RUSSIA INTEGRATES: DEEPENING THE COUNTRY'S INTEGRATION IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY HSE LECTURE, APRIL 19, 2021



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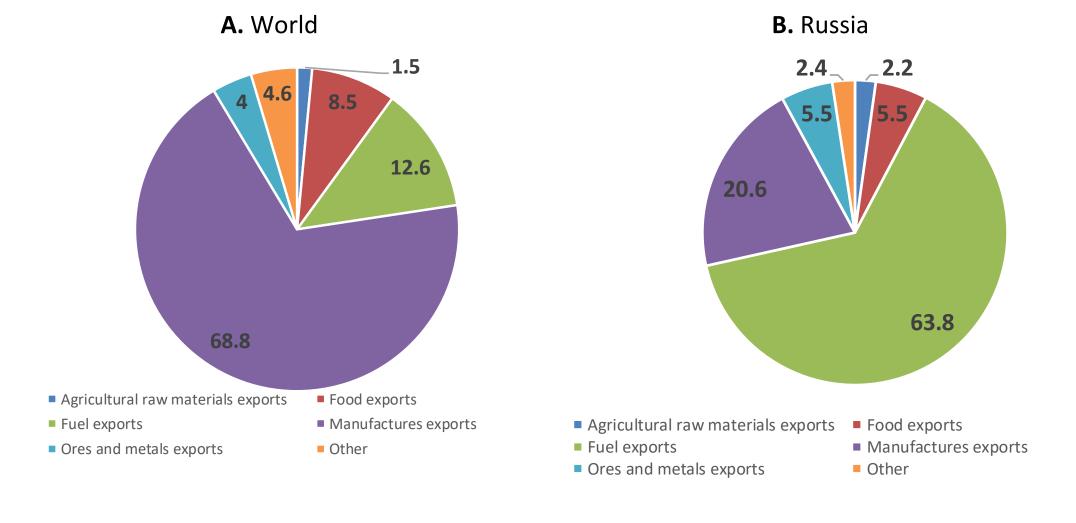
Russia's participations in GVCs

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(ii) Trade patterns

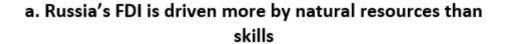
(iii) FDI

(iii) GVC position
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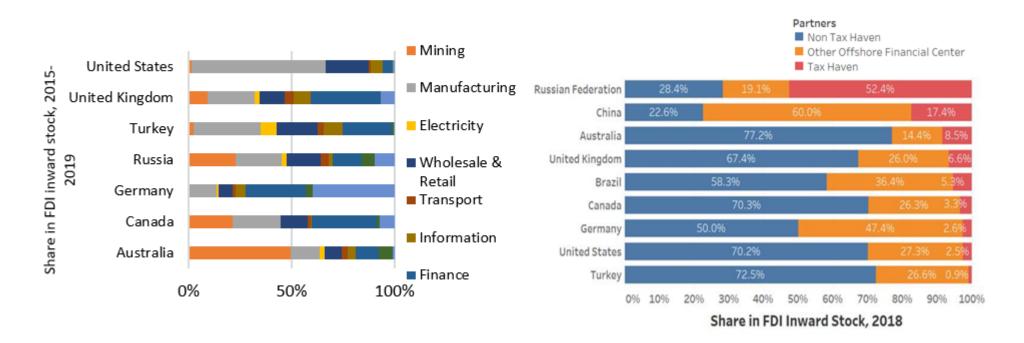
Russia's resource endowments dominate trade patterns



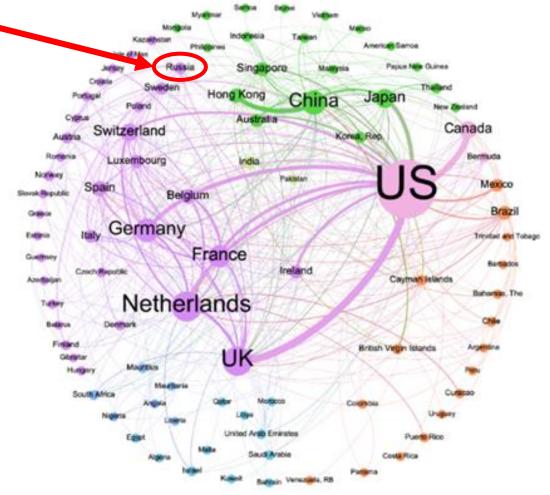
Russia's FDI is largely driven by its natural resource endowments and originates more from tax havens



b. Russia attracts more FDI from tax havens than comparators

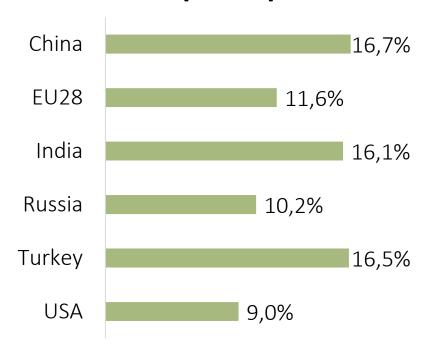


Russia is second-tier in the global FDI network

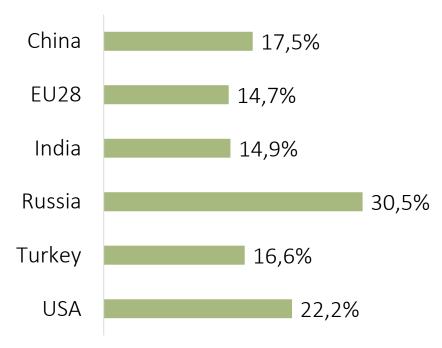


Backward participation is lower compared to peers, but forward participation is higher

Backward participation

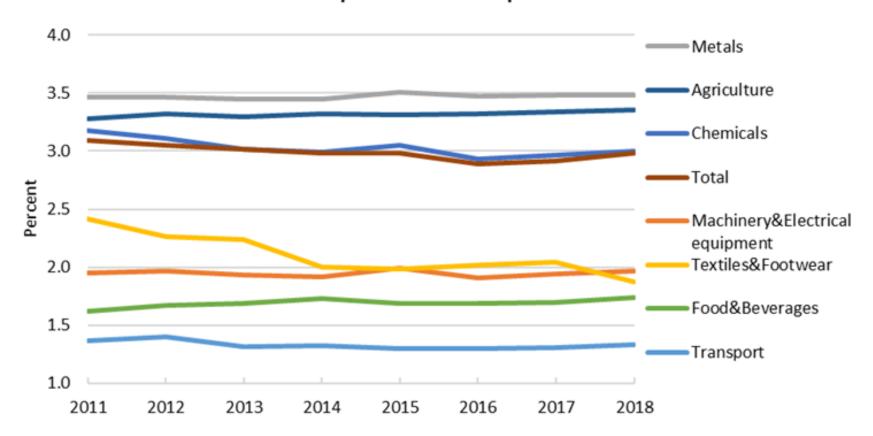


Forward participation

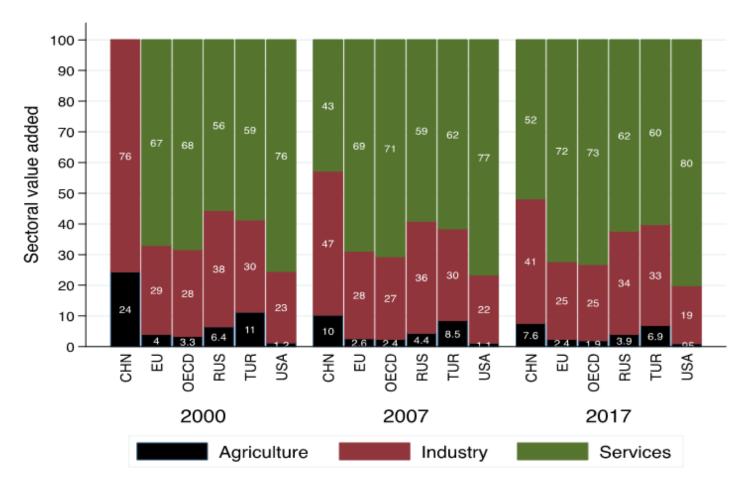


Russia has been diversifying and upgrading in GVCs

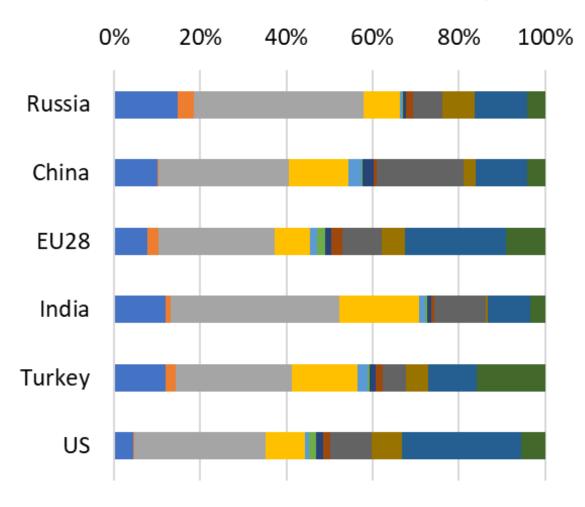
Upstreamness of Exports



The services sector has been an important driver of increased GVC participation



The share of modern services used for manufactured exports is relatively low



- Electricity, gas, water supply, sewerage, waste and remediation services
- Construction
- Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles
- Transportation and storage
- Accommodation and food services
- Publishing, audiovisual and broadcasting activities
- Telecommunications
- IT and other information services
- Financial and insurance activities

Recommendations in 3 areas:

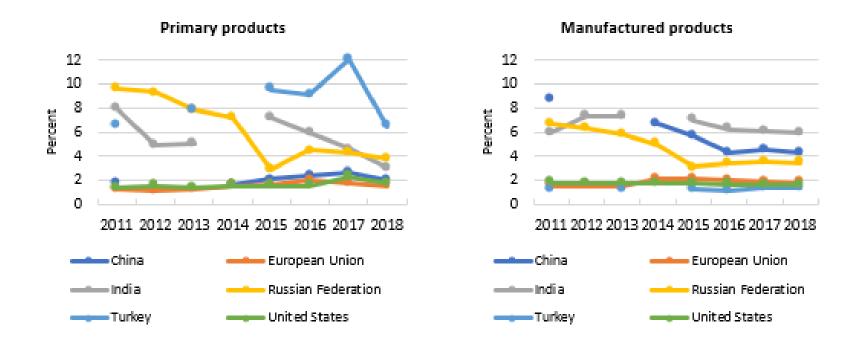
3 areas:

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(ii) Trade policy

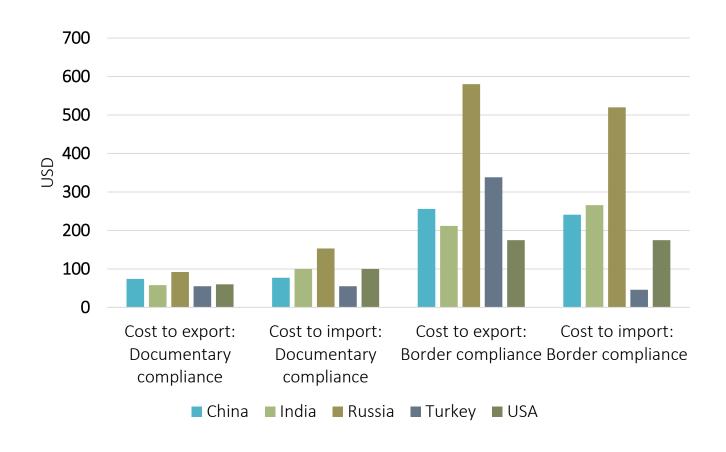
(iii) 'Servicification'

(iii) FDI
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Import tariffs on primary and manufactured products in Russia have fallen but they remain higher compared to some comparator countries



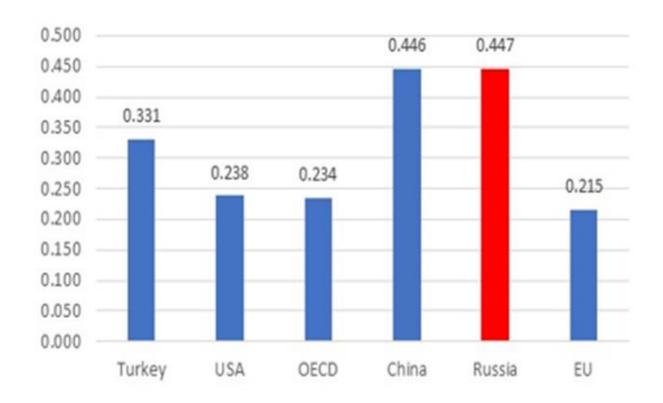
Russia faces long times + high costs to trade across borders



(ii) Services

Russia is services trade restrictive

(average STRI across all sectors, 2018)



(iii) Facilitating FDI and spillovers

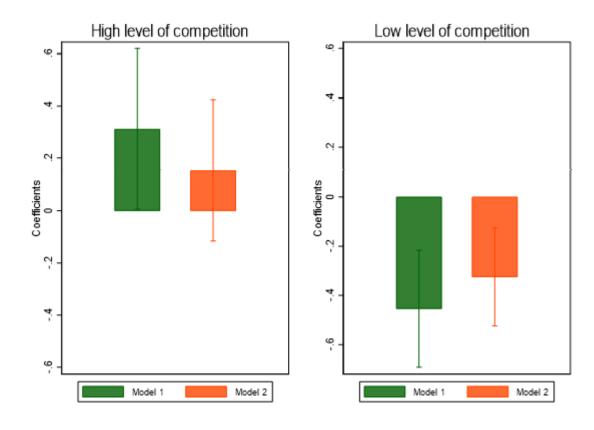
FDI can act as a catalyst for Russia's GVC upgrading

- Multinationals are larger & more productive

- Labor productivity x2 than Russian firms

- MNCs more successful tapping into GVCs than Russian firms.

Spillovers from foreign to domestic firms in Russia +ive in sectors with more competitive markets



Covid-19 induced changes in the GVC architecture:
Opportunity in terms of re/near-shoring

