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# Economic update and the implications of Brexit

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# Outline

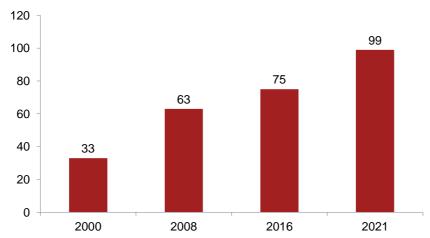
- Understanding the post-crisis global economy
- Brexit and Trump causes and consequences
- Economic outlook for 2017 and beyond
- Implications for business and investment

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#### The world economy in the 21st century

World GDP, US \$ trillion (current prices)

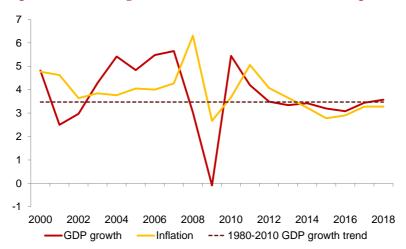


Source: IMF World Economic Outlook, October 2016

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#### Global growth close to long-run trend

% per annum change in world real GDP and consumer prices

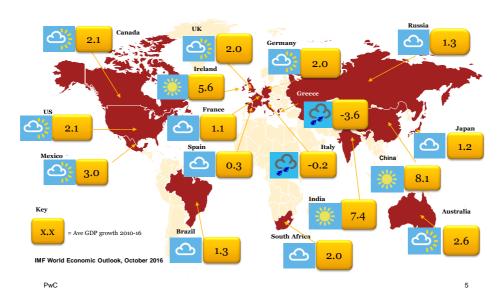


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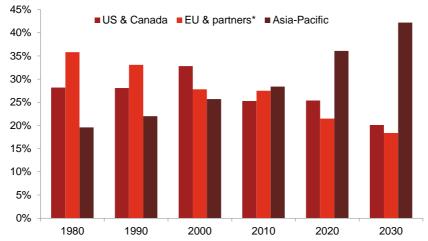
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#### Pattern of global recovery so far: 2010-16



Asia-Pacific is becoming the dominant region

Percentage share of world GDP, current market prices & exchange rates



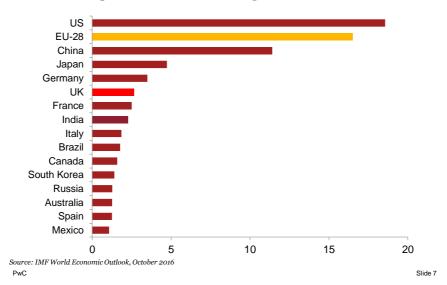
 ${}^{\star}\textit{Current EU-28 (includes UK after Brexit) plus Norway, Switzerland and Iceland}$ 

Source: IMF World Economic Outlook and PwC World in 2050 Report PwC

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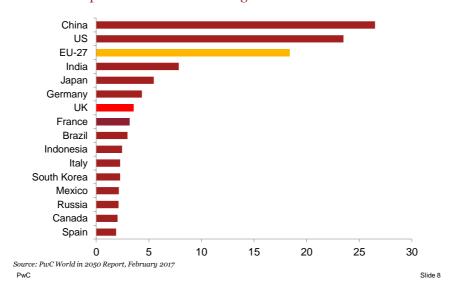
#### The world economy in 2016

£trn at current prices and market exchange rates

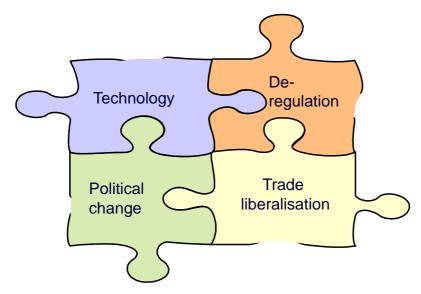


#### Post-Brexit world economy in 2030

£trn at 2016 prices and market exchange rates



### Forces underpinning globalisation since 1990s

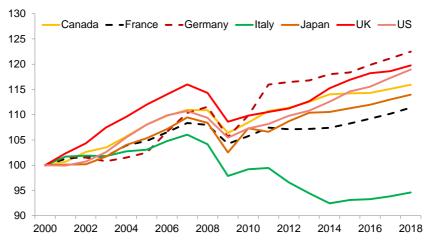


## Four phases of the globalisation era

- ➤1993-2007. Global economic boom, supported by falling prices of manufactured goods (the "China effect"), easy money and strong confidence
- ➤ 2008-2015. Global financial crisis and its aftermath weak productivity growth and real wage squeeze
- ➤2016- early 2020s. Political fall-out. Brexit, Trump and anti-globalisation backlash
- ➤ Mid-2020s onwards. Alternative scenarios: (1) Adjustment and acceptance - a new more stable economic order; (2) Continued global political and economic conflict and volatility

# GDP per capita since 2000

GDP per head of population in G7 economies, 2000=100

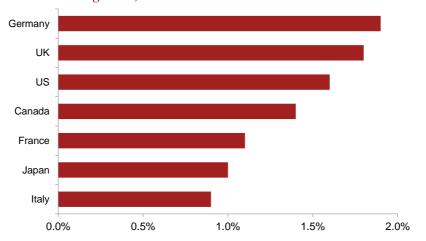


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#### UK still close to top of G7 growth league

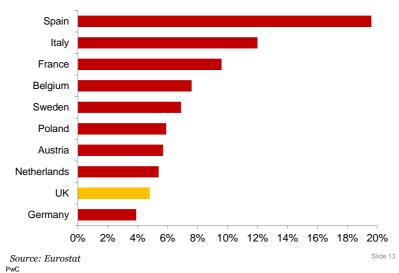
% annual GDP growth, 2016



Source: Eurostat and national statistical agencies

#### UK unemployment among lowest in EU

Unemployment rate in 10 largest EU economies, % of workforce

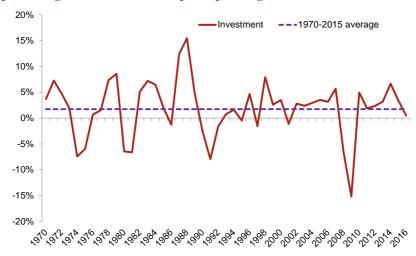


## Economic consequences of UK leaving EU

- >Uncertainty associated with an economic shock (negative, short-term)
- ➤ Disruption to trade and investment (negative, medium/long-term)
- > Restricted migration from EU (mixed)
- ➤ More regulatory freedom (positive, long-term)
- ➤ Lower fiscal contributions (positive, but small)

#### UK investment slows with Brexit uncertainty

% p.a. change in UK real fixed capital spending

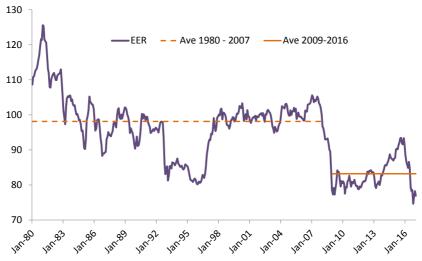


Source: Office for National Statistics

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# Sterling – a long term view

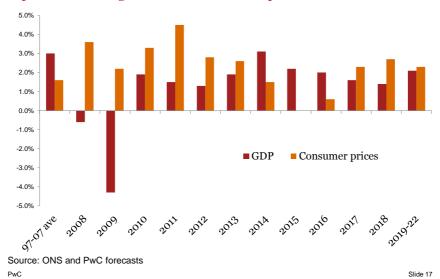
UK effective exchange rate, Jan 2005=100



Source: Bank of England

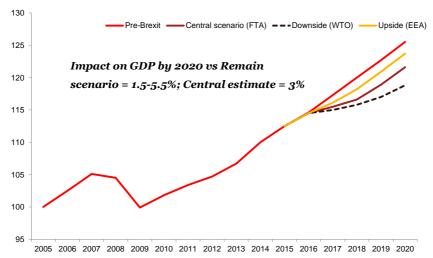
#### Higher inflation to reinforce squeeze on growth

% per annum change in GDP and consumer prices



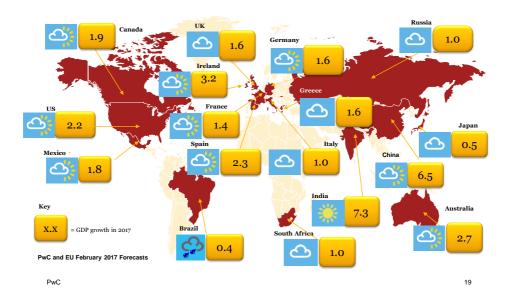
# ${\bf Economic\ scenarios\ for\ UK\ post-Brexit}$

Index of GDP, 2005 = 100



Sources: ONS and PwC Post-Brexit Scenarios, updated for most recent data PwC

#### Outlook for global economy in 2017



#### Key implications for business and investment

- >Global growth to continue in line with "new normal" trend but with divergences driven by economic fundamentals
- ➤ Short-term growth prospects improving Asia, North America and Europe all growing quite well in 2017
- ➤ But long-term risks increasing. US election result, Brexit and potential "globalisation backlash" add to global political and economic uncertainty and risk of protectionism increasing
- ➤ Brexit means slower growth and higher inflation in the UK in short-term; longer-term implications still uncertain
- ➤US and UK interest rates likely to rise slowly to "new normal" level of 2-3% by early 2020s, with Eurozone lagging behind
- ➤ In all these areas, a range of scenarios should be considered possible especially for the medium/long-term outlook

## More information and links

PwC UK Economic Outlook and Global Economy Watch:

http://www.pwc.co.uk/services/economics-policy/insights/uk-economicoutlook/ukeo-nov2015-economic-prospects.html and

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