

# NEMZETKÖZI SZEMELVÉNYEK

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## 1. MONETÁRIS POLITIKA, INFLÁCIÓ

Japan's economy and monetary policy	BIS
https://www.bis.org/review/r210721a.htm	Central Bankers'
Speech (via webcast) by Mr <b>Masayoshi Amamiya</b> , Deputy Governor of the Bank of Japan, at a meeting with local leaders, Niigata, 21 July 2021.	Speech
European Central Bank's New Strategy	BIS
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Blog by Mr Gabriel Makhlouf, Governor of the Central Bank of Ireland, 16 July 2021.	Speech
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Blog post by Romain Duval (Assistant Director in the Research Department of the IMF), Davide Furceri	
(Deputy Division Chief of the Regional Studies Division of the Asia and Pacific Department of the IMF)	
and Marina M. Tavares (Economist in the Research Department of the IMF)	

### 2. PÉNZÜGYI STABILITÁS, PÉNZÜGYI PIACOK

Interview with Cyprus News Agency https://www.bankingsupervision.europa.eu/press/interviews/date/2021/html/ssm.in210616~89484a b0fe.en.html Interview with Elizabeth McCaul, Member of the Supervisory Board of the ECB, conducted by Gregory Savva and published on 16 June 2021	ECB/SSM Interview
Credit risk: Acting now paves the way for sound resilience later, 19/07/2021 https://www.bankingsupervision.europa.eu/press/blog/2021/html/ssm.blog210719~eaa6927766.en. html Blog post by Elizabeth McCaul, Member of the Supervisory Board of the ECB, Frankfurt am Main, 19 July 2021	ECB Blog post
ECB Banking Supervision seeking greater diversity within banks, 15/07/2021 https://www.bankingsupervision.europa.eu/press/blog/2021/html/ssm.blog210615~31020cb68d.en. html Blog post by Frank Elderson, Vice-Chair of the Supervisory Board of the ECB, and Elizabeth McCaul, Member of the Supervisory Board of the ECB, Frankfurt am Main, 15 June 2021	ECB Blog post
July 2021 euro area bank lending survey, 20/07/2021 https://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/ecb_surveys/bank_lending_survey/html/ecb.blssurvey2021q2~b86 8c78ada.en.html The results reported in the July 2021 bank lending survey (BLS) relate to changes observed during the second quarter of 2021 and expectations for the third quarter of 2021. The survey was conducted between 14 and 29 June 2021. A total of 142 banks were surveyed in this round, with a response rate of 100%. In addition to results for the euro area as a whole, this report also contains results for the four largest euro area countries.	ECB Publication + Press Release
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Who Bore the Brunt of the Pandemic in Europe? Shifting Private Stress to the Public Sector, 15/07/2021         https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/Departmental-Papers-Policy-Papers/Issues/2021/07/14/Who- Bore-the-Brunt-of-the-Pandemic-in-Europe-Shifting-Private-Stress-to-the-Public-Sector-461378         In Europe, the severe human toll of the COVID-19 pandemic was compounded by the deepest fall in economic activity in modern history. Yet this huge decline in output did surprisingly little damage to the aggregate financial balance sheets of firms and households. This paper discusses how unprecedented policy support transferred private sector income losses to the public sector's balance sheet and contrasts this experience to that of the global financial crisis.         Related blog post:         https://blogs.imf.org/2021/07/15/the-resilience-of-private-balance-sheets-in-europe-during-covid-19/ Blog post by Estelle Xue Liu (Senior Economist in the European Department of the IMF), Karim Foda (Economist in the European Department of the IMF) and Sebastian Weber (Senior Economist in the European Department of the IMF)	IMF Publication + Blog Post
China to increase scrutiny of domestic firms' foreign financial activities, 19/07/2021 https://www.omfif.org/2021/07/china-to-increase-scrutiny-of-domestic-firms-foreign-financial- activities/?utm_source=omfifupdate The world is fretting over capital controls in China. Over the years these rules have been largely liberalised for major participants, who establish affiliates abroad which lend and borrow with no capital controls. Given the magnitude of these activities, Chinese authorities are committed to tightening the oversight of overseas listings and borrowings. Further scrutiny of the financial activities of Chinese entities abroad is coming.	OMFIF Commentary

## 3. MIKROPRUDENCIÁLIS FELÜGYELET ÉS SZABÁLYOZÁS

Emerging prudential lessons from the Covid stress	BIS
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Speech by Ms Victoria Saporta, Executive Director for Prudential Policy of the Bank of England, at a	Speech
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Reviving securitisation in Europe for CMU, 15/07/2021	EU
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Beating financial crime: Commission overhauls anti-money laundering and countering the financing	EU
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BA consults to amend its technical standards on currencies with constraints on the availability of	EBA
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ervices Directive, 15/07/2021	Press Release
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Implementation monitoring of the PFMI: Level 3 assessment of financial market infrastructures' business continuity planning, 21/07/2021 https://www.iosco.org/news/pdf/IOSCONEWS612.pdf	IOSCO Press Release
Opinion of the European Systemic Risk Board of 17 June 2021 regarding the Estonian notification of an extension of the period of application of a stricter national measure based on Article 458 of the CRR (ESRB/2021/5), 16/07/2021 https://www.esrb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/esrb.opinion210716 regarding Estonian notification~53 8086a03f.en.pdf	ESRB Opinion
<b>G-SIB assessment methodology review process,</b> 20/07/2021 https://www.bis.org/bcbs/publ/d522.htm The Basel Committee on Banking Supervision has issued for consultation a proposal for a technical amendment to the Basel Framework. The amendment relates to the process used by the Committee to review the G-SIB assessment methodology. The Committee plans to replace the existing three year review cycle with a process of ongoing monitoring and review. This will include monitoring: (i) recent developments in techniques or new indicators that can be used for the assessment of systemic risk; (ii) emerging evidence on the effectiveness of the G-SIB regime; and (iii) structural changes that could impact the effectiveness of the regime. Only if this monitoring work reveals evidence of material unintended consequences or material deficiencies with respect to the framework's objectives will the Committee consider changes to the regime.	BIS Publication

## 4. FINTECH, KRIPTOVALUTÁK, MESTERSÉGES INTELLIGENCIA

Letter from Mr Panetta to the European Data Protection Board on the privacy and data protection	ECB
aspects of a possible digital euro, 21/07/2021	Letter
https://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/ecb.letter210721_EDPB~6d5014399e.en.pdf?378fee3cbc	
<u>0fe0275903f24810a383cc</u>	

Digitalisation and Beyond, 16/07/2021	EU
https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/economy-finance/eb067_en.pdf	Publication
The Italian G20 presidency has included reviving productivity growth as one of its priorities. Against this background, this Economic Brief discusses productivity growth in G20 economies in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, paying attention to digitalisation, the emergence of digital platforms and intangible investment, and highlights related policy priorities. The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting productivity growth in many ways (e.g. through human capital, investment, resource reallocation, frictions to global value chains, etc.) and is likely to leave scars. Fostering digitalisation and intangible investment can help the recovery thanks to their overall positive impact on productivity. Key policies to unlock productivity growth discussed in the paper include: (i) high-quality investments in innovation, human capital and infrastructure, (ii) well-functioning labour and product markets to facilitate resource reallocation also across sectors, to absorb the shock of the crisis, (iii) facilitating access to finance and liquidity, and (iv) a supportive business environment.	
Empowering the health workforce to make the most of the digital revolution, 19/07/2021 https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/docserver/37ff0eaa- en.pdf?expires=1626861318&id=id&accname=guest&checksum=7B529DEBA321581A62FDD6FF22EB8 C9A	OECD Working Paper
Digital technologies offer unique opportunities to strengthen health systems. However, the digital infrastructure only provides the tools, which on their own cannot transform the health systems, but need to be put to productive use by health workers. This report discusses how to engage and empower the health workforce to make the most of the digital revolution. While many health workers already use some digital tools and perceive the benefits that they bring to them and to patients, many also question the value digital technologies produce in health care or complain about technology getting in the way of work.	
Harnessing decentralised finance innovation for the public good, 21/07/2021 <u>https://www.omfif.org/2021/07/harnessing-decentralised-finance-innovation-for-the-public-good/?utm_source=omfifupdate&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_campaign=21july</u>	OMFIF Commentary
Cryptocurrencies have spurred innovation in the banking system, both in technology and by challenging incumbents. This could be their most valuable contribution to the public good. Bitcoin continues to be a successful proof of concept of a decentralised system that integrates into the digital economy. But, as the ECB warned, central banks that choose to ignore decentralised finance innovations do so at the risk of their own financial stability.	

## 5. ZÖLD PÉNZÜGYEK, FENNTARTHATÓ FEJLŐDÉS

How geopolitics impact global public investors, 17/07/2021	OMFIF
https://www.omfif.org/2021/07/how-geopolitics-impacts-global-public-	Commentary
investors/?utm_source=omfifupdate	
In the world of institutional investing, geopolitical risk has emerged as a pressing concern. Many public investors are still largely unprepared, lacking proper analytical frameworks and relevant expertise to tackle geopolitics in a rigorous way. However, there is a relatively simple and straightforward solution to this: asset owners can apply some of the same methodologies and approaches they are already using to address the climate crisis.	

Climate action through the back door, 15/07/2021 https://www.omfif.org/2021/07/climate-action-through-the-back-door/?utm_source=omfifupdate	OMFIF Commentary
Governments need to take decisive action, directly targeting the real economy, to solve the climate crisis. But while they are a positive for the global economy and the planet, necessary measures also need to be fair and just. If not, they will be unpopular and may be reversed. Given this, regulators in many jurisdictions have instead put the onus on financial institutions to drive the climate transition. But there are downsides and limits to this approach.	
Green Weekly Insight: Mapping the Sustainable Investment Universe, 15/07/2021	IIF
https://www.iif.com/Publications/ID/4510/Green-Weekly-Insight-Mapping-the-Sustainable- Investment-Universe	Publication*
The global sustainable investment universe—all asset classes—topped \$45 trillion in 2020, up from \$30 trillion in 2018. At \$17.5 trillion, fixed income is the largest sustainable investing asset class, though "ESG-labeled" debt is only \$3 trillion. Better disclosure and clear labeling needed to scale up ESG-labeled debt and align with broader sustainable investment which will help asset managers address challenges in sourcing ESG-aligned securities, especially in the HY and EM space. Investors often combine sustainable investment approaches, ranging from screening to ESG integration and impact investing.	

## 6. PÉNZFORGALOM, FIZETÉSI RENDSZEREK

TIPS (TARGET Instant Payment Settlement) - the new Eurosystem market infrastructure service - Banca d'Italia as service provider and manager of the business relationships with the financial community https://www.bis.org/review/r210715d.htm	BIS Central Bankers' Speech
Welcoming remarks by Mr <b>Piero Cipollone</b> , Deputy Governor of the Bank of Italy, at TIPS Webinar, Bank of Italy, 12 July 2021.	
Public responses to consultation on Targets for Addressing the Four Challenges of Cross-Border Payments, 20/07/2021 https://www.fsb.org/2021/07/public-responses-to-consultation-on-targets-for-addressing-the-four- challenges-of-cross-border-payments/	FSB Publication
Implementation monitoring of PFMI: Level 3 assessment of FMIs' business continuity planning, 21/07/2021 https://www.bis.org/cpmi/publ/d197.htm	BIS Publication
This report reviews business continuity planning at a sample of 28 FMIs from 29 jurisdictions. The findings show that some FMIs do not fully meet expectations with respect to recovery from operational incidents, such as natural disasters or IT systems outage. In particular, the business continuity management of some, and potentially many, FMIs do not seem to aim to resume operations in a timely way, including in the event of a wide-scale or major disruption. This is a serious concern, and the CPMI and IOSCO urge the relevant FMIs and their supervisors to take action as a matter of the highest priority.	

#### 7. MAKROGAZDASÁG

Quantifying Spillovers of Next Generation EU Investment, 15/07/2021	EU
https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/economy-finance/dp144_en.pdf	Publication
Next Generation EU (NGEU) is an unprecedented tool that provides significant financial support for reforms and investment, resulting in a coordinated fiscal expansion across the EU in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Thus, fiscal spillovers are relevant for the assessment of its overall macroeconomic effects. We quantify the effects of the additional investment expenditure for each Member State by extending a standard macro model with a rich trade structure. Our model suggests that the EU-wide GDP effects are around one third larger when explicitly accounting for the spillover effects from individual country measures. A simple aggregation of the national effects of individual investment plans would thus substantially underestimate the growth effects of NGEU. For small open economies with smaller NGEU allocations, spillover effects account for the bulk of the GDP impact. We also quantify the role of key transmission channels, such as the zero lower bound, productivity effects and different assumptions on the disbursement speed. However, the paper does not quantify the impact of structural reforms, which can further enhance the growth impact of NGEU.	
Global Macro Views: The Competitiveness Gap in the Euro Zone, 15/07/2021 https://www.iif.com/Publications/ID/4502/Global-Macro-Views-The-Competitiveness-Gap-in-the- Euro-Zone	IIF Publication*
The Euro zone often gets cast as a debt crisis, but it is really about differentials in competitiveness, with Euro periphery real exchange rates still far too high. We last week made this distinction in our Global Macro Views, prompting many questions from our readers on policy implications. Debt mutualization cannot address this competitiveness differential, only German overheating or periphery structural reforms can do that. Progress has been painfully slow on both fronts unfortunately, so that underlying Euro zone vulnerabilities remain.	

#### 8. ÁLTALÁNOS GAZDASÁGPOLITIKA

Interview Jornal Economico	EU
https://www.esm.europa.eu/interviews/klaus-regling-interview-jornal-economico-portugal	Interview
Interview with ESM Managing Director Klaus Regling published in Jornal Economico (Portugal) on 16	
July 2021, Interview conducted on 9 July 2021	
Navigating the economy through the Covid crisis	BIS
https://www.bis.org/review/r210715b.htm	Central Bankers'
Speech by Sir <b>David Ramsden</b> , Deputy Governor for Markets and Banking of the Bank of England, at The	Speech
Strand Group, King's Business School, virtual, 14 July 2021.	
NextGenerationEU: European Commission endorses Czechia's €7 billion recovery and resilience plan,	EU
19/07/2021	Press Release
https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip 21 3745	

NextGenerationEU: European Commission endorses Ireland's recovery and resilience plan, 16/07/2021 https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip 21 3727	EU Press Release
Malta: Staff Concluding Statement of the 2021 Article IV Mission, 21/07/2021 https://www.imf.org/en/News/Articles/2021/07/21/mcs-072121-malta-staff-concluding-statement- of-the-2021-article-iv-mission	IMF Press Release
Seizing the Opportunity for a Pro-Growth, Post-Pandemic World, 20/07/2021 https://blogs.imf.org/2021/07/20/seizing-the-opportunity-for-a-pro-growth-post-pandemic-world/ Blog post by Geoffrey W.S. Okamoto, First Deputy Managing Director of the IMF	IMF Blog Post
Trend Capital when Goods and Capital Market Frictions Exist, 16/07/2021 https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/economy-finance/dp145_en.pdf	EU Publication
In the aftermath of the financial crisis, it had become clear the Euro Area was suffering from insufficient investment. Actual capital stock was below benchmark capital, the amount of capital you need to support trend labour and total factor productivity (TFP) growth rates. The current COVID-19 pandemic might enlarge the gap between benchmark and actual capital, since both the private and public sector are facing limitations to invest. In the current paper, benchmark capital is estimated based on trend supply side conditions and trend in capital and goods market frictions, to investigate whether such a gap exists in the Euro Area and the US and how it has evolved over time. The paper is based on the European Commission's production function method and uses trend labour supply and TFP as basis for trend supply side conditions.	
Keywords: labour taxation, capital taxation, inclusive growth	
Republic of Estonia: 2021 Article IV Consultation-Press Release; and Staff Report, 21/07/2021 https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/CR/Issues/2021/07/20/Republic-of-Estonia-2021-Article-IV- Consultation-Press-Release-and-Staff-Report-462375	IMF Publications + Press Release
Macroeconomic performance and buffers were strong when the COVID-19 pandemic hit. Economic and social restrictions instituted in March 2020 helped slow new infections and mitigate negative health outcomes but triggered a deep decline in activity in Q2:2020. The slump was followed by a strong rebound in Q3 as the restrictions were eased. With the resurgence of the virus, pressures on the health system peaked in late-March 2021 and eased after a new round of restrictions. Going forward, the outlook is for a near-term economic recovery subject to large two-way risks. The strength and durability of the recovery hinges on the evolution of the health situation and the extent of economic scarring from the pandemic.	
Related publication: https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/CR/Issues/2021/07/20/Republic-of-Estonia-Selected-Issues- 462380	
Related press release: https://www.imf.org/en/News/Articles/2021/07/20/pr21220-republic-of-estonia-imf-executive- board-concludes-2021-article-iv-consultation	
Greece: 2021 Article IV Consultation-Press Release; and Staff Report, 16/07/2021 https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/CR/Issues/2021/07/15/Greece-2021-Article-IV-Consultation- Press-Release-and-Staff-Report-462201	IMF Publications +
Greece entered the pandemic with an unfinished recovery, but the country has demonstrated resilience in facing COVID-19. The economy contracted by 8.2 percent in 2020, better than expected given Greece's high dependence on tourism and pre-existing vulnerabilities. The government provided among the largest on-budget fiscal stimuli in the euro zone and supervisory and ECB accommodation shielded	Press Release

the banking sector and kept financing conditions highly accommodative. Despite the pandemic, reforms progressed in a number of areas, albeit at a slower pace than in recent years.	
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Related publication:	
https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/CR/Issues/2021/07/15/Greece-Selected-Issues-462204	
Related press release:	
https://www.imf.org/en/News/Articles/2021/07/16/pr2128-greece-imf-executive-board-concludes-	
2021-article-iv-consultation	
Statement by the Managing Director on the Work Program of the Executive Board Executive Board	IMF
Meeting: June 10, 2021, 15/07/2021	Publication
https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/Policy-Papers/Issues/2021/07/15/Statement-by-the-Managing-	
Director-on-the-Work-Program-of-the-Executive-Board-Executive-462187	
An unprecedented policy response and rapid progress in vaccinations have helped pull the global	
economy from a deep recession, but the outlook is marked by high uncertainty and great divergence.	
Against this background, the Fund continues its efforts to achieve a durable exit from the crisis, minimize	
long-term scarring, and build a more sustainable, resilient, and inclusive global economy. In line with	
the strategic directions laid out in the Spring 2021 Global Policy Agenda and the International Monetary	
and Financial Committee (IMFC) Communiqué, this Work Program puts forward a prioritized Board	
agenda focused on activities of most critical importance to our members.	
Germany: 2021 Article IV Consultation-Press Release; Staff Report; and Statement by the Executive	IMF
Director for Germany, 15/07/2021	Publication
https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/CR/Issues/2021/07/14/Germany-2021-Article-IV-Consultation-	+
Press-Release-Staff-Report-and-Statement-by-the-462176	Press Releases
Germany's economy contracted by just under 5 percent in 2020, outperforming most European peers.	
But renewed waves of infections and associated lockdowns caused economic activity to plunge again in	
the first quarter of this year. While the pace of mass vaccination has picked up and the economy has	
started to reopen, the recovery path is beset with risks, particularly with respect to the progress of the	
pandemic and supply shortages in major industries. The authorities have maintained appropriately	
accommodative fiscal and financial policies, and most measures supporting households and firms have	
been extended through 2021.	
Related press releases:	
https://www.imf.org/en/News/Articles/2021/07/14/pr21216-germany-imf-executive-board-	
concludes-2021-article-iv-consultation	
https://www.imf.org/en/News/Articles/2021/07/13/na071521-beyond-the-pandemic-five-charts-on-	
germanys-economic-recovery-plan	
Measuring telework in the COVID-19 pandemic, 21/07/2021	OECD
https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/docserver/0a76109f-	Working Paper
en.pdf?expires=1626861518&id=id&accname=guest&checksum=6DCDB19287D86F57ADC9E01EB1C9	
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The COVID-19 crisis created a sudden need for businesses and their employees to take up or increase	
working from home. By facilitating teleworking, digital technologies have been crucial in allowing	
economic activities to endure and in enabling a significant portion of individuals to continue earning	
income. This paper brings together information on how teleworking has evolved during the COVID-19	
pandemic. In particular, it looks at which businesses and individuals have been able to leverage it to	
keep working. It also presents the definitions and survey vehicles underlying the statistics presented.	

Bridging connectivity divides, 20/07/2021	OECD
https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/docserver/e38f5db7-	Working Paper
en.pdf?expires=1626861680&id=id&accname=guest&checksum=4897693893F636CF0C03D777DD97C 80B	
As countries weather the COVID-19 health emergency, high-quality connectivity, more than ever, is essential to ensure that economic activities can continue in a remote manner. However, important disparities in terms of connectivity persist, aggravating the consequences of the health emergency. Therefore, policies aiming to reduce connectivity divides are of paramount importance. This report explores policies and regulations in OECD countries that have proven successful to work towards closing connectivity divides. It offers a roadmap to policy makers on the overarching policies and regulatory measures to expand connectivity, as well as the tailored approaches to extend broadband networks in rural and remote areas.	
OECD Economic Survey of Sweden, 16/07/2021	OECD
https://read.oecd-ilibrary.org/economics/oecd-economic-surveys-sweden-2021_f61d0a54-en	Publication
The pandemic triggered a severe recession in Sweden, despite mild distancing measures and swift government action to protect people and businesses. GDP fell by less than in many other European economies in 2020, thanks to reinforced short-time work, compensation to firms for lost revenue and measures to prop up the financial system, but unemployment still rose sharply. Solid public finances provided room for further stimulus in 2021 to buttress the recovery. The Survey recommends maintaining targeted support to people and firms until the pandemic subsides, then focusing on strengthening vocational training and skills and increasing investment in areas like high-speed internet and low-carbon transport. Addressing regional inequality, which is low but rising, should also be a priority as the recovery takes hold.	Press Release
Overview: https://www.oecd.org/economy/surveys/Sweden-2021-OECD-economic-survey-overview.pdf	
Related press release: https://www.oecd.org/newsroom/sweden-invest-in-skills-and-the-digital-economy-to-bolster-the- recovery-from-covid-19-says-oecd.htm	
China Spotlight: What Explains Lackluster Consumption?, 22/07/2021 https://www.iif.com/Publications/ID/4515/China-Spotlight-What-Explains-Lackluster-Consumption	IIF Publication <sup>*</sup>
Domestic consumption lagged export growth in China's post-COVID-19 recovery. This is in part because stimulus policies have targeted businesses instead of households. Consumers have turned cautious as household savings have increased. Surging household debt, uneven income and wealth distribution across China have tamped down consumption rates. More policies to support household income and consumption are needed.	
Economic Views: Reserve Holdings in Renminbi, 20/07/2021 https://www.iif.com/Publications/ID/4509/Economic-Views-Reserve-Holdings-in-Renminbi	IIF Publication <sup>*</sup>
Flows to Chinese local-currency govies picked up last year. We delve into the details of these bonds flows to China, splitting out reserve accumulation by foreign central banks. Central banks were behind a third of total flows last year, rising to more than half in the first quarter of this year. Total bond holdings are still small by EM and DM standards.	

<sup>\*</sup> Az IIF weboldalán található elemzések csak az IIF-tagok számára elérhető előzetes regisztrációt követően. Igény esetén az elemzést továbbítjuk az érdeklődők részére.

Metals Prices, While Easing, May Remain High, 19/07/2021	liF
https://www.iif.com/Publications/ID/4512/Metals-Prices-While-Easing-May-Remain-High	Publication*
It is premature to label the current surge in base metal prices as another "super cycle". Base metal have far exceeded our initial forecasts, supported by low inventory. Higher metal prices have als driven by the current shift toward renewable energy. We expect average base metal prices to higher in 2021 and decline by 5% in 2022 as some supply constraints ease.	so been

#### 9. KÖLTSÉGVETÉSI POLITIKA, ADÓZÁS

The 2021 Stability & Convergence Programmes: an Overview, with an Assessment of the Euro Area Fiscal Stance, 16/07/2021	EU Publication
https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/economy-finance/ip157_en.pdf	
This paper presents an overview of Member States' 2021 Stability and Convergence Programmes and an assessment of the recent and prospective fiscal stance.	

#### 10. SZANÁLÁS

SRB statement on European Court of Justice judgment on 2017 Single Resolution Fund contribution	EU
decision, 15/07/2021	Statement
https://www.srb.europa.eu/en/content/srb-statement-european-court-justice-judgment-2017-single-	
resolution-fund-contribution	

#### **11. STATISZTIKA**

Consolidated financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 16 July 2021, 20/07/21	ECB
https://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/pr/wfs/2021/html/ecb.fst210720.en.html	Press Release
Euro area monthly balance of payments: May 2021, 20/07/21	ECB
https://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/pr/stats/bop/2021/html/ecb.bp210720~069890d178.en.html	Press Release
Production in construction up by 0.9% in euro area and by 0.7% in EU, 19/07/2021	EU
https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/2995521/11563187/4-19072021-AP-EN.pdf/cd7c0284-	Press Release
<u>eea8-6641-d788-ec2c6834ef94?t=1626442771680</u>	
Annual inflation down to 1.9% in the euro area, 16/07/2021	EU
https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/2995521/11563183/2-16072021-AP-EN.pdf/e9c01172-	Press Release
6979-a1d4-7eef-46fd4e885939?t=1626423614504	

Euro area international trade in goods surplus €7.5 bn,16/07/2021	EU
https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/documents/2995521/11563179/6-16072021-BP-EN.pdf/87f8f1ba-	Press Release
2517-910b-ab1a-52e33faca1c3?t=1626423396023	
Revenue Statistics in Asia and the Pacific 2021 - Emerging Challenges for the Asia-Pacific Region in the	OECD
COVID-19 Era, 19/07/2021	Publication
https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/docserver/ed374457-	
en.pdf?expires=1626863425&id=id&accname=guest&checksum=1799CD470A68E10B7C775E54C30E7 23B	
Revenue Statistics in Asia and the Pacific is jointly produced by the Organisation for Economic Co- operation and Development (OECD)'s Centre for Tax Policy and Administration (CTP) and the OECD	
Development Centre (DEV) with the co-operation of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the Pacific	
Island Tax Administrators Association (PITAA), and the Pacific Community (SPC) and financial support	
from the governments of Ireland, Japan, Luxembourg, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United	
Kingdom. This edition includes a special feature on the the emerging challenges for the Asia-Pacific	
region in the COVID-19 era and ways to address them.	
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Report on pension funds' long-term investments, 19/07/2021	OECD
https://www.oecd.org/daf/fin/private-pensions/Survey-of-Large-Pension-Funds-2020.pdf	Publication
G20 leaders have identified the facilitation of long-term financing through the capital markets as a	
priority for helping to achieve targets for investment, growth and employment. This survey sheds light	
on the role that large institutional investors can play in providing a source of stable long-term capital.	
This survey report is the seventh since the data collection exercise was first established in 2011. The	
scope of this report covers nearly 90 public and private pension funds from 31 countries. Brazil, India,	
Indonesia, Nigeria, the Russian Federation, and South Africa are amongst the non-OECD countries	
included in the report. The survey monitors and compares the investment behaviour, asset levels, and	
performances of the largest institutional investors in each region or country covered and analyses in	
greater depth the general trends observed at a national level. This survey is based on a qualitative and	
quantitative questionnaire sent directly to large pension funds (LPFs) and public pension reserve funds	
(PPRFs). This edition includes:	
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• an in-depth analysis of LPFs and PPRFs;	

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