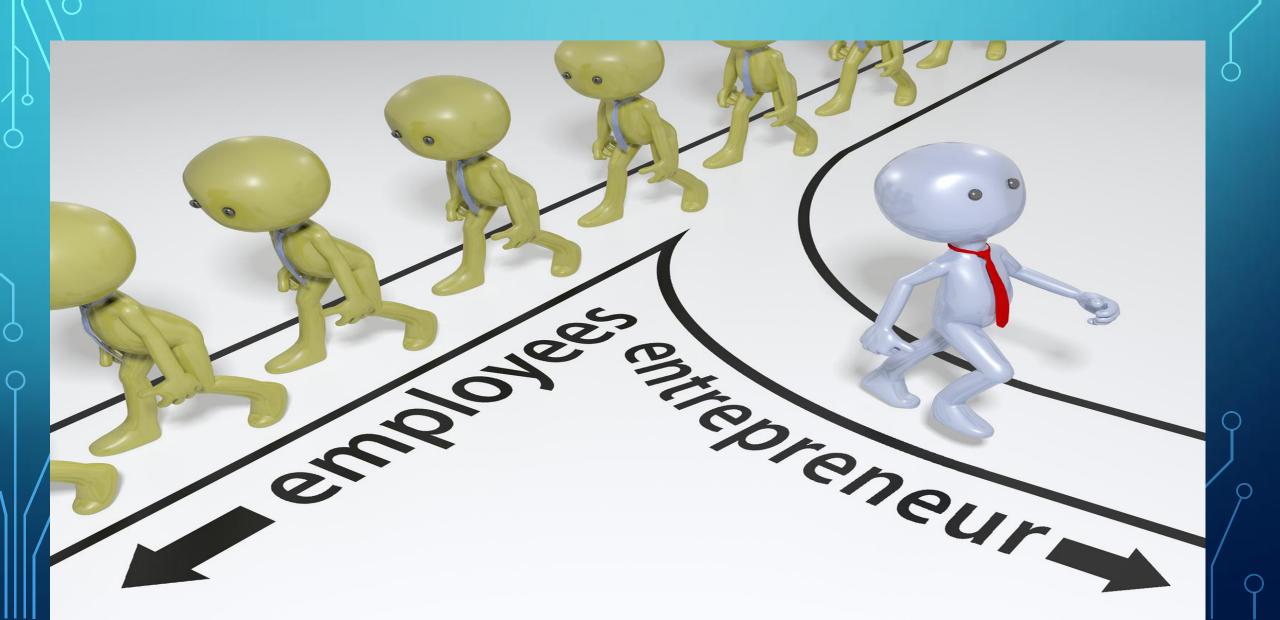
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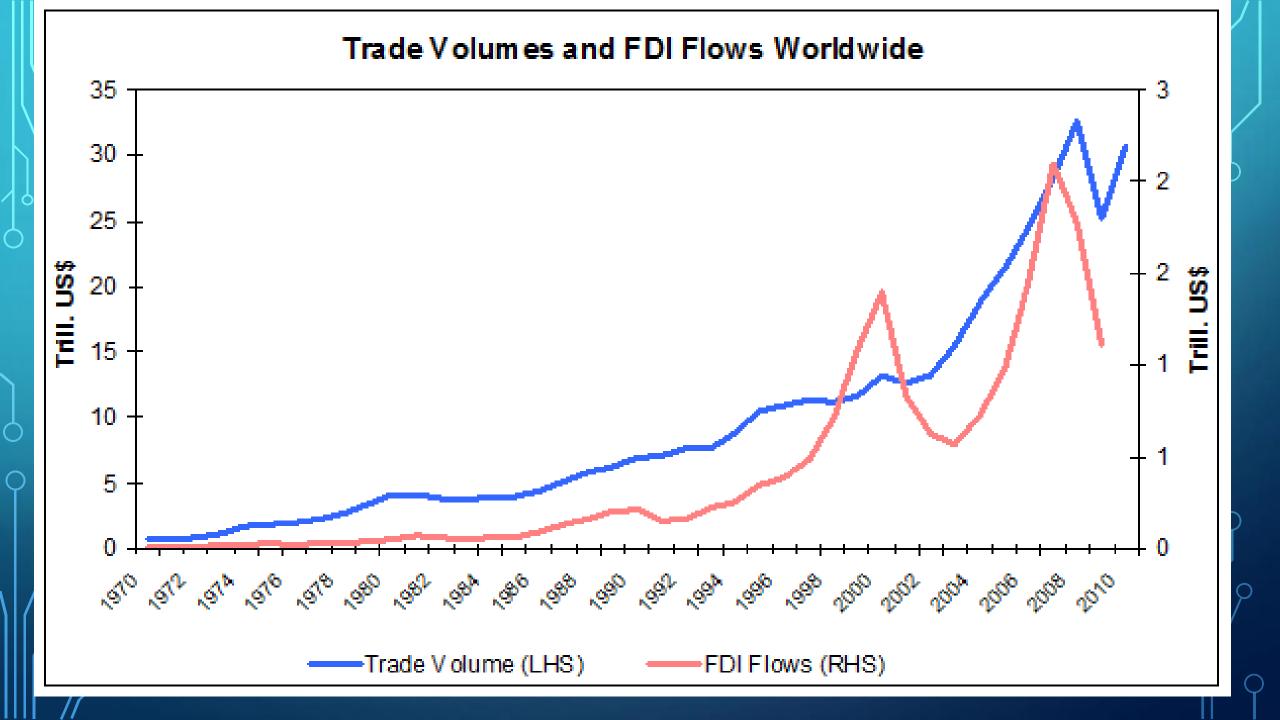


"Innovation is the art of transforming knowledge into progress and prosperity."

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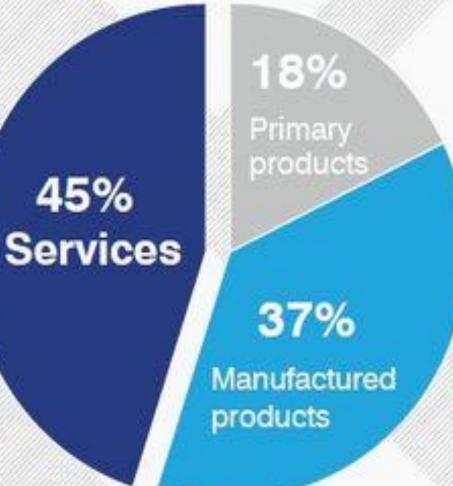
Balance of payments data

shows services exports at 23% of global exports

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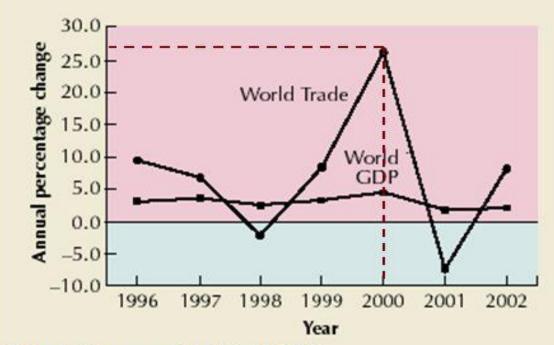
WTO/OECD trade in value added data

shows services approaching half of the global exports



Globalization and Competitiveness

- Favorable cost
- Access to international markets
- Response to changes in demand
- Reliable sources of supply
- 14 major trade agreements in 1990s
- Peak: 26% in 2000



World Trade Compared to World GDP

Source: "Real GDP and Trade Growth of OECD Countries, 2001–03," International Trade Statistics 2003, World Trade Organization, www.wto.org 1-21

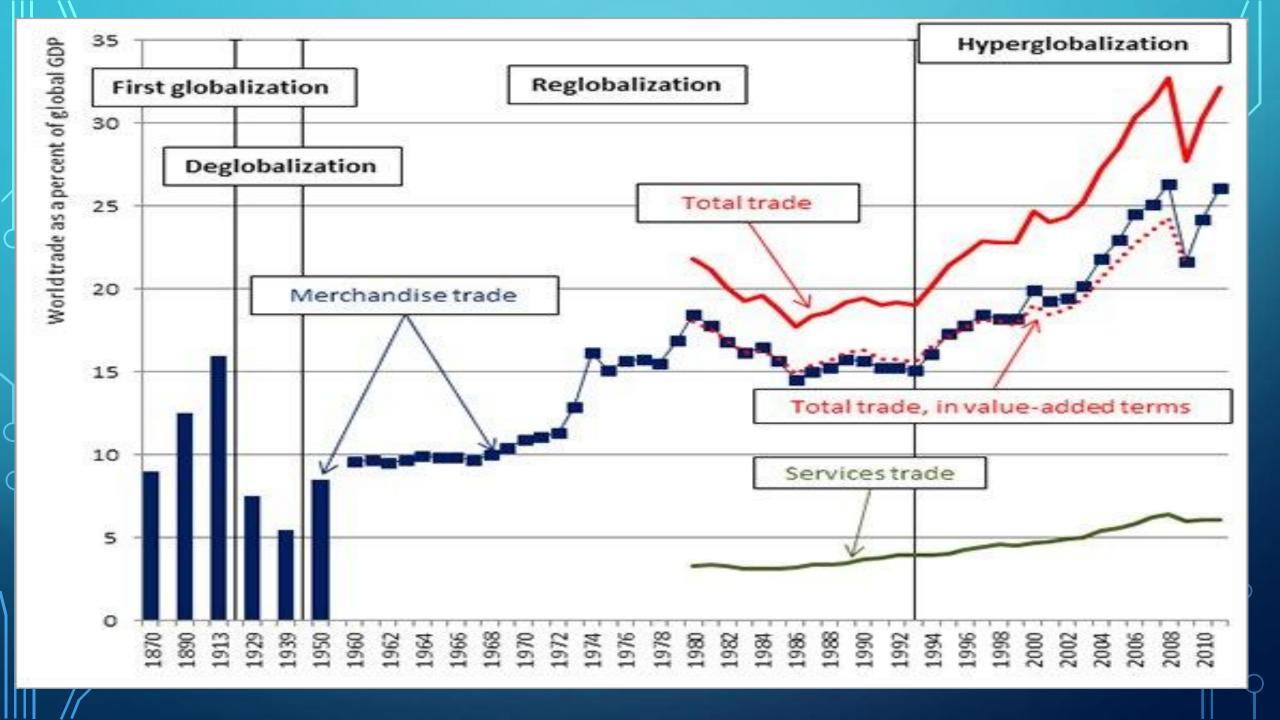
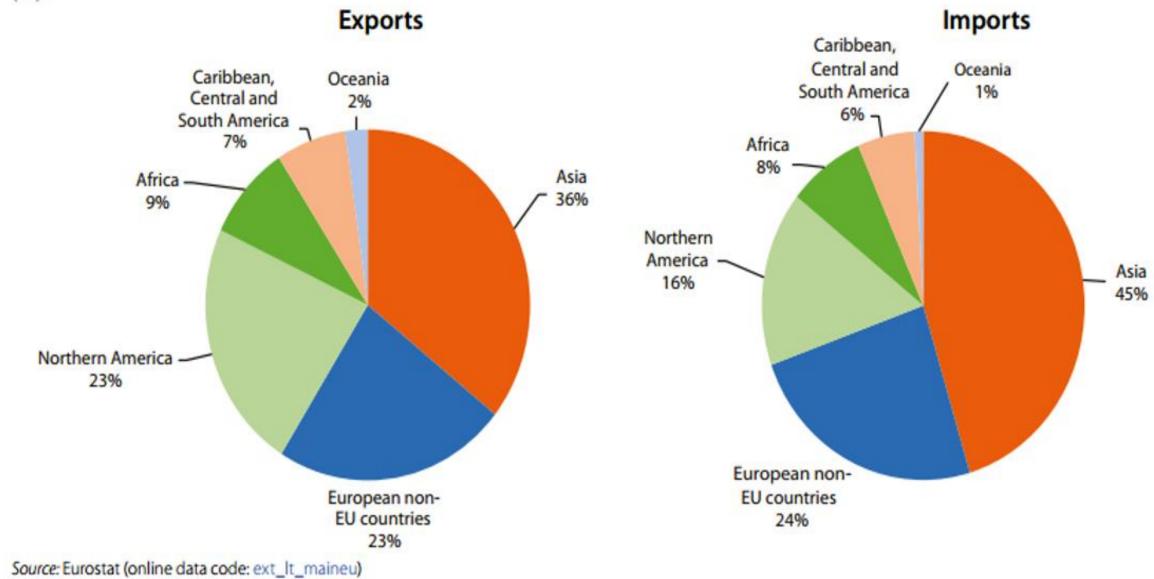
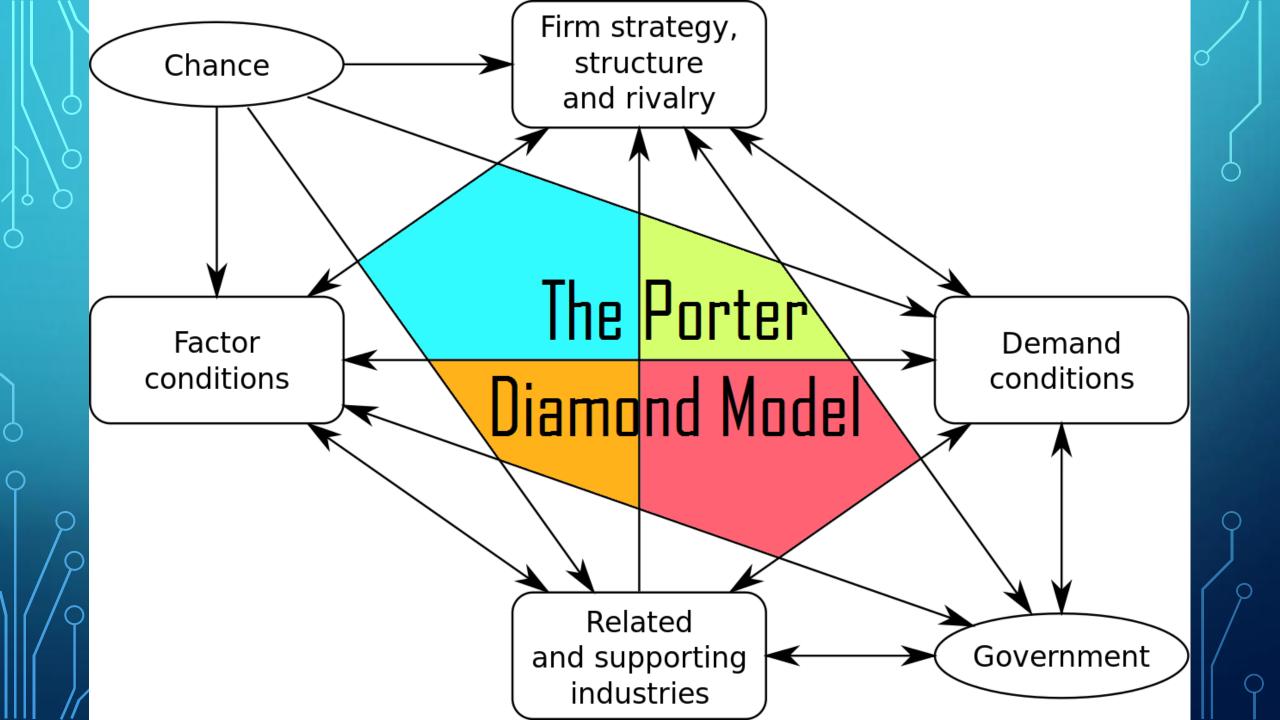


Figure 1.10: EU-28 international trade by partner region, 2015

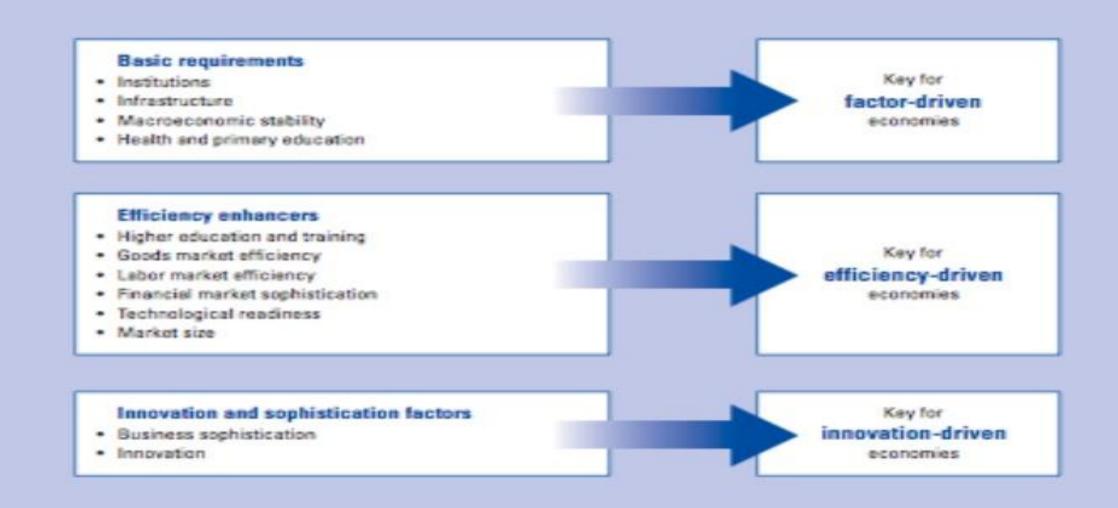


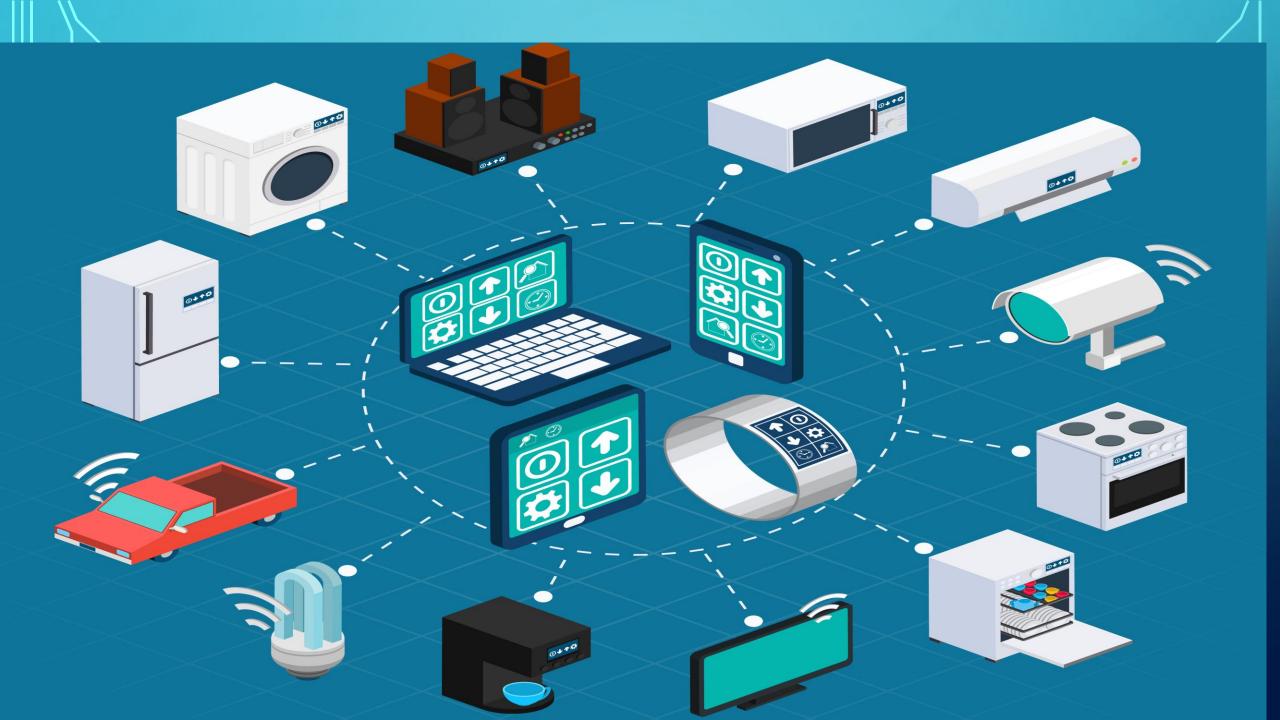




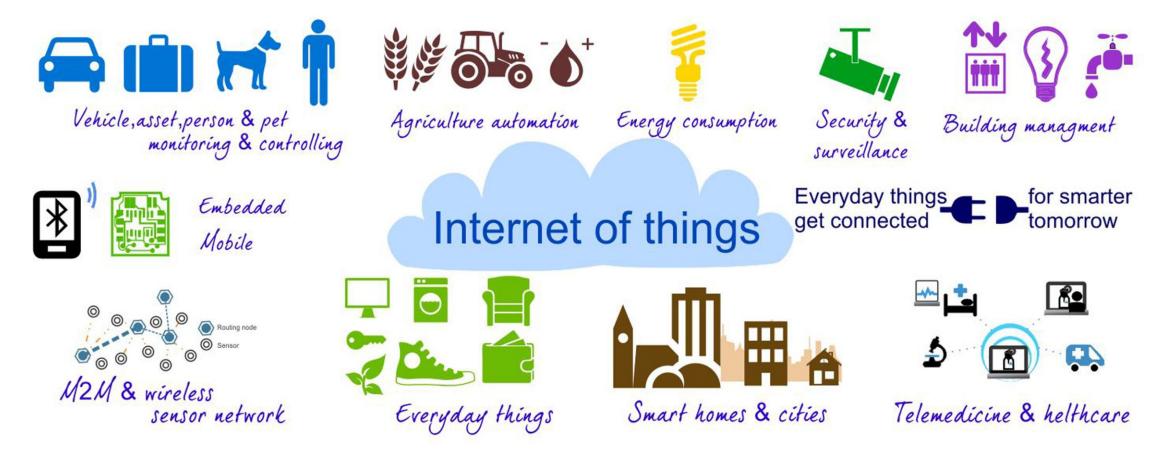
12 PILLARS OF COMPETITIVENESS

Figure 1: The 12 pillars of competitiveness





OPPORTUNITIES





THANK YOU!