

# Macroeconomic Prospects in Ukraine:

Progress and Challenges

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## Ukraine has rich endowments...





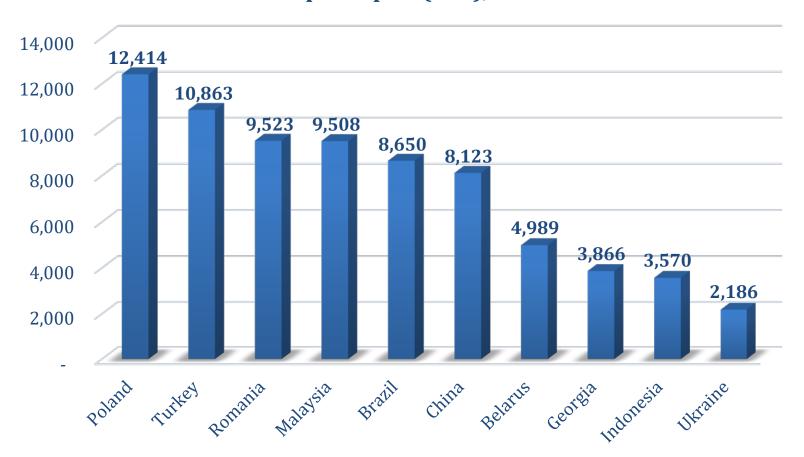






## ...but economic prosperity is lower than in other countries

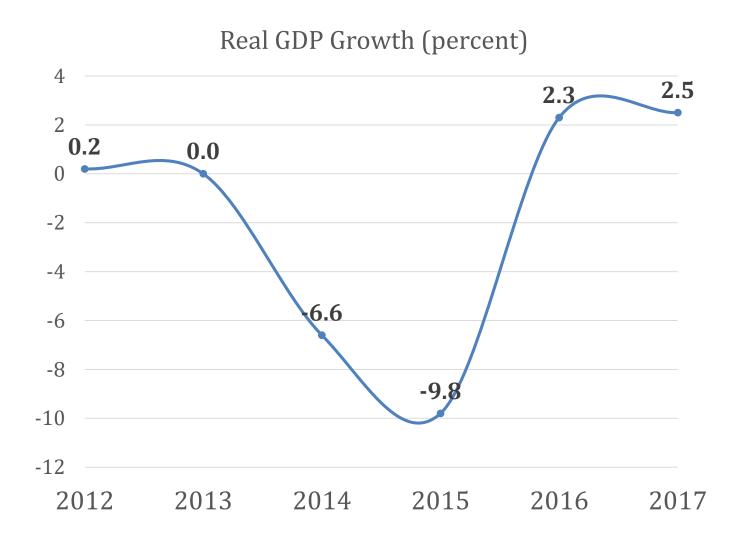
GDP per capita (US\$), 2016



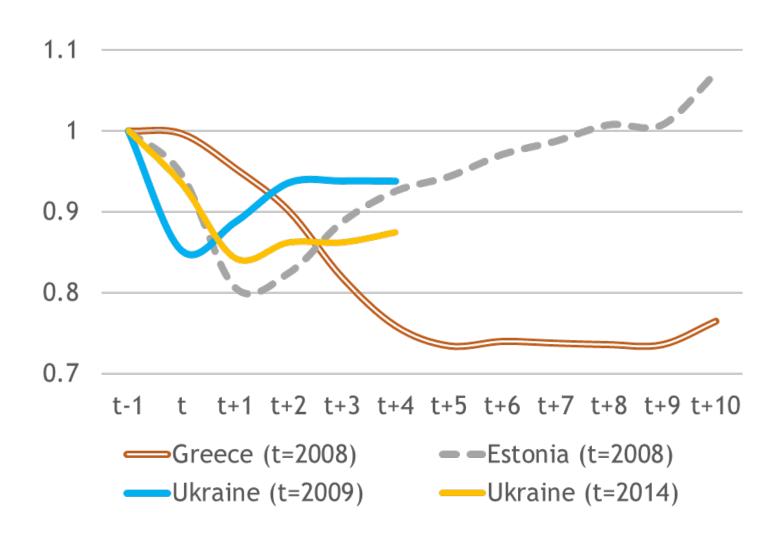
#### The reforms of the last 4 years

- Ukraine has done more to reform policies and institutions in the last 4 years than in the last two decades
  - Flexible exchange rate
  - ➤ Fiscal deficit, including Naftogaz, reduced from 10 percent of GDP in 2014 to 2.3 percent of GDP in 2015-2017
  - > Energy tariff reform to eliminate key quasi-fiscal deficit
  - Banking sector cleanup, with 90+ out of 180 banks closed
  - Key institutions of anticorruption established
  - > Pension reform of 2017: link between contributions and benefits
  - ➤ Health reform of 2017: overhaul outdated health financing system

# Economic recovery in 2016-2017



but the recovery remains weak...
...with the risk of an L-shaped rather than V-shaped recovery



Pending reforms critical to strengthen investor confidence, secure necessary financing and maintain macroeconomic stability

## **Pending Reforms**

- **→** High Anticorruption Court (HACC)
- > State-owned banking law
- > Land reform
- > Privatization
- Strengthen competition and judiciary
- Promote more efficient transport and logistics
- Maintain macroeconomic stability

Thank you