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# Weekly Review

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#### **Economic Developments**

China: August industrial profits rise 24 percent year-on-year

China: SOE profits rise more than 20 percent from a year earlier for January-August

China: To complete national technology transfer system

Japan: Economic expansion seen second-longer growth run

Japan: BOJ governor expresses concerns on downward price trend

South Korea: Export growth fastest in January-July

South Korea: Steel exports to U.S. to fall to 6-year low

South Korea: MOTIE encourage foreign companies to increase employment

Singapore: August CPI up 0.4 percent

Thailand: August exports rise to its highest in 6 years

Malaysia: CPI inflation up 3.7 percent in August

**Myanmar: Business using ITCs surges** 

Philippines: Revive plan to join TPP

Philippines: To finish 37 flagship projects by 2022

New Zealand: Economy maintains strong growth in Q2

**Eurozone: Consumer confidence to boost economy this year and next** 

France: Government unveils multibillion euros investment plan

Germany: National debt falls 2.9 percent from a year earlier in H1

Fed announces start of trimming of bond holdings but expected to hike rate in December

#### Trade & Investment

WTO: Global trade rebounds strongly in first half of 2017

China: Service outsourcing sector ranks high in world

China: Overseas spending of Chinese tourists accounts for 20.9 percent of total global tourism spending

World Bank suspends support loans for Pakistan

# **Regional Cooperation**

China, Kenya sign pact on eliminating double taxation

Jordan approves establishment of Chinese cultural center

Indonesia: See China as major source of investment

Treasury announces new round of U.S. sanctions against North Korea

### **[ Authoritative Forecasts ]**

FAO: Conflict and natural disasters drag down food security

Report: U.S., Japan's contribution to global economy falling

Forum: Investment in international tourism reaches 10-year high in 2017

Financial Times: China plays leading role in reshaping world technological landscape

Report: China emerges as world's largest online gaming market

Moody's: Downgrade UK's sovereign rating

Fitch: Upgrade Russia's credit rating to positive