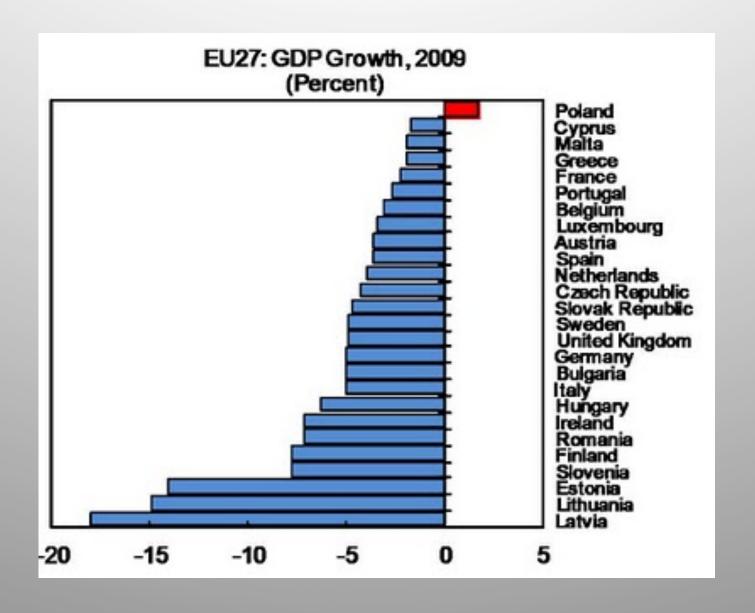
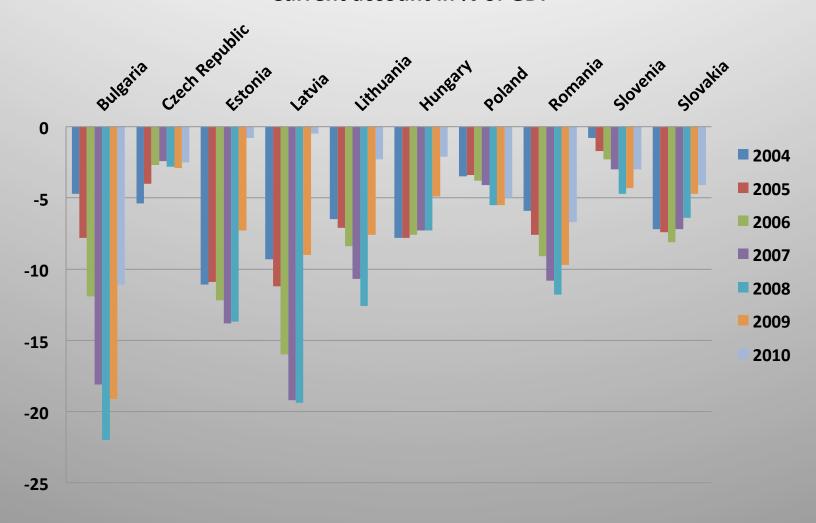
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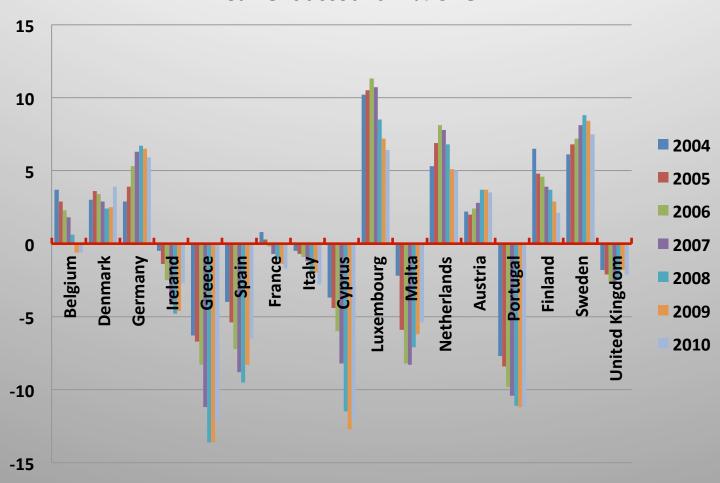
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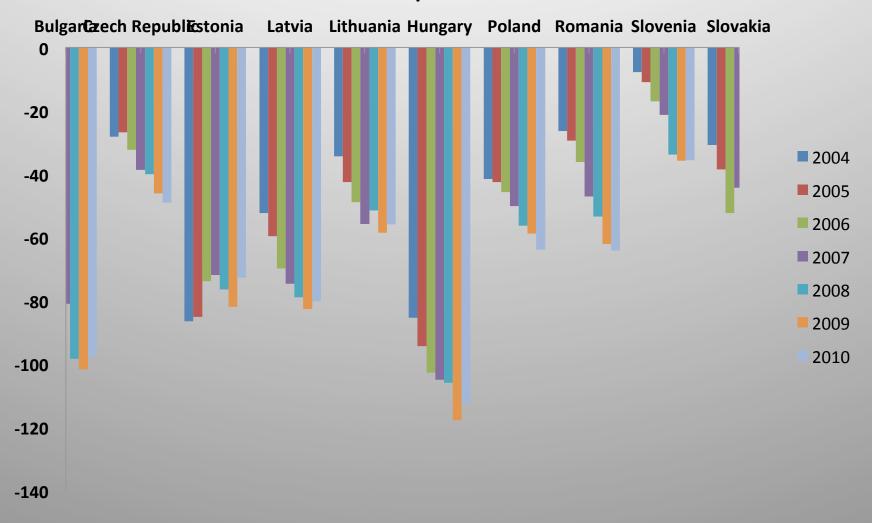
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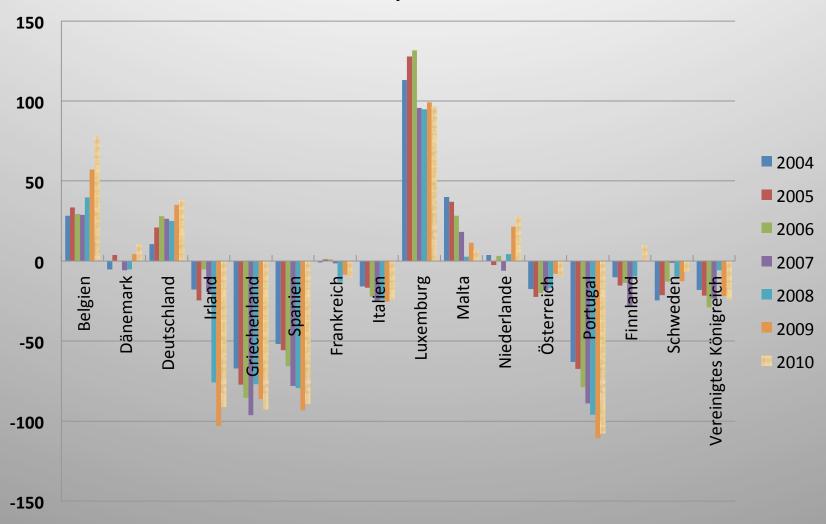
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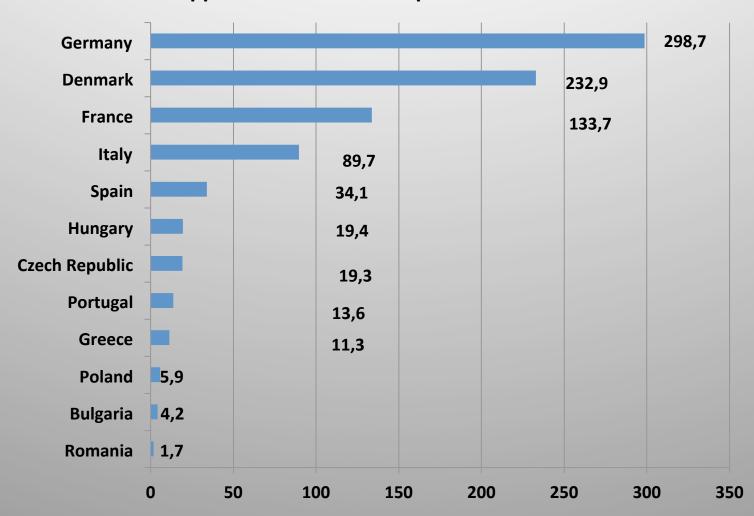
Net investment position in % of GDP



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Patent applications to the EPO per million inhab. in 2008



The thesis

These imbalances are not by accident, they are a logical consequence of the development model based on the assumptions that:

- the capital import is a transitory, however, necessary step of the economic development;
- 2. little can be done about the lack of the domestic capital;
- 3. the best way of development is to import the western technology.

The Europeanization process has not addressed two crucial points which are at the core of the macroeconomic imbalances:

- 1. The access to the legal property titles
- 2. The access to financial market on competitive conditions

What are property rights?

Institutional Economics

All socially recognized rights of action

Power de facto
 (bundle of sticks, each of which represents a different aspect of property rights)

Ownership Economics

Only legal existing property titles

- Power de iure (property)
- Power de facto (possession)

Differences between possession and property

Possession

Property

- the right to use;
- to change;
- to sell;
- to take earnings.

to pledge or to burden the title-side of property in order to generate financial instruments.

Areas in Poland in possession status

- Privatization without entitlement
- Possession status of:
 - flats in blocks,
 - the so called Regained Lands,
 - Plots of workers from former State Agriculture
 Companies
- Social policy at the expense of the collateral function of property

Legal constraints on activating property titles in monetary contracts:

- the land register are still outdated,
- development plans in cities and communities are missing or incomplete,
- re-privatization questions are not resolved and
- one needs 900 days to enforce monetary contracts, not to mention
- high costs and lack of transparency in the judicial system.



Access to capital:

- 1. remittances,
- 2. foreign direct investments,
- 3. portfolio investments.

Only one source of capital is not mentioned:

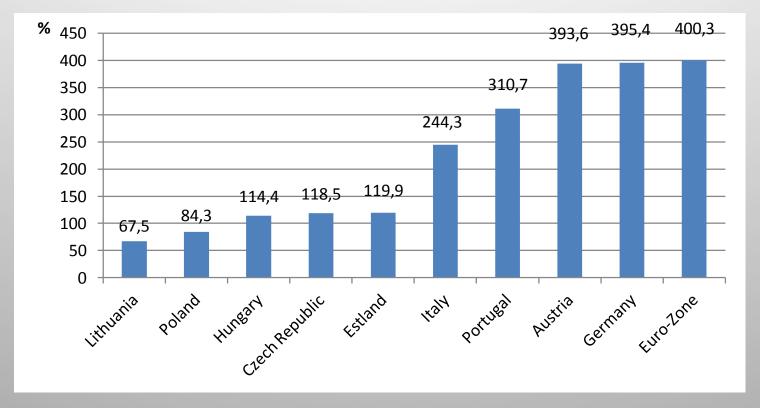
4. pledging of property titles or in other words generating financial instruments on the basis of domestic property titles.

Credit conditions for the domestic investors are tightened through:

- generally higher interest rates than in western economies
- Refusing domestic bonds by central bank and basing the money issue policy solely on foreign assets.

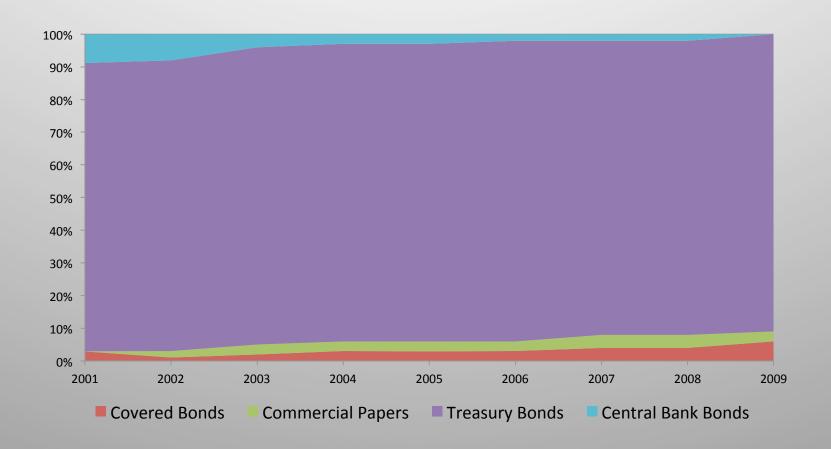
- The dynamic of the Western Economies is driven by collateral-pledging and debt-driven owners who are strongly motivated to invest, to innovate and to expand in order to protect their property against falls in prices and foreclosure.
- The more investors get into debts, it means activate their property titles in monetary transactions and – due to their competiveness – successfully repay their financial obligations, the more dynamically the economic system develops.

Financial assets in % of GDP in 2007

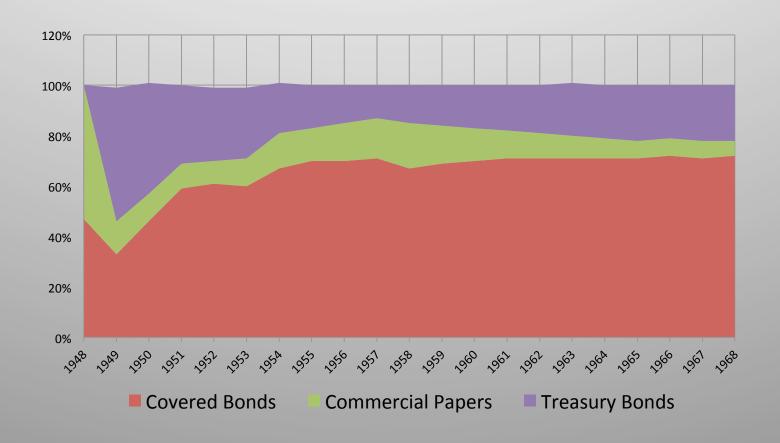


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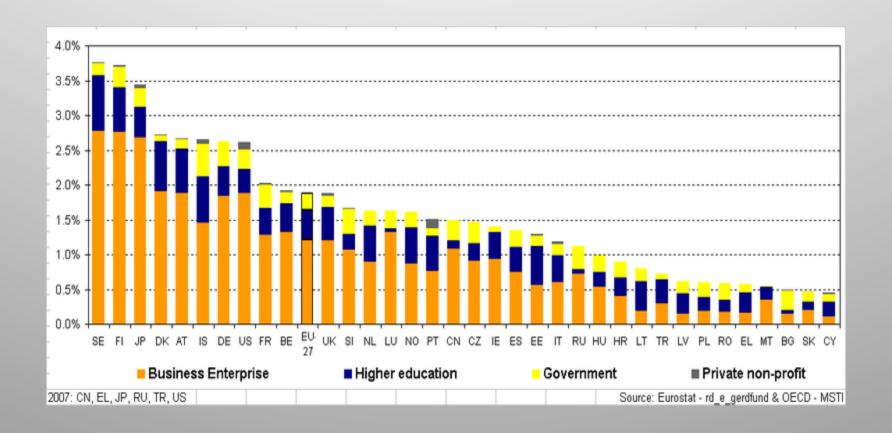
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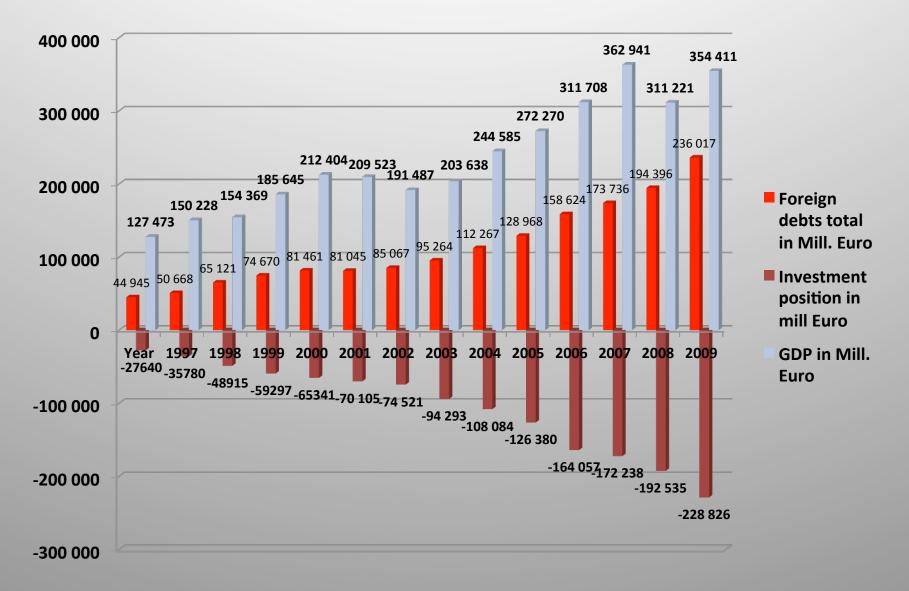
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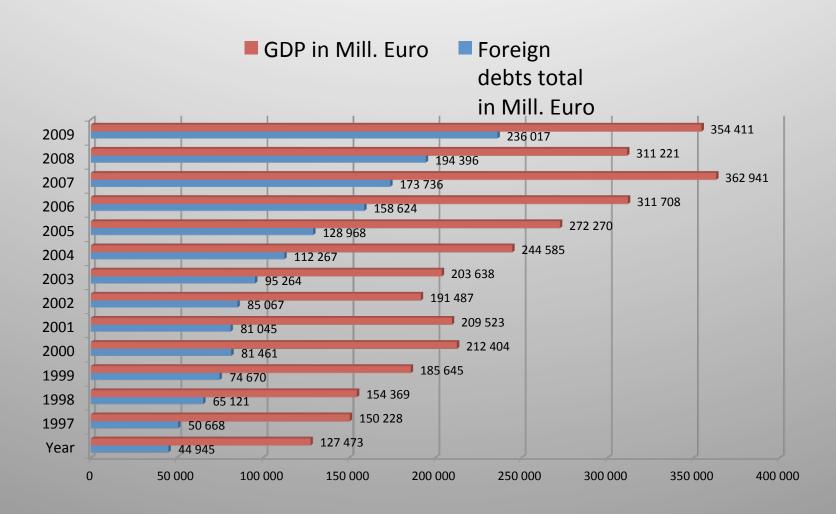
Gross domestic R & D expenditure (EUR), by Sector of performance, 2008 (% GDP)



Foreign financial position of Poland 1996-2009



Foreign debts and GDP



 "Yes, while we took money from the EU with the one hand, we have not invest it in modern technologies with the second one. All went into consumption. As a result, those who produced, closed their factories and opened import companies. Thus, because they could earn more money in this way." (Chrysochoidis, Faz, 9 February 2012)

Thank you!