

ABOUT ITD

MILESTONES OF ITD'S 19TH ANNIVERSARY



International Institute for Trade and Development

During the Tenth Session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD X) held in Bangkok in February 2000, the Royal Thai Government and UNCTAD signed a Cooperation Agreement establishing the international institute for Trade and Development (ITD) on 17 February 2000. The institute was officially inaugurated on 1 may 2002 during the Mid-term Review Conference of UNCTAD X, hosted by the Thai Government.



ITD is a non-profit legal entity established under the Thai Law as a public organization under the Royal Decree 2001. ITD is governed by Board of Directors and has Executive Director as its chief administrator.

VISION

To be a knowledge bridge and capacities building center on trade and development globally recognised



LEVELS OF ACTIVITIES

Conference

Research

Networking & Academic Partnership

Training and seminar

MISSION



To be a center of excellence in training, research and academic services in the fields of international trade, finance, investment and development for the human resources in the region and sub-region.



To enhance and strengthen the analytical capacity in formulating economic policies and legal measures in harmonization with the global norms for developing countries in the region and sub-region

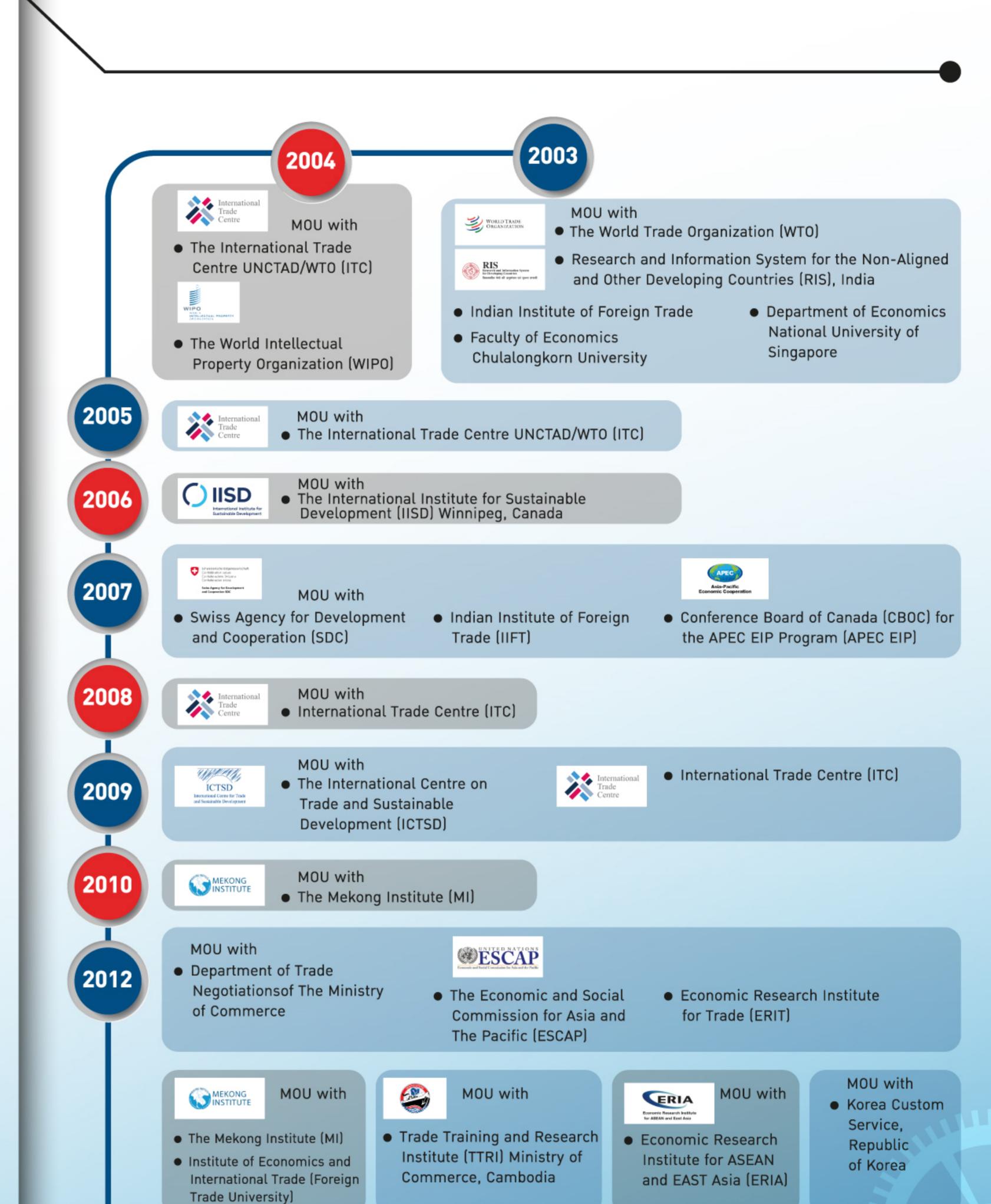


To support the economic cooperation by promoting experience and knowledge sharing on international trade, finance, investment and development among countries in the region and sub-region.



To foster the cooperation with UNCTAD and relevant organizations to advocate knowledge development, management and dissemination for countries in the region and sub-region.

2014



2016

2019

2017

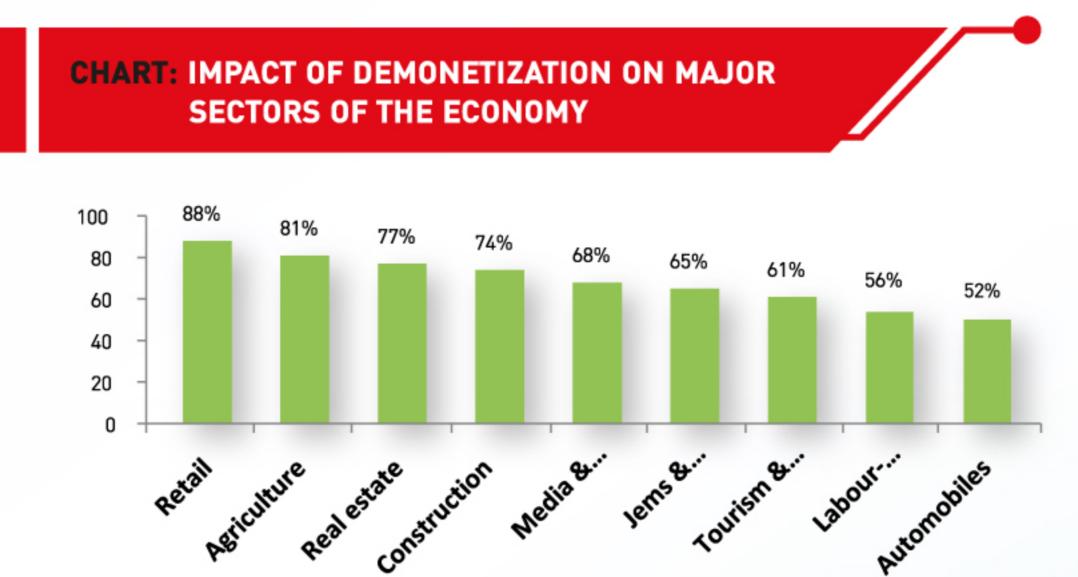


DEMONETIZATION IN TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT: AN INDIA CASE

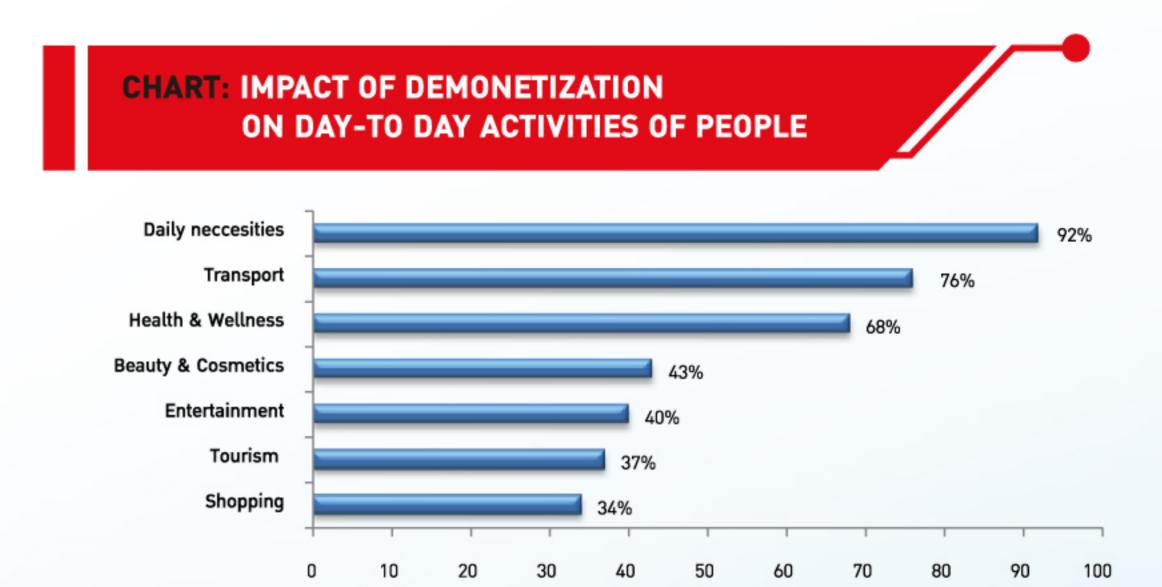
On 8 November 2016, the Government of India announced the demonetization of all ₹500 and ₹1,000 banknotes of the Mahatma Gandhi Series. The Prime minister of India Narendra Modi claimed that the action would curtail the shadow economy and reduce the use of illicit and counterfeit cash to fund illegal activity and terrorism.

"All change is hard at first, messy in the middle, and gorgeous at the end."

ROBIN SHARMA



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHD Chamber Demonetization Survey 2016

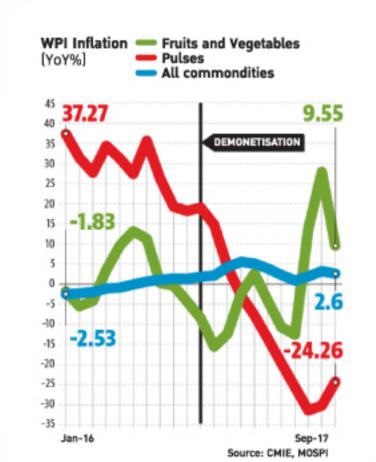


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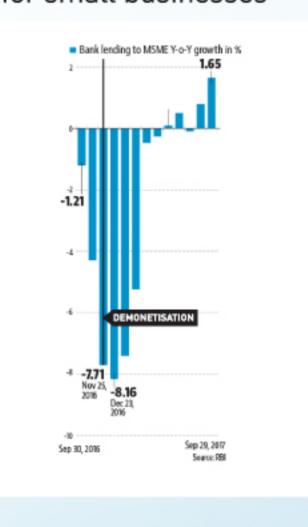
SUCCESS POINTS:

India has marched on the path of digital transactions at a much faster pace. Key points describing success of demonetization are:

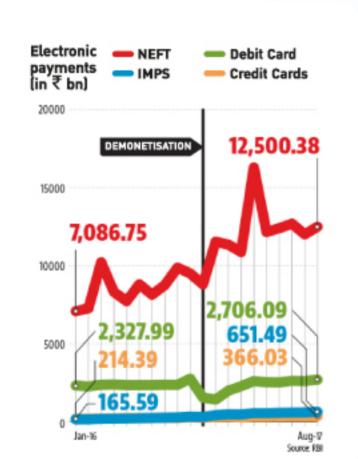
· Rate of Inflation goes down



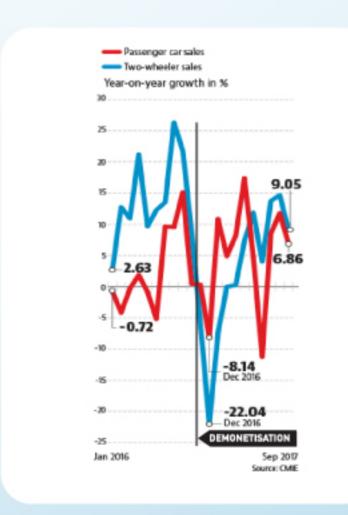
 Banks' lending increases for small businesses



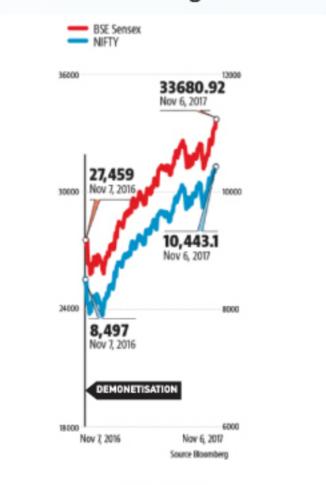
India moves to cashless economy



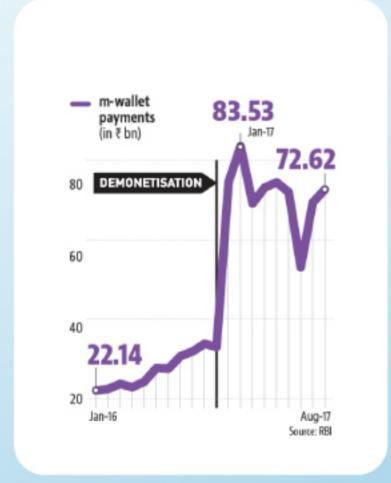
Automobile sales picked up



Stock Market gets bullish

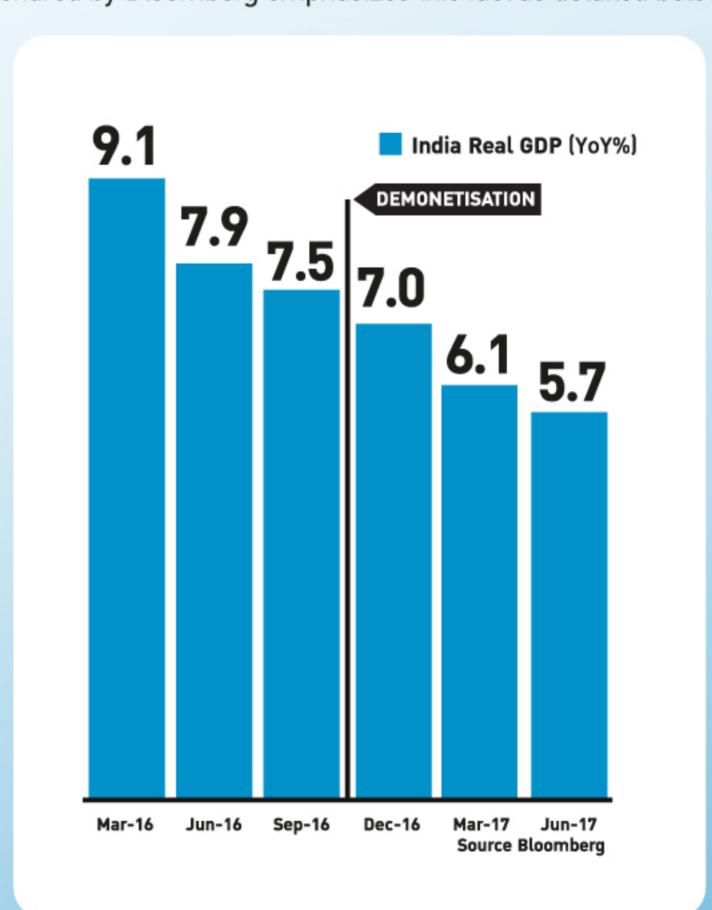


More people use Mobile wallets than cash

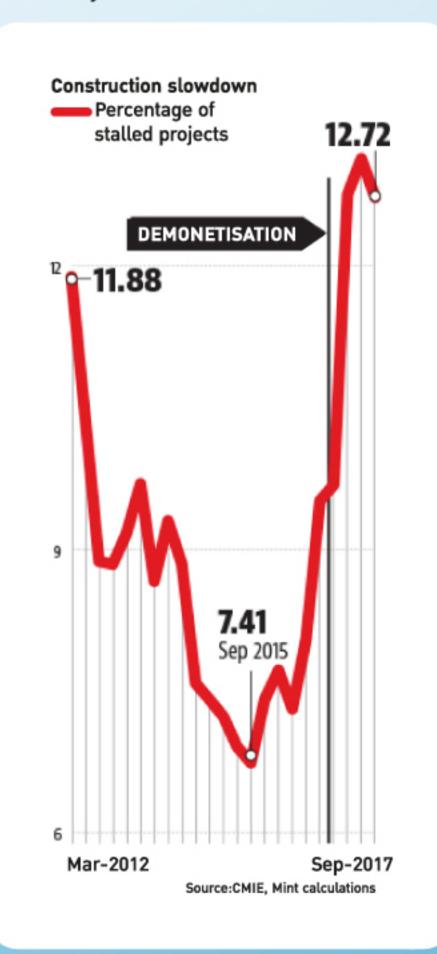


DOWNTURN OF DEMONETIZATION

 Economic Growth slows down Post demonetization growth of Indian Economy slowed down from 9.1% to 5.7% in less than one year. Month-wise GDP growth chart for the period March 2016 to September 2017 as shared by Bloomberg emphasizes this fact as detailed below:



Realty sector bears the brunt





AI: THE CHALLENGES

FOR TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

ASILOMAR AI PRINCIPLES

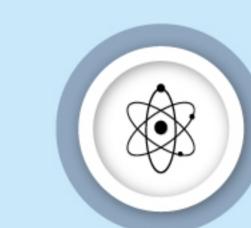
RESEARCH ISSUES



Research

Goal

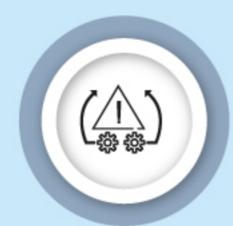




Science-Policy Link



Research Culture



Race **Avoidance**

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ETHICS AND VALUES



Safety



Failure Transparency

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Human

Control



Judicial Transparency



Responsibility



Link

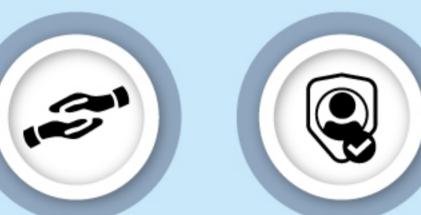
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Value Alignment

Town the same

Shared

Prosperity



Human Personal **Values Privacy**



Liberty and Privacy



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Non-

subversion



Shared **Benefit**





Al Arms Race

COMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT (CSTD)

CONTRIBUTION TO THE HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM, 9 - 18 JULY 2019

TWO THEMES DURING THE 2018-2019 **INTERSESSIONAL PERIOD**

The impact of rapid technological change on sustainable development

The role of science, technology and innovation in building resilient communities, including through the contribution of citizen science

FINDING AND RECOMMENDATION:



04

"Ensuring that no one is left behind" at the global, regional and national levels

Emerging issues likely

to affect inclusiveness

and equality

02

05

Identification of gaps, areas requiring urgent attention, risks and challenges

03

Successful experiences and lessons learned on empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality



learning and





Technology and innovation for decent work

and economic



LONGER-TERM ISSUES



Capability Caution



Importance



Risks



Recursive Self-Improvement



Common Good

Political guidance by the High-level Political Forum is required

06

Policy recommendations on ways to accelerate progress in empowering people, ensuring inclusiveness and equality, and achieving the SDGs













AI: THE CHALLENGES

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"While implementing
an AI solution, 10 percent
of the effort is around
coding the algorithm, 20 percent
is about collecting data
and building the user interface,
While 70 percent is about
changing the way
people work."

www.businesstoday.ir

DEFINING AI

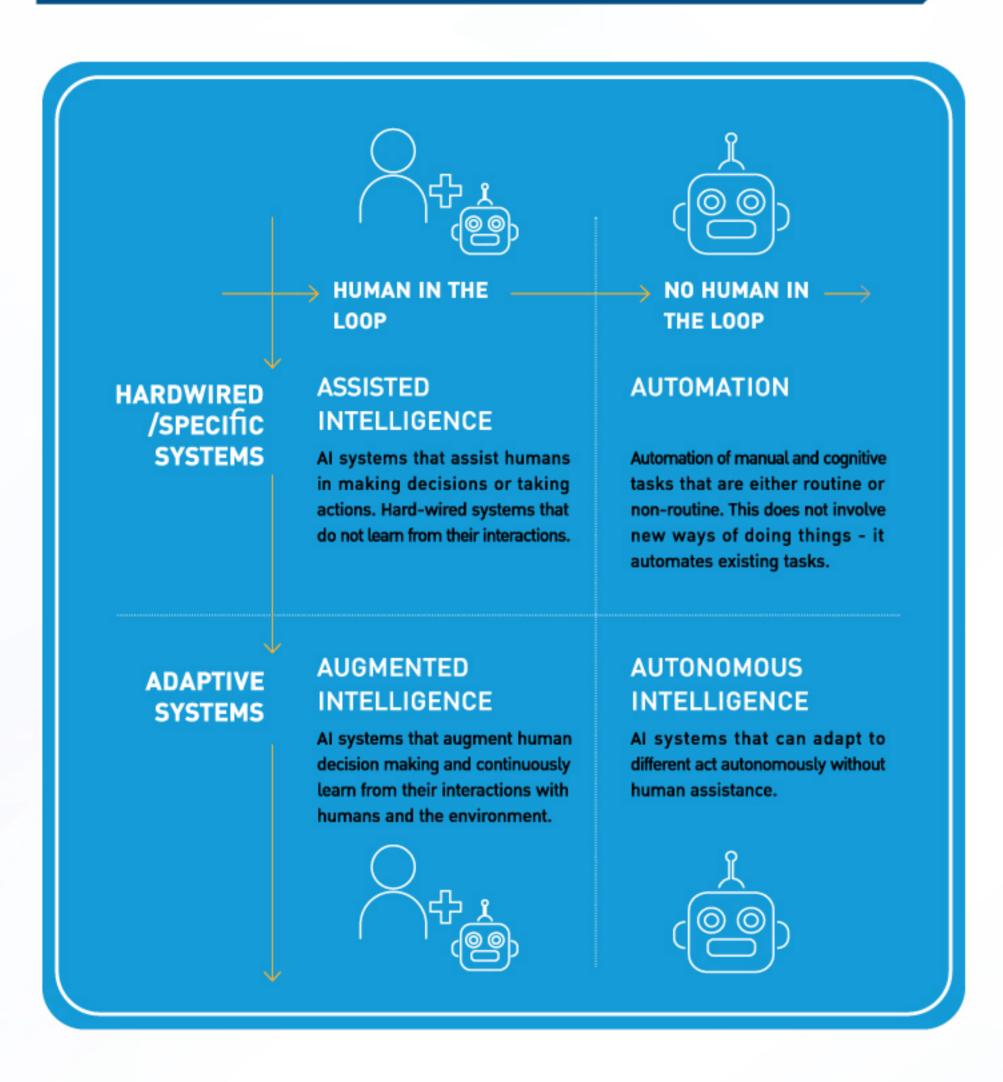


FIGURE 1: WHERE WILL THE VALUE GAINS / COME FROM WITH AI?

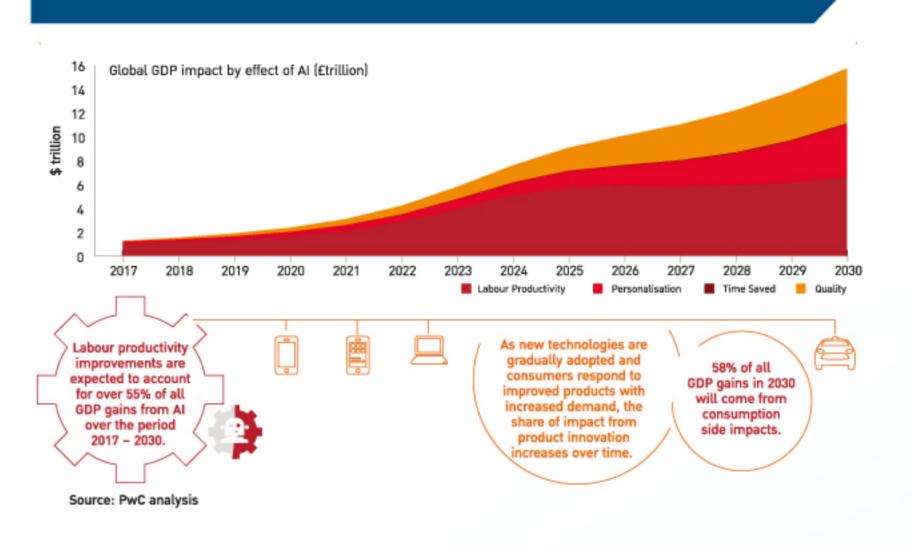


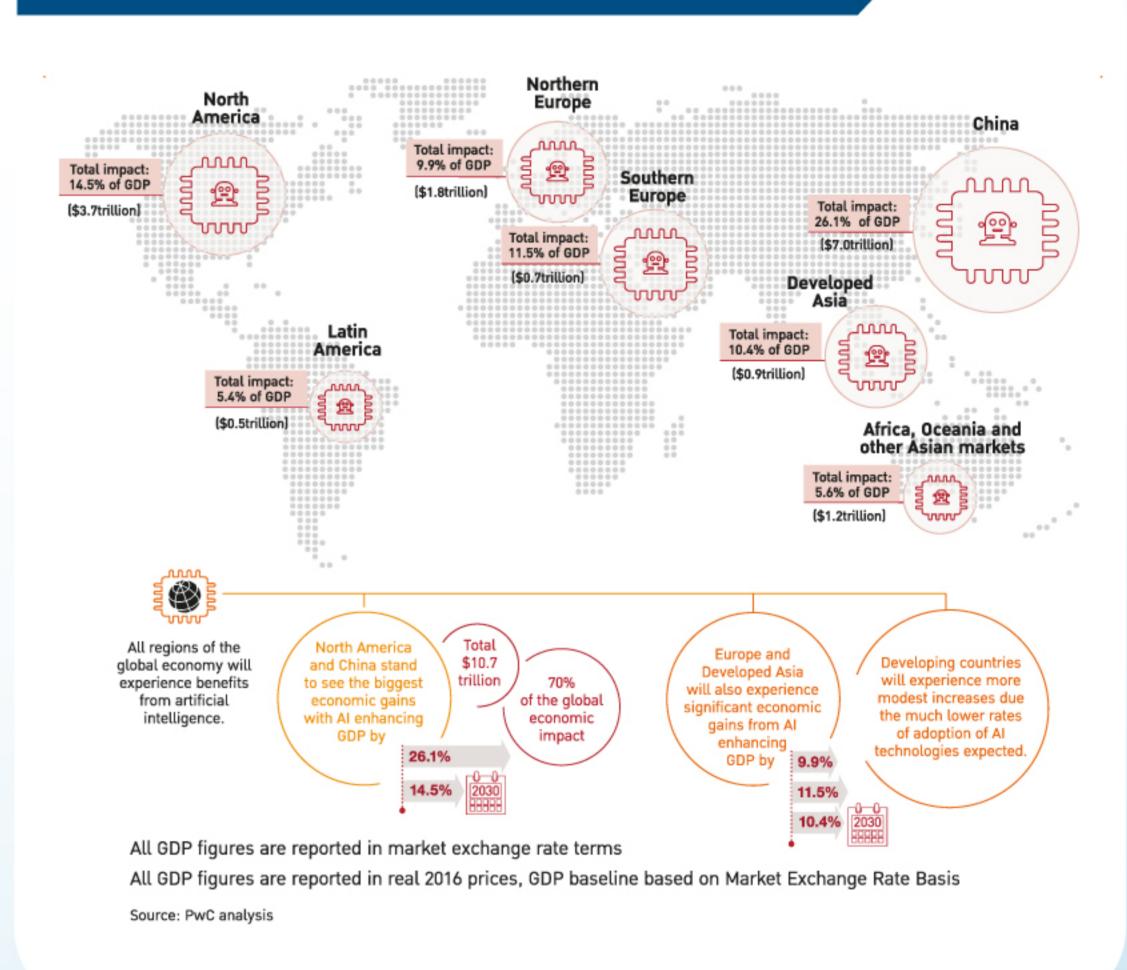
FIGURE 3: HOW QUICKLY WILL AI IMPACT / PRODUCTIVITY?

NORTH AMERICA AND CHINA
ARE EXPECTED TO WITNESS
THE GREATEST GDP GAINS
FROM AI INCREASING
PRODUCTIVITY, BUT THE
TRAJECTORY OF THE IMPACT
FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES
DIFFERS.

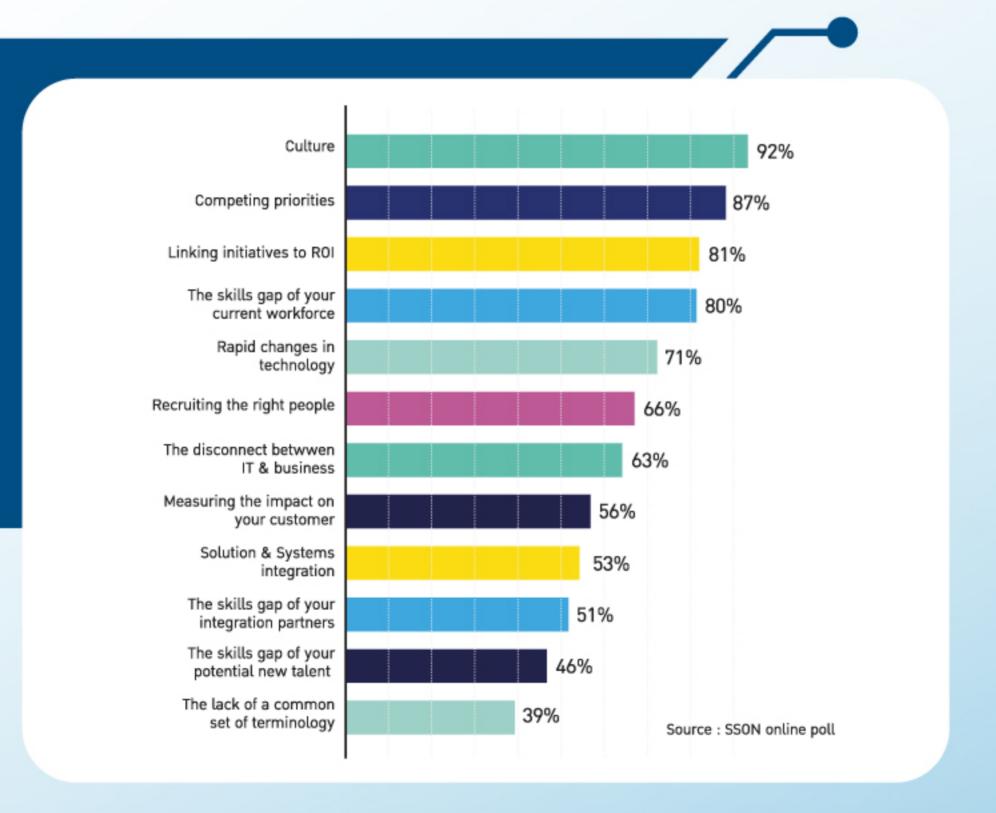
NORTH AMERICA IS EXPECTED TO REALISE THE MAJORITY OF AI BENEfits FASTER.

CHINA WILL LIKELY
UPTAKE AI TECHNOLOGY
MORE SLOWLY BUT COULD
SEE A LARGE IMPACT
ON GDP BY 2030.

FIGURE 2: WHICH REGIONS WILL GAIN THE MOST FROM AI?



WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST
CHALLENGES TO
IMPLEMENTING AN
INTELLIGENT BUSINESS
STRATEGY IN YOUR
ORGANIZATION?



WITHIN 5 YEARS: AI AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE NEGOTIATION





TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT

"Technology is only meaningful when it enhances humanity. A horse is faster than human.
But we don't compete against a horse. We ride a horse.
We should focus on how to ride and drive AI and technology, ..."

Dr. Yuhyun Park, at the Sustainable Developme Impact Summit 2018, WEF

THE FUTURE OF WORK





Connectivity

Content and collaboration



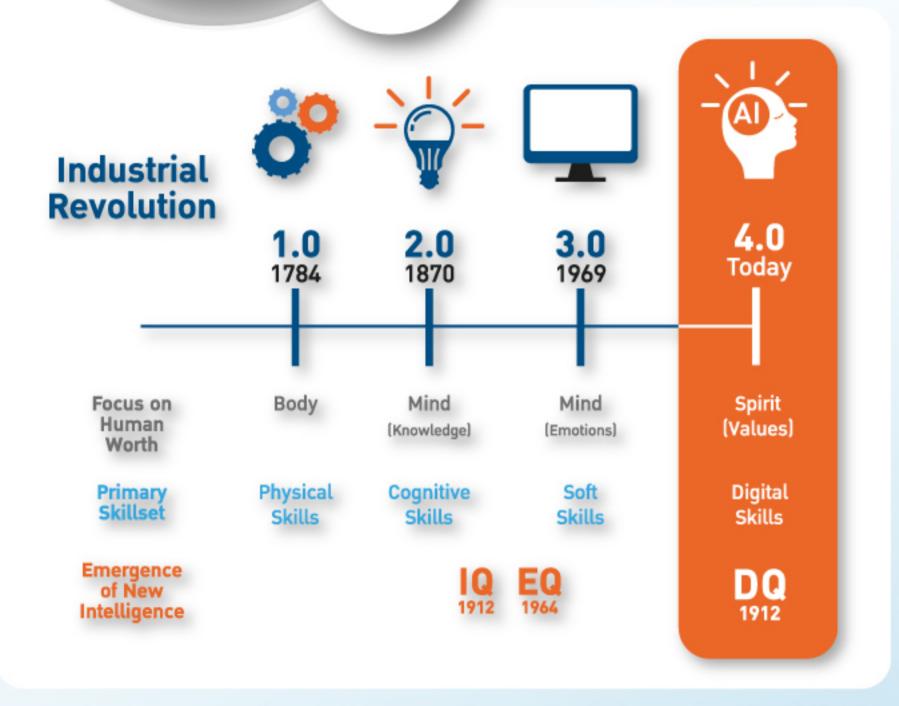
CRITICAL UNCERTAINTIES IN THE FUTURE OF WORK

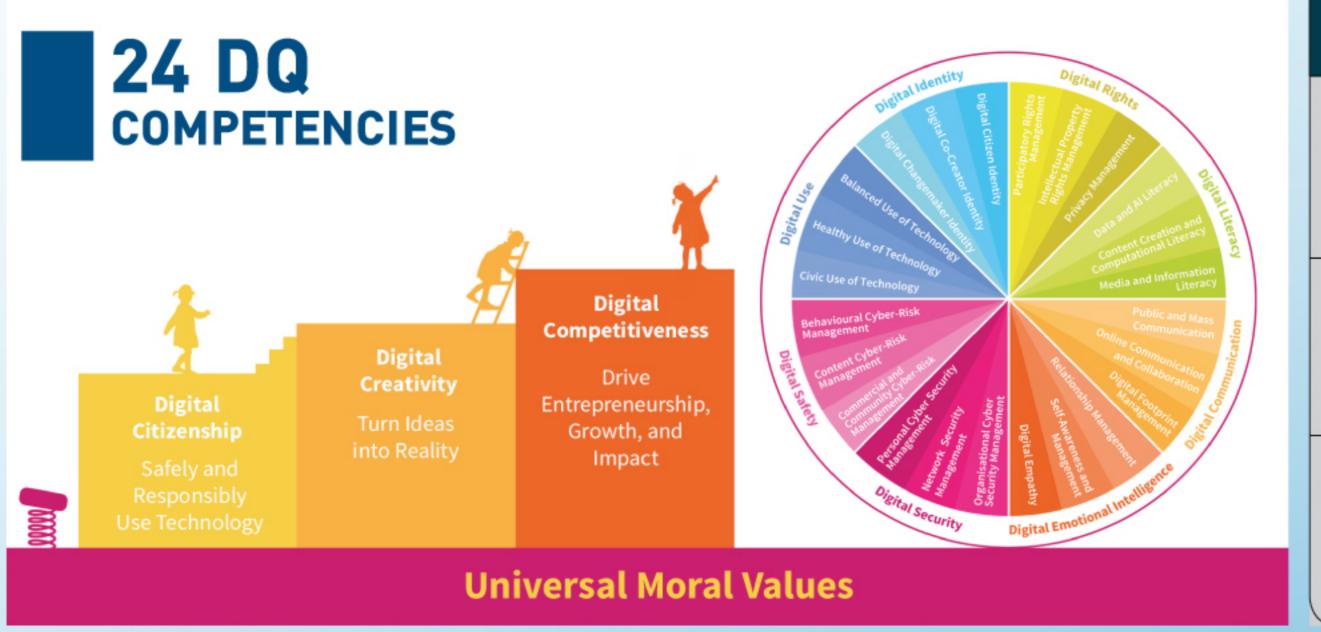
SOCIETY	ECONOMY	ORGANIZATIONS	RESPONSES	DRIVERS
Extent of 'technological unemployment'	Worker share of value creation	Pace of transformation of work design and organizations	Regulation of non-traditional work structures	Pace of AI development across domains
Robustness of social support structures	Share of permanent jobs in the workforce	Shift to fluid work structures and shorter work weeks	Availability of continuous and work transition education	Growth in internet access in developing countries
Role of personal data in society and employment	Shifts in elderly employment and retirement and retirement age	Growth of entrepreneurial employment	Developed world immigration policies	Pace of growth of on-demand work platforms
Broad availability of fulfilling work	Rise of participatory economy models	Ability of corporations to attract and retain talent	People's ability to respond to constant rapid change	Workforce diversity and high-level female Work participation
Social polarization and unrest	Wealth and income polarization	Attrition rate of corporate laggards	Comfort with Al-driven customer interfaces	Rising expectations for quality of life and positive impact

"Through 2020, 95%
of business leaders will
continue to make decisions
using intuition, instead
of data-driven evidence
and will significantly
underestimate risk
as a result."

Gartner 2018

DQ: DIGITAL INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT







Source: DQ Institute



US - CHINA TRADE TENSIONS

US-CHINA DISPUTE GOES BEYOND TRADE: IT'S ABOUT TECHNOLOGY AND FAIR COMPETITION



US-China dispute goes beyond trade: it's about technology and fair competition

To resolving imbalances between the US and China is easy; the real obstacles to preventing a costly trade conflict concern China's goals for technology, its industrial policy and hesitance to embrace open markets at home. In the event of a fully fledged US-China trade war, the outcome would go beyond trade. Things are escalating during the most critical period of China's deleveraging and its efforts to lessen financial risks. A darkener external environment could potentially prompt China to slow these efforts and undermine reform progress.



https://www.scmp.com/comment/insight-opinion/
united-states/article/2151981/
us-china-dispute-goes-beyond-trade-its-about



July 2019, US President Donald Trump followed through on months of threats to impose sweeping tariffs on China for its alleged unfair trade practices. So far, the US has already slapped tariffs on US\$ 250 billion worth of Chinese products, and has threatened tariffs on US\$ 325 billion more.



Link

https://www.china-briefing.com/news/
the-us-china-trade-war-a-timeline/

IEEE REVERSES HUAWEI PAPER REVIEW RESTRICTIONS





The world's largest technical professional organization the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) announced it is lifting restrictions it had imposed scarcely a week ago on editorial and peer reviews involving employees of Chinese tech communication giant Huawei.

"IEEE has received the requested clarification from the U.S. Department of Commerce on the applicability of these export control restrictions to IEEE's publication activities. Based on this new information, employees of Huawei and its affiliates may participate as peer reviewers and editors in our publication process. All IEEE members, regardless of employer, can continue to participate in all of the activities of the IEEE".



https://www.scmp.com/comment/insight-opinion/ united-states/article/2151981/us-china-dispute-goesbeyond-trade-its-about