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Economic Environment

World Bank: ‘We’re worried about Africa’s commodity exporters´

This week, the World Bank published its annual Global Economic Prospects, forecasting a modest 2.9% growth in the world economy, after a disappointing 2.4% last year fell below expectations. But the message for Africa was more nuanced - and more worrying.

Although it predicts 4.2% growth in 2016 in Africa, the World Bank points to commodity prices, electricity shortages, the Boko Haram insurgency and the slowing of emerging markets in Brazil, Russia, China and South Africa, as serious concerns for sub-Saharan Africa. The risk scenario is a 1% slowdown in BRICS will reduce global growth by 0.4 percentage points over the next two years.

And the biggest problems are corruption, and quality of governance.

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