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What if the slowdown in China is sharp and lasts?

Natixis Global Markets Research, as part of its cross-expertise approach, has published a research note on China's faltering economy and its repercussions.

In 2010, China became the world's second-largest economy and in the past twenty years has tripled its economic expansion to this year reach 15% of global GDP. China also has a sweeping impact on the commodities market.

China is a structural player for the global economy but its economy is currently on the verge of toppling.

Prolonged weakening in the Chinese economy would have major repercussions worldwide.

In the research paper, Natixis identifies the markets, sectors and companies that risk being the most impacted by a change in China's economy and makes strategic allocation recommendations in the event that the adverse scenario described by the team materializes.

Research available on <http://research.natixis.com>, a unique access portal dedicated to cross-expertise research (on-demand access) and upon request.

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