

### **Economic Watch**

# Global

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### Summary: slight improvement amid high uncertainty

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- Global GDP growth accelerated to 0.8% QoQ in 3Q driven by the rebound in US and the resilience in both EZ and Asia, while the recession in Latam eased
- Our GAIN-model estimates quarterly GDP growth at close to 0.9% QoQ in 4Q, although data is sparse and still does not reflect the uncertainty after US elections
- Strengthening recovery in emerging Asia, mainly supported by domestic demand but also by improving trade and China's stabilization
- Slow exit from recession in Latam on the back of weak confidence and political uncertainty (both domestic and external, interest rates or currency performance) which could be putting a brake on private spending
- Positive signs in developed markets, with the strengthening of industrial recovery driven by improving new export orders
- Improving confidence over 4Q. Strong increase in both manufacturing and services PMIs in developed markets. In emerging markets, service PMI's flattened
- Global inflation stabilized in October driven by a more moderate increase in inflation in advanced economies along with slowing inflation in emerging markets

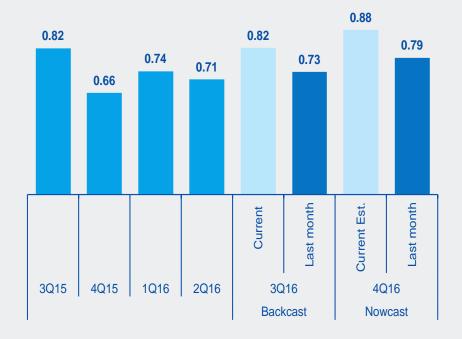


#### GLOBAL GDP Global growth is expected to gain some traction in 2H16

World GDP growth forecasts based on BBVA-GAIN (%, QoQ)



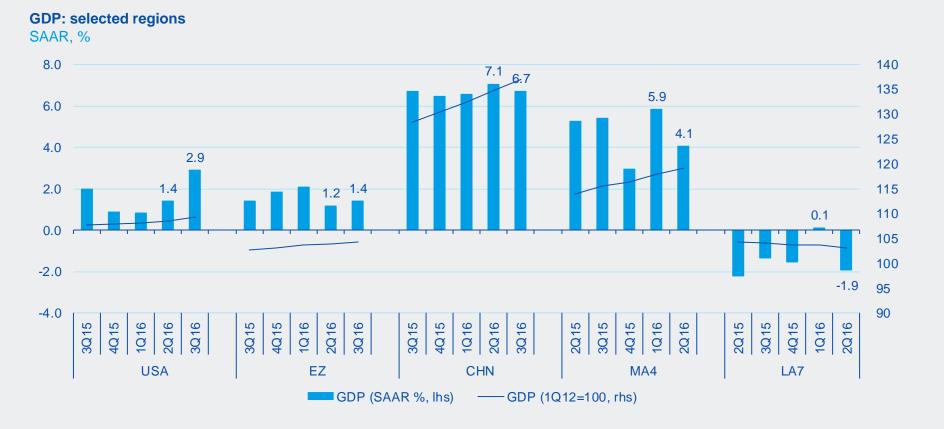
World GDP growth: change in forecasts QoQ %





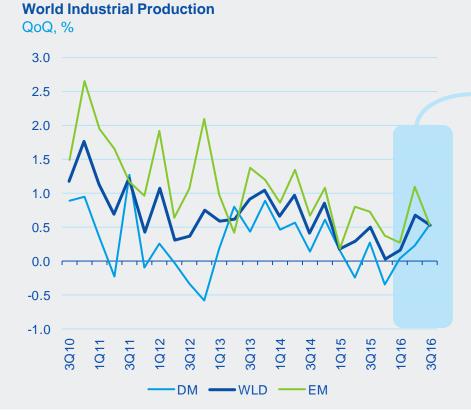
#### **GLOBAL GDP**

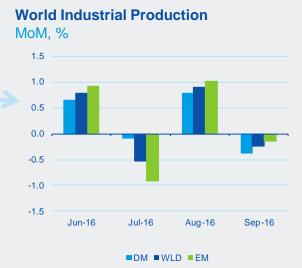
# Rebound in the US and stability in the EZ in Q3, while Asia could have stabilized and the downturn in Latam should have eased





## Industrial production recovered at a moderate pace in 3Q





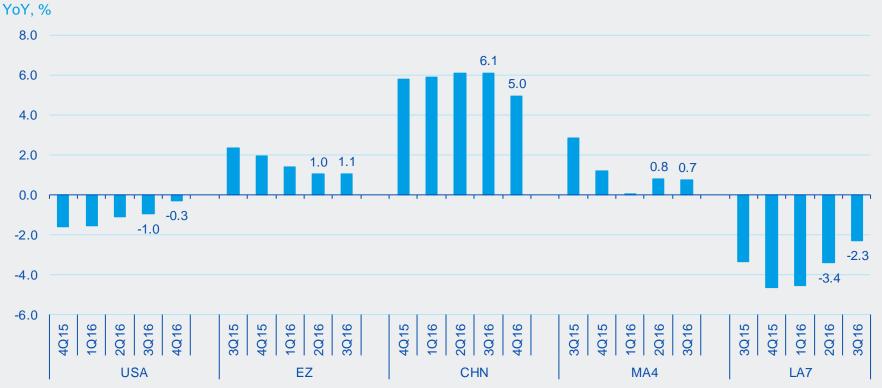
- Despite disappointing figures in September, the industrial recovery in DM gathers momentum in 2016 so far...
- ... while in EM, beyond high volatility, the mild industrial recovery does not entirely dispel worrying signs since early this year



#### INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

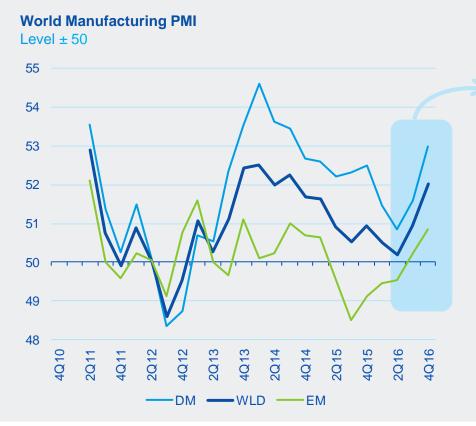
# The cooling of manufacturing in EM was widespread, but more so in emerging Asia, which remained virtually flat

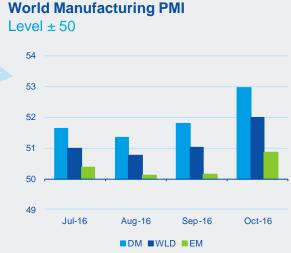
#### **Industrial Production: selected regions**





# The significant improvement in manufacturing confidence in 4Q so far should underpin the impulse of the industrial recovery...





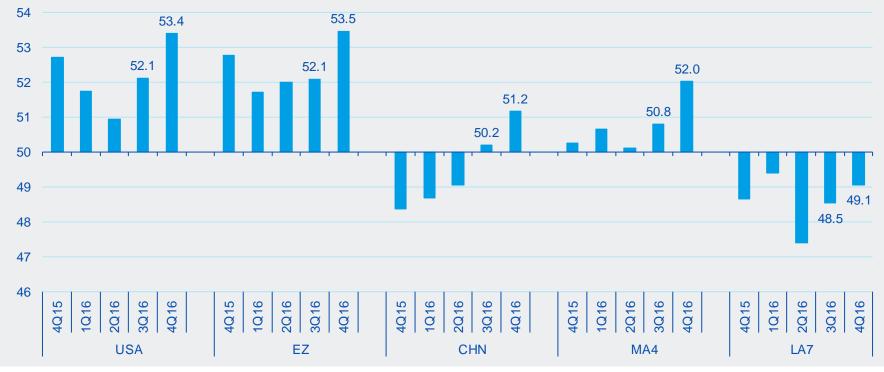
- Increasing new orders across the board in 4Q so far could underpin the momentum of the industrial recovery...
- ... but firms' profits and capex growth remains slow, still weighing on investment



#### PMI: MANUFACTURING ...especially in DM's and Asia, while PMIs remain below the 50 points threshold in Latam

#### Manufacturing PMI: selected regions





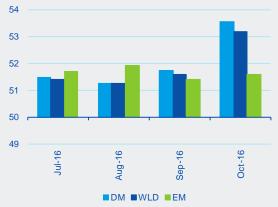


#### **PMI: SERVICES**

## Confidence in the service sector strengthened in DM in 4Q, but flattened in EM after the 3Q rebound



World Services PMI Level ± 50



- Increasing new orders along with the accumulation of backlogs of work and further job creation point to an strengthen pace in coming months
- An acceleration in inflationary pressures was mainly centred on DM



#### **PMI: SERVICES**

# Stable confidence in EM hides heterogeneity across countries, with a worsening in Latam (mainly in Brazil)

#### Services PMI: selected regions

Level  $\pm 50$ 



\* 4Q16 calculated using data for October

**EAG** (Eagles): Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Russia, Turkey, Vietnam



#### **RETAIL SALES**

Retail sales moderated in 3Q after having fallen sharply in September across the board, but still point to robust consumption...



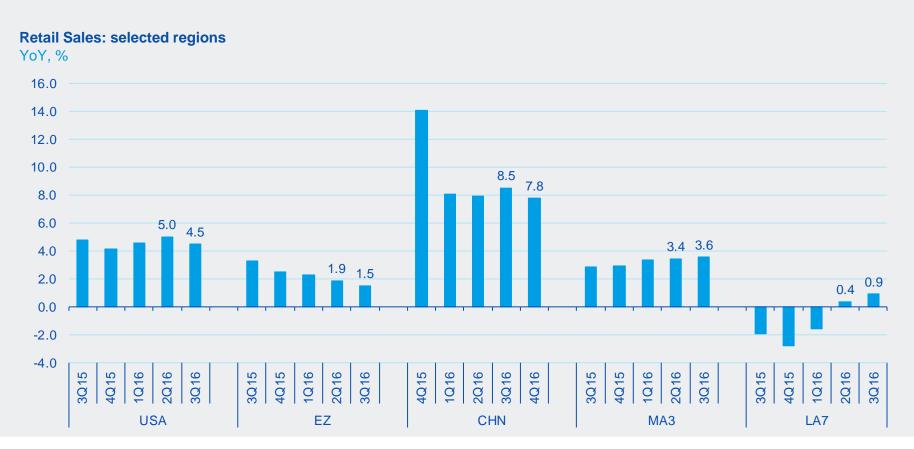


- The robust private consumption in DM's is unlikely to strengthen further in coming quarters
- Divergence across EM: better performance in China contrasting with the slowdown in the rest of Asia, while drops in Latam were registered in Brazil and Colombia



#### **RETAIL SALES**

### ... but is slowing as compared to last year, except in Latam



\* 4Q16 calculated using data for October for USA and CHN

MA3 (Major Asian 5 ex China and India): Indonesia, Japan, South Korea.



# OECD leading indicators point to a strengthening recovery in Asia, and to a steady and moderate growth in DM



Briics: Brazil, Rusia, India, Indonesia, China, South Africa. AS5: (Major Asian 5): China, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea.



#### GLOBAL TRADE Global goods' exports seem to have reached bottom, but fail to gain enough traction

#### World Exports of Goods (constant prices)

YoY %, Index Jan-12=100



### World Exports of Goods (constant prices) MoM, %



- Significant improvement of exports in October boosted by Asia, partly offset by poor figures in Latam (Brazil)
- Still limited data In DM, but exports orders point to a bit favorable outlook in recent months for Europe, while they could be curbed in the US by appreciating dollar



### GLOBAL TRADE

## More optimistic signs on global trade stem from freights: a moderate upward trend is on track





Baltic Exchange Dry Index Index, Jan-05=100



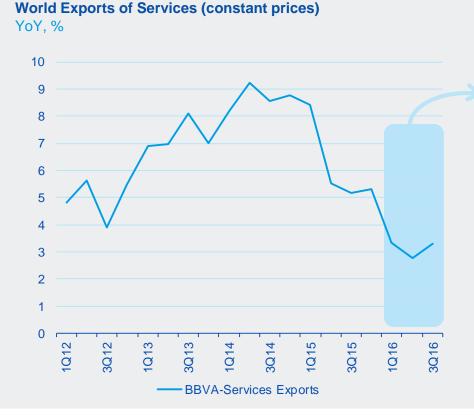
\* **The Baltic Dry Index** (BDI) is an economic indicator issued daily by the Londonbased Baltic Exchange Source: London Baltic Exchange and BBVA Research

Source: Institute of shipping economics and logistics

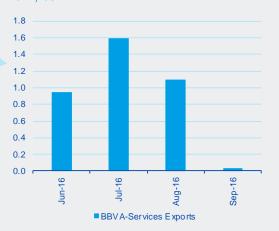


#### **GLOBAL TRADE**

# Exports of services accelerated in 3Q despite disappointing figures in September and reverted to a solid quarterly growth pace



World Exports of Services (constant prices) MoM, %



 Stronger quarterly rates along with drops a year ago point to an ongoing acceleration of services exports in coming quarters

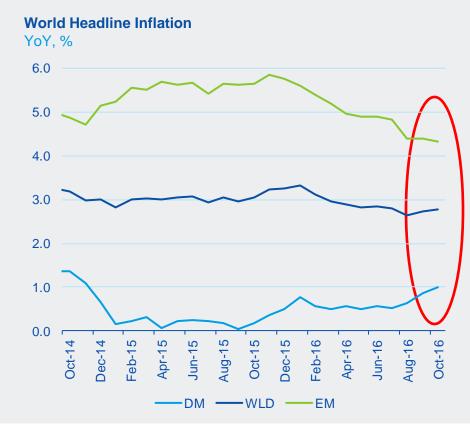


#### INFLATION

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Global inflation stabilized in October as a result of a moderate increase in inflation in DM's...



- In EM's, inflation eased somewhat in the last two months. Currency movements are the main driving force of inflation moderation
- In DM's, recovering inflation reflects the base effects from energy prices that should step up in coming months



#### INFLATION

# ... along with slowing inflation in emerging Asia and in Latam, especially





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