

Hungary

This annex refers to the release of monitoring note of 16 July 2021

Annex I: Summary of core variable scorecard, reserve currency adjustment and qualitative scorecard¹

	Implied rating of core variable scorecard (CVS)	a- 0				
	Reserve currency adjustment					
Weight	Qualitative scorecard (QS) for long-term local currency ratings					
20%	Growth potential of the economy	Neutral				
	Monetary policy framework	Neutral				
	Macro-economic stability and sustainability	Neutral				
20%	Fiscal policy framework	Neutral				
	Debt sustainability	Neutral				
	Debt profile and market access	Neutral				
20%	Current account resilience	Neutral				
	External debt structure	Strong				
	Resilience to short-term shocks	Weak				
	Banking sector performance	Neutral				
20%	Banking sector oversight	Neutral				
	Financial imbalances	Neutral				
20%	Environmental risks	Neutral				
	Social risks	Weak				
	Institutional and political risks	Weak				
	QS adjustment (notches)	-1				
	Additional considerations (notches)	0				
	Final rating	BBB+ STA				

Annex II: Selected indicators

	2017	2018	2019	2020E	2021F	2022F
GDP per capita (USD '000s)	14.6	16.4	16.7	15.8	18.1	20.0
Real GDP, % change	4.3	5.4	4.6	-5.0	4.5	5.5
Unemployment rate, %	4.0	3.6	3.3	4.1	4.1	3.6
HICP, % change	2.4	2.8	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.3
Policy rate, %, EOP*	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.60	0.90	0.9
Fiscal balance, % of GDP	-2.4	-2.1	-2.0	-8.1	-7.0	-4.7
Government debt, % of GDP, EOP	72.2	69.1	65.3	80.4	80.0	79.0
Current account balance, % of GDP	2.0	0.3	-0.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.3

Yearly averages except where stated otherwise; *Shown for the MNB base rate Source: Macrobond, IMF, Hungarian National Bank, Scope Ratings GmbH

Annex III: Economic development and default indicators

IMF Development Classification² **EMDE** 5y USD CDS spread (bps) as of 15 July 2021 56

¹ The weighting and explanation of all rating factors are described in Scope's 'Sovereign Ratings' methodology, available on www.scoperatings.com

² AE = advanced economy; EMDE = emerging market and developing economy

Annex IV: Analytical rationale for QS assessments

Hungary	July 2021	Assessment	Analytical rationale				
Peers*	Bulgaria, Slovakia, Romania, Cyprus, Portugal, Spain						
Domestic economic risk	Growth potential	Neutral	Robust growth dynamics; labour shortages and low savings				
	Monetary policy framework	Neutral	Credible central bank; thin local currency bond market limits effectiveness of monetary policy				
	Macro-economic stability & sustainability	Neutral	Competitive export base; reliance on external markets				
	Fiscal policy framework	Neutral	Prudent fiscal policies; limited fiscal space				
Public finance risk	Debt sustainability	Neutral	Elevated debt burden; long-term debt trajectory supported by declining cost of debt service				
- ∉	Debt profile & market access	Neutral	Improving debt profile and investor base				
External economic risk	Current account resilience	Neutral	Stable current account receipts with a manufacturing sector highly integrated in global supply chains				
	External debt structure	Strong	External liabilities mostly consist of direct investment and equity rather than debt-creating flows				
	Resilience to short-term shocks	Weak	High refinancing needs; reliance on external demand and foreign direct investment				
le /	Banking sector performance	Neutral	High capitalisation levels; declining profitability from a worsening operating environment				
Financial stability risk	Banking sector oversight	Neutral	Effective supervisory control; timely and comprehensive regulatory measures				
	Financial imbalances	Neutral	Pre-crisis recovery of real estate prices and macroprudential measures underpin financial stability				
ESG risks	Environmental risks	Neutral	Low vulnerability to transition risks and natural disasters risk; poor in natural resources				
	Social risks	Weak	Substantial employment gaps; high regional inequalities; below-average performance on education				
	Institutional and political risks	Weak	Ongoing institutional challenges and tensions with the EU; polarised political environment				

^{*} Peers related to selected sovereigns with a similar indicative rating per Scope's Core Variable Scorecard.