# Innovation, Industrial Dynamics and the Global Economy

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## The world economy has become more integrated

- Rising **share of trade in world output**, initially through increased flows amongst advanced economies, but with increasing developing countries participation since the 1970s
- Dramatic rise of cross-border capital flows, including foreign direct investment (FDI)
- Restructuring of production around GVCs: goods are no longer made in one country and shipped, but go through many stages (each associated with a specific task) traversing several geographic borders and adding components and value before they reach their final markets



#### GVCs made new actors entering in global trade dynamics BUT





Source: OECD Development Centre- UNCTAD- ECLAC-ECA-ESCAP- Transforming Economies Report (forthcoming based on World Bank World UNCTAD Development Indicators, 2016).

#### Top 20 WORLD FDI destination cities, 2013-15 in automotive







# Game changers

- Suppy side: accelerated pace of innovation (automation & digitisation)
- Demand side: changing aspirations and values (green production & transport, workers rights)



## The use of robots has increased rapidly since 2010



Global annual supply

Annual growth rate of global stocks (right scale)

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# Digitization is affecting all aspects of businesses, but at different speeds

	Overall	Digitalisation indices			
Selected sectors	digitalisation	Assets	Usage	Labour	
ICT sector					
Finance and insurance					Early mover now digitising labour
Wholesale trade					
Oil and gas					Digitising assets but low usage
Advanced manufacturing					but low usage
Government					Wide variation
Personal and local services					
Retail trade					Long tail of small firms with
Education					basic digital
Transportation and warehousing					Ŭ
Basic goods manufacturing					
Health care					
Construction					Local,
Hospitality					fragmented and

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The Industry Digitisation Index of US industries, 2017

# **GVCs in transition** Changes in the organisational structure

Key trends in innovation and demands are driving change in the organization of production

The digitisation of manufacturing is redefining the organization of production within and between firms (& the source of rents)

From (traditional) **OEM-** or **retail-centred** chains to **platform-** and **consumer-centred** chains





## The Platform-centred GVCs



Data is an asset (main source of

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#### The Consumer-centred GVC



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# The future is already here....but not (yet?) for all Disparities Across Countries – Geographical concentration

Robot density in manufacturing (robots per 10 000 employees)



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#### Internet connection speed & share of fast connection



Source: OECD Development Centre elaboration on Akamai Faster Forward State of the Internet Report, 2017



# Raising disparities across firms – Market concentration The era of superstars

Ratios of market capitalization of the top 100 non-financial firms, 1995–2015



## What are the drivers of rising market power and concentration?

Average labour productivity of the top 100 firms compared with all other firms, 1995–2015



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# **Digital Polarization?**

- Market concentration and noncompetitive pricing are particularly evident in information intensive & digital activities
- Digital content can be spread instantly facilitating the attempts of market expansion & new avenues have been opened to create artificial scarcity and erect fences wherever possible
- E.g. "network effects", through which the benefits associated to the use of a service raise with the number of users, give rise to the capture of consumers and "demand-side economies of scale" which allow the largest firm in an industry to increase its attractiveness to consumers



# Going Forward

- <u>Regulation! Regulation! Regulation!</u> (domestic & global to avoid market capture, increase competition & reduce rents)
- <u>Investment! Investment! Investment! (the transition towards the</u> new industrial & services model will require high(er) level of investments)

#### Current Outcomes Higher heterogeneity Growing divides Risk of marginality Growing concentration DESIGN BETTER POLICIES Prosperity for all More inclusive and sustainable economies Tailor-made solutions Stronger regional & globally connected production systems

#### **PTPRs- PRODUCTION TRANSFORMATION POLICY REVIEWS**

The PTPRs are a **Policy Assessment Tool** to identify **actionable policy options** and detect **future opportunities** The PTPRs build on a **5 pillar framework for effective governance and for successful production systems** 

Anticipation	<ul> <li>The capacity of the private and public sectors to detect future</li></ul>
capacity	opportunities, factor in voices for change, and anticipate change.
Adaptation	<ul> <li>The capacity of the private and public sectors to adapt to external</li></ul>
capacity	conditions and take actionable steps.
	<ul> <li>The capacity of the private and public sectors to create long-term linkages and capture/retain local value.</li> </ul>
Interconnectedness propensity	<ul> <li>The density and variety of networks in which the agents of the production and innovation systems, as well as government institutions, are involved and the capacity to deal with them.</li> </ul>
Learning and	<ul> <li>The quality and quantity of the learning base and the system's</li></ul>
upgrading potential	attitude towards learning by doing and knowledge accumulation.



# **On-going PTPRs**



# The PTPR of Chile: a 15-month country targeted support process

#### Multi-stakeholder consultations in the country International peer-review (Government of Emilia Romagna, Italy; NIR-Sweden, DLR- Germany)



5 dimensions for assessing the potential of production and innovation systems and policies for transformation and upgrading

- Shared visions for the future
- **Concrete recommendations** in going forward to transform Chile
- Taking stock of experiences for knowledge sharing with other countries Initiative for Policy Dialogue on GVCs, Production Transformation and Development as a space for continuous policy support, reporting of reforms' implementation and monitoring of global changes







# PTPR Chile in a nutshell



OECD Development Pathways

Production Transformation Policy Review of Chile REAPING THE BENEFITS OF NEW FRONTIERS



Chile is a relatively stable, high growth and open economy and Chileans today are on average better off than in the 1990s

Three barriers hamper future progress:

- Low productivity
- Limited diversification leaves the country vulnerable
- High concentration of economic opportunities in few activities, firms and regions limits innovation



#### PTPR Chile focus on innovation

#### Chile lags behind in public and private R&D



#### PTPR Chile focus on innovation

#### Chile Manufacturing sector invest little in R&D



## PTPR Chile focus on innovation

#### Chile lags behind leading mining countries in innovation



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#### Risk of *de*-sophistication

#### Copper production stages, Chile and China, 2003-16



Kilo metric ton (kMT) of copper content, by production stage

Chile has taken steps to **transform** the economy and reap the **benefits** of new demands and technologies

	Current agenda
Continuity	1. Modernising the state
	2. Facilitating business development
	3. Fostering skills development and innovation
Novelty	4. Enabling public-private partnerships to address strategic challenges



#### Progress overview of Chile's strategic programs, 2017

# To consolidate the progress made Chile will need to:

- Advance in modernizing the state to cope with a fastchanging, uncertain and complex landscape (greater cooperation across line ministries)
- Strengthen and institutionalize anticipation capacity (increased dialogue and improved information flows across all affected stakeholders)
- Advance towards a place-based approach to policy making (increasing capabilities in local governments & implementing effective mechanisms for resource transfers)



# Conclusions

- Globalization has delivered a *partial* prosperity
- New opportunities, new challenges
- Policy (and politics) matters:
  - Regulation to escape market concentration
  - Investment to escape geographical concentration
- Domestic and Global action needed (act together)

