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Infrastructure Needs in Developing Countries

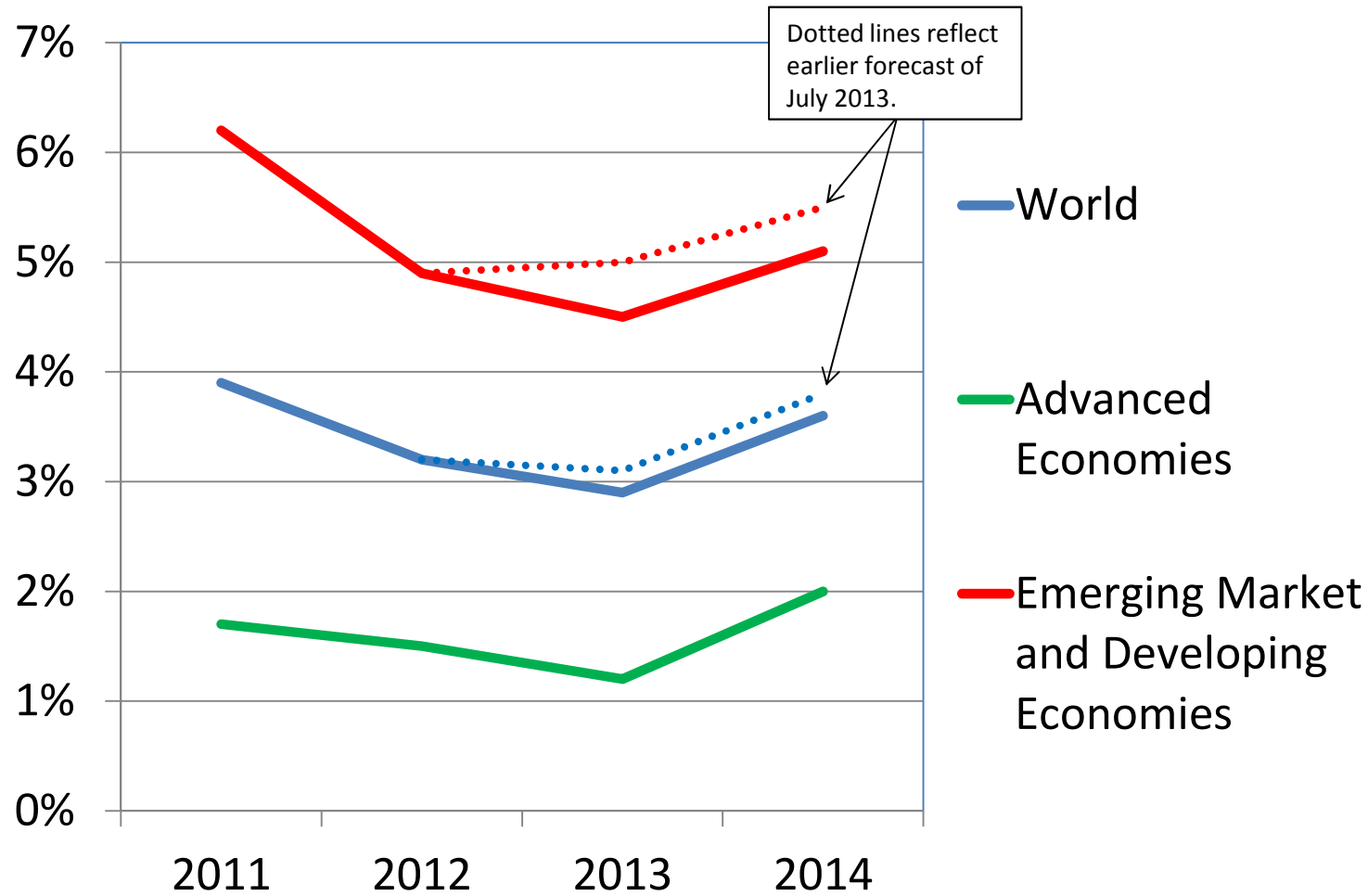
Infrastructure funding gaps in the developing world are massive.

	Africa	East Asia / Pacific	Latin America	Middle East/ North Africa	South Asia
Annual Investment Needs	\$93 B	\$407 B	\$81 B	\$79 B	\$191 B
Annual Infrastructure Spending	\$43 B	\$207 B	\$44 B	\$44 B	\$46 B
Ratio of Infrastructure Needs Funded	49%	51%	54%	56%	24%

Source: World Bank

Global Growth Trends

Emerging and developing economies still dominate global growth.



Source: IMF World Economic Outlook, October 2013

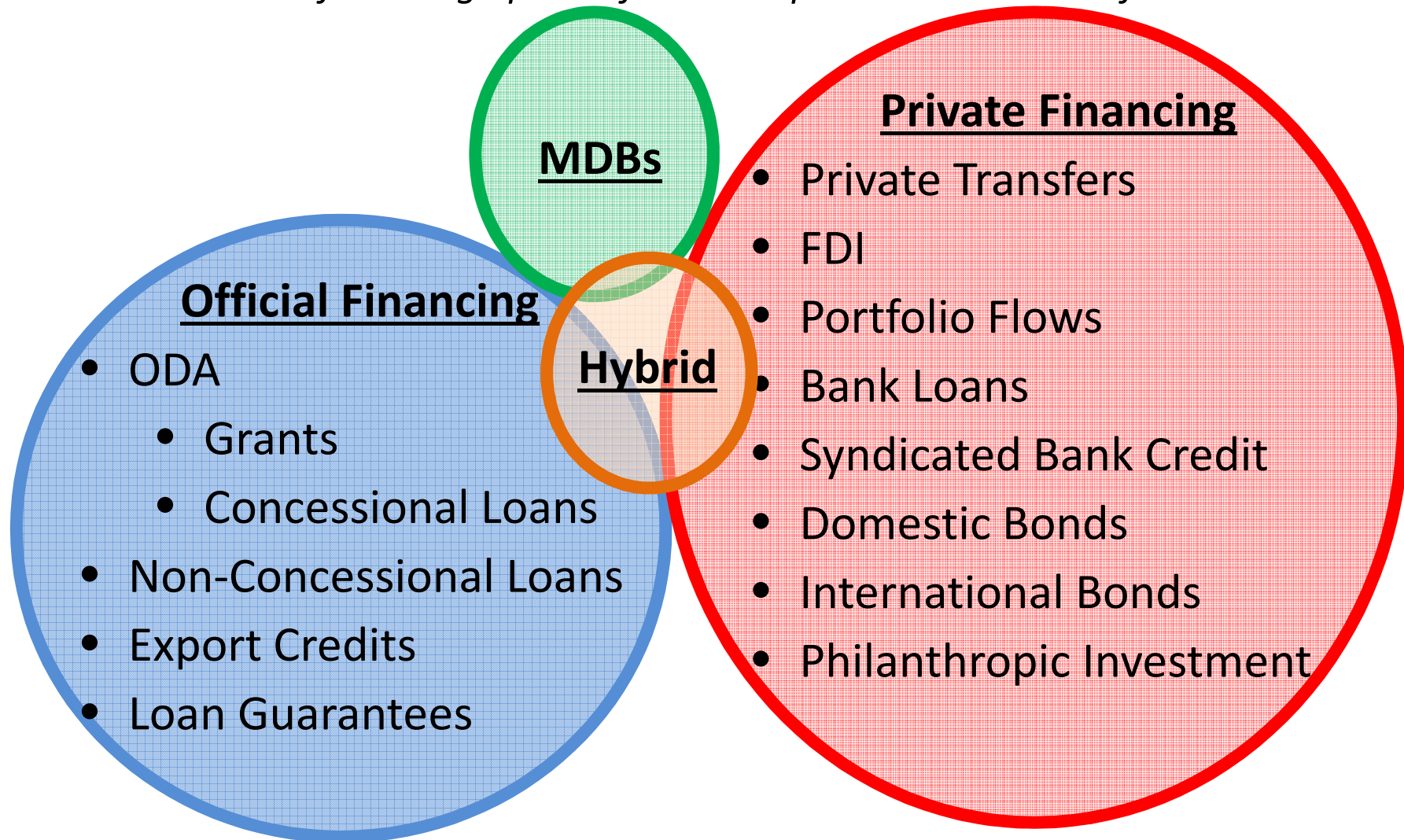
Changing Global Macro-Economic Environment

The global economy is entering a new transition.

- Slower growth in emerging and developing economies
- Recovery in some advanced economies
- Lower commodity prices
- Tighter financial conditions
- Evolving global financial architecture

New Global Debt Landscape

There are more financing options for development than ever before.



Developing a Debt Management Strategy

...begins with the right questions:

- Who's involved? Who's in charge?
- What are your objectives?
- What are your financing options?
- What circumstances may change?
- What circumstances can you change?
- What are the risks?

Debt Management “Good Practices”

Successful debt management strategies may include:

- Documented debt strategy
- Debt Sustainability Analysis (DSA)
- Centralized, empowered debt management office
- Formal and transparent decision making
- Defined criteria for debt financing
- Financing to match projects
- Communication plan
- Expert advice
- Considers risks, plans for contingencies
- Monitoring and feedback

Debt Management Resources

A wide range of capacity building initiatives are available to borrowers.

UNCTAD: Debt Management and Financial Analysis System (DMFAS)

World Bank: Debt Management Performance Assessment (DeMPA) and Debt Management Facility (DMF)

Commonwealth Secretariat: Debt Recording and Management System (CS-DRMS)

OECD: Debt Management Workshops and Center

Thank You!

