

# Economic and Fiscal Challenges in Project Delivery

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#### Puerto Rico is a leading economy in the Caribbean

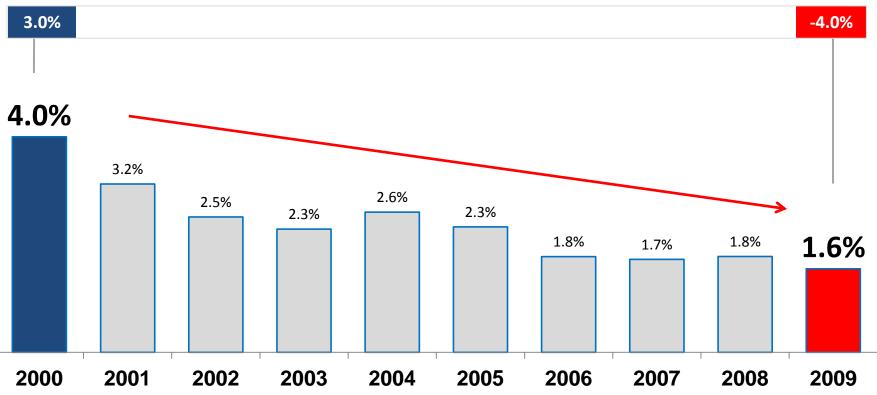


# **Economic and Fiscal Challenges**

## Need to restore investment in infrastructure

#### Infrastructure Investment as % Share of GDP\*

#### % Real Economic Growth

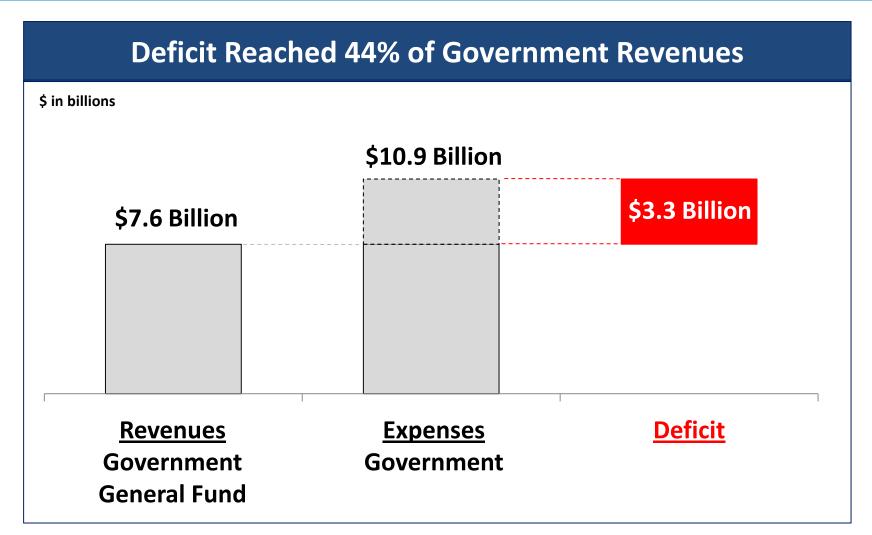


**Fiscal Years** 

5 Source: Puerto Rico Planning Board.

\*Selected Statistics from Construction Industry publication Table #1 (sum of Public and Private Installation Projects).

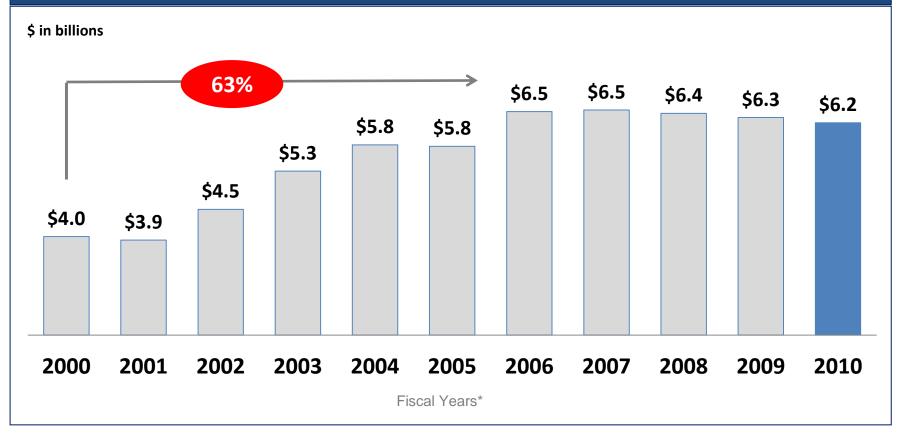
### Puerto Rico inherited a fiscal deficit FY 2009...



Source: Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico.

# ... and the high level of debt of the Highways Authority is a limiting factor...

#### Debt of the Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority



Source: Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority.

\* Refers to Puerto Rico fiscal years, which are 12 month periods beginning every July 1.

# Project Delivery & Financing: Toll Road P3 Concession

# Puerto Rico embraced P3 concessions

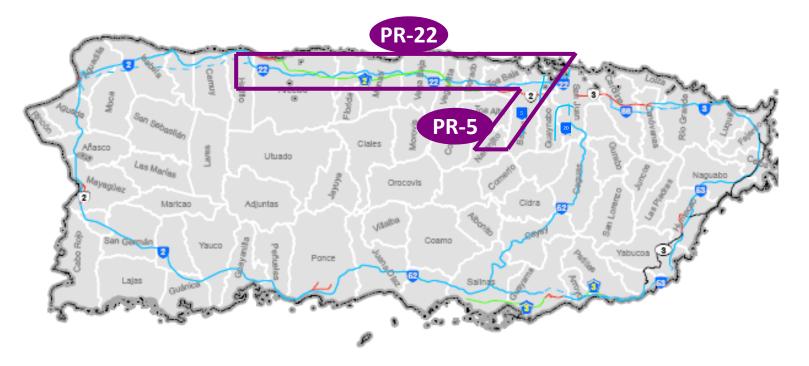
#### **Government objectives:**

- Deliver world class toll roads for citizens;
- Restore investment and foster economic growth; and
- Enhance the financial condition of the Highways and Transportation Authority.

#### PR-22 Toll Road



### In 2010, launched a P3 concession of PR-22 & PR-5



Main characteristics of PR-22 and PR-5:

- Busiest toll road in Puerto Rico.
- Critical transportation route for commerce, manufacturing and tourism.
- Connects 12 townships in the north part of Puerto Rico.

### **Needed to improve conditions of PR-22**

#### **Actual General Pavement Conditions**







### **Needed to improve conditions of PR-22**

#### **Actual General Safety Conditions**







## **Key elements in Puerto Rico concessions**

**1. Concesion Term:** Keep moderate terms below 50 years.

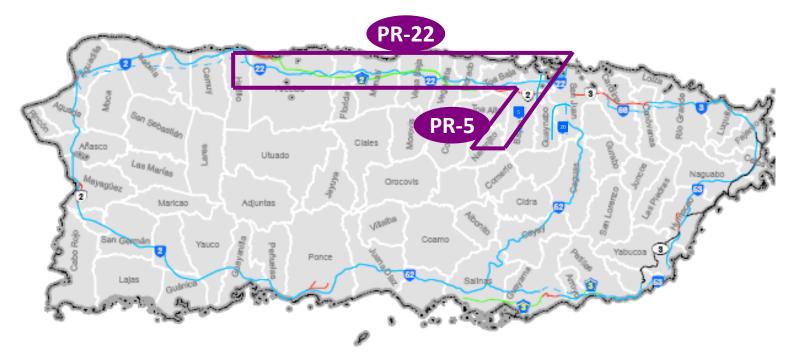
**2. Capital Improvements:** Require immediate improvements to rapidly enhance conditions.

**3. World Class Standards:** Require operating standards that integrate world class levels and best practices.

**4. Consumer Protection:** 

Users should be protected of high increases in rates. Moderate/reasonable increases linked to inflation only.

### Successfully completed the P3 concession



- 40 years administrative concession.
- Preferred bidder selected on May-31-2011.
- Expected financial close by Sept-22-2011.

Winner: Metropistas Consortium



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- 1 Numerous states are facing fiscal challenges in financing projects. Puerto Rico has moved early and quickly.
- 2 Puerto Rico selected P3 concessions as a tool to finance projects and deliver world class infrastructure.
- **3** Projects such as PR-22 and PR-5 concession are examples of successes being achieved with the P3 approach in Puerto Rico.

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