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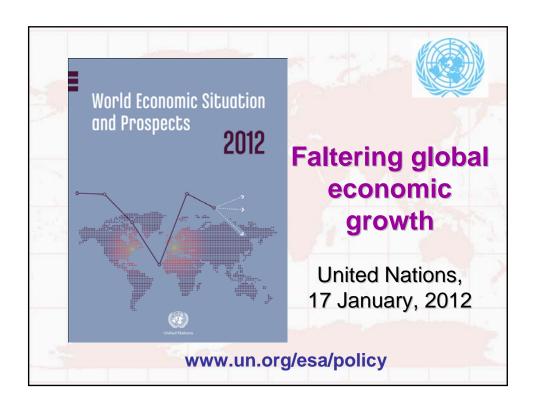
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#### Presentation

### World Economic Situation and Prospects 2012: Faltering global economic growth

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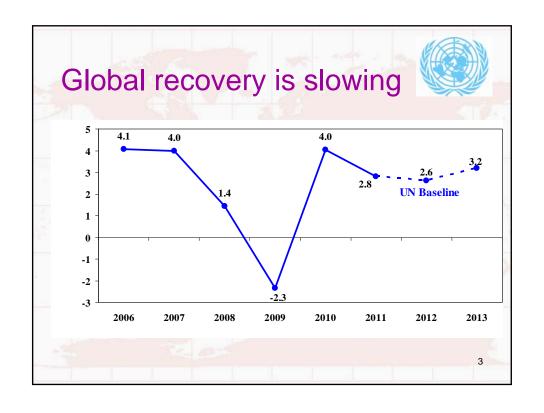
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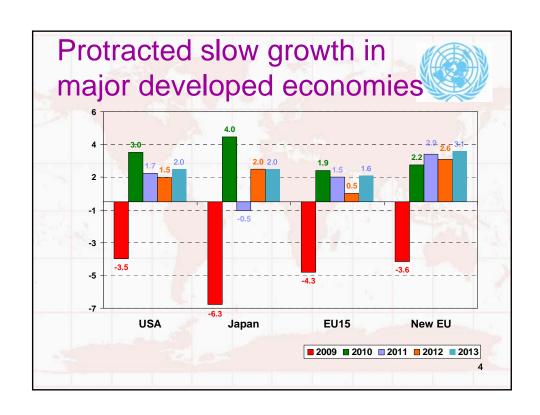


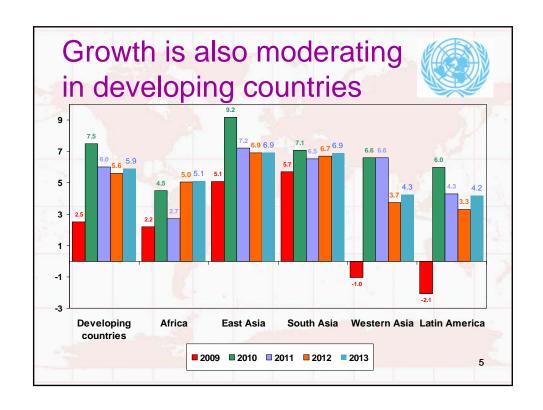
#### Main messages

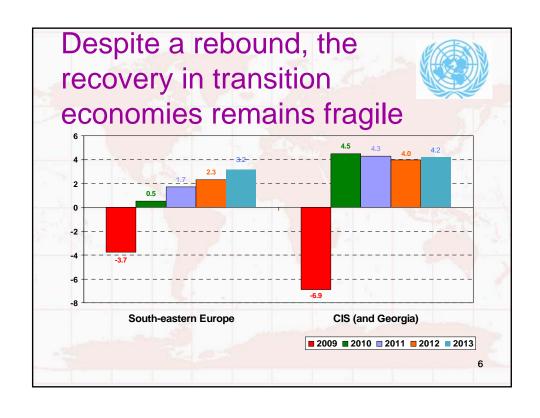


- 1. The world economy is at a critical juncture
  - Risk of double-dip in major developed economies
  - Growth in emerging economies is moderating
- 2. Downside risks and uncertainties
  - Contagion of sovereign debt crisis, combined with fragility in banking sector
  - Persistent high unemployment
  - Political tensions leading to policy paralysis
- 3. Policy challenges
  - No premature fiscal austerity, rather more short-term stimulus is needed
  - ... that is internationally coordinated
  - ... and focused on job creation and investments towards medium term reforms
  - Bolder actions to deal with financial fragilities
  - More stable development financing aligned with reforms of financial system









# Less favourable external environment...



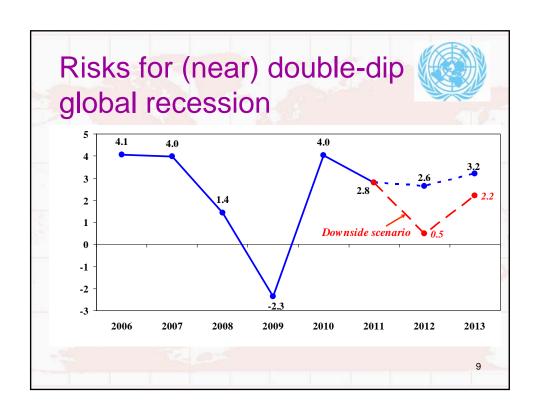
- World trade moderating notably
- A dip in the rising trend of <u>commodity prices</u>, and highly volatile
- Some <u>capital inflows</u> to emerging markets reversing and contagious rise in <u>borrowing costs</u>

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### ... and major downside risks and uncertainties

- Persistent high unemployment compounded by early withdrawal fiscal stimulus has increased risk of double-dip recession in developed economies
- Sovereign debt distress spreading to more countries, combined with fragile banks, turbulence in financial markets
- Global imbalances lingering but not urgent problem in itself for short run, but <u>exchange</u> rate volatility is!!

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	Downside scenario			Deviation from baseline	
GDP growth (%)					
				scenario	
	2011	2012	2013	2012	2013
World	2.8	0.5	2.2	-2.1	-1.0
Developed economies	1.3	-0.9	1.1	-2.1	-1.0
United States	1.7	-0.8	1.1	-2.3	-0.9
Japan	-0.5	0.5	1.2	-1.5	-0.8
European Union	1.6	-1.6	1.0	-2.3	-0.0
Economies in transition	4.1	-2.0	3.3	-5.9	-0.9
Developing economies	6.0	3.8	4.5	-1.7	-1.4
Africa	2.7	3.3	3.7	-1.7	-1.5
East and South Asia	7.1	5.6	5.7	-1.2	-1.2
Western Asia	6.6	1.1	2.5	-2.7	-1.8
Latin Am. and Carribean	4.3	0.8	2.4	-2.5	-1.8
LDCs	4.9	5.4	4.0	-0.6	-1.8

### Policy challenges



- No premature fiscal austerity, rather more short-term stimulus is needed
- 2. ... that is internationally coordinated
- 3. ... and focused on job creation and investments towards medium term reforms for sustainable development
- 4. Bolder actions to deal with financial fragilities
- 5. More stable development financing aligned with reforms of financial system<sup>11</sup>



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