

From GATS to TISA

Some Facts on the Economic Context

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To start with

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“THERE ARE TWO
WAYS TO BE FOOLED.
ONE IS TO BELIEVE
WHAT ISN'T TRUE;
THE OTHER IS TO
REFUSE TO ACCEPT
WHAT IS TRUE.”



- SOREN KIERKEGAARD

Inequality requires regulatory capacity in secondary distribution



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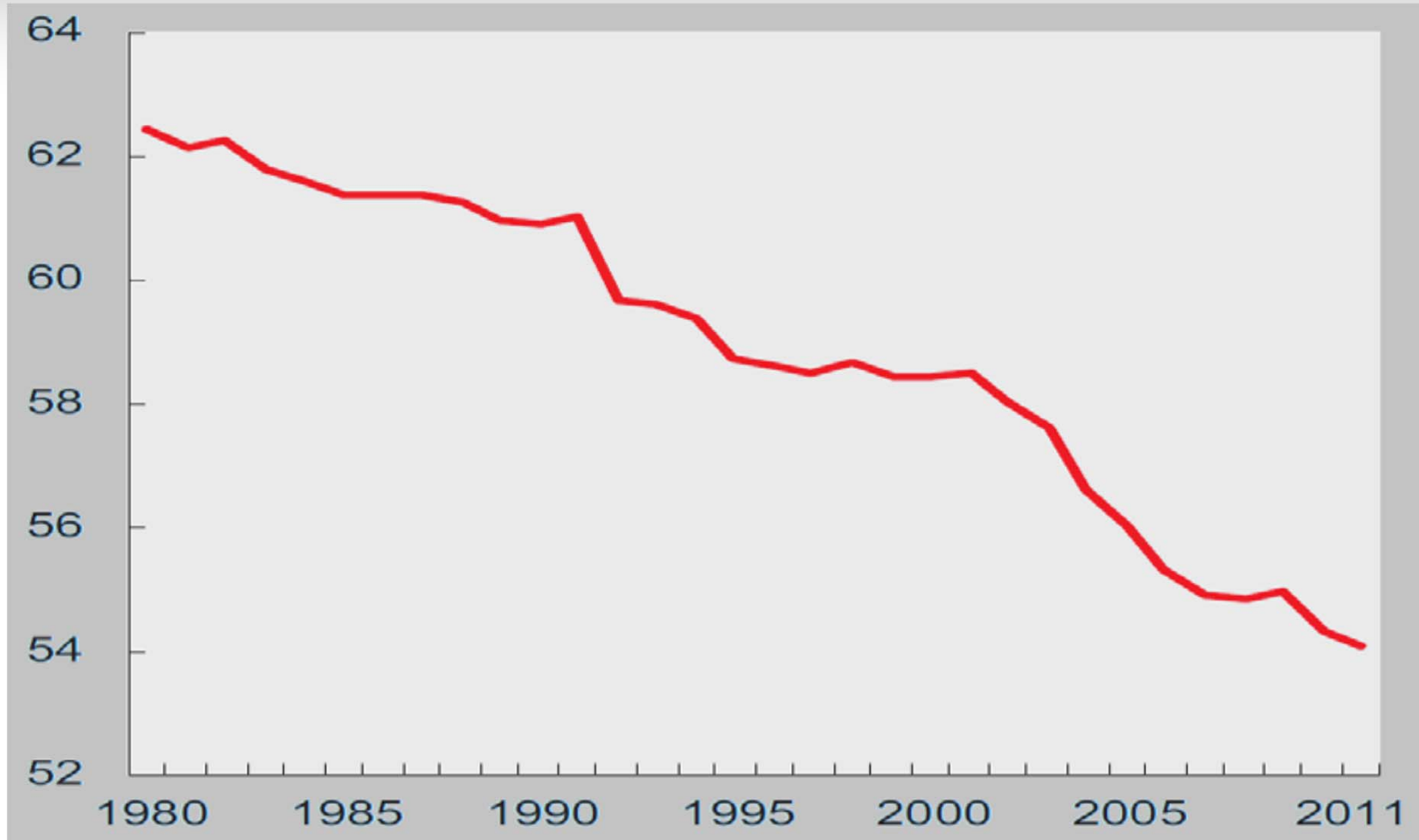
- Accounting equivalents: Income disparity in stocks (wealth, financial assets) and flows (wages, primary income): $R > Y_{\text{nom}}$ lead to falling wage shares:

Financial asset balance EU (€ m)	31000
R of 2%	620
EU GDP (€ m)	13000
nominal Y required (%)	4,77
inflation target	1,9
real Y required (%)	2,87

- Trade unions: value of labour as benchmark for fair globalisation – only the rich and affluent can afford a weak state !

Wage share relative to global GDP

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UNCTAD Trade and Development Report 2013

Cross-border market integration

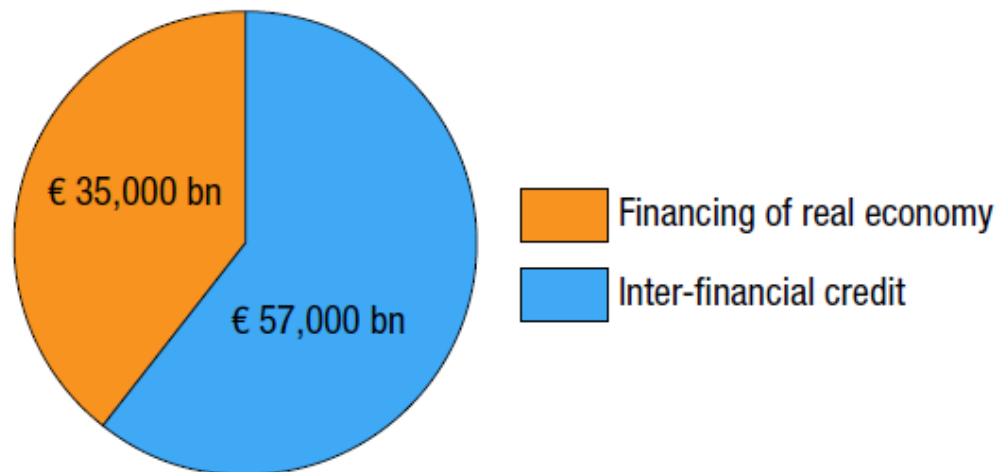
- Trade and financial market integration, OECD average, 1980-2008 (1980=100)



- Trade Integration is the sum of imports and exports in % GDP. Financial market integration is the sum of *cross-border* liabilities and assets in % GDP.

Financial vs. Real Economy EA

Size of inter-financial credit in relation to the financing used by the real economy¹

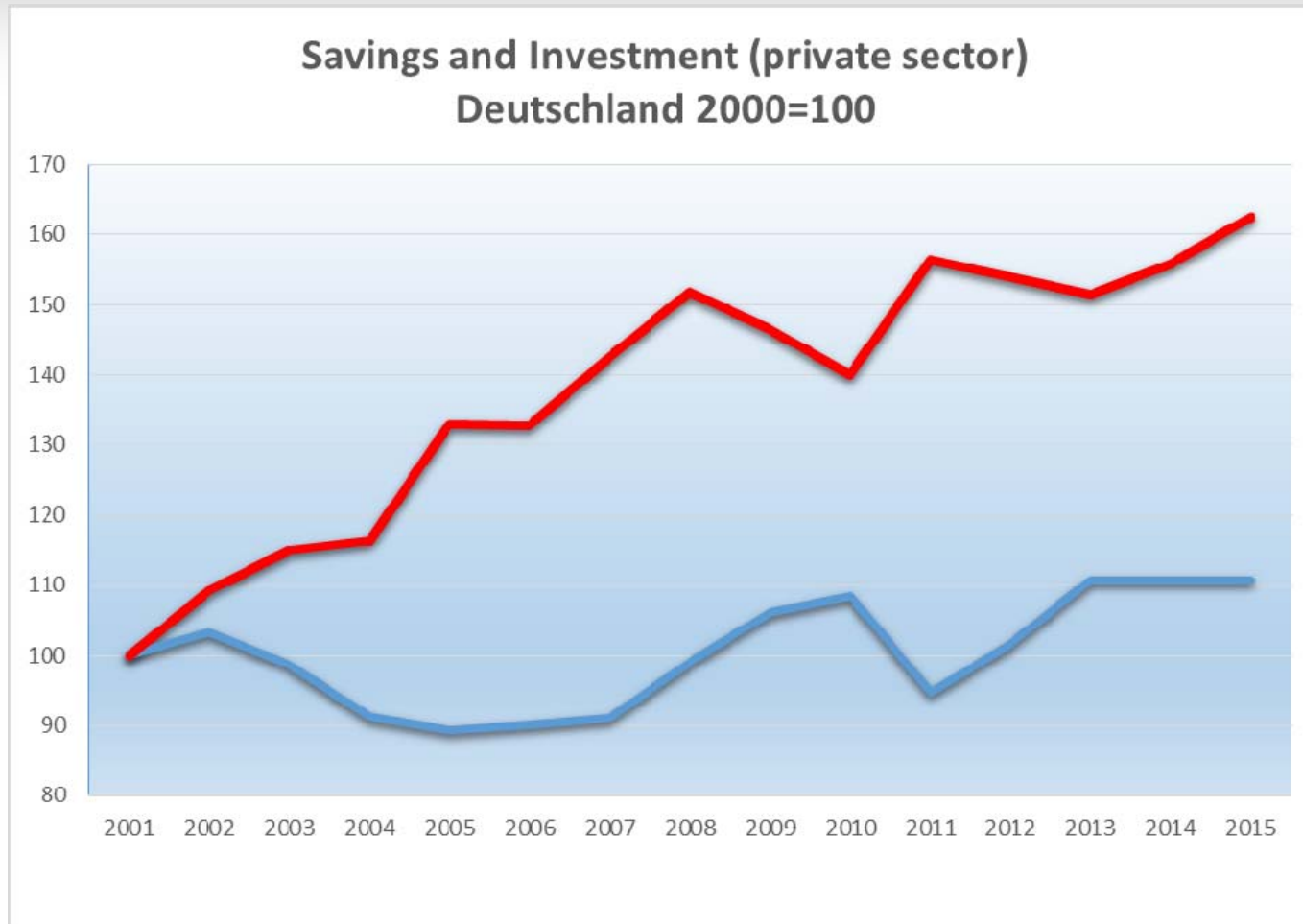


Data : European Commission (2014a)

The size of inter-financial credit amounts to € 57,000bn (**6.5x Euro area GDP**), almost twice the financing used by the real economy (€35,000bn).

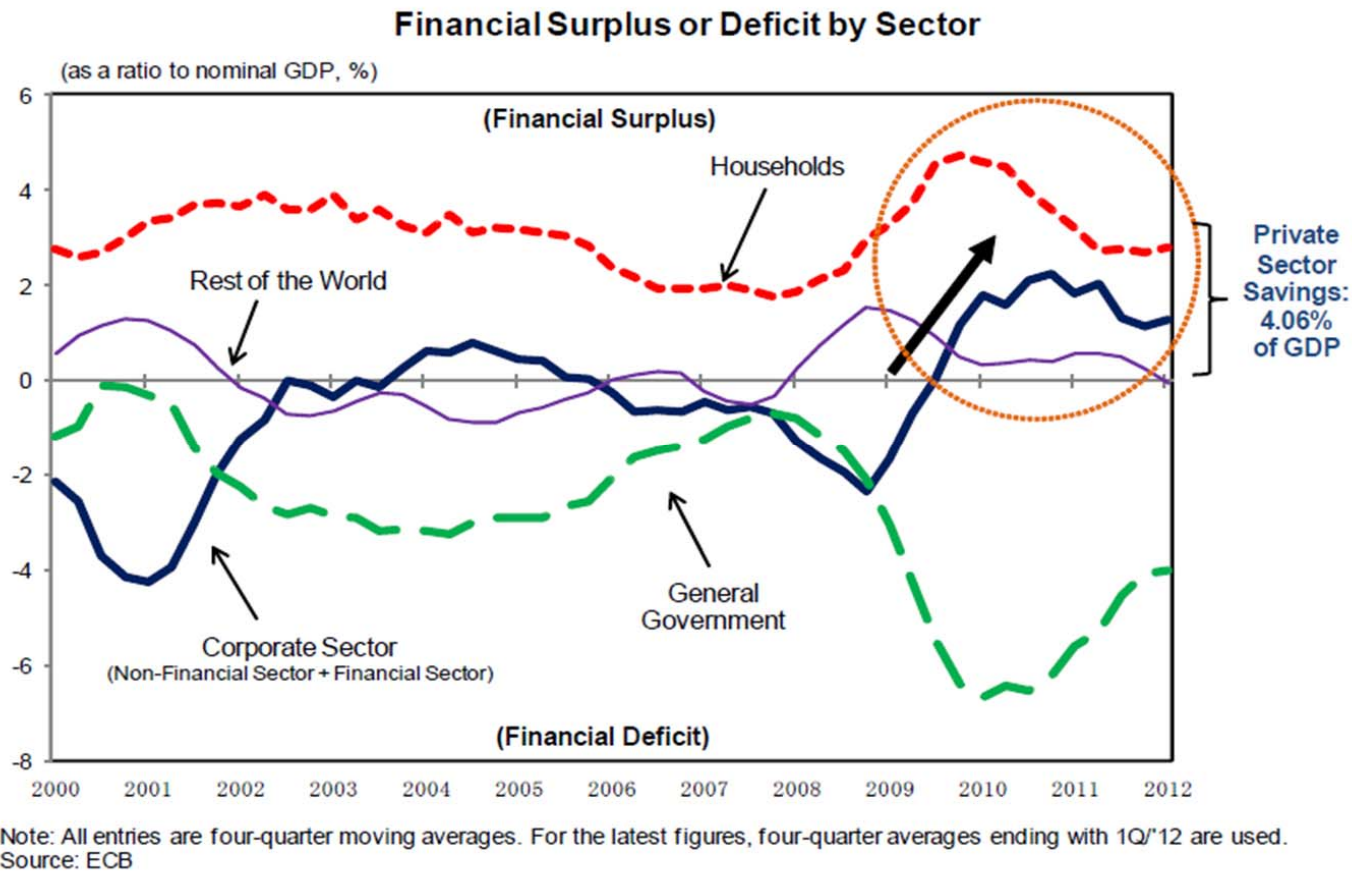
If the external sector and the governments are also taken into consideration, the financial sector provides less than 30% of its resources to the real economy and more than 70% circulated within such an "extended" financial sector.⁹

Savings and Investment in an export-led economy 2000-2014



Source: Ameco, own calculations

Euro Area in balance sheet recession (R. Koo)



Excess liquidity

- (1) Traditional method: physical destruction of capital stock through war (out of fashion in Europe)
- (2) Privatisation of common public goods (but increasing resistance in civil society)
- (3) Debt financed bubbles (but negative externalities still fresh in memory)
- (4) 'Financial repression': (a) high PIT's, sovereign bonds $R < p$ tax deductible – (b) conservative US economists in favour of wealth levy of 3-4%
- (5) **Public Equity**: Investment and Reconstruction Programme (Marshall Plan)

Thank you for the attention !

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