



# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note



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| Population | Ease of Doing | (millions) | Business Rank | (2016) | (2016) | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.000 | (136.0000 | (136.0000

#### **Macro Indicators**

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GDP growth (annual %)	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Current account balance	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Fiscal balance (% of GDP)	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]	0.84	1.09	1.03	0.89	_	_	
Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Consumer Price Index, annual percent change	_	_	_	_			
Investment indicators	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
Gross domestic investment (% GDP)	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1]	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]	1.83	4.01	0.74	2.22	_	_	
Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]	4.10	9.74	NA	_	_	_	

#### **Trade Indicators**

	Avg 2002-2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)	NA	_	_	_	_	_
Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)	NA	_	_			_
Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	NA	_	_	_	_	_
Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms)	NA	_	_			_
Total reserves in months of imports [1]	NA				_	_

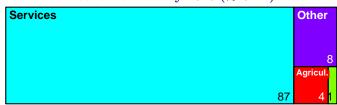
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Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015

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Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)



Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

### Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014

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#### Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

	Capitai	Intermediate goods
		Raw
66	19	materials

Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

	DB 2015 Rank	DB 2016 Rank	Change in Rank
Dealing with Construction Permits	96	101	-5
Ease of Doing Business Rank	131	136	-5
Enforcing Contracts	129	130	-1
Getting Credit	71	79	-8
Getting Electricity	137	138	-1
Paying Taxes	129	131	-2
Protecting Minority Investors	182	182	0
Registering Property	46	46	0
Resolving Insolvency	166	166	0
Starting a Business	109	116	-7
Trading Across Borders	155	155	0

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

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### WEF Competitiveness Indicators (Scale 1-5, 5=best)

# Logistics Performance Index (Scale 1-5, 5=best)

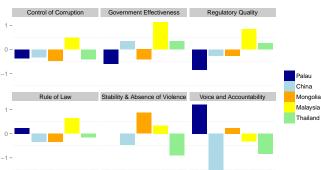
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Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

# World Governance indicators (Std. score, High=best)



**Trade Policy** 

	2010	2012
Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted)	5	4.8
Dispersion (Standard Deviation)	34.1	29.9
Import duties collected [1]		_
MFN Tariff (Agriculture)	12.1	10.7
MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)	3.3	3.2
MFN Tariff (Simple Average)	4.4	4.2
Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]	_	_

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

Source: Worldwide Governance Indicators

### Private Sector's Views

### **Enterprise Survey 2013**

Key Subsection CountryCode Period Scale Observation Source IndicatorShort

Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondants)

Top 5 constraints according to WEF 2015 survey (% respondants among 88 executives)

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Source: Enterprise Survey 2013 Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

