

## Financial Programming and Policies, Part 2 Module 2

"Introducing the Case of Macronia"

## **Characteristics of Macronia**

- A small open economy. (2012 GDP = \$41bn)
- Emerging market highly vulnerable to shocks.
- Real 'trend' output growth. (~4%)
- Higher inflation than trading partners. (5-8% vrs. 1-2%)
- No easy answer to solving economic problems.

## Macronia Recent Economic Developments (2008-2013)

■ Persistent GGov deficits → Rising public debt

- Larger Current Account Deficits, and lower FX reserves in months of imports.
- RER appreciation trend but Central Bank 'leaning against the wind' ('fear' of floating → managing ER to resist stronger appreciation).
  - Policy Mix: Fiscal "Loose", Money "Tight"

## Steps in the FPP Process "How to do FPP"

- Step 1 Project economic sectors under existing policies.
- Step 2 Form your baseline based on Step 1.
- Step 3 Identify the problems in the baseline projection.
- Step 4 Set the program objectives to adjust for the baseline.
- Step 5 Identify the policy measures to achieve the program objectives.
- Step 6 Project forward the impact of your proposed policy measures on the baseline.
- Step 7 Iterate to achieve economic and accounting consistency.