Hong Kong's Expanding Role as an Offshore RMB Centre

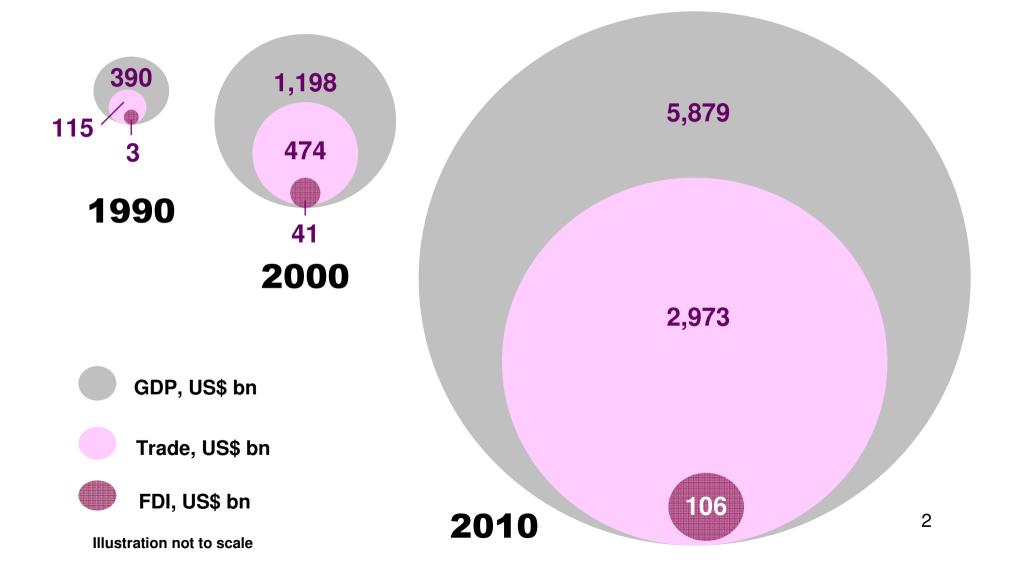
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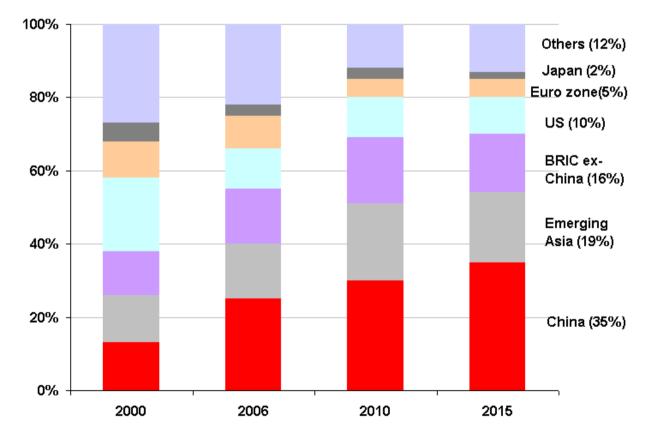
Mainland's Phenomenal Growth Propels Wider External Use of RMB





This Trend is Likely to Continue

Sources of global economic growth

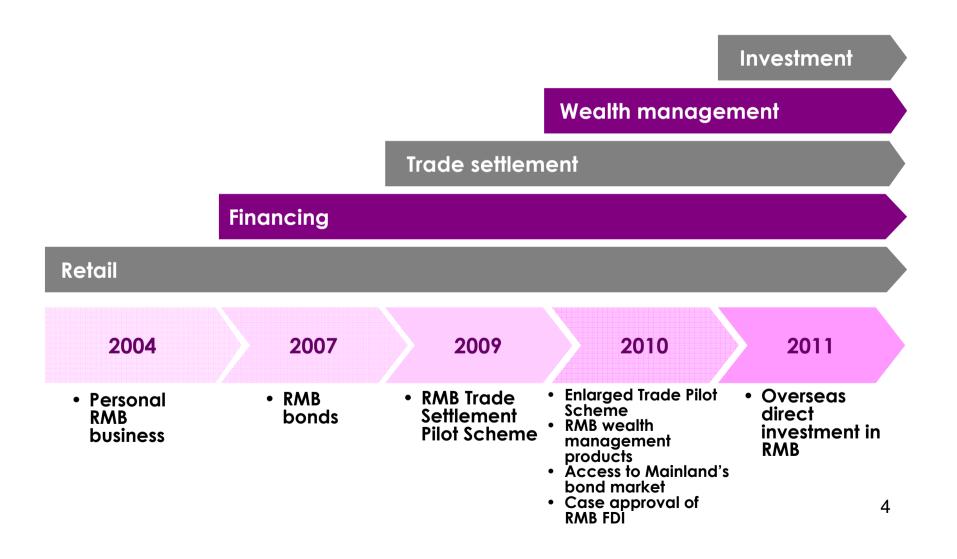


As projected by the IMF, more than one-third of global growth would be contributed by Mainland China by 2015. It is expected that the importance of Mainland China in the global economy and financial system will also increase accordingly.

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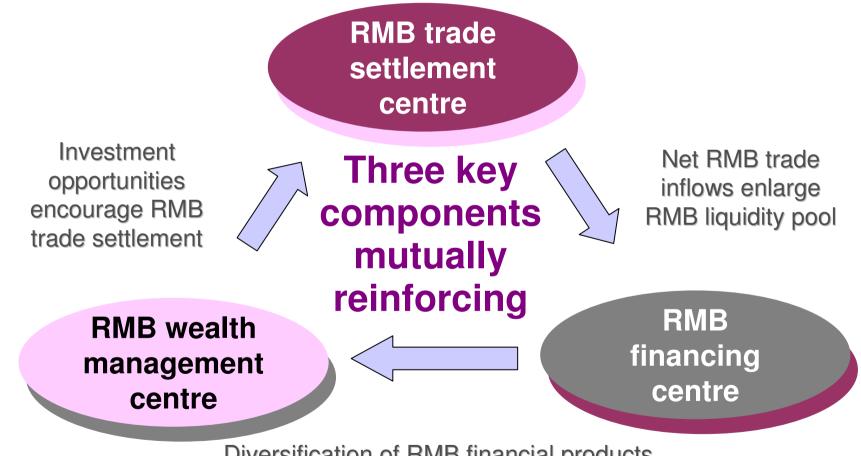


Mainland's Global Economic Activities Drive Expansion of Hong Kong's RMB Business





Hong Kong's Head Start as an Offshore RMB centre

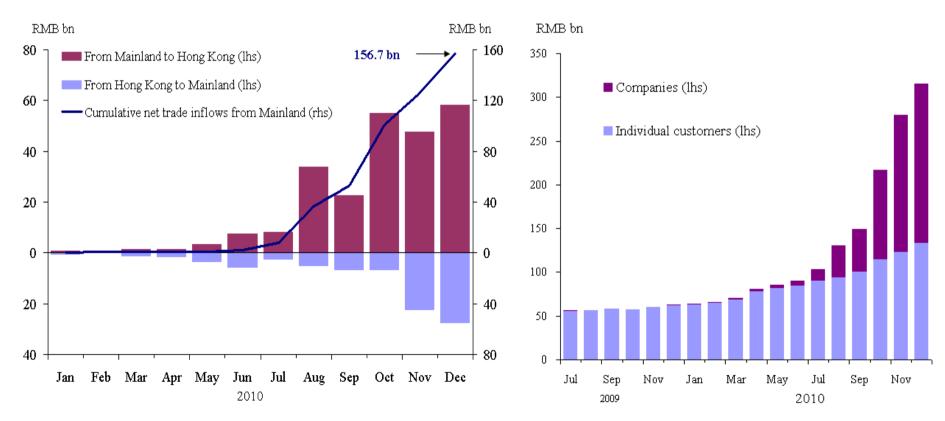


Diversification of RMB financial products

Trade Settlement – Key Driver of Expansion of RMB Pool

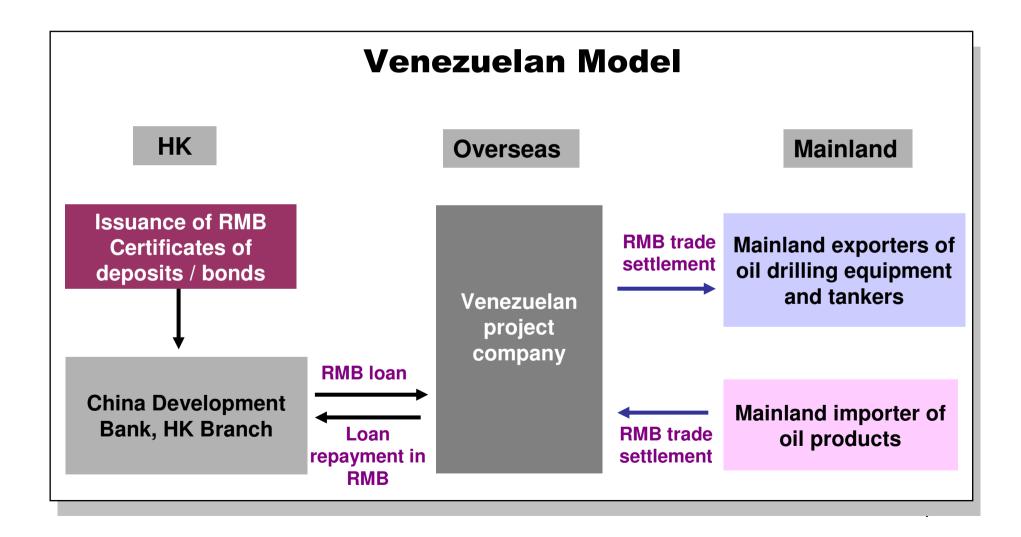
Net RMB trade settlement

RMB deposits in HK



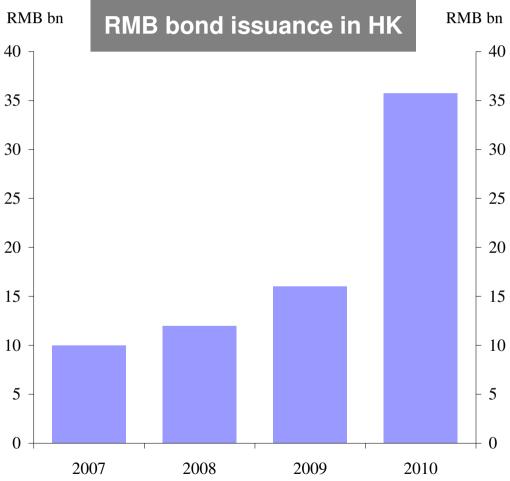


Trade Settlement – Key Driver of RMB Financing





Trade and FDI - Key Drivers of RMB Bond Market Development



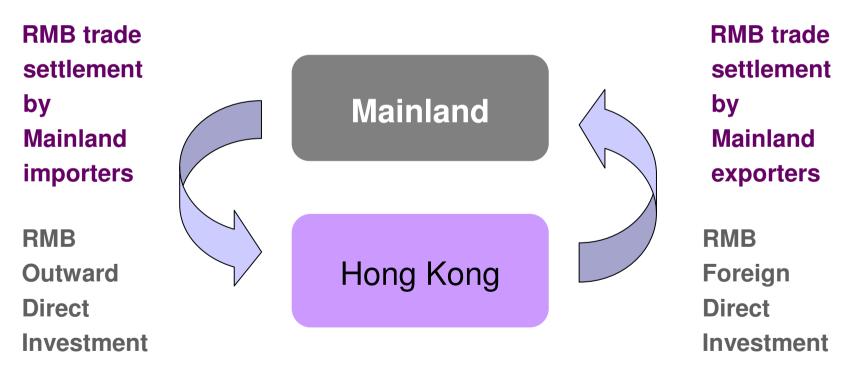
3 bn	 Expansion of issuers: from 	n
- 40	Mainland financial institutior	าร
- 35	to HK corporation (Hopewel	
55	Highway Infrastructure),	
- 30	multinationals (McDonald's)	
- 25	and international financial	
	institutions (Asian Developn	nent
- 20	Bank and World Bank)	

- Tenors: from 2 3 years to up to 10 years
- Funding cost: currently lower than that in the onshore market

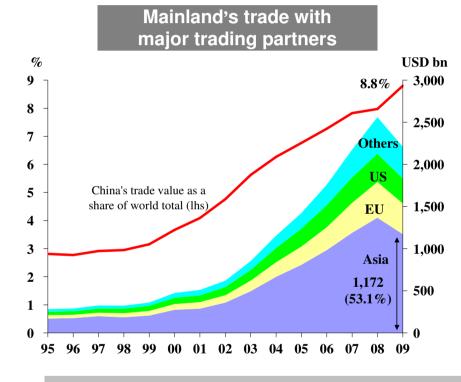


The Next Development Focus – RMB Direct Investment

Further reinforcing two-way cross border flow of RMB and the link between offshore RMB market with China's real economic activities



Potential Growth in RMB Trade Settlement

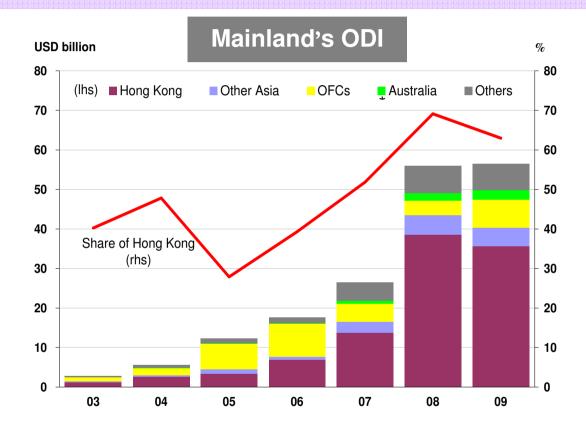


- Mainland accounts for 8.8% of global trade
- Mainland's RMB trade settlement (RMB 506 bn) about 2.5% of Mainland's total trade in 2010 (RMB 20,100bn)
- HK accounts for about 75% of Mainland's RMB trade settlement in 2010 (RMB 506bn)

What if: Mainland's RMB trade settlement = 10% of Mainland's total trade? RMB 2,010 bn of China trade will be settled in RMB RMB 1,507 bn will be settled through HK (4 times of 2010 actual: RMB 369 bn)



Business potential from Mainland's ODI

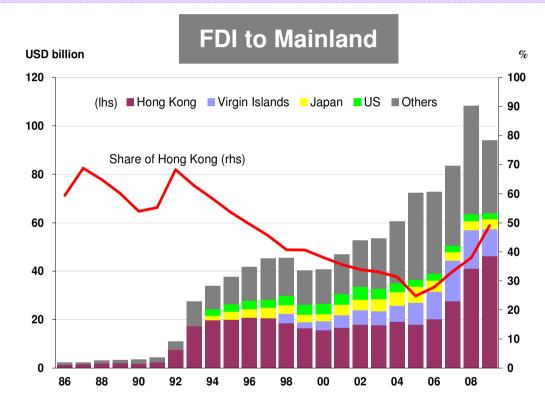


- 2009: Mainland's total ODI amounted to US\$ 57bn (RMB 390 bn) or 1.1% of GDP (Japan: 1.5%; US: 1.8%)
- Over 60% of ODI (US\$ 36 bn) invested in or through Hong Kong
- Mainland policy and global environment favour rapid expansion of ODI activities by Mainland entities

What if: Mainland's ODI at 1.5% of GDP? US\$ 74bn (RMB 500 bn) in or through HK Mainland's ODI at 1.8% of GDP? US\$ 90 bn (RMB 610 bn) in or through HK



Business Potential from Mainland's FDI



- 2009: HK's investment of US\$ 46 bn (or RMB 300 bn) accounted for nearly 50% of Mainland's total FDI
- 2010: FDI into Mainland financed by RMB bond issuance in HK was only about RMB 1.58 bn (1.5% of Mainland's FDI)
- Huge growth potential after formalization of RMB FDI

What if: 10% of Mainland's total FDI financed by RMB bonds in HK?

About US\$ 10 bn (or RMB 66 bn)



Why Hong Kong

- Multi-currency and multi-functional financial platform
- Buy / sell RMB of reasonable size
- Unique RMB RTGS clearing platform outside Mainland
- Unique RMB conversion window
- Growing and largest pool of RMB liquidity outside of Mainland
- The only RMB bond market outside Mainland
- Dual channel for trade settlement: Clearing Bank and a large network of Correspondent Banks
- Increasing range of RMB financial products outside Mainland