



# INVESTMENT AND IMPORTS IN RUSSIA

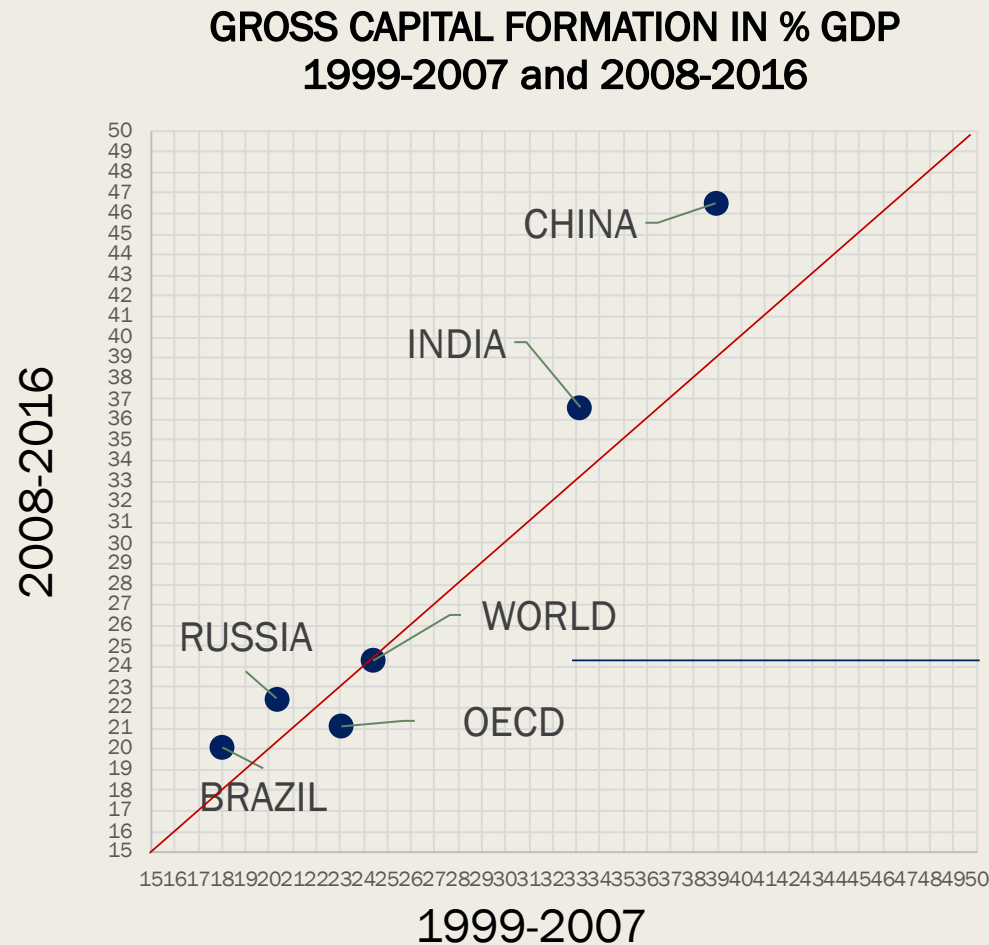
Which kind of relation?

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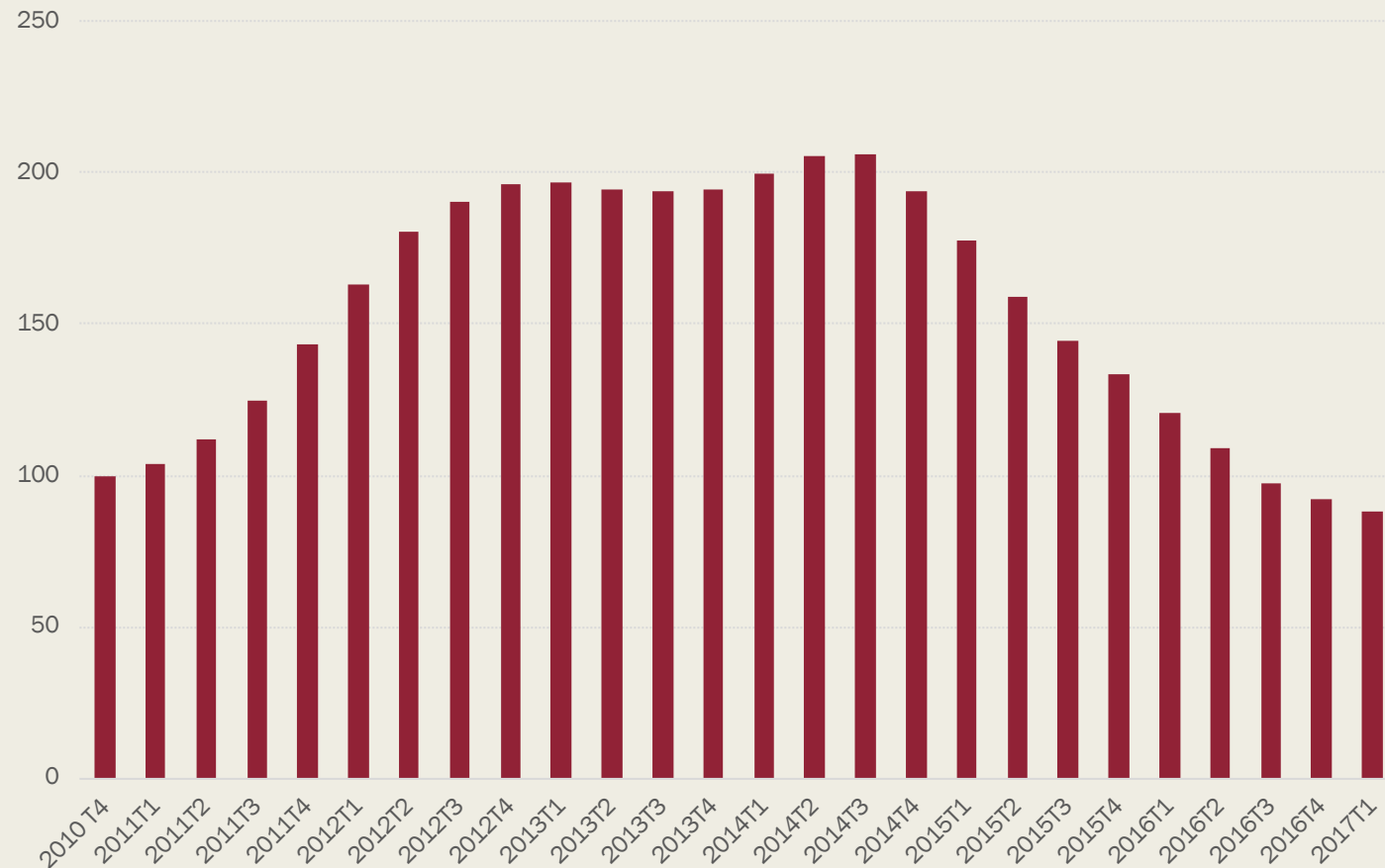
# Russia's investment record during the last two decades: an international comparison



Source : Author's elaboration, world Bank data

# Recent investment activity in Russia (2010-2017)

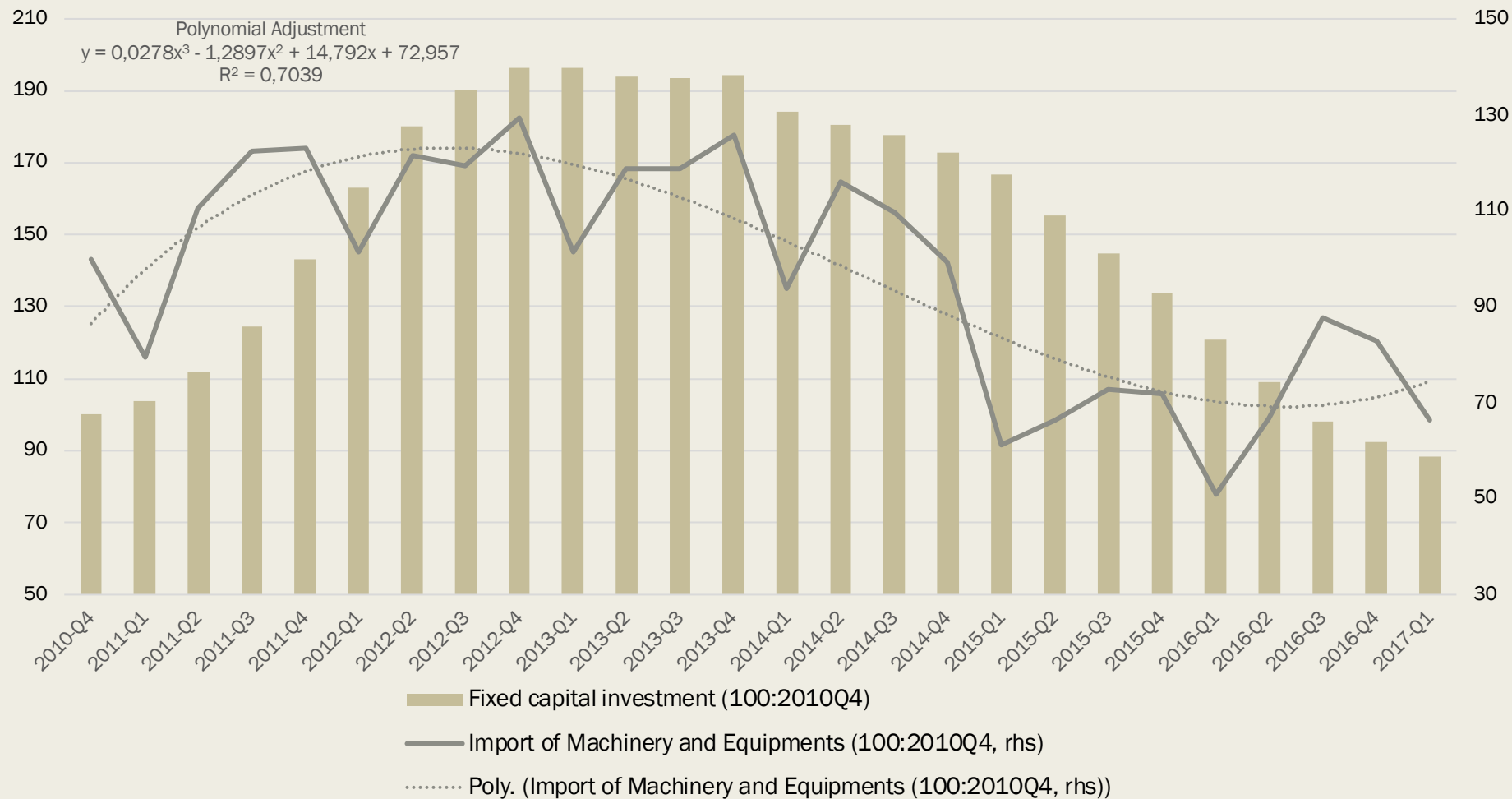
Fixed Capital Investment, 2010-2017,  
Quarterly Data (Index 100 : 2010Q4)



Source : Author's elaboration, Rosstat data

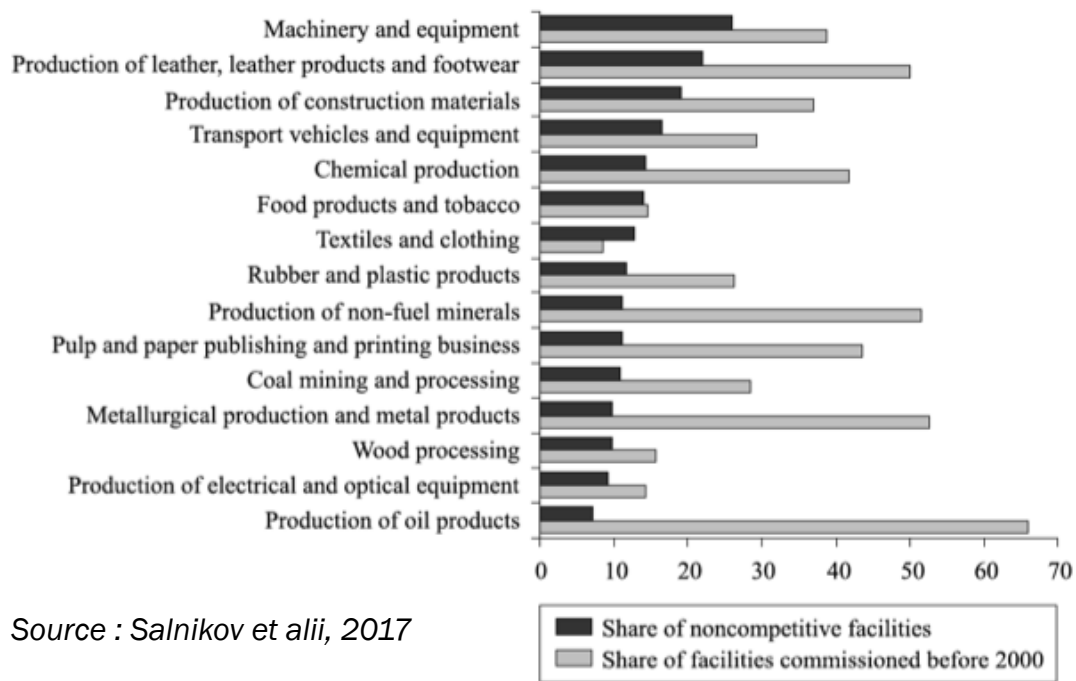
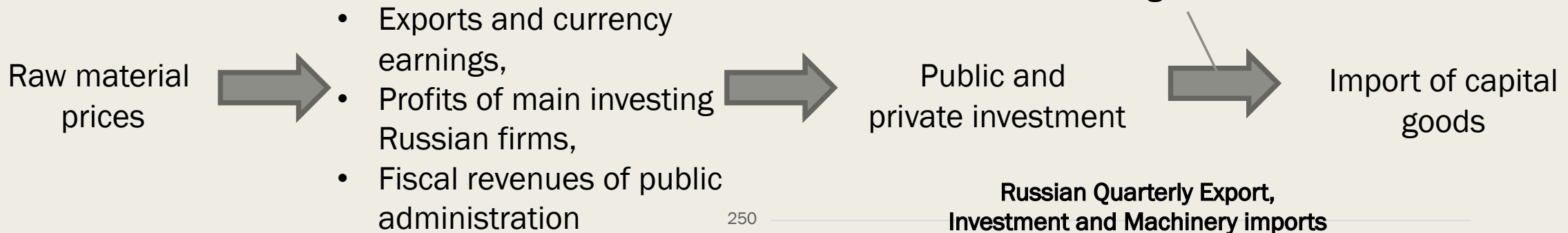
# Imports intensity of Capital Investment

Fixed Capital Investment and Imports of Machinery and Equipment (SITC 84)  
(2010-2017)



Source : Author's elaboration, Central Bank of Russia and Rosstat data

# A theoretical framework to analyse the investment-import link



Source : Salnikov et alii, 2017

Fig. 7. Share of noncompetitive and old PC in 2015 by sector (%).



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# Conclusion: facing the import-investment link

- **Investment is partly driven by oil prices** => another example of the consequences of the structural growth model of Russia
- **FDI could be part of the solution** – but they can also foster imports (even imports of machinery and equipments) – at least temporarily
- A lot will depend on the **capacity of the industrial sector to attract and leverage technology transfers – especially machinery and equipment industries** (see F. List, T. Veblen, H.-Joon Chang)
- In any case, **capital outflows and investment climate are key** (not merely to foreign investors)

# Спасибо за внимание !

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