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# CHARACTERIZING THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL CYCLE (GFC) AND TRANSMISSION CHANNELS

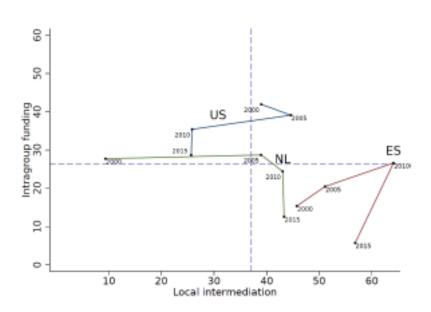
- ☐ The main characteristics of the GFC were summarized by Rey (2013) and Rey and Miranda-Agrippino (2015):
  - ☐ There exist a strong co-movement of gross capital in(out) flows, credit growth, banks leverage and risky asset prices across countries
  - ☐ Under unconventional monetary policies, also strong co-movement of bond yields
  - ☐ In fact, one global factor explains 25% of the variance of cross-section risky asset returns, and this global factor is strongly and inversely correlated with VIX
- ☐ The transmission channels identified in the literature are:
  - ☐ Capital flows and leverage of big global financial institutions transmit the monetary and financial conditions of the center country (Bruno and Shin, 2014)
  - ☐ Corporate bond market -"search for yield" and shifts in risk premium: global credit in US dollars and Euros extended to non-bank sector (Shin, 2013)
  - □ US monetary policy (FF rate increase: capital inflows, dollar appreciation, tightening of financial conditions worldwide, reduction of commodity prices)



## MONETARY POLICY TRANSMISSION OF BIG GLOBAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

- ☐ Argimon et al. (2018) find that banks (as opposed to insurance companies and pension funds) play a very relevant role in the transmission of headquarters country monetary conditions. However:
  - ☐ These spillovers are much more relevant for global banks operating with a centralized business model (US, cross border operations) compared to a decentralized model (Spain, local operations)
  - ☐ The spillovers through the bank lending channel decline with the bank size
  - ☐ The spillovers through the portfolio channel decline with the bank solvency

Figure 1: Degree of banks' (de)centralization

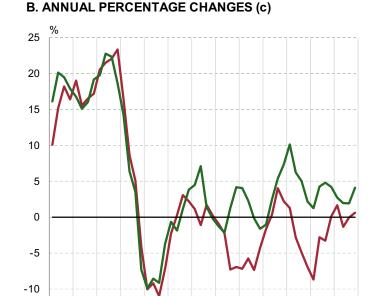




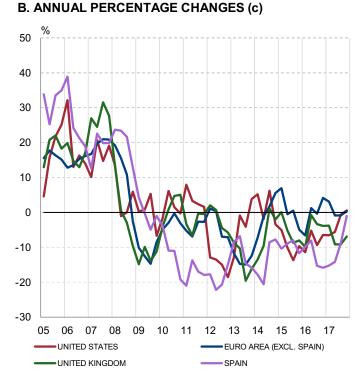
# THE RECENT EVOLUTION OF CROSS-BORDER BANKING ACTIVITY

- ☐ According to BIS data, since the global financial crisis the international activity of global banks has diminished in most jurisdictions:
  - ☐ Due to cross border operations (local operations have remained stable), and...
  - ☐ ...among banks
  - ☐ Probably, this implies a reduced role of banks in transmitting the GFC

#### **EXTERNAL CLAIMS**



NON-BANKS

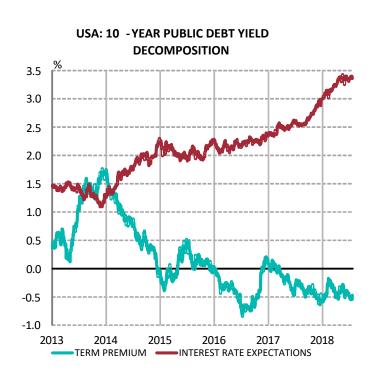


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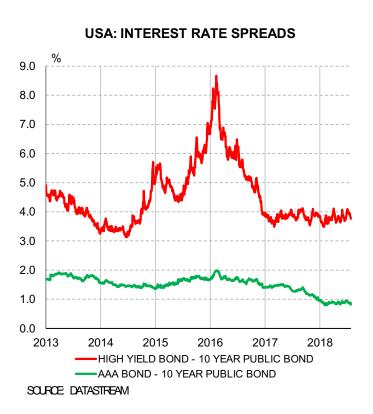
# SEARCH FOR YIELD IN THE NON-FINANCIAL CORPORATE BOND MARKET

- ☐ The non-conventional monetary policy in most advanced economies has contributed to the flattening of the yield curve, thus favoring "search-for-yield" behaviors:
  - ☐ The compensation for risk has diminished both in advanced economies and...
  - ☐ ...in emerging markets, facilitating the bond issuance of corporates
  - ☐ There has been a generalized extension in maturities



SOURCE: DATASTREAM AND NEW YORK FED

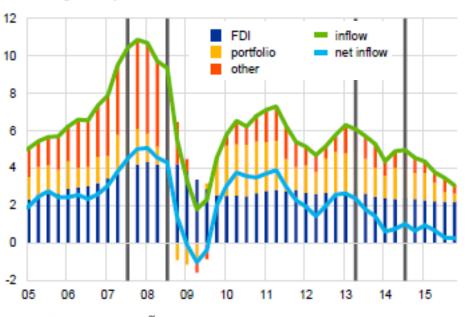


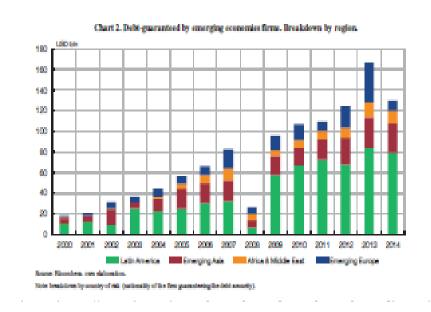


### **BOND ISSUANCE BY EMERGING MARKET CORPORATIONS**

- ☐ The composition of capital flows to emerging markets after the GFC has changed to some extent, gaining relevance portfolio investment (IRC TF, 2016):
  - ☐ In fact, the net issuance of fixed income has increased considerably, especially in the case of Asia and LatAm
  - ☐ An important part of this activity corresponds to first-issuers non-financial firms and in foreign currency (Fuertes and Serena, 2014)
  - ☐ These new firms operating in bond markets have natural hedges, but they are financially more vulnerable

#### EMEs gross capital inflows

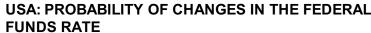


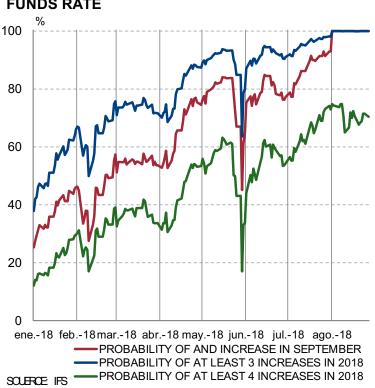


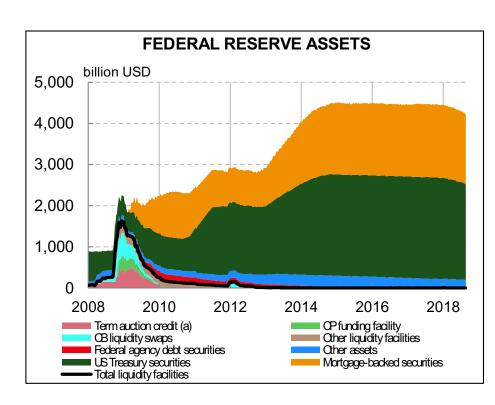
#### MONETARY POLICY NORMALIZATION IN US...

### ■ The US monetary policy has slightly intensified its normalization process:

- ☐ In part as a consequence of the expansionary fiscal policy by the Federal Government, now the markets bet for 4 interest rate increases in 2018
- ☐ In any case, the monetary authorities are being very cautious with the reduction of the Fed balance sheet





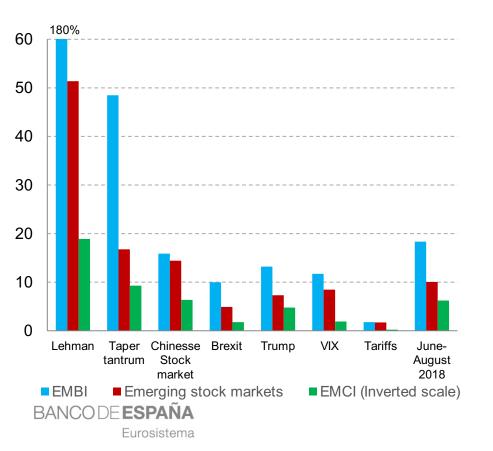




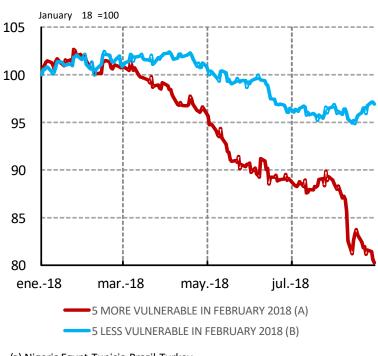
### ...AND SPILLOVERS FOR EMERGING ECONOMIES

- ☐ The correction in emerging economies begins to be sizable, although markets seem to be discriminating depending on country vulnerabilities:
  - Most emerging economies are better prepared than in the past (room for maneuver in macro policies, reserves,...), but...

#### **EMERGING MARKET INDICATORS (Change since...)**



#### **EXCHANGE RATES vs. DOLLAR**



(b) Korea Chile, Czech Republic Thailand and Romania

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