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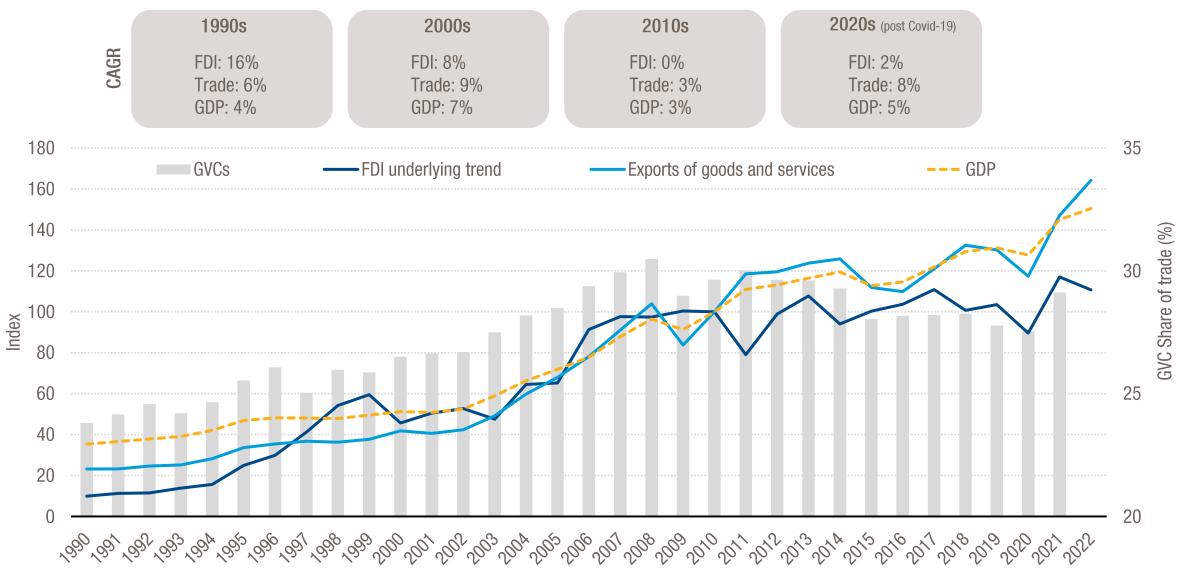




> FDI lost pace with trade and GDP growth



FDI, trade and GDP trends, indexed 2010 = 100



International investment in SDG sectors in developing countries declined in 2023 Investment SDG sectors, developing economies (Growth, 2022-23) **Project values Project number** Infrastructure -10% +8% **Renewable Energy** -13% -5% Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) -31% -17% **Agrifood Systems** -27% +13%**Health and Education** +6%-14%



> Trends in infrastructure investment



Transportation Power Renewables Telecommunications 2010-2012 2015-2017 2021-2023 2024* 2024* 2010-2012 2015-2017 2021-2023

Note: 2024* estimated on the basis on 3Q data

World

Developing countries

> International project finance in ports infrastructure is struggling, although project numbers are increasing

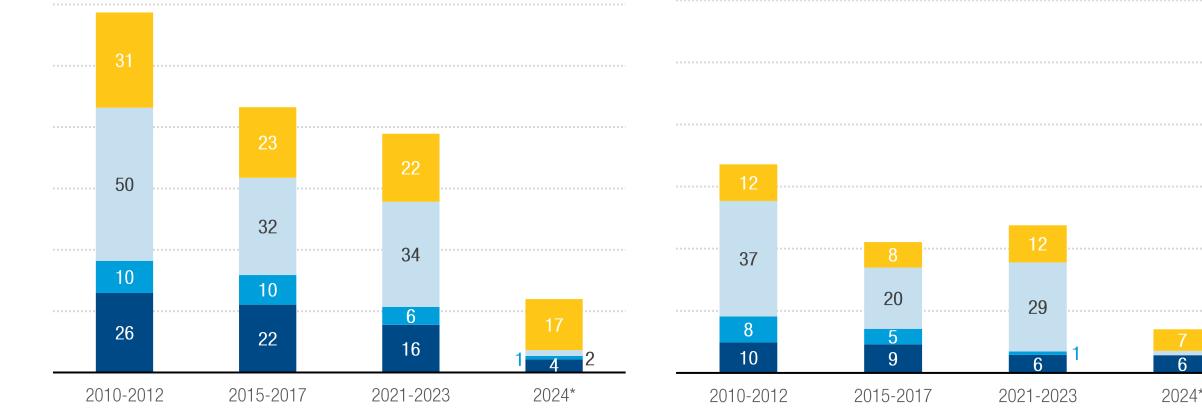


Average yearly investment in transportation, international project finance (Billions of dollars)

World

Developing countries

Ports & container terminals Airports Rails and local transport Roads /Tunnel /Bridge



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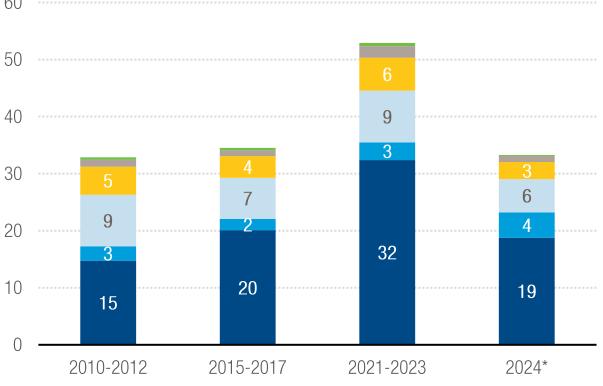
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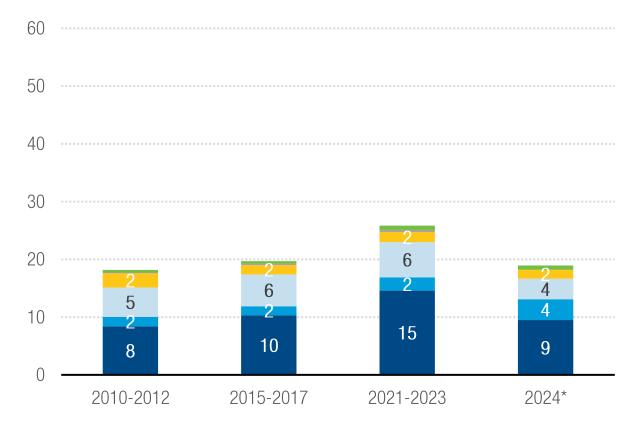
Average yearly investment in transportation, greenfield investment (Billions of dollars)

World

Developing countries

Truck / Freight Water transportation Warehousing Air transportation Couriers/Postal / Other Rail & ground passenger





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Few projects explicitly consider the needs of the energy transition



Top -10 project deals, international project finance, developing countries

YEAR	PROJECT NAME	HOST ECONOMY	PROJECT COST (Millions of dollars)	SPONSOR	HOME ECONOMY
2022	Abu Amama Port Project	Sudan	4 000	Abu Dhabi Ports Dal Group	United Arab Emirates Sudan
2019	Chancay Multi-Purpose Port Terminal Phase 1 Project	Peru	3 000	COSCO SHIPPING Volcan Cia Minera	China Peru
2024	Yilport Acajutla Port Expansion Project	El Salvador	1 600	Yilport Holding	Türkiye
2019	Susah Deep Sea Port Project	Libya	1 600	Guidry Group	United States
2020	Abu Qir Port Terminal Project	Egypt	730	CK Hutchison	Hong Kong
2019	Toyota JBIC Port Project	Angola	643	Japan Bank for International Cooperation Toyota Tsusho Corp	Japan Japan
2023	New Mole Port PPP project	Republic of Congo	500	Abu Dhabi Ports	United Arab Emirates
2022	Quang Tri Southeast Economic Zone Seaport Project	Vietnam	500	Bb Group Quantum Group	Viet Nam United States
2020	San Juan de Marcona Port Terminal PPP Projec	t Peru	405	Ministry of Transport & Communications Strike Resources	Peru Australia
2021	Cote D'Ivoire Terminal Port Project	Ivory Coast	364	Bollore	France

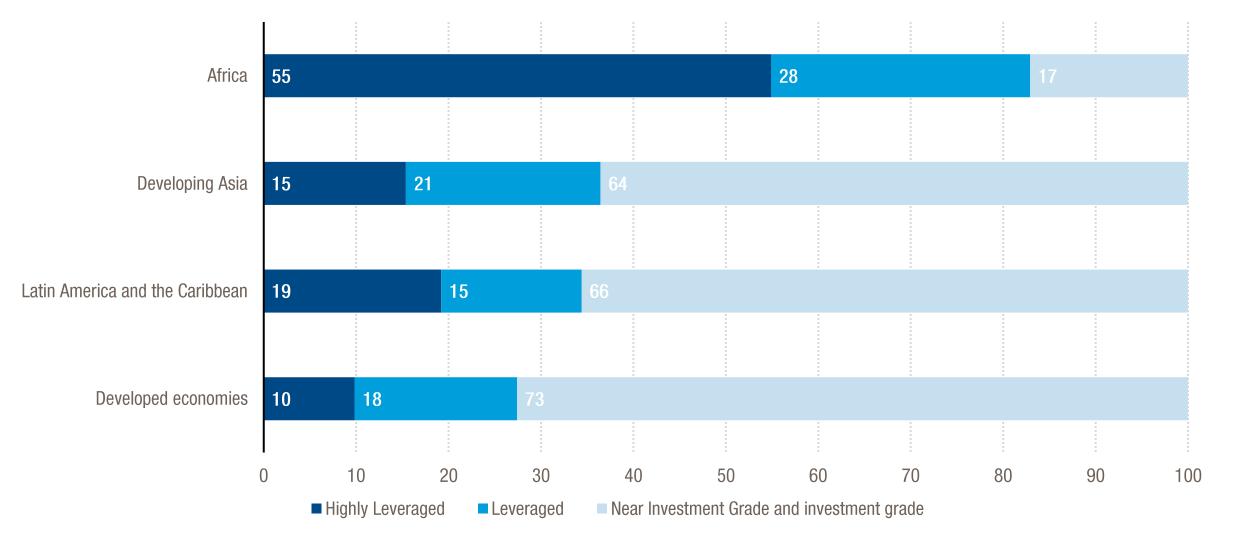




> Developing countries face higher cost of capital



Loan yield type of international SDG infrastructure projects, by region (Per cent)

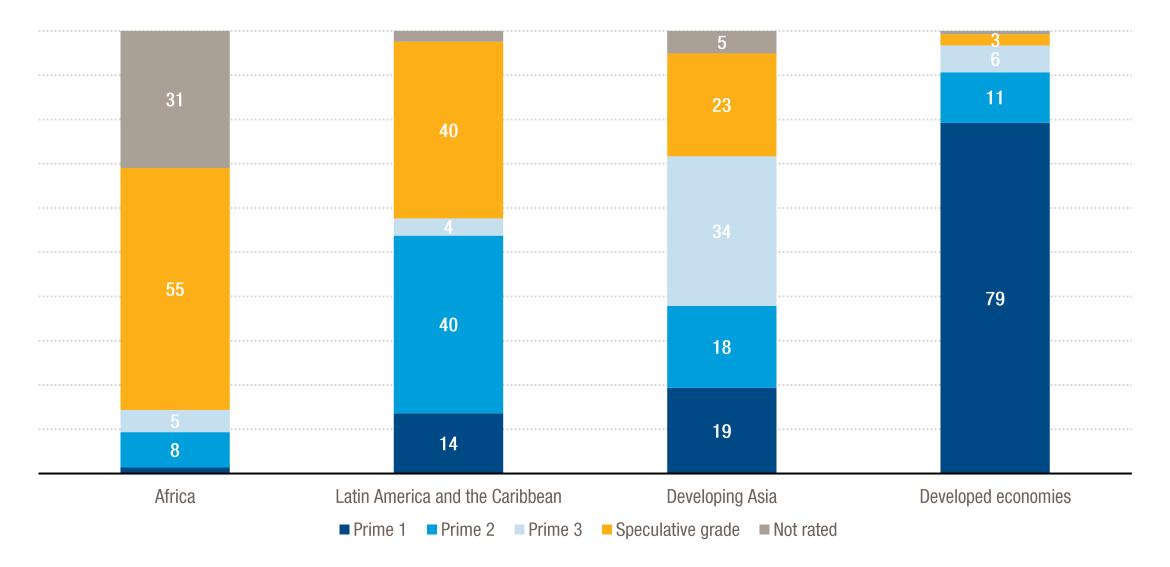


The cost of capital in 2021 in large developing economies was two to three times higher than in developed economies and China Indicative weighted average cost of capital of utility-scale solar photovoltaic projects, 2021 (Per cent) 12 EU United States China India Mexico Brazil Indonesia South Africa

> Financing costs reflect differences in credit ratings

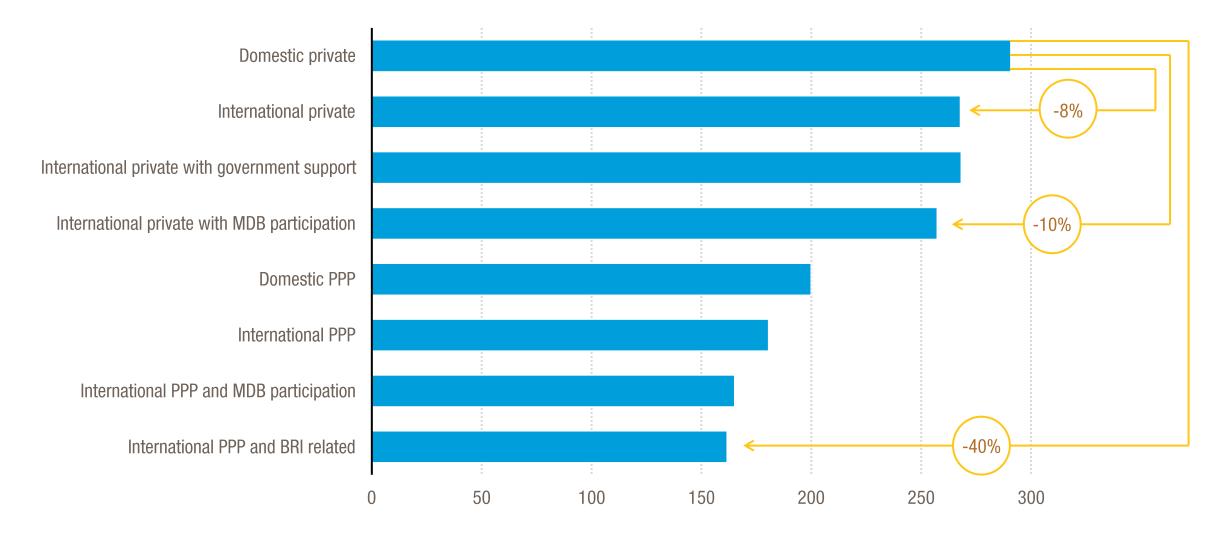


Share of international project finance projects by credit rating (Per cent)



> MDB participation makes the biggest difference in lowering the cost of capital for international project finance

Renewable energy: average spread on debt financing, by actors involved, developing economies, 2011-2022 (Basis points and per cent)



Thank you

