

# Recent International Initiatives to Promote Stability and Growth A presentation to the ABAC Finance and Economics Working Group ABAC I – Melbourne Thursday, February 11, 2010 Akira Ariyoshi Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific International Monetary Fund

### Agenda

- Regulatory reforms for the financial sector
- Macro-financial policies and coordination
- Global Architecture

# Regulatory Reforms Framework for Reforms

- Design
- International Standard Setting Bodies (with oversight by FSB)
- Implementation
  - National authorities (Technical Assistance from IFIs – G20 Pittsburg Leaders' Statement)
  - International cooperation (crisis management, supervisory colleges, etc.)
- Assessment
  - FSB peer review, IMF-WB FSAP, ROSC

### Direction of regulatory reforms

- Challenge is to strengthen the financial stability framework without compromising efficiency and market innovation.
- Key areas of reform
  - Reforming regulatory frameworks (capital, liquidity, transparency, accounting...),
    - Compensation issues and structures
    - Risk management systems
    - Disclosure and accounting frameworks and practices.
  - Handling systemic risks
    - Identify systemically important institutions, markets and instruments (SIMI);
    - Extending the perimeter of regulation
  - Improving crisis management
  - Filling information gaps

### Some key work in progress

- Capital Adequacy, Liquidity
  BCBS Consultative Papers (Jan 2010)
- Accounting
  - Fair value accounting (IFRS 9)
  - Provisions and reserves (Exposure draft)
- Systemically important institutions and markets
  - IMF/BIS/FSB Report (Nov 2009, follow-up June 2010)
  - US proposal to limit size
- **Assessment** 
  - FSAP for U.S., China, Indonesia underway, second round FSAPs for others started.
     FSB thematic peer review on compensation
- Perimeter of regulation
  - Joint Forum "Review of Differentiated Nature and Scope of Financial Regulation: Key Issues and Recommendations"
  - · US proposal to limit banks' activities
- Hedge Funds, Credit Rating Agencies
  National implementation of IOSCO principles
- Financial Sector Taxation
  - IMF to present report on options to G-20 in April 2010
  - Some individual country moves underway
- Non-cooperative jurisdictions
  - OECD Global Forum peer review (starting 2010)
- Information gaps
  - FSB-IMF Report with recommendations for improving data and information (Oct 2009)

### Macro-financial policies

- Early Warning Exercises
- G20 Framework for Strong, Sustainable and Balanced Growth
  - G20 to conduct mutual assessment of members' medium-term policy framework
  - IMF to assist in analyzing consistency of country policies with the medium-term growth objectives
  - Series of interactions and discussions leading to November G20 summit

( See http://www.imf.org/external/np/pp/eng/2009/120209a.pdf)

### Global Architecture: Governance

- Wider membership for FSB (from FSF), expansion of BCBS membership (13⇒27), establishing a Monitoring Board of securities regulators for IASCF
- IMF quota and voice revision
  - A quota review to conclude by Jan 2011

### **IMF Quota Shares**

	Current(After	2008 review)	'Calculated' (existing formula)		
Rank	Country	Quota share	Country	Quota share	
1	United States	17.7	United States	17.8	
2	Japan	6.6	China	7.5	
3	Germany	6.1	Japan	7.0	
4	France	4.5	Germany	5.9	
5	United Kingdom	4.5	United Kingdom	4.6	
6	China	4.0	France	4.2	
7	Italy	3.3	Italy	3.1	
8	Saudi Arabia	2.9	Russia	2.4	
9	Canada	2.7	Canada	2.4	
10	Russia	2.5	Spain	2.2	
11	India	2.4	India	2.2	
12	Netherlands	2.2	Korea	2.2	
13	Belgium	1.9	Brazil	2.0	
14	Brazil	1.8	Netherlands	/ 1.9 /	
15	Spain	1.7	Mexico		

## Global Architecture: International Monetary System

- Expanding IMF Lending Toolkit
  - A more LOLR like facility?
    - → Need for less insurance through reserve build up
- Rethinking reserve currency
  - Future of the Dollar
  - Role for SDR?

Country	I M F Lending (US\$ billion)	Ratio to Quota	As % of GDP	Total size of package as % of GDP
Asian Crisis				
Thailand	4.0	5	2	9
Indonesia	11.2	6	4	16
Korea	21.1	19	7	19
Current Crisis				
Hungary	15.7	10	11	18
Ukraine	16.4	8	11	12
<b>celand</b>	2.1	12	12	(65)
Mexico*	47.0	10	6	/ /
Poland*	20.6	10	5	//
Colombia*	10.4	9	5	//