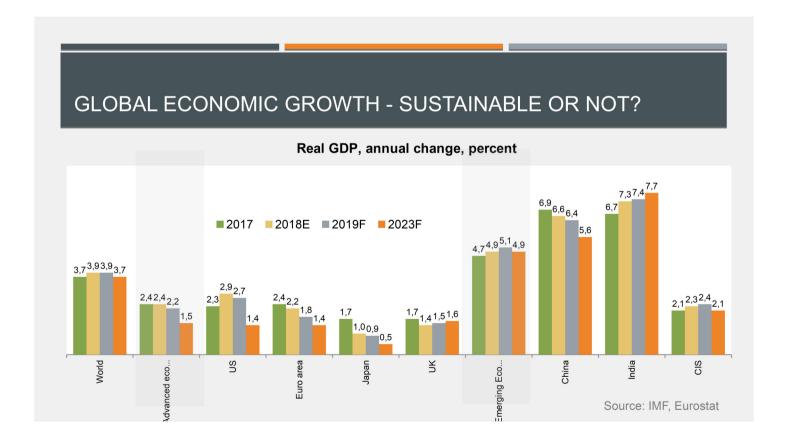
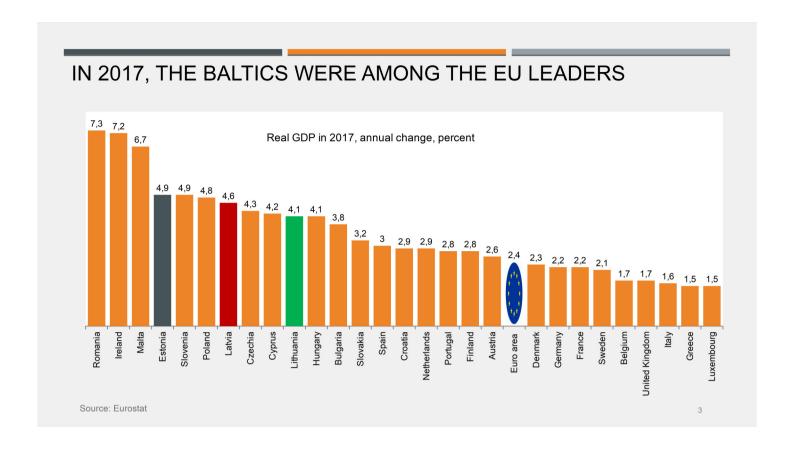
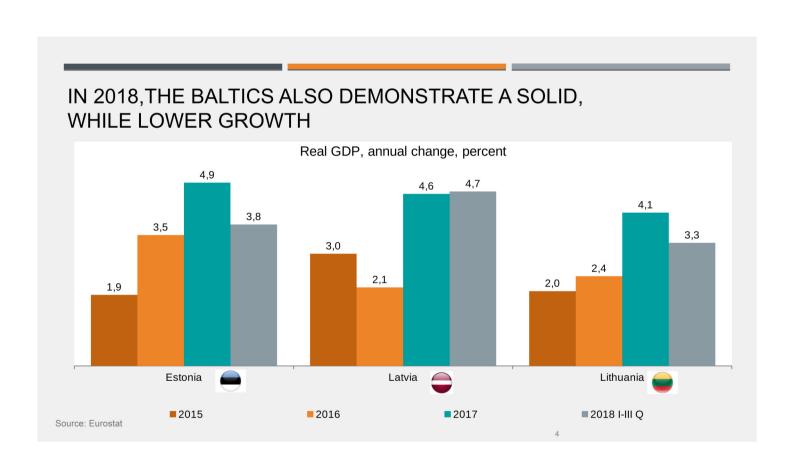
### WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2019 AND BEYOND?

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### GLOBAL TRADE FORECASTS ARE SOFTENING

2018 4Q

World Trade Outlook Indicator Drivers of trade Merchandise trade volume (Q2) 101.5 100 Export orders 96.6 International air freight (IATA) 100.0 Container port throughput 101.2 Automobile production and sales 96.9 Electronic components 93.9 97.2 Agricultural raw materials 98.6

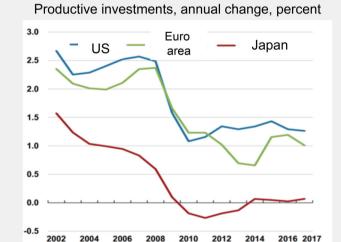
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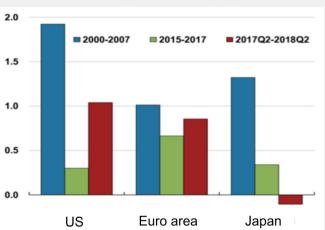
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Merchandise trade volume (Q4)	102.7	•
Export orders	98.1	-
International air freight (IATA)	102.5	
Container port throughput	105.8	•
Automobile production and sales	97.9	<b>=</b>
Electronic components	104.2	•
Agricultural raw materials	95.9	

Source: WTO

### PRODUCTIVITY STAGNATES

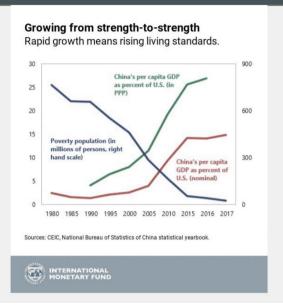


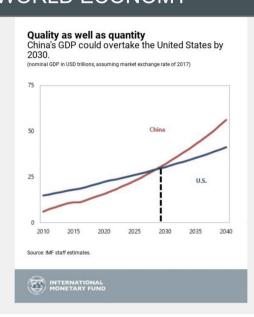
Productivity, annual change, percent



Šaltinis: WB, OECD.

### CHINA IS ABOUT TO BECOME NO1 WORLD ECONOMY



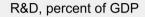


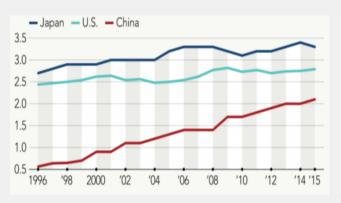




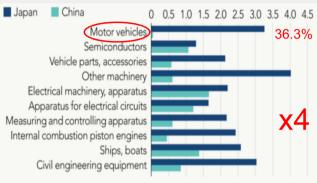


# CHINA IS QUICKLY CLOSING THE GAP IN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS





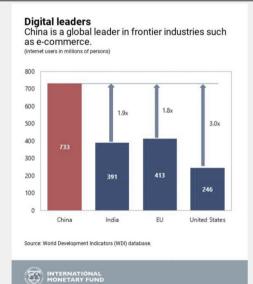
#### Competitive advantage by sector

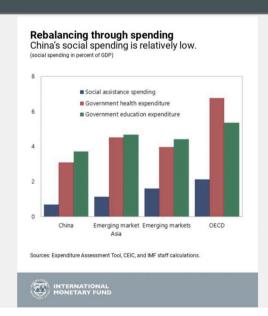


\* Assessment by foreign trade flows

Source: WB, UNSTAD, Natixis, Bruegel

### CHINA'S STRUCTURE OF CONSUMPTION IS MORE PRODUCTIVE



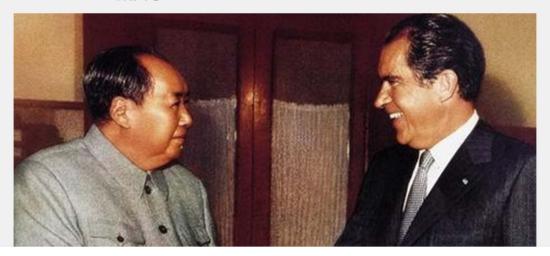


"What do you think about French Revolution?"

Richard Nixon

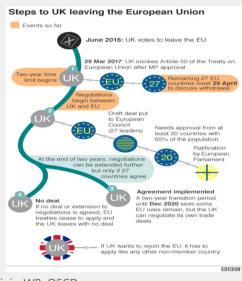
"It is too early to tell"!

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## BREXIT – ONE MORE DISRUPTOR OF THE NEXT YEAR GROWTH



Current agreement:

- transition period from 29 March, 2019, to 31 December, 2020. Extension possible till 2022-end
- £39bn. In 2018 net £10.8bn
- Trade agreement by July 2020
- Citizen rights. Work abroad?
- Direct investments outflows from UK toward Europe. Seize the moment!
- Further political instability will weigh on EUR/ GBP

Šaltinis: WB, OECD.

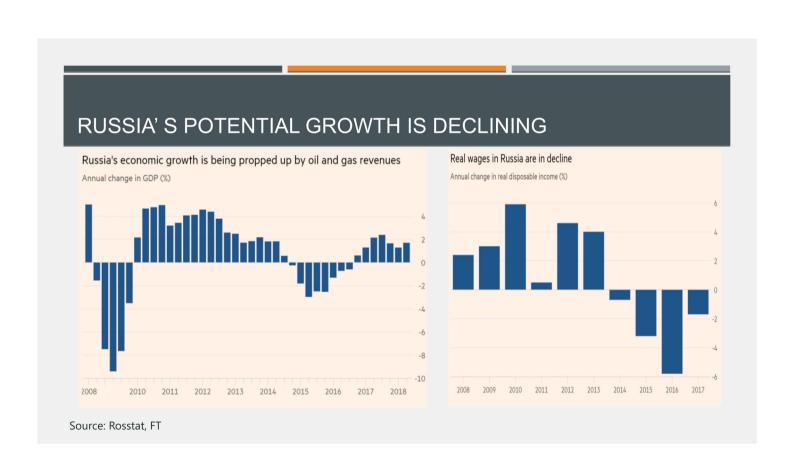
### BREXIT AND GBP TANGO...

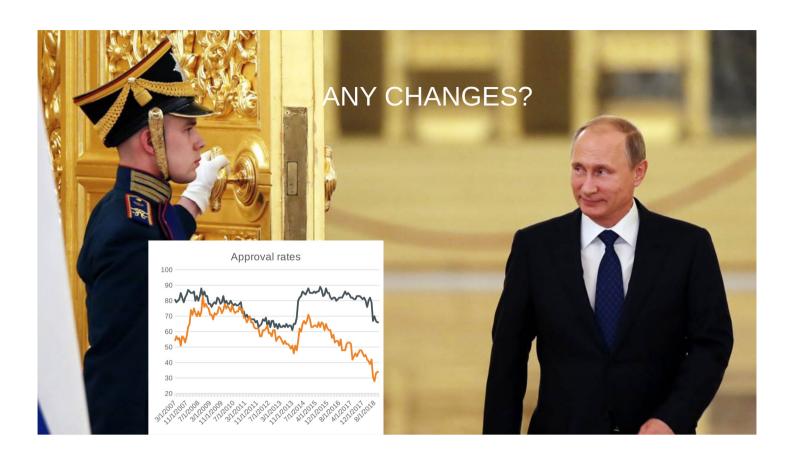




Source: FT, Reuters

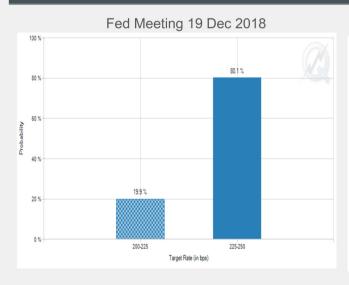


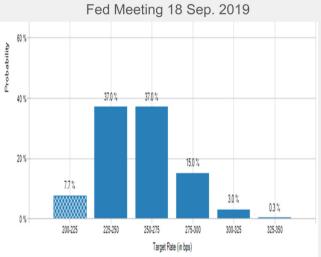




# IS THE CRISIS COMING?

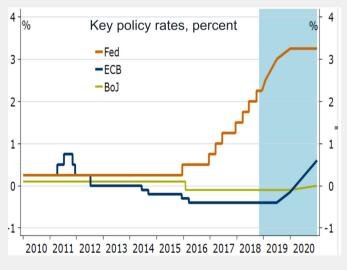
### US TARGET RATE IS SET TO INCREASE

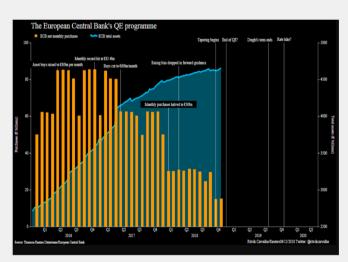




Source: FEDWatchTool

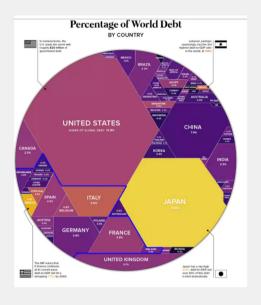
# ULTRA-EXPANSIONARY MONETARY POLICY HAS COMING TO AN END

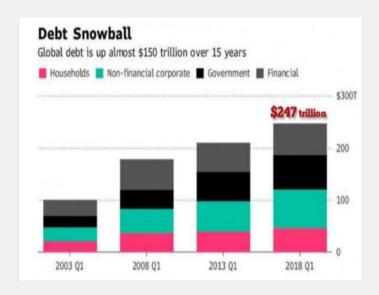




Source: Eurostat, Reuters

### WORLD DEBT IS ON A RISE



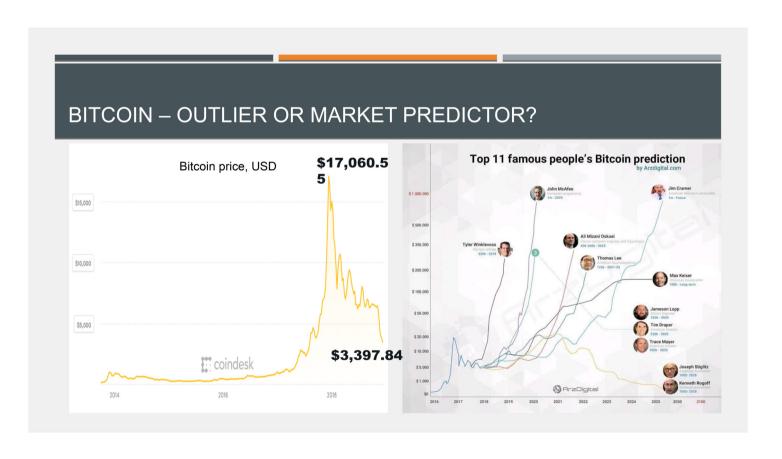


Source: IIF, UN

# WHAT DOES OIL PRICES SAY? Texas oil, USD./b

Source: WB, OECD, FT.





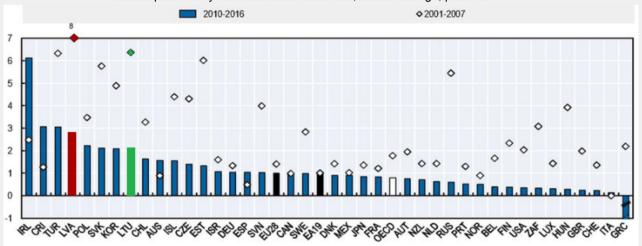
# **BEYOND 2019**

### PEOPLE IN THE BALTICS WORK HARD...



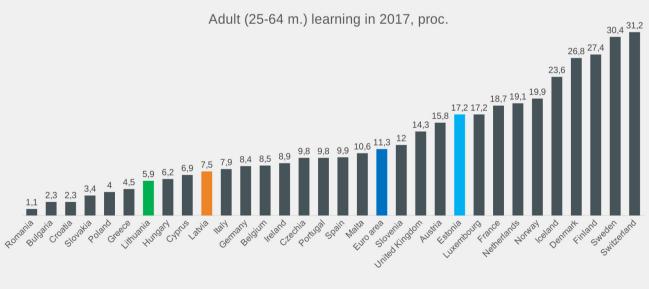
### HOWEVER LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY GROWTH HAS SLOWED

Labour productivity before and after the crisis, annual change, percent



Source: OECD \*Real value added per hour

### INVESTMENTS IN KNOWLEDGE ARE CRUCIAL



Source: Eurostat

### SKILLS ARE CHANGING

### Growing

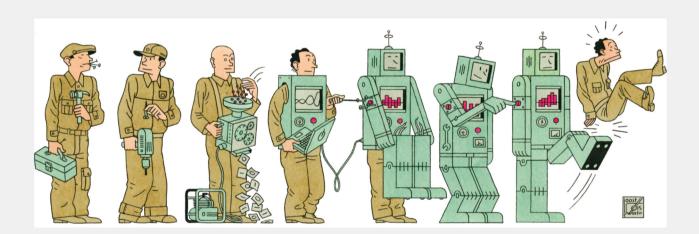
- 1 Analytical thinking and innovation
- 2 Active learning and learning strategies
- 3 Creativity, originality and initiative
- 4 Technology design and programming
- 5 Critical thinking and analysis
- 6 Complex problem-solving
- 7 Leadership and social influence
- 8 Emotional intelligence
- 9 Reasoning, problem-solving and ideation
- 10 Systems analysis and evaluation

### Declining

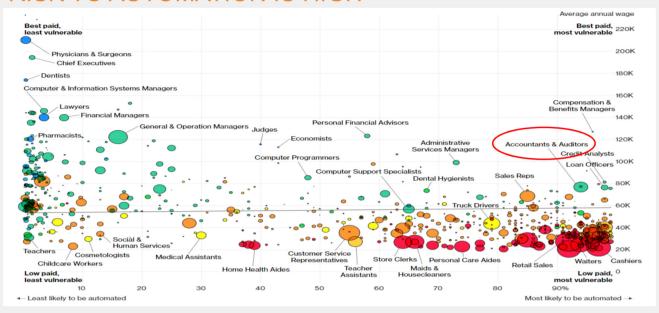
- 1 Manual dexterity, endurance and precision
- 2 Memory, verbal, auditory and spatial abilities
- 3 Management of financial, material resources
- 4 Technology installation and maintenance
- 5 Reading, writing, math and active listening
- 6 Management of personnel
- 7 Quality control and safety awareness
- 8 Coordination and time management
- 9 Visual, auditory and speech abilities
- 10 Technology use, monitoring and control

Šaltinis: WEF

### **FUTURE JOBS UNDER CONTROL?**

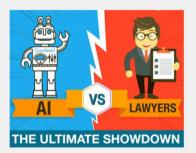


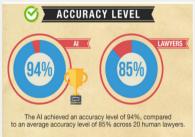
### **RISK TO AUTOMATION IS HIGH**



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### DISRUPT THE DISRUPTORS.









If the rate of change on the outside exceeds the rate of change on the inside, the end is near.

— Jack Welch, Former GE CEO

### WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2019 AND BEYOND?

- Global growth remains solid, while softens. Exports and consumption slows down.
- No objective reasons to expect economic crisis in 2019. However risks are rising...
- Rising interest rates in US, less stimulus in EU. Further tapering in monetary policy may result into slower growth by 2019-end.
- Political tensions, including European Parliament elections.
- Future business model specifics: Be prepared for the cardinal shift. Invest into innovations and automation. Use the data. Consulting.

