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FROM COUNTRY RISK, TO FINANCIAL CRISIS AND DEBT NEGOTIATIONS

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What about country debt data?



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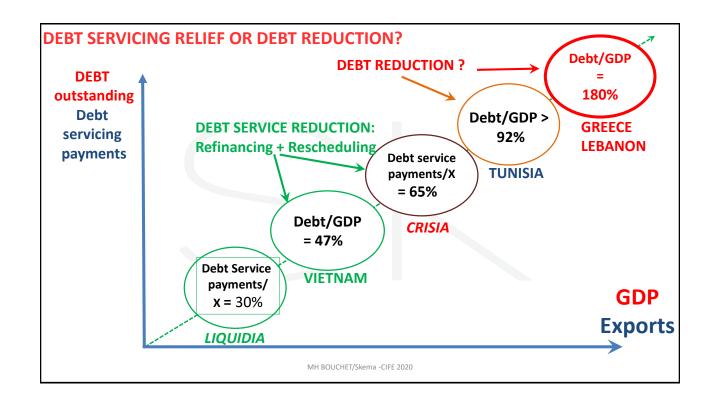
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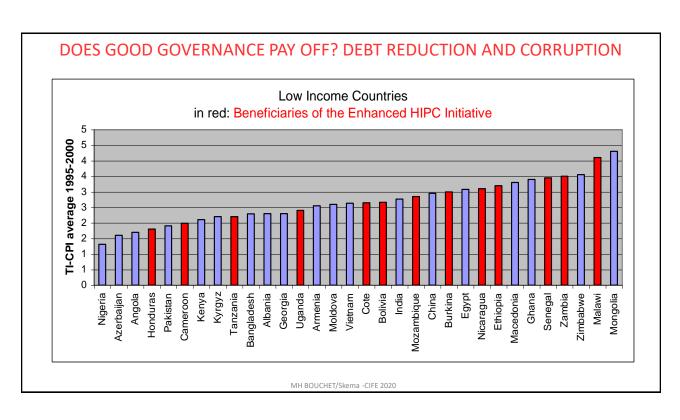


World Bank Group

Joint External Debt Hub JEDH

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Data are in millions	2018Q1	2018Q2	2018Q3	2018Q4	2019Q1	Data are in millions 2018Q1 2018Q2 2018Q3	2018Q4 2
A1. Loans and other credits (Debt of)						1. Loans and other credits (Debt of)	
01_Cross-border loans, by BIS reporting banks	20,155	21,701	23,424	22,195	22,698	1_Cross-border loans, by BIS reporting banks 264,010 235,827 230,055	238,535 2
02o/w to nonbanks	17,230	18,499	20,595	19,153	19,122	2o/w to nonbanks 66,427 62,294 66,982	77,781
03_Official bilateral loans, total						3_Official bilateral loans, total	
04o/w aid loans ARGENTIN	JΔ					4o/w aid loans SPAIN	
05o/w other						5o/w other	
06Multilateral loans, total	18,275	18,211	32,978	47,930	28,062	6Multilateral loans, total 0 0 0	0
07o/w IMF	0	0	14,809	28,113	28,062	7o/w IMF 0 0 0	0
08o/w other institutions	18,275	18,211	18,169	19,817		8o/w other institutions	
09_Insured export credit, Berne Union	24,149	23,103	23,103	22,897	22,897	9_Insured export credit, Berne Union 68,939 61,790 61,790	68,879
10o/w short term	7,040	7,315	7,315	6,519	6,519	0o/w short term 62,278 54,637 54,637	62,146
11_SDR allocations	2,937	2,841	2,818	2,809	2,804	1_SDR allocations 4,111 3,977 3,945	3,933
A2. Loans and other credits (Debt due within a year)						2. Loans and other credits (Debt due within a year)	
12_Liabilities to BIS banks (cons.), short term	16,764	17,310	16,122	16,659	18,347	2_Liabilities to BIS banks (cons.), short term 136,142 127,157 124,859	127,061 1
13_Multilateral loans, IMF, short term	0	0	425	945	998	3_Multilateral loans, IMF, short term	
B1. Debt securities (All maturities)						1. Debt securities (All maturities)	
14_Debt securities held by nonresidents		81,457				4_Debt securities held by nonresidents 793,937	
B2. Debt securities (short term, original maturity)						2. Debt securities (short term, original maturity)	
15_Debt securities held by nonresidents		9,892				5_Debt securities held by nonresidents 49,684	
C. Supplementary information on debt (liabilities)						. Supplementary information on debt (liabilities)	
16_International debt securities, all maturities	129,404	125,274	124,172	123,355	122,776	6_International debt securities, all maturities 561,901 525,192 520,780	518,825
17o/w issued by nonbanks	126,606	122,788	121,918	121,069	120,566		365,453
18_International debt securities, short term	4,189	5,692	5,374	4,625	5,068		52,746
19o/w issued by nonbanks	4,189	5,692	5,374	4,625	4,777		33,544 4
20_Paris Club claims (ODA)				434		O_Paris Club claims (ODA)	
21_Paris Club claims (non ODA)				3,354		1_Paris Club claims (non ODA)	
22_Liabilities to BIS banks, locational, total	24,790	25,500	26,322	24,707	25,399	2_Liabilities to BIS banks, locational, total 457,471 420,753 414,349	421,867
23_Liabilities to BIS banks, consolidated, total	26,722	27,778	26,069	27,296	29,280	3_Liabilities to BIS banks, consolidated, total 394,292 366,833 360,447	356,608
D. Memorandum items: selected foreign assets). Memorandum items: selected foreign assets	
24_International reserves (excluding gold)	59,691	59,268	46,532	63,964	63,775		59,030
25o/w SDR holdings	2,595	3,805	3,730	4,354	3,322	5o/w SDR holdings 4,164 3,938 3,911	3,834
26 Portfolio investment assets		28.716				6 Portfolio investment assets 748.201	

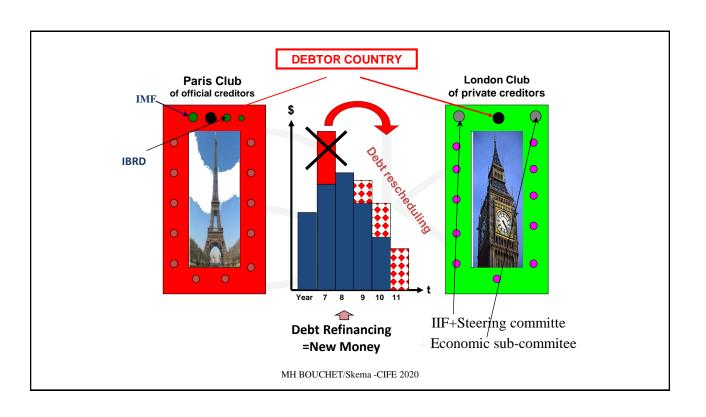




WHO's WHO?

Five main groups of private and official creditors:

- 1. The IFIs: IMF and World Bank + RDBs
- 2. The Paris Club of OECD governments
- 3. Private suppliers: trade debt
- 4. The London Club of international banks
- 5. Institutional investors (pension and investment funds, hedge funds): Eurobond holders



THE PARIS CLUB

KEY NUMBERS	
Total amount of agreements	433
Total amount of debtor countries	90
Total amount of debt	583 Billion \$
Total amount of countries in "Classic Terms"	60
Total amount of countries in "Houston Terms"	21
Total amount of countries in "Naples Terms"	36
Total amount of countries in "Cologne Terms"	33

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PARIS CLUB DEBT RESTRUCTURING

- ➤ Official bilateral debt (government to government) is renegotiated under the auspices of the Paris Club since 1956
- ➤ Since then, the 21 Paris Club creditors have reached 433 agreements concerning 90 debtor countries.
- ► Total amount of debt covered = \$583 billion
- Only official debt + officially-guaranteed credits (Coface, Hermes, ECGD, US Eximbank...)
- ► Total claims on EMCs: \$310 billion
- 10 times meetings/year, for negotiation sessions or to discuss the situation of the external debt of debtor countries or debt related methodological issues (sometimes with the IIF)
- Russia joined in 1997 and Brazil in end-2016, as sizeable lender in African countries such as Nigeria, Angola and Mozambique.

PARIS CLUB: 7 DEBT RESTRUCTURING GUIDELINES

- 1. Consensus
- 2. Comparability of treatment
- 3. Solidarity among creditors with on-going information exchanges
 - 4. Case by case treatment of debt crisis
- 5. Conditionality based on IMF adjustment program and monitoring
- 6. No restructuring of « post-cut off date » debt so as to preserve access to new financing
 - 7. Secretariat provided by French Treasury

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PRE AND POST CUT-OFF DATE DEBT?



► Time + Money = To preserve new money and market access, only pre cut-off date debt is eligible to debt relief negotiations through rescheduling, refinancing, debt conversion and debt reduction

The London Club of debt restructuring



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WHAT IS THE « LONDON CLUB »?

- Since the 1970s, countries facing default have used the London Club process to restructure sovereign debt owed to banks.
- ► The London Club has evolved as an ad hoc forum for restructuring negotiations.
- ► Each London Club is formed at the initiative of the **debtor country** and is dissolved when a restructuring agreement is signed.
- Ad hoc London Club "Advisory Committees" are chaired by a leading financial bank.
- The IIF plays a key role in London Club meetings:

BOP and debt analysis!





WHAT IS THE IIF?

- ► The Institute of International Finance, Inc. (IIF), is the world's only global association of financial institutions.
- ➤ Created in 1983 in response to the international debt crisis, the IIF has evolved to meet the changing needs of the financial community.
- ▶ Members include most of the world's largest commercial banks and investment banks, as well as insurance companies and investment management firms. Among the Institute's Associate members are MNCs, trading companies, ECAs, and multilateral agencies.
- ► The Institute has > **450 members** headquartered > 70 countries.

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MENU-BASED DEBT RESTRUCTURING THE BRADY PLAN AND BEYOND





IS THERE LIFE AFTER ARREARS AND DEBT DEFAULT?

Bank loans may be delinquent on their repayments or in default of the loan entirely = Loss for the bank on expected income

Arrears + Default = Accounting losses in banking portfolios

Loan-loss reserves (provisions against NPLs)

In the event of a default, no loss in cash flows=
the bank will use the amount set aside to cover the loss.
The provision is tax deductible and can be used in the bank's capital (Bâle III)



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THE BRADY PLAN OF DEBT RESTRUCTURING



THE 1989-2019 PROCESS OF LONDON CLUB DEBT RESTRUCTURING

- ► London Club banks grant debt relief to debtor nations, in some proportion of secondary market discount through interest or debt stock reduction
- Accounting and regulatory incentives (loanloss provisioning)
- Shift to specific purpose financing and voluntary lending
- Debtor countries adopt tough macroeconomic adjustment programs under the monitoring of the IMF/WB (SALs)
- Current account financing + Reserve build-up
- Objective: back to market-access for EMCs or to grants for low-income countries

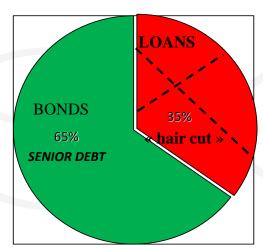
Means and Tools

- ▶ Defaulted sovereign London Club debt to be exchanged for easily tradeable **Brady bonds** guaranteed by 30-year zerocoupon US Treasury bonds which the defaulting nation purchases with its reserves and official financing support (IFIs + Paris Club)
- Principal guarantee + x semi-annual interest payments, whose guarantee is rolled over
- ► Bullet repayment (e.g., 30 years)
- ► Cross-default clause
- ► Debt conversion clauses

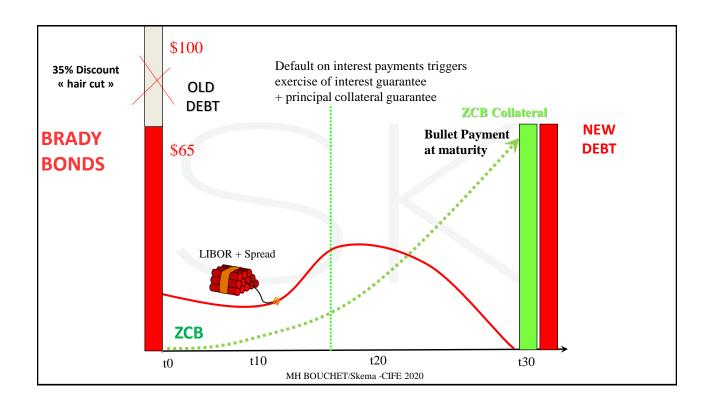
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THE BRADY PLAN IN ACTION

New senior debt with long-term maturity, principal collateralization, rolling interest
Guarantee + cross-default clause



Debt cancellation backed up by commercial banks' reserves for loanlosses with regulatory incentives



VIETNAM = LONDON CLUB DEBT RESTRUCTURING

Brady debt restructuring (12/97)=

- P= 335 million) + (PDI= 515) interest arrears
 - = \$850 million
 - ➤ 30-year bonds with 50% discount + par bonds + buyback at 44%

Paris Club Debt Restructuring 12/1993: LONDON Terms = 54% debt reduction

LEGAL CLAUSES AND CONVENANTS IN DEBT RESTRUCTURING NEGOTIATIONS

- ➤ Waiver on negative pledge clause: it prevents a borrower from pledging any assets that would jeopardize the lender's security: risk of subordination with regard to a senior status lender!
- It ensures **financial equality** and democracy in a community of creditors
- In Brady deals, the Paris Club, the IMF and the World Bank waive the clause

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SNAPSHOT AT VIETNAM'S GOVERNMENT SECURITIES



VIETNAM'S 30-YEAR BRADY BOND 1998-2028 VIETNM Float 03/13/28 \$ 187.500 +.000 86.500 / 88.500 45.493/33.510 At 17:18 Source LCPR Settings Security Description: Bond 94) Notes III III 25) Bond Description 26) Issuer Description Issuer Information Identifiers 11)Bond Info Floating-rate US\$ Brady SOCIALIST REP OF VIETNAM ID Number 12) Addtl Info Industry Sovereigns XS0085134574 bond, with principal 131Covenants BBG00003G1D8 Security Information FIGI Bond Ratings Euro-Dollar 15)Bond Ratings Mkt Iss Brady repayment secured by Country VN Currency USD 1) Exchanges Rank 30YR Fitch Secured Series вв-30-year zero-coupon Coupon Formula 2.250000 Floating Composite BB-S/A US LIBOR +81.2500 US\$ bond collateral + Day Cnt ACT/360 Iss Price Issuance & Trading 21)Coupons rolling interest 03/13/2028 Aggregated Amount Issued/Out 24,552.00 (M) USD BULLET 24,552.00 (M) payment guarantee USD Tss Sprd Calc Type (575)BRADY-FLT RIG YLD Min Piece/Increment 35) CACS Corp Action 1,000.00 / 1,000.00 36)CF Prospectus 37)CN Sec News 38)HDS Holders Pricing Date 03/12/1998 Par Amount 1,000.00 03/12/1998 Interest Accrual Date Book Runner Exchange 1st Settle Date 03/12/1998 39) VPRD Underly Info LUXEMBOURG 09/14/1998 CPN RATE=6M0 US\$LIBOR +81.25BP. PRIN SEC'D BY U.S. 30YR ZERO'S. 6M0 ROLLING INT 66) Send Bond GTY Australia 61 2 9777 5600 Brazil 5511 2395 9000 Europe 44 20 7330 7500 Germeny 49 69 9204 1210 Hong Kong 652 2977 6000 Tapan 61 3 3201 6900 Singapore 65 6212 1000 U.S. 1 212 315 2000 Copyright 2017 Bloombery Finance L.F. SN 319498 HAST-648-0-110-0ct-71 71-41-86 CEST GMT42:00 MH BOUCHET/Skema -CIFE 2020

THE GREEK 2011-13 MENU-BASED « BRADY DEBT RESTRUCTURING » = 65% « HAIR CUT »

- **1. Par Bond** Exchange into a 30 year instrument (4% coupon)
- **2. Par Bond** with refinancing of rolling-over maturing Greek government bonds over 30 years
- **3. Discount Bond** Exchange into a 30 year instrument with 20% discount and 5% coupon
- **4. Discount Bond** Exchange into a 15 year instrument with 5,9% coupon
- 5. Buyback at 35% price (65% discount) of London Club debt (11/2012)
- For instruments, 1, 2 and 3 the principal is fully collateralized by 30 year zero coupon AAA Bonds
- ► For instrument 4, the principal is partially collateralized through funds held in an escrow account.

Calculation: IIF & http://www.voxeu.org/index.php?q=node/6818

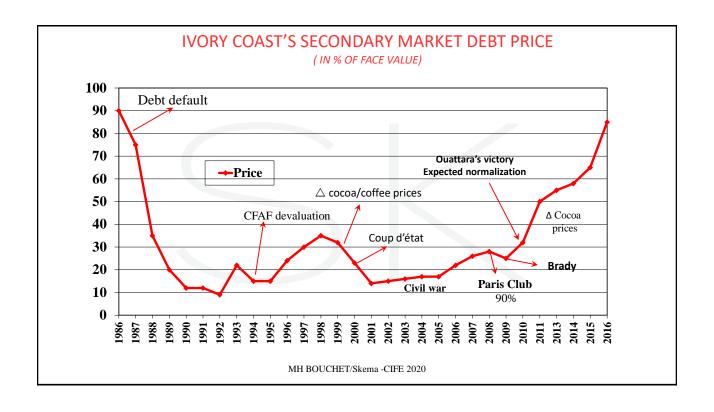
CHALLENGES OF THE GREEK DEBT RESTRUCTURING WORKOUT 2011-20

- ▶ 1. Pari passu: Private investors insist that government bailout lenders would be treated the same way as the private sector, to lessen the risk of another cut in their payouts down the line
- ▶ 2. New bonds issued to private investors as part of the hair cut to be governed by London rather than Greek law
- ▶ 3. Threat of free riders and legal actions: VEGA Hedge Fund

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IVORY COAST'S BANK DEBT RESTRUCTURING SAGA

- >03/1998 Ivory Coast issued six bonds totalling \$2.4 billion under the Brady scheme in a restructuring of outstanding external commercial debt.
- >09/2000 Default on the bonds, following a coup in 1999.
- >03/2009 The IMF and the World Bank declared Ivory Coast eligible for debt relief under the HIPC (highly indebted poor countries) initiative.
- ≥ 03/2009 Paris Club agreement leading to immediate cancellation of \$845 million in debt (80% debt relief)
- ▶ 04/2010 **Debt exchange of the defaulted Brady bonds**, replacing the old bonds with a \$2.3 billion bond **due 2032**, with semi-annual coupon payments and 6-year grace period (2016): discount of 20 percent on the exchangeable debt.
- ► 11/2010 Presidential run-off ballot : Gbagbo is declared winner = civil war
- ≥ 12/2010 World Bank freezes funding
- > 12/2010 Ivory Coast does not make \$29 million coupon payment on \$2.3 billion bond. Failure to pay = "event of default"



UKRAINE'S DEBT RESTRUCTURING 09/2015

- ▶ 20% write off on \$18 billion of bonds, condition for the IMF to press ahead with 4-year \$40 billion package
- ► Main creditors: PTG Pactual, T Rowe Price, TCW, Franklin Templeton...
- ► Inclusion of GDP-linked instrument
- ▶ Between 2021-40 investors will receive up to 40% of the value of economic growth > 4%

HYPER-EXOTIC DEBT PRICES

- Myanmar 20%
- Cambodia 20%
- ► Mongolia 22%
- North Korea 10%
- Argentina (2033 bonds)= 62% following ruling by NY court in 11/2012)
 - Cuba Loans 10-35%
 - Cuba Trade 15%
 - ► Albania 36%
 - ► Bosnia 36%
 - ► Serbia 44%

- ► Irak Bonds 90%
 - Libya 25-35%
 - ► Syria 6-11%
 - ► Yemen 30%
 - ► Angola 60%
 - Ethiopia 60%
 - ► Senegal 35%
- ► Sudan 11-14%
- ► Uganda 14-16%
- ► Zimbabwe 1-4%

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Weak Liquidity:

Angola, Nicaragua, Cameroon, Albania, Congo, Tanzania, Zaire (Rep. Democr.), Zambia, Iraq, North Korea

Limited Liquidity:

Cuba, Egypt, Jordan, Madagascar, Panama, Jamaica, Ivory Coast, Senegal

Moderate Liquidity:

Nigeria, Morocco, Costa Rica, Bulgaria, Peru, Russia, Vietnam

Good Liquidity

Brady Bonds + Eurobonds= Argentina, Brazil, Ecuador, Mexico, Philippines, Poland, Venezuela. South Africa, Turkey

