3 | | | |
| Japan | JNIPMOM | 30.9 | 6.2 | -7.1 | -6.4 | -1.6 | -2.0 | 1.0 | 3.1 | | |
| Retail sales (%pop¹) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| US | RSTAMOM | 9.6 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 14.0 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.5 | |
| Euro area | RSSAEMUM | 2.2 | 0.1 | 1.8 | -1.5 | -0.2 | 0.0 | -0.5 | | | |
| Japan (household spending) | | -1.4 | -6.8 | 8.5 | -5.5 | -0.4 | -0.9 | 1.0 | -3.3 | | |
| Labour market | | | | | | | | | | | |
| US non-farm payrolls ² | NFP TCH | 87 | 190 | -30 | 128 | -24 | 210 | 71 | 103 | 125 | |
| Euro area unemployment (%) | UMRTEMU | 9.9 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.1 | | | |
| Japanese unemployment (%) | JNUE | 4.9 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 4.9 | | |
| CP inflation (%yoy) | 0.102 | | 0.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| US | CPICHNG | 2.4 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.5 | | |
| Euro area | ECCPEMUY | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.3 | |
| Japan | JNCPIYOY | -1.2 | -0.9 | -0.8 | 0.1 | -0.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 2.0 | |
| China | CNCPIYOY | 2.1 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 4.7 | 3.6 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 4.8 | | |
| India | CNCFITOT | 9.4 | 10.6 | 9.3 | 8.2 | 9.0 | 8.6 | | 8.4 | | |
| | DLICDIVOV | | | | | | | 7.5 | | | |
| Russia | RUCPIYOY | 7.2 | 5.9 | 6.1 | 8.1 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 8.1 | 8.8 | | |
| Brazil | | 4.9 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 5.6 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 5.9 | | |
| Current account (USD bn) ³ | LICTRICT | 20.0 | 444 | 440 | 20.4 | 440 | 00.4 | 20.0 | 20.0 | | |
| US (trade balance, g+s) | USTBTOT | -38.2 | -44.4 | -44.8 | -38.4 | -44.6 | -38.4 | -38.3 | -39.0 | | |
| Euro area | | -0.8 | -2.8 | -6.2 | -14.3 | -8.5 | -13.3 | -15.3 | | | |
| Japan | | 17.1 | 13.7 | 17.2 | 15.9 | 20.3 | 17.9 | 13.9 | | | |
| China (trade in goods) | | 6.2 | 19.9 | 22.4 | 10.8 | 17.5 | 15.2 | 13.7 | 3.3 | | |
| Russia (trade in goods) | | 17.9 | 13.1 | 8.0 | 11.2 | 9.3 | 10.3 | 12.0 | | | |
| Other indicators | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oil prices (Brent, USD/b) | EUCRBRDT | 76.3 | 78.3 | 77.6 | 87.2 | 78.6 | 83.7 | 85.9 | 92.1 | 97.7 | |
| FX reserves China (USD bn) | CNGFOREX | | 2454.3 | 2648.3 | 2847.3 areas are fo | | 2760.9 | 2767.8 | 2847.3 | | |

Quarterly data in shaded areas are quarter-to-date. Monthly data in the shaded areas are forecasts.

Sources: Bloomberg Finance LP, Reuters, Eurostat, European Commission, OECD, Bank of Japan, National statistical offices.

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^{(1) %} pop = % change this period over previous period. Quarter on quarter growth rates is annualised.

⁽²⁾ pop change in '000, quarterly data are averages of monthly changes.

⁽³⁾ Quarterly data are averages of monthly balances.

^{(4) &#}x27;f' stands for flash estimate

Charts of the Week

Chart 1. In US, the first print of Q4 2010 GDP registered a robust growth rate of 3.2% goq ...

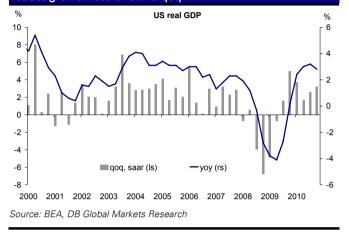


Chart 2....also consumer spending data rose further, suggesting a sustainable recovery is underway

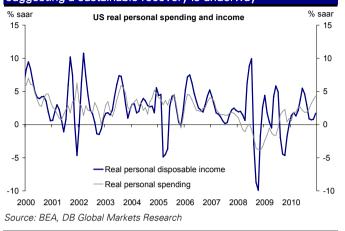


Chart 3. In euro area, EC economic sentiment for January dropped slightly...

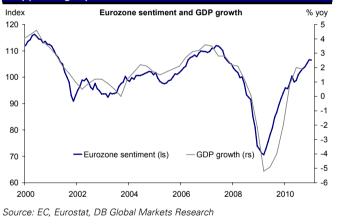


Chart 4....while the manufacturing PMI index for the big 4 EA economies reported a mixed response

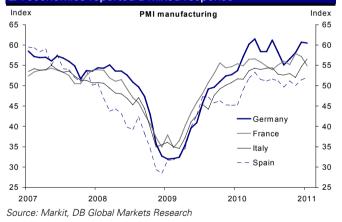
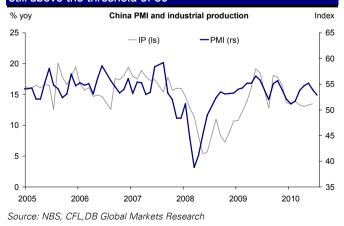


Chart 5. In Japan, industrial output returned to the recovery mode...



Chart 6....while in China PMI dipped a bit in January, but was still above the threshold of 50



Global Week Ahead: Thursday, Thursday, 3 February – Wednesday, 9 February

- **Dollar Bloc**: In the **US**, the January employment report should dominate the data docket we expect unemployment rate to rise to 9.5% and payrolls to 125k during January. We are optimistic about December's factory orders and consumer credit data. The Q4 non-farm productivity & unit labour cost along with January's non-mfg ISM reports are other data releases due this week. In **Australia**, we look for 4% mom rise in dwelling approvals in December, while trade data should show the first flood related impact with our forecast for a monthly surplus of AUD1.3 bn. Besides, retail sales figure is also due this week. In **Canada**, January's labour market data is the most crucial release. In **New Zealand**, migration and tourist arrivals data are releasing on Thursday.
- **Europe**: In the **Eurozone**, markets will keep an eye on the ECB rate setting meeting. On the data front, services PMI from across the board together with area-wide retail sales, German and French trade balance are the major data releases. In addition, German and Spanish IP, German factory orders and Italian HICP figures are also due this week. In the **UK**, the services PMI is likely to improve. Besides, trade balance figure is also scheduled for release. In **Switzerland**, we will get unemployment rate figure for January. In **CE3**, focus will be on the Czech National Bank repo rate decision meeting.
- Asia incl. Japan: In Japan, trade balance & money supply figures should be the main data releases for this week.

| Country | GMT | Release | DB Expected | Consensus | Previous |
|--------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | Thursday, 3 | February | | |
| AUSTRALIA | 00:30 | Dwelling approvals (Dec) | 4.0% | 1.3% (-13.7%) | -4.2% (-9.9%) |
| AUSTRALIA | 00:30 | Intl. trade in G and S (Dec) | AUD1.3bn | AUD1.6bn | AUD1.9bn |
| SWITZERLAND | 07:15 | Trade balance (Dec) | | CHF1.4bn | CHF1.9bn |
| TURKEY | 08:00 | CPI (Jan) | 0.5% (5.0%) | 0.3% (4.6%) | -0.3% (6.4%) |
| TURKEY | 08:00 | PPI (Jan) | | 0.9% | 1.3% (8.9%) |
| SPAIN | 08:15 | PMI services (Jan) | | 47.0 | 46.2 |
| ITALY | 08:45 | PMI services (Jan) | | 50.5 | 50.2 |
| FRANCE | 08:50 | PMI services (Jan) | | 57.1 | 54.9 |
| GERMANY | 08:55 | PMI services (Jan) | | 60.0 | 59.2 |
| EUROLAND | 09:00 | PMI services (Jan) | | 55.2 | 54.2 |
| EUROLAND | 09:00 | PMI composite (Jan) | | 56.3 | 55.5 |
| UK | 09:30 | PMI services (Jan) | 52.0 | 51.3 | 49.7 |
| EUROLAND | 10:00 | Retail sales (Dec) | | 0.5% (0.2%) | -0.8% (0.1%) |
| CZECH | 12:00 | CNB board meeting (Feb) | 0.75% | 0.75% | 0.75% |
| EUROLAND | 12:45 | ECB rate decision (Feb) | | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| US | 13:30 | Initial jobless claims (Jan 29) | | 420.0k | 454.0k |
| US | 13:30 | Productivity prelim (Q4) | 1.5% | 2.0% | 2.3% (2.5%) |
| US | 13:30 | Unit labor costs prelim (Q4) | 0.5% | 0.2% | -0.1% (-1.1%) |
| US | 15:00 | Factory orders (Dec) | 1.0% | -0.5% | 0.7% (8.7%) |
| US | 15:00 | ISM non-mfg (Jan) | 56.0 | 57.0 | 57.1 |
| NEW ZEALAND | 21:45 | Net migrant inflow (annual) (Dec) | | | 11519.0k |
| NEW ZEALAND | 21:45 | Tourist arrivals (Dec) | | | 0.5% (3.0%) |

Events and Meetings: CZECH: Czech National Bank to announce rate decision – 12:00 GMT. **SWEDEN**: Riksbank's Ekholm to hold speech in Stockholm– 12:30 GMT. **EUROLAND**: ECB to hold Governing Council meeting, interest rate announcement scheduled – 12:45 GMT; news conference by Trichet to follow at 13:30 GMT. **US**: Fed's Bernanke to hold speech in Washington – 18:00 GMT.

| | Friday, 4 February | | | | | | | | |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| SPAIN | 08:00 | Industrial production (Dec) | | (1.5%) | (2.3%) | | | | |
| ITALY | 10:00 | HICP preliminary (Jan) | | -1.3% (2.2%) | 0.4% (2.1%) | | | | |
| CANADA | 12:00 | Employment (Jan) | 48.0k | 15.0k | 22.0k | | | | |
| CANADA | 12:00 | Unemployment rate (Jan) | 7.5% | 7.6% | 7.6% | | | | |
| US | 13:30 | Avg hourly earning (Jan) | 0.2% | 0.2% (1.7%) | 0.1% (1.8%) | | | | |
| US | 13:30 | Avg workweek (Jan) | 34.3hours | 34.3hours | 34.3hours | | | | |
| US | 13:30 | Payrolls (Jan) | 125.0k | 143.0k | 103.0k | | | | |
| US | 13:30 | Unemployment rate (Jan) | 9.5% | 9.5% | 9.4% | | | | |

Events and Meetings: US: Fed's Kocherlakota to hold speech in Minnesota – 01:00 GMT. **EUROLAND**: ECB's Gonzalez-Paramo to hold speech in Malaga – 08:30 GMT. **EUROLAND**: ECB's Trichet to hold speech in Frankfurt – 11:30 GMT. **GERMANY**: German Chancellor Merkel to attend EU summit in Brussels – 16:30 GMT. **US**: Fed's Fisher to hold speech in Richardson – 18:00 GMT.

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| Country | GMT | Release | DB Expected | Consensus | Previous |
|-----------|-------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| | | Monday, 7 Fe | ebruary | | |
| AUSTRALIA | 00:30 | Retail trade (Dec) | | | 0.3% (1.3%) |
| CZECH | 08:00 | Industrial production (Dec) | | | (15.9%) |
| CZECH | 08:00 | Retail sales (Dec) | | | (5.0%) |
| DENMARK | 08:30 | Industrial production (Dec) | | | -0.6% |
| NORWAY | 09:00 | Industrial production (Dec) | | | -2.8% (-4.7%) |
| GERMANY | 11:00 | Factory orders (Dec) | | | 5.2% (20.6%) |
| GERMANY | 11:00 | Domestic factory orders (Dec) | | | 1.5% (14.3%) |
| GERMANY | 11:00 | Foreign factory orders (Dec) | | | 8.2% (26.2%) |
| CHILE | 11:30 | Economic activity (Dec) | | (6.3%) | (6.2%) |
| CHILE | 11:30 | Trade balance (Jan) | | | USD2.4bn |
| BRAZIL | 13:00 | Trade balance (FOB)- weekly (Feb 6) | | | USD680.0m |
| CANADA | 13:30 | Building permits (Dec) | | | -11.2% |
| US | 20:00 | Consumer credit (Dec) | USD5.0bn | USD2.4bn | USD1.3bn |
| JAPAN | 23:50 | BoP trade balance (Dec) | | | JPY397.3bn |
| JAPAN | 23:50 | Money supply M2 and CDS (Jan) | | | (2.3%) |

Events and Meetings: JAPAN: Bank of Japan's Shirakawa to hold speech in Tokyo – 03:30 GMT. **EUROLAND**: ECB's Trichet to hold speech in Wilderbad Kreuth – 09:00 GMT. **EUROLAND**: ECB's Mersh to hold speech in Luxembourg – 17:15 GMT.

| | Tuesday, 8 February | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| SWITZERLAND | 06:45 | Unemployment rate (Jan) | | 3.8% | | | | | |
| FRANCE | 07:45 | Trade balance (Dec) | | -EUR3.9bn | | | | | |
| HUNGARY | 08:00 | Industrial production (prelim) (Dec) | | (14.5%) | | | | | |
| TURKEY | 08:00 | Industrial production (Dec) | | (9.1%) | | | | | |
| CZECH | 08:00 | Unemployment rate (Jan) | | 9.6% | | | | | |
| DENMARK | 08:30 | Trade balance (Dec) | | DKK5.8bn | | | | | |
| BRAZIL | 10:00 | FGV inflation IGP- DI (Jan) | 0.9% | 0.4% | | | | | |
| GERMANY | 11:00 | Industrial production (Dec) | | -0.7% (11.1%) | | | | | |
| CHILE | 11:00 | CPI (Jan) | 0.3% (2.7%) | 0.1% (3.0%) | | | | | |
| CANADA | 13:15 | Housing starts (Jan) | | 171.5k | | | | | |
| BRAZIL | 14:00 | IBGE inflation IPCA (Jan) | 0.8% (6.0%) | 0.6% (5.9%) | | | | | |

Events and meetings: EUROLAND: EU's Rehn to hold speech in Brussels – 10:50 GMT. **US**: Fed's Lacker to hold speech in Delaware – 13:45 GMT. **US**: Fed's Lockhart to hold speech in Alabama – 18:00 GMT. **US**: Fed's Fisher to hold speech in Dallas – 18:00 GMT.

| | Wednesday, 9 February | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| GERMANY | 07:00 | Trade balance (Dec) | | EUR12.9bn | | | | | | |
| CZECH | 08:00 | CPI (Jan) | | 0.5% (2.3%) | | | | | | |
| UK | 09:30 | Trade balance non EU25 (Dec) | | -GBP5.0bn | | | | | | |
| UK | 09:30 | Visible trade balance (Dec) | | -GBP8.7bn | | | | | | |
| MEXICO | 15:00 | CPI (Jan) | 0.5% (3.7%) | 0.5% (4.4%) | | | | | | |
| MEXICO | 15:00 | Core CPI (Jan) | 0.4% | 0.5% | | | | | | |
| JAPAN | 23:50 | Corporate goods price index (Jan) | | 0.4% (1.2%) | | | | | | |

Events and meetings: EUROLAND: EU's Van Rompuy to hold speech in Brussels – 07:00 GMT. **US**: Fed's Bernanke to testify in Washington – 15:00 GMT. **US**: Fed's Sack to hold speech in Philadelphia – 22:45 GMT. **US**: Fed's Lockhart to hold speech in Atlanta – 23:45 GMT.

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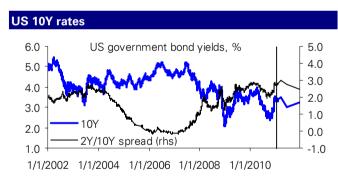
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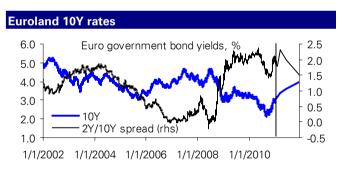
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| | | US | Jpn | Euro | UK | Swe* | Swiss* | Can* | Aus* | NZ* |
| 3M Interest | Actual | 0.30 | 0.34 | 1.02 | 0.78 | 1.25 | 0.25 | 1.00 | 4.75 | 3.00 |
| Rates ¹ | Mar11 | 0.30 | 0.35 | 1.10 | <u>0.80</u> | 1.50 | 0.25 | 1.00 | 4.75 | 3.00 |
| DB forecasts | futures | 0.36 | 0.34 | 1.19 | 0.85 | | | | | |
| & Futures | Jun11 | 0.30 | 0.30 | 1.40 | 0.90 | 2.00 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 5.00 | 3.00 |
| | futures | 0.43 | 0.35 | 1.43 | 1.05 | | | | | |
| | Dec11 | 0.75 | 0.30 | 2.00 | <u>1.40</u> | 2.50 | 1.00 | 2.25 | 5.50 | 3.75 |
| | futures | 0.67 | 0.38 | 1.86 | 1.56 | | _ | | | |
| 10Y Gov't ² | Actual | 3.39 | 1.24 | 3.19 | 3.69 | 3.29 | 1.66 | 3.01 | 5.47 | 5.12 |
| Bond | Mar11 | 3.50 | 1.20 | 3.40 | 3.70 | 3.30 | 2.00 | 2.75 | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Yields/ | futures | 3.52 | 1.29 | 3.28 | 3.81 | | | | | |
| Spreads ³ | Jun11 | 3.00 | 1.30 | 3.60 | 3.80 | 3.55 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 5.25 |
| DB forecasts | futures | 3.64 | 1.34 | 3.36 | 3.91 | | | | | |
| & Forwards | Dec11 | 3.25 | 1.40 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.05 | 2.75 | 3.50 | 5.50 | 5.50 |
| | futures | 3.87 | 1.42 | 3.50 | 4.08 | | | | | |
| | | EUR/ | USD/ | EUR/ | GBP/ | EUR/ | EUR/ | CAD/ | AUD/ | NZD/ |
| Exchange | Actual | USD 1.37 | JPY 81.6 | GBP 0.85 | USD 1.61 | SEK 8.81 | CHF 1.29 | USD 1.00 | USD 1.00 | USD 0.78 |
| Rates | 3M | 1.37 1.35 | 80.0 | 0.86 | 1.57 | 8.50 | 1.29 | 1.00 | 0.95 | 0.78 |
| itates | 6M | 1.40 | 75.0 | <u>0.88</u> | 1.59 | 8.20 | 1.35 | 1.05 | 0.90 | 0.72 |
| | 12M | 1.30 | 78.0 | <u>0.84</u> | 1.55 | 8.00 | 1.37 | 1.10 | 0.85 | 0.67 |

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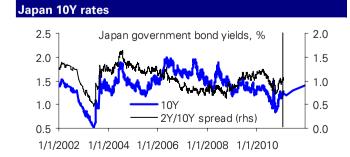
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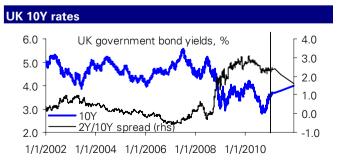




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