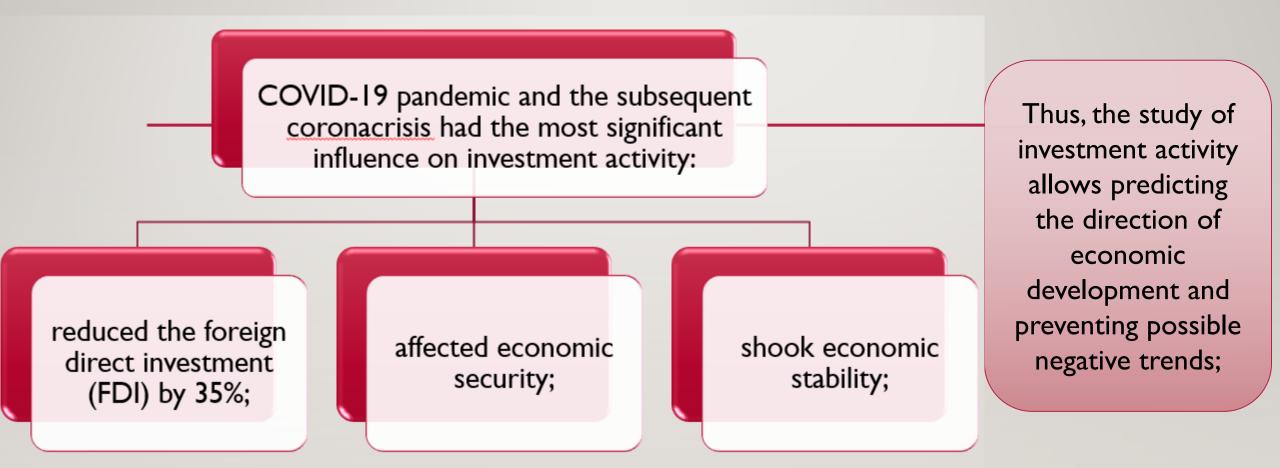




INTRODUCTION

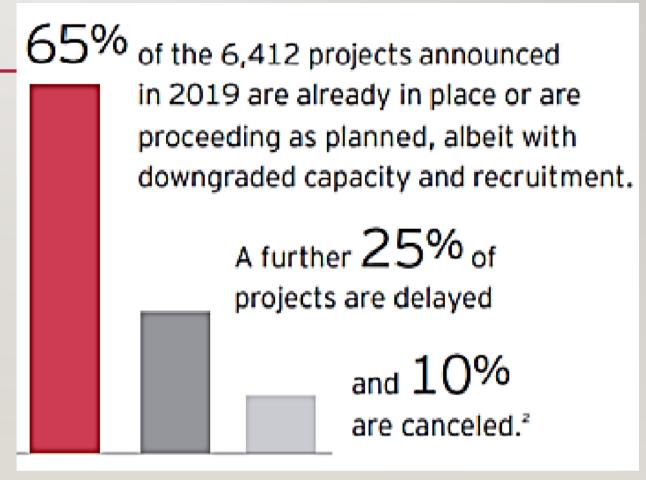


The purpose of the study is to analyze the global prospects for investment activity and formulate recommendations for increasing the investment attractiveness of projects.

INVESTMENT POLICY BEFORE PANDEMIC

In 2019 foreign investment flows have stabilized, but now projects are in jeopardy.

The projects announced in 2019 will create 30-50% fewer jobs than expected at the stage of forming the relevant business plans.



Source: EY Flash Survey May 2020 (total respondents: 113)

ANALYSIS OF THE INVESTMENT PROJECTS ATTRACTIVENESS WITHIN INDUSTRIES

The digital technology and business services sectors combined accounted for almost a third (31%) of all projects and 24% of new jobs.

The vehicle manufacturing sector which includes the production of automotive and aviation products and components with 7% of new projects and 23% of new jobs.

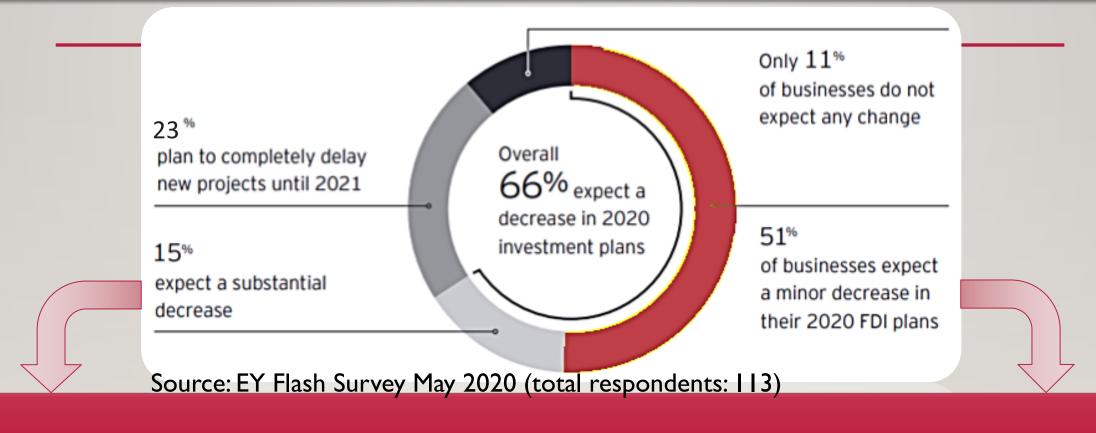
The situation is similar with mechanical engineering, chemical industry and plastics production.

Companies in sectors experiencing a surge in demand due to COVID-19 (such as life sciences, essential consumer goods and retail, e-commerce and online entertainment) will more likely maintain their investment plans.

The worst situation will be in the vehicles production, in the chemical industry, plastics production, mechanical engineering and industrial equipment production, as well as in the agro-industrial complex.

INVESTMENT POLICY DURING THE PANDEMIC

Pandemic forced the management of many companies to reconsider their investment policies:



The volume of investments had to be revised for reasons related to the widely introduced self-isolation regimes, which, in fact, make it impossible to assess and implement investment projects.

FACTORS INFLUENCING INVESTMENT

80% of CEOs surveyed in April 2020 noted that the volume and effectiveness of national incentive measures will be of the greatest importance.

The digital competitiveness of the national economy, the availability of relevant skills and infrastructure, as well as a dynamically developing technology sector are factors that have long played a decisive role while choosing a country for investment.

Executives that make allocation decisions expect three megatrends to drive their investment plans in a post-COVID world:

The acceleration of technology for cost reduction and customer access;

A sharper focus on climate change and sustainability in investment decisions;

A reconfiguration of supply chains, with a new mix of reshoring, nearshoring and offshoring.







4. Preparing for the next shock





CONCLUSION

Now it is difficult to predict how quickly investment activity will recover, as this will depend partly on the pace of economic recovery in FDI donor countries.

Accelerated technology adoption will make digital competitiveness an even more important factor in making investment decisions.

Companies should consider the fact that it is necessary to provide universal access to high-speed Internet and establish efficient communication channels in remote areas.



