

The OECD's Global Economic Outlook Report 2019, discusses how global growth is weakening due to policy uncertainty. The OECD calls for fiscal support and structural reforms.

The world between 2016-2020 has had protectionism policies, Trade wars, Weaker Economic Unions and Geopolitical Tensions. Many developed economies have seen slowdowns in their retail sector and net trade. Consumption has been decreasing across the world.

It is time for Economies, especially developing, to revise their open-economy-based long-term strategies and rather focus on economically sustainable sectors.

Dubai

According to Dubai Statistics Center, The Emirate's GDP in 2018 depended largely on Wholesale & retail trade, Transportation & Storage and Financial & Insurance Activities. Schedule (1) shows the success/risk factors behind each component.

Amid the growth in GDP, consumption based activities

GDP Sectors	% of Contribution	Success Factors
Wholesale & retail trade	25.1%	Logistics Infrs., Location, Price
Transportation & Storage	11.5%	Contunious Improvement to Infrs.
Financial & Insurance Activities	11.1%	Geopolitical Security, Stability
Manufacturing	9.1%	Labour, Know-how, Capital
Public Administration & Defence, etc	6.9%	Local Community, Foreign Investors, Tourists

Schedule (1): GDP & Success Factors

are forming a bigger part of the economy. Risk factors are directly related as a higher parameter results in a large impact to GDP output.

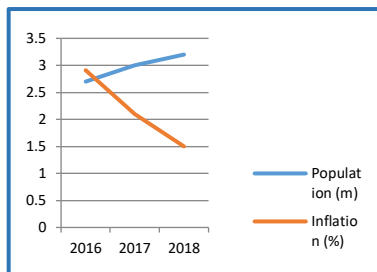


Chart (1): Dubai Population & Inflation 16-18

A deflation between 2016-2018 amid the continuous rise in population confirm a recessionary gap at works.

Combat Policies

Dubai has had a number of government ease policies such as the 3 year fee freezing announcement by Dubai Executive Council in 2018, fee cuts by the Ministry of Economy in July 2019 and review of more than 2,300 administrative

fees by Dubai Executive Council in February 2020. The steps are in line with fiscal policy efforts to support suppliers & production.

Sustainable Factors

An effective long term addition is promoting sectors of sustainable factors. E.g.: China's initial growth strategy was based on its most notable sustainable factor of production, 'Labor cost', which was also their main element in factors of success. Dubai offers a world-class infrastructure that can attract sectoral winners with the right promotional package, the emirate is also a hub for regional talents that can be utilized for creativity & innovation. Primary focus should be on the factors of success to generate sustainable sectors for future generations.