Six years after enlargement Austria and its eastern neighbours

Seminar by DG ECFIN, Brussels, 12 March 2010

Session III – Financial markets Comments

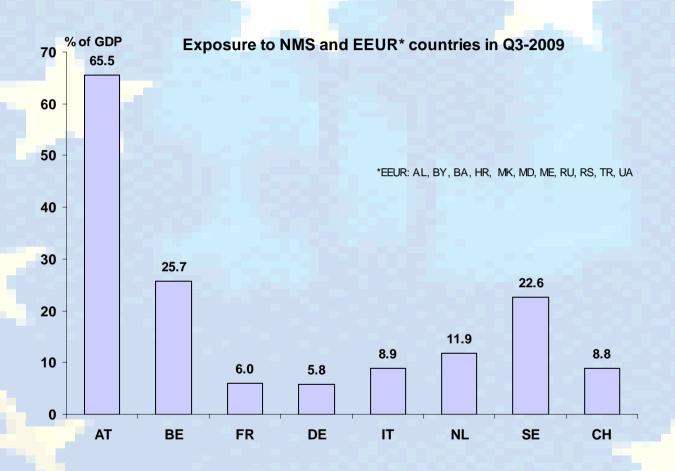
Filip Keereman*

Head of Unit

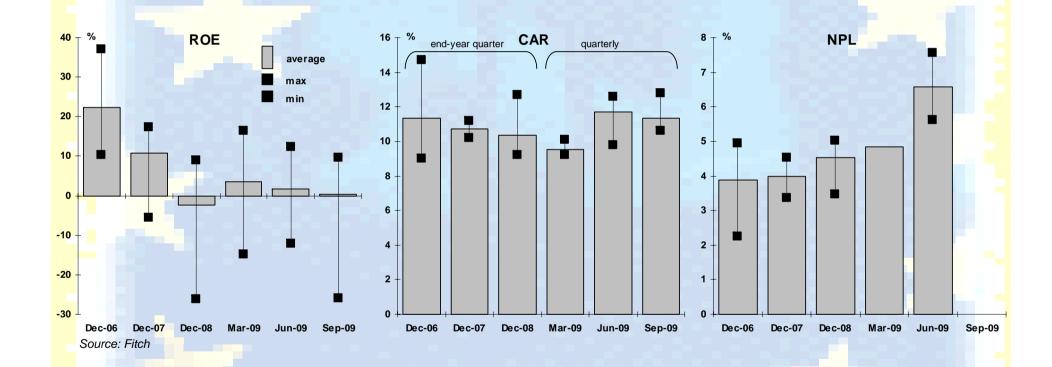
ECFIN.E.2, European Commission

*Prepared with the help of Rajko Vodovnik and Corina Weidinger

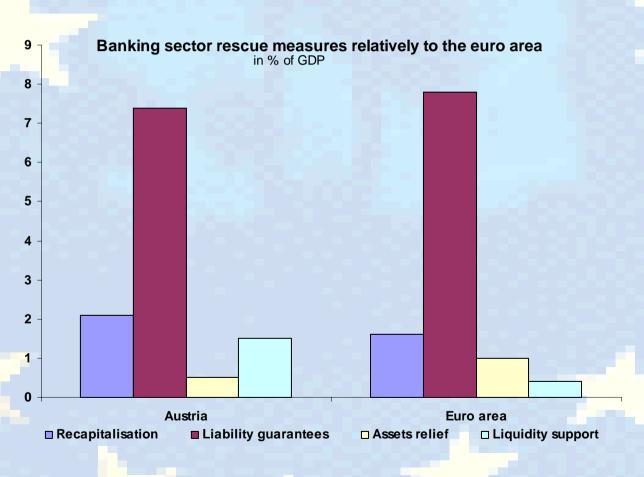
Austria is heavily exposed to the East



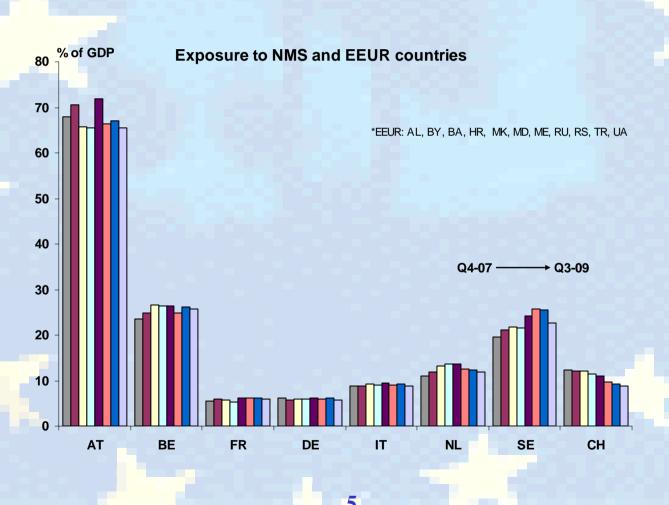
Return on capital suffered, NPLs rise and dispersion among banks



Banking system dependent on financial assistance (comparable to the euro area)



European Banking Coordination (Vienna Initiative) helped stabilising the financial system



...but not yet back to pre-crisis situation: CDS spreads on Austrian banks still higher

