# **Digital Trade's Vital Importance to Pacific Economies**

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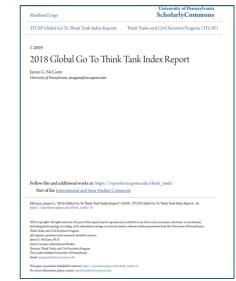
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#### About ITIF

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- Supports policies driving global, innovation-based economic growth.
- Focuses on a host of issues at the intersection of technology innovation and public policy across several sectors:
  - Innovation and competitiveness
  - IT and data
  - Telecommunications
  - Trade and globalization
  - Manufacturing, life sciences, agricultural biotech, and energy





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#### Increasingly Digitalized Global Economy

- Digital economy now accounts for 25% of global GDP.
- By 2022, over 50 percent of Latin American GDP will be digitalized.
- "Half of all value created in the global economy over the next decade likely to be created digitally." - Tekes



Sources: Accenture, "Digital Disruption: The Growth Multiplier"; McKinsey Global Institute, "Digital Globalization: The New Era of Global Flows" IDC, "IDC FutureScape: Latin America IT Industry 2019 Predictions"



#### The Digital Economy in Asia-Pacific

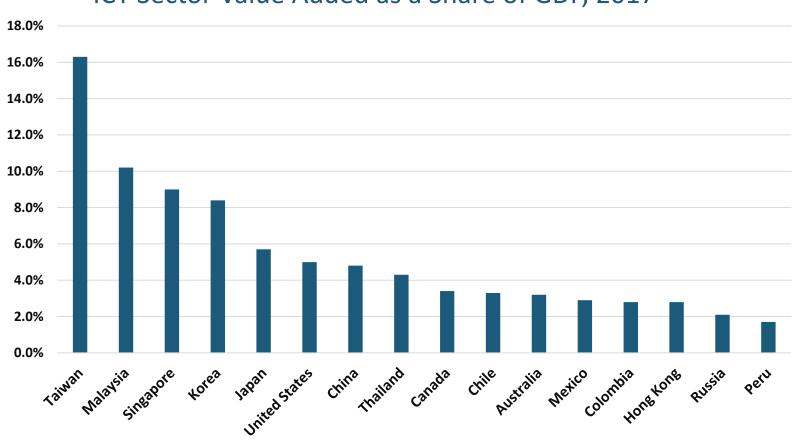
- The digital economy accounted for 30% of Chinese GDP in 2018, 18% of Malaysian GDP, 7% of Indonesian GDP, and 6% ASEAN GDP.
- Among the world's top 10 economies with the largest ICT to GDP ratio, seven are Asian.
- Each 1 percentage point increase in the digitalization of China's economy is associated with 0.3 percentage point of GDP growth.



Source: "Tahsin Saadi Sedik, "Asia's Digital Revolution," IMF Finance & Development Magazine, September 2018



#### ICT Sector's Contribution to APEC GDP



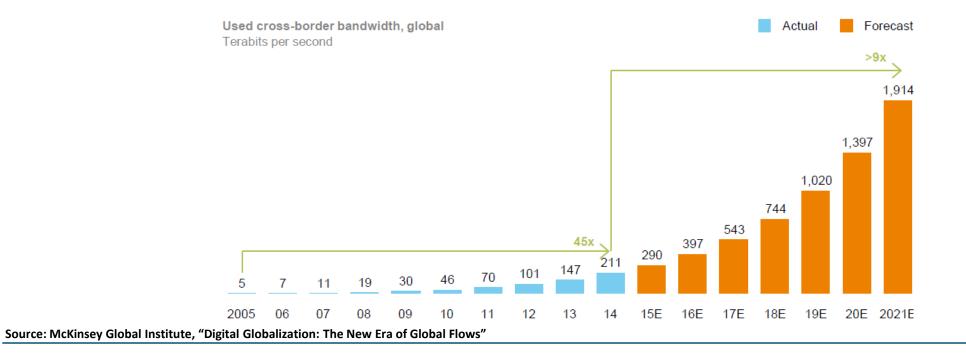
ICT Sector Value Added as a Share of GDP, 2017

Source: UNCTAD, "2019 Digital Economy Report" Note: All APEC economies shown for which data is available.



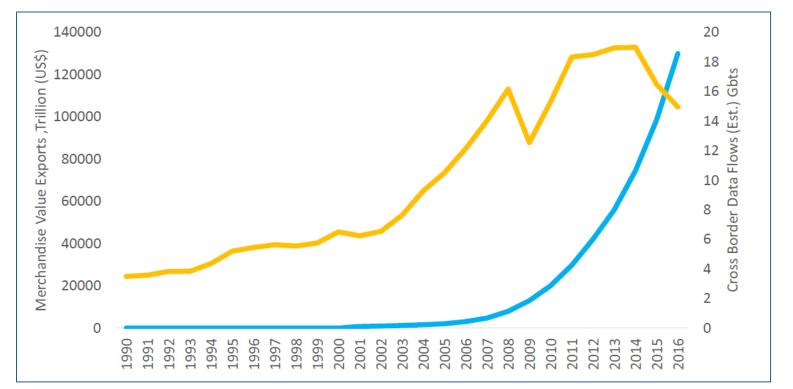
#### Increased Cross-Border Data Flows Driving Global GDP Growth

- From 2005-2015, cross-border data flows grew 45x; 9x through 2021.
- Asia accounts for 16% of global data flows; in 2017, Asia's cross-border data flows were 97 times their value a decade earlier.



#### Increased Cross-Border Data Flows Driving Global GDP Growth

The value of international data flows surpassed the value of international merchandise trade for the first time in 2015.



Sources: Victor Mulas, The World Bank "Value in Global Economy Moves to Digital Business"; McKinsey Global Institute, "Digital Globalization: The New Era of Global Flows"

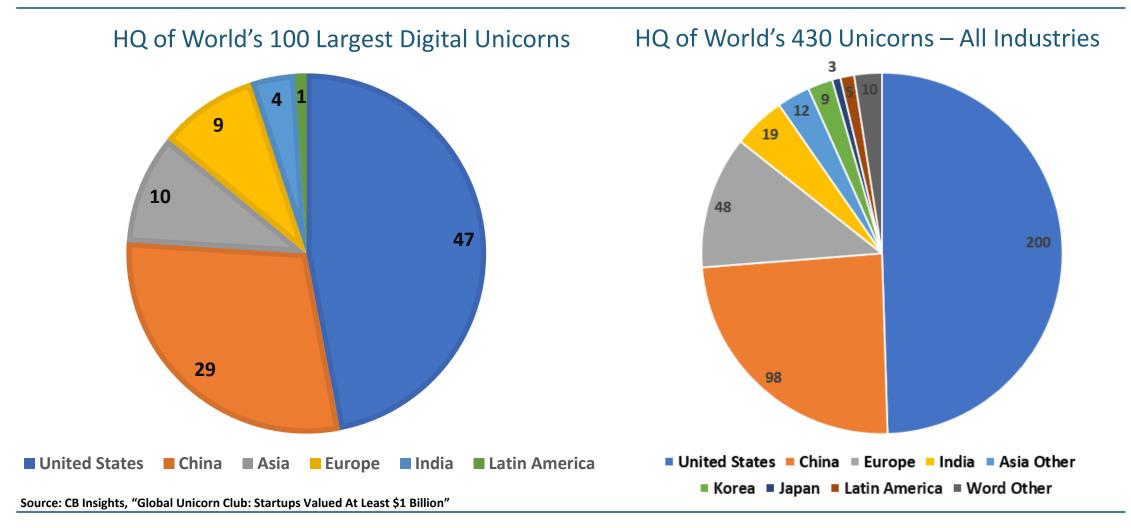
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#### **APEC Region Digital Tech Startups**

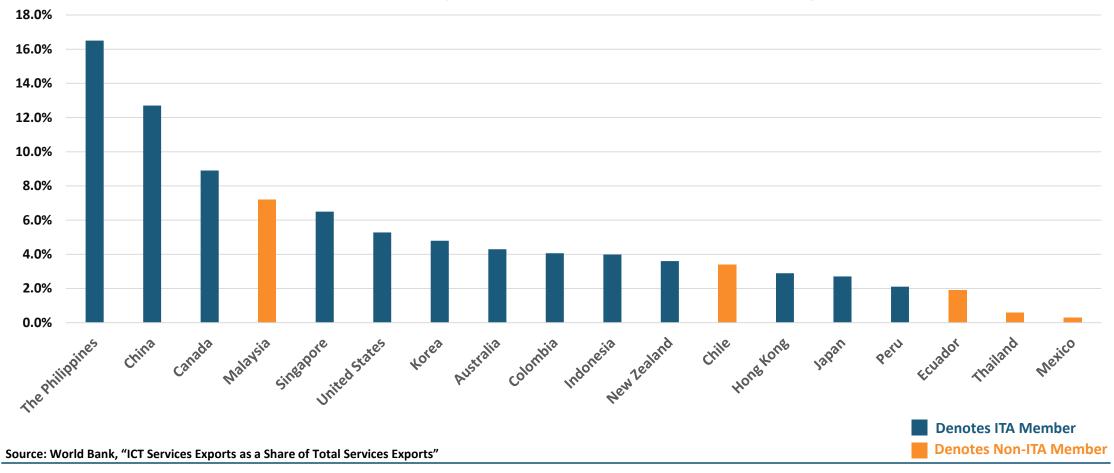


#### Pacific Startups Driving the Global Digital Economy

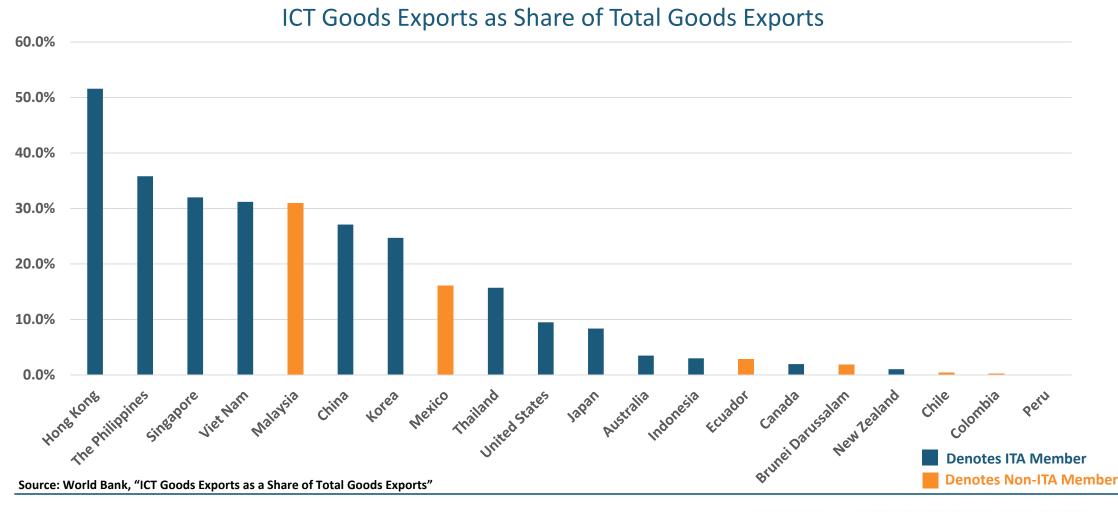


#### ICT Services Exports a Key Driver of Pacific Trade

ICT Services Exports as Share of Total Services Exports



#### ICT Goods Exports a Key Driver of Pacific Trade



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## Data/Digitalization Transforming Agriculture

Agricultural production must rise 70% to meet global demand by 2050.

- Precision agriculture uses ICT to optimize crop-planting choices, monitor crops, and guide irrigation/harvesting.
- Microsoft's IoT-enabled ConnectedCow tracks cows' health, monitors milk production, and sooths the calving process.
- Thai-based Ricult's digital platform increases efficiency of agricultural value chains and helps farmers raise sales.



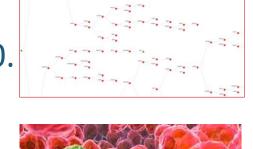


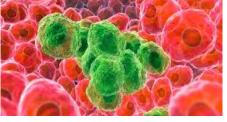


#### Data/Digitalization Transforming Medicine

- Drug discovery: IBM's Watson helped identify as many biomarkers for ALS in 1 year as researchers had in last 10.
- Disease detection: In NHS study, AI accurately identified melanoma cells 95% of the time; dermatologists 87%.
- ິ ( ) halodoc Health delivery: Indonesia's Halodoc and TeleCTG provide doctor consultations and electrocardiograms remotely.









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#### Data/Digitalization Transforming Financial Services

- Mexico City-based Pondera Lab uses AI/ML to help firms and <sup>o</sup>Pondera government agencies better organize, analyze, and visualize data.
- Ottawa, Canada-based Mindbridge AI uses AI/ML to audit financial transactions and detect fraudulent activity.
- Santiago, Chile-based GoSocket uses cloud-based services to process million electronic invoices daily for 20,000 firms.

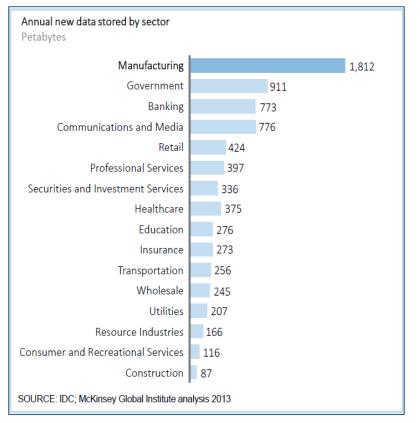






#### Data/Digitalization Transforming Manufacturing

- Manufacturing is the world's most data-intense industry.
- Digital services account for 25% mfg. inputs.
- Digital platforms will account for 30% of manufacturing sector revenues by 2020.
- Al applications to contribute one-third of German manufacturing output growth.

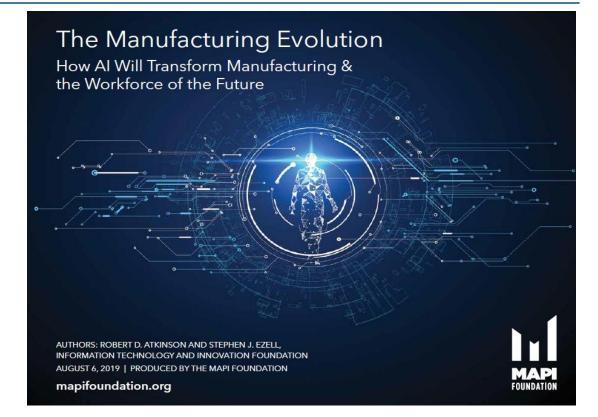


Source: McKinsey; ITIF/MAPI, "The Manufacturing Evolution: How AI Will Transform Manufacturing & The Workforce of the Future"



## "Digitally Enabled" at Each Step of Manufacturing

- 1. Product Design
- 2. Fabrication and Assembly
- 3. Factory Operation
- 4. Supply Chain Integration
- 5. Product Use and Consumption



Source: ITIF/MAPI, "The Manufacturing Evolution: How AI Will Transform Manufacturing & The Workforce of the Future"



#### Manufacturing: Generative Design & 3-D Printing

- Software designs products based upon specified input constraints.
- Synthesizing successive layers of material into a three-dimensional solid object composed from a digital file.



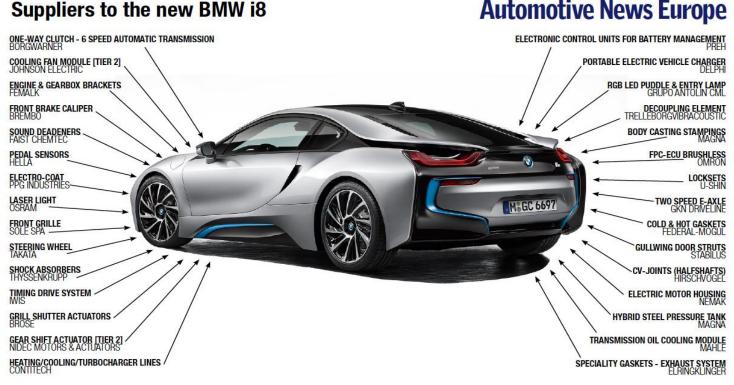


#### Manufacturing: Roboticization

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## Manufacturing: Digitalization Transforming Supply Chains

 Manufacturing competition increasingly depends upon the ability to leverage data flows to synchronize global supply chains.



#### **Automotive News Europe**





#### **Digitally Enabled Product Use and Consumption**

- Digitalization enables new business models such as product servitization, mass customization, low-cost variability, and evergreen design.
  - E.g., Rolls Royce's "Power by the Hour" model.
  - John Deere tractors with variable engine horsepower.

Source: Harvard Business Review, "How Smart, Connected Products Are Transforming Companies" Harvard Business Review, "How Smart, Connected Products Are Transforming Competition"







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#### **Develop a Manufacturing Digitalization Strategy**



**Courtesy: Dave Vasko, Rockwell Automation** 



#### **Develop a National Artificial Intelligence Strategy**

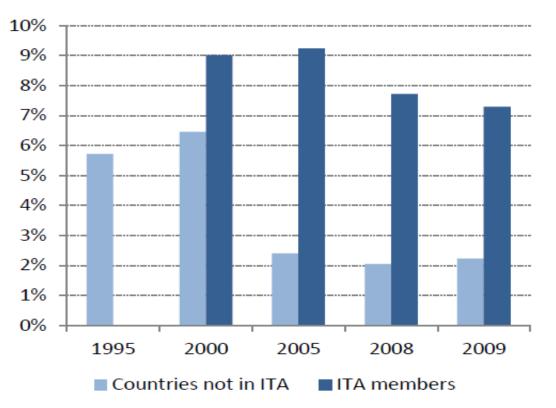
#### **Artificial Intelligence Strategies** March: Al at **April: First** April: UK May: White June: Towards Fall 2018: March: Pan-May: Al October: December: January: May: Workshop EU's Al Canadian Singapore Al Strategy Finland's Al Budget for Al the Service Al Sector House Summit Sweden's AI an AI Strategy CENTER in Mexico Al Strategy Announced 2031 Strategy Taiwan of Citizens for Strategy Deal on Al Strategy Strategy FOR 📶 DATA INNOVATION Why the United States Needs a National C Artificial Intelligence Strategy and What It Should Look Like By Joshua New | December 4, 2018 The United States is the global leader in developing and using artificial intelligence (AI), but it may not be for long. Succeeding in AI requires more than just having leading The United States companies make investments. It requires a healthy ecoystem should develop a of AI companies, robust AI inputs-including skills, research, national AI strategy and data-and organizations that are motivated and free to to holster U.S. use AI. And that requires the federal government to support competitiveness and the development and adoption of Al. Many other countries, national security an including China, France, and the United Kingdom, are maximize the social 2017 2018 developing significant initiatives to gain global market share and economic in AI. While the U.S. government has taken some steps, it value of AL lacks a comprehensive strategy to proactively spur the development and adoption of AI. This report explains why a national AI strategy is necessary to bolster U.S. competitiveness, strengthen national security, and maximize the societal benefits that the country could derive from AI. It then lays out six overarching goals and 40 specific recommendations for Congress and the administration to support AI development and adoption. INTRODUCTION Computer scientists have worked since the 1950s to develop artificial intelligence-computer systems that perform tasks characteristic of human 111 11 intelligence, such as learning and decision-making. But it is only in the last ۲ 11 14 CENTER FOR DATA INNOVATION Fall 2018: March: Al December: January: January: March: April: May: May: Al June: July: Next Blockchain and Strategy for R&D Germany's Al Technology **Three-Year** France's AI Communication Australian National Generation Strategy Al Task Force Digital Growth Strategy for Al Strategy Action Plan Strategy on Al Budget Strategy Al Plan

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#### Join the Information Technology Agreement (ITA)

#### Membership and Participation in ICT GVCs

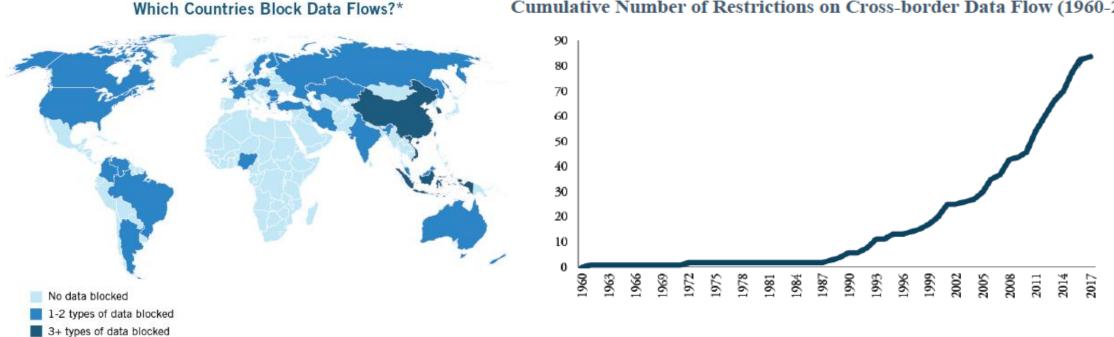


Source: OECD, Implications of Global Value Chains for Trade, Investment, Development, and Jobs, 2013



#### **Eschew Data Localization Requirements**

#### ✓ Eschew digitalization barriers to trade, including local data storage and local ICT facilities provisioning requirements.



Cumulative Number of Restrictions on Cross-border Data Flow (1960-2017)

Sources: Nigel Cory, ITIF, "Cross-Border Data Flows: Where Are the Barriers, and What Do They Cost?"; M.F. Ferracane, ECIPE, "Restrictions on Cross-Border Data Flows: A Taxonomy"

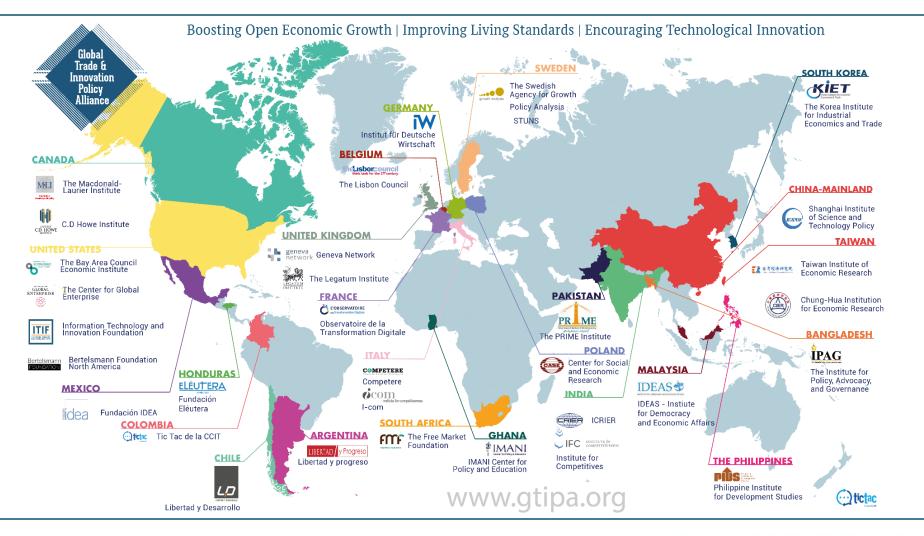
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#### Additional Recommendations for Policymakers

- ✓ Maintain the WTO moratorium on e-commerce transactions duties.
- ✓ Adopt APEC CBPR, ensuring that data protections flow with data.
- ✓ Recognize that data provides an essential innovation platform.
  - Adopt open government data policies.
  - Refrain from taxing the use of data.



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