

**Brexit**Macroeconomic implications

for the UK, the world economy & Greece

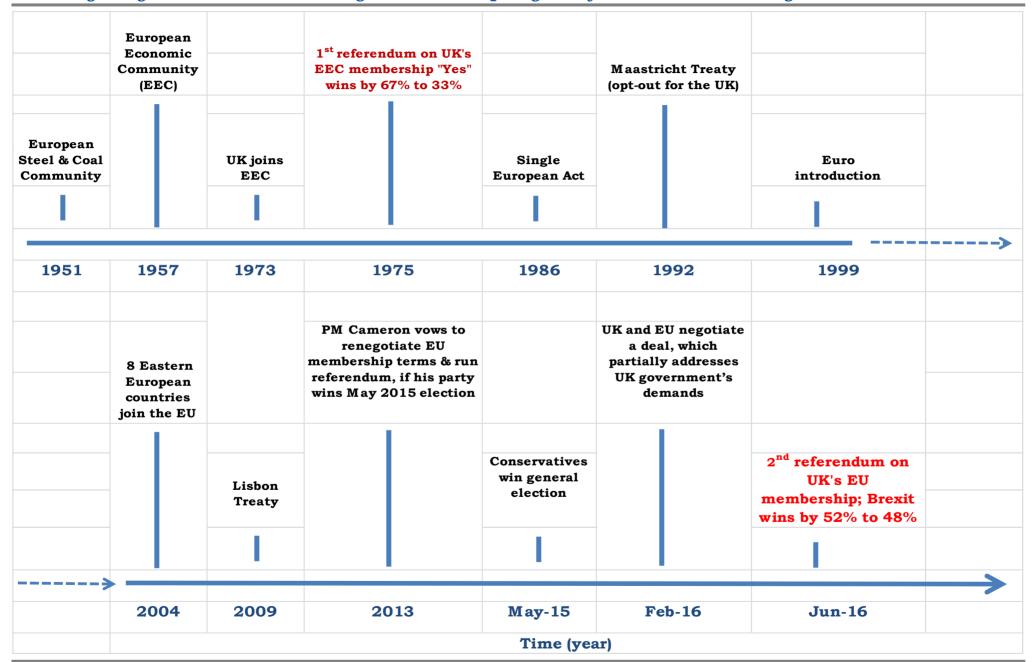


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## UK's EU membership: partly in and partly out



Favoring single market and enlargement but opting-out from euro & Schengen



#### Brexit calls gain momentum after the outbreak of the euro area crisis



Daily Express the first mainstream national newspaper to support the case (Nov. 2010)

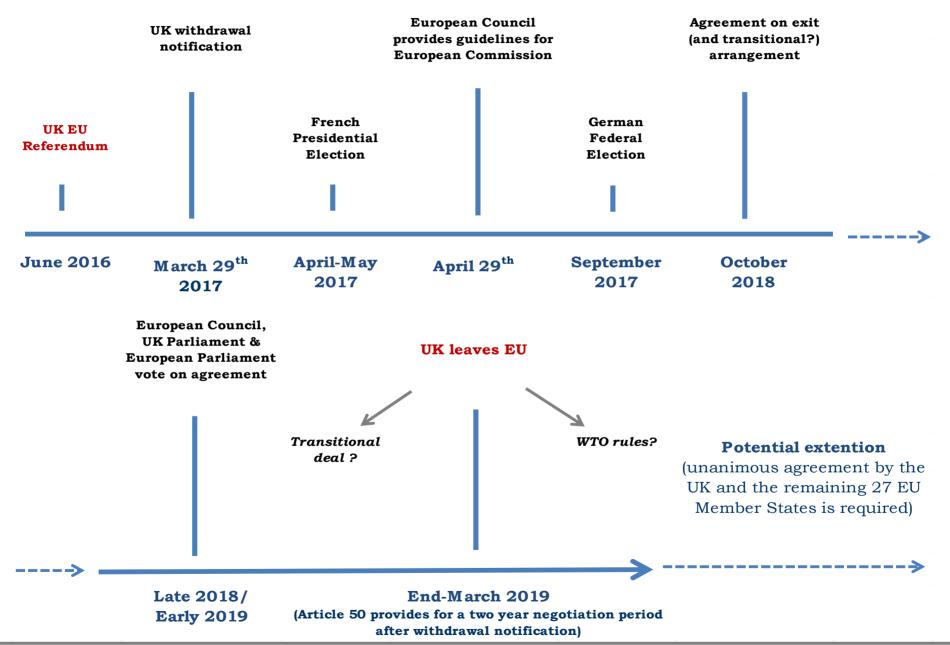


Source: Daily Express

## Negotiations may well take longer than 2 years



*Unless the UK seeks no special access to the single market* 



## Existing trade arrangements with the EU





## Low independence

## High market access

	Ability to ignore EU rules	Fiscal contribution to EU	Independent immigration policy	Independence to negotiate trade deals with non-EU countries	Ability to influence EU rules	Access to Single Market	Passporting
EU membership	Very limited	Yes	No	No	Yes	Full	Full
European Economic Area (EEA) Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein	Limited	Yes	No	Yes	Limited	High	High
European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Switzerland	Partial	Yes	No	Yes	No	Medium	No
New UK-EU Free Trade Agreement (FTA)	3	,	Yes	Yes	No	,	,
WTO rules	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

High independence

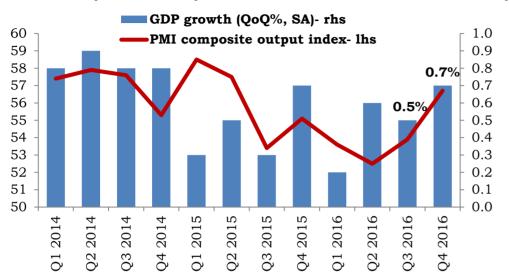
Low market access

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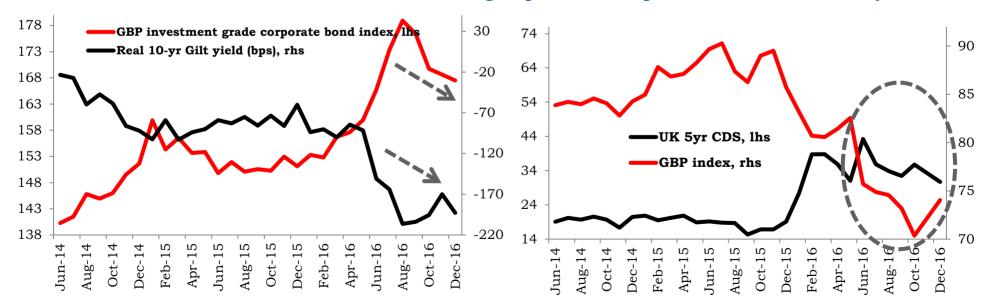
Expectations for economic stagnation in H2-16 proved overly pessimistic...

#### Economy remarkably resilient so far to Brexit uncertainty



- ☐ The UK economy has defied stagnation expectations in the immediate aftermath of the EU referendum
  - ✓ BoE's swift policy response
  - ✓ Postponement of Article 50 activation to 2017
  - ✓ Reduced political uncertainty
  - √ GBP's post-referendum depreciation

#### Easier financial conditions & weaker sterling helped to absorb post-referendum uncertainty



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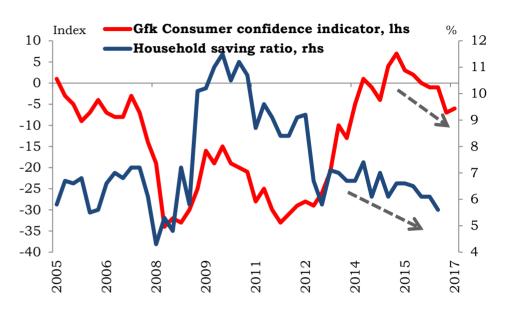


...but Brexit impact may become increasingly visible after Article 50's activation

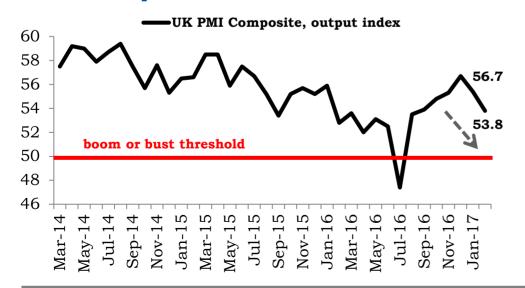
# Sterling depreciation has boosted inflation, undermining real wage growth



Consumer confidence negatively affected by slowing real wage growth; saving rate close to record lows



UK PMI: has post-EU referendum rebound come to an end?



# □ Brexit impact may become more visible following Article 50's activation

✓ Behavior of UK businesses & consumers will need to adjust in a prolonged period of increased uncertainty over the terms of the UK withdrawal & the new UK/EU association agreement

## Most studies predict a permanent UK output loss due to Brexit



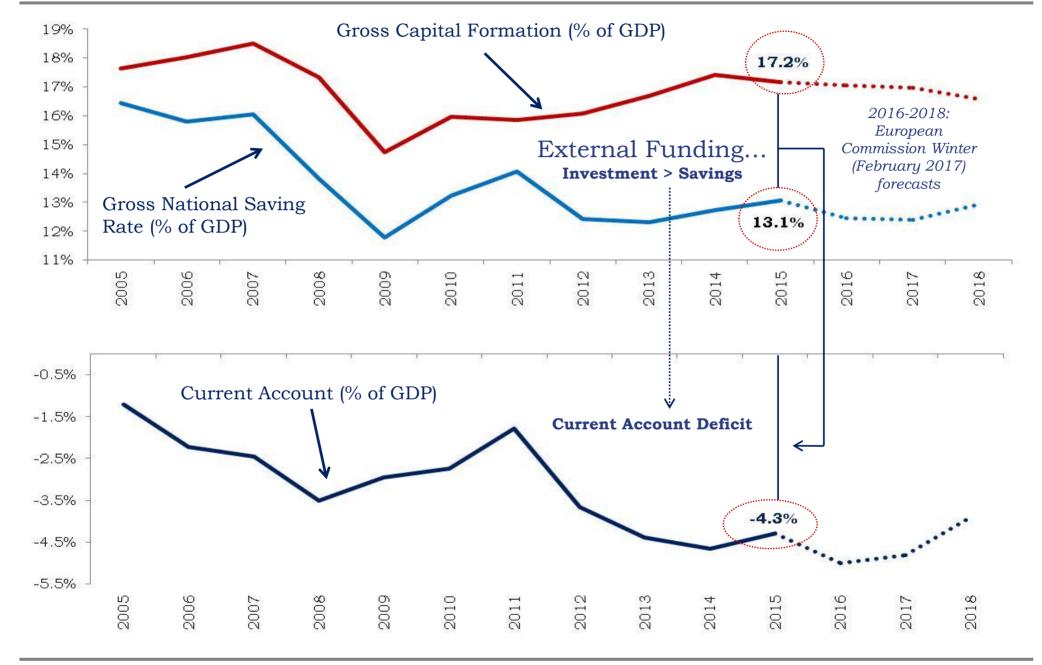
Direct and indirect effects of reduced trade with the EU; lower labor productivity

Source	Brexit effect on the UK economy				
Bertelsmann Stiftung (2015)	-3.0% to -0.6% of per capita GDP (static estimate)				
Derteismann Stiftung (2015)	-14.0% to -0.2% of per capita GDP (dynamic estimate)				
Dhingra et al. (2016a, 2016b)	-2.6% to -1.3% on incomes (static long-run trade effects)				
Diffigra et al. (2010a, 2010b)	-9.5% to -6.3% on incomes (dynamic long-run trade effects)				
IIM Correspond (0016 a 0016 d)	-6.0% to -3.6% of GDP (short-run)				
HM Government (2016c, 2016d)	-9.5% to -3.4% of GDP (long-run)				
Managaria (0014)	-2.6% to +1.1% of GDP				
Mansfield (2014)	+0.1% of GDP (most likely scenario)				
NIESR (Baker et al., 2016, Ebell	-2.3% of GDP (short-run)				
and Warren, 2016)	-7.8% to -1.8% of GDP (long-run)				
OEOD (0016)	-3.3% of GDP (medium-term, up to 2020)				
OECD (2016)	-7.7% to -2.7% of GDP (long-run, up to 2030)				
Oman Francia (0015)	-2.2% to +1.6% of GDP				
Open Europe (2015)	(Politically realistic range: -0.8% to +0.6% of GDP)				
Ottaviano et al. (2014)	-1.1 to -3.1% of GDP				
Oxford Economics (2016)	-3.9% to -0.1% of GDP (long-run)				
DC (0016)	-5.5% to -3.0% of GDP (medium-term)				
PwC (2016)	-3.5% to -1.2% of GDP (long-term)				
Minford (2016)	+4.0% of GDP				

UK's large CA deficit requires substantial inflows for its financing

Or else a slowdown in domestic demand (investments) an increase of national savings and/or a permanent exchange rate depreciation to restore external equilibrium



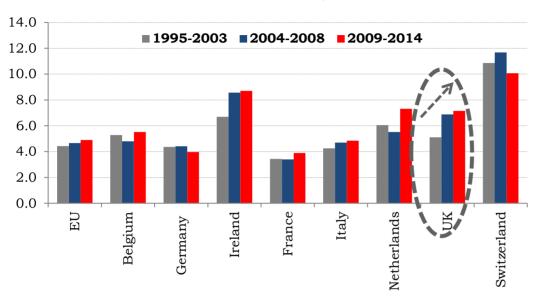


## Financial sector: a key component of the UK economy

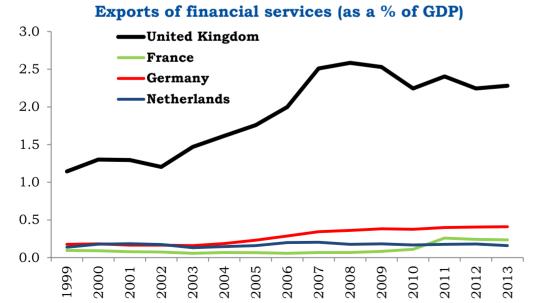


Highly susceptible to loss of access to the single market (passporting)

#### Financial & Insurance activities (share of Gross Value Added)



- □The UK financial sector generates about 8% of national income, c. 50 percent above the EU average
- □UK trade in financial services as a percentage of GDP has risen significantly since early 1990, much faster than in other major EU economies



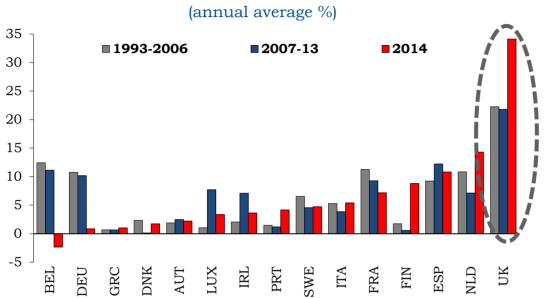
The UK financial sector is a key component of the UK economy and highly exposed to a loss of access to the single market

## The UK economy is highly dependent on inward FDI

Much of it comes from other EU countries

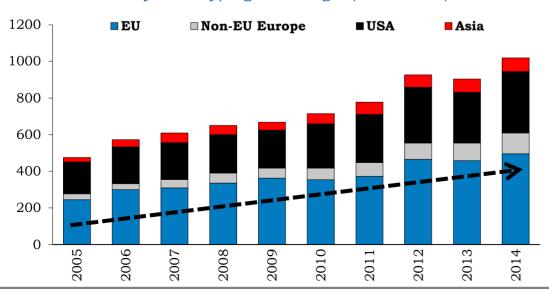


Share in FDI inflows to the EU-15



#### Inward FDI to the UK

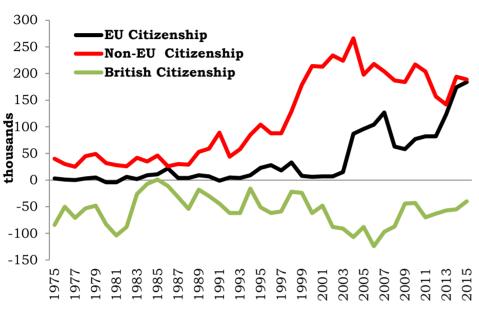
By country/region of origin (GBP billion)



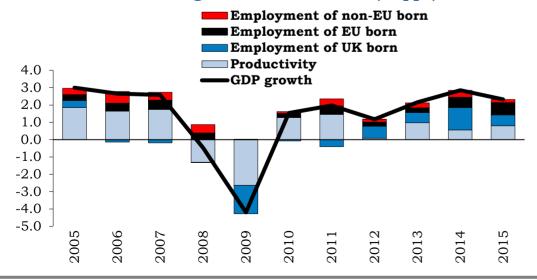
- □The total stock of FDI in the UK exceeds 1 trillion GBP, representing around 57% of the country's GDP
- □Almost 50% of it comes from the rest of the EU, with the Netherlands, France, Luxemburg and Germany making the largest contributions
- □If access to the single market were lost, the UK might become a less attractive destination for FDI inflows, with negative repercussions for investment, export capacity and productivity



#### Long-Term International Net Migration by Citizenship



#### Real GDP growth-contributions (in pps)



- ☐ The number of EU migrants to the UK has increased considerably in recent years, accounting to nearly half of net migration flows
- ■Empirical analysis suggests that migrants have contributed considerably to UK GDP and productivity growth
- Description of the UK labor market do not provide conclusive evidence that EU migrants have caused job losses and lower wages for UK natives

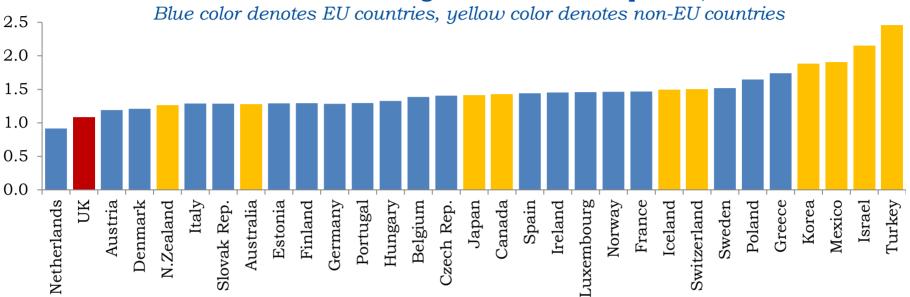
Source: Office for National Statistics, OECD, IMF, Eurobank Economic Research

## UK is already among the least regulated markets in the developed world

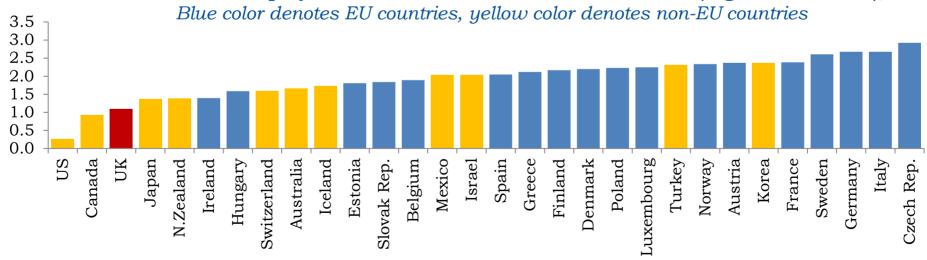


How much room for additional gains from "de-Europeanising Britain"?





OECD Strictness of Employment Protection - individual dismissals (regular contracts), 2013



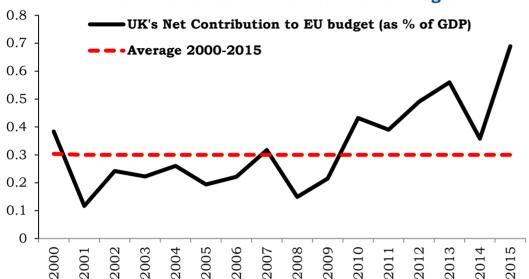
Source: OECD (2016), IMF (2016)

## UK's contribution to the EU budget among the lowest as % of GDP

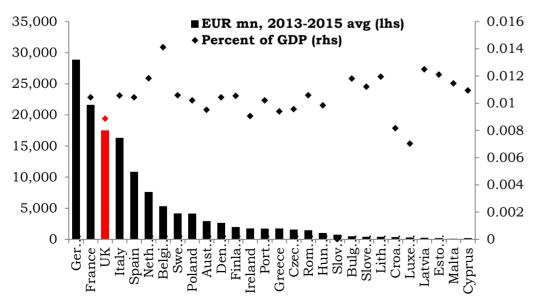




UK is a net contributor to the EU budget



#### Nominal gross contribution to the EU budget

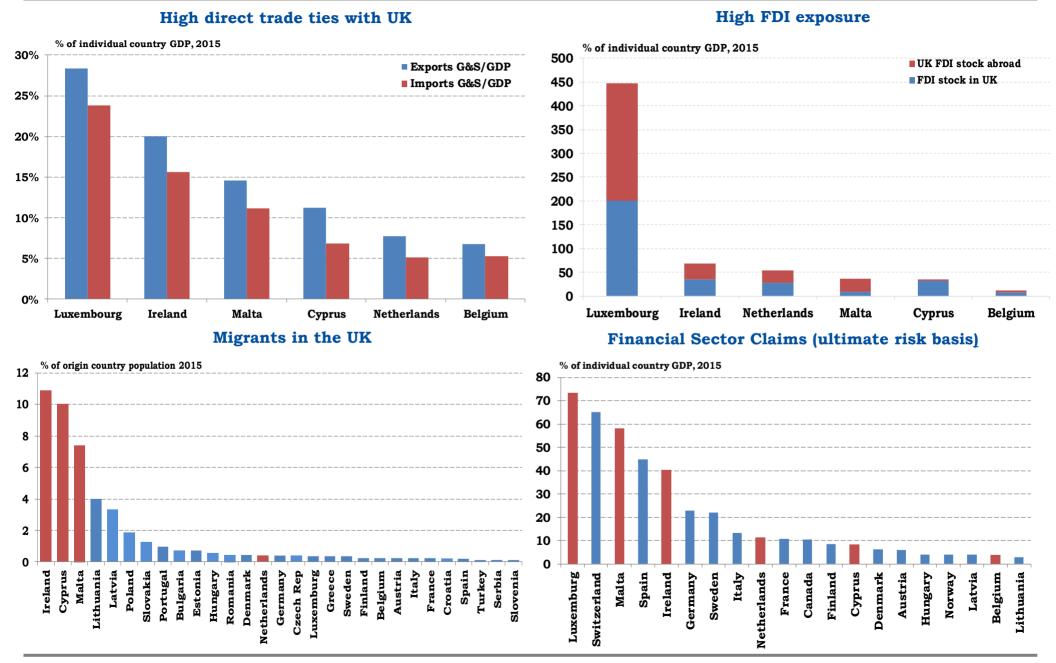


- DUK's <u>net</u> contribution to the EU budget has averaged €5.5bn per annum (c. 0.3%-of-GDP) in 2000-2015, lower than that of Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Sweden
- □If the UK were to retain some access to the single market it would find it difficult to avoid payments to the EU budget (e.g. the Norwegian and Swiss models of association come with fiscal costs)

## Brexit: implications for the EU-27

Luxemburg, Ireland, Malta, Cyprus, the Netherlands and Belgium are relatively more susceptible to Brexit risks



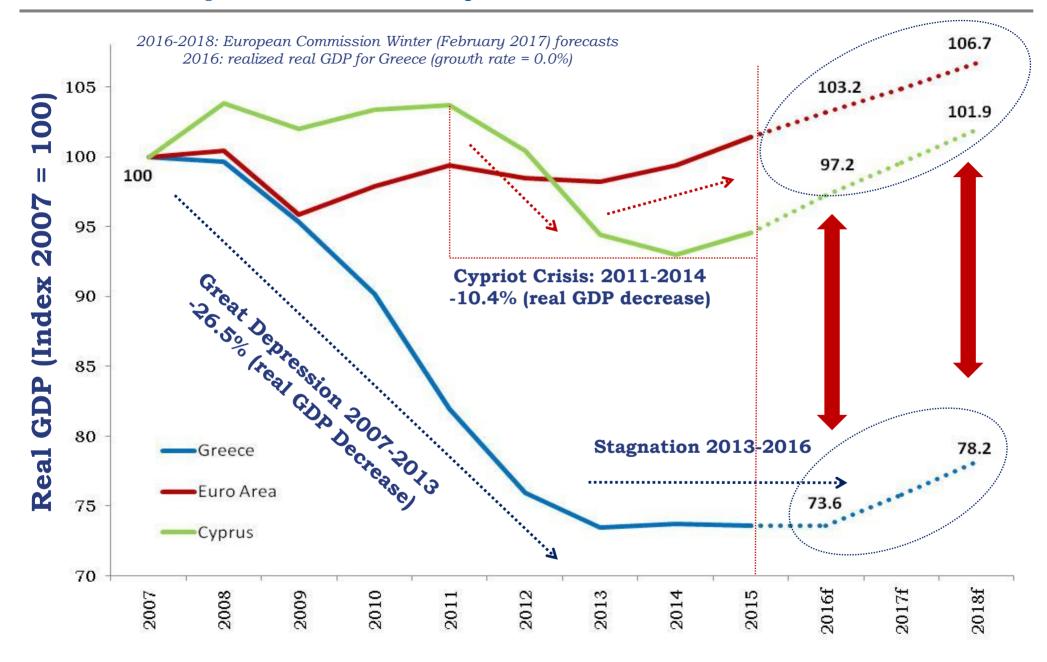






Greece's external balance of goods with the UK (2015) (deficit -€153.4 mn)





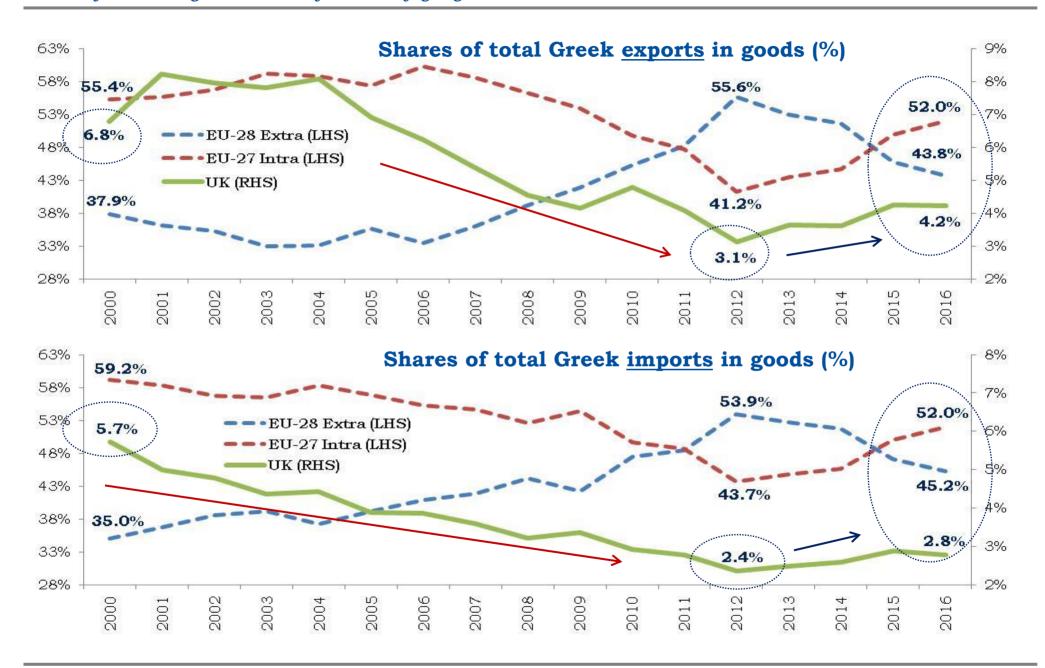


## **Appendix**

## Greece: relatively low direct merchandise trade linkages with the UK

<u>Main Greek exports</u>: food & live animals; chemicals & related products; manufactured goods classified chiefly by raw material





## Relatively strong trade ties between Greece and the UK in services

Mainly, travel and transportation services



