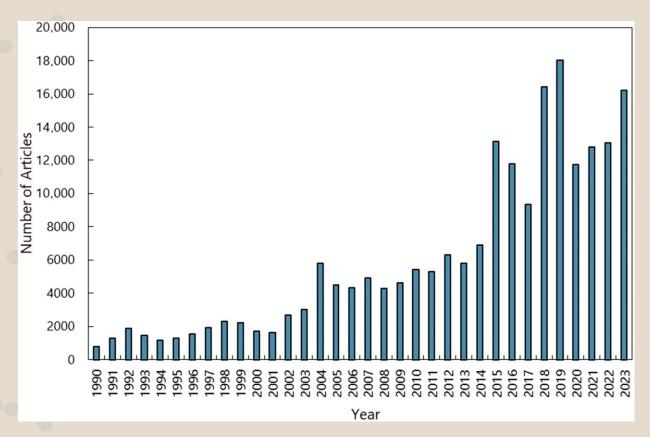


Industrial Policy in a New Global Order

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Industrial Policy is back



Mentions of Industrial policy in the major business press. Source: Evenett, Jakubik, Martín, Ruta (2024) based on Factiva.

... and here to stay



Green Transition



Technological sovereignty



Supply chain resilience



Geopolitical tension

The Need for Global Co-ordination



How to avoid economic nationalism and 'beggar-thy-neighbor' policies ...





... but establish a global framework for industrial policy that ensures coordination while allowing for national strategic objectives.

Challenges for Contemporary Industrial Policies

- Overlap of economic and security considerations
- Advanced economies: legitimacy problems due to transformation from prior free-market advocacy
- Developing economies: barriers to using Western industrial strategies (e.g. EU successful WTO challenge to Indoenesia's nickel export ban)



Questions: What industrial policies are acceptable? How can developing economies integrate into global supply chains while retaining policy space?

Building Blocks for Effective Economic Governance



Focus on positive-sum outcomes (positive spillovers)



Transparency: clear objectives, non-discrimination



Time-limited, performance-linked support



Forward looking and pro-competitive industrial policies with clear exit strategy: Support for innovation and productivity, not protectionism for declining industries



Inclusion of Global South in high-value segments: allow for economic upgrading strategies



Investment in state capacity to prevent misallocation of resources and policy capture

Creating the Architecture for Global Coordination

 Find the right forum for international coordination















