

# Global Economic Outlook: *Heightened Tensions, Subdued Investment*

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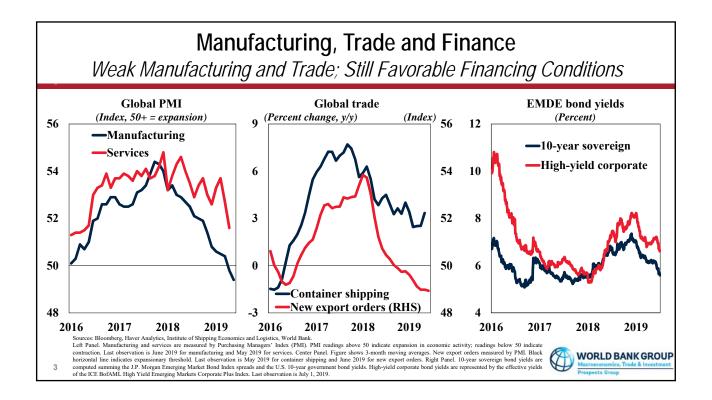
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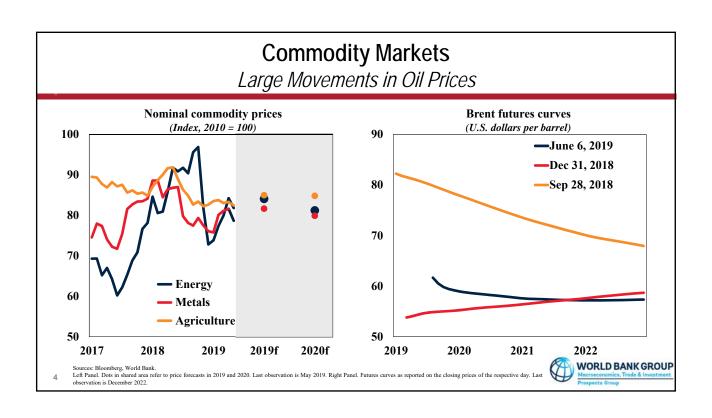


#### **Three Questions**

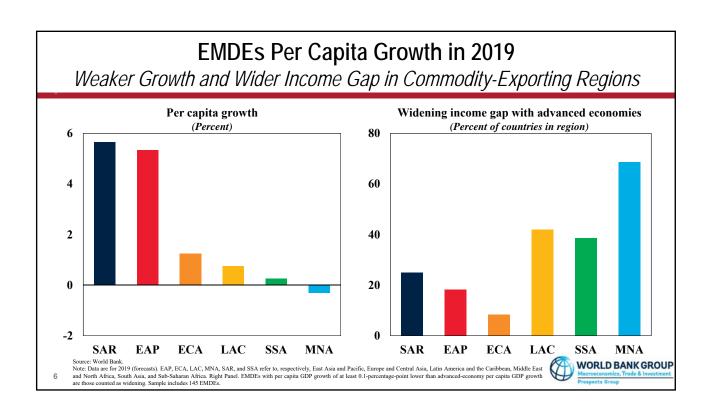
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- \* EMDEs = Emerging Market and Developing Economies







		Growth Espread							
GDP growth (Percent)									
		2012-16 2017 20			2018e 2019f 2020f			Change from January 2019 2019 2020	
	_	2012-10	2017	2016e	20191	20201	2019	2020	
	World	2.7	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.7	-0.3	-0.1	
	Advanced economies	1.7	2.3	2.1	1.7	1.5	-0.3	-0.1	
	EMDEs	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.0	4.6	-0.3	0.0	
	East Asia and Pacific	6.9	6.5	6.3	5.9	5.9	-0.1	-0.1	
	<b>Europe and Central Asia</b>	2.4	4.1	3.1	1.6	2.7	-0.7	0.0	
	Latin America and the Caribbean	1.3	1.7	1.6	1.7	2.5	-0.4	-0.2	
	Middle East and North Africa	3.4	1.2	1.4	1.3	3.2	-0.6	0.5	
	South Asia	6.7	6.7	7.0	6.9	7.0	-0.2	-0.1	
	Sub-Saharan Africa	3.7	2.6	2.5	2.9	3.3	-0.5	-0.3	
5	Source: World Bank. Note: e and f refer to estimates and forecasts, respectively.						Macros	RLD BANK ( conomics, Trade & ets Group	



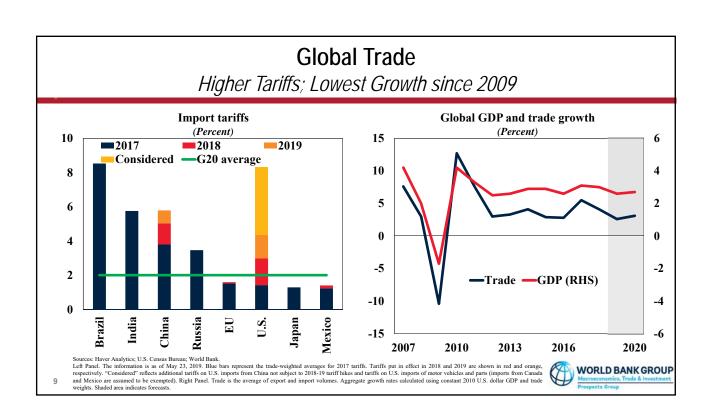
#### **Risks**

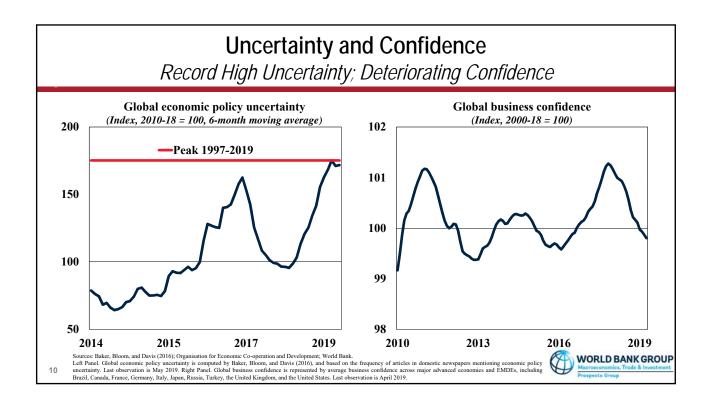
#### Tilted Downside, Making Growth Momentum Fragile

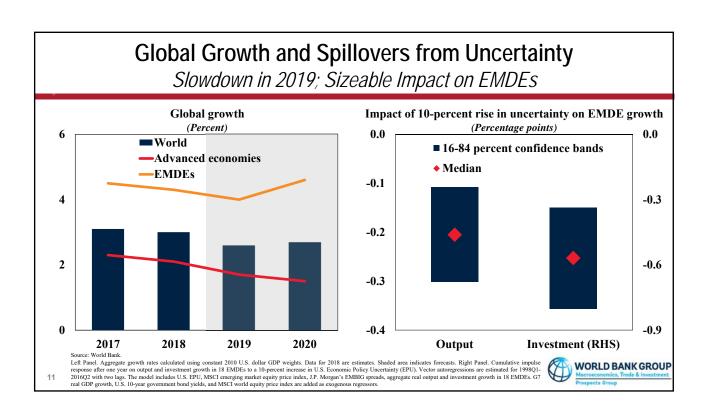
- · Escalation of trade tensions
- · Elevated policy uncertainty
- · Financial market stress
- · Lower-than-expected growth in major economies
- Geopolitical risks
- Extreme weather events
- · Weaker-than-expected potential growth

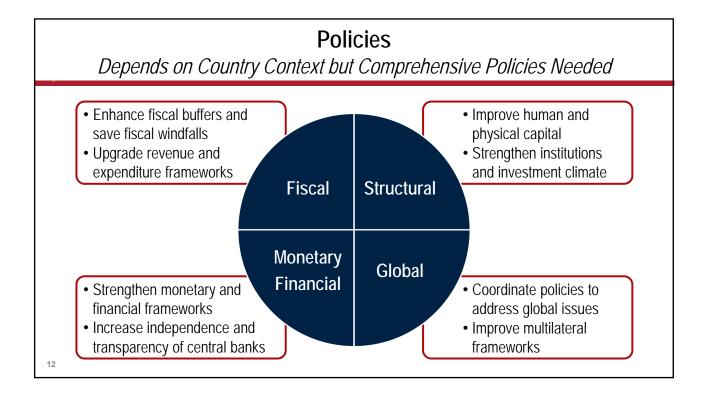
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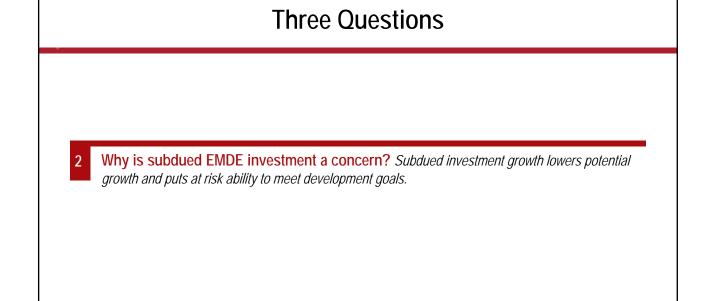




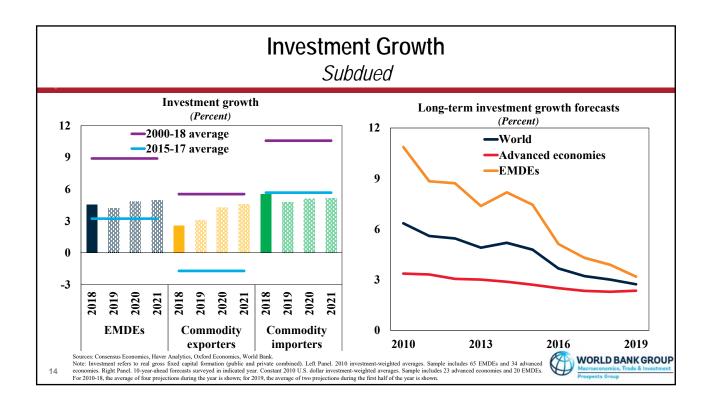


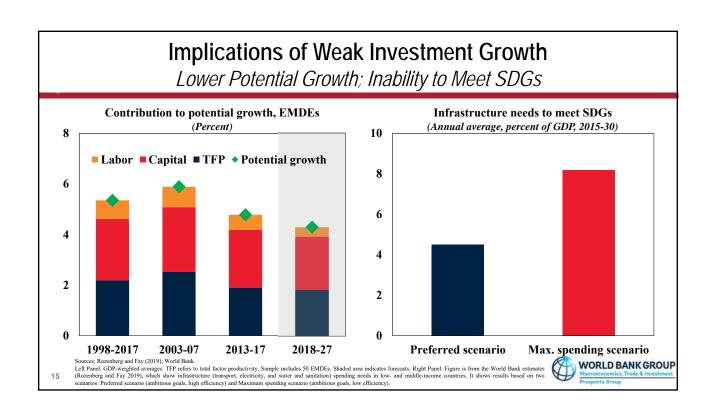


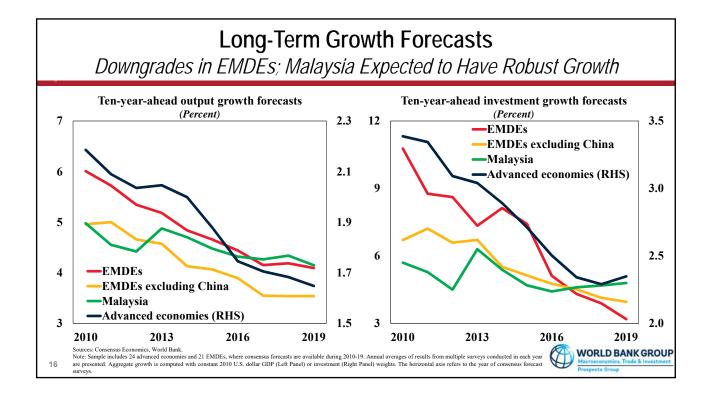




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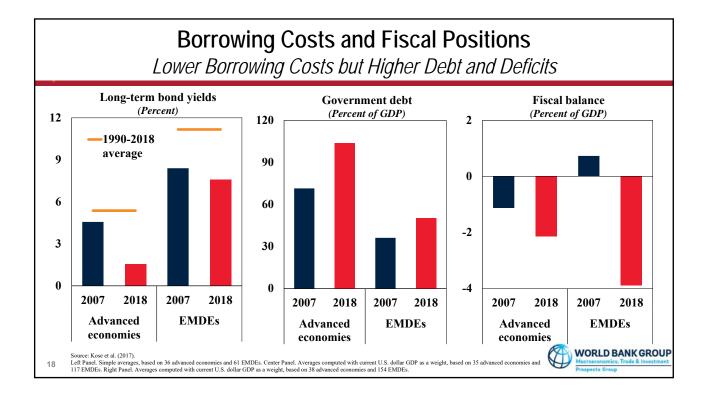


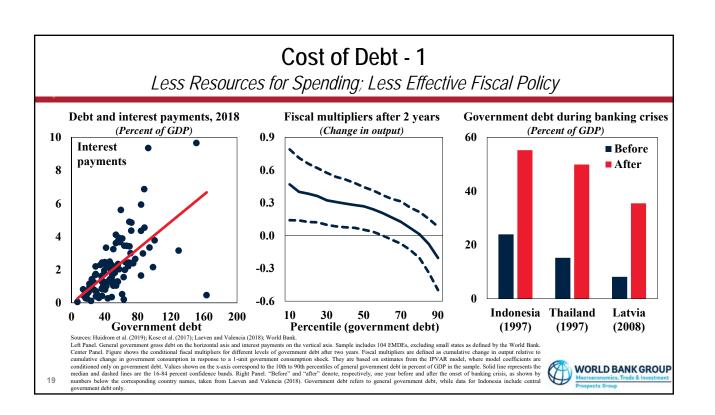


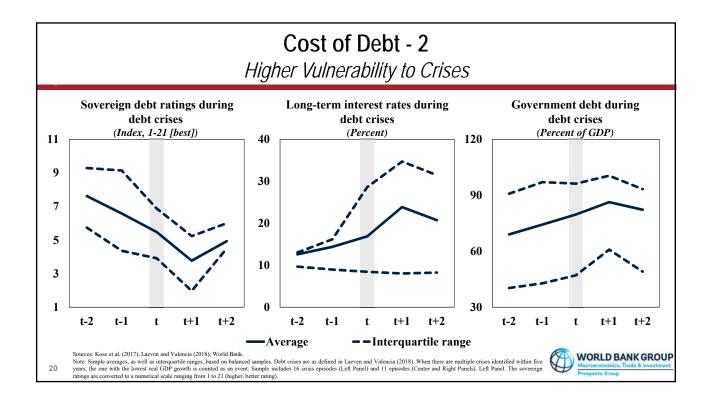
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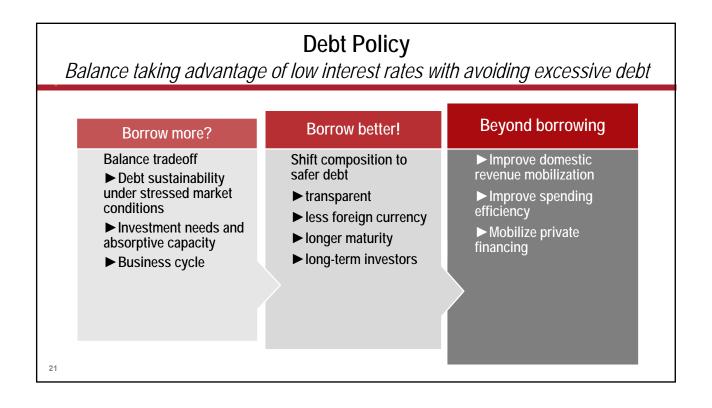
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