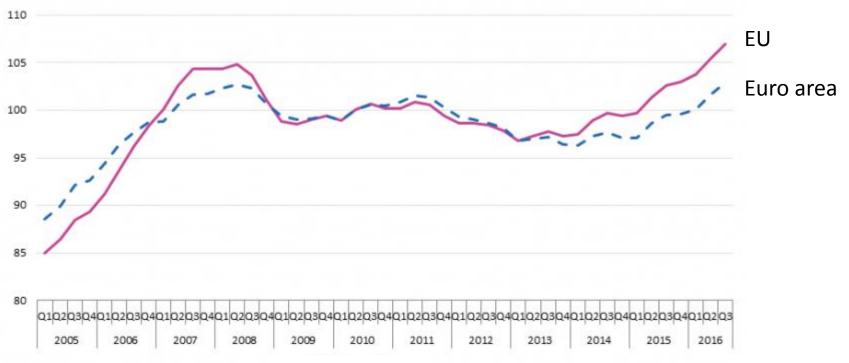


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House price development in Europe

House Price Indices Euro area and EU aggregates, 2005-2016; 2010 = 100



- Dramatic increase of 25% in house prices from Q1 2005 to Q2 2007
- House prices fell after peak in Q2 2008 by more than 5% in one year
- Recovery since Q1 2014



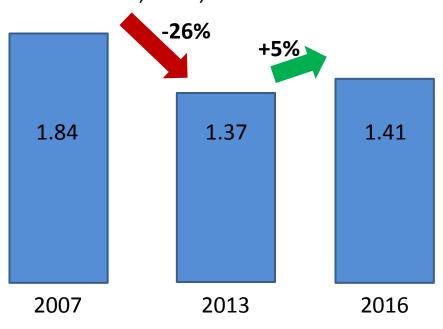
Differences between European countries

- Dramatic differences in house price development within Europe
- Central and Eastern
 European markets, Spain
 and Ireland were struck
 hardest by crisis
- Markets in Austria,
 Germany, Switzerland and
 Scandinavia were resilient

House price development in Europe Q3 2008 - Q2 2013 -20.0% -7.2% -20.2-13.9 0.9 -31.0 18.4 -20.0

Construction output in Europe

Construction output in Europe in trillion Euro; 2007, 2013 and 2016

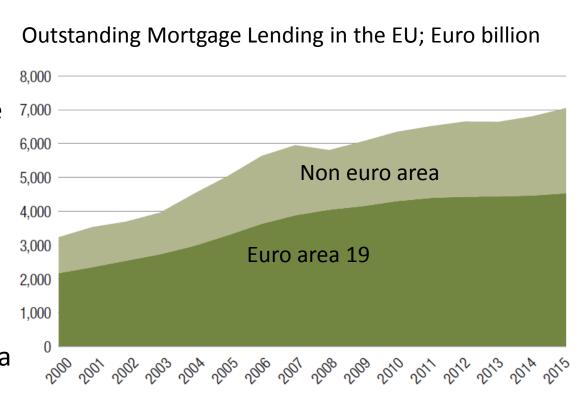






Outstanding mortgage lending in Europe

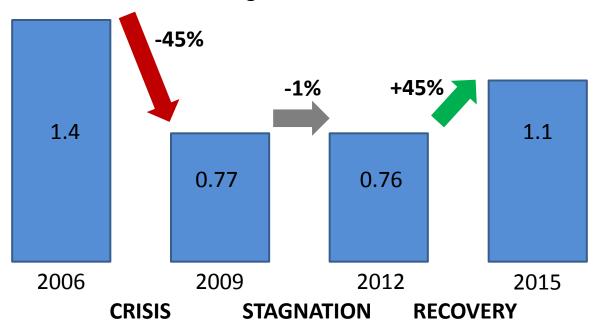
- France, Germany, the
 Netherlands, Spain and the
 UK accounted for 74% of the
 outstanding residential
 mortgages in 2015
- Value of residential lending in the European Union influenced by exchange rate fluctuations of non-euro area currencies





Evolution of gross lending in Europe

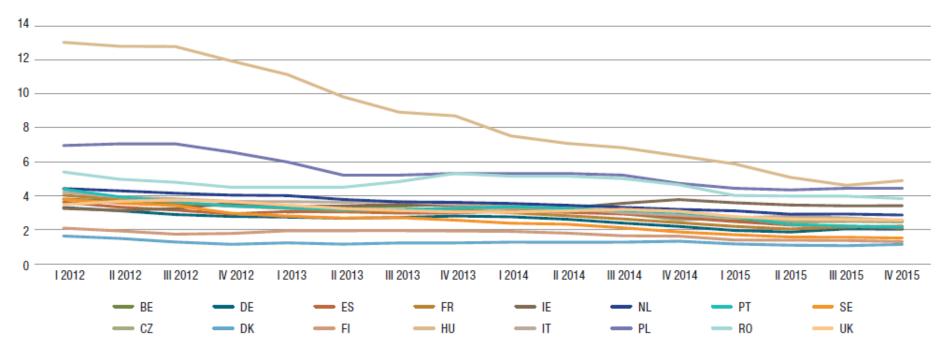
Gross residential lending EU 28 in 2006, 2009, 2012 and 2015; in Euro trillion



- Gross residential lending shows similar pattern as housing market
- Different countries display different trends: while some countries reported in crisis time dramatic negative changes (e.g. Spain, UK), others reported only marginal decreases (eg. Germany)

Mortgage rates in Europe

Mortgage rates in the EU, Q1 2012 – Q4 2015; in per cent



- Same decreasing trend, narrowing differences
- However, large differences for interest rates prevail



Mortgage products in Europe

- Mortgage markets, despite some common trends, remain very diverse in Europe
- These substantial differences exist due to diverse economic circumstances, legal systems, property laws, taxation systems, social policies, cultures and traditions

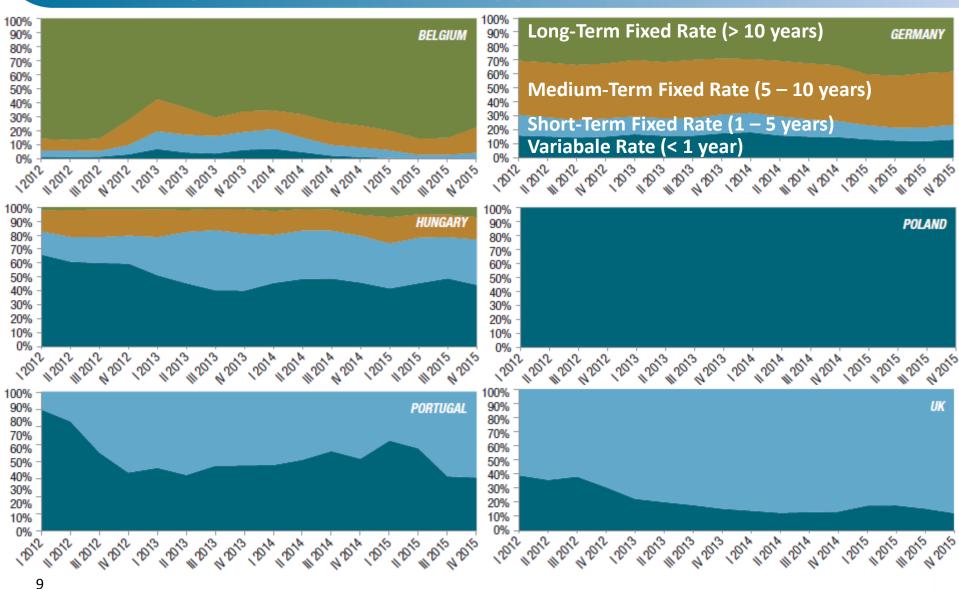


 Consumer choice of fixed versus variable mortgage rates provides a very mixed picture in the European Union

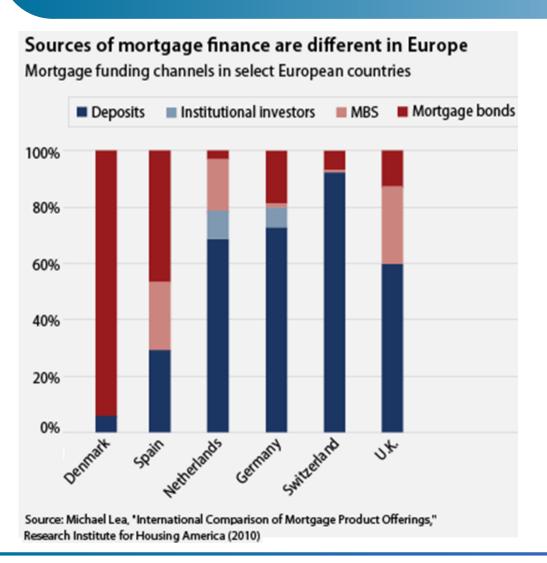




Market breakdown for new mortgage loans by interest rate type



Mortgage funding in Europe



Although bank deposits
 account for the lion's share
 of mortgage funding in most
 European countries,
 diversity prevails also for the
 funding channels



Mortgage funding in Europe

- Funding channel does not allow for a general conclusion on duration:
 - Covered bonds are usually long-term instruments, but in Denmark short-term covered bonds are very common
 - Deposits are usually an instrument with a short-term nature, but contractual savings system, in use in many European countries, turn it into a long-term instrument

Understanding European mortgage markets requires always an in depth analysis!

European Central Bank policy and mortgage markets



- Extremely accommodative policy of the ECB has a direct impact on business models and threatens to bring about considerable structural changes
- Many financial institutions' business models are shaken to the core while their earnings erode.
- Less product choice and favorable terms can be the consequence for customers in the mortgage market
- Significant spread compression between 'core' and 'peripheral' markets masks the different credit risk levels
- Well-timed and well-managed end to the accommodative policy of the European Central Bank is absolutely necessary

Thank you!

Enjoy the conference!

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