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#### **EUROPE – A POWERHOUSE IN THE FUTURE?**





## Key messages



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Competition is the engine of innovation



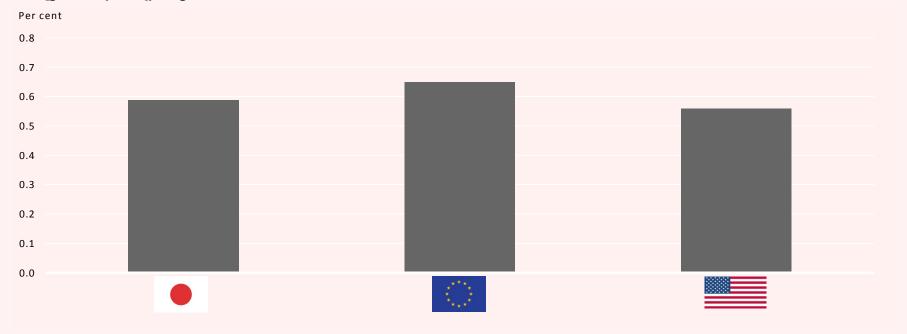
Ageing will weigh on future growth



EU needs a single market for financial services

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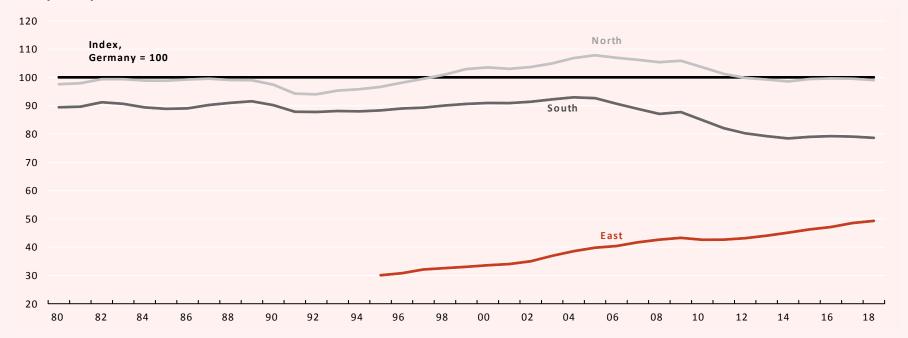
#### Average GDP per capita growth 2008-17





# **Europe** is a tale of three

#### **GDP per capita 1980-2018**

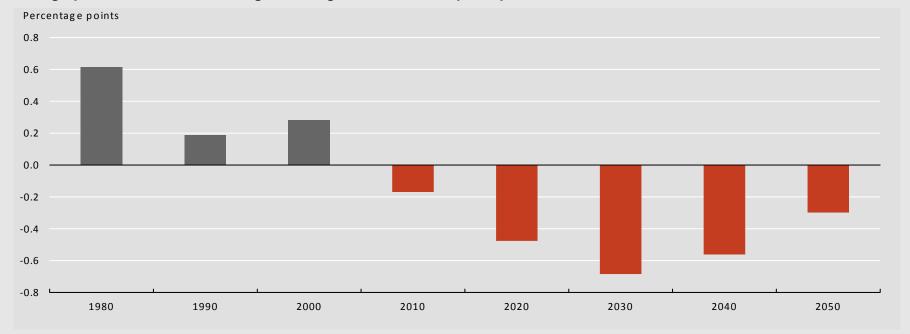




Note: GDP is measured at purchasing power parity. Source: IMF.

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#### Demographic contribution to average annual growth in EU GDP per capita

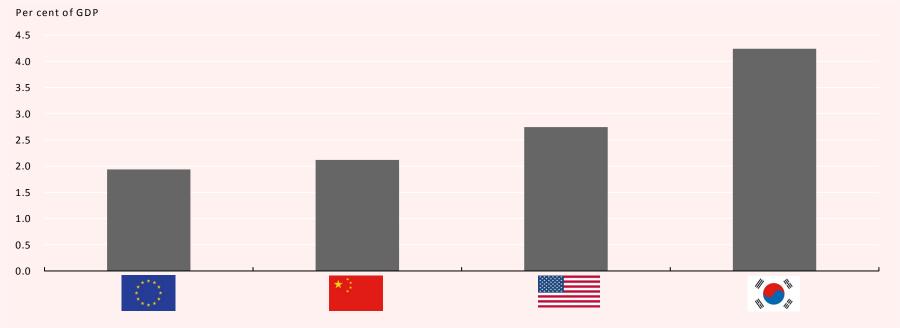




Source: The estimates are based on the methodology in Jinill Kim, The Effects of Demographic Change on GDP Growth in OECD Economies, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, *IFDP Notes*, 2016, and population projections from the United Nations:

# Europe faces a R&D gap... ...but prosperous neighbours do not make us worse off

#### **R&D** expenditures





### Global competition is the engine of innovation





Note: The bubbles are scaled to match the number of PCT patent applications. A larger bubble indicates more patents.

## Regional dimension to European innovation

Patent applications in top regions



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## A single market for financial services – What's in it for you?

- Increases competition
- Free movement of financial services
- 500 million customers
- Improves efficiency and allocation of resources
- Reduces trade costs



