- Sovereign wealth funds → government run investment pools
- Hedge/private equity funds

Week 2: Exchange rate Systems:

- Floating exchange rate system: (appreciation/depreciation)
 - Independently floating
 - Managed floating
- Pegged exchange rate system: (de/revaluation)
 - o Conventional fixed rate
 - o Target zones- currency allowed to fluctuate in a percentage band around a central value
 - Crawling peg- band adjusted over time used in developing countries to prevent from loosing too much competitiveness when inflation is high
 - Currency board- monetary institution that issues base money fully backed by foreign reserve currency and fully convertible into reserve currency at fixed rate and on demand (set conversion but can't print money)
- No separate legal tender: adopt currency of another country (small countires)

Currency risk:

- **Floating** generally symmetric observable through historical volatility
 - o Exchange rate variations determined by market d/s of currency
 - o <u>Determinants</u>:
 - Differences in money supply growth
 - Differences in real interest rates
 - Political and financial risks
 - Measure of risk:
 - Volatility (only if normally distributed)
 - Historical data

Central bank balance sheet:

- RBA role: setting cash rate to meet agreed inflation target, working to maintain strong financial system and efficient payment system and issuing nation's bank note
- Government through central banks controls money supply, when too much money issued relative to demand inflation results
- Central Bank balance sheet:

Assets	Liabilities
Official international reserves	1. Deposits of private financial institutions (Bank reserves)
Domestic credits: -gov't bonds (influence money	2. Currency in circulation
supply) -loans to domestic financial institutions	1+2= BASE MONEY
Other	Others

• Official reserves:

