

EUROPEAN ECONOMIC FORECAST

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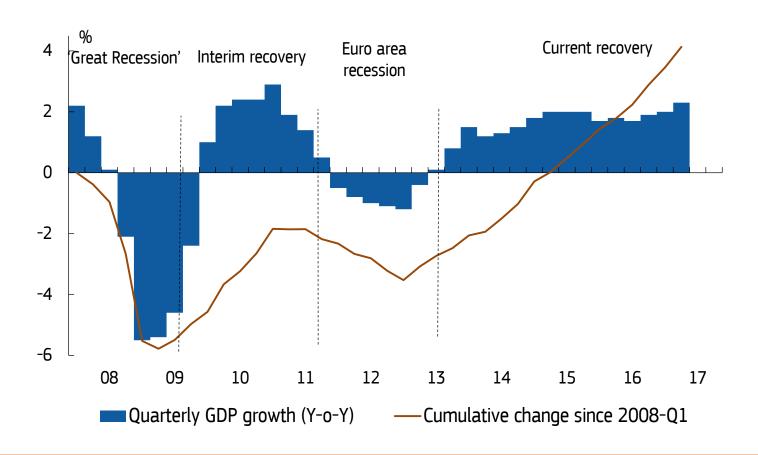
Key messages from the Autumn 2017 Forecast

- Accelerating growth in Europe with all Member States participating
- Robust employment growth ahead and lower unemployment
- Deficit and debt ratios continue declining
- But the recovery remains incomplete the outlook for inflation remains subdued amid sluggish wage growth
- Risks to the outlook are now broadly balanced



The cyclical upswing has gathered speed...

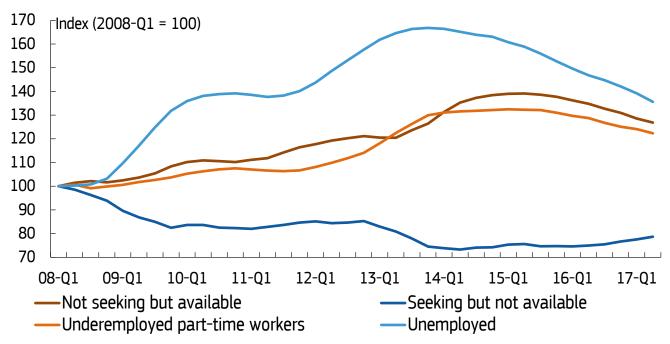
Euro area GDP: annual growth rate and cumulative change, 2008-17Q2





...but the recovery is not yet complete

Unemployment and labour market slack, euro area

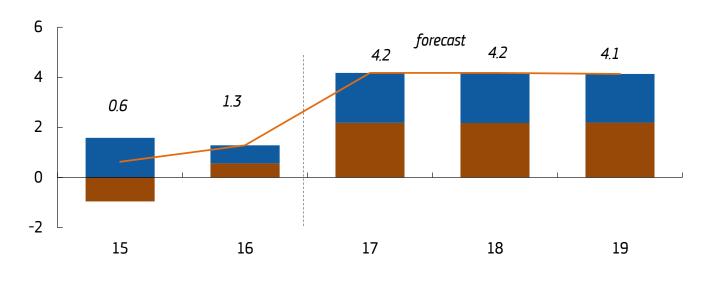


Four-quarter moving averages as compared to the base period 2008-Q1.



Synchronised rebound across advanced and emerging economies

Contributions to world trade growth (excluding the EU)

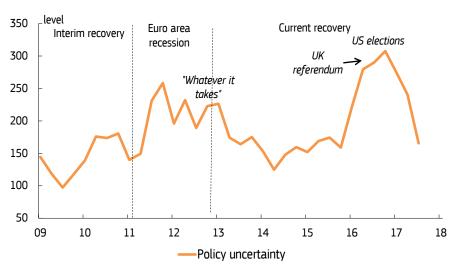


- Contribution from advanced economies excluding EU
- Contribution from emerging and developing economies
- —World excluding EU import growth (goods volume)

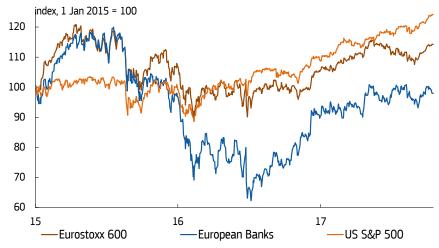


Lower uncertainty and robust financial markets

Uncertainty, EU



Stock markets

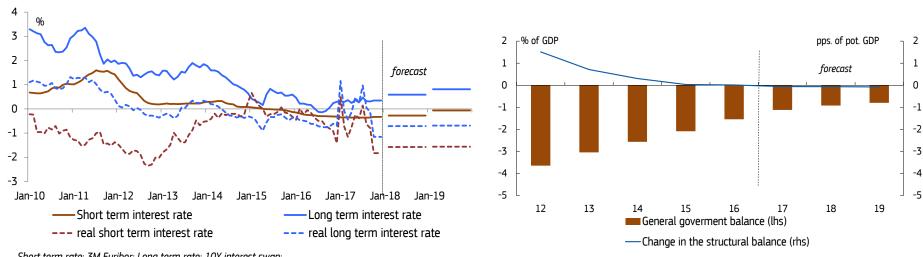




Still supportive macroeconomic policies

Interest rates, euro area

Budgetary developments, euro area

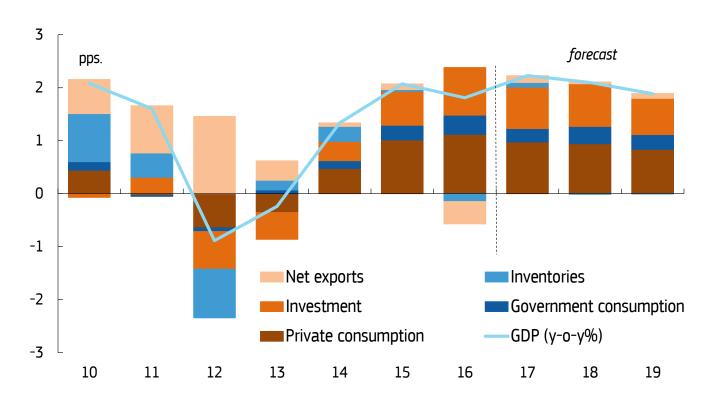


Short term rate: 3M Euribor; Long term rate: 10Y interest swap;

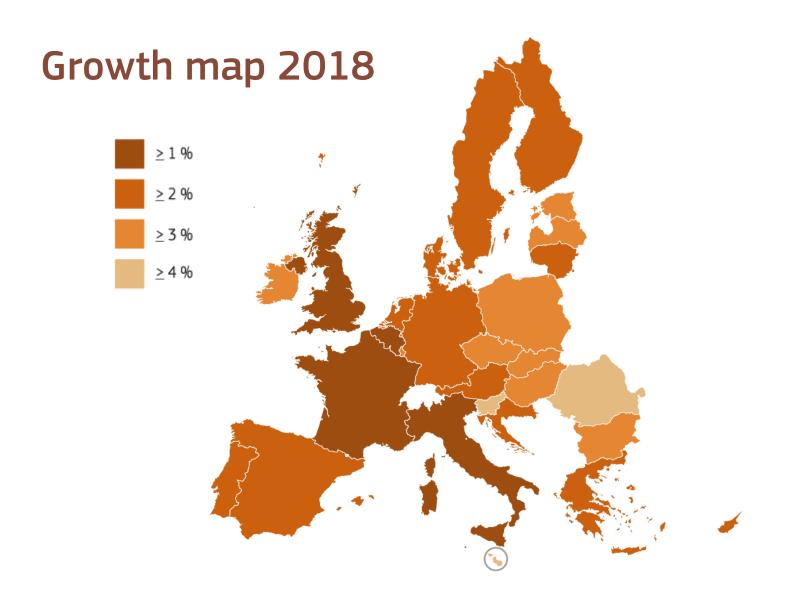


Robust investment growth is expected

Real GDP growth and its components, euro area









Wage growth remains subdued despite robust job creation

Employment and unemployment, euro area

Wage developments, euro area

