

# Adviser Update



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## Interest Rate Update

### Savings Maximiser

- The highest variable interest rate for eligible customers is **2.80% p.a.** \*
- The standard variable rate for new and existing customers is **1.15% p.a.**

### Savings Accelerator

- The top tier Savings Accelerator variable rate (for balances > \$150,000) is **2.20% p.a.**

### Business Optimiser

- The 6 month variable welcome rate for new customers is **2.20%p.a.** on balances up to \$1 million
- The standard variable rate for new and existing customers is **1.35%p.a.**

### Personal & business Term Deposits

ING has some of the most competitive Personal and Business Term Deposit interest rates available.

Term	Rate (p.a.)
120 Days	2.40%
210 Days	2.60%
270 Days	2.65%
1 Year	2.70%
2 Years	2.90%

## Term Deposit Loyalty bonus 0.10%p.a.

If you roll over a Personal or Business Term Deposit (for the same or a different term) and all the funds are held in the new Personal or Business Term Deposit until the maturity date, you will be rewarded with a loyalty bonus - a non-cumulative add-on to the standard Personal or Business Term Deposit interest rate applicable at roll over.

For information on our current interest rates, please see our [Adviser website](#).

## First Home Super Saver Scheme (FHSSS)

As you may know, from 1 July 2018 your customers may apply to release their voluntary contributions, along with associated earnings to assist with purchasing their first home. Your customers can withdraw up to a maximum of \$15,000 from any one financial year and \$30,000 in total across all years of the eligible contributions you make - this includes a deemed earnings rate on your contributions calculated by the ATO (rather than the actual earnings).

After the withdrawal, your customer will have 12 months to sign the contract to purchase or build a home, and they'll need to occupy it for at least six months of the first year after the purchase or when it is practicable to do so. If not, they might have to apply for an extension from the ATO, recontribute the amount withdrawn back to their super or they may be liable for further tax.

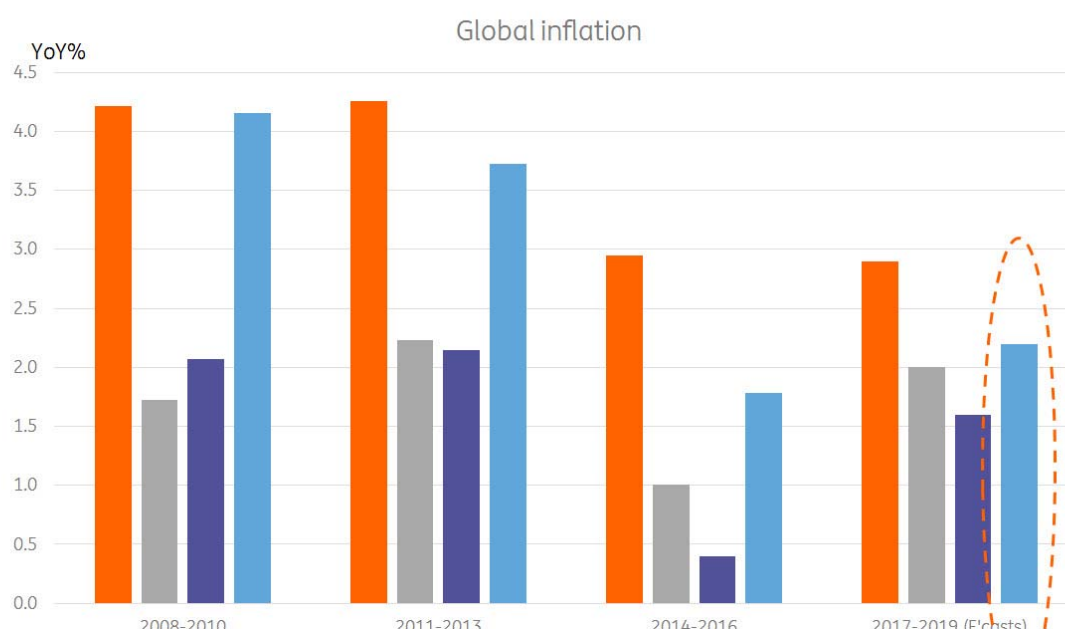
For more information on First Home Super Saver Scheme, [visit the ING Blog](#).

## Economic Update by Robert Carnell, Chief Economist and Head of Research, Asia-Pacific

ING Chief Economist and Head of Research, Asia-Pacific, Robert Carnell was in town early March and answered some questions around the Australian economy. We've taken a couple points out from his presentation to share with you.

**Q: Inflation is key to higher rates, can you please provide comments on why inflation is low or if it will ever get back to historical levels**

## And inflation is hardly in evidence...



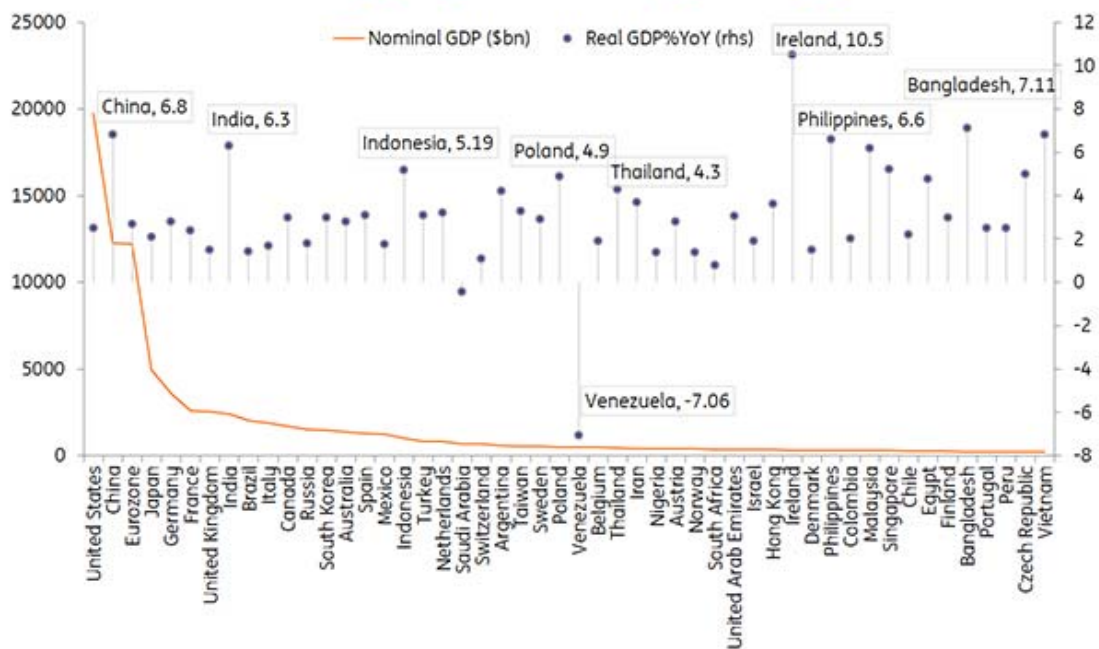


Source: World Bank, ING

Globalisation: shortages in domestic supply being met by imports; and Balance of Payments: adjustments in post-crisis European countries requiring depreciation (price cuts) to maintain aggregate demand. This is weighing on global pricing power. Increased automation, greater service sector activity, the breakdown between activity, employment and wages growth, as well as between wages growth and final goods prices are also key factors. Finally and perhaps most importantly in the long run: the growth in platform delivery of zero marginal cost goods and services.

**Q: Can you please provide your view on the systemic risk from credit in China.**

### China is not only big, it is also growing fast



High debt on its own is not necessarily all that bad; it's what happens when there is a destabilising shock to the economy. If you have high levels of debt at that time, it can turn bad very quickly. So the debt itself is not a big problem, it is what it does in the advent of another crisis. However, right now, I don't see an imminent catalyst for such a crisis.

China is the second largest economy in the world, and with an annual growth rate between 5% and 7% expected in the coming years, the Chinese economy will be even larger. In my view, it may become the world's largest economy by 2035 (assuming 6% growth in China and 3% growth in US). In any case, it will be contributing substantially to global GDP growth. Even if the growth rate slows, the quantum of economic growth will still be massive.

India is also growing fast, but its base is low, which means there are a lot of opportunities. However, it is not yet ready to impact to the global economy relative to China's growth story.

**RFi Group Women in Leadership: Melanie Evans ING Head of Retail Banking**

Melanie Evans, Head of Retail Banking at ING speaks to Australian Retail Banker magazine about her career in financial services, what drives her, lessons learnt and advice for young professionals. [Read more here.](#)

## Did you know?

According to ING's research ('*The truth about Gen X and Gen Y*' January 2016) over 33% of millennials plan to retire early at around 31-40 years while the majority plan to retire around 51-60 years. By way of comparison, over 71% of Australians intend to retire at age 65 or over.

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### \*Savings Maximiser

The additional variable rate can only apply when you also have an Orange Everyday. The additional variable rate currently 1.65% p.a. (that is added to the Savings Maximiser standard variable rate) applies on one Savings Maximiser per customer for the next calendar month when you perform the following during the current calendar month:

- deposit at least \$1,000 from an external bank account to any personal ING account in your name (excluding Living Super and Orange One), and
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