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The seven unavoidable global trends facing your business today

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World First has assembled a panel of leading economists and analysts to assess the trends facing us over the rest of 2016, including...

Stephanie Flanders from JP Morgan Asset Management,
Fiona Greiner of Matchesfashion.com,
Linda Yueh from University of Oxford, economist,
Sony Kapoor and
Dr Paola Subacchi from Chatham House.


Dr Paola Subacchi, director of the International Economics Department at Chatham House.

Stephanie Flanders, chief market strategist for Europe, JP Morgan Asset Management.

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Linda Yueh's assessment of Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump's plan to eliminate US national debt within eight years.

"It would require the US economy to grow at 10% every year for the next eight years or he would have to cut government spending by half every year for the next eight years."

The estimated value of non-performing loans held by Italy's banks.

By comparison, Italy's GDP is $2.2 trillion, putting the debts at nearly 20% of the country's economy.

"Governments should reflect on whether austerity has exacerbated discontent and how an active policy approach would help address the issue of those who have felt left out of globalisation."

Sony Kapoor, managing director of think tank Re-Define

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