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#### 1. Surveillance

#### a. Bilateral surveillance

- Regular annual discussion between IMF staff and member country, followed by assessment by the Executive Board
- Assessments of financial sector stability, now compulsory for systemic countries (Financial Sector Assessment Programs)

#### b. Multilateral & Regional surveillance

- Flagship global and regional reports (World Economic Outlook, Global Financial Stability Report, Regional Outlooks)
- Support to G-20 (*Mutual Assessment Program*)
- Early Warning Exercises to identify potential vulnerabilities

#### c. Research

Cross-country analyses, country studies, reform of the global financial system

# The IMF's Main Functions (cont'd)



### 2. Financial Assistance

- Precautionary credit lines to members with good macro economic management (Flexible Credit Line)
- Loans to member countries with balance of payments problems to support policy adjustment and reform
- Concessional support to low income countries

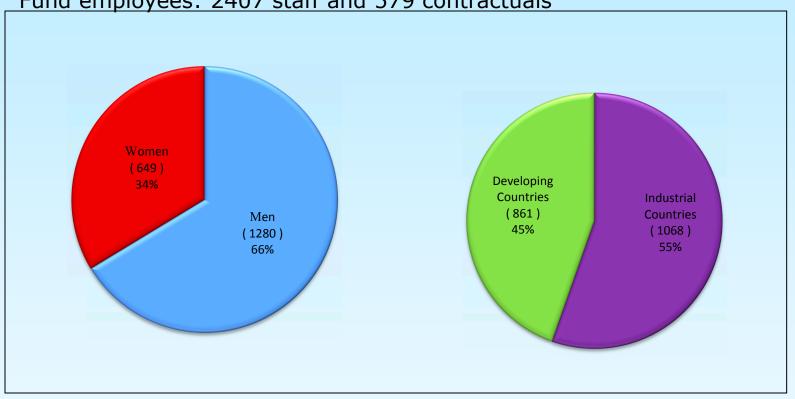
#### 3. Technical Assistance

 IMF provides expertise and training to member countries to help strengthen capacity to design and implement effective policies

## **Overview: The People Behind** The IMF



Fund employees: 2407 staff and 579 contractuals



Diversity on Fund Staff: Professional & Management Level, October 19, 2010

## **Diversity**



While we have made progress, we must continue to improve the balance on our staff—both nationality and gender

Region	Staff Repre 2008	esentation 2009	Diversity Benchmark
Africa	6.10%	6.50%	8%
East Asia	7.90%	9.10%	12%
Middle East	4.30%	4.20%	8%
Transition	6.60%	7.40%	8%

## Japan and the IMF



- Commitment to balanced representation
  - 187 member countries, 140 nationalities on staff
- Increase IMF commitment, Japan is the largest technical assistance donor
- Japanese nationals on staff: 7 Managers, 38 Economists, 5 other specialized career stream staff—50 professionals (2.60%)

## Why the IMF?



- Custodian of international monetary stability
- Forum for global economic policy cooperation (187 members, G20, APEC, ASEAN, FSB)
- International career, interesting and challenging work
- Competitive salary and benefits, pension, and expatriate benefits.

## **Employment Opportunities**



#### **Economists**

- Economist Program
- Experienced Economists (including Special Appointees and Secondments)
- Fund Internship Program

#### **Other Professionals**

 Lawyers, accountants, IT professionals, journalists, Human Resources Officers, etc.



## **Economist Program Overview**

- Open to recent graduates, with a Ph.D. in macroeconomics—provides experience in applying their training in economics in an international environment
- 3-year assignment during which participants are fully-fledged economists working on individual countries, global/regional policy issues, or research
- Access to further training in the areas of macroeconomics, languages, IT and management skills

# **Selection Criteria— Economist Program**



Candidates are assessed in a number of ways in order to determine their technical economic skills, and communication skills

- Preliminary Interview
- Panel interview
- Research paper
- Non-technical interview
- Writing Test
- References
- Transcripts

# Fund Internship Program (FIP)



- For graduate students of macroeconomics (mostly in Ph.D. studies)
- 10-13 week paid internship at Headquarters with medical insurance and transportation to Headquarters (between May October)
- Internships are offered to approximately 40 students per year
- Research project leading to a paper

## **Experienced Economists**



- For experienced economists with a graduate degree in macroeconomics;
  5—15 years of experience, working at national policy-making level, in central banks, ministries of finance, private financial/banking sector, academia, research institutes
- Selection criteria:
  - Background (degrees and relevant experience)
  - Available vacancies
  - Interviews
- Analyze complex economic issues and recommend policy solutions: growth and price stability, exchange rate and monetary policy, international financial markets and financial stability, taxation and public expenditure, debt management, and banking supervision
- Participate in surveillance, technical assistance or lending program activity

## **Recruitment Schedule**



#### **Economist Program**

- Applications: September 1 November 26
- Final interview panels: HQ December/January
- Start Date September 2011

#### **Fund Internship Program**

- Applications: October 1 January 15, 2011
- Summer Internship selection: early March 2011
- Entry-on-duty dates starting in May

### **Experienced Economists**

Year-round recruitment

