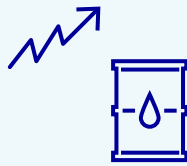
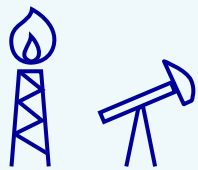


# Geopolitical events can have a large impact on the Dutch economy

The Dutch economy is doing well, but there are geopolitical tensions in certain regions that, in the event of escalation, could negatively impact the Dutch economy and Dutch firms operating abroad. There are also assets of pension funds and other investors at stake. How vulnerable is the Netherlands to geopolitical shocks? Two examples.

## Middle East

Escalation of tensions between Saudi-Arabia and Iran could lead to an oil price shock

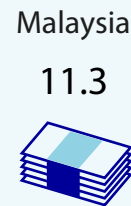


An oil price increase to 184 dollar per barrel would result in a 3 percent lower GDP in 2020 compared to our baseline forecast

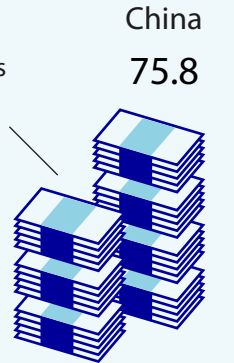


## South Chinese Sea

Several countries have overlapping claims in the South China Sea



Dutch exposures in billions of dollars



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