





Innovation, knowledge competitiveness and development

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1. ACCESS

Information Infrastructure

2. MAINSTREAMING

Delivery of public and private services

3. INNOVATION

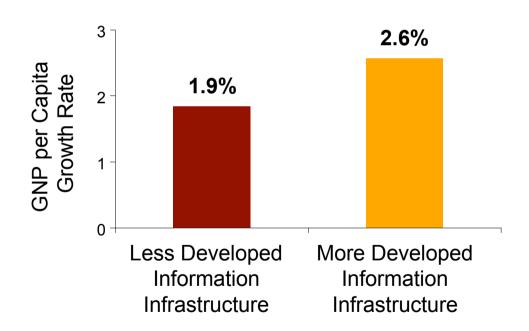
Information based industries

ICT and Economic Growth

An increase of 10 mobile phones per 100 people boosts GDP growth by 0.6%

A 1% increase in the number of Internet users increases total exports by 4.3%

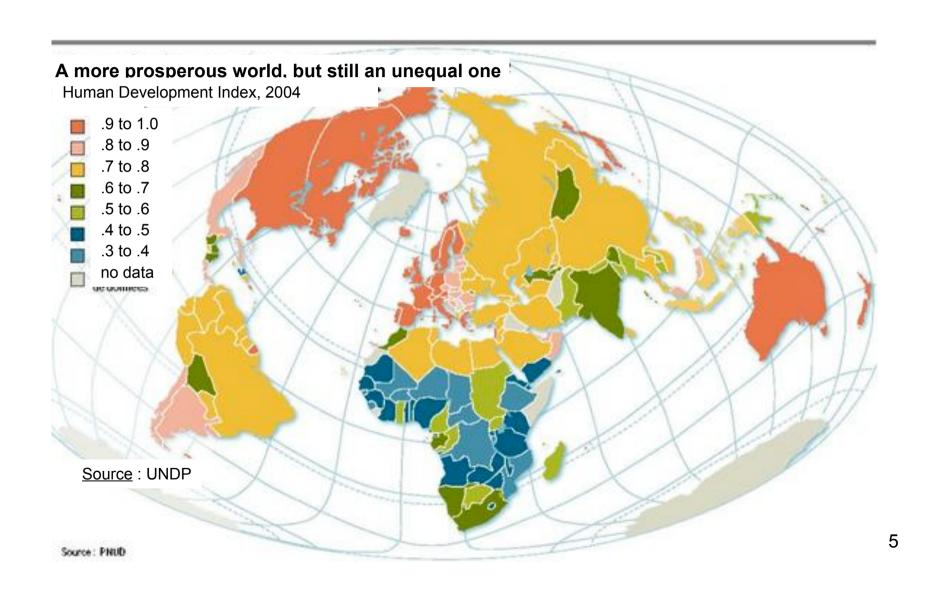
Countries with better Information Infrastructure have higher GNP per Capita Growth

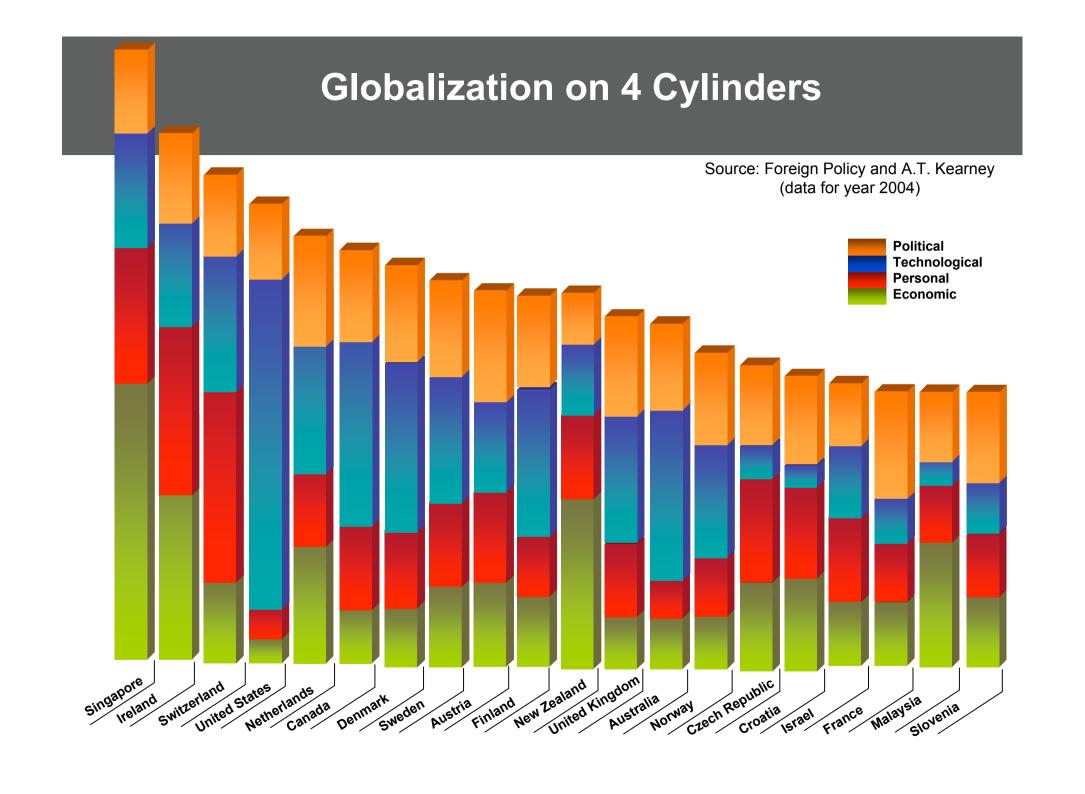


Preface

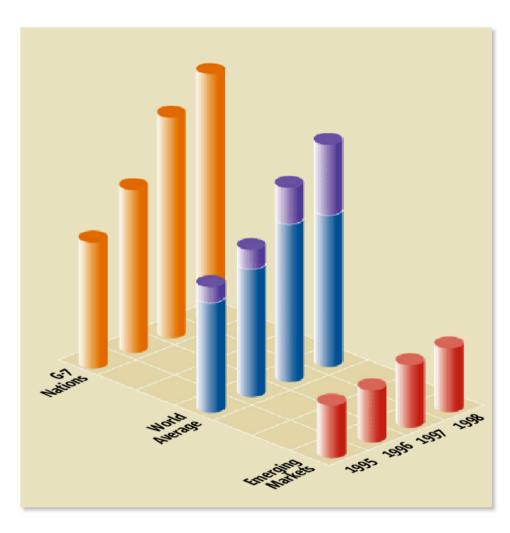
Globalization, Information and the Knowledge Economy

A World of Growth ... and Inequalities





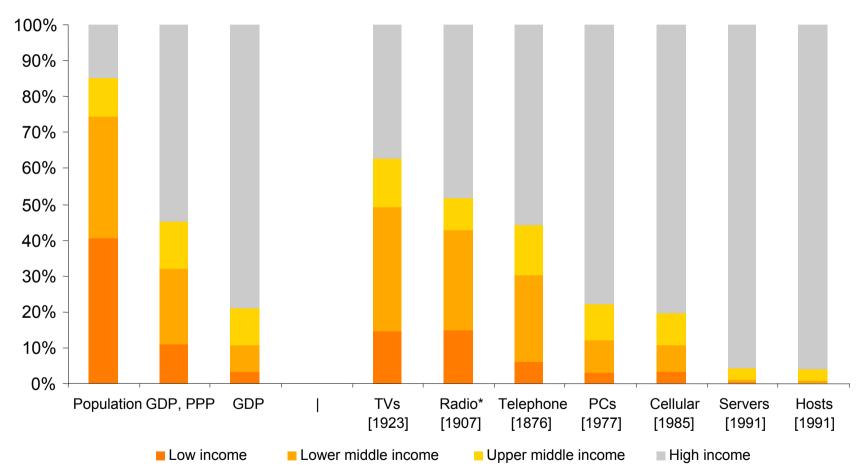
Is Globalization Slowing Down?



Globalization advanced briskly until 1997, when the financial crises that hit various developing regions weakened trade flows and undercut gains in global integration. So why did overall integration still increase during this period? Simple: Technology has become the engine of globalization.

- Technology factors: Percentage of population online, number of internet hosts per capita, and number of secure servers per capita
- Non-technology factors: Trade in goods and services, capital flows, and personal contact.

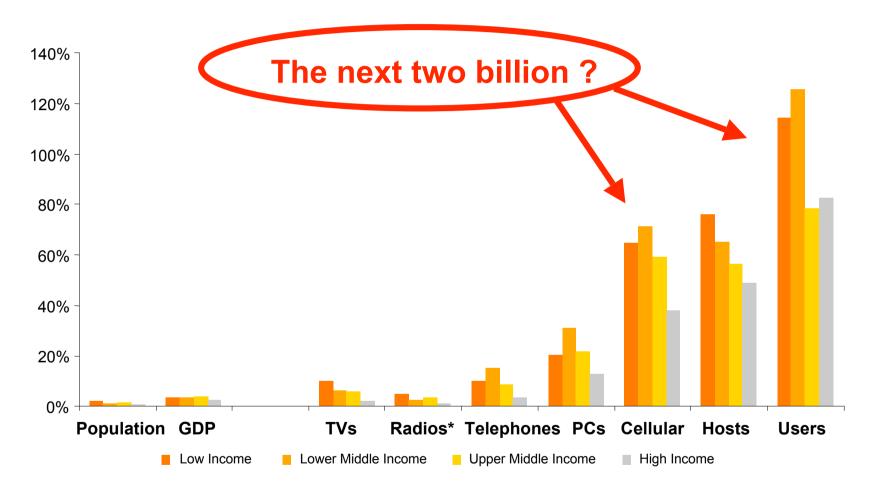
Technologies and the Digital Divide



Source: World Development Indicators 2002, World Bank Group. Dates of invention are from http://knowledgecontext.org/activities/timeline.htm. For Internet hosts and Internet servers, the date of invention for the World Wide Web was used.

^{*} Data for Radio are for 1997.

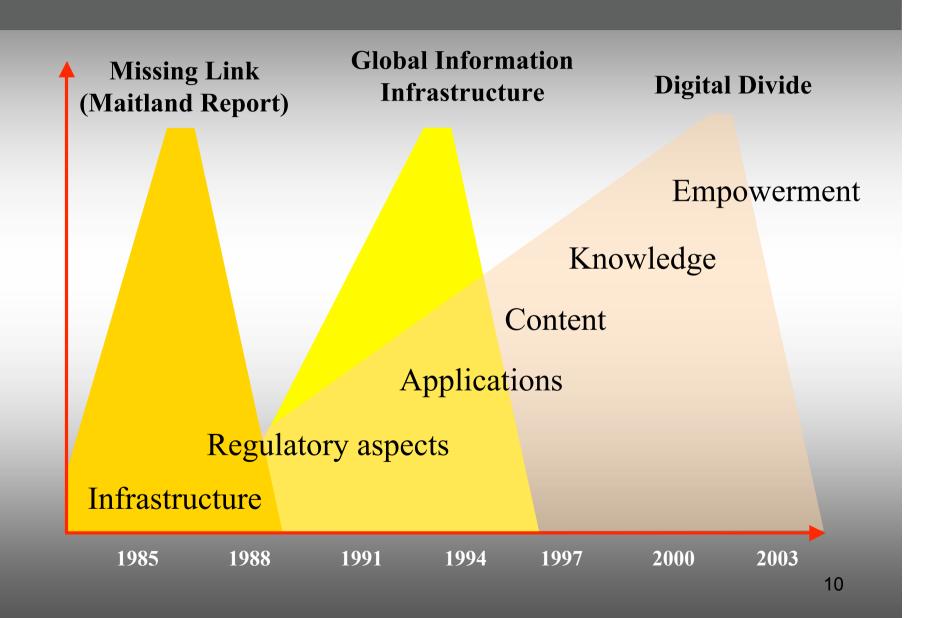
1990-2000 Technology Growth Rates



Source: World Development Indicators 2002, World Bank Group. GDP is expressed in constant 1995 US\$

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Shedding different lights at a complex set of issues



Bridging the Physical Divide

Connectivity is the goal

Benefits of web-economy impossible without adequate connectivity.

Competition is the vehicle

Competition creates incentives for innovation and meeting customer needs.

• Education is the enabler IT literacy increasingly necessary.

Bridging the Content Divide

Global production is the goal

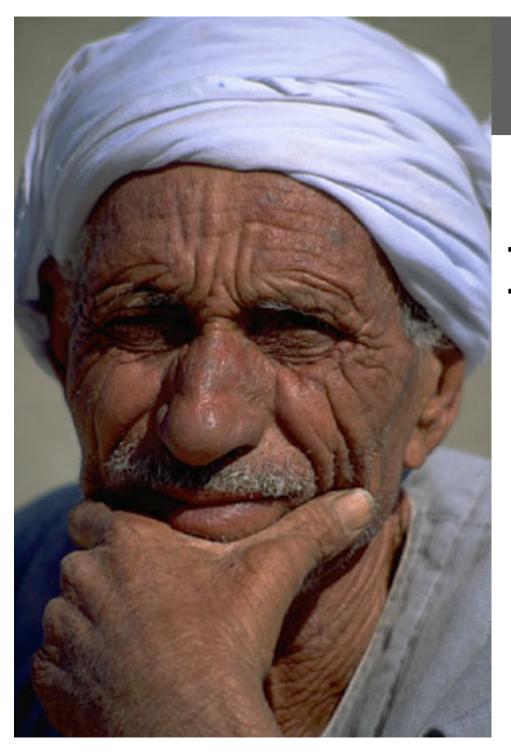
Realizing the promises of an open global economy

Value creation is the vehicle

Local languages, cultures and comparative advantages can be combined to yield mutually beneficial outcomes (local and global)

Education is the enabler

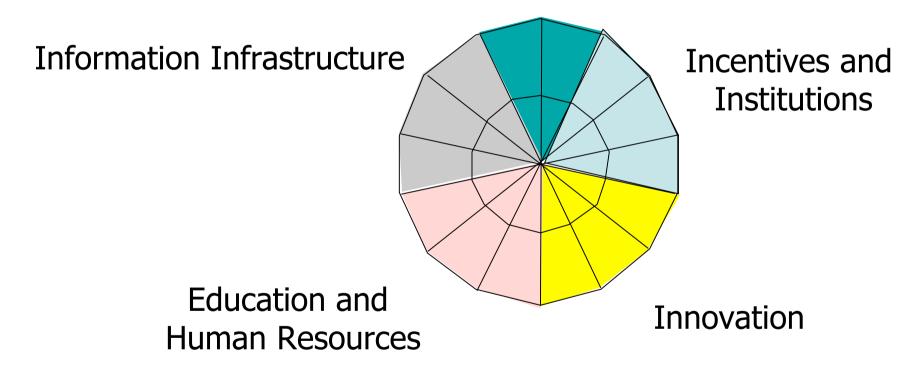
IT can help make education global



Fine, but can IT really solve any of my problems?

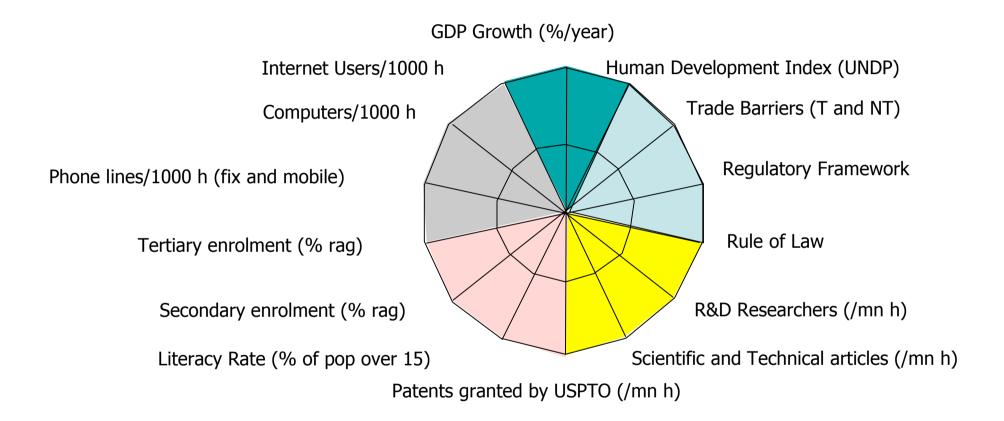
Knowledge and competitiveness

Socio-economic Performance



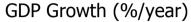
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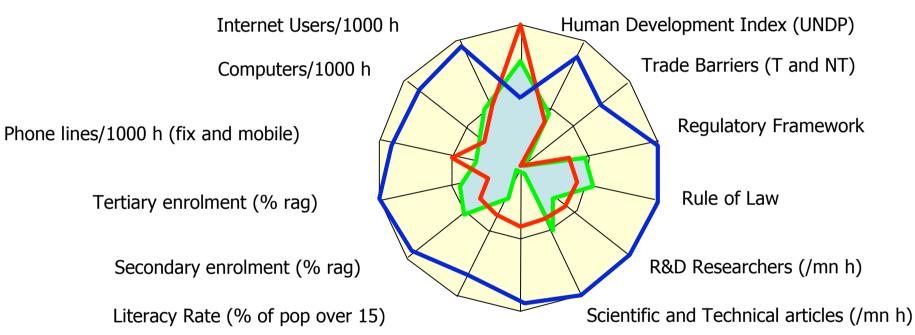
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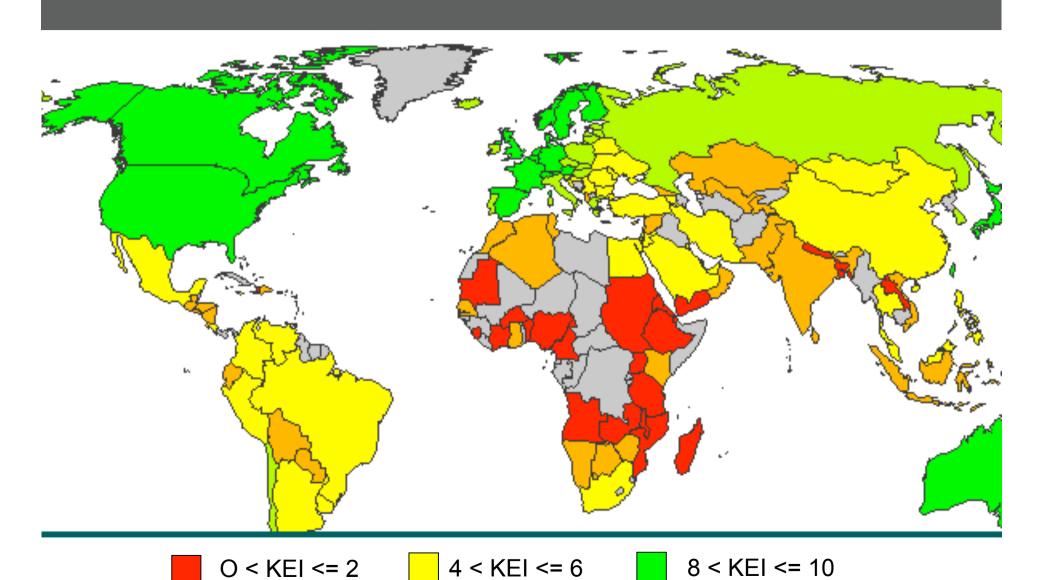


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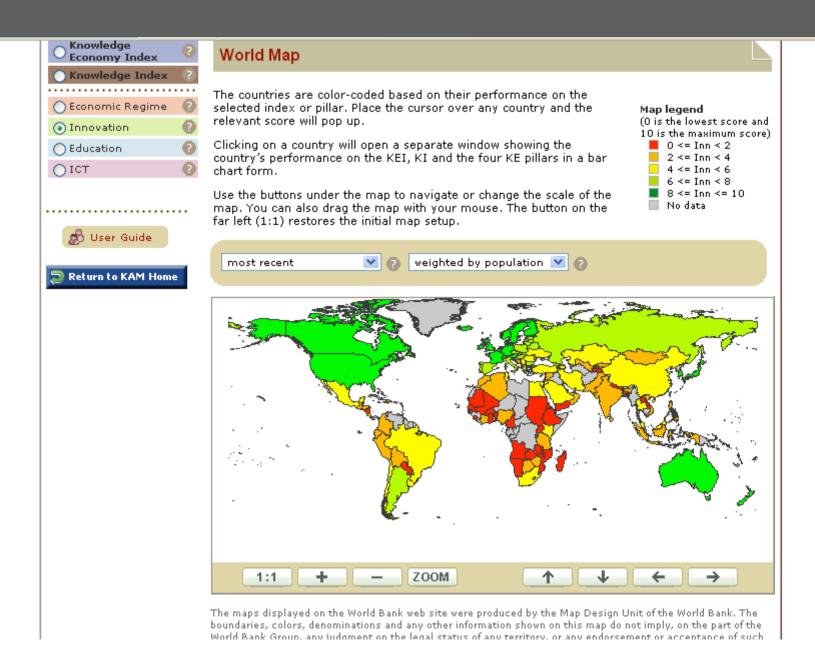
Knowledge Economy Index (2005)

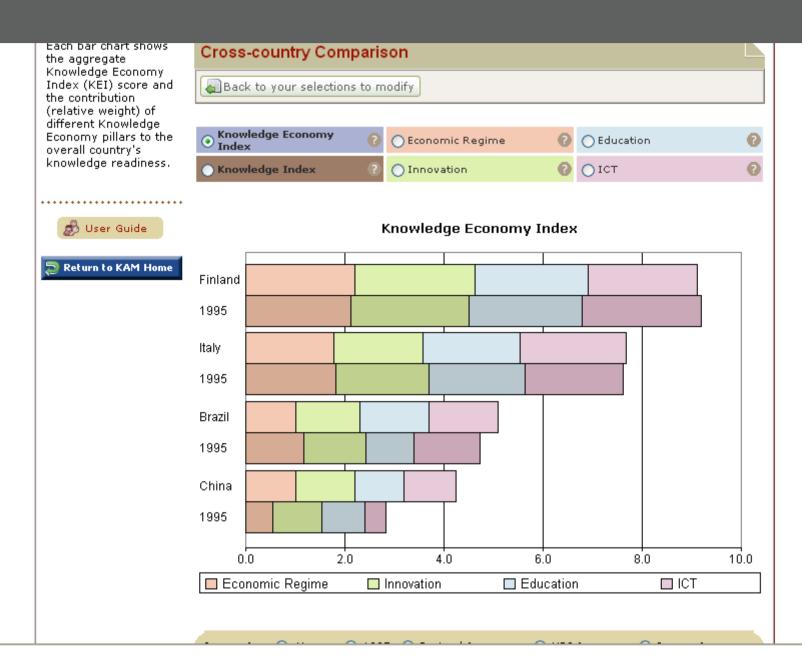


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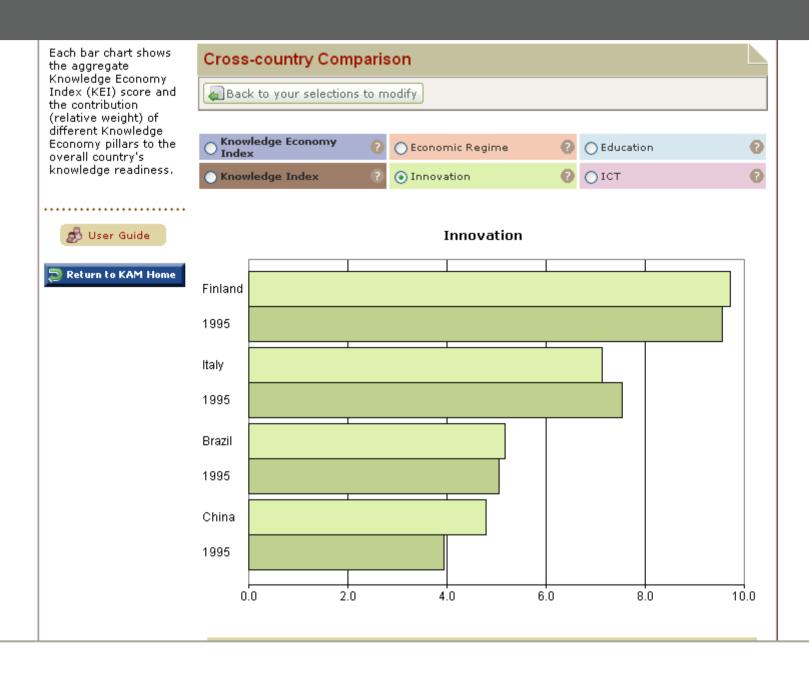
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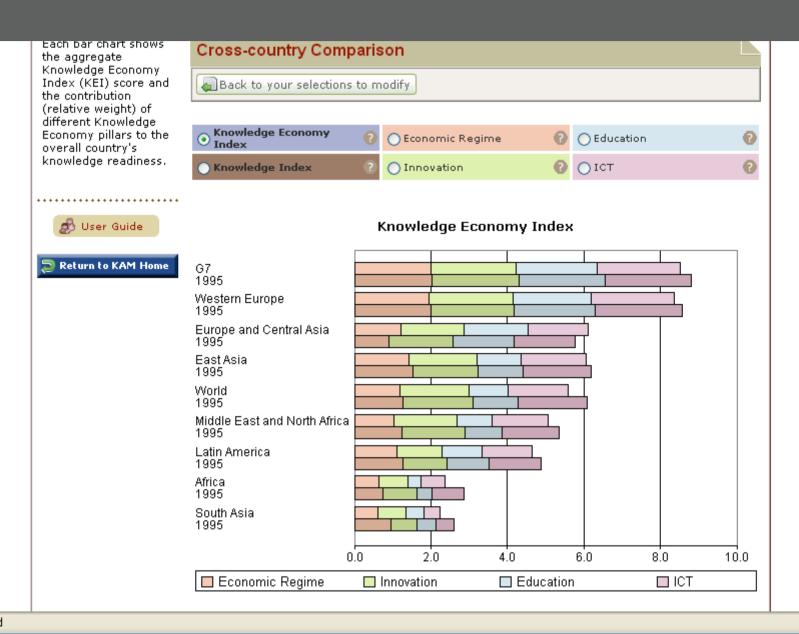
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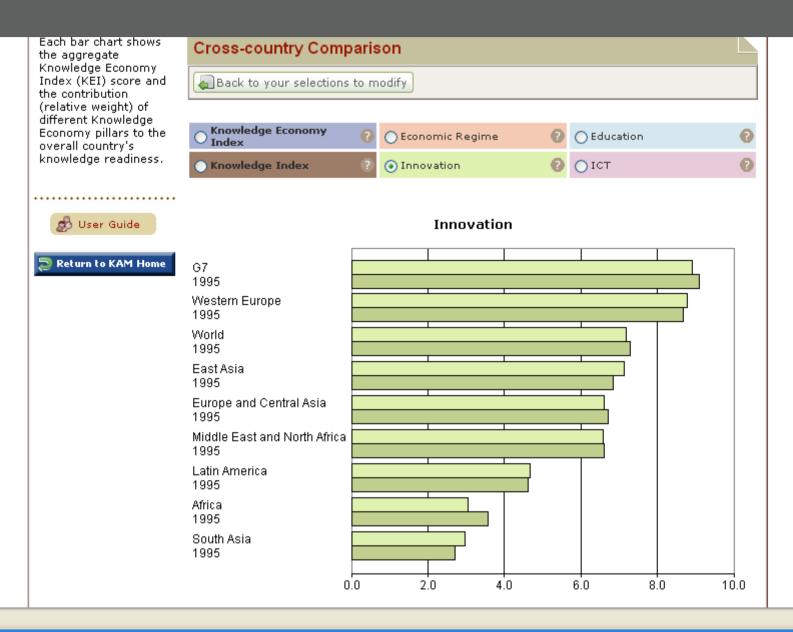


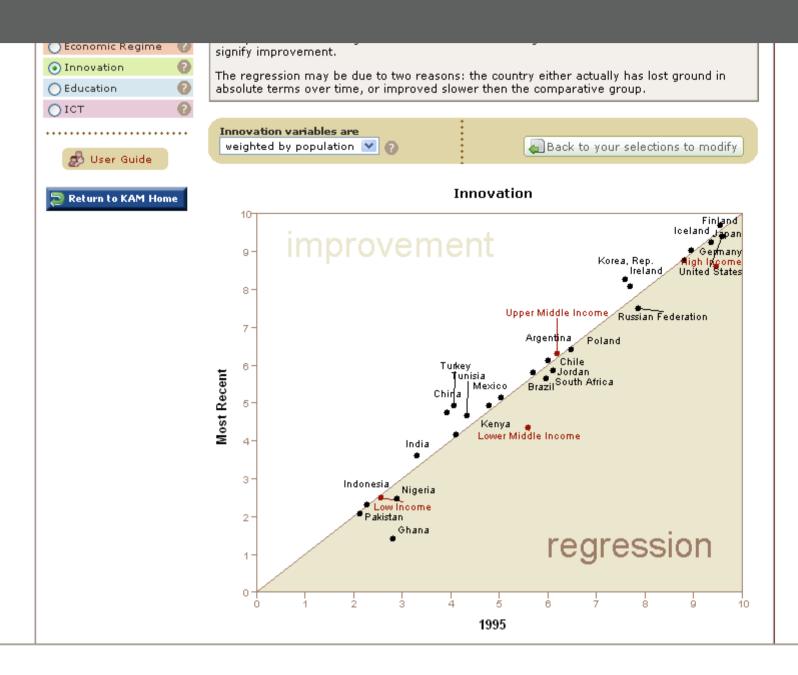


Innovation System
☐ FDI Outflows as % of GDP, 2000-04
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Royalty and License Fees Payments (US\$ mil.), 2004
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Science and Engineering Enrolment Ratio (%), 2004
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Researchers in R&D, 2004
Researchers in R&D / Mil. People, 2004
Total Expenditure for R&D as % of GDP, 2004
Manuf. Trade as % of GDP, 2004
University-Company Research Collaboration (1-7), 2006
Scientific and Technical Journal Articles, 2003
Scientific and Technical Journal Articles / Mil. People, 2003
Availability of Venture Capital (1-7), 2006
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☐ Value Chain Presence (1-7), 2006
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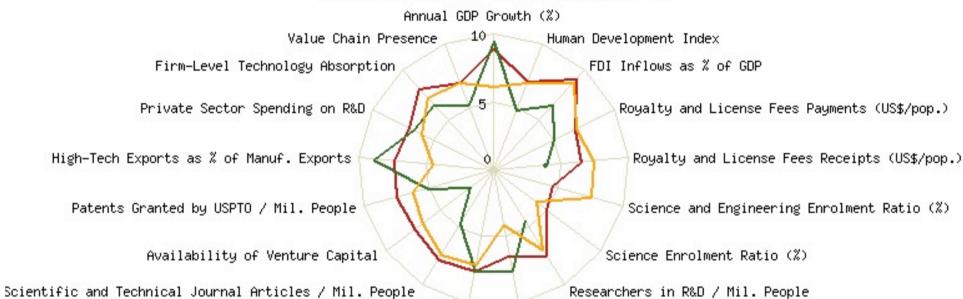








Estonia, China, Slovak Republic



Total Expenditure for R&D as % of GDP

Normalization Group: All Type: weighted Year: most recent

University-Company Research Collaboration

South Africa, Brazil, India

Annual GDP Growth (%)

Value Chain Presence 10 Human Development Index

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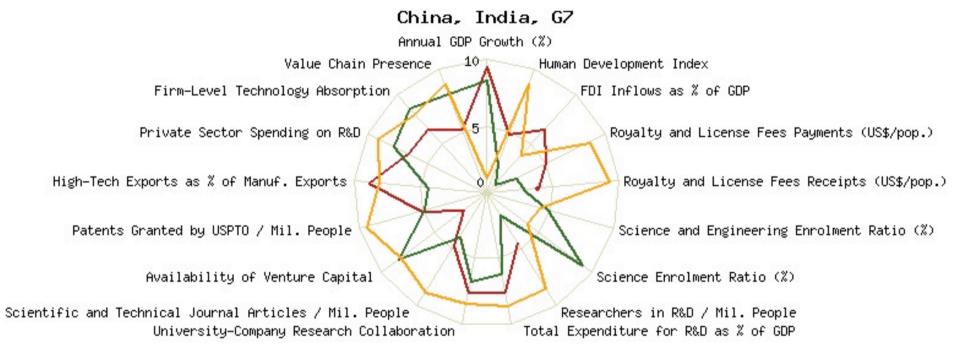
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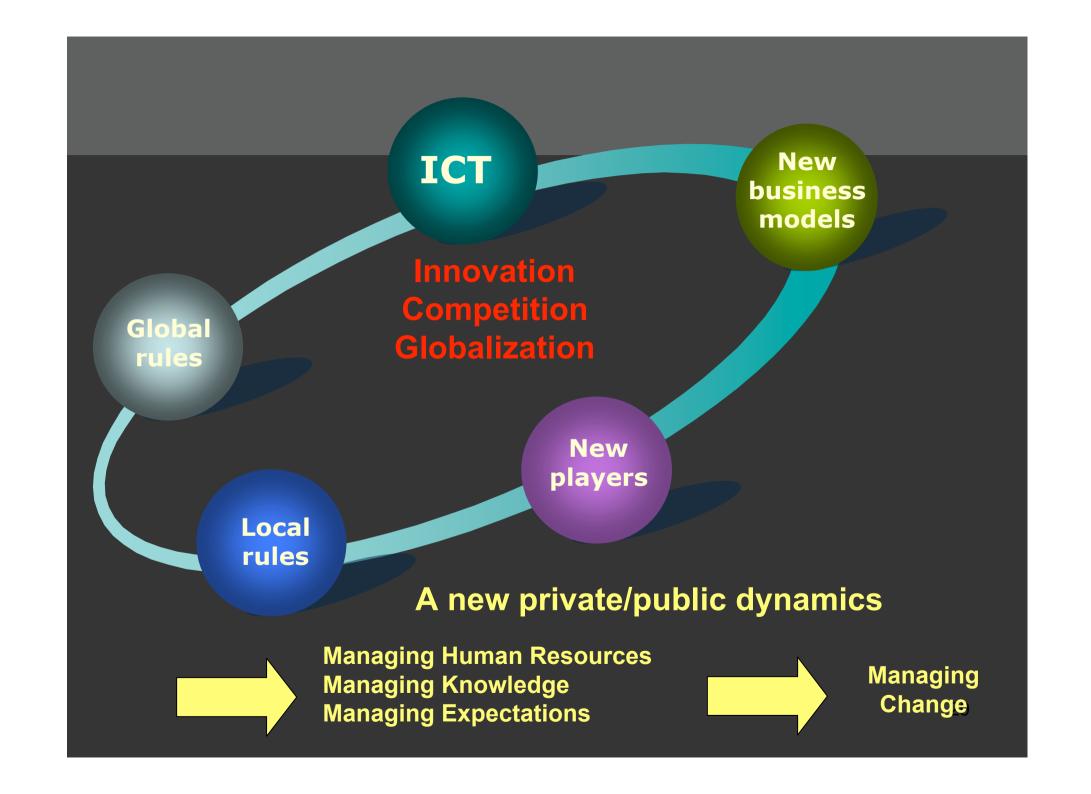
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Mormalization Group: All Type: weighted Year: most recent

Lessons we learned

- Building a knowledge economy entails the pursuit of many objectives, which may be competing for the same resources (innovation, education, information infrastructure)
- Political leadership and social consensus are essential to sustain efforts to build a knowledge economy
- Knowledge economies will offer highest degree of resilience in the face of upcoming challenges and opportunities (rapid technological change, outsourcing, 'the flat world')



Main conclusions

- Information is the core engine of globalization
- The digital divide is less about equipment and technology than about content and value
- In a global information economy, winners will be 'permanent innovators' and 'continuous learners'
- All economies (not just the most advanced) will strive to be knowledge economies
- This phenomenon will put human resources back at the center of competition and development
- In this new world, all stakeholders will need to consider accepting new roles (private/public, producers/consumers, importers/exporters) and fundamental concepts will need to be revisited (usage/property, e.g.)

The ABC of e-competition

- Access Basic skills Content Desire Excellence
- Infrastructure, costs, competition/regulation
- Basic education, vocational training, entrepreneurship
- Local value, languages
- Local will to reform, adapt and change
- In-source knowledge, outsource high costs, retain excellence

Thank you for your attention

Grazie mille

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