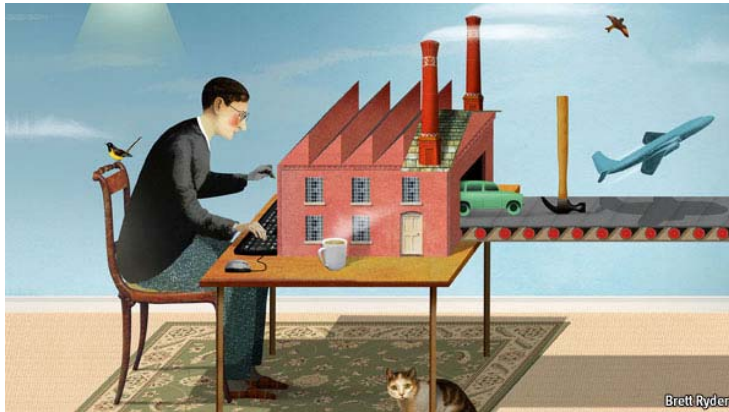


The Fourth Industrial Revolution (FIRe): Are We Prepared?



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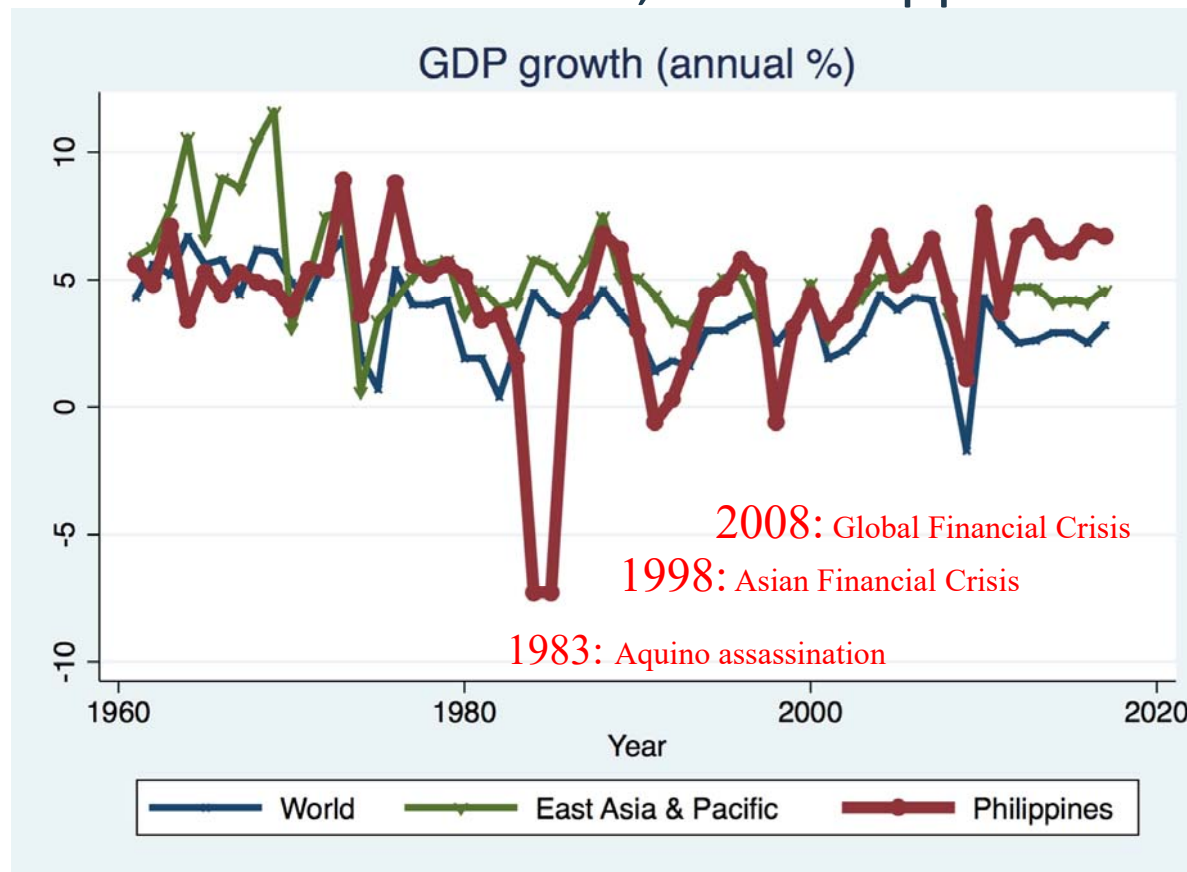
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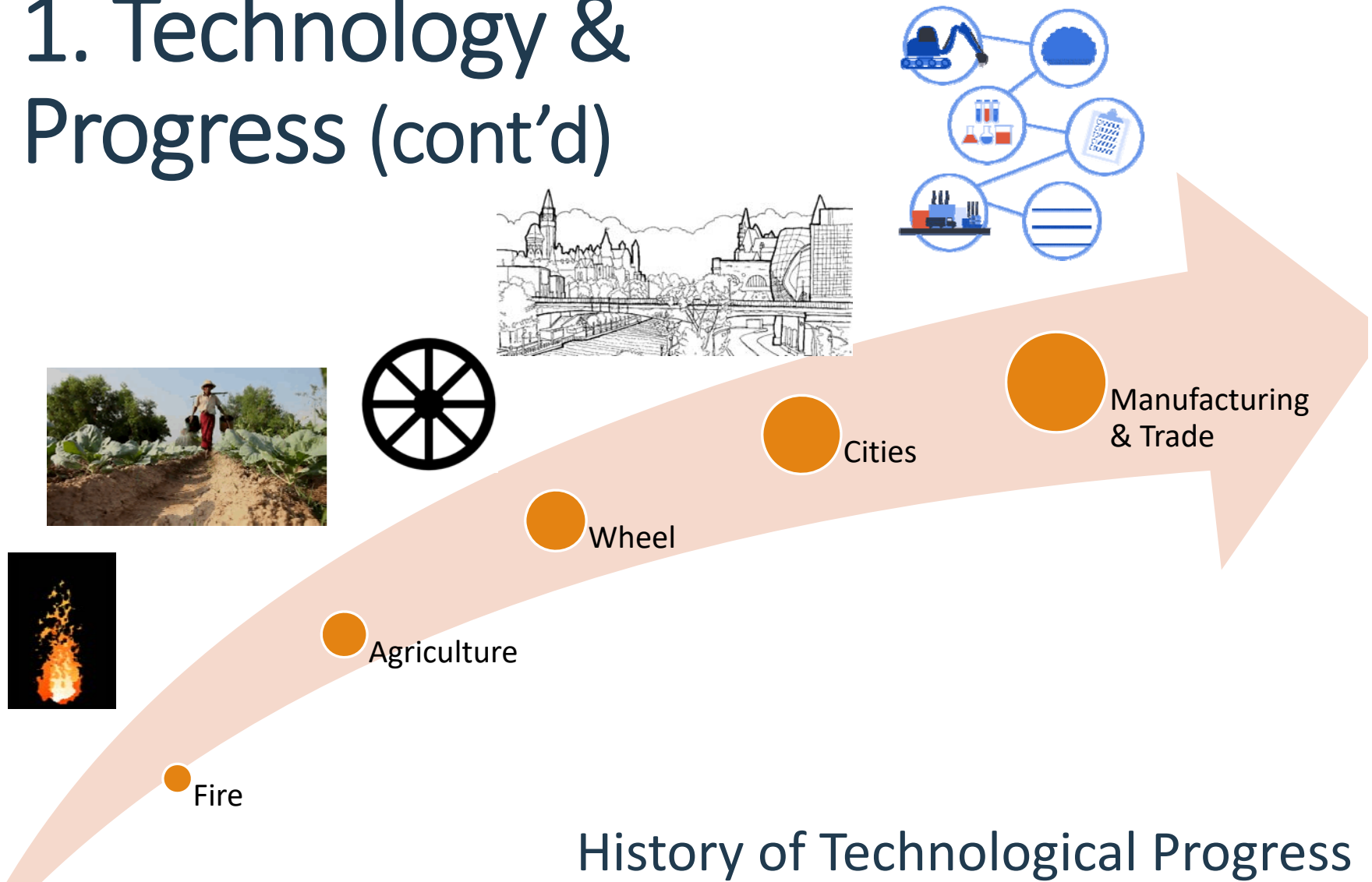
1. Technology and Progress

Since the 1960s, the Philippines has had booms and busts



- Starting 2012, PH economic performance even better than average in East-Asia and the world
- Negative growth in East Asia only in 1998, and across the world in 2009
- Buoyant expectations for global progress in the wake of the emerging Fourth Industrial Revolution (FIRE)

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)



History of Technological Progress

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

What is the Fourth Industrial Revolution (FIRe)?

First came steam and water power; then electricity and assembly lines; then computerization. Throughout history, we have improved industry by migrating from established production methods to utilizing cutting-edge technologies



1st Revolution

(1784)

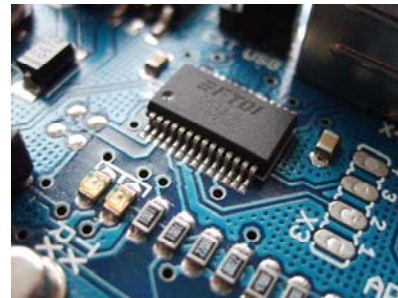
Steam, water,
mechanical production
equipment



2nd Revolution

(1870)

Division of labor,
electricity, mass
production, assembly
line



3rd Revolution

(1969)

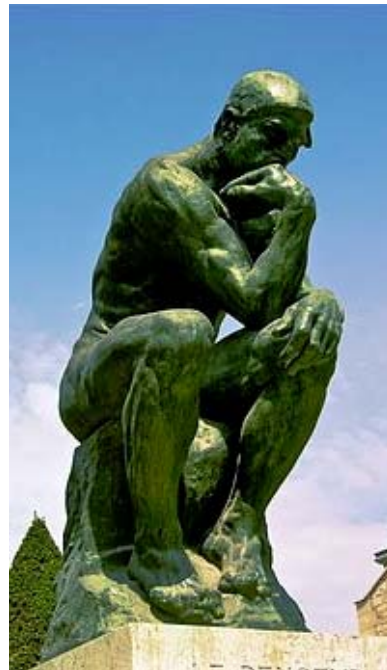
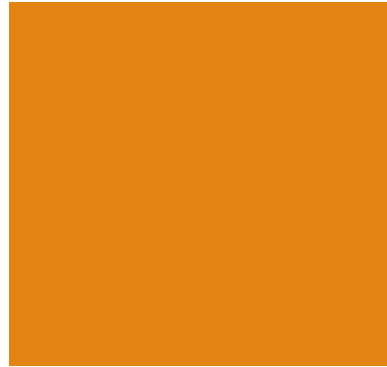
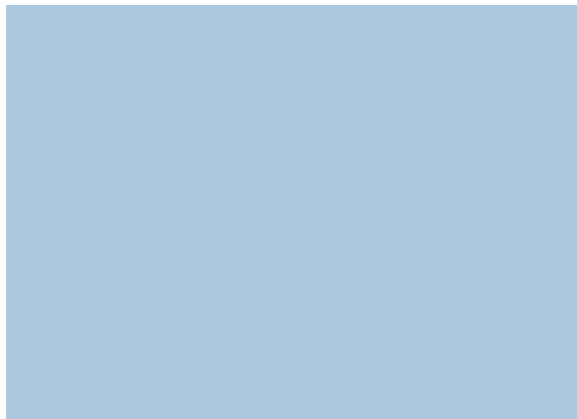
Electronics, computers,
internet, automated
production



4th Revolution

(???)

Cyber-physical systems



1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

What is FIRE? (cont'd)

“Characterized by a fusion of technologies that is blurring the lines between the physical, digital and biological spheres.” – Schwab (2016)

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

Frontier technologies

identified by select organizations

(ESCAP, 2018)

- No universally agreed definition of frontier technology
- It shows that the following technologies have been most commonly identified as frontier: 3D printing, the Internet of Things, AI, and robotics

OECD	World Bank	World Economic Forum	McKinsey Global Institute	Institute of Development Studies	MIT Technology Review 2018
Internet of Things	Fifth-generation (5G) mobile phones	Artificial intelligence	Mobile internet	3D printing	3D Metal Printing
Big data analytics	Artificial intelligence	Robotics	Automation of knowledge work	Collaborative economy tools	Artificial Embryos
Artificial intelligence	Robotics	Internet of Things	Internet of Things	Alternative internet delivery	Sensing City
Neuro technologies	Autonomous vehicles	Autonomous vehicles	Cloud technology	Internet of Things	Artificial intelligence for Everybody
Nano/micro satellites	Internet of Things	3D printing	Advanced robotics	Unmanned aerial vehicles/drones	Dueling Neural Networks
Nanomaterials	3D printing	Nanotechnology	Autonomous and near-autonomous vehicles	Airships	Babel-Fish Earbuds
3D printing (additive manufacturing)		Biotechnology	Next-generation genomics	Solar desalination	Zero-Carbon Natural Gas
Advanced energy storage technologies		Materials science	Energy storage	Atmospheric water condensers	Perfect Online Privacy
Synthetic biology		Energy storage	3D printing	Household-scale batteries	Genetic fortune-telling
Blockchain		Quantum computing	Advanced materials	Smog-reducing technologies	Materials' Quantum Leap
			Advanced oil and gas exploration		
			Renewable energy		

Technology	Description
3D printing	Advances in additive manufacturing, using a range of materials and methods, innovations include 3D bioprinting of organic tissues
Internet of things (IoT)	the use of networked sensors to remotely connect, track and manage products, systems and grids
AI and robotics	Devt of machines that can substitute for humans, increasingly in tasks associated with thinking, multitasking and fine motor skills
Big data	High volume, velocity, and variety data from more use of internet (social media, search engines, digital commerce) and sensors
Virtual and augmented realities	Interfaces between humans and computers involving immersive environments, holographic readouts and digitally produced overlays for mixed-reality experiences
Blockchain	Distributed ledger technology based on cryptographic systems that manage, verify and publicly record transaction data
Neurotechnology	Innovations (smart drugs, neuroimaging and bioelectric interfaces) that allow for reading, communicating and influencing human brain activity

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

Frontier technologies

Technology	Description
Advanced materials and nanomaterials	Creations of new materials and nanostructures for the development of beneficial material properties, such as thermoelectric efficiency, shape retention and new functionality
Energy capture, storage and transmission	Breakthroughs in battery and fuel cell efficiency; renewable energy through solar, wind and tidal technologies, energy distribution through smart grid systems, wireless energy transfer, and more.
New computing technologies	New architectures for computing hardware, such as quantum computing, biological computing or neural network processing, as well as innovative expansion of current computing technologies (such as cloud computing)
Biotechnologies	Innovations in genetic engineering, sequencing and therapeutics, as well as biological computational interfaces and synthetic biology
Geoengineering	Tech interventions in planetary systems, typically to mitigate effects of climate change by removing carbon dioxide or managing solar radiation

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Frontier technologies

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Some Technologies of the FIRE

Additive Manufacturing (or 3D-Printing)

Example: Bio-printing organs, prosthetics and drugs



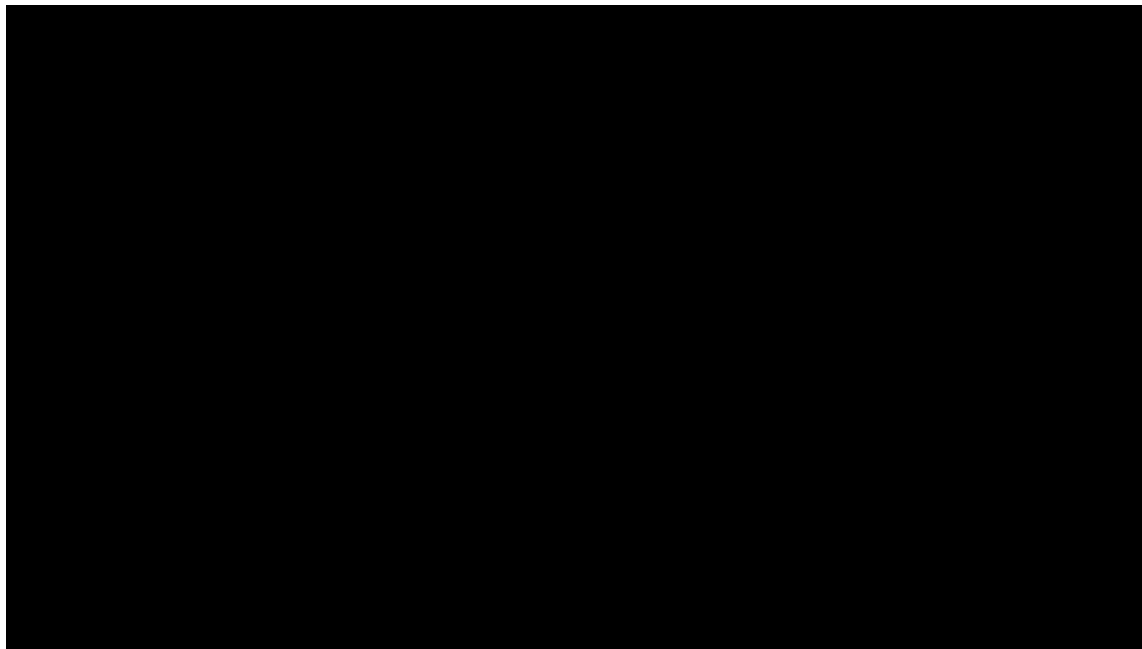
From Medical Futurist : <https://medicalfuturist.com/3d-printing-in-medicine-and-healthcare>

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Some Technologies of the FIRE

Internet of Things (IoT)

Devices connected with each other and sensors

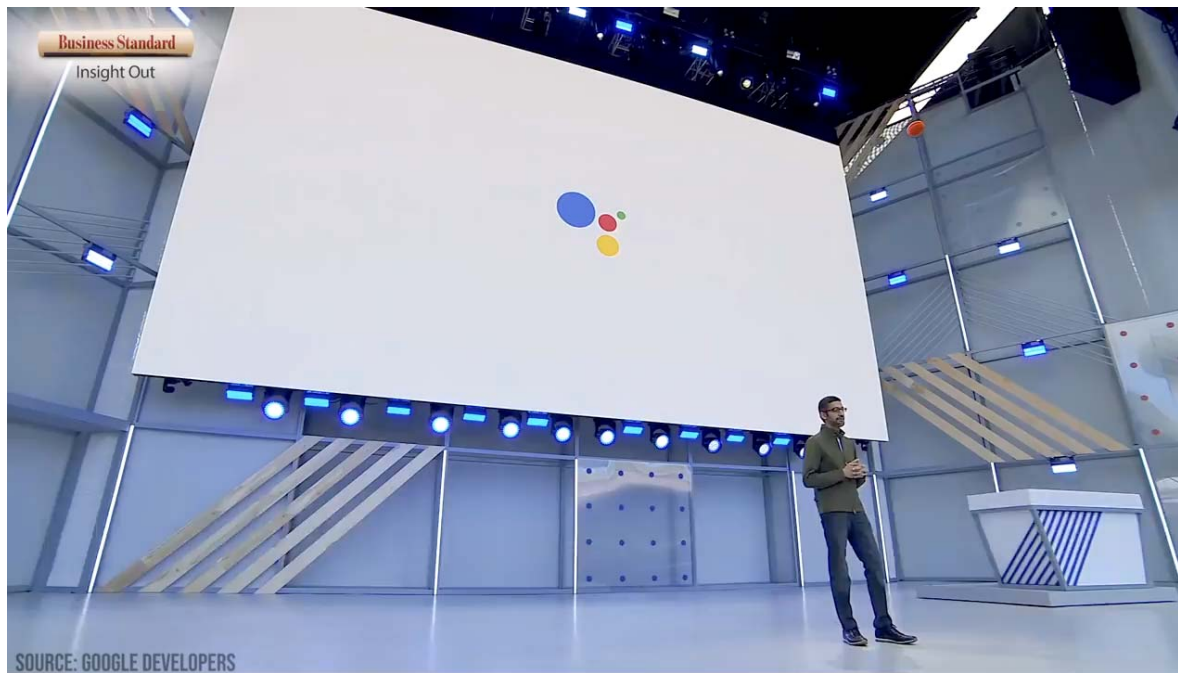


From Shots of Awe : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bNdLMVYEQKM>

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

Some Technologies of the FIRE

Artificial Intelligence (AI)
Example: Google Assistant



From Business Standard : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d40jgFZ5hXk>

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

Some Technologies of the FIRE

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Example: Detecting Diseases in Cassava



From TensorFlow : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NlpS-DhayQA>

1. Technology & Progress (cont'd)

Some Technologies of the FIRE

Robotics (and Drones)

Example: Drones used in Precision Spraying



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Potential Impacts of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (FIRe)

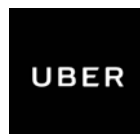
Timeframe to impact industries, business models



WEF (2016)

2.1. Impact: Opportunities and Risks

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2.1. Impact: Opportunities and Risks (cont'd)

	Economic Implications	Socio-Cultural Implications	Political & Security Implications
Robotics and AI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technological unemployment • Income Inequality • Disruption of traditional business models and global value chains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rise of monopolies and oligopolies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political polarization • Instability • Data and access security risks to automation • Espionage, Terrorism, Autonomous warfare
IOT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disruption of traditional business models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erosion of personal privacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of trust in institutions • Cybersecurity problems • Data fraud
3D-printing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disruption of existing business processes 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weapons proliferation • Cyber-sabotage

Share of wage and salaried employment in key **manufacturing** subsectors at high risk of automation (per cent).



ILO (2016)

Acc to ILO, in the Philippines:

- nearly half (49%) of wage workers (males: 44%, females : 52%) face a high probability of getting affected by automation
- those working as fishery labourers (580,000), waiters (574,000), carpenters (525,000) and office cleaners (463,000) face a high potential of automation
- around 89 per cent of salaried workers in BPO sector fall into the high risk category of automation

2.1. Impact: Opportunities and Risks (cont'd)

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The Fourth Industrial Revolution will trigger selective reshoring, nearshoring and other structural changes to global value chains (WEF 2018, ILO 2016)



Cloud computing and software automation are disruptive technologies.

SOFTWARE AUTOMATION forms the greatest risk to workers in the Philippines working in call centres

Women make up **59%** of the Philippines' BPO workforce



Software automation can reduce costs by **40-75%** for BPO clients



Sewbots enable production reshoring

The United States sees immediate savings from sewbots if purchased in 2016

Savings of US\$180,000 can be seen over 5 years

The female share of **TCF employment exceeds 70%** in Cambodia, Lao PDR, the Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam

2.1. Impact: Opportunities and Risks (cont'd)

- Autor (2015) argues that **extent of machine substitution** for jobs tend to be **overstated** by ignoring strong complementarities which increase productivity, raise earnings and augment demand for labor
- Autor adds that **even if automation does not reduce quantity of jobs, it may affect the qualities of jobs that are available**
- Policy implication: **human capital investments** must be at the **heart of any long-term strategy** on preparation for impact of technology on jobs

Crucial Emerging Technologies for the SDGs until 2030 (examples) (1/2)

Technology cluster	Emerging technologies	Opportunities	Potential Risks/Threats
Bio-tech	Biotechnology, genomics, and proteomics; gene-editing technologies and custom-designed DNA sequence; genetically modified organisms; stem cells and human engineering; bio-catalysts; synthetic biology; sustainable agriculture	Food crops, human health, pharmaceuticals, materials, environment, fuels	Military use; irreversible changes to health and environment
Digital-tech	Big Data; Internet of Things; 5G mobile phones; additive manufacturing; Cloud computing; open data technology; free and open source; Massive open online courses; micro-simulation; E-distribution; systems combining radio, mobile phone, satellite, GIS, and remote sensing data; data sharing technologies, including citizen science-enabling technologies; social media technologies; mobile Apps to promote public engagement and behavioral change; pre-paid system of electricity use and automatic meter reading; digital monitoring; digital security	Development, employment, manufacturing, agriculture, health, cities, finance, absolute “decoupling”, governance, participation, education, citizen science, environmental monitoring, resource efficiency, global data sharing, social networking and collaboration	Unequal benefits, job losses, skills gaps, social impacts, poor people priced out; global value chain disruption; concerns about privacy, freedom, and development; data fraud, theft, cyber attacks

Source: UNDESA, 2016

Crucial Emerging Technologies for the SDGs until 2030 (examples) (2/2)

Technology cluster	Emerging technologies	Opportunities	Potential Risks/Threats
Nano-tech	Nano-imprint lithography; nanotechnology applications for decentralized water and wastewater treatment, desalination, and solar energy (nanomaterial solar cells); promising organic and inorganic nanomaterials, e.g., graphene, carbon nanotubes, carbon nano-dots and conducting polymers graphene, perovskites, Iron, cobalt, and nickel nanoparticles, and many others	Energy, water, chemical, electronics, medical and pharmaceutical industries; high efficiencies; resources saving; CO2 mitigation.	Human health (toxicity), environmental impact (nanowaste)
Neuro-tech	Digital automation, including autonomous vehicles (driverless cars and drones), IBM Watson, e-discovery platforms for legal practice, personalization algorithms, artificial intelligence, speech recognition, robotics; smart technologies; cognitive computing; computational models of the human brain; meso-science powered virtual reality	Health, safety, security (e.g., electricity theft), higher efficiency, resource saving, new types of jobs, manufacturing, education	Unequal benefits, de-skilling, job losses and polarization, widening technology gaps, military use, conflicts.

Source: UNDESA, 2016

FIRe and the SDGs

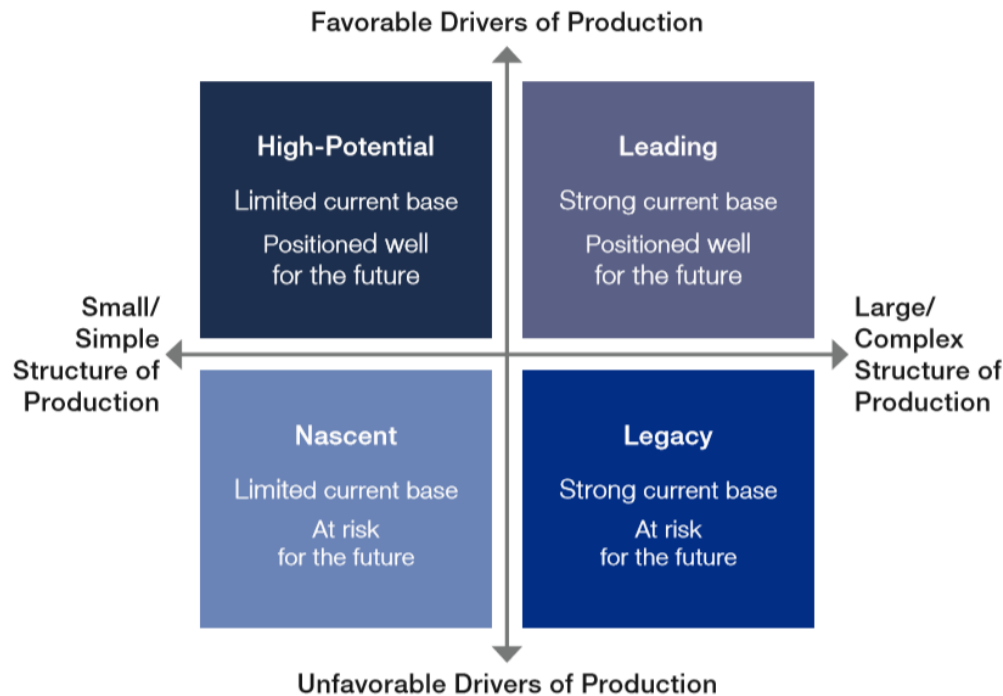
2.2. How frontier technologies could support the Sustainable Development Goals

SDG	APPLICATIONS
Agriculture (SDGs 1, 2, 5, 8, 10 and 12)	Recent advances in image recognition allowed researchers to scan more than 50,000 photos of plants to help identify crop diseases at sites using smartphones with a success rate of over 99 per cent
Healthcare (Goal 3)	AI applications have been developed that substitute and complement highly educated and expensive expertise by analyzing medical images. 3D printing produce patient specific prosthetics, orthotic braces and customized medical implants.
Environment and climate (Goal 13)	AI and deep learning can help climate researchers and innovators test out their theories and solutions as to how to reduce air pollution

ESCAP (2018)

Preparing for Industry 4.0

Country Archetypes



Note: Average performance of the top 75 countries (weighted average driver score, weighted average structure score) is at the intersection of the four quadrants to create the archetype borders.

WEF (2017)

3.1. WEF Assessment on Preparations

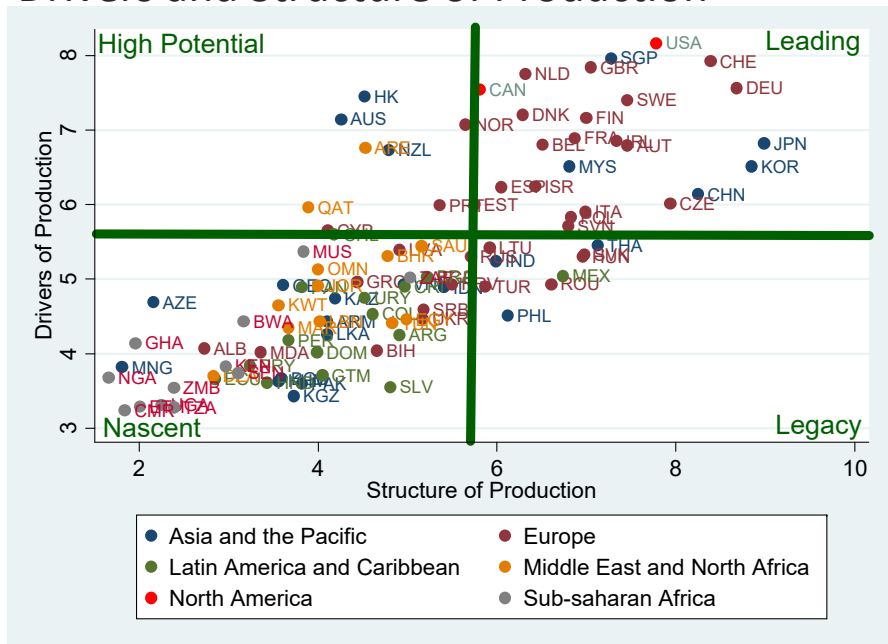
The seven ASEAN countries included in the assessment are spread across three different archetypes: **Leading**— Malaysia and Singapore; **Legacy**— Philippines and Thailand; and **Nascent**— Cambodia, Indonesia and Viet Nam.

Legacy country - has a strong production base today, but it is at risk for the future due to weaker performance across drivers of production, which include technology and innovation, human capital, global trade and investment, institutional framework, sustainable resources, and the demand environment.

3.1. WEF Assessment on Preparations (cont'd)

- Investments in R&D, hard and soft infrastructure, as well as capacity dev't of human resources and institutions are complementary factors for Inclusive Development and for Readiness for Future of Production

Drivers and Structure of Production



WEF (2018)

3.2. Select Industry 4.0 policies in ASEAN Member States

Indonesia: Launch of 'Making Indonesia 4.0' Roadmap (2017); Indonesia Broadband Plan 2014-2019

Malaysia: Development of the National Industry 4.0 Policy Framework (2018); Establishment of Industry 4.0 High Level Task Force (2017); Launch of the Centre of Excellence on Industry 4.0 (2017);); Launch of the Digital Free Trade Zone (DFTZ) Initiative and Pilot Project(2017); The Malaysian ICT Strategic Plan 2016-2020 (2016); Launch of the National e-Commerce Strategic Roadmap (2016); 11th Malaysia Plan 2016-2020 (2015); National IoT Roadmap (2015); National Broadband Initiative (2006)

Source: ASEAN Secretariat Draft Report

3.2. Select Industry 4.0 policies in ASEAN Member States (cont'd)

Singapore: AI.SG Initiative (2017); Research Innovation Enterprise 2020 Plan (2016); Industry Transformation Programme (2016); Intelligent Nation 2015 (2015); National Robotics Program (2015); Smart Nation (2014)

Thailand: Digital Government 2017-2021 (2017); Thailand 4.0 (2016); National Digital Economy Master Plan (2016-2020); Digital Economy Master Plan (2015)

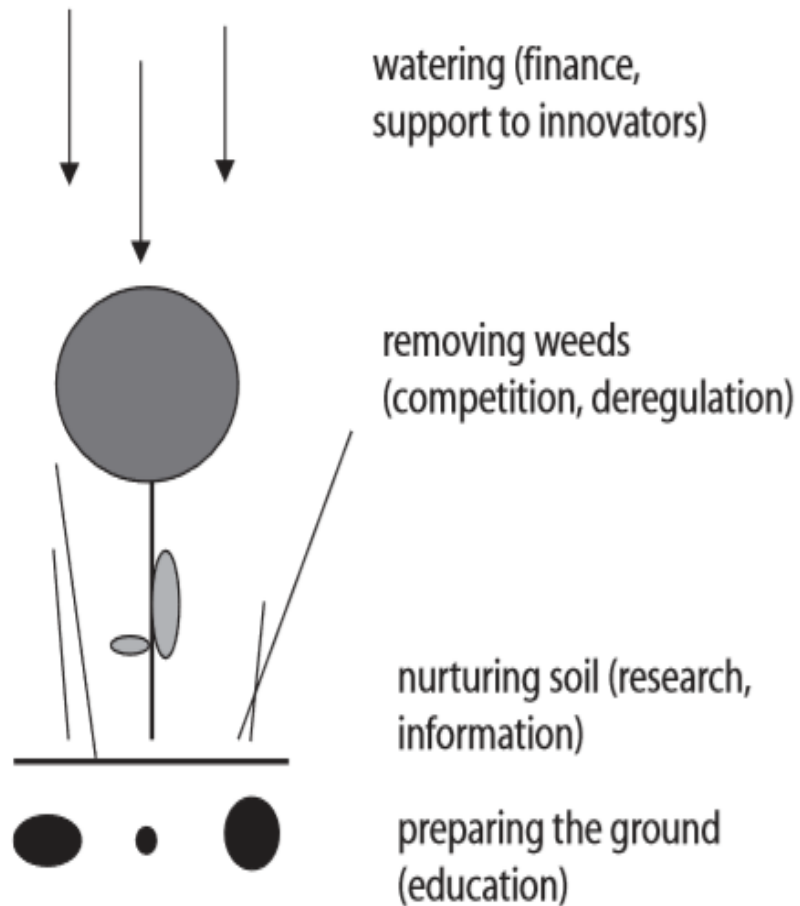
Viet Nam: Prime Minister's Directive 16/CT-TTg on Strengthening Access to the Fourth Industrial Revolution (2017); 2020 Broadband Plan (2016)

Source: ASEAN Secretariat Draft Report

3.2. Select Industry 4.0 policies in ASEAN Member States (cont'd)

Philippines:

- Inclusive, Innovation-led Industrial Strategy (i3s) (2017)
- Philippines Digital Strategy 2011-2015 (2011) (successor plan still being developed)
- National Broadband Plan
- e-Government Master Plan 2016-2020 (EGMP 2.0)



Source: World Bank (2010)

3.3. Gardening innovation

3.3.1. Preparing the ground (Education)



- Govt must pursue education reform and promote lifelong learning; It should work with stakeholders to provide learners future skills needed

Source: WEF (2015)

3.3.2. Nurturing soil (Research, Information)

- According to the 2015 Survey of Innovation Activities (conducted by PIDS), two out of every 5 firms are innovation-active.
 - Large firms innovating more than MSMEs
- While the Philippines has had a slight increase in R&D expenditure to GDP in recent years, this spending is still at less than a fifth of one percent of GDP, which is below the 1 % benchmark recommended by UNESCO.
 - The country's share of spending in GDP also falls below spending of several ASEAN member states, especially Singapore (2.4 %) and Malaysia (1.3 %), and even including Thailand (0.5 %) and Viet Nam (0.2 %).

3.3.3. Watering (Finance, Support to Innovation)

- Science for Change Program (S4CP)
- Balik Scientist 2.0
- SETUP
- DTI, DOST and CHED working in tandem on “i3S”
- Addressing issues on coverage, price and quality of internet

3.3.4. Removing Weeds (Competition, Deregulation)

- In the most recent *Doing Business 2018* (2018) report, the Philippines ranking slipped from 99th in 2017 to 113th behind Vietnam and Indonesia at 68th and 72nd, respectively.
 - The Philippines ranked lowest in “starting a business”
- According to the OECD (2016), foreign direct investment (FDI) restrictions in the Philippines are high by both regional and global standards.
- As regards the FDI Regulatory Restrictiveness Index, PH is the most restrictive economy among the 62 OECD and non-OECD countries included in the database. Compared to other countries (e.g. China, Vietnam, India, Indonesia, and Malaysia) the regulatory environment for FDI in the Philippines has not changed much in the last 20 years.

3.4. Other challenges and issues

- Responsive and adaptive regulation
 - Regulatory sandbox
 - “Whole of Government”
- Labor market and social protection
 - Flexible and forward-looking labor market
 - Portable and strengthened social protection systems
 - Universal basic income (???)
- Taxation reform/upgrade (???) to fund strengthened social protection to counter likely inequalities

Fourth PIDS Annual Public Policy Conference (APPC) on Sept 19, 2018

- *A broad view of the technological landscape, technological breakthroughs, and a glimpse into the future*
- *Socio-economic consequences of FRe and related policy ideas: How does it affect the poor and marginalized?*
- *Parallel sessions*
 - *Agriculture, manufacturing, and services*
 - *Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI)*
 - *Labor market and social protection*
 - *Human capital development (education and training)*
- *Ways forward*



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“The Fourth Industrial Revolution can compromise humanity's traditional sources of meaning—work, community, family, and identity—or it can lift humanity into a new collective and moral consciousness based on a sense of shared destiny. **The choice is ours.**” —Klaus Schwab, *The Fourth Industrial Revolution*

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