



MIDTERM REVIEW
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Priority 5: Structural Economic Transformation
Priority 6: Means of Implementation

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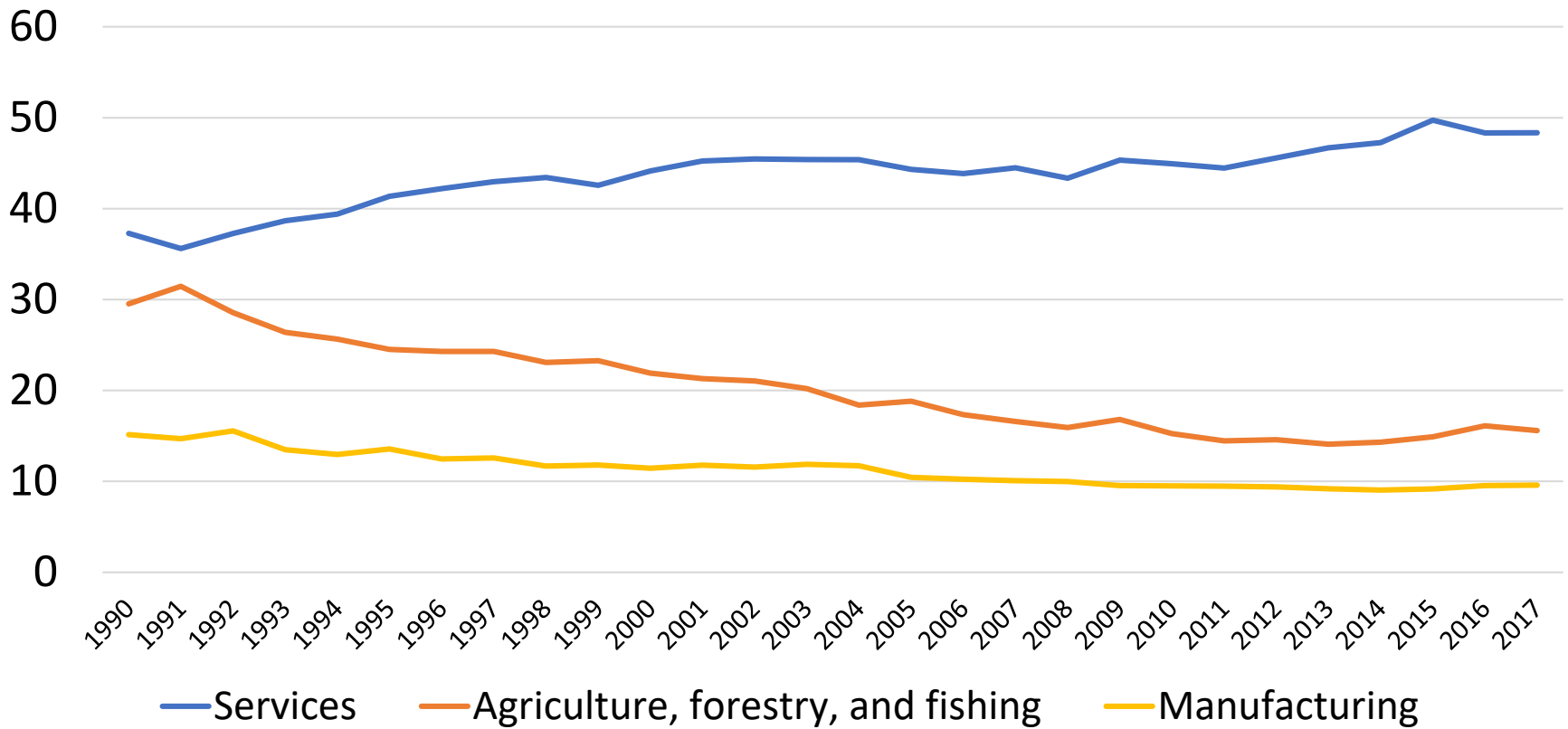
Progress in Priority 5: Structural Economic Transformation

- LLDCs adopted national plans and policies to promote structural economic transformation
- Some progress in creating conducive business and regulatory environment for the private sector
- Domestic credit to private sector increased slightly, but remains low



Progress in Structural Economic Transformation

Value-added by sector, LLDCs (percentage of GDP)



Continued structural challenges faced by the LLDCs

- Challenges linked to landlockedness
- Lack of diversification
- Heavy reliance on low-value – high-bulk commodities
- Limited manufacturing and industrial capacity
- Low technology intensity
- Limited capacities in the private sector
- High vulnerability to external shocks
- Slow progress on economic and social development



Recommendations

- Develop and implement quality, effective and targeted industrial policies
- Focus on higher value-added products and high productivity sectors
- Identify specific sectors and provide incentives
- Improve enabling environment for the private sector
- Skill and capacity building for innovation and adaptation of new technologies
- Higher investments into R&D



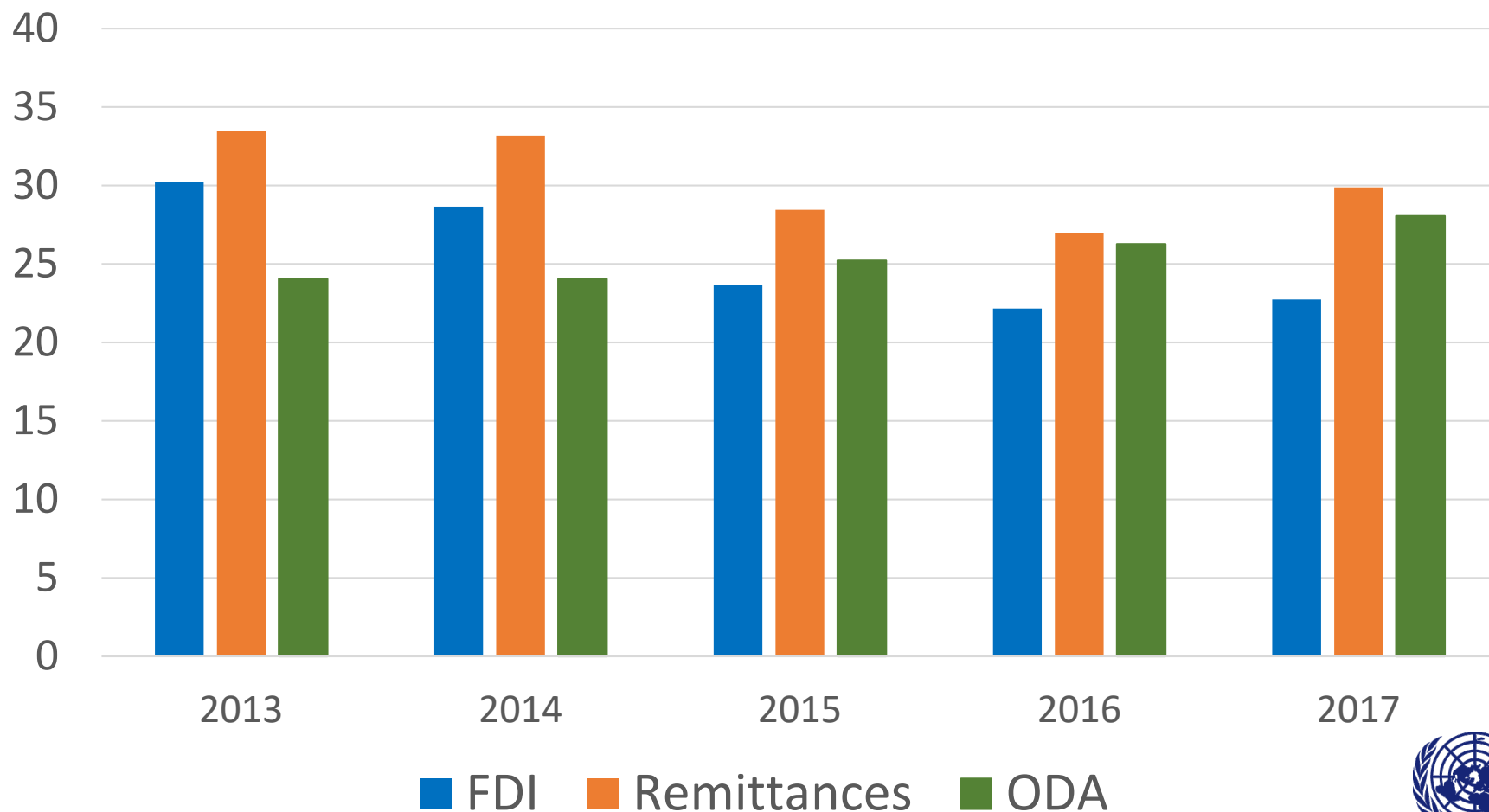
Priority 6 – Means of Implementation

- Domestic Resources
 - Average tax revenue to GDP ratio of LLDCs: 13% in 2017
 - Only 5 LLDCs tax revenue above 20%
- ODA
- Aid for Trade
- Private sector, including FDI
- South-South Cooperation
- Technical assistance and capacity-building from international organizations

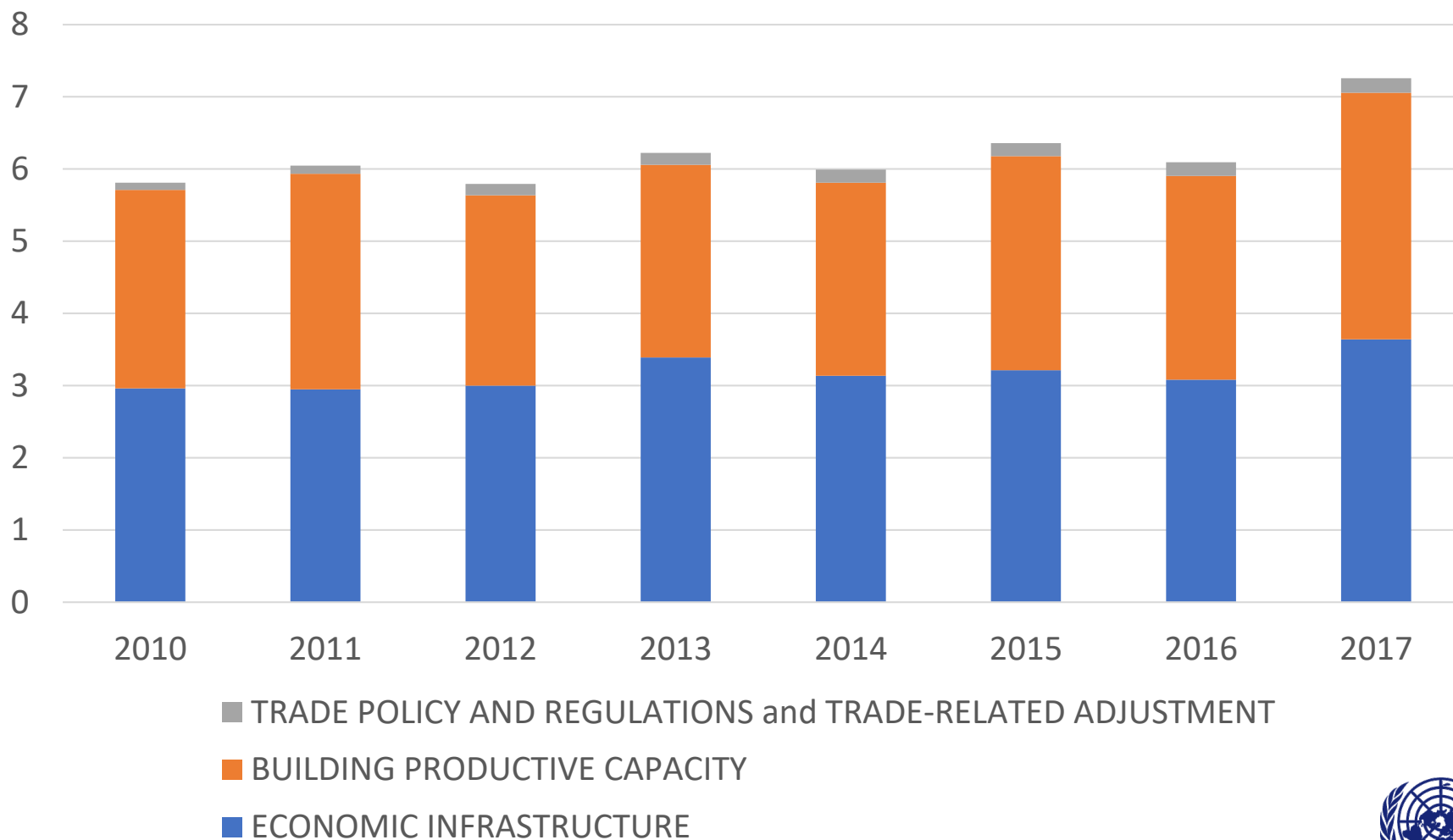


International Finance to LLDCs

(billions US\$)



Aid for Trade to LLDCs (Billions US\$)



Conclusions and recommendations

- Need strong partnerships and efforts by all to implement the VPoA
- Domestic resource mobilization is first step
- Development partners encouraged to increase ODA to LLDCs
- LLDCs should adopt policies and measures to attract more FDI and more diversified FDI
- Explore and strengthen South-South Cooperation and triangular cooperation
- UN system, international organizations and multilateral and regional development banks have a role to play



Monitoring, follow-up and review

- Strengthening capacities in LLDCs to produce reliable and frequent statistics
- Enhance partnerships for ensuring coherence in Vienna Programme of Action and 2030 Agenda monitoring and follow-up processes



Thank You

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