The Future of Economics: Ideas and Patents as New Currency

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1 Introduction

The economic landscapes of both the USA and the European Union are undergoing significant transformations due to the advent of AI and robotics. While the USA has been a pioneer in technological advancements, the EU's approach, characterized by its emphasis on data privacy and digital rights, presents a unique model. This comparison will be a recurring theme throughout this document. As we stand on the cusp of a technological revolution driven by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and robotics, traditional economic models are poised for disruption. This manifest explores the future economic landscape, focusing on the role of ideas and patents as the new form of currency.

2 AI and Robotics in the EU and USA

This section delves into how AI and robotics are being integrated into the economies of both the EU and the USA. The EU's single market and regulatory framework, including GDPR, play a crucial role in shaping the development of these technologies, presenting a contrast to the USA's more market-driven approach.ic Labor in Future Factories.

- Automation will lead to fully automated factories, reducing the need for human labor.
- The advent of Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) will further reduce human involvement in complex tasks.
- This shift will disrupt traditional economic models based on human labor.

3 Economic Impact of Automation

- Traditional jobs will decline, leading to increased unemployment rates.
- Wealth may concentrate among those who own and control automated technologies.
- New economic models focusing on intellectual property might emerge.

3.1 Logical Explanation for IP-Centric Economic Models

- Decline of Traditional Labor: Advanced AI and robotics will reduce the need for traditional human labor.
- Rise of Intellectual Contributions: The value of intellectual contributions such as innovation will increase.
- Tangibility of Intellectual Property: Intellectual contributions can be codified into patents, making them a tangible asset.
- Existing IP Markets: Markets for trading IP already exist but could become more prominent.
- Conclusion: New economic models may emerge that focus on intellectual property as a primary form of value and trade.

4 China vs The Future Ecosystem

- China's current stabilized governmental system is largely based on human labor
- The future AI and robotics-driven ecosystem could disrupt China's current model.
- China may employ strategies like aggressive AI research to gain control over the new ecosystem.

5 U.S. and EU Leadership in the New Ecosystem

- The U.S. and EU could set global standards for this new form of currency.
- Ensuring leadership in this new ecosystem could be a matter of national security.
- U.S. leadership could ensure democratic values in the governance of this new economic model.

6 Ideas and Patents: EU vs USA Perspective

The approach to ideas and patents, especially in the context of AI, significantly differs between the EU and the USA. This section explores these contrasts and their implications.

6.1 Patent Laws and AI in the EU vs USA

The EU's patent system, characterized by stricter data privacy and digital rights, contrasts with the more liberal approach in the USA. This impacts the way AI-related innovations are patented and commercialized in each region.

6.2 Commercialization and Valuation of AI Innovations

The EU's focus on human-centric and trustworthy AI influences the valuation and protection of intellectual property. In contrast, the USA's market-driven approach often leads to a rapid commercialization and broader patent categories for AI technologies.

6.3 Future Implications on Global Economy

These differences between the EU and USA in handling AI-related ideas and patents will shape the future economic landscape, influencing global trends in AI development, intellectual property rights, and economic policies.

7 Strategic and Ethical Considerations in AI

As AI reshapes the economic landscape, strategic management and ethical considerations become paramount. This section discusses the balance between innovation and regulation, ensuring AI's alignment with societal values and economic strategies.

8 Public Administration and Policy in AI-Driven Economics

The role of public administration in navigating the AI-driven economic transformation is critical. This section explores policy implications and the integration of AI in public sector strategies, reflecting a perspective that resonates with Damian's background in public administration and policy.

9 Global Economic Impact of AI

AI's potential in boosting global economic activity is immense. By 2030, it could add approximately \$13 trillion to global economic activity, significantly enhancing cumulative GDP. This growth stems from AI's role in creating a new virtual workforce, innovating across sectors, and generating new revenue streams.¹

¹Source: McKinsey

10 European Union's Approach to AI

The EU's AI strategy is centered around excellence, trust, and safety. Aiming to become a global AI hub, the EU plans substantial investments in AI, focusing on human-centric and trustworthy AI.²

11 Legal Framework and Trust in AI in the EU

Establishing trustworthy AI involves a safe, innovation-friendly environment. The EU's proposed legal framework for AI addresses fundamental rights and safety risks, providing clarity for AI stakeholders.³

12 Conclusion

The future economic landscape in both the USA and the EU will be significantly shaped by the advancements in AI and robotics. Collaboration and knowledge exchange between these economic powers will be crucial for leveraging the potential of these technologies. The future is uncertain but ripe with opportunities. As AI and robotics reshape the world, ideas and patents could very well become the new gold standard with the help of AI itself. It is imperative for nations, especially the U.S. and EU, to lead this new frontier to ensure a stable and democratic future.

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²Source: European Commission ³Source: European Commission