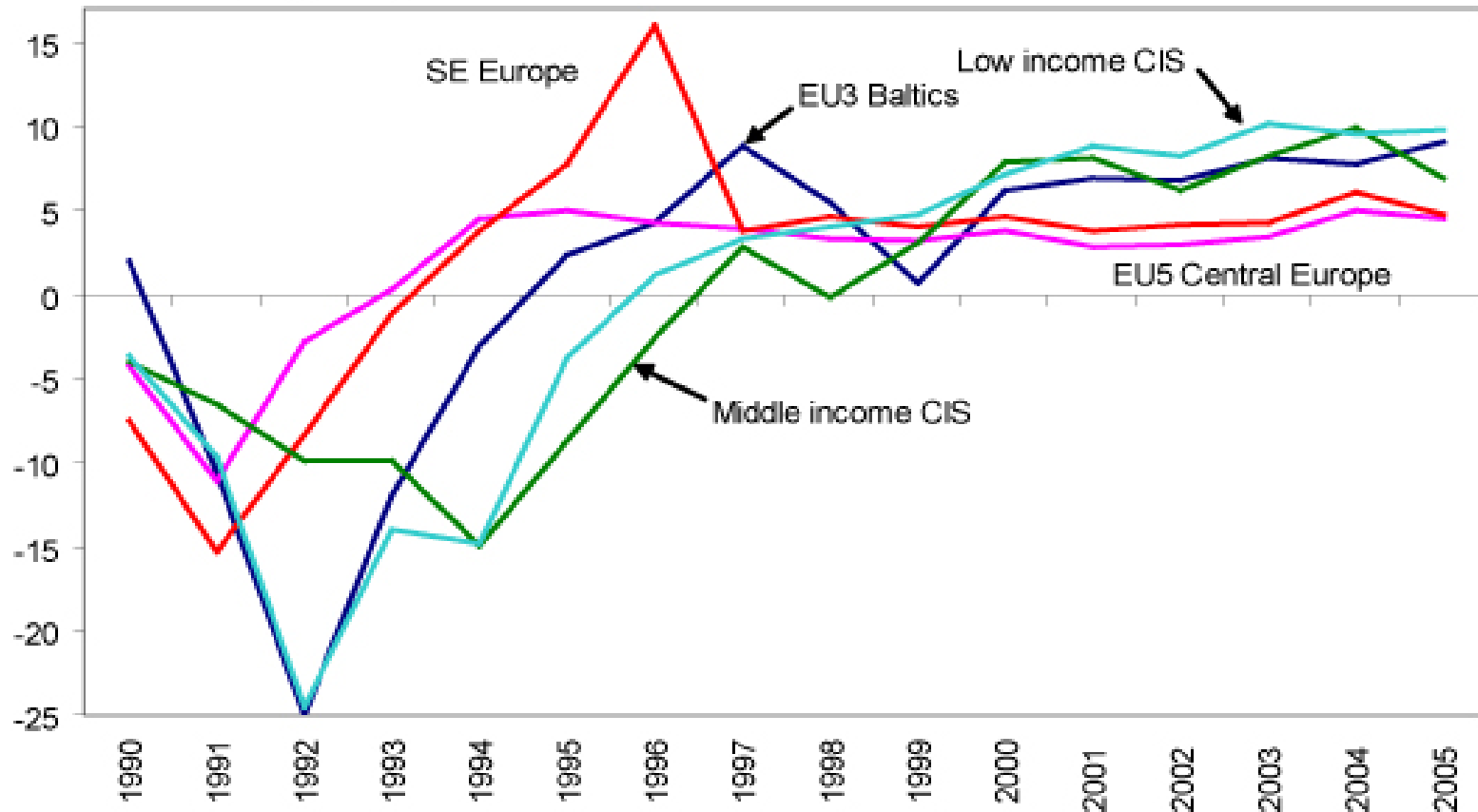


Euro-Asian Transport Linkages

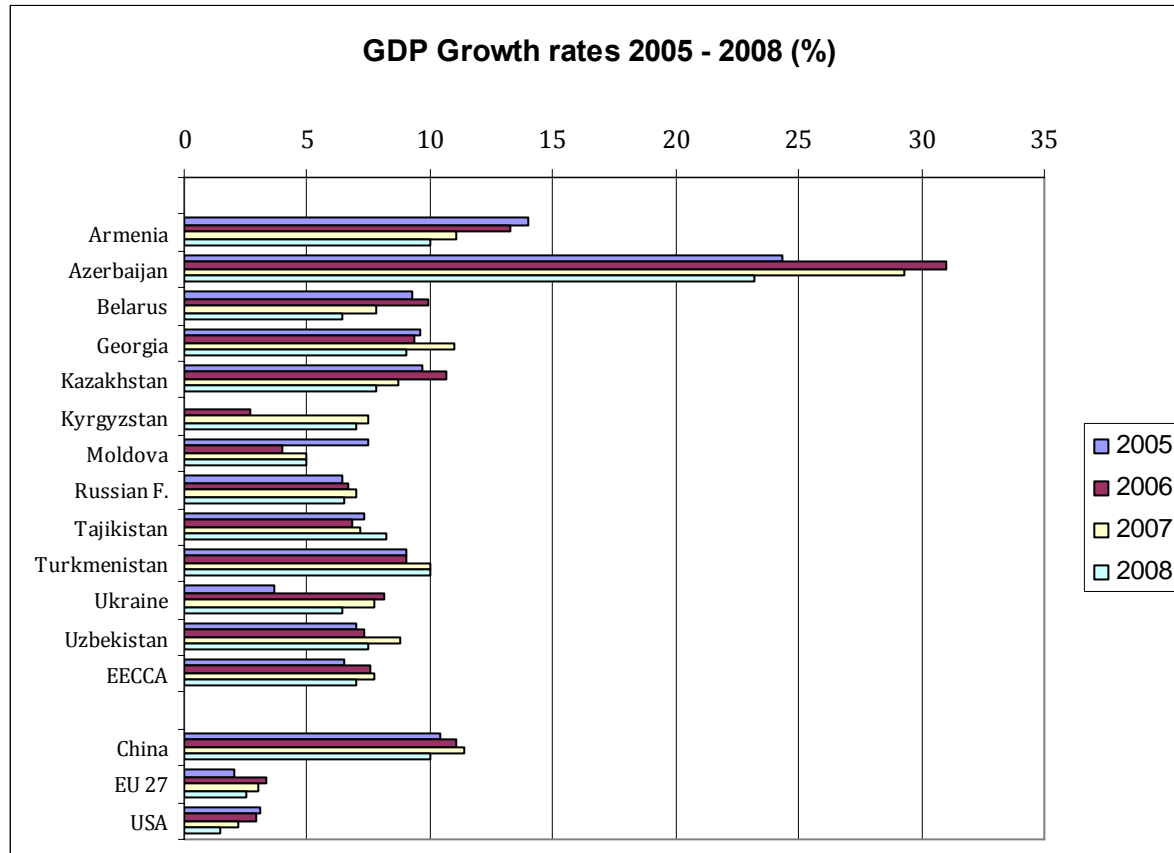


Growth in ECA has been rapid in recent years after initial collapse, especially in Central Asia and the Baltics

Annual real GDP growth, in %



Varying development paths





Traditional Ship Route

- Shanghai
- Mediterranean Sea
- Atlantic Ocean
- Hamburg

Route EATL 2

- China, Kazakhstan
- Russia
- Belarus
- Poland
- Germany

Results

≈32 days transit time

Results

≈ 15 days transit time

EATL Project Results

- ☑ Identification of the main Euro - Asian rail, road, and inland waterway routes
- ☑ G.I.S. Database
- ☑ 230 transport investment projects of an estimated total cost of over USD 43 million have been evaluated and prioritized
- ☑ Non-physical obstacles have been addressed
- ☑ Publication of the in house study!

EATL Project and the Future

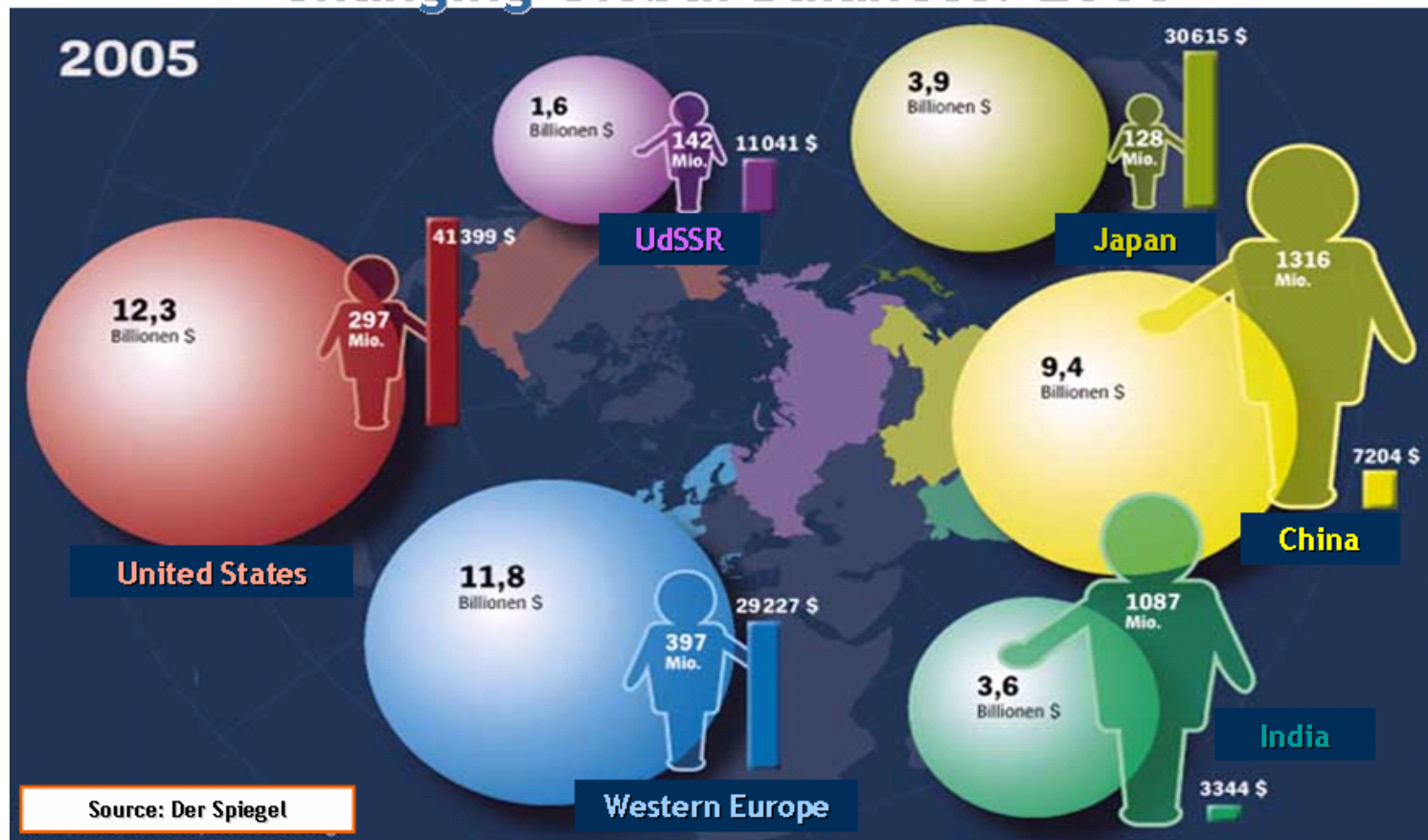
- ✓ Develop efficient, safe and secure EATL
- ✓ Foster cooperation to facilitate interregional trade and tourism
- ✓ Remove physical and non-physical barriers along the routes
- ✓ Ensure development of identified priority routes and project
- ✓ Follow up other concrete results achieved so far
- ✓ Maintain/further develop climate and momentum established
- ✓ Continue capacity building activities and experiences sharing

EATL Project and the Future

- ✓ Set monitoring and coordination mechanism
- ✓ Continue projects' prioritization and implementation
- ✓ Further develop and update GIS database
- ✓ Promote harmonized legislation and procedures
- ✓ Strengthen capacities of national officials
- ✓ Improve performance of border crossing operations

It is a big market, indeed!

Changing Global Balances: 2005



Thank you!

