



“Safeguarding Stability in A Changing World”

Namibia in Focus

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Geopolitics

Amplifying uncertainties, excessive volatilities, and could stifle economic activity.

GDP growth

Divergent and rocky economic recovery and potential recession.

Global Fiscal Outlook

Recent financial turmoil has worsened the already uncertain and complex situation due to tight financing conditions and increasing concerns about debt vulnerabilities.

Monetary policy

Policy rates may remain restrictive for longer given elevated inflation



Inflation

Inflation taking longer to return to target.

Patience + tolerance + different strategy

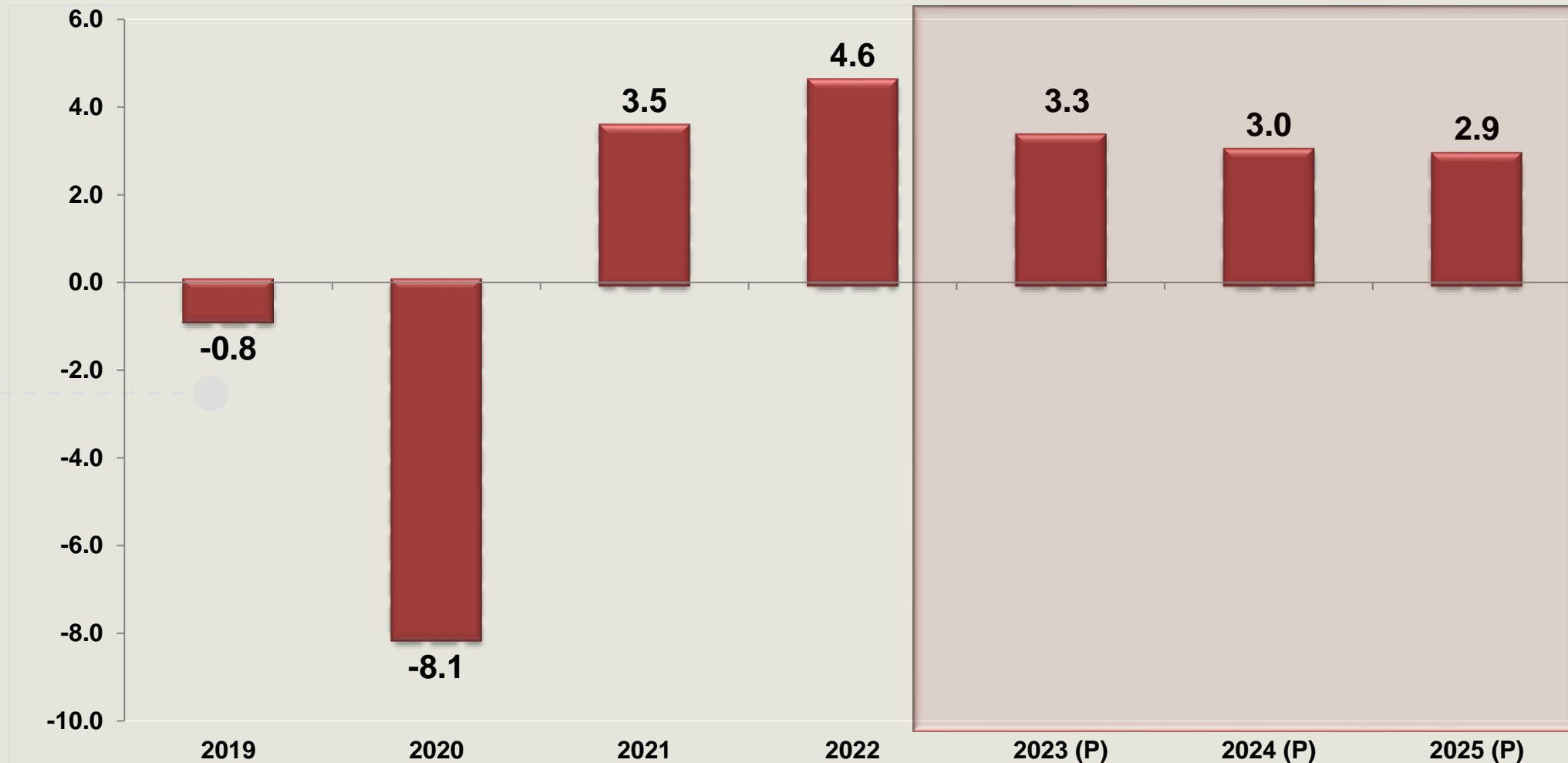
Policy dilemma

High interest rates could introduce fiscal risks and tension b/w financial and price policy objectives.

Domestic Economic Outlook

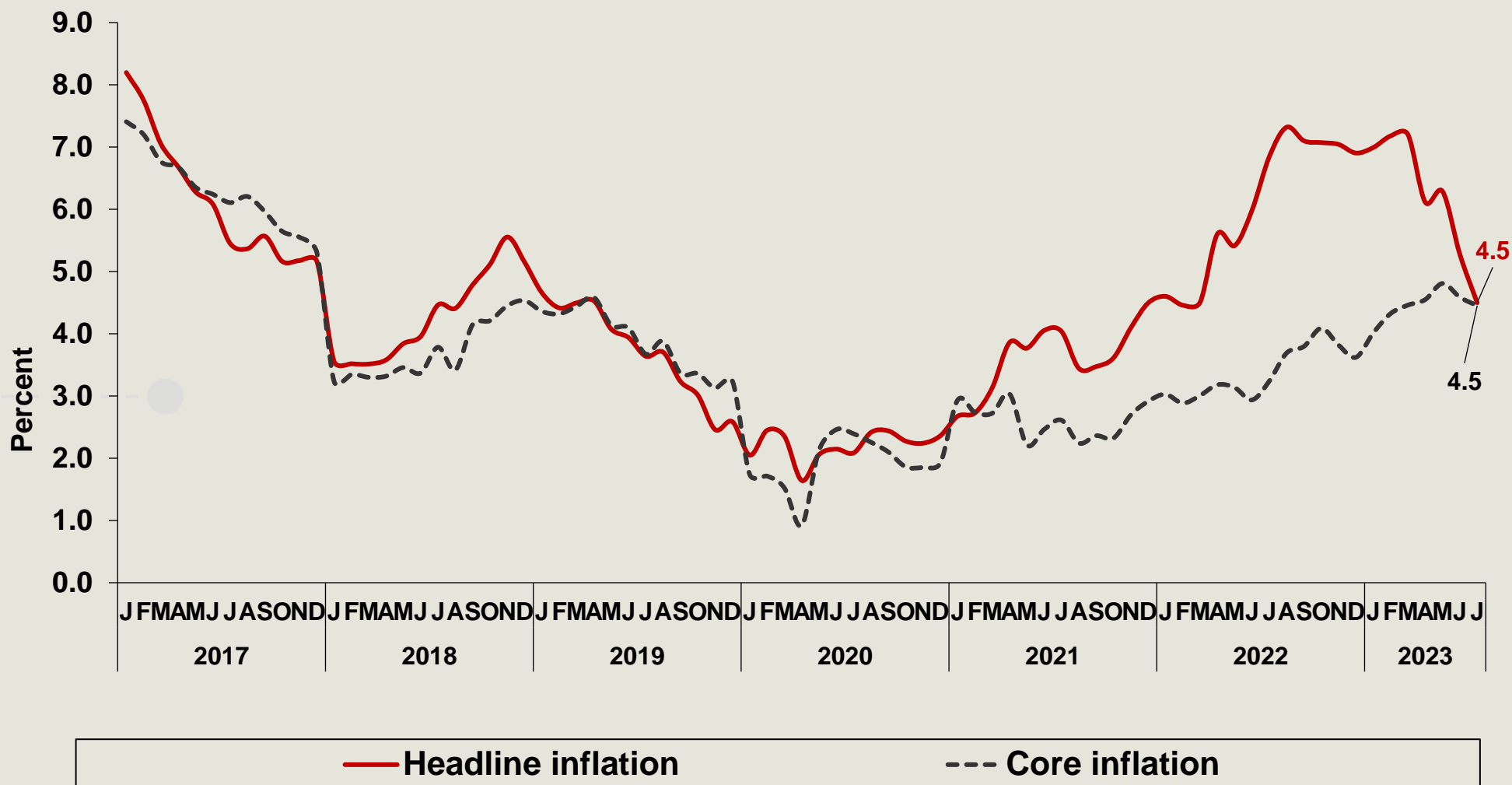


GDP growth to slow to 3.3 percent in 2023, mainly due to weaker demand – high inflation & interest rates affecting consumer spending power.

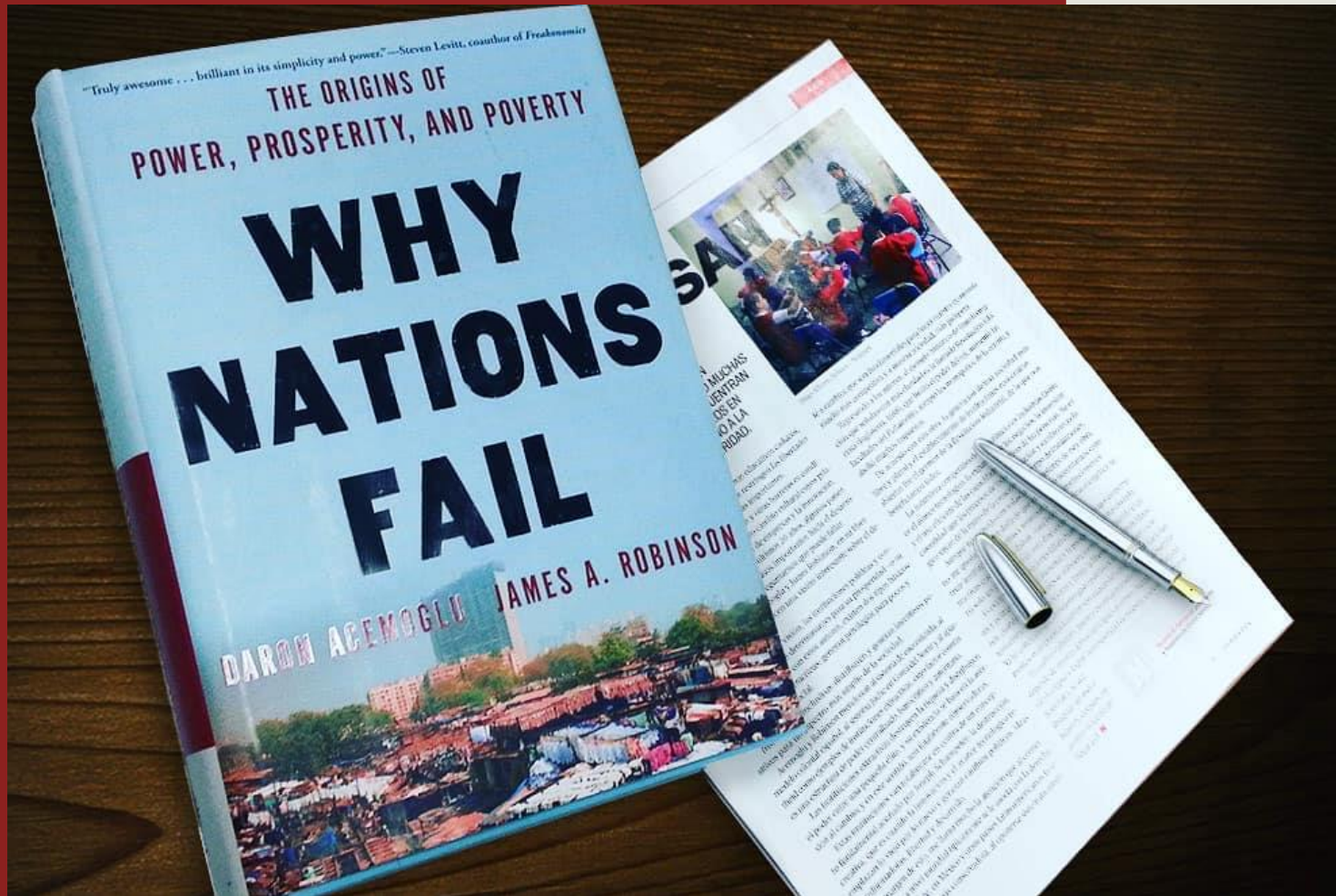


Domestic Inflation

Headline inflation is expected to average 5.6 percent in 2023 and 4.5 percent in 2024, from 6.1 percent in 2022



Why Nations Fail



“Nations fail when they have extractive economic institutions, supported by extractive political institutions that impede and even block economic growth.”

- Daron Acemoglu & James Robinson

Emerging Green Hydrogen Industry



Namibia aspires to produce hydrogen and its derivatives at highly competitive costs and create an at-scale green fuels industry that will serve markets in Europe & Asia.

By 2030, it could contribute US\$4.1 billion to GDP, 32 percent more than 2030 GDP estimates with no hydrogen industry.



Oil & Gas Sector Potential



The country's burgeoning oil and gas sector has the potential to profoundly reshape the nation's economic landscape, as at least 3 billion barrels in oil reserves have been discovered within Namibia's borders.

Three of the country's oil discoveries rank among the world's top 30 largest deepwater oil discoveries since 2015.

Launch of the Welwitschia Sovereign Wealth Fund



With the Fund, Namibia is better positioned to institute long-term oil and other natural wealth management.

The Fund will aim to insulate the budget and economy from commodity price volatility and external shocks.

Intergenerational Savings Fund aims to promote long-term prosperity and ensure intergenerational equity in the distribution of net economic benefits from the utilization of the country's natural resources.

Institutional Development

01 Bank of Namibia

- The one-to-one peg arrangement to the South African Rand has consistently proven its effectiveness in our Monetary Policy Framework.

02 Namibia Revenue Agency

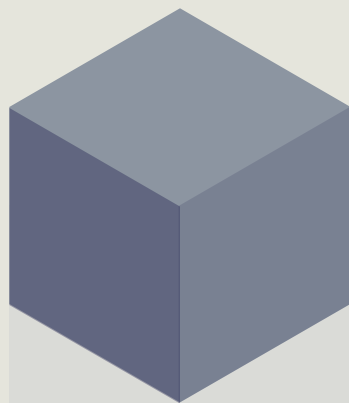
- Plays a critical role in securing domestic resources and establishing fiscal buffers to shield against economic shocks

03 Namibia Investment Promotion & Development Board

- Will introduce measures to streamline bureaucracy and introduce competitive incentives and labour market reforms.

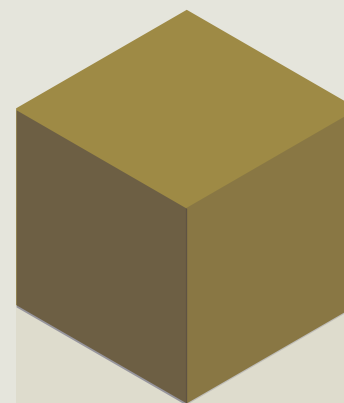


Navigating Challenges will Require



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Mobilising
domestic
resources
and building
fiscal buffers



02

Strong
institutions
and rule of
Law



03

Structural
reforms



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