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Explanatory Notes

The following symbols have been used in the tables throughout the report:

- .. **Two dots** indicate that data are not available or are not separately reported.
- **A dash** indicates that the amount is nil or negligible.
- **A hyphen** indicates that the item is not applicable.
- **A minus sign** indicates deficit or decrease, except as indicated.
- . **A full stop** is used to indicate decimals.
- / **A slash** between years indicates a crop year or financial year, for example, 2012/13.
- **Use of a hyphen** between years, for example, 2012–2013, signifies the full period involved, including the beginning and end years.

Reference to “dollars” (\$) indicates United States dollars, unless otherwise stated.

Reference to “billions” indicates one thousand million.

Reference to “tons” indicates metric tons, unless otherwise stated.

Annual rates of growth or change, unless otherwise stated, refer to annual compound rates.

Details and percentages in tables do not necessarily add to totals, because of rounding.

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The following abbreviations have been used:

AMFm	Affordable Medicines Facility–malaria	IMO	International Maritime Organization
AMIS	Agricultural Market Information System	ISA	International Services Agreement
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations	LDCs	least developed countries
AUM	assets under management	LME	London Metal Exchange
BCBS	Basel Committee for Banking Supervision	LTROs	long-term refinancing operations
BIS	Bank for International Settlements	mbd	million barrels per day
BoJ	Bank of Japan	MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
CER	certified emissions reduction	MFN	most favoured nation
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States	MMFs	money market funds
CO₂	carbon dioxide	MNCs	multinational corporations
COP	Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	ODA	official development assistance
DAC	Development Assistance Committee (of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development)	OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
DCF	Development Cooperation Forum (of the United Nations)	OMT	outright monetary transactions
ECB	European Central Bank	OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
EDP	Excessive Deficit Procedure	pb	per barrel
EEDI	Energy Efficiency Design Index	PBC	People's Bank of China
EFSF	European Financial Stability Facility	PPP	purchasing power parity
EMU	Economic and Monetary Union	QE	quantitative easing
ESM	European Stability Mechanism	RBI	Reserve Bank of India
ETFs	exchange-traded funds	REER	real effective exchange rate
ETPs	exchange-traded products	RTAs	regional trade agreements
EU	European Union	SBP	State Bank of Pakistan
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations	SDRs	special drawing rights
FDI	foreign direct investment	SEC	United States Securities and Exchange Commission
Fed	Federal Reserve of the United States	SMEs	small- and medium-sized enterprises
FHFA	Federal Housing Finance Agency	TPP	Trans-Pacific Partnership
FSB	Financial Stability Board	UNCSD	United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
G-SIFIs	global systemically important financial institutions	UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
G20	Group of Twenty	UN/DESA	Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat
GCC	Gulf Cooperation Council	UNFCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
GDP	gross domestic product	WEF	World Economic Forum
GHG	greenhouse gas	WEFM	World Economic Forecasting Model (of the United Nations)
GNI	gross national income	WEVUM	World Economic Vulnerability Monitor (of the United Nations)
GPM	Global Policy Model of the United Nations	WGP	world gross product
Gt	gigatons	WTO	World Trade Organization
HICP	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices		
HIPC	heavily indebted poor countries		
IFFIm	International Finance Facility for Immunisation		
ILO	International Labour Organization		