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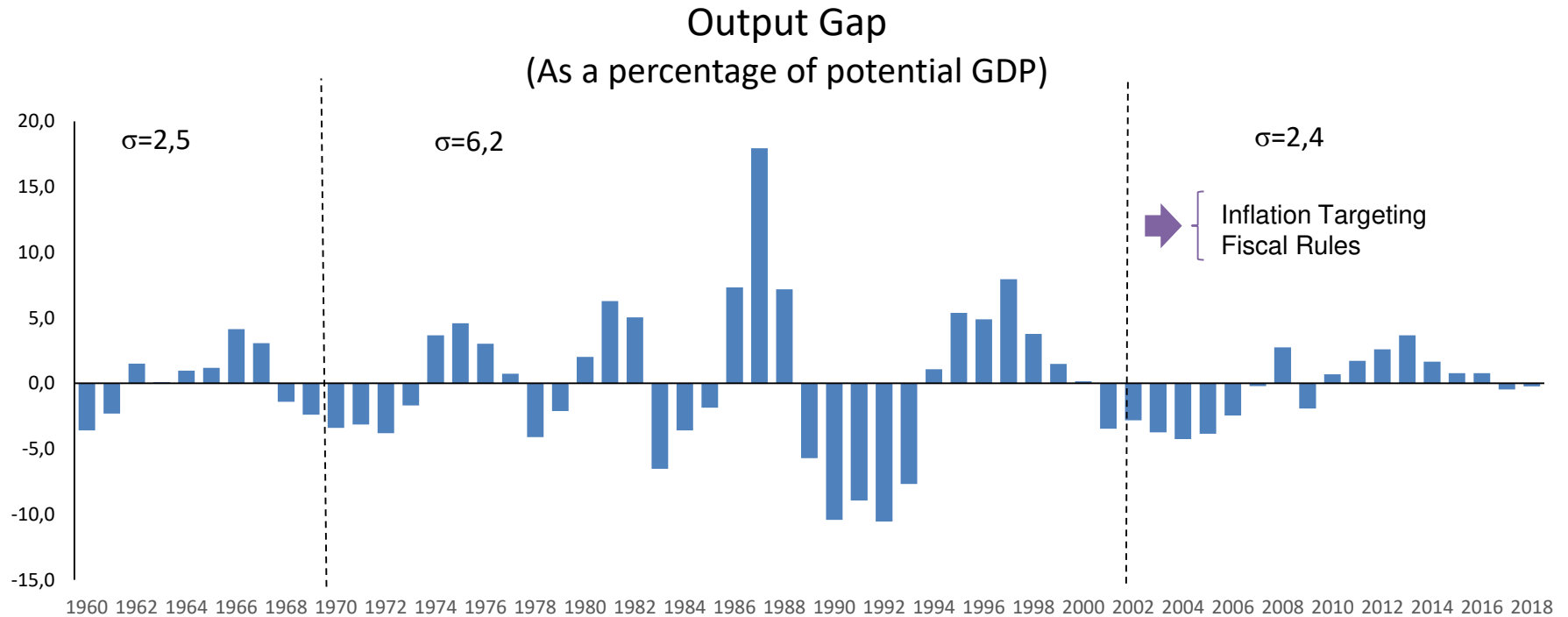
Impact on financial stability:
should fiscal and monetary policy
be coordinated, and if so how?

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During 70's through 90's cycles were volatile, after the introduction of IT (2002) and Fiscal Rules (2000) volatility was reduced more than a half



Implicit Coordination between an independent Central Bank and the Ministry of Finance through the forecast of both institutions

Fiscal Policy:

Multiannual Macroeconomic Framework:

- August and revised in April next year
- Forecast for 4 years ahead

Monetary Policy:

Inflation Report

- March, June, September, December
- Forecast for 2 years ahead



Institutional Framework: Policy Objectives and implementation

Monetary Policy:

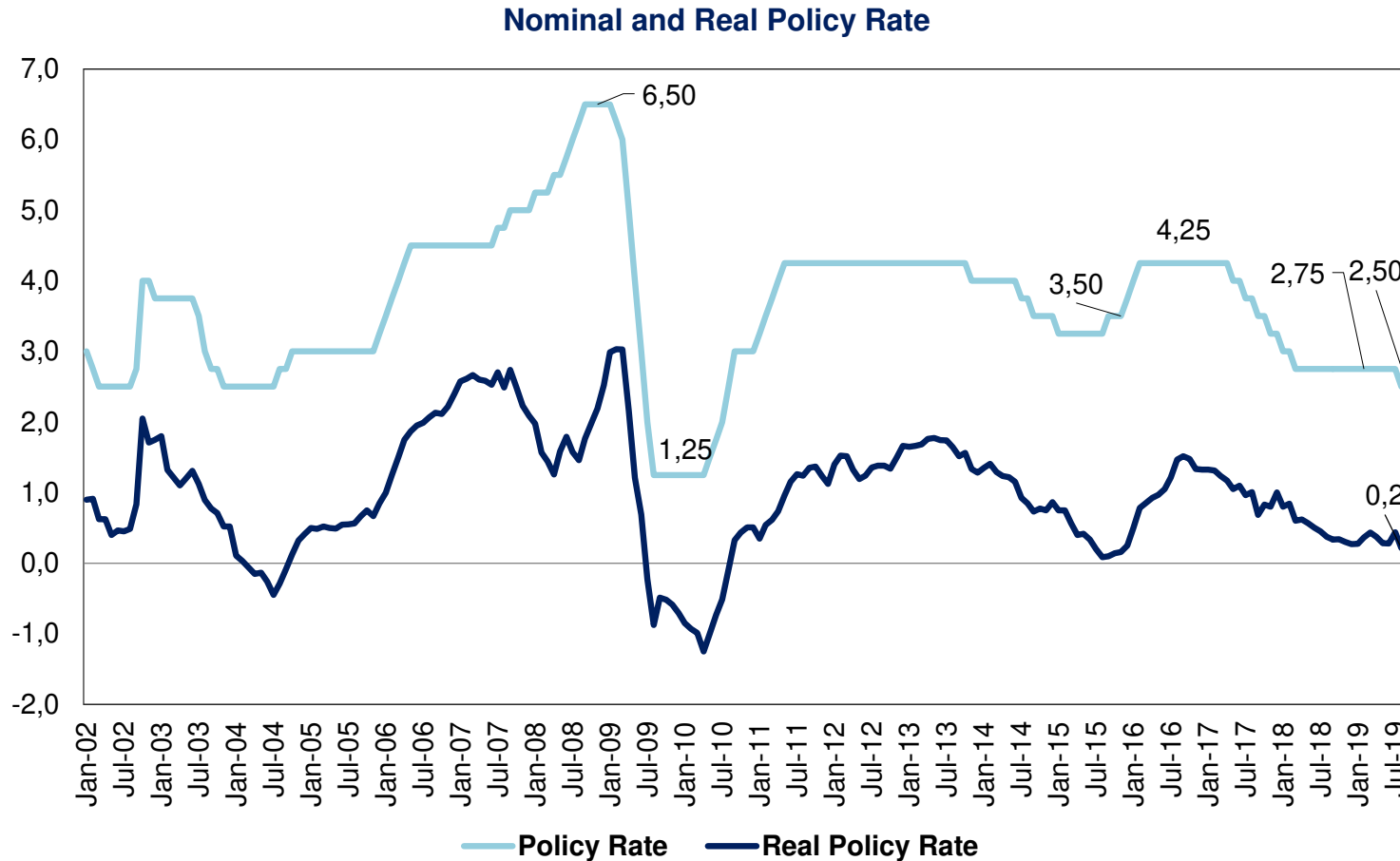
- Autonomous Central Bank with a single objective: price stability
- Public Sector Financing is forbidden
- Inflation Targeting: 2% +/- 1%
- Operational Target: Overnight interbank interest rate
- Monthly monetary policy decision
- Risk management related to credit dollarization: NIR accumulation and reserve liquidity management to sterilize unsustained capital inflows
- Quarterly forecasts

Fiscal Policy:

- Fiscal Rules:
 - Nominal Deficit: $\leq 1\%$ of GDP
 - Non financial expenditure growth: \leq average GDP growth (20 years) +/- 1%
 - Debt ceiling: $\leq 30\%$ of GDP
- Annual Macroeconomic Framework with a 4 year horizon
- Stabilization Fund for external shocks or natural disaster
- Cash Management Committee with Central Bank participation

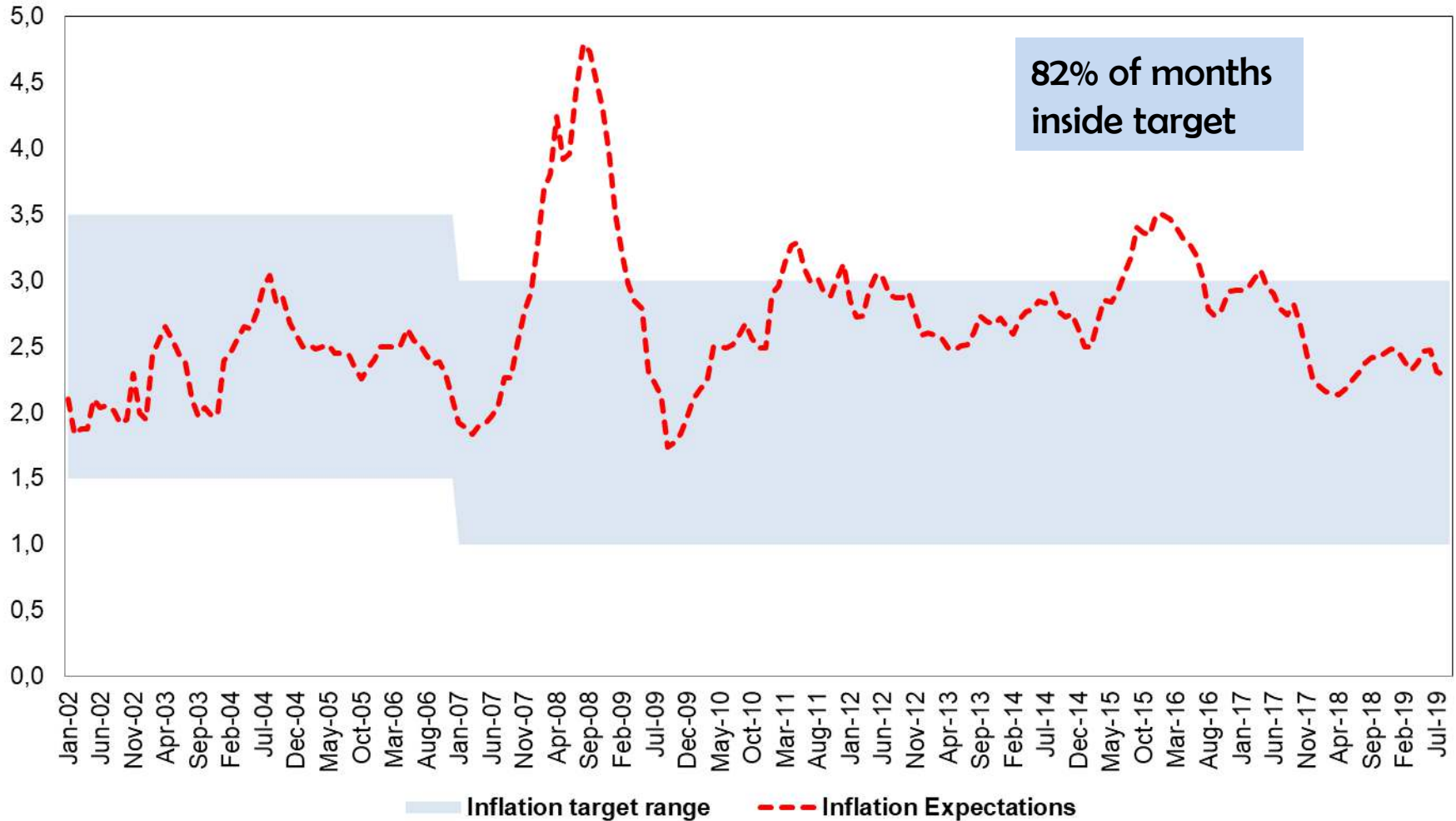


Monthly Monetary Policy Decisions

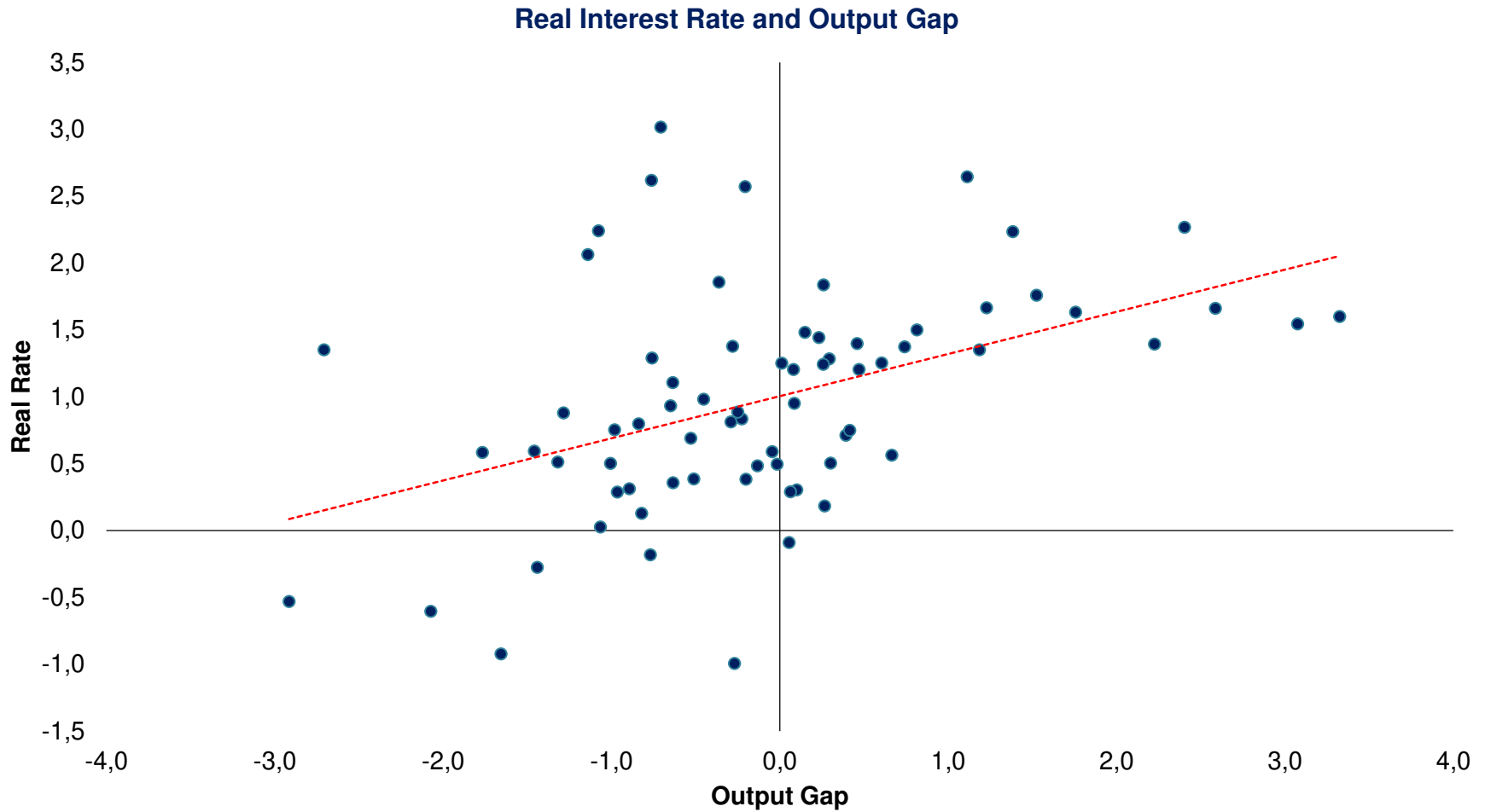


Inflation expectations have remained within the limits of the inflation target range.

Inflation Expectations



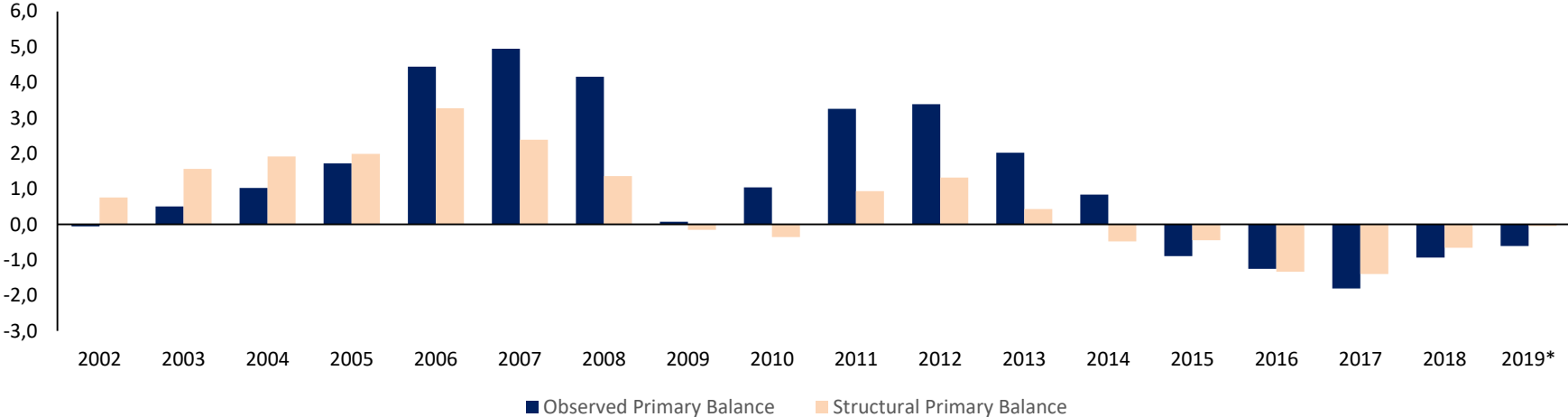
Countercyclical Monetary Policy Stance: increases in real rates as economy overheates



Impact of macroeconomic variables in Fiscal Balance: Structural Balance

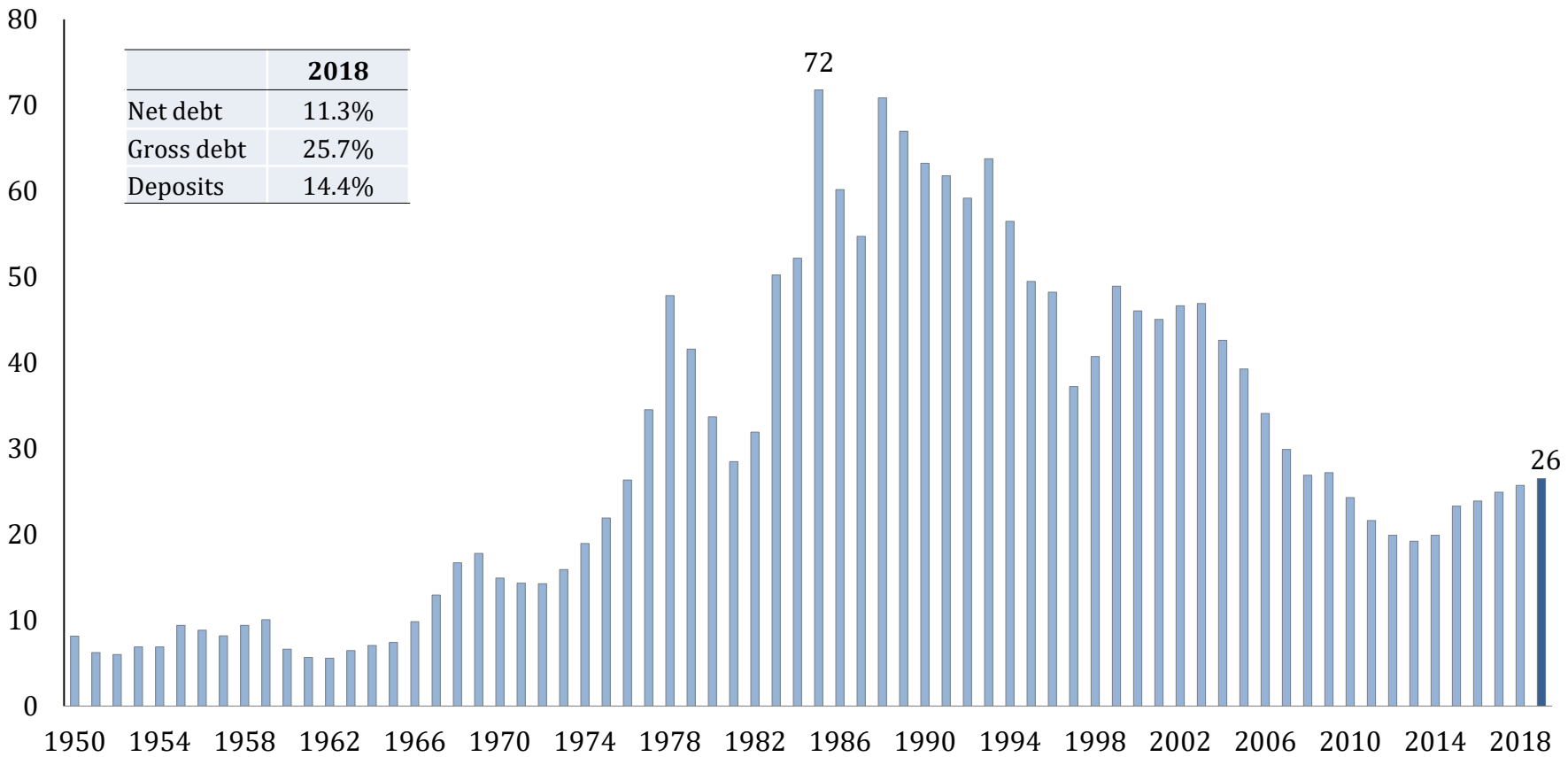
Structural balance discount the Output Gap and Commodity Price effects on revenues

Primary Balance: Observed and Structural (% of GDP)



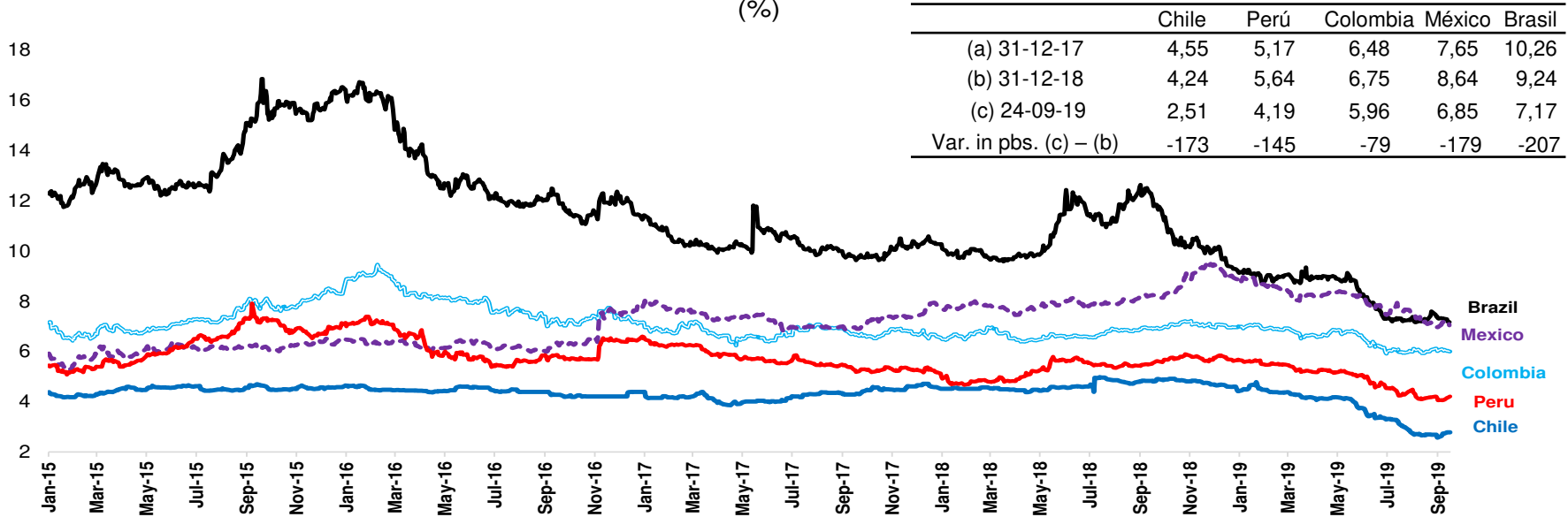
Public debt: From 72% of GDP to a sustainable public sector financing

Public debt (% GDP)



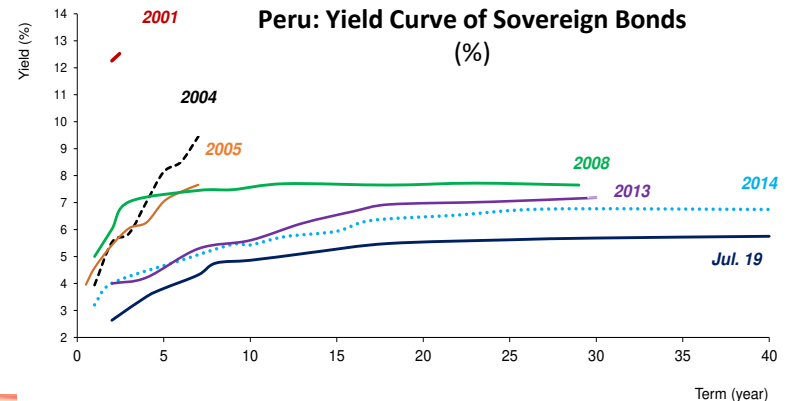
Sovereign interest rates are low due to sound macroeconomic policy (low inflation and low debt)

10 Year Treasury Yield in Domestic Currency (%)

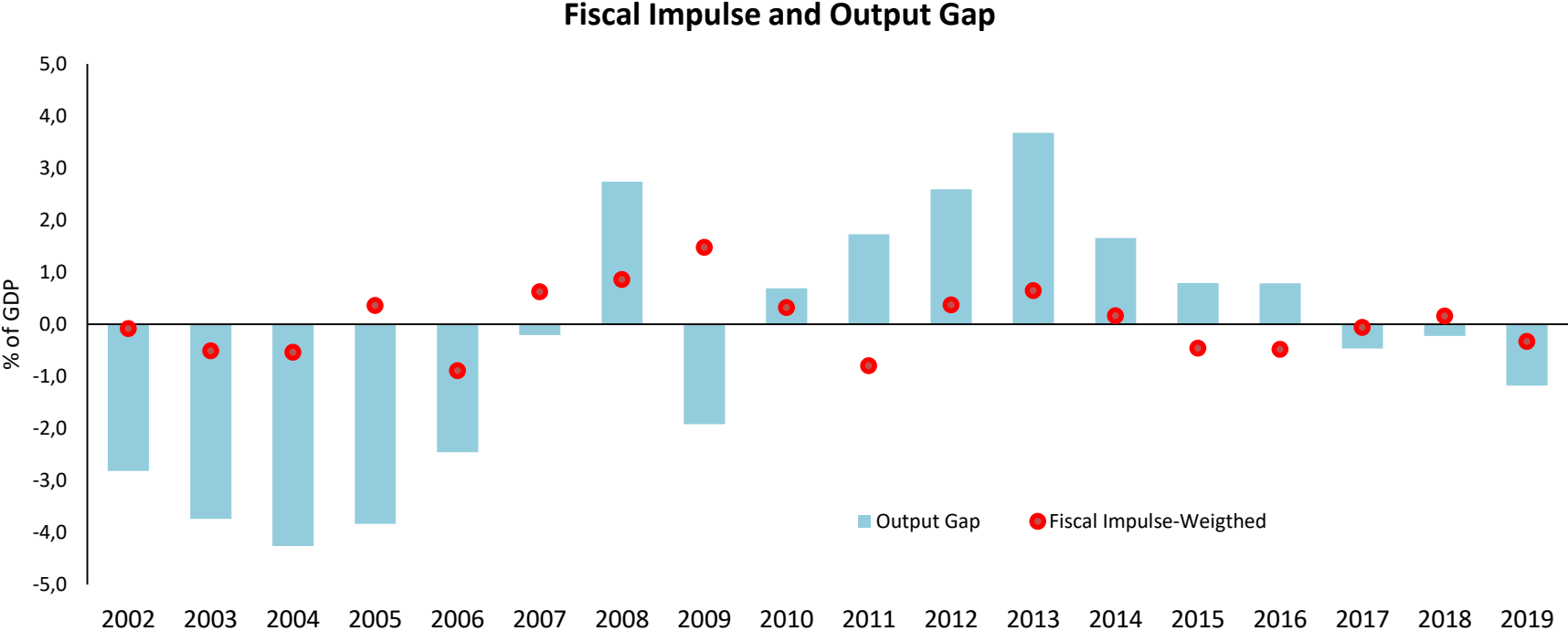


Source: MEF and Bloomberg

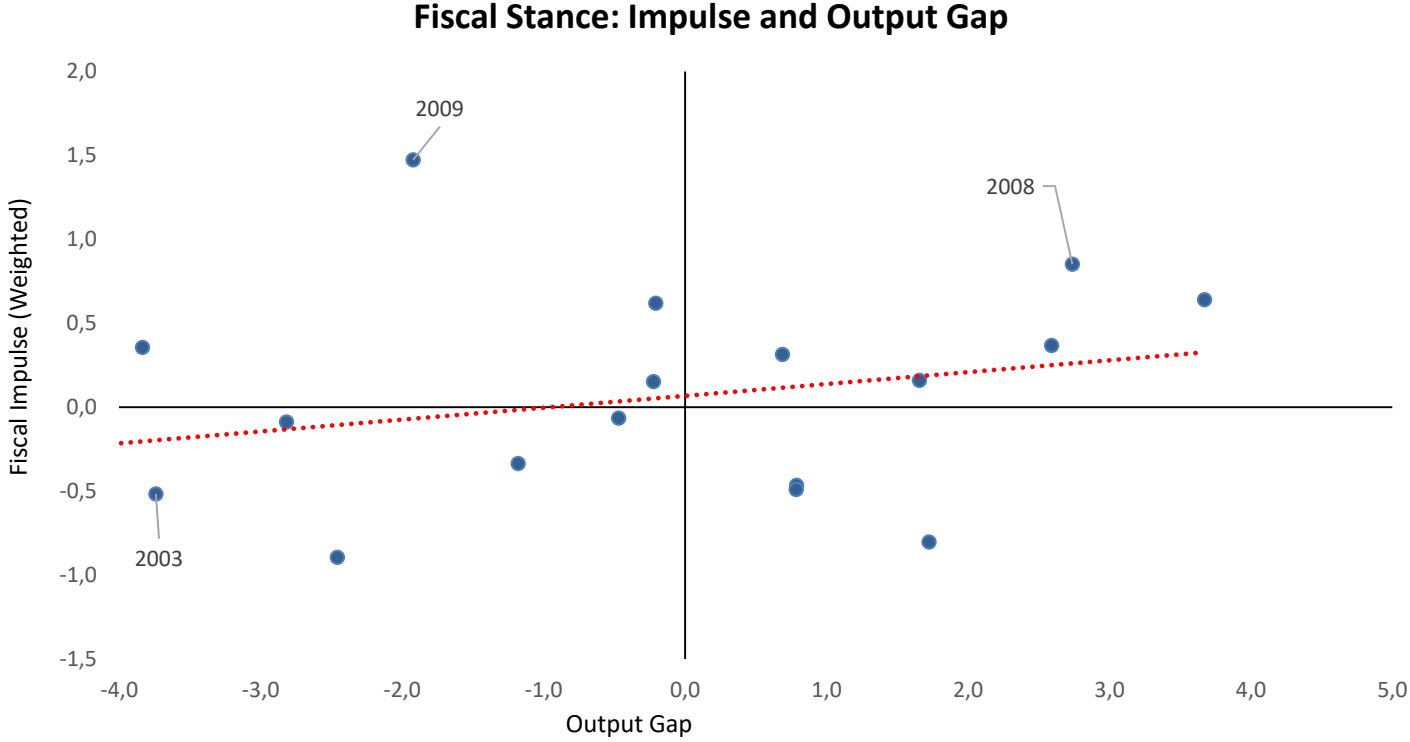
Development of the yield curve in domestic currency



Fiscal Stance: Change in the Structural Primary Balance weighted by multiplier impact of the fiscal instruments



Fiscal Stance: Episodes of procyclical policy during expansions and recessions



On average some degree of procyclicality in fiscal policy

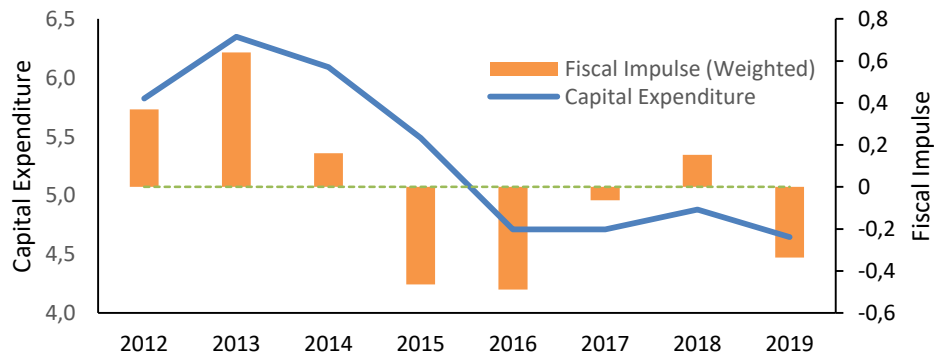


Determinants of Fiscal Procyclicality: Problems in procurement and Management (mainly Subnational governments)

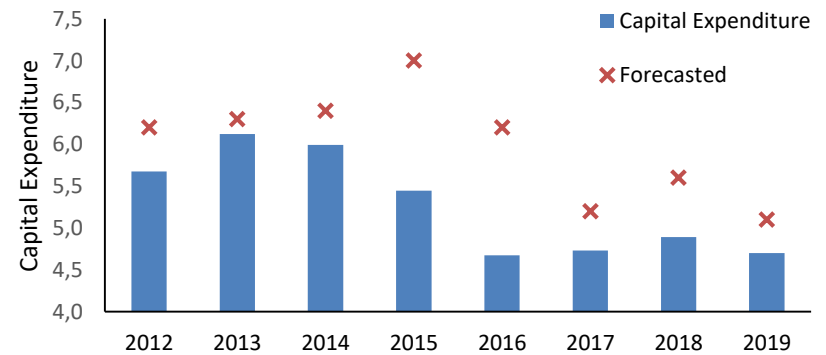
Recent episodes of fiscal contractions in a context of reduction in public investment.

Lower investment than planned due to management problems

Capital Expenditure and Fiscal Impulse
(% Potential GDP)



Capital Expenditure
(% GDP)



Looking Ahead: Reducing Fiscal Procyclicality

- Adopt a countercyclical fiscal rule in which the fiscal impulse compensate the output gap:

$$FI = -a * b$$

where a is the parameter of policy response and b is the output gap.

Therefore the Structural Primary Balance (SR) of the period would be:

$$SR(t) = SR(t-1) - FI$$

- Establish blocks of public investment to be implemented when a fiscal expansion is needed, or postponed when a restrictive stance is appropriated

