## INTRODUCTION TO THE BMD4 AND PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION

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- Key new series
  - Including and excluding resident SPEs
  - Inward investment by Ultimate Investing Country (UIC)
- Progress on Implementation





- MNEs use complex ownership structures
  Manage global production networks
  - Minimizing tax and regulatory burdens
    - Obscure source and destination of FDI Inflate FDI statistics
- Two key improvements
  - SPE and non-SPE
  - UIC



- SPEs are
  - Legal entities registered with a national authority
  - Ultimately controlled by a foreign resident
  - Have few or no employees, little or no production in the host economy, and little or no physical presence in the host economy
  - Almost all its assets and liabilities are investments in or from other countries
  - Managing and directing play only a minor role.
- Examples include brass plate companies, financing subsidiaries, conduits, holding companies, shelf companies, and shell companies









Income on Inward FDI - 2013	
Total FDI Income Payments	
Total income payments	11,930
of which :	
Dividends	6,339
Reinvested earnings	5,426
Net interest payments	165
Payments by SPEs in Hungary	
Total income payments by SPEs	5,408
of which :	
Dividends	2,464
Reinvested earnings	3,531
Net interest payments	-586
Payments excluding resident SPEs	
Total income payments excluding resident SPEs	6,522
of which :	
Dividends	3,876
Reinvested earnings	1,896
Net interest payments	751

Overall, 46% of earnings einvested

igher for SPEs: 59% ut SPEs do not have a al presence in Hungary

Lower for operating affiliates: 33% May expand capacity in Hungary



- Identify the nationality of the entity that ultimately controls the investment
- Ultimate investor
  - Makes decisions
  - Reaps rewards and bears risks
- Also identifies round-tripping
  - Funds that go abroad and return home as FDI
  - Can be argued this is not really genuine FDI

## Example for France: Shift in Most Important Investors







## First OECD Data Collection of FDI According to BMD4

- As of mid-March 2015:
  - 30 countries have reported FDI statistics according to BMD4
  - 4 countries reported under BMD3 only
- 14 countries reported separate statistics for SPEs
  - 13 said SPEs insignificant or non-existent
  - 7 still looking into the issue
- 6 countries report by ultimate investing country
  - Expect more to report in next couple of years
- New OECD FDI statistics database was released March 16

## Implementation Among non-OECD Countries

- Less likely to have implemented
- Because BPM6 and BMD4 are aligned, should report partner country data according to both
- Eurostat countries follow BMD4
- IMF's Coordinated Direct Investment Survey (CDIS)
  - More than 100 respondents
  - However, many countries probably do not follow BMD4
  - For example, no fellow enterprises