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Panel: 'Shifting Tides of the Savings Glut'

# Monetary Policy Spillovers in a World of "Savings Glut"

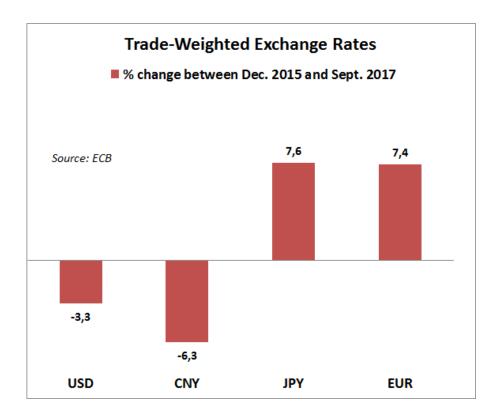
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## Asymmetric preferences on US dollar stance

- Euro Area / Japan
  - Constraint: policy interest rates close to their negative lower bound
  - Aversion to USD weakness
- China
  - Constraint: exchange rate regime
  - Aversion to USD strength
- Softer USD trend since late 2015 early 2016...
  - During China's market turmoil, the US Fed unusually expressed concern on cross-border monetary policy spillovers
  - Downgrading of expectations on US monetary policy normalization and Trump's fiscal stimulus
- ...has been friendly to China
- ...but has restrained monetary policy room for maneuver in the Euro Area and Japan



## Asymmetric spillovers of US Fed's normalization sequencing

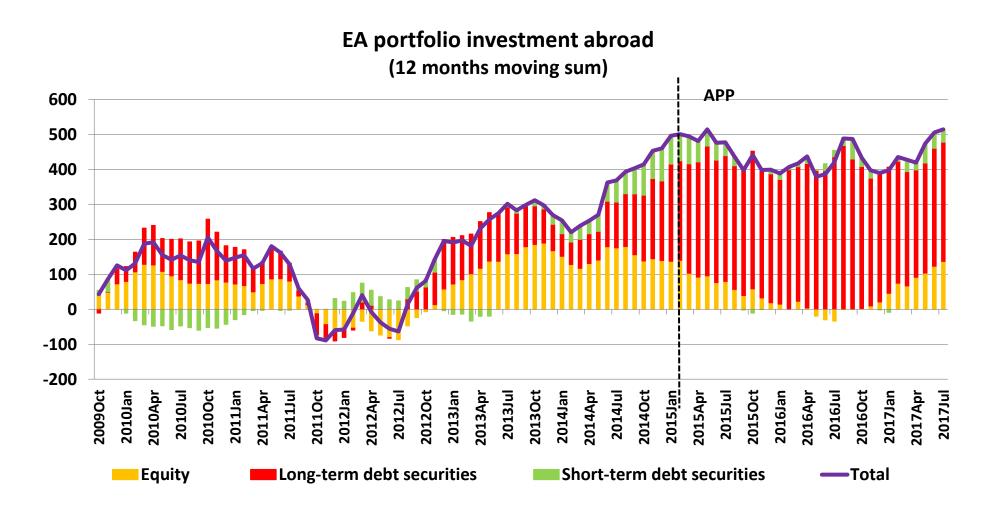
- ➤ Gov. Brainard's stylized model (2017)
  - Greater sensitivity of the exchange rate to expected ST rates than to the term premium → balance-sheet normalization has not the same cross-border spillover effects than policy rate normalization

### >Implications:

- US Fed's sequencing favoring balance-sheet normalization (over policy rate normalization) would be friendlier to foreign economies managing their exchange rate (China) than to foreign economies with flexible exchange rates and at the effective interest rate lower bound (Euro Area, Japan)
- US Fed's sequencing may have non-neutral implications for the choice of the normalization strategy in foreign economies
- Normalization strategies may have non-neutral implications for global imbalances
- ➤ US Fed: first-mover advantage?

## Global spillovers of the ECB APP?

EA residents substantially increased their purchases of foreign bonds...



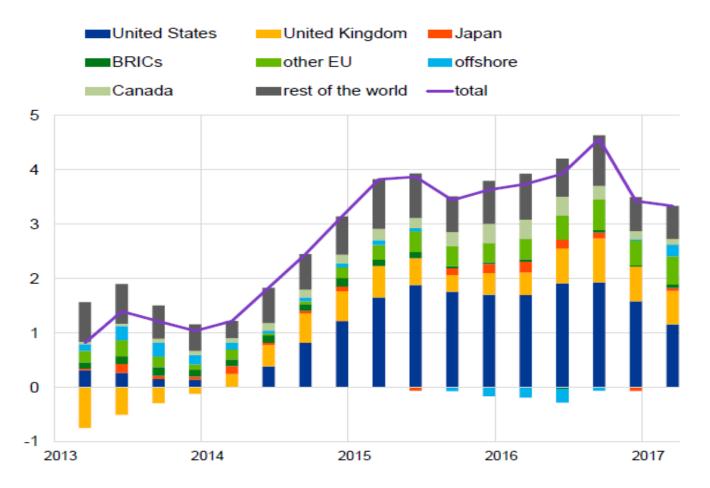
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...predominantly into bonds issued by other advanced economies (rather than EM)

Geographical breakdown of EA investors' net purchases of non-EA debt securities

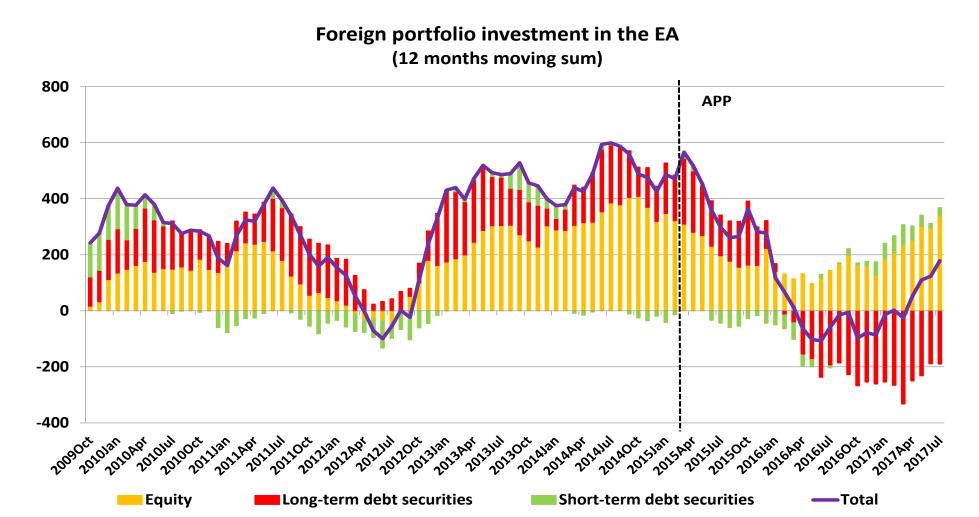


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Non-residents sold EA bonds but bought EA equities



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