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**IL PROJECT FINANCING**

**TRA CRISI FINANZIARIA E RIPRESA ECONOMICA**

- **ABSTRACT** -

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Project financing is a structure based upon cash flows rather than the assets of the promoters or the managing companies involved in the realization of an infrastructure. In this perspective, the financial innovation and the deregulation process influenced this techniques creating and marketing new types of operations.

The development of derivatives market instruments and their application to project financing reduced transaction costs and helped to keep lower cash balances, avoiding the cash-in-constraints.

On the other hand, the general agreement of the positive impact of the financial innovation suggested the removal - or the extreme simplification - of the rules that constraints the market forces. The rationale was the assumption that less regulation will lead to improvements in efficiency and - by this way - to lower prices.

In particular, the deregulation choice of the late 20th century and of these first years of the new millennium was closely related to the growth of economic parameters and market globalization.

Then a financial crisis come out in 2006 and, in few moths, it became a wider economic crisis. Negative GDP growth, bubbles, crashes and banking crisis are the key elements to fall into a recession; regulatory failure the accused (or, according to some aggressive theories, the guilty). If the legislators are failed in preventing financial crisis, the reason is the insufficient regulation to prevent or mitigate the latter.

Governments - facing a crisis unlike any seen before - have chosen to adopt a common strategy to promote democratic principles and integrated
solutions. Through concerted action, G7, G8 and G20 have avoided a meltdown of international markets. The Group of leading and emerging nations recognized the importance of supporting the real economy; this effort will probably revive growth and build a stronger and more stable market.

Before the financial crisis, the role of project financing was the covering of infrastructural deficit. After these events, these operations should be part of a new strategy enable to make a fast recovery from the crisis linking the financial and the real markets.

If project financing is the strategy, prosperity and long-term growth are the goals. In fact, the public and private investments in infrastructure, energy efficiency and innovation will be new tools to promote the global recovery (and, surfing on a green wave, a more sustainable economy)